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## Lanzerac Pionier Pinotage 2021

*Heritage Range*

### APPELLATION

Jonkershoek Valley, Stellenbosch, South Africa  
Single Vineyard

### VITICULTURE

The Pionier Pinotage 2021 was made from a 25-year old single vineyard that produced a yield of 6.39 tons/ha. This single vineyard is 1.99 hectares in size and is 400 meters above sea level. All harvesting, pruning and canopy management is done by hand.

### HARVEST DATE

Harvesting of the 2021 vintage took place on the 26th of February 2021.

### VINIFICATION

After harvesting the grapes were de-stalked and hand-sorted followed by natural fermentation in open wooden fermenters. The natural fermentation took about 7 days to complete after which the wine was pressed with a small basket press. Malolactic fermentation took place in new-, second- and third fill 225 litre French oak barrels. After malolactic fermentation the wine was racked and sulphured. During maturation in barrel for a total time of 21 months the wine was racked a further two times to soften the tannins.

### CELLAR MASTER'S COMMENTS

The Lanzerac Pionier Pinotage is a tribute to the world's first bottled Pinotage – a 1959 Lanzerac Pinotage. The 2021 Pionier has an excellent deep colour, with typical varietal aromas like ripe, plummy red fruit on the nose and palate. A big mouth-feel, complex and velvety pallet and long and lingering aftertaste rounds off this wine perfectly.

### CELLARING POTENTIAL

With 5 to 10 years maturation the Pionier Pinotage 2021 will start to acquire the velvet density and luxurious chocolate and caramel flavours for which its predecessors is known.

### FOOD SUGGESTIONS

Enjoy this flagship wine with a slow cooked rich oxtail and butter bean curry or duck au vin with chestnuts, onions and mushrooms.

### ANALYSIS

Alcohol:	14.04%	Total acidity:	6.1 g/l
Residual sugar:	1.7 g/l	pH:	3.47

### ACCOLADES

New Release

