

## DeWaal Top of the Hill Pinotage 2007

Ink dark wine with intense flavours of rich black plum fruit, cigars, dark chocolate and spiciness.

**variety :** Pinotage | 100% Pinotage

**winery :** De Waal Wines

**winemaker :** Daniel de Waal

**wine of origin :** Stellenbosch

**analysis :** alc : 14.11 % vol rs : 2.1 g/l pH : 3.74 ta : 5.5 g/l

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

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

Four previous vintages (1996, 1997, 2000 & 2001) have been worthy of this honour and all have received the ABSA Top 10 Pinotage award. The Top-of-the-Hill Pinotage wines also boast with 4½ and 5 stars in John Platter's Wine Guide, was awarded WINE magazine Pinotage Champion and received Double gold at the Veritas Awards.

**ageing :** 10 - 20 years

**in the vineyard :** Location of vineyard: On warmer north facing slopes

Soil type: Gravel & loam

Age of vineyard: 55-60 years

Rootstock: R99

Method of trellising: Bushvines

**about the harvest:** Sugar level at harvest: 26° Balling

Yield per hectare: 3.5 tons/ha

**in the cellar :** Cellar Maturation: 24 months 225-litre French barriques (100% new)

Bottling Date: December 2008

