



LYNGROVE

Wines and Vineyards

STELLENBOSCH · SOUTH AFRICA

PLATINUM

PINOTAGE 2014

The Platinum range showcases the finest barrels of red wine from our cellar. It represents the soul and character of Lyn Grove and expresses classic structure and exceptional ageing potential.

ORIGIN: Stellenbosch (Helderberg)

VARIETIES: Pinotage

VINEYARD: These 3h of vines (planted in 2000) are drip-irrigated to ensure optimal ripening and trained on the 5-wire Perold trellis system. Vines are planted in soils consisting of weathered granite on clay, and are on north facing slopes. The nearby Atlantic Ocean (False Bay) also has a cooling effect on the vineyards during the ripening season.

GROWING SEASON AND HARVEST: A cold wet winter and spring (with snow on 30 August 2013) meant a somewhat later than usual harvest. Early January thunderstorms deposited nitrogen in the soils, resulting in a last growth spurt in the vineyards and slightly delayed ripening. Moderate and dry weather during early harvest period ensured perfect ripening conditions. Pinotage 2014 was picked from 25 February to 7 March 2014

VINIFICATION: Berries were crushed and cold-soaked for about 48 hours below 15°C, and then inoculated with suitable yeast to bring out the best of the varietal. The must was fermented in stainless steel tanks with pump-overs (aeration) every 4 hours to extract the intense colour and flavours from the must. Fermentation took about 5 days at temperatures between 24-29°C. The wine was aged for 15 months in a combination of 300L French and American oak barrels, of which 25% were new.

TASTING NOTES: The 2014 vintage offers aromas of berry compote with notes of cinnamon and vanilla. Full rounded palate with cherry and spice, supported by sweet oak and spicy flavours that linger through to the finish.

SERVING: Serve this wine at 15-18°C. Enjoy with slow roast venison shanks with caramelised figs.

ANALYSIS:

Alc: 14.5%

RS: 2.9 g/L

TA: 5.9 g/L

PH: 3.5

Bottle barcode (750ml):

Case barcode (6 x 750ml):



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