

Jonathan Tishbi Special Reserve

Red Wines



Jonathan Tishbi Special Reserve Cabernet - Merlot Sde Boker 2004

Red wine

Vineyards: Sde Boker and Judean Hills

Varieties: 50% Cabernet Sauvignon, 40% Merlot, 10% Cabernet Franc.

Wine Notes: This complex wine is characterized by its especially rich and full body. It possesses a deep red color with purple hues combined with black cherry, blackcurrant, ripe plums, violets, herbs with gentle hints of mint and oak. Its flavors display ripe black plums, mint and oak with nuances of dark chocolate. Its balanced acidity combines excellently with its smoky character derived from aging in oak, leaving a long lasting finish on the palate. The substantial measure of astringency and acidity in the wine constitutes for an aging potential of the next five to ten years. We suggest serving this wine with beef, goose or lamb. Recommended serving temperature: 18°C (64°F).

Winemaking: The grapes were harvested in the early hours of the morning and whilst maintaining a low temperature, were transferred immediately to the stainless steel vats on the winery's premises. After the grapes were left in contact with their skins for two days, specially imported yeast from Bordeaux was added to the temperature-controlled vats. Fermentation of the wine continued for 12 days, the temperature reaching 30°C (86°F) on completion of the process. This method of fermentation guarantees the maximum extraction of the grape skins' color, flavor and aroma together with their tannic qualities. After this procedure, the grapes are then separated from their peel, followed by a malolactic fermentation in new French oak barrels. The wine continues to mature in the barrels for a period of 24 months.

Alcohol by Volume: 14%





Awards:



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The wine was ranked number 4 in Gary Vaynerchuk's the "101 Wines" book (most highly recommended wines of the world) and nicknamed by the author as "Jewish Bordeaux".