

## Helderberg Pinotage 2001

Ruby red with purplish edge. Lovely aromas of plums and red cherries. Soft ripe cherry flavours with a very good balance and length. Suitable for all occasions. Serve with Tzatziki Roast Beef or Roast Rack of Lamb with sautéed or pickled vegetables.

**variety :** Pinotage | Pinotage

**winery :**

**winemaker :** Our Winemaking Team

**wine of origin :** Coastal

**analysis :** alc : 13.0 % vol   rs : 1.7 g/l   pH : 3.6   ta : 5.26 g/l

**type :** Red

**ageing :** Drink the wine now or leave it to still develop in character and style for up to 3 years.

**in the vineyard :** Age of vines are between 12 - 25 years. Vines are grafted on rootstocks 101-14 Mgt, Richter 99 depending on the potential of the soil (weathered granite soil type) and planted on the lower Southern slopes. These vines are trellised on a 5-wire hedge system.

**about the harvest:** Grapes are sourced from low bearing (7 tons/ha) bush vines to ensure complex, well-structured fruit.

**in the cellar :** The must is fermented on skins for  $\hat{\pm}$  3 days when the juice is drawn off at 10 $\hat{\circ}$  Balling. Maturation takes place in third fill French oak barrels for 12 months.

