

# FAIRVALLEY

*Established in 1998, Fairvalley Wines is a joint venture of Fairview's farm workers in Paarl, South Africa. Started out as an empowerment venture, we the farm workers at Fairview Wine and Cheese Estate undertook the responsibility to uplift our future and that of our fellow farm workers, through the production of this wine range. "WE ARE PROUD OF OUR WINES AND INVITE YOU TO ENJOY THE FRUITS OF OUR LABOUR*

## 2023 PINOTAGE

**IN THE VINEYARD:** Grapes are predominantly sourced from vineyards in the lower slopes of Paarl Mountain. These vineyards are trellised and grown on decomposed granite soils with drip irrigation.

**HARVEST DATE:** First week of February 2023

**WINEMAKING:** The grapes were destalked and gently crushed before fermentation in stainless steel tanks. Fermentation was started with selected yeasts strains under controlled conditions at 26 °C. After alcoholic fermentation, the wine went through malolactic fermentation in stainless steel tank with alternative oak method. Thereafter 60% of the wine was transferred to 225L old French and American oak barrels for 12 months, before blending and bottling took place.

**TASTING NOTE:** Bright red colour, with raspberry, cherries, plums and hints of smoky oaked spice on the nose. The palate is medium bodied with blackberries, wild raspberries, fresh tannins and touch of vanilla oak on the finish.

<i>Wine of Origin</i>	<i>Coastal</i>
<i>Alcohol</i>	<i>13.5 %</i>
<i>Residual sugar</i>	<i>3.2g/l</i>
<i>Total acid</i>	<i>5.0 g/l</i>
<i>pH</i>	<i>3.61</i>

<b>VARIETIES</b>	
<i>Pinotage</i>	<i>100%</i>

<b>CLOSURE</b>	
	<i>Stelvin</i>



*The hands that work the soil, feed the soul.*