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Ridgelands Pinot Noir 2018

Enticing nose of red berry fruits and delicate touches of undergrowth. Elegant entry with subtle aromas of strawberry and cherry, then the wine's tannin makes itself felt, and finally the finish shows delicious persistence.

variety : Pinot Noir | 100% Pinot Noir
winery : Elgin Vintners
winemaker : Marinda Kruger-Claassen
wine of origin : Elgin
analysis : **alc :** 13.06 % vol **rs :** 2.2 g/l **pH :** 3.57 **ta :** 5.4 g/l
type : Red **style :** Dry
pack : Bottle **size :** 750ml **closure :** Cork



Our Ridgelands range of wines are domain and vineyard specific. Carefully selected to express a true sense of place.

in the vineyard : This is a cool area, situated 12 - 20 km from the sea, with mean February (ripening stage) temperatures of 19 - 20°C. Soils are predominantly ferruginous (iron rich) gravel on highly weathered, soft Bokkeveld Group shale, situated at 200-300 m altitude and surrounded by Table Mountain sandstone mountains at heights of about 500-1 000m, sheltering the area from the often extremely strong south-easterly winds in summer.

in the cellar :
Delivered in 18 kg lug boxes at 16°C, these Pinot Noir grapes were hand sorted. 30% whole bunch whilst the rest were destemmed. Fermentation in open top fermenters with gentle punch-downs twice per day. The grapes were then gently pressed and added to traditional Burgundian 228 L oak
barrels (one third new wood) where the wine spent 11 months prior to filtering and bottling.