

## The Game Reserve Pinotage 2016

A 'proudly South African' cultivar exhibiting aromas of ripe cherry, strawberries and plums with ripe red berry fruit and spices on the palate. This full structured and well balanced wine rewards with a juicy but elegant mouthfeel and silky soft tannins.

Savour with slow-cooked casseroles, fillet, pastas, robust cheeses or a good old fashioned barbeque.

**variety :** Pinotage | 100% Pinotage

**winery :** Game Reserve Wines under Rooiberg Winery

**winemaker :** The Game Reserve Winemaking Team

**wine of origin :** Western Cape

**analysis :** alc : 14.33 % vol rs : 3.1 g/l

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

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

Aptly named the bat eared fox (*Otocyon megalotis*) these fascinating little creatures have large ears which can pinpoint sounds underground with 100 % accuracy. Active during the day and night, they feed mainly on termites and live in old ant bear dens in the ground. We are actively trying to protect this unique species, indigenous to the Rooiberg Breede River Conservancy, as they are often identified by farmers as jackals and killed.

**in the vineyard :** Pinotage vineyards from Stellenbosch and Paarl. Vineyards produce around 6 - 9 tons per hectare.

**about the harvest:** Handpicked at optimum ripeness.

**in the cellar :** Fermented in open and closed fermenters with regular punch downs and pump overs to ensure upfront fruit and soft extraction. Matured in 3rd and 4th fill barrels for 10 months with a portion of the blend left unoaked.

