

M·A·N Family Wines

Bosstok Pinotage 2014



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Bosstok refers to the untrellised bush-vine vineyards that make up more than half of the vineyards of our region. The bosstok Pinotage vineyards grow close to the ground, producing lower yields of concentrated, flavourful grapes.

Wine description & food pairing

A modern style emphasising the softer Pinot Noir-like Characteristic of Pinotage. The wine is ruby-garnet red with a hint of purple. Our Pinotage shows pleasing aromas of mocha chocolate and roasted coffee beans, followed by juicy flavours of red-berries, nutmeg and vanilla spice on the palate. The sweet fruit flavours of this medium- bodied Pinotage make it an ideal match for spicy food, pizza, smoked pork and flavourful venison dishes, or delicious just by itself. Serve at a cool room temperature.

Vineyards

Sourced from our Agter-Paarl vineyards, we select younger bush-vine vineyards to ensure retention of the characteristic pure fruit flavours and softer tannins. The Malmesbury Shale soils and unirrigated vineyards combine to give wines with concentrated, juicy fruit flavours, minerality and elegance.

Winemaking techniques

Grapes were hand-harvested at between 24 and 25° balling and fermented in stainless steel tanks over 5 days with frequent pump-overs. At around 8 degrees balling, the skins were removed and the wine was pressed and racked back to tank for completion of alcoholic and malolactic fermentation. 25% of the wine was matured in American oak barrels (20% new) for 12 months. Fined and filtered before bottling.

Vintage conditions

Favourable winter conditions in 2013 set the stage for a promising 2014 growing season. Early spring rains were welcomed and provided sufficient moisture in the soil to nurture the wines throughout the warmer periods during harvest. Although the crop was larger than usual and the red grapes ripened slower, the fruit could ripen prosperously and produced nicely concentrated fruit-forward wines.

Technical details:

Blend: Pinotage 100% • **Grape source:** Coastal Region
Closure: Screwcap • **Barcode:** EAN 6009669350406 • **USA** 0-89419-16303-2
Alc: 14.00% • **RS:** 3.6 • **TA:** 5.4 • **pH:** 3.58