

## Darling Cellars Reserve Old Blocks Pinotage 2017

This wine is very expressive and complex on the nose with flavours of red berries, black cherries, vanilla, butterscotch, red plums, coffee and nuances of strawberries. On the palate the flavours follow through with good structure and silky tannins. A really balanced wine with elegance and a lengthy aftertaste.

It could be enjoyed with oxtail, bobotie, lamb curry.

**variety :** Pinotage | 100% Pinotage

**winery :** Darling Cellars

**winemaker :** Pieter -Niel Rossouw & Carel Hugo

**wine of origin :** Darling

**analysis :** alc : 14.14 % vol    rs : 3.4 g/l    pH : 3.5    ta : 5.50 g/l

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

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

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Gold Wine Awards - Gold

The recent demarcation of the Darling district has led to a focus at Darling Cellars on wines which are terroir and varietal specific. The cool and temperate West Coast climate lends itself to a different micro- and meso climate which, along with the different types of soil, lead to unique grapes, which we guide into even more unique wines. Having 99% of all vineyards dry land and almost the same percentage as bush vine, this is as close to what nature intended for grapes to be as one can get.

Darling Cellars Reserve is a wine range of straight varietals where the focus is on fruit driven, varietal true, value for money wines.

**in the vineyard :** Terroir: Deep, decomposed granite soils on the slopes of the Darling Hills, with a cooling effect in the warm afternoons from the Atlantic Ocean in close proximity.

Vineyard type: Bush Vine, dry land.

**about the harvest:**

Yield: 5-6 t/ha

Balling at Harvest: 24-25° B

**in the cellar :** Vinification: Crush and destalk, 10 days fermentation at 20-30°C on skin. Pressed at 5-10°B.

Maturation: After malolactic fermentation, wine is racked into barrels for 12 months. A blend of 3rd and 4th fill French barrels are used.



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