

Kleine Zalze Cellar Selection Pinotage 2020

A very elegant and easy-drinking expression of Pinotage, the aroma reminds of mulberries and ripe plums, nuanced with a smoky undertone. The wine shows a lot of juicy red fruit on the palate with subtle floral and fynbos notes on the finish.

This wine is delightful on its own but can be successfully paired with lovely roast chicken or even an aromatic curry.

variety : Pinotage | 100% Pinotage

winery : Kleine Zalze Wines

winemaker : RJ Botha

wine of origin : Coastal Region

analysis : alc : 14.0 % vol rs : 2.7 g/l pH : 3.61 ta : 5.3 g/l

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

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

ageing : An elegant and supple tannin structure will allow the wine to mature well over the next 5 years.

in the vineyard : The grapes for this blend come primarily from the Stellenbosch area and are blended with selected parcels from regions such as Durbanville. After four consecutive dry winter seasons, the excellent rainfall in 2019 did manage to offer some relief. The effect of additional water could be seen immediately in the vineyards, and we had a particularly good growing season with more vigour. This meant our viticulture team had to pay careful attention to canopy management to ensure even ripening and that healthy bunches are delivered to the winery on harvest day

in the cellar : After picking, the grapes were destemmed and transferred to tank for "whole-berry" fermentation. Half of the wine was fermented in open cement tanks with regular punch downs and pump overs to extract tannin and colour. The remaining half was fermented in closed stainless steel tank and pumped over every 8 hours. The wines were pressed before complete alcoholic fermentation to ensure soft tannins and avoid any over-extraction. The wine was matured in 2nd and 3rd fill barrels for 12 months.



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