

Devon Hill Four Stars 2002

Maiden Vintage

Veritas 2006 - Bronze

A smooth, easy-drinking wine with loads of fruit; made to enjoy.

variety : Pinotage | 40% Pinotage, 30% Merlot, 15% Shiraz, 15% Cabernet Sauvignon

winery : Devon Hill Winery

winemaker : Theo Brink

wine of origin : Devon Valley

analysis : alc : 13.5 % vol rs : 2.5 g/l pH : 3.53 ta : 5.6 g/l

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

pack : Bottle

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in the vineyard : As the Valley lies less than 20km from the False Bay coast, it is greatly affected by the cool south sea breezes, which prevail in the summer months. Winter brings on the moisture-laden northwest winds, which result in most of the Valley's 750 mm of annual rainfall.

Soil: Deep red, decomposed Granite soil.

Trellising: Hedged (Perold system).

about the harvest: Yield: 4 - 6 tonnes / ha

in the cellar : The grapes were harvested at 24°C. Fermentation took place at 25°C - 28°C with regular pump-overs. Fermented until dry before being pressed.

Malolactic fermentation was allowed before the wine was matured in second and third-fill barrels for 12 months. It was then blended and bottled.