

## KWV Lifestyle Pinotage 2007

This medium bodied wine has flavours and aromas of ripe plum and red berries complimented by hints of coffee and mocha. The wine has a smooth and lingering aftertaste.

Enjoy this wine on its own or with or with red meat, chicken, pasta and tomato based dishes.

**variety :** Pinotage | 100% Pinotage

**winery :** KWV Classic Collection

**winemaker :** The Winemaking Team

**wine of origin :** Coastal

**analysis :** alc : 15.04 % vol   rs : 4.27 g/l   pH : 3.75   ta : 5.57 g/l

**type :** Red   **style :** Dry   **body :** Medium   **taste :** Fruity   **wooded**

**pack :** Bottle   **closure :** Cork

**in the vineyard :** Severe warm weather experienced during January resulted in an earlier than usual start to the harvest. These conditions lasted well into the second week of February and lead to rapidly rising sugar levels. From February 8 temperatures declined and subsequently the sugars dropped and harvesting of white and red grapes slowed considerably. Due to the cooler conditions sugar levels increased very slowly whilst grape flavours developed noticeably. The ripening conditions were close to perfect for the tail-end of the crop.

### ABOUT THE AREA

South Africa's vineyards are mostly situated in the Western Cape near the coast. This is the southernmost region of the African continent, and has a Mediterranean type climate and diverse soils perfectly suited to quality grape production.

**about the harvest:** Harvesting took place in February when the grapes were at optimal ripeness.

**in the cellar :** After harvesting the grapes were crushed and the juice was then fermented on the skins until dry. Malolactic fermentation took place, and the wine was then matured in 300 litre oak barrels for 12 months before being blended and bottled.

