

Rijks 888 Pinotage Gold 2015

A dense, full-fruited and powerful wine, the bouquet is loaded with ripe, brambly berry and plum aromas that are hit with complementary notes of black pepper and a touch of cocoa powder. The palate is plush and decadent, with a superb balance between the supple yet structured tannins, ample acidity and bold black-fruit flavours.

Recommended to be served at 17° C.

variety : Pinotage | 100% Pinotage

winery : Rijks Wine Estate

winemaker : Adriaan Jacobs

wine of origin : Tulbagh

analysis : alc : 15.43 % vol rs : 2.8 g/l pH : 3.66 ta : 6.1 g/l

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

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

Full bodied red wine. Fruit driven food wine.

in the vineyard : Soil: Low yielding, well drained vertical shale/schist

Yield: 5,6 tons/Ha

Aspect: West-North-West

about the harvest: Grapes were night harvested and picked by hand to retain flavours.

in the cellar : Grapes were hand picked at night. A 56 hours cold maceration period was given prior to fermentation. Pigeage took place 3 times per day to extract tannin and colour. Skins were pressed at 5°B. MLF took place in barrels. Matured for 22 months in 66% new and 34% 2nd fill French oak barrels. A strict selection of 3 barrels.



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