

Darling Cellars Sir Charles Darling 2016

main variety Cabernet Sauvignon

analysis alc: 13.58 | ph: 3.6 | rs: 2.68 | ta: 6.22

type Red producer Darling Cellars

style Dry winemaker Pieter - Niel Rossouw & Carel Hugo

vintage 2016

taste Fruity wine of Darling

body Full

tasting notes

A deep and complex wine with layers of black fruit, cedar, honey, liquorice, chocolate and tobacco. Smooth but structured with a long lingering finish. In proper storage this wine will age very well.

blend information

70% Cabernet Sauvignon, 30% Merlot

food suggestions

Enjoy with roast beef, venison & wild mushroom wellington, slow roast leg of lamb flavoured with garlic and rosemary, beef tenderloin with roasted shallots, Peking duck and a good potjie.

in the vineyard

The grapes are harvested from dry land (un-irrigated) bush vines, planted on deep-red decomposed granite soils ideal for the retention of natural moisture. The climate, terroir and viticulture result wine rich in flavour but with soft tannins. Come harvest time, ripening is carefully monitored for optimal ripeness and grapes are hand harvested.

in the cellar

Grapes fermented on the skins for 15 to 21 days. Pressing portions were kept separately and only 8 of the best barrels were selected. Aged in French oak barrels for 22 months.