

## Neethlingshof Lord Neethling Pinotage 1999

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Winemaker Philip Constandius describes this as an elegant wine with raspberry and cherry aromas and flavours with a touch of vanilla. He believes the supple and dry tannins not only provide the backdrop to its prominent fruit flavours but also ensure the wine will age well over the next five to six years. In his view it makes an ideal companion to venison dishes.

variety : Pinotage | 100% Pinotage

winery : Neethlingshof Wine Estate

winemaker : Philip Constandius

wine of origin : Coastal

analysis : alc : 13.76 % vol rs : 2.4 g/l pH : 3.75 ta : 6.1 g/l va : 0.92 g/l so2 :  
124 mg/l fso2 : 32 mg/l

type : Red

pack : Bottle

Fairbairn Capital Trophy Wine Show 2003 - Silver

Veritas 2002 - Silver

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ageing : This young wine can be enjoyed now but will gain even more complexity when cellared for many years to come.

in the vineyard : The wine was made from 25 year-old south east facing trellised vines grown in gravel soil with sandy and clay sub-structures. The vineyards, established at an altitude of between 160m and 170m above sea level, are exposed to cooling False Bay breezes.

about the harvest: The grapes were hand-harvested at 25Â° Balling early in March, picked when the berries were still crisp but exhibiting a sound sugar/acid balance.

in the cellar : Each block was individually vinified. The grapes were fermented on the skins for five days at between 25Â° to 30Â°C before malo-lactic fermentation was induced. Thereafter, the wine was aged for 14 months in 100% American Oak.



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