



## Onyx Pinotage 2005

main variety Pinotage

vintage 2005

analysis alc: 14.72 | ph: 3.67 | rs: 1.8 | ta: 5.67

type Red

producer Darling Cellars

style Dry

winemaker Abé Beukes & Johan Nesenberend

taste Fragrant

wine of Groenekloof/Darling

body Full

### tasting notes

Vanilla pod, small red berries and a slight hint of banana makes up the complex and concentrated nose of this fine Pinotage. A full-bodied wine, with underlying complexity and tannin, which only presents itself with time.

### ageing potential

Enjoy from 2009 to 2015.

### blend information

100% Pinotage

### in the vineyard

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 Vineyards

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 chosen 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

### about the harvest

Yield: 3-4 ton/ha

Balling at Harvest: 23° B