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CALITZDORP

De Krans Pinotage Rosé 2023

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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

Selected vineyards throughout the Klein Karoo are used. Calitzdorp Pinotage is mostly planted in deep alluvial Gamka River soils, as well as red clay soils with a gravel layer underneath.

Winemaking

The grapes were harvested from mid-January to late February at 21-22 degrees Balling. Picked

early morning the grapes were crushed, destemmed and the juice was drained from the skins immediately. The juice was fermented for over three weeks at low temperatures before the wine was racked, filtered and bottled.

Winemaker's comments

Colour: Beautiful light rose petal blush pink.

Bouquet: Soft elegant rose petal, candyfloss 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

The perfect partner to fresh summer salads and grilled cob.

Chemical analysis

Alcohol: 13.0%
pH: 3.5
TA: 7.0g/l
RS: 4.70g/l
Extract: 25.8g/l

Awards

Double Gold – Gold Wine Awards 2023
Gold Award – Vitis Vinifera 2023
Gold Award – Rosé Wine and Spirit Challenge 2023
Gold Award – Rosé Rocks
Silver – Ultra Value Wine Challenge 2023
3 Star rating – 2024 Platter's Wine Guide

