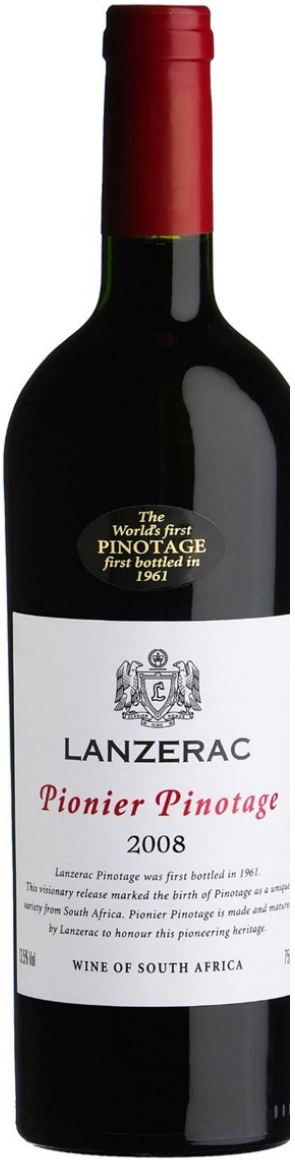
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Lanzerac Pionier Pinotage 2008

The Lanzerac Pionier Pinotage is a tribute to the first world's first bottled Pinotage - a 1959 Lanzerac Pinotage.

The 2008 Pionier posses an excellent deep colour, with typical varietal aromas like ripe, plumy red fruits on the nose. A big mouth-feel, complex pallet with earthy tones and a long and lingering aftertaste rounds of this wine. With five to ten years' maturation it will start to acquire the velvet density and luxurious chocolate and caramel flavours for which it's predecessors is known.

Malay currie, bobotie, venison



variety : Pinotage | 100% Pinotage
winery : Lanzerac
winemaker : Wynand Lategan
wine of origin : Stellenbosch
analysis : **alc :** 14.43 % vol **rs :** 3.4 g/l **pH :** 3.38 **ta :** 6.0 g/l
type : Red **style :** Dry **body :** Full **taste :** Fruity **wooded**
pack : Bottle **closure :** Cork

in the vineyard : Vineyard blocks: Single vineyard block
Area: 2.38ha
Crop size: 14.5tons
Altitude: 400 - 420 meter above sea level
Age of vines: 11 Years
Rootstock: Richter 110
Clones: PI 48
Soil: Deep gravel soil
Plant direction: N/S
Trellising: Perold system
Space between rows: 2,74 m
Space between vines: 1.2m
Irrigation: Micro
Canopy management: Winter pruning is followed by effective suckering and shoot thinning during summer. Optimal balance between vigour and crop load is achieved by pruning through the correct number of bearer eyes(2).

about the harvest: Yield: 5 t/ha

All harvesting is done by hand. Extreme care is taken not to damage grapes and only healthy grapes are picked. Grapes are picked when fully ripe.

Harvest date: February 2008

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