



SINGLE VINEYARD

“Jonathan's Ridge” Pinotage

2022 WINE PROFILE

AREA

Stanford, Western Cape, South Africa

GRAPE VARIETIES

100 % Pinotage

PRODUCTION

3.692 bottles

SERVING TEMP.

17–18 °C

APPELLATION

W.O. Springfontein Rim

ALCOHOL LEVEL

14 %

AGEING POTENTIAL

30+ years

RECOMMENDED STORAGE

Cool, dark and temperature-stable

TERROIR

Cool coastal climate, 5 km from the Atlantic Ocean, indigenous fynbos vegetation.

SOIL

Marine-origin limestone with sandy dune material, encouraging deep rooting and complexity in the grapes. High active lime retains natural acidity and contributes to the wine's saline, textured profile. Full sun exposure, with an elevated, gently sloped position, allows optimal drainage and air circulation.

STORY

“The specific Single Vineyard vines are continuously exposed to the strong, cool winds of the Atlantic Ocean. The topsoil is shallow, with deep, soft limestone rocks beneath, in which most of the roots are established and from which they draw their minerals.”

RANGE

Single Vineyard Estate Wine: Terroir wines in the narrowest sense of the word are finally the Springfontein Crus identified as “Single Vineyard”. Evidently, the grapes here come from a selected, precisely defined and controlled parcel. In order to achieve such a status, such parcel must stand out among the plots of land in its surroundings, be it through extraordinary concentration in the soil, be it through the specific orientation towards the sun, be it through the peculiarities of wind or weather, so that it is really worthwhile to make the greatest effort to work out this very special characteristic by hardest oenological labour.

VINTAGE

2022: A cold, wet winter and a predominantly cool growing season provided ideal conditions for slow ripening, before a short spell of intense heat accelerated the final stages. The result is concentrated, structured wines with vibrant freshness. Walker Bay enjoyed an especially strong vintage.

TASTING NOTES

Layered aromas of ripe blackberry, dark plum and clove are complemented by subtle toasted oak and savoury spice. The palate is concentrated yet finely balanced, with juicy dark fruit, firm but polished tannins and a subtle mineral and saline character. A long, structured finish reveals both the wine's depth and its considerable ageing potential.

FOOD PAIRING

An excellent partner for grilled or slow-roasted red meats, game, rich stews, mature hard cheeses and deeply flavoured roasted vegetables.

ATTRIBUTES

Certified organic (Ecocert), vegan, low-intervention, unfiltered (natural sediment may occur), minimal sulphites.





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2022 TECHNICAL DATA

pH

3,76

TOTAL EXTRACT

31,7 g/l

RESIDUAL SUGAR

2,5 g/l

TOTAL ACIDITY

5,9 g/l

VINES PLANTED

2002

AVG. YIELD

30 hl/ha

CLONE & CULTIVAR

PI48A Pinotage

ROOTSTOCK

Richter 99

VITICULTURE

Pinotage is an early-ripening cultivar grown on trellised vines trained in a cordon system, planted on well-drained, north-facing flatland soils, ideal for even ripening and balanced acidity. Organically farmed and hand-harvested at 23–24° Balling, with respect for the surrounding fynbos ecosystem and no herbicides or synthetic inputs.

HARVEST DATE

08.03.2022 / 09.03.2022

BOTTLING DATE

19.11.2024

VINIFICATION

Grapes were selected, harvested and sorted by hand, then kept overnight in a cold room, cooling to 7°C. Whole berries were destemmed and placed in 1,000 L open-top, food-grade polymer fermenters for 16 days, with regular punch-downs. The wine was initially matured for 4 months in 20% second-fill American and 80% third-fill French oak, followed by a further 27 months in the same vessels.

YEAST

Spontaneous fermentation with wild and indigenous Springfontein yeasts, originating from native limestone fynbos.

DRY GOODS

Burgundy Shape, 590g, Cork, Cartons of 6

LOT NO.

LO 2218

A-CODE

A 1096

TRACEABILITY

Each bottle carries an importer sticker with the importer's contact details; each bottle carries a QR code for full traceability.

PACKAGING / RECYCLABILITY

Glass bottle and cardboard carton are fully recyclable.

DECLARATION OF CONFORMITY

The relevant Declaration of Conformity (DoC) and supporting compliance documentation are available on request.

BARCODES

6009804152490 (bottle)

