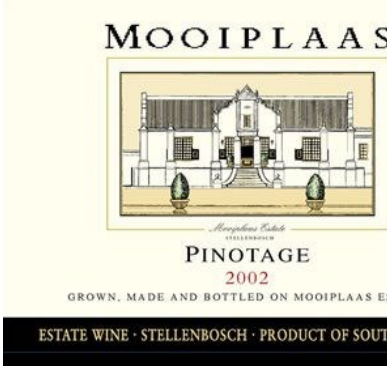
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Mooiplaas Pinotage 2002



Purple colour, nose very typical, shows flavours of ripe plums and cherries, which is usual for Pinotage in Bottelary. Not as ripe as 01 vintage, but good fruit structure enhanced by oak component, soft and fruity with a good finish.

Serve with game and oxtail.

variety : Pinotage | 94% Pinotage, 6% Cabernet Sauvignon
winery : Mooiplaas Estate
winemaker : Louis Roos
wine of origin : Stellenbosch
analysis : **alc :** 14.4 % vol **rs :** 1.23 g/l **pH :** 3.86 **ta :** 5.36 g/l
type : Red **style :** Dry **wooded**
pack : Bottle **closure :** Cork

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ageing : Made to drink at an early age, but should be able to age well.

in the vineyard : Age of Vines: 27 years
Rootstocks: Richter 99
Trellising: Bush vines
Soil Type: Estcourt (high potential)

about the harvest: Yield: 36hl/ha
Date Harvested: 12 -13 February and 26 - 27 February 2002
Grape analysis: Balling 26.9; pH 3.51; TA 7.8 g/l

in the cellar : Yeast Type: WE372 and NT50
Fermentation: 3 - 4 Days on the skins in closed tanks at 20° - 25° C, pump over three times per day, pressed at 10° Balling.
Maturation: 6% of the blend spent 24 months in 300 litre barrels (Cabernet Sauvignon 2000 vintage), the rest of the blend was unoaked