



**Varietal composition:**  
Pinotage

**Appellation:**  
Breedekloof

**Alcohol:** 14 %

**Wine style**  
Dry 1 **2** 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 Sweet

# SILKBUSH

THE MOUNTAIN VINEYARDS



## Silkbush Pinotage 2021 Winemakers Selection

### Winemaker Notes

Our Winemakers Selection range focus on the selection of small batches of grapes from specific blocks, carefully vinified by the winemaker to create cultivar- and terroir specific wines. The grapes for this wine comes from our now famous “Writer’s Block” Pinotage which won no less than 7 ABSA top 10 awards for Flagstone Winery. It is our highest vineyard at 730m.

Slow ripening and very cool conditions lead to intense flavour development. The grapes were picked in small lug boxes, crushed and cold soaked for 4 days. After which we gradually lifted the temperature to between 24- 28Celsius. Spontaneous fermentation started but then Jeremy got chicken and inoculated the wine with yeast. After malolactic fermentation it spent 14 months in a 50/50 split of new and second fill barrels (A mix of American and French barrels).

### What’s in the name

Silkbush Mountain Vineyards hails its name from the Sybasberg (Afrikaans for Silkbush Mountain), one of the highest peaks above our vineyards. Sybasberg by its turn gets its name from the Sybasboom (Silkbush) that grows in isolated corners of our mountain. The Silkbush leaves, when torn, produces silky threads of latex – hence its name. Just as special and unique as the Silkbush is, so is our soils, slopes, and vineyards. This is manifested in our wines – you can taste the unique mountain terroir.



### Tasting Notes

The wine shows beautiful dark fruit, ripe cherries, and vanilla tones on the nose, while the typical soft juicy mouthfeel lingers on the palate with tones of sour cherries, plums, and well-integrated oak.

### Food pairing

This wine pairs very well with Beef, Venison, Pasta, Dark Chocolate and mature cheese.