



SHIRAZ 2005

AYAMA

VINTAGE:

2005

ORIGIN:

PAARL

HARVEST DATE:

MARCH 2005 BY HAND

BLEND INFORMATION:

100% SHIRAZ FROM OUR VINEYARDS.

BOTTLING DATE:

NOVEMBER 2005

CLIMATE:

MEDITERRANEAN CLIMATE WITH MODERATE SUMMERS AND COLD, RAINY WINTERS.

RAINFALL OF APPROXIMATELY 600 - 800 MM ANNUALLY.

SOIL:

GRAVELLY, WELL-DRAINED SOILS, AS WELL AS PEDERBERG MOUNTAIN SANDSTONE.

VINIFICATION:

GRAPES WERE HARVESTED AT AN OPTIMUM RIPENESS OF 24°B, INOCULATED WITH A PURE YEAST STRAIN AND FERMENTED ON THE SKINS UNTIL DRY. AFTER ALCOHOLIC FERMENTATION WAS COMPLETED, MALOLACTIC FERMENTATION TOOK PLACE BEFORE THE WINE WAS MATURED IN STEEL TANKS.

SERVING SUGGESTIONS:

IDEAL WITH GOULASH, KASSLER RIB, ROAST VENISON AND MEATBALLS.

TASTING NOTES:

THIS FULL RED WINE'S BOUQUET SUGGESTS RIPE BERRIES OVERLAID WITH GREEN PEPPER AND SPICY FLAVOURS. THERE IS EXCELLENT FOLLOW THROUGH ONTO THE PALATE WHERE THE PEPPERY FLAVOURS DOMINATE. THE WELL-INTEGRATED RIPE TANNINS MAKE FOR EASY ACCESSIBILITY.

AGEING POTENTIAL

READY FOR IMMEDIATE ENJOYMENT BUT WILL MATURE WELL FOR UP TO 3 YEARS.

IDEAL SERVED AT :

18 – 19° C.

PRODUCTION:

45.000 BOTTLES.

WINE ANALYSIS:

ALCOHOL 14.10%

RESIDUAL SUGAR 2.19 G/L

ACIDITY 5.16 G/L

PH 3.57

PRODUCER COMMENT:

THE SOUL OF AFRICA RESIDES AT SLENT, AT THE FOOT OF THE PERDEBERG. NATURE OFFERS THRILLING GOLDEN RED SUNSETS THAT ENCOMPASS TABLE MOUNTAIN. IT ALSO OFFERS YOU UNBELIEVABLE SURPRISES...LIKE FINDING A FAMILY OF BABOONS DELIGHTING IN OUR SHIRAZ GRAPES. IT'S A UNIQUE SIGHT. THEY MEANDER THROUGH THE GRAPEVINES PICKING THE RIPEST BUNCH AND CARRY IT UNDER THEIR ARMS TO THEN LOSE IT ON PICKING ANOTHER ONE. THE LOSS IS NOT IRREPARABLE; OUR WATCHDOGS SEND THEM AWAY AND LET US HARVEST WHAT BECOMES THE CONTENT OF THIS BOTTLE. A SMOOTH, FRUITY, HEARTY AND PLEASANT WINE FOR THE PALATE AND SMELL. OUR BABOONS CAN GUARANTEE THAT!

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