



DARLING CELLARS

WEST COAST

The Onyx semi-precious stone, resembling the dark granite soils of Darling's premier vineyards, was chosen as the name for our flagship range. Used as a decorative stone in jewellery, it shines as the jewels in the crown of Darling Cellars' production.

Onyx comes from specific vineyards which are selected for their uniqueness in prominent terroir flavours. These vineyards are planted in the best terroir for the specific varietal. Vineyards are carefully monitored by the winemaker who ultimately decides when the grapes will be harvested. These grapes are handled separately in the cellar to preserve their natural quality and uniqueness.

Onyx is a dedicated concept from site selection, through to the final drop in the glass at the end of a bottle

Wine:	Pinotage
Vintage:	2007
Origin:	Groenekloof, Darling
Cultivar(s):	100% Pinotage
Winemaker:	Abé Beukes
Terroir:	Deep dark coloured soils from decomposed Granite in the Darling Hills. Micro climate positively influenced by the Atlantic with sunny days and cool evenings
Vineyard type:	35 Year old Bush Vine, no irrigation, Single Vineyard
Yield:	3-4 t/ha
Balling at Harvest:	25°B
Vinification:	Crush and destalk, 12-14 days fermentation at 23-25°C
Maturation:	80% Hungarian and 20% French Oak. New 300 litre barrels, aged for 18 months.
Alc:	14.9%
TA:	6.05 g/l
RS:	1.9 g/l
pH:	3.66

Winemaker's comments:

Vanilla pod, small red berries and floral notes make up the complex and concentrated nose of this fine Pinotage from a very good vintage. A full bodied wine, with underlying complexity and supporting wood aromas. Enjoy with food from 2009 to 2015.

