

Two Oceans Pinotage 2003

Winemaker Thinus Kruger describes the wine as deep ruby tinged with purple. On the nose it elicits aromas of berry fruit and prune undertones with hints of nutmeg and on the palate it is medium-bodied with rich fruit flavours of plums and strawberries.

This is an elegant, very approachable wine that is sufficiently versatile to be enjoyed with white and red meat dishes, as well as pastas.

variety : Pinotage | 100% Pinotage

winery : Two Oceans Wines

winemaker : Thinus Kruger

wine of origin : Coastal

analysis : alc : 12.66 % vol rs : 4.7 g/l pH : 3.43 ta : 5.3 g/l

type : Red

in the vineyard : This Distell label takes its name from the two great oceans that converge at the Cape, the Indian and the Atlantic. The Cape's Coastal region enjoys a temperate climate, cooled by day-time maritime breezes from both oceans and a drop in night-time temperatures to allow grapes to ripen slowly. In addition, the moderate humidity means vines are far less prone to disease than in areas with higher moisture levels.

To ensure the finest quality, grapes are sourced from vineyards in cool growing areas. The winemaker works very closely with a team of viticulturists and he closely supervises pruning, suckering and canopy management practices for optimal crop yield. During the ripening season the grapes are tasted daily for ripeness and also chemically analysed to ensure they are picked when varietal flavours are most concentrated, tannins are ripe and there is a good balance between fruit and acid. The grapes came from vineyards in the Helderberg and Durbanville areas, situated at altitudes ranging from 50 to 180 metres above sea level. The vines are grown as bush vines and were planted in 1985.

about the harvest: The grapes were harvested between 24° and 25° Balling at the beginning of February.

in the cellar : The wine was fermented for four days on the skins to preserve as much colour and fruit as possible. The wine was matured on French oak staves for nine months.



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