

## Rijks Reserve Pinotage 2008

Wine has a vibrant deep red colour. Sensual nose of blackcurrant and cherries, supported by ginger biscuit and banana leaf aromas. These exquisite aromas carry through onto a rich, creamy palate. Silky, well integrated and concentrated tannins keep this wine in perfect harmony and balance.

Recommended to be served at 17°C

**variety :** Pinotage | 100% Pinotage

**winery :** Rijks Wine Estate

**winemaker :** Pierre Wahl

**wine of origin :** Tulbagh

**analysis :** alc : 14.81 % vol    rs : 2.7 g/l    pH : 3.62    ta : 5.7 g/l

**type :** Red      **wooded**

**pack :** Bottle    **size :** 0    **closure :** Cork

Classic Wine Awards 2013 - Top 6 PinotageSAWi Awards - Platinum  
Old Mutual Trophy Wine Show 2013 - Bronze  
Platter 2013 4½ stars  
Michelangelo CCL Label International Wine Awards 2012 - Gran d'Or  
Old Mutual Trophy Wine Show 2012 - Bronze  
2012 ABSA Top 10 Pinotage - Top 20 Finalist  
Michelangelo Internatioanl Wine Awards – Double Gold  
Trophy winner at International Wine & Spirits Competition for best Pinotage in the world  
Rated as one of the Top 100 wines in SA  
Top Wine SA's 2012 Expert's Choice Award for best Pinotage  
One of the two top scoring wines in the Classic Wine's 2012 Top 6 Pinotage with 4½ stars

**ageing :** 15 Years after vintage

**in the vineyard :** Viticulturist: Neville Dorrington

Soil: Low yielding, well drained vertical shale/schist

Aspect: west-north-west & east

**about the harvest:** Grapes were night harvested; picked by hand to retain flavours.

**in the cellar :** A 48-hour cold maceration period was given prior to fermentation to extract colour and fruit. Extraction during fermentation took place by doing manual punch downs 3 times per day. Skins were gently pressed before fermented dry. MLF took place in barrels, after which it was matured for 20 months in 60% new and 40% 2nd fill French oak barrels. This wine was made by blending a strict selection of the best 10 barrels.

**Production:** 680 x 6 x 750ml

### Rijks Wine Estate

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