

## Survivor Pinotage 2020

A barrel-matured wine with hearty fruit flavours including dark cherry and plum. These are complemented by elegant spice notes and a hint cedar on the long finish.

Sweet Barbeque Ribs, Roast Chicken, Boerewors, Steak & Gouda Cheese

**variety :** Pinotage | 100% Pinotage

**winery :** Overhex Wines

**winemaker :** Ben Snyman

**wine of origin :** Swartland

**analysis :** alc : 14.5 % vol rs : 3.2 g/l pH : 3.5 ta : 5.8 g/l

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

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

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2022 Frankfurt International Trophy - Gold

**in the vineyard :** The soils are deep red Oakleaf and Hutton ensuring excellent water-retention and adding structure and fullness to the wines. The vines have been planted in such a way to benefit optimally from the cool Benguela current sea breezes. These breezes cause summer temperatures to range between 20 - 30°C.

**about the harvest:** Harvesting occurred at optimal ripeness when the grapes were between 25 - 26°Balling.

**in the cellar :** Picking was done in the early morning hours to ensure the grapes arrived cool at the cellar. Dry ice and sulphur was added prior to transport to protect the grapes from oxidation. Cold soaking was done for 24 hours before inoculation. Grapes remained on the skins for 24 hours to allow for colour extraction. Fermentation lasted between 4 and 6 days at 22 - 25°C. The wine underwent malolactic fermentation in 300L medium toasted Vicard and Taransaud barrels of which 20% was new and the rest second and third fill. 95% of the barrels were French oak and the remaining 5% was American oak to add a fruit and vanilla component. Barrel maturation lasted for 18 months whereby the wine was racked only once.

