

## 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 possesses an excellent deep colour, with typical varietal aromas like ripe, plummy 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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