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Signature restaurant

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W I N E S B Y T H E G L A S S

Sparkling

Kievits Kroon Méthode Cap Classique 2010 66

Kievits Kroon has teamed up with the oldest producers of bottle-fermented sparkling wine in the Cape, to make a deliciously rich and balanced MCC using traditional varieties Pinot Noir and Meunier and Chardonnay.

White

Kievits Kroon Sauvignon Blanc 2012 44

Elgin

Crafted exclusively for Kievits Kroon by boutique winery, Glen Erskine. Distinctive, quality Elgin Sauvignons are blended to yield a deliciously fruity wine.

Tormentoso Old Vine Chenin Blanc 2013 40

Paardeberg

Cabo Tormentoso, or Cape of Storms struck fear into the hearts of early Portuguese sailors. This charming wine is made from old, low-yielding bushvines in the fashionable Swartland region. Enjoy!

De Wetshof Limestone Hill Chardonnay 2013 50

Robertson

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.

Darling Cellars Bush Vine Sauvignon Blanc 2013 40

Darling

Bushvines produce intense Sauvignon flavours, and the West Coast breezes that cool these vines ensure vibrantly fresh pineapple and lime flavours with a perfect, zesty acidity and flavourful finish.

Off-Dry

Paul Cluver Close Encounter Riesling 2012 50

Elgin

Named for the estate manager who narrowly escaped being hit by a train that runs through the Cluver estate. Made in a Spätlese style, with higher residual sugar and lower alcohol (8%). Delicately fragrant with luscious lime flavours and creamy mouthfeel, it slips down all too easily...

Semi-Sweet

Kumala Semi-Sweet White 2013 35

Coastal

A poolside quaffer, made for simple, easy drinking.

Rosé

Klein Constantia KC Rosé 2013 45

Constantia

A crisp, dry but juicy blend from the Constantia Valley, which gets the taste buds tingling with delightfully fresh red berry fruit compôte flavours. Ideal lunchtime wine.

Red

Kievits Kroon Grand Rouge 2012 46

Stellenbosch

Blended exclusively for Kievits Kroon by award-winning boutique estates, Bizoe and Glen Erskine, this half Cabernet-Merlot blend is made to enjoy with red meat.

Tormentoso Cabernet Sauvignon 2012 65

Swartland

Judiciously oaked, with plenty of character from untrellised dry-land Cape vineyards. Enticingly lush flavours of sweet, juicy black fruits underpinned by softly spicy tannins.

MAN Family Wines Jan Fiskaal Merlot 2013 48

Paarl

This classically styled, juicy Merlot is a crowd-pleasing wine with bold red berry fruit and oak spice aromas with plush, ripe berry fruit and chocolate flavours and soft, gentle tannins with a long finish.

Waterford Pecan Stream Pebble Hill Shiraz-Mourvèdre 2012 50

Stellenbosch

Intriguing blend of Cabernet Sauvignon and Franc, Shiraz and Italian varieties Sangiovese and Barbera. Spicy blackberry fruit is contained by supple oak tannins. Delicious.

C H A M P A G N E

Pol Roger Brut Réserve Épernay, Champagne	NV	1290
<p>Elegant, restrained style of Champagne from this well-regarded family firm, which nonetheless coats its reserve with an irresistible veneer of creaminess. One of the best non-vintage blends, known for its lively elegance.</p>		
Moët et Chandon Brut Nectar Épernay, Champagne	NV	1400
<p>Moët Nocturne is deliberately made in a richer, less dry style, coated with an irresistible veneer of creaminess in a soft, light and fresh style. Enjoy the fine bubbles and flavours of candied fruit, ginger bread and vanilla.</p>		
Taittinger Prestige Rosé Reims, Champagne	NV	1100
<p>One of the few large, independently-owned Champagne houses, Taittinger produces a particularly creamy, elegantly pink Pinot Noir rosé from some of the best vineyards in the Champagne region of Reims.</p>		
Veuve Clicquot Yellow Label Reims, Champagne	NV	1210
<p>Dominated by Pinot Noir, with a touch of Pinot Meunier, Veuve is made in a consistently popular style. Nearly a third Chardonnay gives it the elegance and finesse required for perfect balance.</p>		
Bollinger Grande Année Aÿ, Champagne	1999	2841
<p>Maison Bollinger took advantage of the outstanding 1999 harvest to bottle a vintage wine. With aromas of baked bread and honeyed and citrus flavours on the palate, the 1999 Grande Année is very firmly structured with a beautifully long nutty aftertaste.</p>		

M É T H O D E C A P C L A S S I Q U E

Kievits Kroon MCC	2010	247
Stellenbosch		
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Krone Borealis Brut	2008	231
Tulbagh		
One of the Cape's most appetising bubbliés from this highly individual family-run Tulbagh estate. Champagne grapes, Chardonnay and Pinot Noir, are blended to create a still wine, which is fermented in the bottle. Rich and complex, it is one of the few white wines to be made without added sulfites. Platter ****/*		
Graham Beck Brut Rosé	NV	250
Robertson		
Beautiful salmon-pink colour with strawberry fruit flavours. Aromas are light and yeasty, with good freshness on the nose and a rich creamy complexity on the palate. Rich but dry Cap Classique wine with lovely finesse. Platter ****		
Graham Beck Bliss (off-dry)	NV	231
Robertson		
A new Chardonnay-Pinot Noir demi-sec/off-dry sparkler from this popular bubbly specialist cellar with all the finesse of the brut and a fresh, delicate sweetness.		

S A U V I G N O N B L A N C

Kievits Kroon Sauvignon Blanc 2012 135

Elgin

Crafted exclusively for Kievits Kroon by boutique winery, Glen Erskine. Distinctive, quality Elgin Sauvignons are blended to yield a deliciously fruity wine, which compliments seafood, poultry dishes and pastas.

Springfield Life from Stone Sauvignon Blanc 2013 220

Robertson

This hugely popular Sauvignon is made from vines grown on Springfield's limestone-rich soils, in a piercing, steely style. Minimal intervention in the cellar has resulted in a full expression of these soils, with passion fruit flavours and flintiness showing in the stylish finish.

Darling Cellars Bush Vine Sauvignon Blanc 2013 138

Darling

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Iona Sauvignon Blanc 2013 155

Elgin

Iona's stylish, vibrant rendition of this variety is a firm favourite among Sauvignon drinkers - refreshing and complex with capsicum and passionfruit tightly wound around trademark flinty Elgin minerality. The persistent lemon-pith finish is broadened by a small portion of barrel-fermented Semillon. Platter ****/*

Klein Constantia Sauvignon Blanc 2013 245

Constantia

Historic Klein Constantia is well known for its full-flavoured expression of this variety, where vines enjoy fresh breezes from both the Atlantic and Indian Oceans on either side of the narrow Cape Peninsula. Their signature grape is complemented by a dash of Semillon, adding dimension to the long mineral finish.

Platter ****

Jordan 'The Outlier' Sauvignon Blanc 2012 190

Stellenbosch

A fresh, charming example of oaked Sauvignon Blanc which flaunts a riper tropical style, while retaining an edgy element of flinty minerality, and plenty of zippy acidity to carry the rich, complex flavours. Classy and agile, it is unlikely to brashly assert itself over the dish with which it is partnered. Platter ****

C H A R D O N N A Y

Ataraxia Chardonnay 2012 410

Walker Bay

It's difficult to get hold of the tiny volumes of this expressive, award-winning wine from ex-Hamilton Russell winemaker Kevin Grant's boutique cellar. A soil-derived gravelly minerality and racy acidity adds to the classic length and complexity of this stylish, world class wine. Platter ****/*

Thelema Sutherland Chardonnay 2013 180

Elgin

Thelema led the way with this Burgundy variety in the 1990s. This is their Elgin bottling, which exhibits great freshness and elegance, typical of this cool climate. A mineral edge underlines the zesty lime aromas and flavours. Platter ****

Vondeling Chardonnay 2008 250

Voor-Paardeberg

Named for the Foundling Hospital that was once on this site, this historic farm was granted to Swedish immigrant Oloff Bergh in 1704. Winemaker Matthew Copeland achieves a creamily textured wine, pierced by zesty citrus flavours and a captivatingly earthy minerality. Platter ****

Paul Cluver Chardonnay 2010 270

Elgin

A Chardonnay bursting with aromas and flavours of citrus fruit, fresh apples and marmalade. Toasty oak adds complexity and lends a serious mouthfeel, yet still manages restraint in this classically-styled wine. Platter ****

U N O A K E D C H A R D O N N A Y

Constantia Uitsig Chardonnay 2013 210

Constantia

A fresh, zippy, unoaked Chardonnay with pronounced pear and orange zest aromas. Well-rounded stone fruit flavours and hints of almond precede a soft, lingering finish. Months of lees contact adds complexity to this charmingly versatile food partner.

De Wetshof Limestone Hill Chardonnay 2013 155

Robertson

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C H E N I N B L A N C

Ken Forrester Old Vine Reserve Chenin Blanc 2013 75

Stellenbosch

Made from old, low-yielding bush vines, this is one of South Africa's leading 'serious' Chenins from top restaurateur Ken Forrester's Stellenbosch vineyards. Cask fermented and matured in French oak. Platter ****

Groote Post Chenin Blanc 2013 182

The wine was tank fermented and made in a fresh style to maintain the natural flavours of the Chenin Blanc

A bright, full-styled Chenin with strong guava and green apple flavours. A lively freshness is underlined by a very good length and body on the palate. Excellent value for money. ****

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P R E M I U M W H I T E B L E N D S

Bizoe Henrietta Franschhoek The 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. Platter ****/*	2011	300
Reyneke Reserve White Stellenbosch Johan Reyneke tends his vineyards in the most natural way possible, which shows in the vivid, pure fruit flavours and minerality of this deliciously classy blend. Full and rich, with a barrel-fermented portion providing breadth and texture. Platter *****	2012	286
Mullineux Family White Swartland "Superb debut" (claims Robert Parker) from the winery, where Chris and Andrea Mullineux blend low-yielding Chenin with equal portions of Rhône varieties Grenache Blanc, Clairette and Viognier. Fermentation in older barrels adds breadth and texture to match any robust dish. Platter ****/*	2013	300
Haute Cabriere Chardonnay-Pinot Noir Franschhoek Alluring, lightly tinted non-sparkling blend of Champagne grapes, by one of the Cape's oldest bubbly producers Achim von Arnim, offering generous mouthfeel and some fruit richness.	2013	180

V I O G N I E R

The Foundry Viognier Stellenbosch Meerlust winemaker Chris Williams' own label has done exceptionally well internationally. Rich flavours of apricot, lime, and a stony minerality drive this well balanced wine to a full, flavoursome conclusion. Platter *****	2008	270
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R I E S L I N G
(O F F - D R Y S t y l e)

Paul Cluver Close Encounter Riesling 2012 146

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O F F - D R Y & S E M I S W E E T

Thelema Mountain Vineyards Muscat de Frontignan 2010 140

Stellenbosch

An oh-so-charming wine made in tiny quantities at this well-regarded winery. Light, off-dry and very tasty!

Kumala Semi-Sweet White 2013 120

Coastal Region

A poolside quaffer, made for simple, easy drinking.

R O S É A N D B L A N C D E N O I R

Klein Constantia KC Rosé 2013 150

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Waterford Rosé Mary 2014 155

Stellenbosch

This special low-ish alcohol (11%), light blush wine is made by crushing together fresh red grapes immediately after harvesting. The fresh spicy flavours and crispness make it a suitable any time of the day wine.

P I N O T N O I R

Meerlust Pinot Noir 2011 410

Stellenbosch

Long recognised for producing world-class wines, Meerlust's eighth generation custodian Hannes Myburgh maintains his family's dedication to producing wines in a classic style. Since 2004, winemaker Chris Williams has fashioned the Pinot in an intricately complex style, garnering repeated Platter 5 stars. Platter ****/*

Glen Carlou Pinot Noir 2011 330

Simonsberg-Paarl

The Swiss Hess Group has invested in the renewal of the vineyards and cellar since purchasing this Paarl property, which is well-reflected in their wines. This is an elegantly-styled Pinot, offering fresh, juicy, brambly fruit, underpinned by the structure from a year's maturation in French oak. Platter ****

Hamilton Russell Vineyards Pinot Noir 2012 545

Walker Bay

This esteemed producer manages to replicate the restrained and complex Burgundian expression of this variety. A cool maritime climate gives rise to a tight, classic wine with no overt fruitiness or sweetness. Instead, it shows hints of that alluring "primal" character along with a dark, spicy, complex primary fruit perfume. Platter ****/*

P I N O T A G E

Diemersfontein Pinotage 2011 215

Wellington

A warm region, red wine only Diemersfontein consistently offers ripe, black-fruited, mocha-laced wines with sweet spice and clove undertones. The opulently rich flavours and unabashedly new-world style make a good partner for any robust meat or game dish.

Grangehurst Pinotage 2003 300

Stellenbosch

Grangehurst's maiden 1992 vintage was vinified on a converted squash court. Since then, this specialist red wine cellar has lost none of its handcrafted appeal. One of the Cape's best Pinotages, it is firmly structured, yet elegant, showing good depth and complexity. Platter ****/*

M'Hudi Platinum Pinotage 2011 200

Paardeberg

The Rangaka family's label (they released their 1st vintage in 2005) is now part of Bidvest, who have sourced grapes in the warm Paardeberg, yielding a richly plush wine. This smoky, spicy, dark-fruited, modernly-styled Pinotage goes well with meat and game dishes. Platter ****

M E R L O T

De Grendel Merlot 2012 215
Durbanville

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.

Ingrid & Luca Bein Merlot 2011 290
Stellenbosch

The only variety produced by this Swiss veterinarian couple turned winemakers, who are gaining a reputation as one of the finest producers of Merlot in the Cape. Tiny amounts of this silkily textured, fresh and elegant wine are made from their two hectares of vines. Judicious oaking allows the polished plum fruit flavours to shine through. Platter ****

De Trafford Merlot 2008 368
Stellenbosch

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. Platter ****

C A B E R N E T S A U V I G N O N

Brampton Cabernet Sauvignon 2009 155

Stellenbosch

A Cabernet which offers enticing sweet black cherry fruit, plums and hints of cassis, which are interwoven with subtle oak aromas of vanilla, toffee and treacle. Big enough to stand up to most strongly flavoured dishes.

Jordan Cabernet Sauvignon 2008 240

Stellenbosch

Garry and Kathy Jordan never fail to coax abundant flavours of blackberry and cassis from these grapes grown on their cool Stellenbosch hillside vineyards. This wine shows all the hallmarks of quality: structure, depth, balance and complexity. It was Matured for twenty months in French oak barrels. Platter ****

Thelema Mountain Vineyards Cabernet Sauvignon 2007 410

Stellenbosch

Thelema led the way in the early 90s in producing distinctively modern-styled and accessible Cabernets with the ability to age well. The concentrated blackcurrant and blackberry flavours with a hint of mint and eucalyptus are in perfect balance with the clean French oak. Platter ****/*

Cederberg Cabernet Sauvignon 2007 230

Cederberg

The dry climate and high altitude Cederberg vineyards are capable of producing excellent, healthy grapes the mark of this beautifully balanced and richly flavoured, deliciously drinkable and fine wine. Platter ****

S H I R A Z / S Y R A H

<p>Waterford Kevin Arnold Shiraz Stellenbosch</p> <p>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, it spends a year in American and French oak. Platter ****/*</p>	<p>2009</p>	<p>407</p>
<p>The Foundry Syrah Stellenbosch</p> <p>One of the Cape's top examples, made by talented Meerlust winemaker Chris Williams, who believes texture and balance to be the most important components of a wine. Expressive, rich and spicy flavours with supple structure and an elegant, savoury finish. Platter ****/*</p>	<p>2006</p>	<p>385</p>
<p>Hartenberg The Doorkeeper Shiraz Stellenbosch</p> <p>Carl Shultz uses grapes from their younger vines to produce this great value Shiraz. Aromas and flavours of blackberry fruit and roasted spices make it the ideal partner for lighter meat dishes.</p>	<p>2012</p>	<p>160</p>
<p>Reyneke Syrah Stellenbosch</p> <p>Johan Reyneke's aim has always been to express the uniqueness of his soils, dotted with stone age hand axes, in his wines. His Syrah is elegant and pure, with vibrant black cherry flavours and a peppery edge. Platter ****</p>	<p>2010</p>	<p>185</p>

P R E M I U M R E D B L E N D S

Bordeaux-style Blends

Meerlust Rubicon 2008 600

Stellenbosch

One of first Cape Bordeaux-styled blends from this internationally renowned estate. The Rubicon is consistently restrained and quietly understated in style, rewarding time in bottle. 2008 produced a classically complex wine. Platter *****

Morgenster LRV 2005 465

Stellenbosch

A Merlot dominant blend (62%) with Cabernet Sauvignon from this quality-conscious property (Pierre Lurton of Château Cheval Blanc consults). This is Morgenster's second label, showing restraint and style typical of the wines of the Médoc. Platter ****/*

Rupert & Rothschild Classique 2010 330

Simonsberg Paarl

Bordeaux-style Cabernet and Merlot blend. Ripe, rich berry fruit impressions interspersed with sappy herbal flavours, leading to a succulent, cherry and cinnamon finish from this venerable farm. Platter ****

Shiraz-based Blends

Boekenhoutskloof The Chocolate Block 2012 407
Franschhoek
Sought-after, sleek blend of (mostly) Shiraz and Grenache with a beguiling rich, spiciness after the traditional reds of the Southern Rhône. Dense, and vibrantly youthful, enjoy the voluptuous mouth feel, and long, complex finish.

Hartenberg Cabernet-Shiraz 2009 140
Stellenbosch
Top Shiraz grower Hartenberg decided to produce a more accessible blend, without losing their signature classic, savoury style. Enjoy with for roasted meats and pasta dishes.

Cape Blends

Kievits Kroon Grand Rouge 2012 144
Swartland
Blended exclusively for Kievits Kroon by award-winning boutique estates, Bizoe and Glen Erskine. This elegant Cape blend offers subtle red fruit aromas, depth of flavours and lovely complexity. Delicious with roasted red meat dishes, lamb casseroles and softly spicy Malay curries.

Kanonkop Kadette 2012 165
Stellenbosch
Kanonkop's entry-level blend is made in succulently-fruited style, but there's no missing those seriously structured tannins lurking in the background. Great value!

G R E N A C H E

Vriesenhof Grenache 2010 330

Stellenbosch

Legendary ex-Springbok rugby player, Jan 'Boland' Coetzee ventured to high altitude Piekenierskloof to find southern French variety, Grenache, to bottle under his flagship range. He ensures its bright red fruit comes to the fore in an appetisingly refreshing style. Platter ****/*

O R G A N I C & B I O D Y N A M I C W I N E S

Reyneke Reserve White 2012 286

Stellenbosch

Johan Reyneke tends his vineyards in the most natural way possible, which shows in the vivid, pure fruit flavours and minerality of this deliciously classy blend. Full and rich, with a barrel-fermented portion providing breadth and texture. Platter *****

Reyneke Syrah 2010 185

Stellenbosch

Johan Reyneke's aim has always been to express the uniqueness of his soils, dotted with stone age hand axes, in his wines. His Syrah is elegant and pure, with vibrant black cherry flavours and a peppery edge. Platter ****

I N T E R N A T I O N A L W I N E S

Triennes Rosé	2013	310
Provence, France		
Deliciously fruity, strawberry flavoured blend of Cinsault and Grenache, exhibiting the harmony and elegance that has earned world-wide appreciation of the rosés of Provence.		
Château Lagrézette Purple	2011	320
Cahros, France		
Neighbouring Bordeaux, Cahors has been known for centuries for 'dark wines' from the Malbec grape. This full-bodied example is brimming with lively dark plum and blackberry fruit, complemented by rich chocolate notes.		
Alphonse Mellot Sancerre	2012	560
Loire, France		
This famous wine is made from 100% unwooded Sauvignon Blanc in a smoothly rounded, minerally style with a lime twist to the finish, which will perfectly complement white fish and seafood.		
Mähler-BesseCheval Noir	2010	412
Bordeaux, France		
Powerful, perfectly balanced blend of Merlot and Cabernet Sauvignon which combines ripe, red fruits with notes of grilled toast and spices. In the mouth it is rich, structured and between fruit and tannins, with a long finish.		
Joseph Drouhin Chablis Premier Cru Montmains	2010	550
Chablis, France		
Montmains is the most northern of Drouhin's Chablis vineyards. Tiny marine fossils embedded in limestone give this famous Chardonnay its unique flavour. Dry and minerally with crisp acidity and pure citrus flavours. Perfect with seafood.		

Domaine Huet Vouvray Le Haut Lieu Sec 2010 570

Loire, France

The Loire Valley's most famous estate was founded in 1928 by Victor Huët. Vouvray is made solely from Chenin Blanc and this classic, dry example (from 40 year-old vineyards) exhibits apple and lime flavours, vibrant minerality and a wonderful linear structure. A wine made to be enjoyed with food.

Chateau Teyssier, St-Émilion 2008 995

Bordeaux, France

St-Émilion superstar, Jonathan Maltus, is always in pursuit of perfection. Teyssier is currently among the legion of Grand Crus and is easily of Grand Cru Classé quality. A Merlot-Cabernet Franc blend, the wine displays abundant sweet black fruits, a natural, lush texture, ripe tannin, and a heady finish.

Joseph Drouhin Nuits St Georges 2008 880

Burgundy, France

Founded in 1880 by Joseph Drouhin, this famous Burgundy négociant is still family owned. Winemaker Veronique Drouhin is handed the Pinot Noir grapes from their own vineyards by brother Philippe, to turn into a range of sought-after, earthy red Burgundy. Delicious with duck and light red meats.

Alain Graillot Crôzes Hermitage 2007 700

Rhône Valley, France

Alain Graillot founded this Domaine in 1985, and rapidly became one of the most in-demand producers in the Northern Rhone for his exuberant, robust, 100% syrah (shiraz) wines. Graillot's wines are structured, though appealing and approachable in their youth, and their longevity is truly remarkable.

C W G A U C T I O N W I N E S

CWG Vergelegen White 2004 800
Stellenbosch

A 5-star combination of barrel-fermented Semillon and Sauvignon Blanc from one of South Africa's top wineries. Perfectly balanced and classy, it is drinking well now, but will continue to develop well in bottle.

CWG De Grendel Koetshuis Semillon 2006 500
Durbanville

Handpicked from Atlantic ocean-facing Durbanville vineyards, CWG member Charles Hopkins makes a wine from this white Bordeaux variety with concentrated tropical pineapple aromas and flavours, with light oaking lending even more complexity.

CWG Overgaauw DC Classic 2004 550
Stellenbosch

Century old Overgaauw faithfully carries on the family tradition of fine red wines. Complex aromas of cassis and raspberry, well-integrated wood structure and rich complexity ensures ageing potential.

CWG De Trafford Perspective 2004 995
Stellenbosch

Architect David Trafford is one of the most talented winemakers in the Cape. His high, very steep Stellenbosch Cabernet Franc and Merlot vineyards yield complex cranberry aromas. Fine, firm, plush tannins with integrated fruit linger on the palate. Delicious.

D E S S E R T W I N E S

Klein Constantia Vin de Constance 2004 755 (500ml) / 95 (50ml)

Constantia

This much-awarded dessert wine is a recreation of the Cape's legendary sweet wine of the 18th century (written about by Charles Dickens and drunk by Napoleon in exile). Tempting aromas of dried mangos, apricots and honey also show on the intense flavours. It is pared by pithy astringency and a fresh, mouth-watering finish. Savour before or after a meal. Platter ****/*

Jordan Mellifera 2006 330 (375ml) / 45 (50ml)

Stellenbosch

Versatile with food (have as an aperitif or with dessert) because of its light freshness. Delicate, orange blossom aromas and ripe peach and apricot flavours are balanced by a thread of acidity, adding elegance to the rich, citrus twist finish. Platter ****

Mullineux Family Wines Straw Wine 2008 515 (375ml) / 65 (50ml)

Chenin grapes raisined on straw mats yielded viscous juice that took six months (instead of a few days) to ferment, to make this decadently sweet, ripe and perfectly balanced wine. A light-footed 10% alcohol makes it an appealing drink before or after dinner. Platter *****

F O R T I F I E D W I N E S

Weltevrede Ouma se Wyn 2011 19 per glass/50ml

Robertson

Fortified white Muscadel, made especially for the winemaker's Ouma, who likes nothing better than a glass of lightly chilled, sweet wine.

Weltevrede Oupa se Wyn 2011 19 per glass/50ml

Robertson

Red Muscadel fortified with brandy to make a warming (15.5% alcohol) drink which slips down easily.

Graham Beck Rhona Muscadel 25 per glass/50ml

Paarl

Made in the style of the sweet fortified muscats of France. The superior Muscat de Frontignac retains all its sweetness whilst the alcohol is added in the form of grape spirit to produce a delicately grapey Muscadel (at 16% alc) which makes a charmingly fresh apéritif or dessert wine.

P O R T

De Krans Cape Vintage Reserve 2008 20 per glass/50ml
Calitzdorp
Vintage Reserve is only made in the finest years at this Klein Karoo property specialising in Port-style wines with flavours and aromas of plums and Christmas pudding. Platter ****/*

Overgaauw Cape Vintage 1996 17 per glass/50ml
Stellenbosch
Evolving gracefully with time in the bottle, this seriously-styled Port is made from several of the fine Portuguese varieties, which give the wine intensity and classic grip, with rich nutty fruitcake flavours. Platter ****

Niepoort Ruby NV 35 per glass/50ml
Douro Valley, Portugal
Niepoort believe that the colour of the Port should be inspired by the lighter ruby stone (as opposed to the darker ruby colour). Fresh, young and fruity vibrant red cherry flavours! A great option to accompany soft cheeses and desserts, the "Ruby" style makes for suitable enjoyment. Serve chilled any time of the day.

S H E R R Y

Monis Fino/Medium/Full Cream 15 per glass/50ml
The Fino is bone-dry in style, with the full cream, more generous, smooth and rich with nutty, woody flavours making it a good after dinner choice. Fino is best as an aperitif, while the fuller styles can be enjoyed as an end to a meal on its own or with a fine cigar.

P O T S T I L L B R A N D I E S

Sydney Back Potstill Brandy

70 per glass/50ml

Ten years of maturation in barrel imparts an array of complex aromas and flavours. Hazelnut, peach and subtle liquorice are lifted by the vapour of fine, pure spirit, followed by warm, savoury, sweet flavours of almond and apricot.

Kaapzicht Potstill Brandy

50 per glass/50ml

Deep golden and amber in colour, with complex aromas and flavours of dried fig, prunes and toasted notes. Smoky oak and fine clove and cinnamon spices endure on the smooth finish.

O L D E R V I N T A G E S

Cabernet Sauvignon

Rustenberg Peter Barlow	2006/2007	460
Thelema Mountain Vineyards Cabernet Sauvignon	2009	410
Neil Ellis Cabernet Sauvignon	2007	330
Cederberg Cabernet Sauvignon	2009	230

Shiraz

Saxenberg Shiraz	2000	950
Quoin Rock Syrah	2005	280

Red Blends

Glen Carlou Grand Classique	2006	325
Morgenster Lourens River Valley	2005	465
Eikendal Classique	2006	330
Vergelegen Flagship Red	2000	670
Newton-Johnson Syrah-Mourvedre	2007	264

Fortified wines

Axe Hill Port	2006	380
Klein Karoo		

Made from top traditional Portuguese varieties, this is one of South Africa's finest port-styled wines. Approachable even in its youth, it offers a luxuriously rich mouthful of spicy nut and fruitcake flavours. Perfect after dinner with or without a fine cigar.

KWV Port	1970	1700
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B I N E N D S

Quoin Rock Chardonnay 2006 170

Stellenbosch

The complexity gained from the natural winemaking techniques employed in the making of this barrel fermented, whole-bunch pressed Chardonnay is obvious, with its golden hue, concentrated citrus and lime aromas and flavours. Platter ****

Nitida Semillon 2009 150

Durbanville

Nurtured in the cool Durbanville hills just north of Cape Town, this classic Semillon exhibits ripe peach aromas, threaded through by lively acidity and zesty citrus and fresh apple flavours. Platter ****/*

Waterford Cabernet Sauvignon 2008 295

Stellenbosch

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. Platter ****/*

Meerlust Chardonnay 2011 340

Barrel-fermented in toasty new French oak by Meerlust's new winemaker, Chris Williams. Aromas of butterscotch, roasted almonds and intense citrus flavours abound in this mineral, complex and serious wine. Platter ****

S O U T H A F R I C A N V I N T A G E R E P O R T

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- 2013 Larger yields in a pleasingly moderate year. Good to very good whites and reds, with lighter alcohol levels.
- 2012 Unusually dry, warm January strained unirrigated vineyards; otherwise good to very good vintage for both reds and whites; moderate alcohol levels.
- 2011 Yet more variable than last vintage, impossible to generalise. Consult producer's track record.
- 2010 "A thinking winemakers harvest", with destructive winds, unseasonable rains, heatwaves and reduced crops hitting many areas. Later ripening whites and reds, and cooler / sheltered areas seem to have fared best but very difficult to generalise.
- 2009 Perhaps one of the greatest Cape vintages. Late and gruelling, but whites and reds both look stellar. Standout Sauvignon Blanc, Chardonnay, Riesling, Shiraz, Cabernet and Merlot.
- 2008 Long, wet, late and challenging but also unusually cool season, favouring elegance in both red & whites, with ripeness generally achieved at lower alcohols.
- 2007 Set to be one of the coolest in a decade, when an uncharacteristically early heat wave in January set the grapes on the path of quick ripening. Whites were hurriedly picked, with some fine results, and reds left on the vine in the subsequent cool weather ripened well and most were harvested before the early winter rains.
- 2006 Excellent and largely problem free (though complicated by Western Cape power cuts). Perhaps the best white wine vintage in a decade. Particularly expressive Sauvignons and Chenins. Fleshy, mild tannined reds, with lower than average alcohol contents allround.
- 2005 Short early and particularly challenging. Bone dry winter followed by early season rains, sparking disease and excessive plant vigour; then prolonged heat waves. Concentrated if alcoholic reds; whites mostly average, some stellar exceptions.
- 2004 Long and late, yet cooler dry conditions yielded healthy, elegant wines with lower alcohols and yielding tannins. Chardonnay, Merlot and Shiraz especially promising.

- 2003 Hailed as an outstanding year, with concentrated, structured and generous reds as well as whites. The general euphoria tempered by some difficulties with late-ripening varieties in certain areas.
- 2002 Challenging and patchy year marred by disease and high harvest temperatures. Generally, individual producers' track record rather than variety of terroir should guide the purchasing decision.
- 2001 Hot, dry largely disease-free vintage, yielding some excellent reds – fruity and concentrated, possibly long-lived. White-wine producers who picked between heat-waves delivered flavourful if alcoholic wines.
- 2000 Another hot year with predictably powerful, concentrated reds, sometimes with big tannins. The best should keep very well. Whites, by contrast, generally less stellar and for long ageing.

Award-Winning Wine List

Kievits Kroon received the Diamond Award in the 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2013 Diners Club International Wine List of the Year Awards. The prestigious Diamond Award requires restaurants to have a final score of over 90% for content, balance, suitability and presentation of their wine list.

Our award-winning wine list was created with the assistance of well-regarded Cape-based wine consultant Ingrid Motteux of Winewise who assists us to develop and improve the wine list every year.

Our wine list includes a selection of wines which showcase the best quality and value South Africa has to offer as well as some international classics, to ensure that we cater for many different palates.