

# MANLEY

## WINE ESTATE

### Pinotage 2018

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#### VINTAGE

2018 was one of the smallest harvests South Africa had in more than a decade, which was really tough for the wine industry. This lesser harvest was due to the intense drought that the Western Cape had experienced in that time, and some of the long-standing farmers in the area believed that it was one of the worst droughts within 100 years. One will find farmers saying that it was a healthy year with regards to wine grapes, due to the decreased amount of rain and fewer viruses and pests.

#### WINE

Colour	Medium
Nose intensity	Medium
Alcohol	14.5%

#### CHARACTER PROFILE

This Pinotage displays pleasant ripe aromas of strawberries and peach, as well as a typical distinct jam-like character that one can easily pick up on the palate.

#### WINEMAKER'S NOTES

The wine was aged for two years in French oak barrels and has undergone malolactic fermentation. The berries were picked at a ripe stage, contributing to the wide-ranging aroma wheel and prominent sweet character. The wine is structured well with tannins that are soft but still alluring. The ageing capability of this wine is five to eight years.

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