



The Raj

WINE LIST

The Raj Welcome

Welcome to The Raj as we present to you the legacy of India's most ancient culinary heritage and take you on a journey where the fusion of skillfully spiced dishes with their mesmerizing flavours, textures and rich colours are sure to be an unforgettable experience. So as to further enhance your dining experience with us, we would like to make the following recommendations to match food and wine. If some of the dishes mentioned are not on your menu they may be specially prepared for you.

Chardonnay

The richly textured, buttery and nutty character of these wines are well suited to a spread of main courses, especially the fuller bodied delicacies with creamy, cardamom infused sauces such as Prawn Malai Curry and Chicken Korma.

Chenin Blanc & Riesling

Cashew and almond nut paste enhanced dishes, such as Chicken Tikka Masala and Butter Chicken, are well suited to the crisp character of Chenin Blanc. The light and fresh apple texture of the Riesling makes it a suitable partner to several of our vegetable preparations that have subtle coriander and cumin seed spicing.

White Blends

The dry and off dry styles, with little residual sugar, are definite considerations to accompany our skillfully spiced vegetarian dishes like Dahl Makhni and Paneer Makhni. The sweet blends are best matched with Chicken Karai and Lamb Do Piazza, which are fairly hot and liberally spiced.

Rosé and Blanc de Noir

Absolutely a must with our Mughlai preparations, especially the Kaliya Kesar and all the Briyanis. Mughlai foods are creamy and delicate with gentle and subdued combinations of cinnamon, cardamom and star anise. Dried fruits are used as thickening agents, which contribute to the rich textures and flavours.

Cabernet Sauvignon

Cabernets have a powerful mouth feel to them so are best with strongly spiced but not necessarily chilli-hot sauces. Suggested with Lamb Rogan josh, Lamb Madras and Chicken Madras.

Shiraz

Hot & spicy Chicken or Lamb Vindaloo is the perfect partners to a fully textured Shiraz. Alternatively try with the Fish Malabar Curry or Prawn Pepper Fry.

Merlot

Seafood curries elegantly partner this noble varietal with its classic full flavoured palate of red berries and spices. Merlot should also be tried with the not so creamy but full textured Lamb & Chicken main courses such as Chicken Masala or Lamb Coconut curry.

Red Blends

Our selection varies from the lighter styles through to the more full-bodied, but they essentially have Cabernet Sauvignon as a base-blending partner. Crab Masala and several other seafood curries, as well as Roganjosh and Kerely Lamb are further enhanced by the complexity of the heavier blends.

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The *Paarl* South African Wine Regions

DISTRICTS & REGIONS

Constantia

The oldest vineyard is located here, which makes it the first vine growing region in South Africa, its located in the Southern Suburbs of Cape Town, on the south eastern side of the Cape Peninsula. It is relatively cool area due to its proximity to the Indian and Atlantic Ocean, with useful slow summer ripening and very wet winters, it allows grapes like Sauvignon Blanc, Chardonnay, Shiraz and Merlot to shine through.

Franschhoek

The Franschhoek valley was recently separated from Paarl, it has retained its French Huguenot's character that is strongly reflected in the wines. It is draped across wide valleys and the high mountain slopes. The winters are very mild and it can get very hot in summer. The soil types range from weathered shales to Table Mountain sandstone. Here you will find Sauvignon Blanc, Chardonnay, Semillon, Chenin Blanc, Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Pinot Noir, Pinotage and Shiraz. Semillon and Cabernet Sauvignon are highly rated, the former having 107 year old vines in the area.

Paarl

Well known region north-west of Cape Town, and home to several leading procedures, including Seidelberg (now Spice Route), Ridgeback, Rhebokskloof, Glen Carlou and Backsberg. This district has many mesoclimates, soils and aspects, and thus succeeds with a variety of styles and grapes. Paarl is properly recognized for Shiraz and, more recently, Viognier and Mouverde grown in warmer slopes.

Stellenbosch

It is a multiplayer wine region producing magnificent red and white wines. Reasons for this are the cooler mountain slopes, soil diversity (Hutton And Clovelly soil on the valley floors, granitic soil on the mountain slopes) and the cooler breeze from False Bay. The micro climate can vary from hot (northern and western parts) to relatively cool (eastern and southern areas). This intensely farmed district is divided into smaller sub-regions including Simonsberg-Stellenbosch, Jonkershoek Valley, Bottelary, Banghoek, Papegaaiberg, Polkadraai Hills and Devon Valley.

Robertson

It is a dry and hot region around 120km from Cape Town, but has excellent lime stone soils. Chardonnay, Chenin Blanc, Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot and Pinot Noir develop their features here. Due to its favourable soil structure, especially for Chardonnay and Pinot Noir, Robertson is a leader in producing top Methode Cap Classiques.

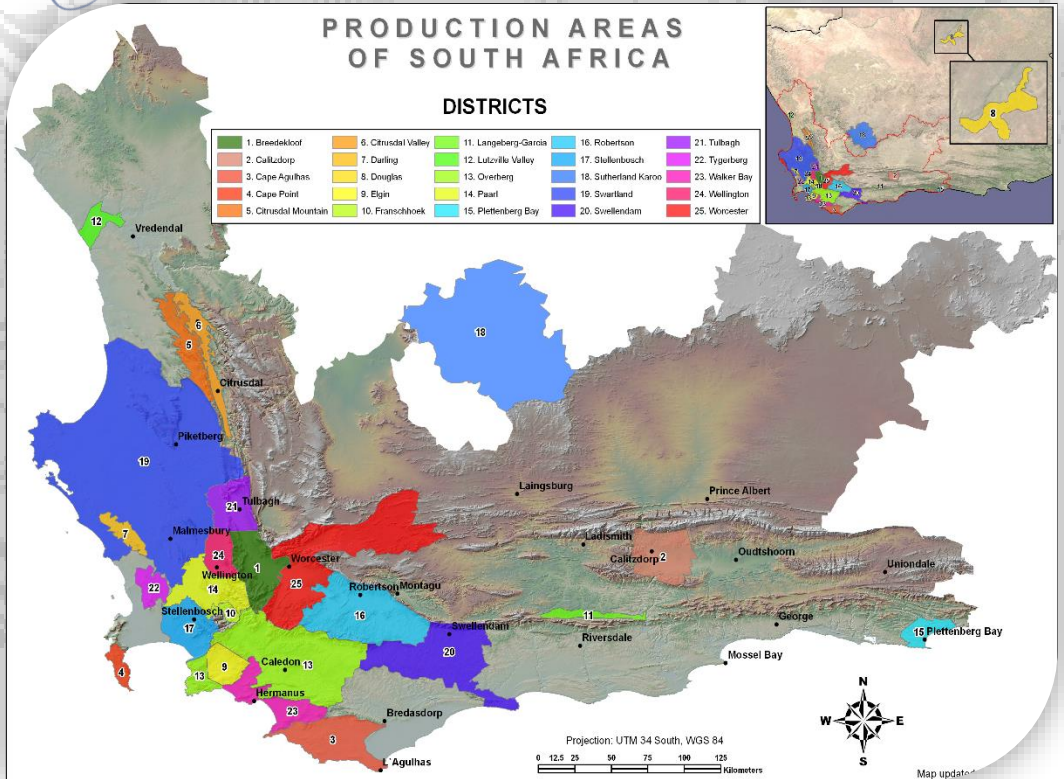
Walker Bay

The main region in this district is Hemel-En-Aarde, which produces predominantly Chardonnay, Sauvignon Blanc, Pinotage and Pinot noir. Wines from this upland cool coastal region offer a fresh dimension to Cape quality wines. Most of the vineyards are close to the sea and benefit from cool Atlantic winds.

Worcester

Named after the Marquis of Worcester, the brother of governor Lord Charles Somerset, Worcester is a baby in comparison to other towns in the province. It stretches from Wolseley and the Hex River Valley to Villiersdorp. Grape varieties like Chenin Blanc and Pinotage thrive in this area.

The Cellar



A Votre Santé!

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The *Ray* House Wines

GRAHAM BECK WINES

At Graham Beck, winemaking is a combination of creative mediation (between unpredictable Mother Nature and modern technology) an expression of our passionate pursuit of perfection – all of which reflects in our wines we are offering you. A golden thread runs through all our endeavors. It is the pursuit of excellence and appreciation of elegance. This dedication to creating moments of lasting pleasure and endless wonder inspires us in everything we do.

STELLENBOSCH

Graham Beck Brut Non-Vintage

Light yeasty aromas, limey fresh fruit on the nose and rich creamy complexity on the palate. Fine mousse gives freshness and finesse.

375ml R159.00

COASTAL

Graham Beck 'The Game Reserve' Sauvignon Blanc 2014

This seductive Sauvignon Blanc oozes gooseberry and passion fruit, with notes of ripe figs, lemon grass and capsicum. Following through is a delicious concentration of tropical fruit, nettles and cut grass on the palate. A versatile wine with crisp, lively acidity and a dusty pebble finish.

R137.00
glass R47.00

COASTAL

Graham Beck 'The Game Reserve' Chenin Blanc 2014

Delightful aromas of sweet juicy melon, pear drop and fragrant grapefruit. On the palate expect rich, rewarding flavours of ripe tropical fruit and luscious citrus. Aromatic, fruity and well rounded - an elegant wine with a soft silky texture and vibrant, fresh finish.

R137.00
glass R47.00

ROBERTSON

Graham Beck 'The Game Reserve' Chardonnay 2014

Aromas of zesty citrus fruit, lemon curd and a hint of crushed oyster shell to follow to a palate redolent of fresh lemons, limes and grapefruit. The finish has a chalky minerality complemented by elegant, creamy oak tones.

R173.00
glass R59.00

COASTAL

Graham Beck 'The Game Reserve' Pinotage 2013

A 'proudly South African' cultivar exhibiting aromas of ripe cherry, strawberries and plums with ripe red berry fruit and spices on the palate. This full structured and well balanced wine rewards with a juicy but elegant mouth-feel and silky soft tannins.

R173.00
glass R59.00

STELLENBOSCH

Graham Beck 'The Game Reserve' Cabernet Sauvignon 2013

Deep ruby red colour with blackberry fruit, hints of dried herbs and cigar-box notes on the nose. The palate is full-bodied with juicy mulberry and cherry flavours, tobacco spice and cedar wood. This wine has soft yet firm tannins with a balanced mouth-feel and long finish.

R183.00
glass R63.00

COASTAL

Graham Beck 'The Game Reserve' Merlot 2013

Fresh cassis, black plums, violets & fruitcake aromas on the nose. Succulent berry fruits and plum pudding nuances supported by spice and cedar wood flavours on the palate. A medium structured wine with elegance ripe tannins on the finish.

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The Rag Bubbles

CHAMPAGNE

Champagne is a sparkling wine produced from grapes grown in Champagne appellation of France following rules that demand secondary fermentation of the wine in the bottle to create carbonation. The primary grapes used in the production are Pinot Noir, Chardonnay and Pinot Meunier. Fabulous as an aperitif, it is superb with light starters and delicious with dessert. Champagne is a fail-safe choice!

CHALONS-EN-CHAMPAGNE

Joseph Pierrier La Cuvee Brut Non-Vintage

R999.00

This Chardonnay, Pinot Noir and Pinot Meunier blend has fine bubbles to form a ring of delicate and persistent mousse. Fragrances from citrus fruit peel to apple and vineyard peaches. Finishes off with vanilla and cinnamon.

EPERNAY

Moet & Chandon Imperial Brut Rose Non-Vintage

R1028.00

With a gorgeous colour of pink and amber highlights, an intense bouquet of red fruits, nuances of rose and a hint of pepper. Delightfully fun for any occasion.

REIMS – CHATEAU D'ESCLAN

Taittinger Brut Millesime Vintage 2006

R1457.00

Palate is well balanced, structured and smooth releasing flavours of sugar red pink grapefruit. Exceptionally intense finish is long, generous, complex and silky.

METHODE CAP CLASSIQUE

Methode Cap Classique denotes a South African sparkling wine using the traditional method of second fermentation in the bottle. Sparkling wines are the most versatile wines to accompany Indian food.

STELLENBOSCH

Pongracz Brut NV

R213.00

Composed of two noble varieties, Chardonnay and Pinot Noir. It has a wonderful foaming mousse and persistent bead with a classic yeast and biscuit character. Crisp green apple tones and baked bread nuttiness sets it apart from others.

STELLENBOSCH

Krone Night Nectar 2013

R230.00

A creamy, fine mousse. Expressive aromas of baked golden apple and almonds. Refreshing lemon curd and subtle marzipan flavours fill the palate.

ROBERTSON

Silverthorn Brut Rose 'The Genie' NV

R289.00

Exotic bouquet of Turkish delight and rose water. Fresh raspberries and sherbet flavours supported by a velvety texture, fine mousse and lengthy finish.

glass R61.00

FRANSCHHOEK

Boschendal Brut NV

R292.00

Enticing lemon cream and almond biscotti precedes a soft explosion of zesty lemon and orange peel that finishes with appealing length and freshness.

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The Reg White Wines

SAUVIGNON BLANC

Sauvignon Blanc is a green-skinned grape variety which originates from the Bordeaux region of France. They have a very intense, natural acidity, which makes them perfect partners to seafood dishes and most chicken recipes and cut the richness out of oily and buttery dishes – such as butter chicken.

ROBERTSON

Springfield 'Life From Stone' Sauvignon Blanc 2014

500ml R134.00

This single vineyard originates from the rockiest soil on the estate, with resultant struggling vines and huge concentration. Brilliant greenish in appearance, this is a dramatic wine full of ripe red peppers and passion fruit. It will mature to perfection within one year, into flavours of mineral and flint.

CONSTANTIA

Klein Steenberg Sauvignon Blanc 2015

R135.00

This light Sauvignon Blanc is fresh, crisp wine. On the nose, flavours of guava, ripe pineapple, passion fruit, litchi and a touch of fresh cut grass.

glass R42.00

COASTAL

Ancient Earth Sauvignon Blanc by Bellingham 2014

R139.00

Beaming with tropical pineapple, pear and passion fruit aromas lead to a lively entry of generous Cape gooseberry and ripe fig flavours against a touch of herbaceous green pea intrigue, finishing with delectable fresh and feisty fruitiness.

CAPE AGULHAS

Lomond Estate Sauvignon Blanc 2014

R144.00

Brilliantly clear with a green tinge. Delicate aromas of green pepper and tropical fruit with herbaceous undertones. Fresh and medium-bodied with a delicate minerality, while the green and tropical fruit flavours carry through onto the palate.

DARLING

Fairview Darling Sauvignon Blanc 2015

R153.00

Tropical notes of ripe summer melon and jasmine blossom on the nose. Lively minerality, fresh acidity and lingering tropical notes on the palate. A full, rich and textured mouth-feel.

GROENEKLOOF

Neil Ellis Groenekloof Sauvignon Blanc 2015

R186.00

An elegant wine that is full of life. On the nose you will find capsicum, gooseberries, white asparagus and a hint of lime zest. A crisp flinty finish with a lingering aftertaste.

STELLENBOSCH

Saxenburg Private Collection Sauvignon Blanc 2014

R199.00

A complex, fruity, figgie, grassy, tropical and fine flowery flavour. The wine has exceptional balance and has a fresh elegant character with its long fruity finish and elegant structure.

ELgin

Iona Sauvignon Blanc 2015

R223.00

A well-balanced, cool climate Sauvignon Blanc with a forthcoming nose of gooseberry and capsicum, complemented by a full palate of minerality and ripe lingering aftertones.

CAPE POINT

Cape Point Vineyards Sauvignon Blanc 2014

R247.00

This wine shows a complex array of tropical fruit, grapefruit and limes all held together by an incredible mineral backbone. The palate is focused and racy, made in a style to be a wonderful food companion.

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The Rag White Wines

CHENIN BLANC

Chenin Blanc is a white wine grape variety from the Loire Valley of France. It is the most widely planted variety in South Africa, and also known as Steen. A full-bodied Chenin Blanc is delicious with spicy food.

PAARDEBERG

Dry Land Collection Barrel Fermented Chenin Blanc 2014 R153.00

Made in a rich & ripe wooded style, this Chenin was fermented and matured in small French oak barrels. It has resulted in aromatic and textured wine. glass R59.00

WESTERN CAPE

Ernie Els Big Easy White 2014 R165.00

A melange of strawberry and pineapple flavours are all wound up by a limey-streak on the nose. Following through to a light but deft palate, the intense fruit strikes a perfect balance with creamy softness and chalky minerality.

BOT RIVIER

Beaumont Chenin Blanc 2014 R166.00

Green melon, golden delicious apple and delicate apricot blossom aromas. Fresh green apple and pineapple flavour. Great with seafood, chicken dishes and spicy food.

SWARTLAND

Painted Wolf Barrel Fermented Chenin Blanc 2012 R176.00

Concentrated aromas of warm apple pie lead to a long, creamy finish. A percentage of every bottle sold is donated to The Endangered Wildlife Trust.

SWARTLAND

Mullineaux Kloof Streer Chenin Blanc 2014 R183.00

This wine is all about freshness, balance and great drinkability. Combining the richness of the lees/mineral structure with vibrant tropical fruit. This wine is exuberantly youthful but remains elegant and complex.

PAARL

Ridgeback Chenin Blanc 2014 R187.00

Rich, upfront notes of orange blossom, pineapple and lemon zest evolve to a juicy mid-palate with hints of passion fruit and papaya lingering on the aftertaste.

COASTAL

Raats Original Chenin Blanc 2013 R233.00

There is a distinctive yellow apple, pineapple, alongside notes of green melon and lime. Beautifully structured on the palate, bursting with fresh yellow and white fruit flavours. The wine finishes with subtly, yet distinct with great minerality and citrus flavours.

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CHARDONNAY

Chardonnay originated in the Burgundy wine region of France but is now grown wherever wine is produced. A complex grape that produces light and feminine unwooded wines or equally complex, oaked and buttery ones. Chardonnay goes well with shellfish, fish and creamy, buttery dishes like curry.

UNWOODED CHARDONNAY

BONNIEVALE

Brampton Unwooded Chardonnay 2015 R129.00

Pale gold, bright and lively with outspoken attractive aromas centered on pure lime and yellow fruit tinged with fragrant spring flowers. The palate bursts with lush ripe fleshy peach.

STELLENBOSCH

Rustenberg Unwooded Chardonnay 2014 R145.00

The omission of oak in this wine creates an elegant Chardonnay with fresh and fruity characteristics. A scent of lemon, mandarin orange and hints of pine needles are complemented by a crisp, clean finish on the palate. glass R55.00

PAARL

Glen Carlou Unwooded Chardonnay 2014 R159.00

A true unwooded Chardonnay, complex in the sense that nothing is too obvious in the wine. Tight and linear with extreme freshness. Hints of minerality balanced with fresh citrus and straw like flavours. All natural acidity, which gives a long, easy finish.

WOODED CHARDONNAY

COASTAL

Boschendal 1685 Chardonnay 2014 R183.00

The soft buttery character from barrel fermentation adds to the complexity and roundness of the wine. Well-balanced with fresh lemon, vanilla, toast and oak flavours.

WESTERN CAPE

Backsberg Chardonnay 2013 R190.00

Apricots, almonds and cream combine in a profusion of intense aromas – hallmarks of a Backsberg Chardonnay. The characters, balanced by fresh acidity, complete a palate that is long and powerful

COASTAL

Journey's End Haystack Chardonnay 2013 R195.00

Medium gold colour, clear and bright. The white peach and preserved melon nose is enriched by a buttered toast note from the oak. Medium-bodied, flavours show citrus peel combined with savoury notes. Finish is savoury.

ROBERTSON

Christina van Loveren Chardonnay 2013 R213.00

A well-balanced, single vineyard wine. Typical citrus and buttery aromas are complemented by toasty oak derived from new French oak barrels. Full, dry finish.

STELLENBOSCH

Boschkloof Chardonnay 2013 R215.00

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

HELDERBERG

Vergelegen Premium Chardonnay 2013 R245.00

The wine shows an attractive lemony yellow-green colour with a complex nose, vanilla, butterscotch, tropical fruit and mineral tones. The palate is long and full with delicate wooding. Beautifully refined and elegant. glass R75.00

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White Wines

SEMI-SWEET AND OFF-DRY WHITE WINES

WESTERN CAPE

Du Toitskloof Beaukett 2014

R92.00

Great balance between acidity and residual sugar. A combination of tropical fruit flavours, with hints of honeysuckle from full ripened grapes. Great with curried dishes. A Muscat d'Frontignan, Chenin Blanc and Muscat d'Alexandrie.

CALITZDORP

De Krans Moscato Natural Sweet wine Perle 2015

R109.00

A full-flavoured natural 100% Muscat de Frontignan sweet perle wine for all seasons. Low in alcohol, light-bodied with tones of honey and exotic spice and a fresh, mouth-watering aftertaste.

glass R39.00

DURBANVILLE

Altydgedacht Tygerberg Chatelaine 2015

R118.00

A semi-sweet blend of Weisser Riesling, Gewurtztraminer and Muscat d'Alexandrie. A delicate, fruit-laden wine expressing cultivar characteristics of its components – litchi, rose petal and perfumed flavours, layered with a hint of spice. This wine will make the ideal partner to spicy food.

STELLENBOSCH

Edgebaston The Berry Box White 2014

R145.00

This blend carries Semillion, Sauvignon Blanc and Viognier, tropical fruits, green leafy, green apple flavours with zesty acidity. The Viognier supports the acidity with richness which makes it a perfect wine for spicy food.

ELGIN

Paul Cluver Close Encounter Riesling 2014

R179.00

Made in a more luscious style with an alcohol under 9%. Juicy pineapple and lime aromas are complemented with hints of jasmine and honeysuckle. Works well with spicy foods.

glass R62.00

CEDERBERG

Cederberg Bukettraube 2014

R183.00

A rare and beautiful aromatic wine which exhibits delicate floral of rose petals, dried mango, apricots and Muscat flavours. A well-balanced wine with a delicate sweetness and a crisp acidity. Enjoyed partnered with spicy fusion foods.

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White Wines

BLENDING WHITE WINES

A combination of grape varieties such as Viognier, Chardonnay and Chenin Blanc and have an elegant structure of flavours, including vanilla, apple and blackcurrant. The success of a blended wine is that it is easy to drink and keeps its elegance. In most cases, the goal is to create a wine that is greater than the sum of its parts.

ROBERTSON

Saxenburg Guinea Fowl Chenin/Viognier 2013 R145.00

A delicious unwooded blend. Pineapple, ripe pear and rose petals on the nose following through with complex, rich, creamy and full of tropical fruit on the palate.

COASTAL

Laibach White Ladybird 2013 R172.00

An organic Chardonnay, Chenin Blanc and Viognier blend. Medium-bodied with a round, creamy palate and good freshness. The oak is very well integrated and adds to the complexity of the wine. A lovely food wine. glass R60.00

SOMERSET WEST

Flagstone Treaty Tree Sauvignon Blanc/Semillon Reserve 2011 R222.00

The wine seduces your palate with a texture of creamed honey, but the flavours are taut citrus fruit framed by a suggestion of toasty vanilla oak. An extraordinarily complex and satisfying mouthful.

VOOR-PAARDEBERG

Vondeling Babiana 2012 R237.00

Chenin Blanc, Viognier, Chardonnay and Grenache Blanc. This Babiana derives its name from a tiny plant called Babiana Noctiflora, which is unique to the Paardeberg Mountain. The wine has a deliciously complex, spicy nose of ginger, jasmine, coconut and peaches. Fresh with touches of white pepper, citrus blossoms, honey and pears. The oak is well-balanced and the wine has a high degree of finesse.

OTHER WHITE VARIETIES

STELLENBOSCH

Asara 'The White Cab' 2014 R145.00

Awarded South African Wine Producer of The Year at 2013's China Wine & Spirits Awards (CWSA). The first of its kind in South Africa. This unique wine offers floral aromas combined with the smell of yellow apples. The taste is elegant and reminds of deciduous fruits like pears and peaches. glass R50.00

STELLENBOSCH

Thelema Riesling 2014 R188.00

Crisp and delicate. The nose and palate are abundantly complex with a typically spicy deep fruity flavour.

STELLENBOSCH

Nitida Semillon 2009 R199.00

One of the finest and most consistent. Grassy, hints of spice and pebbly minerality, delicate but ripe texture and full-flavour.

STELLENBOSCH

Delheim Gewurztraminer 2014 R209.00

Floral and litchi aromas, complemented by hints of lime. Elegant with a good balance between sugar and acidity.

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Blush Wines

ROSE & BLANC DE NOIR

Rose and Blanc De Noir are made from various varietals and can be produced in one of two ways. The first thing being longer skin contact with red grapes while the second is based on the gentle art of blending white and red grapes to get the perfect colour. Compliments mildly spiced curries.

STELLENBOSCH

Grangehurst Cape Rose Blend 2014

R135.00

A dry Rose blend of Cabernet Sauvignon, Pinotage, Merlot, Chenin Blanc and Shiraz. It has a fragrant nose of red berries. Delicious tasting and with the added interest of oak from the partial barrel maturation. Excellent on its own, and the gentle tannins giving a nod to its red grape parents make it a perfect food wine.

STELLENBOSCH

Delheim Pinotage Rose 2014

R141.00

Vibrant, light pink in colour. Crisp acidity with sweet berry fruit. The wine is still primary with cranberry and wild strawberry flavours on the palate and nose.

HEMEL-EN-AARDE

Whale Pod Rose 2015 *by Creation*

R161.00

This blend of Merlot and Caberbet Sauvignon with its delicate salmon colour shows an abundance of fresh summer fruit on the nose including strawberries, white peach and kiwi fruit. The fruit follows on the palate and the crisp acidity leaves a clean finish.

glass R55.00

STELLENBOSCH

Waterford Estate Rose-Mary 2014

R177.00

Aroma is minerally driven with sour apricots and sweet raspberry fruit undertones. The well integrated acid leads to an elegantly tangy textured mouth-feel with a characteristic dry finish with a low alcohol content.

STELLENBOSCH

Groot Constantia Blanc De Noir 2014

R185.00

This blend of Merlot and Cabernet Sauvignon with its delicate salmon colour shows an abundance of fresh summer fruit on the nose including strawberries, white peach and kiwi fruit. The fruit follows on the palate and the crisp acidity leaves a clean finish.

PAARL

Avondale Camissa 2010

R291.00

Camissa is made from Muscat de Frontignan and Mouverde grapes. Arrests the nose with rose petals, scented pelargonium and fresh red fruits of the earth. Hints of Turkish Delight and lemon zest attest to the perfect acidity of this wine; for Camissa may appear sweet but it finishes completely dry.

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The Red Cab Red Wines

CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Cabernet Sauvignon is one of the world's most widely recognized red wine grape varieties. Its origins are in Bordeaux where it has been successfully blended to produce some of the finest red wines ever bottled. Cabernet produces rich, full-bodied wine which should be enjoyed with equally rich, full-bodied foods – such as curry.

STELLENBOSCH

Hoopenburg Bushvine Cabernet Sauvignon 2012

R149.00

Medium-bodied with aromas of blackcurrent's cassis and lead pencil shavings. A slight hint of tobacco and cigar-box. Fresh acidity with long, lingering silky tannins.

STELLENBOSCH

Villiera Cabernet Sauvignon 2013

R175.00

Shows classic dark berry fruit with underlying grassiness on the nose. On the palate it is well-balanced with soft tannins.

STELLENBOSCH

Overgaauw Touriga Nacional Cabernet Sauvignon 2014

R209.00

A fruit driven robust blend; with Touriga Nacional playing the vibrant main role and Cabernet Sauvignon the complex supporting role offering aromas and flavours of plums, mulberries, rich ripe raspberries and spice. Succulent, full and round on the palate with fine tannins that offer a pleasant grip on the finish complementing the lengthy fruit driven aftertaste.

PAARL

Glen Carlou Cabernet Sauvignon 2013

R243.00

This wine exhibits vibrant aromas of ripe red berries and blackcurrents. Rich cassis and red berry fruits on the palate, with a touch of spiciness on the finish. It has soft yet luscious tannins with a rich and lingering aftertaste.

DURBANVILLE

Nitida Cabernet Sauvignon 2013

R246.00

Silky tannins, leather and cedar wood embrace old fashioned fruit cake filled with dark plums, maraschino cherries, exotic spices and very, very dark cocoa.

STELLENBOSCH

Waterford Estate Cabernet Sauvignon 2011

R382.00

Cedar wood, lead pencil and cassis with tinges of white chalk, a classic Cabernet Sauvignon from what will be classic vintage.

STELLENBOSCH

Rustenberg Peter Barlow Cabernet Sauvignon 2008

R721.00

Upfront perfume, intermingled with concentrated cassis, black cherries and some herbaceousness.

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MERLOT

Merlot is a darkly blue-coloured wine grape that is used as both a blending grape and for variety wines. Merlot is also one of the most popular red wine varieties in many markets.

COASTAL

Ancient Earth Merlot *by Bellingham* 2014

Dark ruby with a vibrant strawberry edge opening with ripe red cherry and summer berry fruit aromas layered with earthy forest floor and hints of cacao, supported by spicy oak intrigue and sleek ripe tannins through to a smooth and succulent gentle finish.

R150.00

STELLENBOSCH

L'Avenir Merlot 2013

Deep garnet colour. Blackcurrent cassis with a subtle hint of All-spice. A rich, lingering roundness supported by an elegant tannin structure.

R183.00

FRANSCHHOEK

Mont Rochelle Merlot 2007

It has all the wonderful whiffs and flavours you expect of a Merlot – mulberry, bloodplum, a touch of cigar-box and oak spice.

R193.00

FRANSCHHOEK

La Bri Merlot 2012

This Merlot has concentrated garnet red colour. The nose shows mixed berry compote and dark cherries layered with dried herbs. Juicy and rich with elegant integrated tannins, this wine is eminently soft and approachable.

R212.00

FRANSCHHOEK

Glenwood Merlot 2013

An elegant, medium-bodied wine with rich, intense layers of chocolate, creamy mulberry and subtle tannins, with a hint of mint on the finish.

R219.00

DARLING

Groote Post Merlot 2013

A wine that is a product of our never ending quest to perfect our winemaking craft. A hint of smokey beef and mint on the nose. An explosion of blackberries, plum and chocolate on the palate.

R233.00

STELLENBOSCH

Waterkloof Circumstance Merlot 2009

Has pencil shavings, spice and tobacco flavours on the nose. Elegant, bright acidity with juicy fruit on the palate. Great length with fine tannins on the finish.

R299.00

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The Red

Red Wines

SHIRAZ/SYRAH

Syrah or Shiraz is a dark-skinned grape grown throughout the world. Shiraz is the South African name for the Syrah grape, possibly Persian origin. Shiraz is used as a variety and is also blended. This delicious red wine should be enjoyed with spicy dishes.

STELLENBOSCH

Brampton Shiraz 2012

R145.00

A delicately balanced wine with an attractive spectrum of flavours from the first rich impressions of black cherries and ripe plums brushed by alluring floral notes to the overt supporting wood spice that develops on the aftertaste enhancing the primary fruit intensity.

glass R51.00

COASTAL

Zonnebloem Shiraz 2013

R167.00

Rich plum and ripe berry aromas with peppery nuances. Rich berry flavours with traces of well integrated tannins and oak spices.

PAARL

Rhebokskloof Estate Shiraz 2012

R195.00

Medium-bodied with spice, red fruit and black pepper. The wine confidently reflects tropical Shiraz characteristics.

PAARL

Boschendal 1685 Shiraz 2013

R205.00

Plush ripe black berry and blue fruit concentration supported by weighty ripe tannins against a spicy white pepper background.

STELLENBOSCH

Vergelegen Premium Shiraz 2012

R219.00

Dark ruby with violets, spice, chocolate, peat/smoke and black berry fruit on the nose. The palate shows crisp acidity, with rich tannins and a long, clean fruit dominated aftertaste.

CONSTANTIA

Saronsberg Provenance Shiraz 2012

R229.00

The soft textured tannins, full-bodied mouth-feel and silken finish lends itself as a platform to a heady mix of red berry and black fruit flavours combined with floral notes and fynbos nuances.

WESTERN CAPE

Boschkloof Syrah 2013

R286.00

Complex and attractive bouquet of oriental spices with typical Shiraz smoked ham and white pepper flavours. Good intense ruby colour. Full mid-palate with a long soft finish. Well balanced wine with spicy type plum and berry fruit flavours and peppery overtones that finish with soft round tannins. Very classic style with unmistakable Rhone flavours. Certified and bottled on the farm.

STELLENBOSCH

Rainbow's End Shiraz 2012

R295.00

Dark rich and intense – a real blockbuster Shiraz! A hint of white pepper with bacon notes, Christmas cake, dark fruit and smokiness.

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The Red Wines

PINOTAGE

Pinotage is a red wine grape that is South Africa's signature variety. It is a cross between Pinot Noir and Cinsault (also known as Hermitage). It typically produces deep red variety wines with smoky, bramble and earthy flavours, sometimes with notes of bananas and tropical fruit.

STELLENBOSCH

Stellenrust Pinotage 2014

R113.00

Succulently fruited with sweet ripe fresh plum and Maraschino cherries laced with rich roasted coffee bean, bittersweet chocolate, delicate tamarind and vanilla spice. Rich and lively with plush fruit and soft tannins that leave a sumptuous smooth impression on the finish.

STELLENBOSCH

Alvi's Drift Pinotage 2014

R128.00

A medium bodied, juicy wine with flavours of ripe plums, mulberry, blackberry rich with a persistent finish. Well integrated oak, which created a well-balanced wine to complement most spices.

COASTAL

Painted Wolf The Den Pinotage 2013

R137.00

An intense fruit packed wine with a smorgasbord of red and black summer berries, savoury spice and toasty wood flavours. The wine has firm tannins which will smooth out with air. It has a long finish

STELLENBOSCH

De Waal Pinotage 2012

R157.00

De Waal wines are considered one of the top Pinotage producers of South Africa. A full, fruity wine with flavours of ripe plums and cherries, rich with a persistent finish. Well integrated wood.

STELLENBOSCH

Eikendal Pinotage 2014

R178.00

This wine is seductive and elegant with great finesse. The nose is full of berry, plum, cherry and chocolate flavours. The palate shows sophisticated oak integration with a supple and lingering finish. A wine made with passion and creativity and the immense attention to detail.

COASTAL

Grangehurst Pinotage 2006

R283.00

This is a mature wine, for the age it is full of fresh charm. It is refined through exotic perfume and has a light-textured, smooth tannin and lively palate. Beautiful.

COASTAL

Diemersdal Pinotage 2014

R208.00

This wine shows a complex nose of red fruits, vanilla, exotic spices and rich dark chocolate aromas. The palate is full flavoured and smoothly textured with oriental spice, chocolate and roasted banana flavours.

BOT RIVER

Beaumont Pinotage 2013

R247.00

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.

WALKER BAY

Southern Right Pinotage 2013

R349.00

This is a re-defining Pinotage with this intense, classically styled, clay-grown wine pocket with complex berry fruit, beautiful tannins and subtle wood spice.

STELLENBOSCH

Jacobsdal Pinotage 1997 Nederburg Auction Magnum (1.5 liter)

R2053.00

A moderate red colour. A nose of cloves and jammy, confectioned fruit gums. Soft palate with low acidity and subtle tannins, some red fruit.

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The Red Wines

BLENDING RED WINES

Just a good marriage bring warmth, fun and happiness to their partners, so too do grapes. They complement one another and bring out their respective best qualities.

STELLENBOSCH

Bartiney Noble Savage Cabernet Sauvignon/Merlot 2011 R125.00

The intense powerful flavour of the Cabernet in this blend is classic dark fruit and blackberries and intergrates absolutely beautiful with the softer, sexier, more sensuous cherry and raspberry nose of Merlot. The palate is round and concentrated, with spicy fruit and juicy tannins. — glass R43.00

STELLENBOSCH

Louis Nel Black Forest 2013 R163.00

The Shiraz and Merlot grapes used used fort his wine are from STellenbosch. The wine shows lots of red fruit flavours on the nose, as well as subtle chocolate and oak flavours. The expectations on the nose is backed up on the palate, with soft luscious tannins, and delicious fruit flavours.

WESTERN CAPE

Edgebaston 'The Pepper Pot' 2013 R165.00

Made from grown grapes in Stellenbosch, Paarl and Elgin regions, this wine is created to show the fresh, fruity and spice driven flavours of these Rhone varietals – Syrah, Mouverde, Cinsaut, Grenache, Tannat and Viognier. The colour is youthful and purple/red. The rose is one of crushed pepper, dark mulberry and mixed berry coulis.

WESTERN CAPE

Nico van der Merwe Cape Elements 2010 R188.00

Outstanding nose which really lets the Cinsault and Grenache transpire. Sweet fruits and a hint of caramel on the palate. Tannin is controlled and palate balanced.

STELLENBOSCH

Kanonkop Kadette 2013 R189.00

The wine has a deep ruby red colour. It shows ripe raspberries, blackcurrant and mocha flavours on the nose and has dark chocolate and blackberry fruit on the palate. The wine has good length with a dry finish. Pinotage 57%, Cabernet Sauvignon 26%, Merlot 14% and Cabernet Franc 3%.

WESTERN CAPE

Hermanuspietersfontein Skoonma 2012 R241.00

An elegant four-varietal Rhone-style wine – Shiraz, Mouverde, Grenache, Viognier. Black olives, cinnamon, violets, leather and fynbos. Long length, smooth tannins, ample body, delicate intensity, firm consistency, round structure, dry finish and flowinf balance.

STELLENBOSCH

Stellenrust JJ Handmade Wines Picalot 2011 R243.00

The name Picalot refers to the blend: 'Pi' for Pinotage, 'ca' for Cabernet Sauvignon and the 'lot' for Merlot. This wine offers summer sun and ripe berries and cherries on the nose – the palate shows rich plum with cedar and tobacco spice. Long finish of succulent ripe fruit. This Picalot will complement Indian curries; the Pinotage evifent enough to balance strong food flavour.

WESTERN CAPE

Rupert & Rothchild Classique 2012 R270.00

Vibrant flavours of young berries, plums, liquorice and cassis with a hint of corriander and white pepper and a fresh long finish.

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WESTERN CAPE

Lourensford Shiraz/Mouverde/Viognier 2012

R288.00

Cloves and dark plums with a slight floral suggestion reflect the three varietals in complete harmony. Elegant fruit tannins and natural acidity combines well to allow for grateful maturation.

WESTERN CAPE

Savage Red 2013

R359.00

A harmonious and complete Rhone blend created by Duncan Savage. The colour is dark red black and opaque. The nose is super complex with spicy savoury redcurrant, red plum, forest berries and ripe raspberry vanilla confit notes. The subtle peppery, dry summer grass and dusty fynbos notes add to the complexity and allure of this classically styled wine. The palate too is very suava and grown up and balances perfectly the vibrant, fresh, nervy acid tension of the cool costal Shiraz with the crunchy wild strawberry and red sour plum fruit of the Grenache and Cinsaut.

WESTERN CAPE

Morgenster Lourens River Valley 2007

R379.00

Delicious blend of Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot. Scents include light toasted tobacco, liquorice, spice herbs and ofcourse red and blackberry fruit. The fruit is sweet and inviting, while the finish is long and consistent.

UPPER-LANGKLOOF

The Goose Expression 2008

R436.00

An amalgam of berries, spice, wood integration and trademark herbaceous character and white pepper support. Very soft on the palate, yet full-bodied with huge complexity. Although the blend of the Expression differs every year, we always strive for the herbaceous tones and white pepper flavoursof the Shiraz to fuse with the soft, blackberry undertones of the Cabernet Sauvignon.

COASTAL

Groote Post 'The Old Man's Blend' 2003 Magnum (1.5 litre)

R508.00

A down to earth, easy drinking red which is soft and smooth. Cabernet Sauvignon based, the nose has a faint touch of white pepper and spice with abundant berry and rich plum flavours on the palate.

COASTAL

Moreson Magia 2007 Magnum (1.5 litre)

R2643.00

True to the vintage, flavours lent towards forest floor and wild mushroom, herbaceous with hints of blueberry. The palate is velvety and mouth-filling with lingering sweet oak vanilla, cinnamon and liquorice. A Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc and Merlot blend.

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The Red Wines

OTHER RED VARIETIES

ROBERTSON/HEMEL-EN-AARDE

Newton Johnson Felicite Pinot Noir 2013

R183.00

This wine charms with pure scented Pinot Noir fruit showing sweet cherries and a hint of spice. The deliciously ripe palate is softened with a silky texture delivered by the uniquely alkaline soils in this area.

COASTAL

Terra Del Capo Sangiovese 2012

R187.00

Nose of sour cherry and black berries with wood shavings and a light spice edge makes for ample appeal. The same spicy cherry and succulent plum are found in the mouth. Supple and sinewy with light tannins and a dry, tangy finish, this wine is made for food.

SWARTLAND

Allesverloren Tinta Barocca 2013

R203.00

An abundance of berry fruit intermingled with mocha, vanilla and oak spice aromas. An elegant, medium to full-bodied wine with intense berry fruit flavours, well-structured tannins and an aftertaste that lingers long.

PAARL

Anura Malbec 2013

R209.00

Flavours of blueberry, mulberry and dried peach with hints of liquorice and blackcurrent on the nose. A rich mouth-feel with soft tannins and a long smooth finish.

ROUSSILLON FRANCE

Domaine Grier Grenache Noir 2011

R225.00

The wine shows classic red berry fruit and cherries with a hint of spice and underlying vanilla chocolate. The rich soft mouth-feel is typical of Grenache. Pairs amazingly well with our curries.

JUMILLA - SPAIN

La Bascula Turret Fields 2012

R271.00

The raisin character and warmth of the Monastrell is matched by the spice of the Syrah. All enhanced and rounded off by its spell in oak.

STELLENBOSCH

Rainbow's End Cabernet Franc 2010

R325.00

Intense deep red colour. Damp earth and mint chocolate on the nose. Lovely earthy and tea leaf flavours of Black Forest cake and black cherry. Typical vegetative and herbaceous aromas with mineralic and slight floral aftertone (violets and fynbos). Intense rich fruit and juicy palate with layers of dark chocolate and a hint of coffee.

HEMEL-EN-AARDE

Hamilton Russel Pinot Noir 2014

R498.00

Fairly buoyant spice and cherry fruit, with graphite hints and plenty of clove like spice. The palate has a really firm edge at present. The char of the tight-grained oak, the liquoricy grip of the tannins and tight acidity adding a very firm, juicy character to this young wine.

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The Raj

Dessert Wines

Often overlooked or underrated, a dessert wine should be seen as the star of the show rather than an accompaniment to a dessert! It is recommended that the wine should be sweeter than the dessert you choose to pair with, so as not to overwhelm or mask the exquisite flavour nuances of the wine. A good choice from our Dessert Menu would be the Gulab Jamun or Rice Kheer.

CONSTANTIA

Buitenverwachting 1769 Muscat de Frontignan 2011

50ml R27.00

Unique in style. Sweeter than the previous Rhine Riesling, although not as sweet as a noble late harvest. Botrytis gives it intense flavour of dried yellow peaches and cinnamon.

FRANSCHHOEK

Muldersbosch Sauvignon Blanc NLH 2011

50ml R32.00

Muscat de Frontignan grapes are used to make this gorgeous decadent dessert wine. Cinnamon and raisin flavours abound in this classic SA favourite.

PAARDEBERG

Perdeberg Weisser Riesling Natural Sweet 2011

50ml R61.00

The wine has a deep yellow-gold colour and a bouquet of apricots, pineapple, pear, honey and almonds. Delightful on the palate with a full, rich mouth-feel.

STELLENBOSCH

Asara Spirit of Chenin 1998

500ml R46.00

Aromas of creamy vanilla, ripe peaches and subtle toasted macadamia. On the palate the peachy varietal flavour is surrounded by spicy cloves and cinnamon that ends with a soft lime tang.

STELLENBOSCH

Kanu Kia-Ora 2004 (Nederburg Auction)

50ml R61.00

The wine has a deep yellow-gold colour and a bouquet of apricots, pineapple, pear, honey and almonds. Delightful on the palate with a full, rich mouth-feel.

PAARL

Fairview Le Beryl Blanc 2005

500ml R331.00

Intense tropical fruit on the nose at first. The mouth-feel is velvety and rich, yet balanced with refreshing fruit acidity.

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