## Waterford Kevin Arnold Shiraz - Lloyd Francis 2011

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STELLENBOSCH

Cultivars: 92% Shiraz, 8% Mourvèdre

Vineyard: Stellenbosch

Quantity: 188 barrels

**Aging:** 22 months, old 335l French oak barrels

Wine Analysis: Alc 14.7%

**TA** 5.2 g/L **RS** 3.0 g/L **pH** 3.66

## **TASTING NOTE**

Floral, perfume notes and clove pepper spice lead the aromatics of this Stellenbosch Shiraz while accompanied by soft leather and liquorice undertones. The palate is seamless, with a great follow of flavour and natural acidity on the finish. Classic dry tannins countering the voluptuous nature of a Stellenbosch Shiraz. A finely balanced wine expressing true cultivar characteristics.

## **VINTAGE REVIEW**

An excellent cold winter but with less than ideal rainfall. The growing season started off rather fast with the warmer conditions and drier soils. Lack of wind and rain during flowering produced an excellent crop for the vintage. The growing season was hot and dry up until the end of harvest. Whites are rich with hints of oiliness and reds are soft textured with ripe fruit notes.

