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## 2016 South African Grape Harvest



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## **SOUTH AFRICA HARVEST 2016**

### **Harvest Information:**

We had a very dry growing season this year in South Africa. The heat wave began in December, pushing our harvest dates up earlier than the previous season. While the hot and dry growing conditions will result in lighter yields, the berries will be more intense thus leading to more complex and intense finished wines.

### **Arrival Information:**

We will have one shipment from South Africa arriving this year. It will arrive in Early-April with Pinotage and Sauvignon Blanc grapes.

We will start taking orders as soon as 2/1. If you are interested in the South African wine grapes please contact us at [sales@juicegrape.com](mailto:sales@juicegrape.com)

### **Region Information:**

The grapes are sourced from Breedekloof in the Breede River Valley where farmers have access to irrigation from the river which helps during warm, dry growing conditions. The Valley is an hour drive from Cape Town and more temperate than Stellenbosch Valley resulting in grapes that express good fruit characteristics without overripe jamminess.

### **PINOTAGE**

The Pinotage Grape was created in 1925 and is a cross between two vinifera grapes, Pinot Noir and Cinsault. Abaraham Izak Perold created the grape to bring out the brilliant robust flavors that both Pinot Noir and Cinsault possessed, while making the grape easy to grow. Now Pinotage is known to produce smoky, earthy flavors with hints of tropical fruits. Pinotage sourced from the Breede River Valley produce wines that express notes of cedar, plums, and dark berry notes. The wine then rounds out with a smooth, tannic structure. Enjoy these wines with a hearty stew or red meat. Please note that if you punch through too vigorously during fermentation you can get an almost burned plastic characteristic. It is better to ferment Pinotage at lower temperatures.



## **DID YOU KNOW?**

South Africa is the 9th largest wine producer in the world. They export over 450 million liters of wine a year!

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