



Wine List



the SQUARE



The combination of great wine, good food and interesting company is the recipe for memorable moments.

Roy Davies, General Manager at the Vineyard Hotel

They say that wine gets better with age.

This would be the only time I'm excited about getting old.

Matt Deitchman, Food & Beverage Manager

Every bottle of wine has a story to tell and every moment spent with great company deserves a great accompaniment. Take time and find a wine of choice that will compliment your dining experience.

Ndaba Dube, Square Restaurant Manager

Our Wine Strategy Team has indicated inside this winelist, for a quick reference, a few wines that you should try. This is a guide to wines that we have enjoyed as a group and individually and hope you do too.

Look out for our initials from above mentioned team: **RD, MD & ND**

We have included some Wine Spectator, Enthusiast and John Platter ratings to aid you in finding the right wine for your dining experience.

When next, if you have time, please feel free to visit our 100 vines along the Liesbeek River at the edge of our beautiful gardens.

Enjoy the diversity in your glass.

The Food and Beverage Team



indicates organic wines



indicates the Vineyard Hotel & Spa's five wine partners - Klein Constantia | Meerlust | Simonsig | Warwick | Waterford



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Should a particular vintage be exhausted, the next available vintage will be offered.

WINEGROWING AREAS OF SOUTH AFRICA

COASTAL REGION

Districts:

- SWARTLAND
- STELLENBOSCH
- TYGERBERG
- CAPE POINT
- CONSTANTIA (WARD)
- TULBAGH
- PAARL
- DARLING

KLEIN KAROO REGION

Districts:

- CALITZDORP
- UPPER LANGKLOOF (WARD)

WARDS NOT PART OF A REGION

- CERES
- CEDERBERG
- LOWER ORANGE
- PRINCE ALBERT VALLEY

OLIFANTS RIVER REGION

Districts:

- LUTZVILLE VALLEY
- CITRUSDAL VALLEY
- CITRUSDAL MOUNTAIN

BREEDE RIVER VALLEY REGION

Districts:

- BREEDEKLOOF
- WORCESTER
- ROBERTSON
- SWELLEN DAM

DISTRICTS NOT PART OF A REGION

- OVERBERG
- WALKER BAY
- DOUGLAS
- CAPE AGULHAS
- BOTRIVIER



The Vineyard's Vineyard

(Excerpt taken from an article written by Fiona MacDonald – past editor of Wine Magazine)

“The scope of the subject of wine is never ending,” wrote British (and world) wine authority Hugh Johnson, “so many other subjects lie within its boundaries. Without geography and topography it is incomprehensible; without history it is colourless; without taste it is meaningless; without travel it remains unreal. It embraces botany, chemistry, agriculture, carpentry, economics – any number of sciences whose names I do not even know. It leads you up paths of knowledge and by-ways of experience you would never glimpse without it.”

Almost all of these elements converge in a single project which is being undertaken by the Vineyard Hotel in Newlands, Cape Town. And guests strolling along one of the many paths or by-ways in the beautifully lush gardens of this historic 207-room hotel set on 7.5 acres in the midst of suburbia will discover a vineyard once more along the banks of the Liesbeek River. This vineyard is more humble than those which were present when its original owners took occupation of their new house in February 1800. Naming their property the Vineyard was easy – since there were some 22 000 vines already planted there!

Famous Cape diarist, Lady Anne Barnard, and her husband Andrew, colonial secretary to the Governor of the Cape of Good Hope, Earl Macartney, moved into their newly built house in February 1800 – right in the middle of the annual grape harvest. It was almost 141 years earlier, to the day, that Jan van Riebeeck wrote his famous diary entry on February 2, 1659: “Today, praise be to God, wine was made for the first time from Cape grapes.”

In February 2009 South Africa celebrates the 350th anniversary of winemaking. The replanting of this vineyard is just one of the measures to commemorate this historic occasion. “The intention is never for this to be a commercial project,” says Roy Davies, General Manager at the Vineyard Hotel. “Yes, we fully intend to harvest the vines – and we will supply them to our five wine partners – Meerlust, Warwick, Simonsig, Waterford and Klein Constantia. At some point we will probably make up 100 special commemorative packs of our partners’ wines.

“Our idea is to bring the Vineyard’s history alive for our guests. Not only can they visit our genuine vineyard planted with a range of grape varieties, but we can use it to enliven our wine offering.

The five wine farms involved in the Vineyard project also boast significant winemaking histories: the Malan family has produced wine since 1688, although Simonsig was established as recently as 1953. Meerlust has been in the Myburgh family since 1756, the Warwick wine track record goes back to 1791 and Klein Constantia’s dates back to 1818. Waterford may have only been around in its present form since 1998, but it was once part of the original Stellenrust landholding – granted in the 1700s as Rustenburgh but later renamed to avoid confusion with the other farm of the same name.

Hannes Myburgh (Meerlust), Johan Malan (Simonsig), Mike Ratcliffe (Warwick), Kevin Arnold (Waterford) and Lowell Jooste (Klein Constantia) have all thrown their weight behind this project, assisting with the vine selection, assessment of the site’s suitability, soil analysis and labour.



White wines



a string of pearls

The Benedictine monk, notably Dom Perignon, are associated with the creation of Champagne. "Come quickly, I am tasting the stars!" is supposedly what he said when tasting the first sparkling Champagne. Three varieties are permitted in Champagne: red Pinot Noir and Pinot Meunier and white Chardonnay, carefully processed so as to enhance the appetizing acids that stimulate the palate. First fermentation creates the base wine (usually very tart and difficult to drink at this stage!). Sugar and yeast are added into the bottle again for the second fermentation. The bubbles (co2) are a by product of the fermentation process taking place inside the bottle, which are desirably unable to escape and as a result leave a carbonated wine at the end of the process. Champagne is synonymous with celebration, good company and pleasure. Don't forget it!

champagne

Mareuil-Sur-Ay France	TAITTINGER BRUT RESERVE NV The nose, very expressive and open, is both fruity and bready. It exudes aromas of peach, white flowers and vanilla pod. This is a delicate wine with flavours of fresh fruit and honey.	275	1350
Mareuil-Sur-Ay France	BILLECART-SALMON BRUT RESERVE NV Finesse and elegance of pear and blackberry with hints of citrus fruit combined with a refined mousse and appetizing finish.		1650
Epernay France	DOM PERIGNON 2006 An aged classic! Buttery, hazelnut, almond and brioche nose with creamy textured pear tart hazelnut palate from a stunning vintage showing endless ageing potential.		3950

méthode cap classique mcc

MCC is the Cape version in the authentic Champagne style where the important second fermentation takes place in the bottle and the wine is disgorged in the traditional way, yet unique in flavour and style. Other varieties apart from the traditional three permitted in Champagne can be used.

Stellenbosch	 SIMONSIG KAAPSE VONKEL 2015 A biscuit & lemon-zest profile and rich mousse confirms class & appeal. 58 % Pinot Noir, 39% Chardonnay, 3% Pinot Meunier.	78	310
Stellenbosch	VILLIERA BRUT NATURAL 2012 Made without the use of sulphur and naturally fermented. Apple, yeast with hints of biscuit that follows through to the dry palate.	79	315
Stellenbosch	VILLIERA 'STARLIGHT' MCC NV Starlight Brut is a new innovation from Villiera, the first low alcohol Cap Classique at 9%.		275
Stellenbosch	 SIMONSIG KAAPSE VONKEL BRUT ROSÉ 2015 Rosy salmon pink colour, the palate shows fresh fruit intensity and a fresh clean finish.		310
Robertson	GRAHAM BECK DEMI SEC NV Light yeasty aromas, with hints of butterscotch, honey and praline, this delectable bubbly will stimulate your sweeter sense.		325
Tulbagh	SARONSBURG BRUT MCC 2012 The wine has a translucent colour with a slight green edge and a prominent mousse. Delicate flavours of toasted biscuit, creamy lees and fresh apple end with a long, elegant, dry finish.		330
Hemel en Aarde	DOMAINE DE DIEUX ROSE OF SHARON BRUT ROSE 2008 A berry-basket bouquet! Strawberry, black cherry, raspberry notes jump out of the glass with a hint of mint and rose water in the background.		390

Durbanville	DE GRENDEL BRUT 2012 Fresh apple flavours and sweet tropical fruit backed by some biscuit richness.	390
Stellenbosch	 SIMONSIG CUVÉE BLANC DE BLANC 2004 CWG Golden yellow colour with a persistent fine mousse forming a necklace of bubbles around the rim. Toasty warm bread flavours with a touch of oak nuttiness.	425
Elgin	CHARLES FOX BRUT 2012 Pale gold in colour with a fine and delicate mousse. Subtle flavours of apple and pear on the nose integrate beautifully with hints of citrus blossom.	490
Paarl	BOSCHENDAL GRANDE CUVÉE BRUT 2009 Stylish almond biscotti and plush citrus fruit with an endless flurry of tiny bubbles.	490
Robertson	GRAHAM BECK BRUT BLANC DE BLANCS 2010 Produced from 100% Chardonnay this delicious and versatile bubbly combines rich creamy aromas with hints of fresh lime fruit on the nose. On the palate you can expect an exciting fine mousse with an explosion of tangerines.	515

sparkling wine

Another popular method to create bubbles in wine other than the traditional second fermentation in the bottle is the Charmat process. Also called bulk process or cuvée close, using large pressurized tanks throughout production. These interconnecting tanks retain the pressure created during a second fermentation throughout the entire process.

Swartland	KLOOVENBURG WHITE FROM RED NV A bouquet of wild cherries and whiffs of candy floss. The crisp, dry finish is complimented by a delicate fruity palate with a well balanced acidity.	60	240
Constantia	STEENBERG SAUVIGNON BLANC NV The palate is fresh and fizzy with a fruit explosion. Sweet fruits linger on the aftertaste with a refreshing finish, perfect for a hot summer's day.	69	275

ROSÉS

Rosé, particularly in Europe, is produced from red grapes only. It is processed like white grapes ie. with minimal skin contact and hence the lighter resulting colour. The wines may vary from bone dry to semi sweet. All are best served well chilled, making a wonderfully refreshing summertime drink.

Bot Rivier	GABRIELS KLOOF ROSEBUD 2016 Beautifully balanced and layered. Rosebud is the quintessential easy drinking lunchtime wine. Hints of rose perfume evolving into subtle notes of strawberry and caramel.	41	165
Stellenbosch	JORDAN CHAMELEON ROSE 2016 Summer-berry flavours of Shiraz combined with plummy Merlot add complexity to this dry fruity rose. A versatile partner to seafood and Asian dishes.	43	170
Stellenbosch	THELEMA SUTHERLAND GRENACHE ROSE 2016 Dry and deliciously refreshing. Packed with berries and red fruit aromas that follow through onto the palate. Crisp with a long finish. The perfect wine to sip while watching the sun set.	43	170
Hemel-en-Aarde	CREATION ROSE 2017 The palate is lively and refreshing with mouth-filling raspberry flavours and a hint of pomegranate leading to a tangy, savoury aftertaste.		180

riesling

The name, a source of confusion to consumers and of distress to the producers, is known in its great homeland, Germany, simply as Riesling. Here officially as Rhine or Weisser Riesling. In SA, Riesling is used alone on the label standing, and officially refers to Cape Riesling (crouchen blanc) and is mostly used in blends or otherwise frequently in off-dry styles. This noble variety is praised by wine writers, but the public still seem by and large unconvinced, though this is changing particularly in the USA. Go and try for yourself and you be the judge.

Stellenbosch	HARTENBERG WEISSER RIESLING 2014 The spicy richness on the nose gives way to a taut yet floral and fruity mid-palate that has both richness and complexity. This is a quality wine that offers great value and much versatility.	55	220
Elgin	PAUL CLUVER 'CLOSE ENCOUNTER' RIESLING 2016 Made in a more luscious style with an alcohol under 9%. Juicy pineapple and lime aromas are complemented with hints of jasmine and honeysuckle.	61	245
Stellenbosch	JORDAN THE REAL McCOY RIESLING 2015 Intense lemon-lime flavours. A crisp fruitiness makes it a superb partner with food. Hints of spiciness add to its intrigue.		235

white blends

Stellenbosch	VILLIERA DOWN TO EARTH SAUVIGNON BLANC/SEMILLON 2016 Lively and fresh with hints on passion fruit and gooseberries. An array of herbaceous, grassy character giving complexity on the palate	38	150
Constantia	BUITENVERWACHTING BUITEN BLANC 2017 The blend of 60% Sauvignon Blanc, 27% Chenin Blanc, 10% Semillon, 3 % Viognier has pleasant harmonious complexity with grassy nose and fruity hints of fig.	41	165
Stellenbosch	BEYERSKLOOF CHENIN BLANC/PINOTAGE 2016 Perfume notes, peaches and cream with a fine mineral character. Full palate rich with limes, orange blossom, peaches and apricot flavours, mineral finish.	46	185
Franschhoek	RICKETY BRIDGE FOUNDATION STONE 2015 Subtle hints of oak spice and a refined fruit expression. A rich and well-structured wine that finishes with elegance and freshness on the palate.	58	230
Stellenbosch	AVONDALE CYCLUS 2013 Cyclus is made from Viognier, Chardonnay, Roussanne, Chenin Blanc and Semillon grapes. Intense flavours of pear, pineapple, apricot and fig are rounded off with smooth, subtle oak for a creamy, long-structured finish.		495
Stellenbosch	WATERKLOOF CIRCLE OF LIFE WHITE BLEND 2013 Lime, grapefruit, peach notes, complimented by tropical aromas. On the palate, intense flavours, tight mineral core, creamy mid palate with great complexity and persistent finish.		320

other fine white cultivars

Stellenbosch	NEETHLINGSHOF GEWURZTRAMINER 2016 Off-dry with a spicy character, traces of Turkish delight, an abundance of litchi and a zesty finish.	43	170
Paardeberg	FOUNDRY GRENACHE BLANC 2014 One of a small range of wines from what is a boutique, side project for Meerlust winemaker Chris Williams. It's textured, weighty and mineral, decorated with gentle melon, apple and citrus fruit.		330
Constantia	BEAU CONSTANTIA CECILY VIOGNIER 2015 The wine has a striking perfumed nose of coriander spice, violets and apricots, a classic example of this rare white wine variety. The palate is full and rich and packed with flavours of white peach and orange blossom. enjoyed by – MD		360
Constantia	STEENBERG SEMILLON 2015 Ripe tropical fruit on the nose. Peach and apricots with hints of crème brûlée and lemon meringue on the palate, followed by quinces and tangerine on the aftertaste.		420

sauvignon blanc

The Sauvignon Blanc's grape is associated with the French regions of the upper Loire Valley in the central parts of France and the south west in Graves, Bordeaux. This noble variety constitutes 8% of vines in South Africa and is growing. Wines made from this grape are mostly very dry, crisp, and reminiscent of green grass, bell peppers and gooseberries. Sauvignon Blanc is without doubt, currently the worlds most popular grape variety. This is why we have more entries in this section than in any other and offer a wide variety by the glass. Feel free to explore!

Stellenbosch	 WATERFORD SAUVIGNON BLANC 2015 500ml Ripe tropical nose, chalk and lime undertones to balance.	140
Stellenbosch	 WATERFORD PECAN STREAM SAUVIGNON BLANC 2016 Enticing sauvignon with cool climate flavours of fig and asparagus with a zesty finish.	43 170
Stellenbosch	VILLIERA SAUVIGNON BLANC 2016 Nettles and cut grass aromas with pear/apple freshness and zest on the palate.	49 195
Stellenbosch	THELEMA SUTHERLAND SAUVIGNON BLANC 2015 Fragrant nose of honeysuckle and a gorgeous minerality on the palate, ending with dry fruity melon finish.	51 205
Elgin	PAUL WALLACE 'LITTLE FLIRT' SAUVIGNON BLANC 2016 Bright and appealing with a bouquet of tropical fruit on the nose. A ripe fruit salad backed by an underlying mineral core and a hint of fennel.	53 210
Franschhoek	LA MOTTE SAUVIGNON BLANC 2016 Crispy green apples with nettles and cut grass, followed by gooseberry and green pepper fragrance.	53 210
Constantia	 KLEIN CONSTANTIA SAUVIGNON BLANC 2016 Fine herbal notes complement intense aromas of green fig and nectarine. The palate is richly textured, powerful and complex, with a fine, long and flavourful finish.	78 310
Cape Agulhas	FIRST SIGHTING SAUVIGNON BLANC 2016 Expressive tropical and citrus fruit on the nose. Full yet fresh on the palate with typical notes of buchu and minerality.	54 215
Stellenbosch	 WARWICK THE FIRST LADY SAUVIGNON BLANC 2017 Light pale colour. Aromas of fig, pear, nettle, flint and melon. The palate is bone-dry with bright granadilla, lime and citrus notes.	55 220
Stellenbosch	WATERKLOOF CIRCUMSTANCE SAUVIGNON BLANC 2016 Fresh nose with hints of green apple, grapefruit and gooseberry. Good follow through on the palate filled with fresh gooseberry acids, a melody of white fruits and long elegant finish.	68 270
Durbanville	DE GRENDDEL 'KOETSHUIS' SAUVIGNON BLANC 2017 Flavours of white fruit, canned peas and gooseberry. Impressive with outstanding rich layered fruit and a full mouth-feel.	73 320
Elgin	ALMENKERK SAUVIGNON BLANC 2016 Single vineyard wine expressing a complexity of fruit and a minerality core. It offsets delicate green aromas true to the varietal character and has a mid-palate of tropical tones. Extended lees contact adds to palate weight and texture.	83 330
Stellenbosch	 SIMONSIG SUNBIRD SAUVIGNON BLANC 2016 Gooseberry, nettles and bell pepper flavours with refreshing acidity to finish.	220
Constantia	BUITENVERWACHTING SAUVIGNON BLANC 2017 A gentle play of flavours with the customary green pepper edge. Pleasantly fruity noticeable sweetness on finish.	250
Constantia	STEENBERG SAUVIGNON BLANC 2016 Typical grassiness and gooseberry overtones with a gentle underlying scent of tropical fruit. Long mineral finish.	260
Stellenbosch	 WATERFORD SAUVIGNON BLANC 2016 Quince and gooseberry aroma. Steely minerality with bright lime citrus core.	265
Elgin	IONA SAUVIGNON BLANC 2016 The palate is very well defined with subtle apricot and white peach notes behind the ripe gooseberry fruit. With attractive harmony towards the finish. John Platter 4 ½ Stars	320

chenin blanc

This versatile grape was for many years called "Steen" and many believed it was unique to the Cape. In 1965 it was established that it is the same as the French Chenin Blanc of the Loire. Today Chenin Blanc plantings are in decline. However, there has been a revival within the South African wine industry with the formation of the Chenin Blanc producers association. South Africa has by far the most planted vineyards of Chenin Blanc than anywhere else in the world. Chenin Blanc's adaptability allows it to produce wines ranging in style from dry to very sweet as well as fortified wines, Brandies and Sparkling wines

unwooded

Stellenbosch	 SIMONSIG CHENIN BLANC 2017 Crisp, fresh wine with lots of tropical fruit on the nose and palate.	39	155
Stellenbosch	SAXENBURG GUINEA FOWL CHENIN BLANC 2016 Stone fruit aromas with hints of pineapple and apple flavours on the nose. Vibrant fruit follow and lengthy mid-palate weight giving a lingering fruit finish.	46	185
Stellenbosch	ERNIE ELS 'BIG EASY WHITE' CHENIN BLANC 2016 A mélange of strawberry and pineapple flavours are all wound up by a limey-streak on the nose.	49	195
Bot River	BEAUMONT CHENIN BLANC 2016 Lovely fresh tropical fruit aromas flow onto a crisp, fresh palate with a perfect balance between the acidity and sweetness, giving the wine extra length. enjoyed by – MD	53	210

wooded

Stellenbosch	MULDERBOSCH STEEN OP HOUT CHENIN BLANC 2016 Subtle mineral aromas herald a finely balance, delicately floral Chenin Blanc.	44	175
Swartland	MULLINEUX KLOOF STREET CHENIN BLANC 2016 Pale straw colour, sun ripened pears and wet granite aromas. Vibrant palate, balanced acidity, soft round texture and elegant pithy character.	53	210
Stellenbosch	STRYDOM DANIELE CHENIN BLANC 2015 Fresh vibrant flavours of yellow apple, bits of citrus, nutty oats and honey. Elegant mineral palate backed with balanced acidity.	78	310
Stellenbosch	KEN FORRESTER OLD VINE CHENIN BLANC 2015 Golden hued and full bodied, with melon and spicy baked apple aromas. Layered, with mineral notes enhanced by honeycomb and caramel flavours. john platter 5 star		250
Stellenbosch	OLDENBURG CHENIN BLANC 2015 Elegantly crafted showcasing ripe stone fruit, fresh citrus zest and a lingering mineral tang on the palate.		290
Stellenbosch	KAAPZICHT KLIPRUG CHENIN BLANC 2015 Wonderful sun-ripe yellow fruit with crunchy apple, fresh pineapple and a touch of oak. Medium bodied palate, fresh and a fleshy texture on the mid-palate leaving a dry lingering finish.		310
Stellenbosch	DELAIRE CHENIN BLANC 2014 Delicious expressions of citrus fruit with subtle layers of honey and almonds in the background. Balanced and superbly structured. enjoyed by – ND		320
Paarl	AVONDALE ANIMA CHENIN BLANC 2014 On the nose this wine shows winter melon, pineapple, lime and hint of honey from the soft oak. Dense palate, fresh fruit flavours of gooseberry, quince and peach. Supple lengthy finish.		450

chardonnay

The Chardonnay grape variety is a classic noble white wine grape grown all around the world. Chardonnay's original fame is built from the great wines of Burgundy and Champagne regions in France where it has been grown for over 400 years. In Chablis, the most northern part of Burgundy much Chardonnay remains un-oaked, elsewhere it is more often barrel-fermented and may undergo the softening effect of malolactic fermentation.

unwooded

Wellington	THE WINERY OF GOODHOPE CHARDONNAY 2016 Elegantly crafted showcasing ripe stone fruit, fresh citrus zest and a lingering mineral tang on the palate.	53	210
Paarl	GLEN CARLOU CHARDONNAY 2016 Exhibits subtle green melon and lemon lime characters on the nose. The palate consists of subtle peach and honey with a tang of green apples.	58	230
Robertson	DE WETSHOF BON VALLON CHARDONNAY 2016 Almond mingled with citrus and tropical fruits. Medium bodied and a refreshing finish.	68	270
Stellenbosch	 WARWICK FIRST LADY CHARDONNAY 2016 Intense nose of pineapple, pear, citrus and floral notes. The mid-palate is broad and appealing supported by a refreshing acidity.		220

wooded

Stellenbosch	DOMBEYA CHARDONNAY 2014 Complex nose with fresh flavours of lime, peaches and hints of smokiness. Soft but firm entry followed by velvety butter flavour.	63	250
Elgin	MIGLIARINA CHARDONNAY 2015 The nose has a touch of vanilla with lime and pistachio, whilst on the palate the wine has a hint of oak and fresh acidity with a long lingering finish. enjoyed by - ND	64	255
Elgin	THELEMA SUTHERLAND CHARDONNAY 2015 Pure citrus fruit, creamy oak and a touch of savouriness on the palate with a lovely fresh finish. Shows surprising complexity and ageing potential.	68	270
Constantia	STEENBERG SPHYNX CHARDONNAY 2017 On the nose notes of lime, peach, apricot, pear drop and butterscotch jump out of the glass. The palate is soft and smooth with hints of vanilla, stone fruits and citrus.	71	285
Stellenbosch	 MEERLUST CHARDONNAY 2015 A bouquet of lemongrass, limes and lemon with expressive minerality. Balanced by pure mineral notes.	103	410
Hemel-en-aarde	NEWTON JOHNSON SOUTHEND CHARDONNAY 2015 Newton Johnson farm in the valley, is on a notably cooler slope with slower ripening. They produce wines with compact structure, cool fruit flavours and vibrant, lengthy acidity.		320
Elgin	PAUL CLUVER CHARDONNAY 2014 This noble variety is bursting with aromas of citrus, marmalade and a lovely toastiness. The flavours are complex and show a well-integrated combination of fruit.		340
Stellenbosch	UVA MIRATHE MIRA CHARDONNAY 2015 Compelling nose with enticing aromas of white peach, orange zest hints of marzipan. Enticing minerality, with a lovely floral fragrance and subtle spice. Fruit purity on the palate with lime acidity, elegant creaminess and chalky texture. Complex and balanced lingering finish.		380
Stellenbosch	 WATERFORD CHARDONNAY 2014 Vibrant green with yellow undertone - ripe tropical stone fruit with citrus blossom and vanilla pod on aroma. Palate is tightly structure with refreshing acid to add longevity. enjoyed by - MD		390

red selection

red blends

Johan Malan acclaimed and award winning Cape Wine maker from Simonsig Vineyards, claims that within a decade, “blending” will dominate the red wine scene. Think of Meerlust Rubicon, Simonsig Frans Malan, Vergelegen V, Kanonkop Paul Sauer and Rust en Vrede Estate and it is evident that blending provides a platform to create a masterpiece!

Since Meerlust’s entry in 1980, “BORDEAUX BLENDS” of exceptional quality have been released. Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, Merlot Petit Verdot and Malbec are five varieties that may be used in the blend, usually with Cabernet or Merlot making the highest proportion of the blend. The 1979 Welgemeend was the first Bordeaux blend, not Rubicon!

While the Pinotage producers and association have suggested that a “CAPE BLEND” should contain a minimum percentage of this home bred grape, others think in another direction: “MULTI-BLENDS.” We think of Waterford’s pioneering Super-Tuscan, ‘The Gem’, incorporating Cabernet Shiraz Mouvedre, and a couple of Italian varieties. “RHONE BLENDS” from Fairview:SMV (Shiraz, Mourvèdre, Viognier; the thick skinned, tannin filled white grape of the Rhône) are showing their natural affinity to the relatively warmer climate of South Africa. Shiraz usually dominates in the blend but other Rhone varieties such as Grenache and Mouvedre are producing excellent results as single variety bottling.

Constantia	 KC KLEIN CONSTANTIA CABERNET MERLOT 2013 Mixed berry blend with black fruit aromas – well structured wine with lengthy chunky tannins.	45	180
Western Cape	 WATERFORD PEBBLE HILL RED BLEND 2013 A unique blend of Italian and Spanish varietals. Fruit aromatics of cherries and plums accompanied by leather, spice and cloves. The palate is filled with dark red fruit, classic tannin structure, finishing with balanced natural acidity.	45	180
Stellenbosch	KAAPZICHT ESTATE RED 2014 Inky, deep purple coloured blend offers youthful, incensed aromas of sweet perfume, wild dark berries, sweet spice and musk. Blend of Cabernet Sauvignon and Shiraz.	53	210
Stellenbosch	HARTENBERG CABERNET SAUVIGNON SHIRAZ 2014 Peppery and spicy with rich berry aromas and elegant fruit flavours, has a soft smooth and silky finish with good structure, roundness, balance and length.	53	210
Walker Bay	CREATION WHALE POD RED BLEND 2015 Deep Crimson in colour with glorious flashes of purple. A delightful medley of dark berries and peppery spices to tempt the nose.	54	215
Overberg	GABRIELSKLOOF RED BLEND 2015 A youthful mulberry aroma and a hint of mint on the nose, followed by layers of caramel with dark chocolate, cinnamon and nuts. The palate has nuances of tobacco and smokiness.	55	220
Franschhoek	LA MOTTE MILLENIUM 2015 The wine is intense on the nose, with cherry and mulberry fruit together with cinnamon spice. Wood maturation has enhanced a toffee and caramel presence. Very smooth and juicy on the palate.	59	235
Elgin	ALMENKERK LACE RED VINEYARD SELECTION 2013 A blend of Syrah, Merlot, Cabernet franc, Cabernet Sauvignon and Viognier. Elegant, full bodied, fruit driven wine with a lingering finish.	69	275
Hemel-en-aarde	HERMANUSPIETERSFONTEIN KLEINBOET 2013 Strong characteristics of blackcurrant, black olive, lavender and cashew come through. Medium-bodied with well-rounded tannins and harmonious balance, it awards a lovely dry finish. enjoyed by – MD	90	360
Durbanville	DIEMERSDAL PRIVATE COLLECTION 2015 Deep, dark chocolate, cigar box and enticing cedar aromas followed by notes of blackberry, cherry and cassis. enjoyed by – ND	95	380
Stellenbosch	BOSMAN FAMILY VINEYARDS ADAMA RED 2013 Exotic, juicy flavours of black plums and red berries. Notes of vanilla and spice carrying through to an exciting palate with elegant/subtle tannins.		330

turn overleaf for more red blends.

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Languedoc France	DOMAINE GRIER OYDESSEA 2010 The wine clearly expresses the minerality and spice expected from the vineyard and it is supported by fruit and a hint of aniseed.	300
Franschhoek	STONEY BROOK SMV 2014 On the palate, the wine shows smooth, rich tannins which sing in perfect harmony with the acidity. The mid-palate is robust and fleshy, while the flinty, savoury finish begs another sip.	310
hemel en Aarde	DOMAINE DES DIEUX SYRAH/MOUVEDRE 2013 Attractively poised, fresh blackberry, wood smoke and moderate oak. Syrah brings white pepper, liquorice, and black cherries. Mourvèdre contributes soft wild berry fruit and spice, softening out the blend. Moderate use of new oak supports fine tannins on the palate.	370
Stellenbosch	 WARWICK THREE CAPE LADIES 2013 Ripe red and black berry flavours as well as mocha and a subtle spiciness.	390
Perdeberg	RADFORD DALE BLACK ROCK No.12 2014 Syrah / Cinsault / Carignan / Grenache / Mourvedre - A vinous and wonderfully charged mouthfeel combines with an array of lavender, spices, strawberries and even blueberries.	420
Stellenbosch	ERNIE ELS PROPRIETORS BLEND 2013 Cabernet Sauvignon 55%, Shiraz 25%, Merlot 5%, Cabernet Franc 5%, Malbec 5%, Petit Verdot 5%.	520

other red varieties

Franschhoek	TERA DEL CAPO SANGIOVESE 2013 The aroma and flavour are reminiscent of strawberry jam, prunes, dried cherry and raspberry with an earthy meatiness on the palate. enjoyed by – ND	55	220
Elgin	PAUL WALLACE BLACK DOG MALBEC 2013 A full rich entry, a couli of dark fruits and spice, firm yet silky tannins, an upfront hint of almonds and hazelnuts with violets on the back palate.	73	290
Stellenbosch	KAAPZICHT, SKUINSBERG CINSAUT 2015 Rich and bright, old-vine character with sweet-berry fruit, olive notes and fynbos edge well-rounded tannins and express ageing potential 5 to 10 years.	78	310
Wellington	MIGLIARINA GRENACHE NOIR 2015 Light ruby colour, expressing a perfume filled with sweet raspberry, spice and black cherry. Soft firm tannins with a velvety mid palate and lingering forest berry finish.	320	
Bot River	BEAUMONT MOURVEDRE 2012 A combination of rich red berries and dense inky black berry fruit, with under tones of licorice and leather. Delicate spices including thyme, clove, cinnamon and black pepper. enjoyed by - MD	420	
Stellenbosch	OLDENBURG CABERNET FRANC 2013 The wine has a wonderfully radiant, ruby colour, with a combination of lemon thyme and wild herb scents sprinkled with spice on the nose.	440	
Constantia	STEENBERG NEBBIOLO 2014 This medium bodied Nebbiolo is light in colour with dried prunes, sour cherries, spice and forest floor on the nose. Soft oaky notes support the wine well. Big tannins, unique to Nebbiolo, gives the wine backbone and structure.	495	

Library collection

This is a collection of wines that have been sourced from our Five Wine Partners and estates with have developed great relationships with. We have sourced this to offer you an exclusive look at some flights of vintages that have been ear-marked as the best grouping in their specific category.

Stellenbosch	 MEERLUST RUBICON 2008 Very deep, youthful colour with intense almost purple hue. Classic Rubicon nose filled with violets, ripe plum, cedar wood and intense spiciness. Full bodied palate, linear tannins packed with fresh dark fruit and well rounded. Accessible and still intense, with an ageing potential of 5-8 years.	985
Stellenbosch	 MEERLUST RUBICON 2010 – John Platter 5 Stars The nose emerges with deep, dark fruit, cassis, plump and black cherries. Pronounced minerality with granite, cedar smoke and cigar box bouquet.	850
Stellenbosch	 MEERLUST RUBICON 2012 Intense and youthful almost hue, and intense almost purple hue. The nose is filled with violets, ripe plum, cedar wood and intense spiciness of liquorice and stony minerality. Full bodied structured palate with sleek, ripe tannins classis Bordeaux restraint of vibrant dark fruit typical of this vintage. Lengthy finish on the palate full of creamy fruit and linear tannins.	795
Stellenbosch	 SIMONSIG REDHILL PINOTAGE 2005 2007 Veritas Double Gold Full Bodied wood matured Pinotage from a specific vineyard site.	900
Stellenbosch	 SIMONSIG FRANS MALAN 2009 An aromatic nose shows rich layers of plum and mulberry with hints of cigar box and subtle fynbos. 71% pinotage, 25% cabernet sauvignon, 4% merlot.	580
Stellenbosch	 SIMONSIG FRANS MALAN 2010 Deep Persian Carpet Red with rich layers of plum, blackcurrant and fynbos supported by a thread of cinnamon spice. The palate expresses delicious chocolate and mocha flavours with soft and supple tannins. A unique collaboration of these three varietals that represents a well-made Cape Style blend. 75% Pinotage, 19% Cabernet Sauvignon, 4% Merlot.	540
Stellenbosch	 SIMONSIG FRANS MALAN 2011 The nose showcases layers of perfume, plums and cranberries. The palate expresses decadent flavours of moist fruit cake with subtle nuances of cinnamon spice and fynbos and finishes off with soft and subtle tannins. 64% Pinotage, 32% Cabernet Sauvignon, 4% Merlot.	525
Paarl	VILAFONTE SERIES M 2005 The nose is filled with deep chocolate, cinnamon and berry aromas. A complex palate with waves of delicious fruit and spice, restrained yet memorable.	785
Paarl	VILAFONTE SERIES M 2007 An array of red plum, fresh fig and subtle blueberry, augmented by glimmers of licorice and earthy spice. The palate is full, loaded with thick juicy fruit flavours of raspberry mash and tobacco finish.	750

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Stellenbosch	 WATERFORD THE JEM 2004 wine spectator 91 points The maiden vintage of this 'Super-Tuscan' styled wine predominately Cabernet based. Strong lead pencil and cassis notes backed by Cedar & spice aromas.	1635
Stellenbosch	 WATERFORD THE JEM 2005 wine spectator 93 points	1585
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Stellenbosch	 WARWICK TRILOGY 2008 A clean nose showing pronounced intensity of ripe black fruit, herbaceous notes and cedar. A follow through of ripe black fruit, tobacco and oak on the palate. Although accessible now this wine will improve developing more tertiary aromas over the next 5-8years.	995
Stellenbosch	 WARWICK TRILOGY 2011 The wine displays an intense ruby red colour in the glass. The bouquet is reminiscence of vanilla, cassis, thyme, liquorice and mulberries. The palate is full with ripe prunes black berries, raspberries and silk tannins.	950
Stellenbosch	 WARWICK TRILOGY 2012 Dark plum coloured wine with aromas of ripe black cherry fruit and wafts of mocha. The palate is silky and stylish.	915
Franschoek	ANTHONIJ RUPERT L'ORMARINS MERLOT 2003 This flagship wine of L'Ormarins shows a unique concentration of berry fruit flavours, violets and mocha. Soft and round with velvety tannins.	895
Franschoek	ANTHONIJ RUPERT L'ORMARINS OPTIMA 2005 Elegant and refined with silky ripe tannins, an integrated oak backbone and yet velvety smooth mouthfeel. Beautifully balanced.	650
Franschoek	ANTHONIJ RUPERT L'ORMARINS OPTIMA 2006 A rich combination of dark berry fruit and cherry tobacco nose with a hint of spice. It has an elegant full mouth feel, powered by rich fruit and classic Bordeaux characteristics. 60% Cabernet Sauvignon, 35% Merlot, 5% Cabernet Franc.	610
Franschoek	ANTHONIJ RUPERT L'ORMARINS OPTIMA 2012 Alluring spicy aromatic, dark berry and plum fruit, blackcurrant leaf and hint of cracked black pepper and violets on the nose. An array of texture follows, soft velvety entry, velvety gentle spice, cassis, black fruit and cedar flavour. Refined and elegant throughout. Rich, plush and nuanced with a lingering aftertaste.	450
Constantia	 KLEIN CONSTANTIA VIN DE CONSTANCE 1997 Bright saffron, luscious honey and tropical notes layered with spice and cut by refreshing sweet citrus twist. Complex and beautifully balanced. All vintages made with 100% Muscat d' Frontignan.	3200
Constantia	 KLEIN CONSTANTIA VIN DE CONSTANCE 2002 Burnished copper in colour. An abundant aromas of dried mangos, apricots and honey. Full bodied palate, intensely flavoured, with a thick, viscous consistency pared by pithy astringency and a fresh, mouth-watering finish.	2900
Constantia	 KLEIN CONSTANTIA VIN DE CONSTANCE 2005 Clear gold in colour and light green tinges on the rim indicating freshness. Richly aromatic and complex aromas of candied orange peel, sundried peach mingle and hints of sandalwood. A lingering savoury finish of fine acidity, white peach, pears and mango.	2500
Constantia	 KLEIN CONSTANTIA VIN DE CONSTANCE 2007 Glossy copper in colour with alluring, exotic aromas of Turkish delight, fragrant honeysuckle, citrus peel and clove spiciness. A sweet, deeply complex palate filled with concentrated tropical and Seville orange marmalade flavours lifted by fine acid giving a satisfyingly long, delicious and lipsmackingly vibrant finish.	2100

pinot noir

Pinot Noir is one of the most difficult grapes to grow and make into a fine wine. Susceptible to rot and diseases while other varieties carry on growing in the same vineyard. This is in part attributed to the very thin skin of the grape, which therefore makes for paler coloured red wines. Pinot Noir is associated with the fine wines of Burgundy and is also one of the classic grapes in the production of the finest quality Champagne. Strong cherry & strawberry aromas & flavours are often the most notable characteristics in these wines along

Elgin	 KLEIN CONSTANTIA "KC" PINOT NOIR 2015 Ruby red in appearance, you will find intense aromas of cranberries, rosemary and plums. These flavours follow through onto the palate accompanied by red currants and cinnamon.	64	255
Elgin	IONA MR P PINOT NOIR 2016 Elegant, fresh cherry and red berry nose, with undergrowth melange. Pure palate, lovely texture and sweet cherry fruit dominate with spicy undertones. Fresh and intense lingering mouthfeel.	69	275
Robertson	DE WETSHOF NATURE IN CONCERT PINOT NOIR 2007 The soft, velvety ripe cherry and redcurrant flavours on the nose of Danie de Wet Pinot Noir follow through and lingers on the palate.	80	320
Stellenbosch	 MEERLUST PINOT NOIR 2016 Intense yet translucent ruby-purple in colour. The nose has lifted scents of summer fruit, red cherry, strawberry, musky perfume and a distinct minerality.	103	410
Cape South Coast	BLACKWATER CUVÉE TERRA LUX PINOT NOIR 2013 The wine has beguiling aromas of truffle, mushroom and bitter cherries, tight structure but not overworked or extracted.		360
Durbanville	DE GRENDEL PINOT NOIR 2014 The nose is filled with luscious red cherry, blackberry and pine needle notes that carry through on the palate with a long velvety finish, balanced with well-structured freshness.		380
Walker Bay	CRYSTALLUM PETER MAX PINOT NOIR 2016 Elegant and refined with indian spice, cinnamon and cassis on the nose. The palate is lengthy with a strong fresh berry core.		470
Elgin	SHANNON ROCKVIEW RIDGE PINOT NOIR 2012 Ripe berry/cherry juiciness with grippy smoky oak breadth and spices. Firm, tight texture.		515
Hemel-en-aarde	SUMARIDGE PINOT NOIR 2011 Ripe cherry combines with cedar wood smoke and the characteristic savoury complexity finishing with silky length.		495
Hemel-en-aarde	HAMILTON RUSSELL PINOT NOIR 2016 Wine has a vineyard specific tightness of frame and restraint. Alluring primal character along with complex dark spicy fruit perfume.		725
Elgin	PAUL CLUVER SEVEN FLAGS 2006 Whiffs of soft dark cherries and hints of spice. The palate is focused, well structured not only by tannin but also by balanced acidity resulting in a truly complex wine.		795
Hemel-en-aarde	BOUCHARD FINLAYSON GALPIN PEAK TETE DE CUVÉE 1997 1.5L Great scarlet colour with fresh berry fruit reflections. Flavours are lingering, harmonious and layered with raspberry, cassis and gentle tannins. The finish is thrillingly protracted.		2795

shiraz / syrah

Shiraz is better known as Syrah in its Southern French homeland. It produces full rich wines of intense colour and flavour. The extra fruit and fullness in this grape variety make it ideal for a heavier meal. Shiraz as it is known in Australia is the benchmark style for this particular nomenclature - Opaque and black in colour, rich ripe fruit spice and usually with high alcohol. Syrah on the label in winemaking regions outside of France usually indicate a respect to the French style which is generally more restrained in style with less new oak used and a fresher acidity.

Swartland	<p>LEEUWENKUIL SHIRAZ 2016</p> <p>Opulent, bright fruit. A beautifully elegant palate with round tannins, layered with clove spice, ripe cherries and violet.</p>	46	185
Langkloof	<p>HARTENBURG 'DOORKEEPER' SHIRAZ 2015</p> <p>The nose is full bodied with black currant, ripe cherry, spices, chocolate and subtle cigar box undertone. The tannins are ripe and soft and clean.</p> <p>enjoyed by - MD</p>	48	190
Stellenbosch	<p>DOMBEYA SHIRAZ 2013</p> <p>Lively purple red colour with lifted flavour of violets, rose water, and white pepper. The palate is soft and structured and reminds of a classic Rhone style shiraz.</p>	65	260
Stellenbosch	 <p>WATERFORD KEVIN ARNOLD SHIRAZ 2013</p> <p>A complex wine loaded with dark fruit, spice and hints of mocha. A touch of Mouvrede adds flavour, which in turn adds to the seriousness of this wine.</p>	105	420
Stellenbosch	<p>DELAIRE SHIRAZ 2015</p> <p>This juicy, ripe and approachable Shiraz with its ruby-purple colour, has aromas of white pepper on dark red fruits, laced with lavender.</p>		250
Franschhoek	<p>RICKETY BRIDGE SHIRAZ 2013</p> <p>Elegance and structure on the palate with supple velvety tannins. Complex nose of juicy mulberry and bramble fruit that linger.</p>		330
Stellenbosch	<p>JORDAN PROSECTOR SYRAH 2014</p> <p>Rich minerals lend particular characteristics to this syrah with its rich, dense, dark chocolate, black fruit and fynbos flavours interlaced with white pepper.</p>		340
Stellenbosch	<p>OLDENBURG SYRAH 2013</p> <p>Bright, ruby-red colour with an earthy nose. An Old World style, typical Cote du Rhone character with elegant minerality and delicate pepper showing on the palate. Well integrated oak and rich caramel tones.</p>		420
Elim	<p>STRANDVELDT SYRAH 2013</p> <p>Aromas of white pepper, fynbos and spice on the nose. Rich palate filled with black berry flavours, savoury notes, and firm tannins and backed by well-integrated oak.</p>		420
Stellenbosch	<p>STRYDOM ROCK STAR SYRAH 2015</p> <p>Elegant vibrant and harmoniously layers of blackberry, white pepper and exotic spice flavours. Soft palate texture beautifully balanced.</p>		460
Stellenbosch	 <p>SIMONSIG MERINDOL SHIRAZ 2001</p> <p>The nose has flavour of dark fruit, a masculine perfume with white peper and cinnamon twist. A lively fresh acidity with firm tannins that capure the aromas of black fruit and hints of liquorice.</p>		495

merlot

Merlot is known to be a classic blending partner for Cabernet. Merlot has become very fashionable around the world as it is seen as an easier version of Cabernet. Excellent varietals wines that are made from Merlot, tend to be soft and full-bodied.

Stellenbosch	VILLIERA MERLOT 2015 Easy going wine with hints of cedar wood and vanilla with attractive dark berry fruit on the palate, the wine is rich and full with soft tannins and good acidity.	48	190
Wellington	 DE BOS 'HANDPICKED' MERLOT 2015 Rich juicy aromas of cherry and plum with spicy cinnamon notes interlaced on a mouth-watering dark chocolate finish.	58	230
Stellenbosch	DOMBEYA MERLOT 2014 This wines impressions on the palate and nose is layered flavours of black cherries, plums, Christmas pudding and savory notes ending with glazed red cherry sweetness and a touch of dark chocolate.	58	230
Durbanville	DIEMERSDAL MERLOT 2016 The nose seduces with beautiful blackberry and dried fruit aromas along with spicy undertones. Well structured elegance and mouth filling fruit flavours. Hints of cedar wood, mint and spice flavours.	65	260
Stellenbosch	MURATIE 'ALBERTA ANNEMARIE' MERLOT 2014 Intense ruby-coloured wine with pronounced aromas of dark chocolate, black cherries, toasted hazelnuts and an unusual herbal edge. enjoyed by - MD	79	315
Durbanville	DE GRENDEL MERLOT 2015 A medium bodied wine filled with a combination of different berries and subtle tannins on the nose. Quite a delight for any red wine drinker.		320
Stellenbosch	JORDAN MERLOT 2013 Opulent plum, rich blackberry and mocha flavours. Framed by generously rounded tannins and spiciness from maturation in French oak.		330
Walker Bay	CREATION MERLOT 2015 A bounty of fruity, spicy aromas to invite you in. On the palate, rewarding dark chocolate and mocha combine with generous ripe berry flavours.		395
Stellenbosch	UVA MIRA THE MIRA MERLOT 2014 Vibrant layered nose, exudes luscious aromas of wild jasmine, raspberry, plum and shavings of dark chocolate. Savoury palate, silky tannins earthy notes and balanced fruit full of red berries, cedar and delicate herbal notes.		415
Elgin	ALMENKERK MERLOT 2013 An array of blackcurrant and dark cherry fruit purity supported by a fine, graphite tannin structure showing great depth and length.		480
Stellenbosch	 MEERLUST MERLOT 2015 Aromas of juicy plum and mulberry fruit, lifted spiciness and hints of dark chocolate. The palate offers generous, ripe, pure Merlot fruit with refreshing acidity, structured yet silky tannins and pronounced length and minerality.		510
Elgin	SHANNON MOUNT BULLET MERLOT 2014 The wine has a fragrance of ripe red fruits such as plums and dark cherries, with earthy complexity and yet still expressing minerality.		580

pinotage

Pinotage is uniquely South African and was developed in 1924 by Prof Perold who crossed Pinot Noir and Cinsaut vines. It is the "national" wine grape of South Africa. It is a substantial, flavoursome robust wine; showing boiled sweet, peppery flavours while young, and maturing and develops into a soft and fruity wine. Try these wines with our "typically South African" dishes for an all South African experience.

Stellenbosch	KLEINE ZALZE PINOTAGE 2016 Soft easy frame, gentle tannins with plenty of ripe red fruits and smooth aftertaste.	46	185
Stellenbosch	 SIMONSIG PINOTAGE 2015 Unwooded. Deep dark plum and bramble fruit on nose and palate. Silky polished tannins support a succulent and ripe fruit finish.	59	235
Stellenbosch	L'AVENIR PROVENANCE PINOTAGE 2015 Dark berries on the nose filled with layers of floral notes, vanilla and tempting toffee. A beautiful balance of flavours and velvety texture on the palate finishing off with a lasting impression of depth and elegance.	73	290
Stellenbosch	KAAPZICHT PINOTAGE 2015 Intense plum colour with saturated, opaque centre; ripe layers of mulberry, plums, black cherry and dark chocolate/mocha tones.	78	310
Bot Rivier	BEAUMONT PINOTAGE 2014 A perfect example of elegance and finesse in Pinotage. Red berries, plums and cherries on the nose, followed by a palate of excellent balance, structure and appealing sweet berry ripeness.	81	325
Stellenbosch	SAXENBURG PRIVATE COLLECTION PINOTAGE 2014 Generous mixture of red cherry, plum and prune fruit aromas and earthy notes. Good flavour follow through, soft tannin structure, and a rich finish on the palate.	85	340
Stellenbosch	 SIMONSIG PINOTAGE PICK OF THE BUNCH 2009 Big, hugely structured and only showing more openness. A real keeper. CWG Auction		565
Stellenbosch	KANONKOP PINOTAGE 2002 Dark deep plum colour, sweet nose of layered fruit, follow through on the palate with depth of ripe fruit and velvet tannins intertwined and a good balance of acidity.		590

cabernet sauvignon

Cabernet Sauvignon is the King of red wines, the noblest red grape in the world. It can stand-alone triumphantly, but is frequently blended with a wide range of other varieties, traditionally, as in Bordeaux, with Cabernet Franc and Merlot. In South Africa 13% of vineyard area is planted to Cabernet Sauvignon.

Stellenbosch	GUARDIAN PEAK FRONTIER CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2016 Rereshing restrained cassis, cocoa and hints of fynbos. Satin smooth yet structured. the palate is layered, textured and beautifully intergrated.	49	195
Constantia	KLEIN STEENBERG CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2014 The palate is smooth with good structure and fine tannins with hints of dark chocolate and aniseed.	53	210
Stellenbosch	VILLIERA CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2015 Cassis-infused yet with underlying savoury tones, gently oaked in a medium body structure .	53	210
Stellenbosch	 WARWICK THE FIRST LADY 2015 Good upfront blackcurrant aromas, supported by complex undertones of cherry and chocolate.	55	220
Western Cape	CLUSTER SERIES CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2016 (ARCO LAARMAN WINE MAKER) Rich inky colour. Primary red fruits including blueberries and blackberries on the nose and hints of anise. Clean, elegant palate with dark chocolate, cherry fruits and soft tannins. Great ageing potential.	74	295
Cederberg	CEDERBERG CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2015 Concentrated dark fruits of blackcurrant and cassis, laced with a subtle mint undertone. Careful use of oak lends a hint of tobacco leaf, vanilla and smokey element to this complex wine. enjoyed by - MD		360
Stellenbosch	ERNIE ELS CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2015 Pure-fruited cassis on the nose open to a fine balance of dark chocolate, wet earth, delicate spice and dried herbs.		390
Stellenbosch	 WATERFORD ESTATE CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2013 Aromas of lead pencil, chalk and bitter cherry and cigar smoke.		420
Stellenbosch	THELEMA CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2013 Concentrated blackcurrant and blackberry flavours with hints of mint and eucalyptus. Soft juicy flavours with a touch of dusty wood.		475
Stellenbosch	RUST EN VREDE ESTATE VINEYARDS CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2015 Deep ruby in colour, followed by a bouquet of crème de cassis, cigar box and liquorice. Opulent palate filled with black currant, dark chocolate and velvety tannins, and elegant yet bold finish.		540
Stellenbosch	 WATERFORD RESERVE CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2004 Black cherry with black cherry fruit, intertwined with of hints of cassis and fine vanilla and spice from The layered tannin structure is refined to give an elegance to the long rewarding finish on the palate. <i>Bought at the Annual Cape Independent Wine Makers' Guild</i>		1400

dessert wines		glass
Olifants River Valley	 STELLAR ORGANICS HEAVEN ON EARTH NV The delicate flavours of the roses and apricots come through on the taste and are held together by wisps of rooibos, ending with pine nuts.	40
Paarl	GLEN CARLOU 'THE WELDER' 2012 Stewed apricots with baked green apples and hints of lemon meringue.	48
Stellenbosch	 SIMONSIG VIN DE LIZA NOBLE LATE HARVEST 2010 Concentrated Syrah aromas of crushed peppercorns, dried proteas and fynbos combine with perfumed black berries on the nose - from Chenin Blanc grapes.	55
Stellenbosch	 WATERFORD HEATHERLEIGH NOBLE LATE HARVEST NV Dried apricot and citrus candy aromas. Complex honeyed flavour profile with a distinctive elegant finish. Made from Muscat d'Alexandre and Semillion.	55
Bot River	BEAUMONT GOUTTE D'OR 2014 Fresh and fruity driven Noble late harvest always surprises. Lovely acidity cuts through the sweetness. 58% Semillon and 42% Sauvignon Blanc botrytis grapes.	55
Constantia	 KLEIN CONSTANTIA VIN DE CONSTANCE 2013 Charming peach and spicy nutty cream. enjoyed by – MD	glass 105 bottle 1950
fortified wines & grappa		glass
Paarl	LANDSKROON 2011 Ripe plums, blackberries in bouquet. Smooth but lively palate, attractive dry finish.	22
Paarl	VERGENOEGD OLD CAPE COLONY 2006 Complex and full mouth feel with lemon and naartjie zest, Hints of chocolate and dried fruits. Excellent structure and balance of flavours with an incredibly long finish.	35
Botriverl	BEAUMONT CAPE VINTAGE 2008 Intense, spicy nose dominated by cloves, cinnamon, nutmeg and dark berry fruits. Big well balanced palate of dark plummy fruit, spices with a hint of toasty wood, this palate is backed up by good dry tannins.	35
Franschhoek	L'ORMARINS LBV A non-vintage LBV and a blend of nine different vintages, the oldest being 1992. The blend made mainly from Portuguese varietals, planted on L'Ormarins soils. On the nose there is a bouquet of rum, raisin and fruitcake flavours.	36
Constantia	 KLEIN CONSTANTIA GRAPPA Clear, limpid spirit. Exotic aromas of Turkish delight and citrus rind.	55