

WELCOME
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De Niswyf

WINE
BEVERAGES
COCKTAIL





De Viswif

INTRODUCTION

Owners Fred and Nadine welcome you to De Viswif Restaurant. **This is Us...**

Jeffreys Bay in the Eastern Cape, South Africa, is known for its world famous waves, friendly locals and relaxed atmosphere. It has been said that you should add De Viswif Restaurant to your must-visit list. Established in 1999, De Viswif Restaurant has earned a reputation as a restaurant where you can enjoy excellent food in an exquisite setting.

The setting you ask? We are very proud to say that we are the restaurant in front of the "Kitchen Windows" surf break. Ironic? I think not! We have an amazing kitchen that makes delicious food and with all of this, we have a breath taking view.

Here at De Viswif Restaurant, a family owned and operated establishment, we have a passion for food and believe that life is too short for bad food and wine. Customer satisfaction is our main concern. Our great menu offers not only fish but also steak, traditional dishes and many more, all perfectly matched with the extensive wine selection you'll find in this wine list, to match or pair to any meal.

We invite you to experience this for yourself and become part of the De Viswif Restaurant family, because here at De Viswif, we aim to serve...or is it surf?!



We take great care in the selection of our wines for the wine list. You will find popular and well known names on our wine list, and a wide choice of wines from several different wine producing districts (terroirs) in South Africa. The producers range from corporate conglomerates to exclusive estates and boutique wineries. Take time to select your choice of wine and be brave enough to try out a new cultivar or two.

CORKAGE POLICY

We are pleased to assist customers by opening and serving their personal wine. Our corkage fee, based on industry standards, is R75 per bottle.



WINE SELECTIONS

Furthermore we have added highlights of the winemakers tasting notes along with our “connoisseur” notes to provide you with as much information possible to help you make your selection.

It is a well-known fact that the ‘environmental factors’ soil, climate, and topography has a profound effect on the grapes producing wine. It should thus come as no surprise that most of our wines originate in the Western Cape – an area renowned for South Africa’s world-class wines.

Any great meal or a glass of an excellent wine on its own may well be a memorable experience but will be significantly more memorable when your meal and wine complement one another. Therefore we strongly suggest the below pairings.



WINE PAIRINGS

SEAFOOD

Chardonnay, Sauvignon Blanc,
Shiraz & Rosé

STEAK & BEEF

Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon, Shiraz,
Pinotage & Red Blends

SALADS

Chenin Blanc, Sauvignon Blanc,
Unwooded Chardonnay & Rosé

VENISON

Pinotage, Shiraz & Rhone Blends

CHICKEN

White Blends, Sauvignon Blanc,
Chenin Blanc & Chardonnay

LAMB

Merlot, Pinot Noir and Red Blends

PORK

Chardonnay and Sauvignon Blanc

OSTRICH

Pinotage



LEGACY

At the end of the winter of 1764, Captain Jan van Dijkhorst sailed his newly built ship, De Viswijf, out of the harbour of Scheveningen in Holland.

His mission was to establish a settlement on the coast of Madagascar, to be used as a trading post on the sea route between Europe and the Far East. De Viswijf was last seen in October 1764 when it sailed around Cape Point after replenishment of goods in Cape Town.

No further information about the fate of the vessel or the seamen was available until the foundations of the new cell tower were dug on the main beach in Jeffreys Bay. The remnants of De Viswijf were discovered deep under the sand dunes and the mysterious disappearance of the ship has now been solved.

Memoirs found in an old chest indicated that the only survivor was the ship's cook. Rumour has it he has stayed in Jeffreys Bay for several years after the shipwreck and many of the current Jeffreys Bay inhabitants might be his descendants. The only memories that we have of him however, are his recipes...



*"Life is too short to waste on
bad food or inferior wine"*



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CAP CLASSIQUE & BUBBLES

CAP CLASSIQUE. Suitable for any time of the day, there's always an excuse for a celebration! Champagne is derived from France where the original "Bubbly" came from, known as Cap Classique in SA. Delicious shortcake flavours with hints of fruitiness on the nose & a dry finish. Cap Classique may be made from three grape varieties: Chardonnay, Pinot Noir & Pinot Meunier. Cap Classique produced traditionally, undergoes a second fermentation, where sugar & yeast are added to the bottled wines, then resealed. Carbon dioxide is trapped inside the wine under pressure & is released as bubbles "mouse," when the Cap Classique is served. Both wines rely on the traditional French fermenting process, which is labour intensive, time consuming and entirely reliant on handpicking only the best grapes to ensure exceptional quality and optimal purity of fruit. This is what makes them so sought after and valuable. Cap Classique is South Africa's bubble equivalent to champagne.

Brut – Sparkling Wine that is dry or dryish in taste. **Blanc de Blancs** – White of Whites ; White "wine made from only white grapes." **Demi-Sec** – Fully Sweet. **NV** – Refers to Non Vintage

SPARKLING WINE. You can spot the difference between the two if you look closely at their bubbles; a Cap Classique will have tiny bubbles with refined effervescence while Sparkling Wine has a larger, coarser fizz. Sparkling wine by comparison is created by a process which uses artificial carbonation on the production line resulting in a distinctly different drinking enjoyment.

Strandveld Skaamgesiggie

Vintage

325

AREA : CAPE AGULHAS

WINEMAKER : CONRAD VLOK

- CONRAD VLOK: DINERSCLUB WINEMAKER OF THE YEAR 2022

100% Pinot Noir. Skaamgesiggie or bashful Sugarbush as it is affectionately known, are a very rare species of (*Protea pudens*) with unique downward hanging flowers. This timid flower is endemic to the Strandveld biosphere and is so endangered that it has been classified as a 'red data' species. This delicate Cap Classique is made in the traditional method from Pinot Noir grapes and shows notes of strawberry, cherry and oyster shell and has a fine, lingering mousse which delights the palate.

Groote Post Brut Rosé NV

295

AREA : DARLING HILLS

WINEMAKER : LUKAS WENTZEL

Chardonnay & Pinot Noir. The wine is refreshingly dry with abundant strawberry and raspberry flavours. It has a delicate mousse which supports a dry, rich palate.

M•A•N Sparkling Chenin

245

AREA : AGTER-PAARL

WINEMAKER : RIAAN MÖLLER

100% Chenin Blanc. Vibrant bouquet of pear and pineapple with fresh apple flavours on the palate. Crisp acidity with hints of minerality and a full-bodied mouthfeel.



CAP CLASSIQUE & BUBBLES

Pongrácz Brut NV

325

WINE OF ORIGIN : WESTERN CAPE
WINEMAKER : ANDISWA MAPHELEBA

Pinot Noir, Chardonnay. This is a timeless Cap Classique with great elegance and complexity. Delicate yeasty tones, layered with toast and ripe fruit are enlivened by a firm mousse and persistent bead that make it particularly attractive. It imparts a wonderful foamy mouthful of black fruit flavours with a long lingering aftertaste.

Genevieve Blanc de Blanc

325

WINE OF ORIGIN : BOT RIVER
WINEMAKER : MELISSA GENEVIEVE NELSEN

Delicate layers of toasted almond, contributing to the wine's complexity and adding a pleasing depth of flavour. The well-integrated acidity provides freshness and structure, culminating in a lingering, crisp, and satisfying finish.

Krone Night Nectar Vintage

Demi Sec

295

AREA : TULBAGH
WINEMAKER : STEPHAN DE BEER

A scent of waxy honeycomb & crushed limes. The cinnamon smoke of apple pie, cloves. Golden apples, baking citrus & white roses spill over into the plush, fruity palate. Night Nectar demands rich, indulgent dishes





SAUVIGNON BLANC

Wines from this grape are mostly very dry, fresh whites with an intense taste and aroma, designed to be drunk young. Wooded, it is referred to as blanc fumé. Nose: cut grass, green asparagus, green pepper, gooseberry and granadilla. The aroma usually follows through to the palate. Zesty and refreshing.



SEAFOOD • SALADS • TOMATO

Ataraxia

230

AREA : HEMEL-EN-AARDE RIDGE
WINEMAKER : KEVIN GRANT
- MEMBER OF THE CAPE WINEMAKERS GUILD

An unwooded Sauvignon Blanc. Grapes are from individual parcels scattered throughout the Cape winelands. A complex wine with firm tannins. Some herbs and spice on nose. More of an acidic palate with a well structured long soft finish.

Doolhof Mountain Range

195

AREA : LIMIETBERG
WINEMAKER : GIELIE BEUKES

Pale yellow to clear with a light green tinge in colour. The wine is dominated by lovely tropical notes with underlying green figs and gooseberries on the nose. It is underlined with a core of mineral flavours. A crisp line of acidity carries the wine beautifully, with a fresh and lingering finish.

First Sighting

190

AREA : CAPE AGULHAS
WINEMAKER : CONRAD VLOK
- CONRAD VLOK: DINERSCLUB WINEMAKER OF THE YEAR 2022

A wonderfully refreshing wine with a tropical and citrus fruit nose, a full crisp palate and typically expressive notes of buchu and minerality.

The Valley by La Brune

215

AREA : ELGIN VALLEY
WINEMAKER : NICO GROBLER

Very fresh with ripe figs, gooseberry, some asparagus and grassy notes. Mineral core to the wine creates a wonderful mouthfeel with a clean dry finish.



SAUVIGNON BLANC

Groote Post Seasalter (Blanc Fumé)

240

AREA : DARLING

WINEMAKER : LUKAS WENTZEL

The Seasalter is wonderfully expressive on the nose and the palate with captivating notes of citrus, stone fruit and green apple together with hints of fynbos and kelp, sea-breeze and a touch of oak. Rich, layered and long, this subtly powerful blend is intense but not weighty: an elegant well balanced wine showing typical Darling minerality, vibrant acidity and some leesy complexity before a saline finish. Stone fruit nose with the most amazing sea-breeze smell. A very intense, strange, saline mouthfeel. Salty minerals and soft acidity. 50% of the Sauvignon Blanc was matured. 90% Sauvignon Blanc 10% Semillon.

Fryer's Cove Doringbay

235

AREA : COASTAL REGION

WINEMAKER : LIZA GOODWIN

This Sauvignon Blanc must shout at you! "Fresh, Crisp, Steely, Grassy, Ripe, Tangy, Tropical Fruit – Please enjoy me now!" We think it does! All the hallmarks of our unique west coast style of cool climate Sauvignon Blanc, coming from the cold sea mists off the South Atlantic.





CHARDONNAY

Popular and versatile, it responds well to being aged in oak, giving the wine a depth of flavour. Wines from this grape range from light to full-bodied, depending on how they are made. Nose: melon, peach, citrus, vanilla, smoky & buttered toast if unwooded. Taste of citrus, lime, lemon, fruit salad, butter, toast, vanilla & butterscotch if wooded. Full bodied.



SEAFOOD • PASTA • PORK

Boschkloof

240

AREA : STELLENBOSCH

WINEMAKER : REENEN BORMAN | CELLAR MASTER: JACQUES BORMAN

A wine created in a rich complex style with citrus, lime and hints of apricot flavours. Elegant aroma shows citrus characters, integrated with subtle hints of oak that adds to the complexity. Good fruit and balance with long lingering finish.

Chamonix (Unoaked)

230

AREA : FRANSCHHOEK

WINEMAKER : NEIL BRUWER

Intense aromas that recall fresh citrus and stone fruit. Light to medium bodied mouth feel and lingering acidity all in perfect balance.

Hartenberg Doorkeeper (Unwooded)

190

AREA : STELLENBOSCH

WINEMAKER : CARL SCHULTZ

- MEMBER OF THE CAPE WINEMAKERS GUILD

Beautiful lime cordial tinge in colour. Subtle floral, green fig and white pear aromatics. Later on, the glass opens to Chablis-like flinty and chalky notes. The palate is creamy and complex, with zesty citrus flavours and finishing with great length.

Stellenzicht Thunderstone

210

AREA : STELLENBOSCH

WINEMAKER : L'RE HUGHES

Vibrant aromas of fresh citrus, apricots & finishes with some lovely white floral notes. The extended lees contact creates layers of texture & nuance in the wine, while the older oak component contributes to the hints of biscuits on the finish of the palate.

Groote Post Pinch of Salt

290

(Lightly Wooded)

AREA : DARLING

WINEMAKER : LUKAS WENTZEL

An abundance of fresh stone fruit and vibrant citrus notes on the nose. On the palate, a steely minerality with crisp citrus and yellow stone fruit flavours and a long, zesty acidity assure a full and concentrated structure. The wine shows complexity with fresh acidity, a beautiful minerality, and a vibrant, zesty structure.



CHENIN BLANC

Chenin Blanc, also known as Steen, is the most widely planted variety in South Africa. It produces a range of good wines, from very sweet to dry, from Sherry and Sparkling Wine to Brandy. Nose: tropical fruit, guava, sweet hay and apple/almond blossom. Fresh, fruity lively acid taste, like biting into an apple, with peach and apricot flavours.



SALADS • CHICKEN
LIGHTLY SPICED FOOD

Fairview

195

AREA : COASTAL
WINEMAKER : ANTHONY DE JAGER

Pale straw colour in the glass. The wine has tropical fruit notes of melon, pineapple and citrus on the nose. The palate is medium bodied with summer fruit flavours followed by a refreshing crisp finish.

Kaapzicht Family Range

185

AREA : STELLENBOSCH - BOTTELARY HILLS
WINEMAKER : DANIE STEYTLER

Ripe quince, pineapple and stone fruit with some interesting savoury undertones. Lightly textured palate, with a hint of sweetness and balancing crunchy acid, results in a brisk finish.

A.A. Badenhorst Family Wines

Secateurs

195

AREA : SWARTLAND
WINEMAKER : ADI BADENHORST
- MEMBER OF THE CAPE WINEMAKERS GUILD

Bottled under the Badenhorst Family Wines range. Brightly defined, with delicious quince, persimmon and green almond notes forming a core that is threaded with quinine and white ginger details. A light touch of toast on the finish lets the fruit and minerality play out.

Diemersfontein

185

AREA : WELLINGTON
WINEMAKER : FRANCOIS ROODE

This unwooded Chenin Blanc boasts with a bouquet of fresh guava, white pear and passion fruit. These tropical nuances follow through to the palate, finishing with a well-balanced acidity and a lasting finish.

Babylonstoren

235

AREA : PAARL | CELLARMASTER: CHARL COETZEE
WINEMAKER : KLAAS STOFFBERG

A light, crisp, dry wine that is fruit driven and juicy. Unwooded and refreshing with lovely guava, pineapple and winter melon flavours rounded off with a hint of fresh green figs and Peckham pear undertones.



OTHER WHITE CULTIVARS & BLENDS

ENJOY SOMETHING ELSE AND NOT THE ORDINARY CHOICE.

The process of blending together two or more white grape varieties, creates wines with varied and exciting tastes, which will appeal to most palates. Enjoy as an appetiser or with seafood, chicken and salads.



CHICKEN • PASTA •
PORK • SEAFOOD

Arbeidsgenot Grenache Blanc **230**

AREA : SWARTLAND
WINEMAKER : JACO BRAND

This white grape variety originated from Northern Spain. This wine shows subtle lime blossoms and green herbal notes along with white peach and quince followed by a richly textured palate with a balanced acidity.

Luddite Saboteur White (Blanc Fumé) **255**

AREA : BOT RIVER
WINEMAKER : NIELS VERBURG

Chenin Blanc / Viognier. This wine entices with aromas of orange blossom, almond and peach. Delicious Stone fruits show on entry with a rich mouthfeel that leaves a salty, citrus finish.

Springfield Miss Lucy **245**

AREA : ROBERTSON
WINEMAKER : ABRIE BRUWER WITH JOHAN VAN ZYL

Sauvignon Blanc, Semillon & Pinot Gris. This unique blend of Sauvignon Blanc, Semillon and Pinot Gris bursts with citrus pamplemousse flavours and an ample mouthfeel, yet remarkably moderate in alcohol.



ROSÉ

Pink in colour, a Rosé can be made by blending white and red grape varieties, or from red grapes whose skins are left in the must during fermentation. The juice is then run off the skins and treated the same way as white wine. Rosé can be Dry to Semi-Sweet. Vary greatly in the level of residual sugar.



SALADS • PRAWNS • SALMON

Delheim Pinotage

210

AREA : STELLENBOSCH
WINEMAKER : ALTUS TREURNICHT

Our celebrated Pinotage Rosé has a rich salmon colour with a vibrant pink hue. Notes of pomegranate, cranberry with nuances of candy floss and floral notes add to the complexity of this wine. Delicate flavours of red berry fruit linger on the palate and add to the freshness of the wine. There is no limit when it comes to food that will match this elegant Rosé.

Fairview Rose Quartz

195

AREA : PAARL
WINEMAKER : ANNETTE VAN ZYL
CELLAR MASTER: ANTHONY DE JAGER

Pale rose colour in the glass. Displaying fresh raspberries, rose petal and pomegranate, with hints of winter melon on the nose. Daisy fresh on the palate, a fruit basket of flavour ending on a delectable dry finish.

Baleia

205

AREA : VERMAAKLIKHEID/RIVERSDAL
WINEMAKER : GUNTER SCHULTZ

An exotic Rosé with aromas of watermelon, candy floss & strawberry cheesecake with a spice note finish. The wine exudes minerality from the natural salts found in the soils.

A.A. Badenhorst Family Wines

Secateurs

185

AREA : KALMOESFONTEIN, SWARTLAND (MALMESBURY)
WINEMAKER : ADI BADENHORST
- MEMBER OF THE CAPE WINEMAKERS GUILD

This is a truly unique Rosé as it was made from very old vines and really displays the minerality that characterizes the wines from our farm. The aromas are complex red fruits, spice, rose water, currants and the palate is generous and textured with a long finish.

Arbeidsgenot Grenache

215

AREA : SWARTLAND
WINEMAKER : JACO BRAND

A unique barrel fermented Rosé that has clean, fruity & refreshing flavours with notes of Turkish delight and cranberries.



PINOT NOIR

Called the heartbreak grape because it is difficult to cultivate. In SA it's the second most popular restaurant red thanks to a perception of elegance. It may be the toughest grape to grow, but the effort is worth the constant care & investment. Fruit forward red wine.



TUNA • DUCK
BEETROOT • MUSHROOM

Ataraxia

450

AREA : HEMEL-EN-AARDE RIDGE
WINEMAKER : KEVIN GRANT
- MEMBER OF THE CAPE WINEMAKERS GUILD

The wine has an intriguing luminous hue that reflects rather than absorbs light. The svelte nose offers up a fine blend of red cherries, pomegranate, delicate forest floor and a hint of spice and new oak. On the palate the wine is sensual and embracing, with a captivating midpalate depth, lovely transparency and excellent focus on the suavely-tannic finish.

Crystallum Peter Max

430

AREA : WESTERN CAPE
WINEMAKER : PETER-ALLAN FINLAYSON
- MEMBER OF THE CAPE WINEMAKERS GUILD

An elegant, complex vintage showing beautifully integrated fruit and savoury notes. Raspberry, red cherry and cinnamon on the nose, with confected strawberry and orange rind on the palate, supported by a savoury herbaceousness and subtle saline minerality. With fine tannins and signature bright acidity.

Stark-Condé Kara-Tara

350

AREA : STELLENBOSCH
WINEMAKER : RUDGER VAN WYK
CELLARMASTER : JOSÉ CONDE
- RÜDGER VAN WYK BENEFITED FROM THE CAPE WINEMAKERS GUILD
PROTÉGÉ PROGRAMME. IN 2018 HE WAS AWARDED DINERS CLUB
YOUNG WINEMAKER OF THE YEAR.

The name Kara-Tara refers to a small town near Knysna, where winemaker Rudger van Wyk grew up. Translated from the Khoisan, it means "deep dark shadows" and refers to the Karatara river that runs through the town.

An elegant, lightly-wooded style showing classic strawberry and red cherry notes coupled with a hint of spice. Silky smooth tannin structure supports the lovely bright characteristics.

The Valley by La Brune

330

AREA : ELGIN
WINEMAKER : NICO GROBLER

It's all about strawberries and cherries, some citrus notes with a fresh and pure profile. Linear, tight with red fruit and a beautiful soft texture with a long pure finish.



CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Probably the most well known black variety in the world. High in tannins, the wines age well and need time to mature. Cabernet wines are robust and rich in colour, aroma and flavour. Nose: berries, blackcurrant, herbaceousness, mint, oak, mixed spice and vanilla. Whatever you pick up on the nose should follow through.



STEAK • VENISON

M•A•N Family Wines - Ou Kalant 205

AREA : AGTER-PAARL

WINEMAKER : RIAAN MÖLLER

A ruby red-edged dark purple and garnet in colour, it exhibits a nose-filling range of aromas: mint, dark cherries, pencil shavings and cigar box. The palate is typically Cabernet Sauvignon with notes of cassis and red currant. The finish shows silky tannins and is persistent.

Springfield Whole Berry 275

AREA : ROBERTSON

WINEMAKER : ABRIE BRUWER

The wine has a velvety-smooth texture with soft tannins and typical Cabernet Sauvignon notes of red fruits and hints of cedar. Because the wine is made more traditionally without filtering or fining, it may require decanting to avoid sediment.

Zevenwacht Estate 255

AREA : STELLENBOSCH

WINEMAKER : HAGEN VILJOEN

The wine is classic and elegant with aromas of black currant, blueberry and graphite with underlying notes of wet tobacco and cigar box. Dark blackberry and plum flavours dominate the palate supported with a firm yet well integrated tannin structure and lingering finish.





PINOTAGE



Pinotage was bred by the late Professor A.I. Perold in 1925 by crossing Pinot Noir and Cinsaut, then locally known as Hermitage. Abraham Izak Perold (20 October 1880 - 11 December 1941) was a remarkable man. He obtained his PhD. in Chemistry (summa cum laude) in Germany during 1904 and was first appointed as a temporary professor in Chemistry at the University of Cape Town. The Cape Government sent him on an extended overseas tour to collect grape varieties that could be established locally. Perold is credited with the introduction of Barlinka, which he came across during a visit to Algeria. This variety became the backbone of South Africa's table grape production, earning millions in foreign exchange. Today Pinotage is South Africa's signature red grape. Rich in texture, full bodied and firm in structure with delicate dark berry fruitiness overlain with smokey, tarry and spicy complexity that is often shocking to the uninitiated. Some of these flavours appear in many South African reds but Pinotage is the most expressive.



STEAK • OSTRICH • TRADITIONAL
SA FOOD LIKE BOBOTIE OR OXTAIL

Diemersfontein The Prodigy

195

AREA : WELLINGTON

WINEMAKER : FRANCOIS ROODE

Rich flavours of dark red fruit like mulberry and black berry on the nose followed by strawberry, cherry and plum on the palate, all wrapped in a subtle hint of a well-balanced oak component.

Kaapzicht Estate Skraalhans

250

AREA : STELLENBOSCH - BOTTELARY HILLS

WINEMAKER : DANIE STEYTLER

This wine is dominated by red fruits with classic cherry and mulberry notes. With a vibrant palate and sweet tannins, this wine has a plush and bright finish.

Longridge

300

AREA : STELLENBOSCH

WINEMAKER : JASPER RAATS

An elegant, well rounded wine with soft juicy tannins, the nose offers sweet spices, cassis and ripe berries, sugared orange peel, rooibos and a smoky charcuterie character which follows through onto the palate, with a long and lingering aftertaste.



PINOTAGE

Doolhof Mountain Range

225

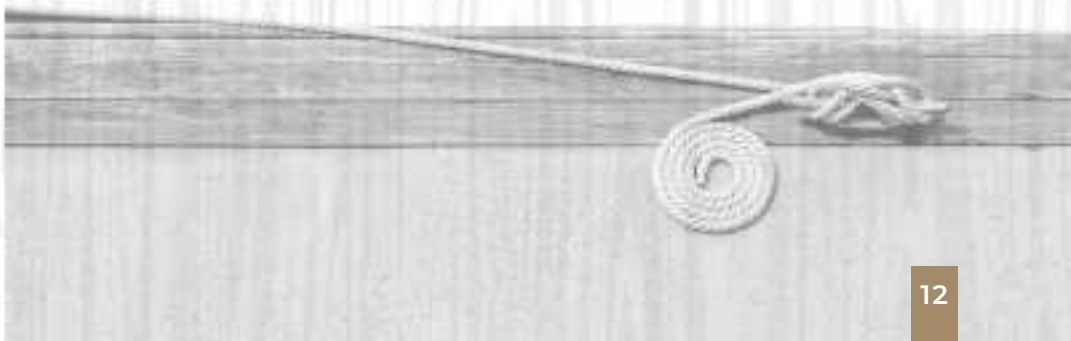
AREA : LIMIETBERG

WINEMAKER : GIELIE BEUKES

Youthful purple, fresh in colour. A flavour explosion with dark chocolate; rich black fruit, almonds, and black cherries on the nose. All these elements follow through adding complexity and depth to the palate a light to medium body with soft, well-integrated tannins, with lovely fruit and wood balance.



Out of all the world's wine-producing nations, South Africa is unique in knowing the exact date on which its wine industry began, thanks to the entry on 2 February 1659 in the diary of Jan van Riebeeck, official of the Dutch East India Company and First Commander of the Cape: "Today, praise be to God, wine was made for the first time from Cape grapes." In one sense, then, the South African wine industry is very well established. In another, it could be said that it dates no further back than some 20 years, 11 February 1990 being the date that Nelson Mandela walked free from Victor Verster Prison in Paarl, a watershed moment in the political and social transformation of the country. There are about 60 appellations within the Wine of Origin (WO) system, which was implemented in 1973 with a hierarchy of designated production regions, districts and wards. WO wines must be made 100% from grapes from the designated area. As far as international wine production is concerned, France leads with 17.3% of the total, Italy is second with 17.2%, Spain third with 13.0% and South Africa seventh with 3.5% (2010 figures). According to the latest available data (2011 provisional), South Africa is the eighth largest wine producer in the world, producing 9.665 million hectolitres a year, putting it behind Chile in seventh place with 10.463 million hectolitres and ahead of Germany in ninth place with 9.611 million hectolitres (France and Italy vie year on year for biggest global producer overall). The Cape winelands are some of the most breathtakingly beautiful in the world. Several of the wine routes, including Constantia, Durbanville, Darling, Stellenbosch, Helderberg, Paarl, Franschhoek, Wellington and Walker Bay, are within an hour or less easy driving distance from Cape Town. Others, like Breede-kloof, Worcester, Robertson, the Little Karoo, Tulbagh, the Swartland, Olifants River and the Northern Cape take you on a slightly longer journey through constantly changing and spectacular landscapes. Undeniably, South African wine has a higher alcohol content than French wine. Typical alcohol levels in French wine range from 10%-12% for white and 11-13% for red. South African wine starts at 12% and goes up to 16% for both red and white wine, averaging at around 14% for both. One has to keep in mind that the alcohol in wine results from the fermentation of sugar. The more sugar there is in the original grape juice, the higher the alcohol in the wine. The sugar in grapes increases dramatically as they ripen. In the cool climate of Europe, the grapes never reach the levels of ripeness that they do in the hot South African summer, so there is less sugar in the juice. In brief, hot summers produce riper grapes, which have more sugar, which essentially produces a higher level of alcohol. We would like to introduce to you our wine – please enjoy and discover the beauty of our wine, different wine styles, different cultivars from different terroir. Enjoy!





MERLOT

Traditionally blended with Cabernet, these wines have a berry fruit character. Unblended Merlot is usually medium-bodied, soft and easy drinking wine. Flavours of plums and fruitcake. Nose: mint, plums, black cherries, coffee, dark chocolate and mocha.



LAMB • CHICKEN

Louisvale Estate

235

AREA : STELLENBOSCH
WINEMAKER : SIMON SMITH

Matured in French Oak barrels for 12 months. The palate is silky and smooth with rich ripe plum and mulberry flavours supported by subtle oak nuances and soft ripe tannins.

Durbanville Hills

Lighthouse Reserve

290

AREA : DURBANVILLE
WINEMAKER : MARTIN MOORE & WILHELM COETZEE

The cheery red and white candy-striped lighthouse in Green Point with its foghorn, affectionately known as “Moaning Minnie”, is well-known for guiding ships along the misty Cape coast. These misty, cool climate conditions develop the Merlot’s unique character, displaying notes of mint and red cherry.

Raka Barrel Select

295

AREA : KLEINRIVIER (STANFORD)
WINEMAKER : JOSEF DREYER

Deep ruby colour. This juicy wine with red cherries, plums and a hint of mintiness on the nose carries the same character through on the palate, combined with spicy oak notes. This elegant and smooth wine has supple tannins.

HPF Posmeester

230

AREA : WILHELM PIENAAR
WINEMAKER : STANDER MAASS

Red and purple fruit such as raspberries and blueberries, showing milk chocolate undertone; fruit freshness. Lush and juicy palate; generous offering; supple and full with good length.



SHIRAZ / SYRAH

A noble variety of French origin - also known as Syrah. Made in several different styles here, it yields deep purple smokey and spicy wines which develop a complex character with age. Shiraz exudes white pepper, spicy notes on the nose and palate. Big bold wines with good fruit tannins and great maturation potential.



STEAK • VENISON
HEARTY DISHES

First Sighting Shiraz

195

AREA : CAPE AGULHAS

WINEMAKER : CONRAD VLOK

- CONRAD VLOK: DINERSCLUB WINEMAKER OF THE YEAR 2022

Signature white pepper, blackberry and mocha notes give way to a full silky palate and long spicy finish balanced by savoury tannins.

Zevenwacht Syrah

265

AREA : STELLENBOSCH

WINEMAKER : HAGEN VILJOEN

The Syrah shows concentrated raspberry and black berry fruit, that opens to a floral perfume with white pepper and herbs on the nose. The palate has dense fruit intensity with a velvety mid palate, that finishes with a fine peppery tannin.

Gabriëlskloof Syrah

250

AREA : BOTRIVIER

WINEMAKER : PETER-ALLAN FINLAYSON

- MEMBER OF THE CAPE WINEMAKERS GUILD

The nose offers blackcurrant, leather, sour cherry and white pepper. There are lighter, floral notes that complement the savoury spice typical of our Syrah. The palate is medium bodied and focused with excellent fruit intensity and supple tannins, and will continue improving and developing for five to eight years after harvest.

Brookdale Mason Road Shiraz

245

AREA : PAARL

WINEMAKER : KIARA SCOTT

- KIARA WAS APPOINTED AS SOLE WINEMAKER AT BROOKDALE ESTATE IN 2019 AT THE AGE OF ONLY 26, OFFICIALLY THE YOUNGEST HEAD FEMALE WINEMAKER IN SOUTH AFRICA.

The wine has an intriguing luminous hue that reflects rather than absorbs light. The svelte nose offers up a fine blend of red cherries, pomegranate, delicate forest floor and a hint of spice and new oak. On the palate the wine is sensual and embracing, with a captivating midpalate depth, lovely transparency and excellent focus on the suavely-tannic finish.

Boschkloof Syrah

335

AREA : STELLENBOSCH

WINEMAKER : REENEN BORMAN | CELLAR MASTER : JACQUES BORMAN

Complex and attractive bouquet of oriental spices with pronounced violet and white pepper flavours. It has lovely ripe fruit and a perfumed background on the nose. There are also lovely integrated and velvety tannins on the palate. Well balanced wine with spicy overtones and a lingering finish. Very classic style with unmistakable Rhône flavours.



OTHER RED CULTIVARS & BLENDS

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STEAK • LAMB

Olifantsberg Grenache

330

AREA : BREDEKLOOF

WINEMAKER : ELIZMA VISSER

- ELIZMA VISSER: TIM ATKIN SPECIAL REPORT 2021

- YOUNG WINEMAKER OF THE YEAR

This is an aromatic wine with notes of dark cherry, raspberry, blood orange and dried herbs. The vibrant and refreshing flavours give it a moreish quality, along with youthful tannins and a beautiful fruit-forward finish.

Doolhof Mountain Range

Malbec / Merlot

195

AREA : LIMIETBERG

WINEMAKER : GIELIE BEUKES

Aromas of sweet spice, black cherries, and plum with subtle hints of cedar and rustic leather. The palate pleases with soft, juicy tannins which are well balanced to offer all-round balance and finesse with a lingering finish.

La Bri Petit Verdot

265

AREA : FRANSCHHOEK

WINEMAKER : IRENE DE FLEURIOT DE LA COLINIÈRE

This Petit Verdot is made from a unique block on the farm giving beautiful black fruit on the nose, a full body & a rich lingering finish.

Kaapzicht Bottelary Hills

255

AREA : STELLENBOSCH - BOTTELARY HILLS

WINEMAKER : DANIE STEYTLER

The Bottelary Hills in Stellenbosch has been our home for four generations. This rich and inviting blend celebrates our region's harvest made by real farmers, making the wine at once familiar, and extraordinary.



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STEAK • LAMB

Hartenberg Doorkeeper Grenache / Shiraz / Mourvèdre **235**

AREA : STELLENBOSCH
WINEMAKER : CARL SCHULTZ
- MEMBER OF THE CAPE WINEMAKERS GUILD

A beautifully perfumed nose with aromas of rose petals complemented by hints of liquorice, and savoury, spicy notes of red peppercorns. The palate unfolds with a medium to full body, mirroring the aromatic promise with notes of savoury spices and flush with red and black summer berries, culminating in a velvety silky finish.

De Kleine Wijn Koöp Kreatuur **310**

AREA : COASTAL REGION
CELLARMASTER : WYNAND GROBLER

Cinsault, Shiraz & Mourvèdre. Ek is hier, die Kreatuur... medium struktuur. Gebek in Mourvèdre en gestert in Syrah. Met groot gees, stewig in Cinsault en Grenache. Trek 'n kurk, ek proes soos nog!

Beyerskloof Traildust (Cape Blend) **295**

AREA : STELLENBOSCH
WINEMAKER : ANRI TRUTER
- MEMBER OF THE CAPE WINEMAKERS GUILD / BEYERS TRUTER

Pinotage, Cinsaut & Pinot Noir. Ruby red. Abundance of red fruit and cherries aromas combines well with hints of sweet oak. Generous amount of sweet fruit, cherries and plum. A well-balanced wine with a juicy middle and soft well-rounded tannins.

David Finlayson Cab et Al **255**

AREA : STELLENBOSCH
WINEMAKER : DAVID FINLAYSON

A Bordeaux blend, a softer, plush wine that is ready to drink at a far younger age. A blend of Stellenbosch & Paarl grapes. Ideal to serve with robust dishes such as lamb shank or steak hollandaise. Also pairs well with vegetarian dishes such as Biryani & vegetable curry.

THE CAPTAIN'S SELECTION

When you have everything in life you tend to indulge in the really rare and finer things. If you do not have everything but you do have your company's credit card, now is the time to really indulge and drink really exceptional South African wines. These wines were handpicked by us and friends as the connoisseurs of this wine list to make your occasion more special - I trust you will approve.

CHENIN BLANC

Illimis

350

AREA : STELLENBOSCH
WINEMAKER : LUCINDA HEYNS

Welcoming floral and citrus blossom aromas fill the glass. Pear and succulent white peach flavours bring an initial weight to the palate, tapering off into a lingering linearity that finishes with the concentration and restraint that this wine has become known for.

CHARDONNAY

Migliarina

365

AREA : ELGIN
WINEMAKER : CARSTEN MIGLIARINA

Even the ABC (anything but Chardonnay) crowd has been known to enjoy this one. As a one-time sommelier, Carsten Migliarina's wines are refined, delicate and perfect food partners. Hints of vanilla and pistachio with delicate citrus notes.



THE CAPTAIN'S SELECTION

CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Hartenberg

395

AREA : STELLENBOSCH | WINEMAKER : CARL SCHULTZ
- MEMBER OF THE CAPE WINEMAKERS GUILD

Delightfully perfumed with spicy vanilla oak and an abundance of red fruit and cherry aromas. Soft silky tannins on the palate with flavours of lead pencil, cigar box and sandalwood. A lingering finish persists.



PINOTAGE

Beyerskloof Kriekbult

595

AREA : STELLENBOSCH
WINEMAKER : ANRI TRUTER
- MEMBER OF THE CAPE WINEMAKERS GUILD / BEYERS TRUTER

The Kriekbult Pinotage expresses an abundance of black fruit flavours, from blackberries to cassis, with balanced oak aromas from barrel maturation. A wine with excellent balance, a lovely core, and a long, juicy aftertaste.

CABERNET FRANC

Hermanuspietersfontein

Swartskaaap Cabernet Franc

475

AREA : SONDAGSKLOOF
WINEMAKER : WILHELM PIENAAR

Bright red and purple fruit, raspberries and blackcurrants; black olive; green herbal spice. Generous offering; density and fruit intensity; milk chocolate praline; supple and full with persistent length; sweet herbal spice (rosemary, thyme, mint) providing freshness on palate.

CAPE BLEND

Ataraxia Serenity

425

AREA : HEMEL-EN-AARDE RIDGE
WINEMAKER : KEVIN GRANT
- MEMBER OF THE CAPE WINEMAKERS GUILD

A finely scented, vibrant nose with hints of red berry fruit and intriguing mineral and spicy notes. Mouth-watering and polished grape tannins are wrapped in an elegant structure that subtly occupies all corners of one's palate. Intriguing, unusual and lingering.

THE CAPTAIN'S SELECTION

BORDEAUX BLEND

Babylonstoren Nebukadnesar

850

AREA: PAARL / FRANSCHHOEK

WINEMAKER: CHARL COETZEE WITH KLAAS STOFFBERG

Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Cabernet Franc, Petit Verdot & Malbec. Superbly crafted with good balance of vibrant multi-layered dark red fruits supported by tight, well-honed tannins. Handles the oak effortlessly. Opulent yet sophisticated with a long, compelling finish. Satisfying now, but with time will develop and unfold its many treasures. Deep, black colour, with a herby and cigar-box nose. Palate is showing dark fruit beautifully balanced with perfect oak. A mouthful long finish.

RHÔNE BLEND

Strandveld The Navigator

555

AREA : CAPE AGULHAS

WINEMAKER : CONRAD VLOK

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Shiraz, Grenache with a little Viognier & Mouvédre. Aromas of cool-climate spice with white pepper and cloves. Floral hints courtesy of the Viognier. The spiciness carries through to the palate and is complemented by black berry flavours. The Grenache contributes juicy red berry fruit, dried-peach tannins and a long finish.

FOR THE NOT-SO-THIRSTY (PER GLASS)

For those who would prefer only a glass or two with your meal, we provide a selection of wine by the glass.

WHITE WINES



187ML

SPARKLING



Stellenrust Chenin Blanc Spumante (4 glasses) 245
M·A·N Sparkling Chenin Blanc (4 glasses) 245

SAUVIGNON BLANC



First Sighting 190 65
Porcupine Ridge 145 45

CHENIN BLANC



Kaapzicht 185 65
Porcupine Ridge 145 45
Groot Phesantekraal 175 55

CHARDONNAY



Hartenberg Doorkeeper (Unwooded) 190 65
Chamonix Unoaked 230 75

ROSÉ



Delheim (Pinotage) (Off-dry) 210 70
Porcupine Ridge 145 45

RED WINES

CABERNET SAUVIGNON



M.A.N. Family Wines - Ou Kalant 205 70
Porcupine Ridge 145 45

PINOTAGE



Diemersfontein The Prodigy 195 65
Doolhof Mountain Range 225 75

SHIRAZ / SYRAH



Brookdale Mason Road 235 75
First Sighting 195 65

MERLOT



Porcupine Ridge 145 45
HPF Posmeester 230 75

FOR THE SLIMMERS

Drostdy-Hof Extra Light (9.0% Alcohol) 145 45

FOR THE SWEETER PALATE

Drostdy-Hof Adelpracht 145 45
Darling Cellars Semi Sweet White 145 45
Darling Cellars Semi Sweet Rosé 145 45
Darling Cellars Sweet Red 145 45

OUR HOUSE WINES





De Niswif

DESSERT WINE



Noble Late Delheim Spatzendreck (50ml)	50
Cape Ruby (50ml)	45
Sherry (50ml) Full / Medium / Pale Dry	40
Sherry Sedgwick's (50ml)	30

HOT BEVERAGES

Americano	29
Decaffeinated Coffee	29
Espresso or Red	single 29 double 39
Cappuccino or Red	35
Mocha Chocca (Hot Chocolate with Espresso)	29
Tea (Five Roses / Rooibos / Green / Chai)	29
Hot Chocolate / Milo	39
Latte	39

COLD BEVERAGES

Soft Drinks & Mixers	28
Cordial with Mixer (Kola Tonic, Lime, Lemon, Passion Fruit & Grenadine)	35
Tizers (Apple or Red Grape)	35
Iced Tea	35
Fruit Juices	30
Iced Coffee	45
Fruit Juice Shakes	50
Milkshakes (Chocolate, Strawberry, Lime, Vanilla, Banana, Bubblegum, Coffee)	55
Gourmet Milkshakes (Peanut Butter, Salted Caramel, Milktart & Koeksister)	65
Mineral Water (Still or Sparkling Small - 350ml)	30
Mineral Water (Still or Sparkling Large - 750ml)	45
Energy Drink (Red Bull)	45

CIDERS & COOLERS

Hunters Gold / Extreme	39
Savanna Dry / Lite	39
Craft Siders (Please inquire)	SQ



De Niswif

LOCAL BEERS / INTERNATIONAL BEERS

Amstel	30	Heineken	30
Black Label	30	Windhoek Draught	45
Castle (Various)	30	Windhoek Lager	35
Hansa	30		
Flying Fish (Lemon)	35		

CRAFT & ON TAP

Craft Beer		Tap Pint	50
Craft Beer		Tap Middy	40

WHISKEY

Bells	29
J&B	29
Jack Daniels	35
Jameson	39
Southern Comfort	35
Johnny Walker Red	35
Johnny Walker Black	39
Chivas Regal	45
Bain's Cape Mountain	49
Glenmorangie 12yr Single Malt	65

POTSTILL BRANDY / BRANDY

KWV Brandy 5yr	35
Van Ryns 12yr	70
Joseph Barry XO	75
Klipdrift Premium	35
Richelieu	29
Olof Berg	29

RUM

Bacardi Rum	29
Captain Morgan	29
Spiced Gold	29
Don Papa	45



De Niswif

GIN & VODKA

Gordans Gin	29
Bombay Sapphire	35
Cape Town Pink Lady	45
Bulldog Gin	45
Musgrave Pink	45
Six Dogs Distillery	50
Skyy	30
Belvedere	45

LIQUEURS & SHORT DRINKS

Amarula	25	El Jimador Tequila	40
Cointreau	35	(Gold / Silver)	
Drambuie	35	Espolon Tequila	55
Frangelico	35	(Gold)	
Ginger Liqueur	30	Springbokkie	35
Kahlua	35	Jägerbomb	55
Peppermint Liqueur	30	Caramel Vodka	30
Tang Apple Sours	30	Oyster	30
Toffee Apple	50		

DIGESTIFS & GRAPPAS

Jägermeister	35
Underburg	40
GRAPPA: (Husk Spirit)	
Joseph Barry Shiraz	50
Dalla Cia Cabernet Sauvignon / Merlot	50

MOCKTAILS

Gingersquare	60
(Ginger Brandy, Lime, Ginger Ale, Bitters)	
Steelworks	60
(Kola Tonic, Ginger Ale, Soda Water, Bitters)	
Rockshandy	60
(Lemonade, Soda Water, Bitters)	
Bloody Mary	60
(Virgin - Tomato Cocktail, Salt and Pepper, Tabasco Sauce)	
Flare Gun	60
(Orange Juice, Lemonade & Grenadine)	



CAPTAINS COCKTAILS

SHIPWRECK HISTORY

HMS Birckenhead

HMS Birckenhead was one of the first iron-hulled ships built for the Royal Navy. She was designed as a steam frigate. She was wrecked on 26 February 1852 while transporting troops to Algoa Bay at Danger Point near Gansbaai 140km from Cape Town, South Africa. There were not enough serviceable lifeboats for all the passengers and the soldiers famously stood firm on board, thereby allowing the women and children to board the boat safely and escape the sinking. Only 193 of the estimated 643 people on board survived. The soldiers chivalry gave rise to unofficial "women and children first" protocol.

Thomas T Tucker

The SS Thomas Tucker was a Liberty ship built for service as a troop and weapons carrier. She was named after Thomas Tudor Tucker, an American physician and politician from South Carolina. She ran aground off Olifantsbos Point, near Cape Point on November 27 1942 during heavy fog. Assuming they were close to Robben Island and therefore not far from Cape Town the crew relaxed and the ship ran aground. After an investigation it was discovered the ships compass was out by 37 The wreck is located on a stretch of rocks on the shoreline of Olifantsbos Beach, within The Cape of Good Hope.

Soa Joao

In 1552 the Portuguese ship Sao Joao ran aground near modern day Port Edward. It was the first cargo ship to wreck on the coastline of South Africa. It was traveling from India back to Portugal, carrying a cargo of pepper, porcelain, beads, tapestries and other items reportedly "worth a million in gold". Of the approximately 600 souls aboard, some 100 lost their lives during the wrecking. Only 21 of the survivors eventually reached Mozambique after embarking on a journey north along the coastline in hope of being rescued by passing ships. The wreck was only found in the 1980s by Tim Maggs. Porcelain shards believed to be from the wreckage of the Sao Joao still wash up on the beaches near Port Edward.

SS Waratah

The SS Waratah was a 150m long cargo liner steamship that operated between Europe and Australia in the early 1900's. In July 1909, the ship en route from Durban to Cape Town disappeared with 211 passengers and crew aboard. To this day, no trace of the ship has been found. It was named Waratah after the emblem flower of New South Wales Australia, which appears to have been an unlucky name as 3 ships with that name have been lost. The ship was designed to serve as a passenger and cargo liner to Australia, it had 100 first class cabins, 8 state rooms and a salon whose panels depicted its namesake flower and a luxurious music lounge with a minstrel's gallery.

Meisho Maru

The Meisho Maru No 38 was a small Japanese fishing vessel that ran aground in the stormy waters around L'Agulhas on 16 November 1982. The accident occurred close to shore and the crew of 17 all managed to swim to safety. After surviving seas which at times can produce swells of up to 30 meters, the ship finally broke apart a few years ago. The prow can still be seen, but the ocean will eventually claim even that.

THE SHIP WRECKS COCKTAILS

HMS Birckenhead	75
(Bacardi, Vodka, Gin, Tequila, Triple Sec & Lime)	
Thomas T Tucker	70
(Rum, Pineapple Juice, Grenadine, Lime Juice, Bitters)	
Soa Joao	70
(Gin, Berry Puree, Lime Juice, Tonic Water)	
Waratah	65
(Vodka, Triple Sec, Blue Caracao, Lime Juice, Lemonade)	
Meisho Maru	65
(Vodka, Blue Caracao, Grenadine, Pineapple Juice, Lime Juice, Lemonade)	