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# GROOT CONSTANTIA

## **PINOTAGE**

### VINTAGE

2005

#### **ORIGIN**

Western Cape, Constantia

Mediterranean - wonderful cool breezes coming from the Atlantic Ocean. With an average rainfall of 1100mm per annum.

#### SOIL TYPE

Glenrosa and Cartref

#### VINIFICATION

The first of the reds, the Pinotage was harvested in early February at 24.5 °Balling and fermented on the skins for about 5 days. The wine then spent 12 months in 40% new French oak barrels and the balance in 2nd and 3rd fill barrels.

#### PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

A wine to make South Africa proud of its unique variety. A full bodied style with an intense colour and prominent varietal aromas. Due to the cooler climate of the Constantia valley, Pinot Noir characters are expressed: red berry fruit, strawberries and a slightly earthy character. Soft tannins make it ready for immediate consumption and good maturation potential. To ensure the complexity and quality of this wine, it has not been stabilized or filtered.

#### SERVING SUGGESTION

Rich and hearty beef casserole. Springbok with peppercorn sauce. Slow-roasted leg of lamb.

#### WINEMAKER

Boela Gerber

#### ASSISTANT WINEMAKER Michelle Rhodes

#### **ANALYSIS**

Alcohol

:14%

PH

:3.66

**Total Acidity** 

:5.8g/l

Res. Sugar :2.5g/l

