

TULBAGH

Shiraz Rosé 2023

The wine has a rose petal colour with plum, red berry and cherry flavours. The mouth feel is well balanced with a fresh finish.

Harvest

Cultivar: Shiraz
Clones: SH1, SH9
Rootstock: Mgt 101-14
Age: Average 16 years

Soil: Partially weathered shale soils Harvest: Third week of February 2023

Yield: 7,6 ton/ha (42 hl/ha)

Balling: 23 °B pH: 3.30 Total acid: 5.9 g/l

Fermentation

The grapes were hand-picked in the early morning and force-cooled to 4 °C. Then they were bunch-sorted, destemmed and berry-sorted on vibration tables by 25 highly trained staff. The berries were gently crushed into a satellite tank and deposited in a closed fermenter. After a cold soak of 1 hours the juice was drained and allowed to settle for 48 hours to remove the coarse sediment. It was then racked to a fermentation tank and allowed to warm up before being inoculated with Vin 13 yeast. A percentage of juice, drained from full ripe Shiraz was added for greater structure and mid-palate weight. Fermentation took 21 days to complete at 14 °C. The wine was left to settle and fined for protein stabilisation. It was given a coarse sheet filtration prior to bottling.

Analysis

Alcohol: 13.71 vol %
Total acid: 4.1 g/l
pH: 3.43
Residual sugar: 2.5 g/l
Volatile acidity: 0.49 g/l
Free sulphur: 38 mg/l
Total sulphur: 126 mg/l

