

Longridge Pinotage 2016

Africa's only indigenous red wine cultivar from parent grapes Pinot Noir and Hermitage (Cinsault). Stylistically we focus on the fruit and characteristics of the Pinot Noir. An elegant, well rounded wine with soft juicy tannins, the nose offers sweet spices, cassis and ripe berries, sugared orange peel, rooibos and a smoky savoury character which follows through onto the palate, with a long and lingering aftertaste.

Steak

variety : Pinotage | 100% Pinotage

winery : Longridge Wine Estate

winemaker : Jasper Raats & Hendrien De Munck

wine of origin : Simonsberg-Stellenbosch

analysis : **alc** : 13. % vol **rs** : 2.0 g/l **pH** : 3.73 **ta** : 5.1 g/l

type : Red **body** : Medium **taste** : Fruity **wooded**

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

in the vineyard : Rooted in deep decomposed granite over clay soils on the slopes of the Helderberg Mountain, the vineyards enjoy the refreshingly cool breezes from False Bay (Atlantic Ocean) during the hot summer days, and cool mountain winds during the evening, resulting in even ripening of the berries

about the harvest: The vineyards are meticulously cared for by hand and the crop is reduced to ensure maximum quality. Organic and biodynamic practises are employed by not using any pesticides, herbicides or chemical spay.

in the cellar : Grapes were handpicked and sorted before being partially fermented in small bins and the balance in stainless steel tanks. Native yeast fermented (no commercial yeast added) for ± 7 days after initial cold soaking and barrel-matured in a combination of new and matured French oak barrels for 16 months.

