



## De Krans Pinotage Rosé 2016

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*Appellation:* Calitzdorp  
*Grape varietal:* Pinotage  
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### **Background**

De Krans Wine Cellar is situated along the upper reaches of the picturesque Gamka River Valley near Calitzdorp. The history of the farm dates back to 1890 when the current owners' great grandfather bought part of the first farm established in Calitzdorp, named Buffelsvallei ("Buffalo valley") on the edge of the municipal boundary of Calitzdorp.

The first grapes were planted in 1936 mainly for the production of raisins and some sweet wine. In 1964 the present cellar was built and De Krans quickly became well-known for quality ports and Muscat sweet wines, as well as dry table wines.

The current owners and winemaker now take advantage of the unique Calitzdorp terroir to produce great quality Cape ports and table wines from a whole range of interesting grape varieties.

### **Vineyards**

East – West facing vines planted during 1999 on Gamka sandy loam soil. Vines are flood irrigated.

### **Winemaking**

Grapes are harvested mid to late January at 21-22 degrees balling. Picked early morning the grapes are crushed and the juice is drained from the skins immediately. The wine is fermented for

over 3 weeks at low temperatures before it is bottled.

### **Winemaker's comments**

*Colour:* Light watermelon pink

*Bouquet:* Soft elegant rose petal nose with hints of strawberries.

*Taste:* Smooth and quenching palate with fine red fruit flavours and a fresh acidity. Lovely for those hot summer days

### **Food pairing**

Lovely with fresh summer salads and light grilled fish.

### **Chemical analysis**

*Alcohol:* 12.5  
*pH:* 3.39  
*TA:* 6.04  
*RS:* 1.99 g/l  
*Extract:* 19.46g/l

### **Awards**

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