

Wine list
Valid until December 2010

Sparkling Wine

These uncomplicated sparklers from the house of JC Le Roux in Stellenbosch are carbonated to make them perfect for everyday celebration

JC Le Roux Le Domaine R115.00
Off-dry, fresh, simple and aromatic sparkler

JC Le Roux La Fleurette R115.00
Made in a sweet, fruity, bubbly style for simple enjoyment

Méthode Cap Classique

The pinnacle of sparkling wine is the bottle-fermented version, made mostly from traditional Champagne varieties Chardonnay & Pinot Noir, known in South Africa as Méthode Cap Classique (MCC).

Pongracz NV R175.00
Lightly floral, popular bottle-fermented blend of pinot noir and chardonnay with pleasing apple and citrus flavours, for everyday appreciation

Graham Beck Brut NV R200.00
Traditional champagne blend of chardonnay and pinot noir. Second fermentation in the bottle ensures finely beaded bubbles and creamy, generous flavours.

French Champagne

"I drink Champagne when I am happy and when I am sad. Sometimes I drink it when I am alone. When I have company, I consider it obligatory. I trifle with it when I am not hungry and drink it when I am. Otherwise I never touch it, unless I am thirsty" Madame Bollinger

Bollinger Grande Année R1995.00
Maison Bollinger only produces this vintage wine in outstanding years. With aromas of baked bread and honeyed and citrus flavours on the palate, the Grande Année is very firmly structured with a beautifully long, nutty aftertaste.

Veuve Cliquot Yellow Label NV R850.00
Classic, distinctive non-vintage Champagne from this renowned and well-respected house. Dominated by pinot noir, Veuve is made in a consistently popular style. Nearly a third chardonnay gives it the elegance and finesse needed for perfect balance.

Moët et Chandon Brut Impérial R1155.00
Jean-Remy Moët is said to have built the Trianon and Chandon hôtels from 1805 onwards to host Napoleon and his numerous entourage. Moët non-vintage is deliberately made in a soft, light and fresh style.

White Wines

Terms and conditions:

- Valid Monday to Sunday and Public holidays • Treatments over weekends only with accommodation bookings
- All rates, unless otherwise stated, are inclusive of 14% value added tax • All rates, unless otherwise stated, are quoted in South African Rands
- Rates are valid until December 2010 • Rates are subject to change without prior notice
- Estate and Spa guests need to be older than 14

Chardonnay

Burgundy in France is the home of this noble grape, which is now successfully planted around the world to produce a variety of styles: oaked, unoaked, still and sparkling. Usually made in a dry style, it pairs well with poultry and seafood.

Jordan Unoaked Chardonnay R120.00

Winemaking duo Kathy & Gary Jordan show what the Chardonnay grape, uncloaked in wood, really tastes of: lemons and limes, and a touch of pineapple shot through with lively minerality.

Danie de Wet - Limestone Hill Chardonnay R100.00

Character and complexity is gained from aging on fine lees rather than oak. Stylish and rich, with lime cordial zestiness, for enjoying on its own or with food.

Meerlust Chardonnay R332.50

A different style of chardonnay has been pursued at Meerlust by winemaker Chris Williams since taking over the reins from Dalla Cia in the 2004 vintage, tending towards a fresher, more expressive, less oaky style.

Chenin Blanc

France's Loire Valley variety has long been South Africa's workhorse 'Cinderella' grape. This past decade has seen a number of growers realise its true potential by making serious, ageworthy, oaked wines from older, low-yielding vines. Chenin's versatility and affinity for food make it the ideal 'food wine'.

Simonsig Chenin Blanc R72.50

Exceptionally flavoured grapes at harvest have made a delicious, tangy, fruity wine that is versatile with food. Lively tropical fruit and melon aromas and flavours end with a rich but enticingly crisp finish.

Ken Forrester Chenin Blanc R140.00

One of South Africa's leading 'serious' chenins made from old, low-yielding bush vines, from top restaurateur Ken Forrester's Stellenbosch vineyards. Cask fermented and matured in French oak.

Sauvignon Blanc

South Africa's (generally unoaked) popular rendition of this fashionable variety lies in style somewhere between Sauvignon Blanc from Sancerre (with its classic minerality) and (modern, pungently-styled) New Zealand.

Klein Constantia KC Sauvignon Blanc R102.50

Well-regarded Klein Constantia make their 2nd label 'KC' from prime vineyard sites in cool Elim and Elgin. Abundant aromas of fresh snow peas and granadilla, with racy flavours with crisp acidity carrying through to the finish.

Darling Cellars Bush Vine Sauvignon Blanc R90.00

An absolutely stunning 2009 vintage has ensured vibrantly fresh pineapple and lime flavours with a perfect, zesty acidity and flavourful finish. Enjoy with seafood and salads.

Overgaauw Sauvignon Blanc R120.00

This historic family-owned farm make a charmingly tropical, beautifully balanced sauvignon, which doesn't overpower food, and can easily be enjoyed on its own.

Brampton Sauvignon Blanc R97.50

Typically bright, fresh sauvignon flavours in a more tropical style, which finishes crisp, dry and flavoursome.



Arguably the greatest of the white varieties. Well-made in a cool climate and given time in bottle, it is capable of developing fine complexity and shows an exceptional ability to age. It is known locally as Rhine or Weisser Riesling. This wine is easy to drink without food, but pairs well with lightly spicy dishes.

Jordan Rhine Riesling R140.00
 Made in a dry style, this riesling exhibits intense lychee and floral aromas. Flavours of pineapple and grapefruit are balanced by good acidity, leading to a spicy, dry finish.

Hartenberg Weisser Riesling R120.00
 The flavour profile is softer, less steely than usual, but still with overt riesling characteristics of zesty lime and spiciness, and a mouth-watering sweet-sour finish.

Premium White Blends

Considered internationally as South Africa's 'next big thing', premium white blends are being made in ultra-serious styles from various grape varieties.

Jordan Chameleon Sauvignon Blanc Chardonnay R97.50
 The chardonnay component of this blend from contributes citrus-melon flavours, which are hoisted up by sauvignon's crispness.

Joostenberg Chenin Blanc-Viognier R90.00
 A small viognier component adds richness and aromatics of honeysuckle and peach. Fresh, juicy, baked apple flavours add flesh to the full mouthfeel.

Bizoe Henrietta R300.00
 This maiden vintage of this oaked semillon-sauvignon blend was awarded a gold medal at the International Wine Challenge, one of the world's biggest and most prestigious wine competitions.

Off-Dry

Vergelegen Vin De Florence R85.00
 Off-dry blend of sauvignon and riesling with chenin, semillon and muscat adding aromatic interest.

Rosé

The better quality wines of this style are fermented dry to off-dry from red grapes, the wine being in contact with the skins just long enough to acquire a pink, salmon or onion-skin colour. Ideal for lunchtime and al-fresco eating, rosé goes well with just about any fish, chicken or ham dish.

Jordan Chameleon Rosé R125.00
 A dry, French-styled rosé made in traditional fashion. Fresh strawberry and red berry fruits flesh out a nicely structured palate. Great as a versatile lunchtime wine.

Beyerskloof Pinotage Rosé R82.50
 A crisp, dry but juicy rosé from the red pinotage grape, which gets the taste buds tingling with delightfully fresh red berry fruit compôte flavours. An ideal lunchtime wine.



Buitenverwachting Blanc de Noir

R105.00

A popular, salmon-pink coloured and cherry and strawberry flavoured wine, from this renowned Constantia estate, made from noble red grapes made to be enjoyed.

Red Wines

Pinotage

South Africa's only 'indigenous' grape a 1920s crossing of Burgundy's Pinot Noir and Cinsault (then locally known as Hermitage) from the Rhône.

Stormhoek Pinotage

R110.00

Juicy, unashamedly popular modern style to be enjoyed with friends and food!

Beyerskloof Pinotage

R102.50

Medium-bodied, easy-going red with fresh redcurrant aromas, and mocha flavours, from winemaker Beyers Truter, dubbed 'King of Pinotage'.

Hartenberg Pinotage

R175.00

A youthful, vibrantly-coloured wine from this Stellenbosch property, with a reputation for quality, which has been well-received for its ripe berry, spice and sweet vanilla aromas, lush mouthfeel, and good value.

Shiraz

Known locally as either Shiraz or Syrah, this variety is currently undergoing a revival in the Cape. Styles vary from full-blown and fruit-driven, reminiscent of those from Australia's Barossa Valley, to the more restrained, classic and perfumed style from France's Rhône Valley.

Cloof Very Sexy Shiraz

R165.00

Grown in vineyards that have been described as "shiraz heaven", this wine's luscious fruit was accessorised with the very best French oak, making a package that is so appealing and seductive that it could only be named after the experience one has when drinking it.

Waterford Kevin Arnold Shiraz

R330.00

Kevin Arnold was winemaker at Rust en Vrede Estate for many years before establishing Waterford. His shiraz is made in a rich and concentrated style: dark fruit laced with spice and roasted coffee beans, and spends a year in American and French oak.

Zandvliet Shiraz .

R150.00

Appealing fresh red fruit and wild cherry aromas, with flavours of plums and liquorice. An elegant, easy drinking wine which is perfect with game dishes or strong pasta sauces.

Brampton Shiraz

R105.00

Rustenberg Estate in Stellenbosch make this rich, spicy wine with savoury tannins and hints of mocha in a modern, punchy style.



Merlot

A traditional blending partner with cabernet sauvignon, this variety fairly recently started making its own way as a single varietal wine, and shows great promise in the Cape, though only in better vintages.

De Grendel Merlot R155.00
 Atlantic-cooled De Grendel vineyards yield elegant wines, and this merlot is no exception. The long, cool ripening ensures bright cherry and plum flavours, structured by spicy, tightly-knit tannins. Perfect with lamb dishes.

Hartenberg Merlot R250.00
 A fleshy, savoury merlot, with rich red berry fruit flavours, which is ready to enjoy now. This sleek wine from Hartenberg matured in French barrels, resulting in a fine, ripe tannin structure which carries the fruit graciously through to the finish.

De Trafford Merlot R300.00
 A stylishly made, impressively concentrated merlot yielding bright, polished fruit aromas and flavours. Plushly textured, classy wine from this small internationally renowned cellar. Blended with a splash of cabernet franc and petit verdot before maturation in French barrels.

Cabernet Sauvignon

Thick-skinned berries make this a deeply coloured wine, which can exhibit cassis and dark chocolate flavours. Some of the finest wines in the world contain cabernet; it has firm tannins and is prized not only for its bold flavours, but also for its longevity. Cabernet partners well with most red meat cuts, grills and other rich dishes.

Jordan Cabernet Sauvignon R215.00
 A sumptuous, well-constructed and juicy blackcurrant flavoured cabernet from Gary and Kathy Jordan's winery on Stellenbosch slopes.

Brampton Cabernet Sauvignon R110.00
 Abundant ripe fruit and soft tannins create a juicy, fruit-driven and accessible new world style from the famous Rustenberg Estate in Stellenbosch.

Waterford Cabernet Sauvignon R260.00
 Rich and elegant in both style and packaging, this wine is made at this Provençal-style Stellenbosch winery. Densely packed with cassis and berry fruit, ripe and spicy tannins, followed by a softly textured finish.

Premium Red Blends

Welgemeend Estate pioneered the first Cape Bordeaux-style blend in the 70s, followed soon after by Meerlust Estate. These blends are generally of the highest quality, and in most cases make the producer's flagship wine. A number of wineries also successfully blend shiraz with cabernet and merlot.

De Toren Z 2006 R300.00
 Pronounced 'Zee', this merlot-led wine is the more accessible 'little brother' of much-acclaimed Fusion V from top Stellenbosch property de Toren. Plumply fruited flavours of plum and blueberry are checked by finely textured soft tannins from a year spent in barrel.

Laibach The Ladybird R170.00
 An organic blend of merlot and cabernet exhibiting a spectrum of crushed blackberry, cassis and wild cherry aromas. Vibrant fruit supported by oak structure makes this youthful wine accessible now.



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Cape Point Vineyards Scarborough Red	R110.00
From ocean-cooled vineyards along Cape Point a classic, fresh and incredibly stylish cab-shiraz blend.	
Brampton OVR Red	R95.00
Enormously popular, richly flavoured blend of cabernet, shiraz and merlot from Rustenberg Estate. Red and black berry fruit are complemented by cloves and nutmeg spices.	
Eikendal Classique 2005	R115.00
A classic blend of cabernets sauvignon and franc, the wine displays ripe blackcurrant and mocha flavours, and a silky soft mouthfeel. Great with pan-seared fillet.	

