

Groot Constantia Pinotage 2000

Pinotage enjoys the cool climate of the valley. It has a good concentration of strawberry jam, lovely earthy flavours with subtle hints of smokiness on the nose. The tannins are lovely and soft and therefore drinkable quite early.

Serving suggestion: Oxtail and Cape Bredie and a Steak.

variety : Pinotage | Pinotage

winery : Groot Constantia Estate (founded 1685)

winemaker : Boela Gerber

wine of origin : Coastal

analysis : alc : 13.7 % vol rs : 2.2 g/l pH : 3.58 ta : 5.6 g/l

type : Red

in the vineyard : Climate: Mediterranean - Wonderful cool breezes coming from the Indian Ocean as well as the Atlantic Ocean. With an average rainfall of 1100 mm per annum. Although the weather this year was much cooler compared to last year.

Soil Type: Glenrosa soil with good water retention and a bit of Longkloof.

about the harvest: South facing slope of Glenrosa. Average age of the vines about 7 years. Picked Mid March at 24.5° Balling, yield approximately 6 Tons per hectare.

in the cellar : Fermented dry on the skins for 5 days. New 2nd and 3rd fill French oak barrels. The wine was in wood for 6 months in 300 litre barrels.

