

SHINER

CHAPTER 3

by Deon Meyer

"I bring you a message," Pigface says. Serious frown, big shoulders hunched, like it's a heavy responsibility. "Go away. You are nothing, Jon Maree. A has-been. A ... uh ...," Searching for the right word: "A nuisance..," Nods his head, proud of himself for finding it. "Only reason we haven't killed you yet, we don't need the heat from the law. But if we have to ...," A shrug, indicating the inevitable.

A lifetime of listening to men talking tough, sick and tired of it, Maree sighs. As if he accepts. His hands already on the table, he reaches for the hair. He grabs a handful, slams Pigface hard into the scarred table. Pulls the hair up. Launches himself from the seat, head-butts the brute on the nose. Blood splatters, slams the face down again, all his anger in there.

Crunch of bone breaking.

At the bar, the lean, wiry one with the snake tattoo down his arm goes for the pistol in his belt behind his back, under the army green T-shirt.

Maree is up, throws the chair at the man, rushes him. .../Cont

SHINER NV #3

Shows a deep black and red core. On the nose there is abundant aromas of black currants, chocolate, espresso roast and charcoal. The Cabernet in the blend brings out incense, balsamic and black pepper corns. A gentle oak impression and a incredible richness leads to a well-integrated palate. Wine will last for another 20 years.

Drink the mystery #Shiner.

Blend: 48% Cabernet Sauvignon, 48% Petit Verdot and 4% Carmenere

Alcohol: 13.85% pH: 3.84 Total Acid: 5.3 g /litre

Residual Sugar: 3.3 g /litre

Wine of Origin Franschoek

