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Kleine Rust Red (Pinotage /Shiraz) 2021

Ripe raspberries and some pepper spice on the nose. The palate is soft, sumptuous, juicy and round with elegant tannins and lots of berry fruit.

This wine will complement food such as a rack of lamb with a mint dressing or even a thickly cut fillet of beef.

variety : Pinotage | 46% Pinotage, 44% Shiraz, 10% Cinsault
winery : Stellenrust Wine Estate
winemaker : Herman du Preez
wine of origin : Stellenbosch
analysis : **alc :** 14.09 % vol **rs :** 4.2 g/l **pH :** 3.58 **ta :** 5.1 g/l
type : Red **style :** Dry **body :** Soft **taste :** Fruity **wooded**
pack : Bottle **size :** 0 **closure :** Screwcap



Pinotage and Shiraz are two of the varieties that can express genuine fruit purity and forms a great synergy when blended in a search for fresh ripe fruit.

in the vineyard : The grapes for this wine come from a section of vineyards on our Golden Triangle farm on the slopes of the Helderberg in Stellenbosch.

about the harvest: Grapes are picked at optimum ripeness of 23 - 25 Balling.

in the cellar : Grapes were kept on the skin for cold maceration for at least 3 days. This also allows some natural fermentation to take place. The juice is then inoculated with a homemade brew of yeasts including three different commercial strains.

It is fermented in open stainless steel tanks at temperatures between 24 - 28° C and kept on its skins for 4 - 7 days with regular pump overs and punch downs. After fermentation, the free run juice is drained and the skins are gently pressed. It finishes malolactic fermentation in stainless steel tanks. Aged for 8 months in 3rd and 4th fill French oak.