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Flagstone Truth Tree Pinotage 2023

Colour: Bright ruby red colour.
Bouquet: Up-front dark berries with dark chocolate and subtle spicy undertones.
Palate: The palate is surprisingly rich and beautifully balanced. Flavours of darker blackberry and cherry with hints of dark chocolate and spicy oak.

Pinotage is an incredible wine, because it is versatile enough to pair across a huge spectrum of dishes from oysters to game to spicy Middle Eastern cuisine. In fact, like Dragon Tree, it loves spices and even chillies. It is gorgeous with slow-cooked duck drizzled with a pomegranate and cardamom gravy and served with potatoes roasted in duck dripping as well as a green salad of bitter leaves.



variety : Pinotage | 100% Pinotage
winery : Flagstone Wines
winemaker : Gerhard Swart
wine of origin : Western Cape
analysis : **alc :** 14 % vol **rs :** 3.4 g/l **pH :** 3.69 **ta :** 5.7 g/l
type : Red **style :** Dry **body :** Full **taste :** Fragrant **wooded**
pack : Bottle **size :** 750ml **closure :** Cork

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ageing : Can be enjoyed now but can keep for another 3 - 5 years.

At Flagstone we aim to make wine that respects our 350 year old winemaking heritage, while always celebrating the magnificence of nature. We want to make gorgeous wines that stimulate your brain as much as they please your taste buds.

The Truth Tree is the translation of the common name in isiXhosa for an Erythrina or Coral Tree. These are indigenous to the Eastern Cape, although they are part of the pea family and related species are distributed worldwide in tropical and sub-tropical areas. Distinctive bright red flowers appear in winter and the tree is quite breathtakingly beautiful. The flower is used by a surprising breadth of countries as the national floral emblem including Argentina, Uruguay, states of Japan and Thailand. It also has huge religious significance in Hinduism and Tibetan Buddhism.

It is said that the Xhosa believe that if you tell a lie in the shade of a Truth Tree, terrible things will befall you. As a result, important village council meetings, especially around critical issues and disputes, etc. would always be held in the shade of the Truth Tree.

in the cellar : This wine is proudly vegan. We use zero animal products in its production; electing plant-derived proteins instead. Interestingly, it maintains its status without compromising character and because of this, it's enhanced by the vegan- friendly process.

Fermentation: 100% French (10% new oak) for 18 months.

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