



PINOTAGE TIMELINE

A TRULY SOUTH AFRICAN GRAPE VARIETY

6800 ha under vine in South Africa, 3rd most planted red variety.

SPECIAL OLD AND SINGLE VINEYARD PINOTAGE PRODUCED:

Kanonkop Black Label Pinotage; Bellevue '1953' Pinotage; De Waal 'Top of the Hill' Pinotage



1924

Cross pollination done in Stellenbosch by Prof A.I. Perold, between Pinot Noir & Cinsault



1925

First experimental vines planted at Welgevallen

1927

Vines transferred to Elsenburg

1941

First experimental wine made from Pinotage at Elsenburg



1953

First commercial plantings on Kanonkop



1959

First commercial bottling of a wine labelled as 'Pinotage'

1973

First bottled Kanonkop Pinotage produced



1987

Diners Club Winemaker of the year won by Beyers Truter of Kanonkop for Pinotage

1991

Beyers Truter of Kanonkop wins IWSC Robert Mondavi Trophy for Winemaker of the Year, due to the high rating received on the Pinotage



1995

Pinotage Association established

