

## Allee Bleue Starlette Pinotage 2013

The wine has a vibrant ruby red color. Abundant strawberry and ripe cherry flavors on the nose. A slight hint of chocolate, liquorice and coffee gives added complexity. The palate is smooth and soft with beautiful fruit that lingers. Elegant tannin structure rounds off this accessible wine.

The wine is a perfect companion for a juice lamb roast with baby vegetables or fresh pasta at your favourite Italian place. Or enjoy it on its own.

**variety :** Pinotage | 100% Pinotage

**winery :** Allee Bleue Estate

**winemaker :** Van Zyl du Toit

**wine of origin :** Franschhoek

**analysis :** alc : 13.9 % vol    rs : 3.7 g/l    pH : 3.56    ta : 5.4 g/l

**type :** Red    **style :** Dry    **wooded**

**pack :** Bottle    **size :** 750ml    **closure :** Cork

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**ageing :** Elegant tannin structure rounds of the this accessible wine which will age well over the next 2 - 3 years.

**in the vineyard :** The grapes were sourced from our own vineyards and from a selected sites in Franschhoek Valley.

**in the cellar :** After harvesting, cooling and sorting, the grapes were crushed to the red fermenters and a cold soak done at 7°C for 3 days. After inoculation with yeast the punch downs started intensely for 4 days before pressing at 8°B. This ensures a supple and smooth Pinotage. The finished wine underwent MLF in barrel and tank and further maturation for 12 months on staves before blending and bottling.

