

Warwick The First Lady Pinotage 2021

The nose leaps out of the glass with mulled strawberries, cherry, and spice. The palate is vibrant and silky with red cherries, dark chocolate, floral notes, and cinnamon. Silky tannins add texture to an alluring floral and elegant finish. Enjoy now or age for the next three to five years.

Barbecued pork belly

variety : Pinotage | 100% Pinotage

winery : Warwick Wine Estate

winemaker : JD Pretorius

wine of origin : Stellenbosch

analysis : alc : 14.0 % vol rs : 3.23 g/l pH : 3.60 ta : 5.22 g/l

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

pack : Bottle **size :** 0 **closure :** Cork

The First Lady Pinotage is a light and lively number that isn't shy of a bit of spice. In that sense, it's not unlike our legendary First Lady, Normal Ratcliffe, who became the first woman to serve as Chairperson for the prestigious Cape Winemakers' Guild. Her legend lives on in this range.

in the cellar : Grapes are picked at optimal ripeness and transported to the cellar and de-stemmed into tank. The wine spent between 4 and 7 days on the skins depending on the tannin structure, with three to four pump overs per day and then pressed to undergo malolactic fermentation in tank. After completion the wine was aged for 14 months with various types of oak, 10% new oak was used, before blending and alight filtration and bottling in November 2021

