

## Drakenskloof Pinotage

Western Cape WO • South Africa



Rich damson with exotic notes of smoke, earth, coffee bean and liquorice. No other grape produces flavours quite like Pinotage! From the award winning Spier estate, this barrel matured red is a fine introduction to South Africa's national grape.

*Beautiful wine. Exactly what I want from a Pinotage*

*Online Review  
From the 2015 vintage*

This big, rich, spicy red is as close as you could hope to come to the essence of South African wine. Firstly because it's Pinotage, the country's signature red grape, first bred in 1925. And secondly because it's from one of the great, historic estates. It is made at Spier,



near Stellenbosch, which not only boasts a rich wine heritage but also a hotel, restaurants and beautifully preserved traditional buildings. Winemaker Frans Smit used old-vine fruit for extra intensity and aged the wine in a combination of American and French oak, softening the tannins and adding notes of spice to the ripe berry flavours. Smooth enough to be enjoyed on its own, but even better with rich food such as chorizo and butter bean casserole or spicy ribs.



Home to the Cape's oldest winery buildings, Spier also has theatres, restaurants, plus cheetah and eagle encounter parks!

### WINEFILE

<b>STYLE</b>	Red - Medium Bodied
<b>GRAPE</b>	Pinotage 100%
<b>COLOUR</b>	Dark plum hue
<b>AROMA</b>	Intense black cherry, plum and raspberry with overt vanilla spice
<b>TASTE</b>	Rich damson flavours with a complex layer of spice and herbs
<b>DRINK BY</b>	End 2018
<b>ALCOHOL</b>	14%