

Franschhoek Cellar Stone Bridge Pinotage 2017

This fruit-driven Pinotage, which offers "a good, juicy glass of wine," was handled very gently in the cellar to preserve its generous aromas of black cherries, clove and raspberry jam. A smooth and juicy palate, redolent with ripe mulberries, and glimmers of tobacco and spice from gentle oakling, is followed by an appealingly savoury finish.

Serve with roast lamb, gammon steaks or spicy sausages.

variety : Pinotage | 100% Pinotage

winery : Franschhoek Cellar

winemaker : Stephan Smit

wine of origin : Western Cape

analysis : alc : 14.00 % vol rs : 3.5 g/l pH : 3.5 ta : 5.8 g/l

type : Red **body :** Full **taste :** Fragrant **wooded**

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

ageing : Drinking well already, but may be cellared for up to 5 years from vintage.

Built in 1825, the scenic Franschhoek mountain pass boasts the oldest stone bridge still in use in South Africa. Our own unique variety, Pinotage, is a fitting tribute to this historic landmark.

in the vineyard : The vineyards were planted on varied soil types that lend specific nuances and characters to each block of grapes, contributing to the complexity of the wine.

in the cellar : Gentle maceration to extract only refined and silky tannins and optimal colour, followed by French oak maturation for 8 – 12 months to help smooth out the wine and allow seamless integration.

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