

## Kleine Zalze Vineyard Selection Pinot Noir 2008

The wine shows a bright red colour with intense tangy currants and mineral fruit flavours. The Pinot Noir aged in French oak barrels adds a good, soft complexity with well integrated firm oaky tannins. The wine shows an elegant, silky length with a medium full structure.

**variety** : Pinot Noir | 100% Pinot Noir

**winery** : Kleine Zalze Wines

**winemaker** : Johan Joubert

**wine of origin** : Stellenbosch

**analysis** : alc : 14.0 % vol   rs : 4.2 g/l   pH : 3.42   ta : 6.3 g/l

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

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

**in the vineyard** : The crop varied between 6 - 9 tons per hectare, and the conditions leading up to the harvest ensured that only the soft, ripe tannins of the Pinot Noir grapes were highlighted in the wine.

**about the harvest**: The grapes were harvested separately from 2 different blocks around our Atlantic coastline and from the Stellenbosch region at sugar levels between 24 and 25°B, with optimum ripeness. A green bunch pruning was done to ensure that only the best quality fruit were harvested.

**in the cellar** : The grapes were harvested and left for three days of cold maceration in the tanks. After inoculation with chosen yeasts, the juice was regularly pumped over for colour and soft phenol extraction. Fermenting dry, 50% of the blend went through malolactic fermentation in second and third fill barrel and 50% in stainless steel tanks for 12 months. The remaining portion was matured in fourth fill barrels.



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