



BEYERSKLOOF

Diesel Pinotage

From the classy, take-me-seriously bottle with its elegant label, featuring a delicate drawing of a remarkable canine companion, to the multiple awards proclaiming its status, it is obvious that Beyerskloof Diesel Pinotage is a wine to take note of. This wine shows what we are trying to accomplish with our elegant style of premium Pinotage. A local Hero.

Wine Name: Beyerskloof Diesel Pinotage
Varietal(s): 100% Pinotage
Vintage: **2011**
Soil: Oakleaf, Klappmuts
Trellising: Bush vines

Vintage Notes: Good rainfalls and cool weather during winter ensured good nutrient storage by the vines. The early summer saw mild temperatures with some cool evenings emulating into an even budding period. Above average temperatures during summer and the latter ripening periods made for an early but intensive harvest. The 2011 harvest saw average yields of healthy grapes with good primary fruit aromas and concentration of the young wines. Should be a good vintage for the Cape Red Varietals.

Winemaking: 5 days in open casks with punch downs every 2 hours. Average fermentation temperature was 25.5°C. After Malolactic fermentation in stainless steel tanks, the wine matured in 100% new French oak barrels for 21 months. After maturation, only 20 barrels were selected out of 300.



Technical Information

Total Acidity: 6.0 g/l
Alcohol: 15.0%
pH: 3.56
Total SO₂: 123 mg/l
Residual Sugar: 2.5 g/l
Age of Vines: 15 - 20 years old

Colour: Deep dark red.

Bouquet: Rich blackcurrent, dark cherries, prunes and cedar oak aromas.

Tasting notes: A big structured Pinotage with intense dark fruit flavours. A complex middle leads to a smooth finish with pleasant cedar flavours from the oak. Great balance between fruit and oak will allow superb ageing in the bottle for 10 years and more. The ideal match to spicy Indian dishes or a well matured rump/sirloin steak.