

DeWaal Top of the Hill Pinotage 2011

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

Venison, red meats and casseroles.

variety : Pinotage | 100% Pinotage

winery : De Waal Wines

winemaker : Daniel de Waal

wine of origin : Stellenbosch

analysis : alc : 14.0 % vol rs : 3.0 g/l pH : 3.55 ta : 5.7 g/l

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

pack : Bottle **closure** : Cork

DeWaal Pinotages have received the ABSA Top 10 Pinotage award 6 times. 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 have received Double Gold medals at the Veritas Awards on numerous occasions.

ageing : 10 - 20 years

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

Soil type: Gravel & loam

Age of vineyard: 61 years

Rootstock: R99

Method of trellising: Bushvines

about the harvest: Sugar level at harvest: 25.5° Balling

Harvest Date: 17 February 2011

Yield per hectare: 3.0 tons/ha

in the cellar : Fermentation and Maceration Period: 14 days

Cellar Maturation: 21 months 225 litre French barriques (100% new)

Bottling Date: April 2013

Market Release Date: May 2013

