

Caraffa

Carta dei Vini
Wine List - Wynlys

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Welcome to the Caraffa Wine List. Every wine selected for Caraffa's collection has been chosen personally by Enrico, Michela & Byron for your enjoyment. Our focus is to offer a variety of the best wines from South Africa's wineries as well as a choice of wines from international vintners. In this way, we cater for a wide range of tastes, from the more adventurous to the most discerning palates. Our exclusive selection covers many wine regions and varieties to ensure that your choice of wine will enhance the flavours of your dish to create a blissful dining experience. Please do not hesitate to approach us to recommend a wine as we have carefully tasted through all these wines to ensure we have the perfect collection.

WINE AND FOOD PAIRING

Taste differs from person to person and your personal taste experience depends on your choice of wine and food combinations. Pairing the best wine with a particular dish enhances the dining experience, simply because the flavours complement each other. Although pairing wine with your meal is a personal decision, a few general ideas could help you make the best selection. Sparkling wines pair well with appetizers, white wines with salads, fish and lighter dishes and red wines complement meat and heavier dishes. As the finale to your meal, a good port is the perfect companion for any of our delicious desserts.

JUST A GLASS!

We have selected a variety of wines by the Carafe. Keeping in mind our diverse customers we tried making a selection that will suit almost everyone's taste. So we've got you covered whether you just like mixing things up or your approach to wine is one of moderation. Please see our selection of wines by the carafe on page 2 and also look out for the "🍷" symbol by the wines that are served by the carafe throughout the wine list.



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WHITE WINES BY THE CARAFE

| | 250ml |
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| Lanzerac , Sauvignon Blanc, Stellenbosch | 70 |
| Alvis Drift 221 , Chenin Blanc, Western Cape | 70 |
| Eikendal The Janina , Unwooded Chardonnay, Western Cape | 85 |
| Terra Del Capo , Pinot Grigio, Western Cape | 60 |
| Cederberg , Bukettraube, Cederberg | 65 |
| Jordan Chameleon , Sauvignon Blanc/Chardonnay, Stellenbosch | 55 |

ROSÉ WINES BY THE CARAFE

| | 250ml |
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| De Krans , Rosé Moscato Perlé | 55 |
| Durbanville Hills , Merlot Rosé, Cape Town | 60 |

RED WINES BY THE CARAFE

| | 250ml |
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| Durbanville Hills , Merlot, Durbanville, Cape Town | 65 |
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SPARKLING WINES BY THE 'GLASS'

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| Valdo , Prosecco DOC, Extra Dry, Valdobbiadene | 70 |
| Groote Post , Brut Rosé MCC, Darling | 65 |

DESSERT WINE

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| Nitida Modjadji , Noble Late Harvest, Cape Town | 60ml 45 |
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Non Alcoholic Wines - Red & White

NON ALCOHOLIC WINES

750ml

Old Road Wine Company, On the Wagon, Sauvignon Blanc 155

Free of alcohol, full of everything else! This savvy Sauvignon Blanc retains beautiful balance between a refreshing brightness and enticing tropical flavours. The wine ends with a burst of zesty citrus on the crisp, dry finish.

Van Loveren, Almost Zero Red 165

A smooth red with mulberry flavours.

NON ALCOHOLIC SPARKLING WINES

Robertsons, Dry, Sparkling White 155

The alcohol in this wine has been carefully removed to preserve the fruity aromas and vibrant flavours. Pear & mandarin come to the fore accompanied by hints of orange blossom & honeysuckle.

J.C. le Roux, La Fleurette, Stellenbosch 185

This enchanting, passion pink non-alcoholic sparkling blush entices all the senses. It reveals fruity flavours with hints of strawberry and plum. The balance of freshness and sweetness typical of the original J.C. Le Roux La Fleurette is pure delight.

Light in Alcohol Wines

750ml

Fleur du Cap, Natural Light, Chenin Blanc, Western Cape - Alc 9.5% Vol 155

This refreshing, light-bodied wine has a brilliant colour with a light green tinge. Aromas of pear, pineapple, guava and litchi show on the nose. The bouquet is beautifully complemented by the almost perlé-like freshness on the palate, the hint of sweetness and medley of fruit.

Bellingham, Pinotage Light, Stellenbosch - Alc 8% Vol 225

No compromise has been made on the body and taste in this low-alcohol wine. This Pinotage shows generous red fruit on the nose and palate, with savoury notes and spice adding to a voluptuous mouthfeel and lingering finish.

ITALIAN WHITE WINES

Principe Pallavicini, Frascati, Lazio

Malvasia, Trebbiano

Light straw-coloured with golden green hues. Delicate, moderately fruity and floral bouquet. Dry, fresh, elegant and pleasing taste.

Sella & Mosca, Vermentino, Sardegna

Hints of mediterranean scrub, citrus and white flowers give way to a lively mineral note. Fresh and full-flavoured, surprisingly velvety and balanced, it lingers on the palate for a long time with elegant fruity notes and a hint of iodine.

Zenato, Soave Classico, Veneto

Garganega & Chardonnay

Nectarine, litchi, pomegranate and greengage notes. Flavours of pine nut and asparagus all expressed on a canvass of flinty petrichor and elegant acids.

Zenato, Pinot Grigio Delle Venezie IGT, Veneto

Garganega & Chardonnay

A light bodied wine with fresh apple, pear and apricot aromas on the nose. Despite its dry classification, this wine has a semi-dry palate with slight mineral hints and a creamy finish. The fruity aromas found on the nose follow through to the pleasant palate.

ITALIAN RED WINES

Masciarelli, Montepulciano D'Abbruzzo, Abbruzzo

The wine is a deep, ruby red colour, with an intense and complex nose of red berries, cherries and redcurrants. These flavours follow through on the palate, with hints of violets and tobacco can also be found. The wine possesses character and sophistication.

Zenato, Valpolicella DOC Superiore, Veneto

The nose offers supple fragrances of almonds and violets. The wine is crisp and dry in the mouth, well structured, with a lovely, velvety texture. Ready to enjoy now, however can be cellared for a few years too.

Enrico Serafino, Dolcetto D'Alba, Piemonte

An intense ruby red colour with vibrant purple highlights this wine shows the distinctive traits of this classic Piedmontese varietal: fruity aromas of cherries, plums, currants and spices with a full, dry palate and a pleasant, soft-textured almond finish.

Badia a Coltibuono, Chianti Classico DOCG, Toscana

An intense ruby red colour with whiffs of cherry and fresh berries on the nose. The dry wine, with elegant, balanced tannins and minerals, is characterized by a good acidity and a long, persistent finish.

Ca'Viola Barolo, Piemonte

The ruby red colour with garnet reflections introduces an intense scent of violet, red and small red fruits, with a slightly balsamic note. In the mouth the texture is complex and silky, the harmonious structure wraps the palate with soft and succulent tannins.

ITALIAN SPARKLING WINES

Cavicchioli, Amabile, Lambrusco DOC, Demi-Sec, Modena

An intense ruby in colour with a rich, bright and fruity aroma. A very cool Lambrusco with wild berries and sweet fruit character.

Valdo, Prosecco DOC, Extra Dry, Valdobbiadene

Light straw yellow in colour with greenish reflections. The bouquet shows delicate notes of ripe apples and acacia flowers. The palate is fruity with a bright, refreshing and zesty finish.

Ferrari Brut, Trento, Trentino,

Straw yellow with slight green reflections in colour. On the nose, fresh and lasting, with significant overtones of ripe golden apples, wild flowers and a subtle and delicate fragrance of yeast. Clean and balanced in taste, with a slight and pleasant finish of ripe fruit and a hint of bread-crust.

Ferrari Rosé, Trento, Trentino

Ferrari Brut Rose is salmon pink in colour. The bouquet is distinct and very refined, with the fresh fragrance of hawthorne flowers, red currants and wild strawberries. The taste is dry, clean and elegant, with a delicate finish of sweet almonds.

Italy's glowing reputation as producers of quality wine is based mostly on the fact that it is the country that produces and exports more than any other and that it offers the greatest variety of types, covering nearly every colour, flavour and style imaginable. Additionally, leading wine producers in many parts of the country have kept their emphasis firmly on traditional vines. The authentic treasures of their ancient land are enhanced in modern wines creating aromas and flavours that cannot be experienced anywhere else. Exploring the unique wines of Italy is an endless taste adventure. Our range of Italian wines pair well with true Italian dishes like pasta, pizza and fish. *La Dolce Vita!*

WINES OF THE WORLD

No time for a wine vacation? Maybe you want to broaden your wine horizons or just stop getting confused every time you stare at the store shelf trying to pick the perfect bottle of wine. We have gathered a few, well-priced gems to give you some insight of what other countries are doing.

Kia Ora, Sauvignon Blanc, New Zealand, Marlborough 450

The region's specialty, Sauvignon Blanc, is beloved for its pungent, aromatic character with notes of exotic tropical fruit, freshly cut grass, and green bell pepper along with a refreshing streak of stony minerality. A fuller style with lots of gooseberries, guava, passion fruit and minerals. Yeasty notes and good depth and length.

Château Los Boldos, Carmenère, Rapel Valley, Chile 375

Intense burgundy colour and offers a complex nose of crystallized fruit, chocolate and blackberry jelly, the palate shows fruity, well structured and a wide body with sweet tannins.

Misterio Malbec, Argentina, Mendoza, 375

Medium bodied and fruit forward, this Malbec has the power and the ripe Mendoza fruit that the region is known for. Approachable, the bright notes of cherries and raspberries have a delightful freshness to them.

Bodegas LAN, Crianza, Tempranillo, Rioja, Spain 455

Intense red cherry colour. Aromas of red fruits, strawberry, raspberry and cranberry framed by fine nuances of vanilla and toffee. Silky and structured on the palate, it has a long lasting and satisfying finish.

Domaine du Margalleau, Vouvray, France, Val de Loire 440

A fresh and mineral delight in youth. Citrus, grapefruit, apple blossom, flinty aromas lead on to flavours of lemons and limes, green apple and onto a lingering flinty minerality in a seductive finish.

Chinon Chateau du Petit Thouars, Loire Valley, France 475

A gentle, smooth and perfectly balanced Cabernet Franc, providing aromatic and lingering pleasures.

Marquis de Mons, Margaux, France, Bordeaux Left Bank 795

This crimson coloured wine shows aromas of strawberry, raspberry and violet on the nose. The palate, full and rounded, reveals a remarkable balance, supported by good acidity which gives it freshness. And indulgent wine, easy to drink, characterized by its good balance.

CHAMPAGNE

"I only drink champagne when I'm happy, and when I'm sad. Sometimes I drink it when I'm alone. When I have company, I consider it obligatory. I trifle with it if I am not hungry and drink it when I am. Otherwise I never touch it—unless I'm thirsty." - *Lily Bollinger*

Bollinger Special Cuvee, Brut

Subtle combination of structure, length and vivacity; bubbles like velvet; pear, brioche and spicy aromas, notes of fresh walnut.

750ml 375ml

1700

Veuve Clicquot Yellow Label, Brut Reims

Yellow and white fruits, then notes of vanilla and later of brioche. On the palate you find freshness and strength while pear and lemon tastes appear.

1400 800

Mumm Rosé, Brut

Another faithful expression of the house's Pinot Noir revealing aromatic power and structure as well as elegant notes of red fruits, underpinned by hints of spice. Approximately 15% of the Grand Cordon Rosé blend is made up of red wines, which contribute intensity, alongside bold notes of forest fruits.

1500

Moët & Chandon Nectar Impérial, Demi-Sec, Épernay

Lively and generous Nectar Impérial distinguishes itself by its tropical fruitiness, its richness on the palate and its crisp finish, that instantly surprise and delight.

1500

Dom Perignon Blanc, 2010

Each vintage is a creation, singular and unique, that expresses both the character of the year, and the character of Dom Pérignon..

4950

MÉTHODE CAP CLASSIQUE

The South African answer to Champagne. Méthode Cap Classique or MCC refers to a sparkling wine which has undergone a second fermentation process in the bottle in which it is sold.


750ml

Simonsig, Kaapse Vonkel, Western Cape, Demi-sec

305

Spring blossoms, ripe summer fruit and hints of caramelised baked apple on the nose. A lively mousse and hints of sweetness on the palate balanced by a soft, natural acidity.

Groote Post, Brut Rosé, Darling

305 

This MCC is salmon-pink tinged with flavours of strawberry and hints of yeasty biscuit. It is crafted according to the age-old tradition of second fermentation in the bottle.

Pongrácz, Brut, Western Cape,

315

Crisp green apple notes with a touch of yeast aromas on the nose. Flavours of toast and ripe fruit on the palate with a foamy mouth feel and long aftertaste.

Pongrácz, Rosé Brut, Western Cape

315

Salmon pink hue. Delicate strawberry tones with hints of baked bread. Seductive entry, with a red fruit mouth feel and lingering fruity finish.

Sauvage La Bri MCC, 2013, Franschoek

595

Only 1425 bottles produced in this 2013 vintage. Sauvage La Bri has matured sur lie for 5 years in the bottle before disgorgement. No dosage was added to produce this Brut Nature Cap Classique.

OTHER SPARKLING WINES

750ml

Durbanville Hills, Sparkling Sauvignon Blanc, Durbanville, Cape Town

200

The bubble in the wine elevates the tropical flavours such as Paw-Paw, passion fruit, melon, peaches, ripe figs and gooseberries. Fresh, tropical fruit flavours experienced with a hint of citrus, which is invigorating and refreshing.

Cavicchioli, Amabile Lambrusco DOC, Demi-Sec, Modena

235

An intense ruby in colour with a rich, bright and fruity aroma. A very cool Lambrusco with wild berries and sweet fruit character.

Valdo, Prosecco DOC, Extra Dry, Valdobbiadene

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Ferrari Brut, Trento, Trentino

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SAUVIGNON BLANC

South Africa's most popular white grape variety, fresh and crisp Sauvignon blanc is very rarely oaked, making it an easy-drinking option. Widely speaking, there are two styles of Sauvignon blanc – the greener, grassier style with aromas of asparagus and green pepper, and a tropical-fruit style with hints of guava and granadilla.


750ml

Durbanville Hills, Durbanville, Cape Town

180 

Citrus, passion fruit, gooseberries, guava with a hint of herbaceous notes. Medium-bodied wine with a mix bowl of tropical fruit flavours, citrus and ends with a sweet fruity sensation.

Lanzerac, Stellenbosch

205 

Generous aromas of green fruit like Granny Smith apples interplay with white fruits such as asian pears and white peaches in a perfect fruit-acid balance. It introduces a fresh lemongrass mouthfeel with subtle minerality rounded off by a soft creaminess in the long finish due to extended lees contact.

Bouchard Finlayson, Walker Bay

215

Detailed layers of fig, grapefruit, passionfruit and a touch of lemon curd, delivered by a juicy, unassertive acidity and complimented by a noteworthy Hemel-en-Aarde salinity.

The Valley, Elgin

250

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

Neil Ellis Wines, Groenekloof

265

Pale straw like colour with attractive green hues. Bright tropical, citrus aromatics with subtle undertones of fresh cut grass. Palate is elegant with delicately detailed citrus fruits & a lively acidity. Textured with a long finish.

Springfield Life from Stone, Robertson

285

Life from Stone derives its name from the incredibly rocky soils in which it is grown. Every year the vineyard battles against nature in order to produce highly concentrated, powerful wines with a flinty, mineral character true to the quartz rock in which it is grown.

CHENIN BLANC *A.K.A. Steen*

Up there, with the world's finest. It's a little known fact, but a fact all the same, that South African Chenin blanc wines are among the world's finest. The most widest planted variety in South Africa, producing an arsenal of different styles of wine.

750ml

Kaapzicht, Stellenbosch

175

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

Alvis Drift 221, Western Cape

200 

This Chenin Blanc has a brilliant pale straw colour and a complex, fruit driven nose of ripe white peach, stewed apple and a hint of blossom honey which follows through on the palate. The silky smooth and creamy palate has a refreshing acidity with a long, lingering fruit and fresh lemon finish.

Mullineux Kloof Street, Swartland

220

Sun ripened pears and wet granite. A vibrant acidity balanced by a soft, round texture.

Rijks Touch of Oak, Coastal Region

245

Stone-fruit aromas dominate the nose with hints of citrus, quince and pine nut. Rich and creamy palate is well balanced, perked up by lively acidity and a long finish. The subtle use of oak uplifts the pure fruity characters.

Ken Forrester Old Vine Reserve, Stellenbosch

285

Melon and spicy baked apple aromas. Mineral notes enhanced by honeycomb and caramel flavours from lees contact with harmonious, delicate vanilla and oak flavours.

CHARDONNAY

Chardonnay is the most popular white wine on earth and, more recently, it has also become the most divisive. Travel to any wine region in the world, and you'll find at least one vineyard growing Chardonnay. It's a wine that can be simple or regal, aged for many years or consumed immediately. The Chardonnays from South Africa range from steely wines with a clean, citrusy focus to heavily oaked ones with a rich, buttery consistency.

UNWOODED

Eikendal The Janina, Western Cape

The Janina exudes rich honey flavours with notes of sweet apple, orange peel and lemon zest. A floral richness surprises on the palate which is carried through mid-palate with a delightful, fresh finish.

750ml

245 

Springfield Wild Yeast, Robertson

Wild Yeast Chardonnay is fermented using the native, wild yeasts that occur naturally on the skins of the grapes. This unwooded Chardonnay presents itself with tropical fruit aromas that reveal notes of ripe pineapple and pear on the palate

305

WOODED

The Valley, Elgin

Fresh, pure and clean, citrus, apples and pears. Linear and tight with a mineral core coated with some beautiful Elgin fruit ending in a long clean finish.

285

La Bri, Franschhoek

Clean and precise, this wine embraces the fresh flavours of young pineapple, peaches and creamy lemon with the nuttiness of freshly baked biscuits all offset against a backdrop of a crisp apple palate. Aged in French oak for 10 months.

305

Creation, Walker Bay

The beautifully fresh Creation Chardonnay is slightly more fruit-driven than the other with generous quince, pear and peach aromas and flavours, enhanced by fresh minerality and hints of vanilla.

355

Jordan Nine Yards, Stellenbosch

A rich, modern yet classically defined style with full flavours of clove flower, butterscotch and lime oil.

755

OTHER WHITE VARIETALS

There are too many different varietals to even list. Here is our collection of the best of unique varietals made by passion across the wine producing areas of South Africa. Each wine is truly different from what you know.

Terra Del Capo, Pinot Grigio, Western Cape

Attractive subtle whiffs of lemon and orange with succulent notes of fleshy peach swirling effortlessly that finishes with a zesty freshness

750ml

180 

Oak Valley Stone & Steel, Riesling, Elgin

A wine grown high up on the foothills of the Groenlandberg in the cool climate of Elgin, grown in stony soils and fermented in stainless steel resulting in a stunning tropical, mineral fruit bomb.

205

Cederberg, Bukettraube, Cederberg

A wine grown high up on the foothills of the Groenlandberg in the cool climate of Elgin grown in stony soils and fermented in stainless steel resulting in a stunning tropical, mineral fruit bomb.

195 

Bizoe Kruispad, Sémillon, Coastal Region

With a beautiful combination of citrus and stone fruit, and a persistent mineral-tinged finish, this Semillon takes the variety to a new level of quality and complexity.

305

Lismore Age of Grace, Viognier, Greyton

Lime and apple aromas layered with nuances of honeyed beeswax. The full, rich palate of honey and citrus is perfectly balanced with well integrated oak notes, minerality and a delightful lingering creamy finish.


390

WHITE BLENDS

South African wineries are the most innovative when it comes to white blends. It is also where our vineyards are earning the highest international acclaim. These wines have a high average rating of perceived quality, they have the ability to age and often show the terroir. Winemakers can create distinctive blends using the diversity of the viticulture of the Western Cape. Expect Bordeaux-style blends of Sauvignon Blanc and Sémillon or Mediterranean-style blends with Viognier, white Grenache, Rousanne, Marsanne and very old Chenin vines.

750ml

Jordan Chameleon White, Stellenbosch

165 

Sauvignon blanc, Chardonnay

Showcasing the broad fruit spectrum found in the Winelands, initial forward Cape green fig flavours follows through to a layered palate of ruby grapefruit and winter melon glacé.

Bouchard Finlayson Blanc de Mere, Hemel en Aarde

185

Viognier, Chardonnay, Sauvignon Blanc

The name Blanc de Mere translates to 'white of the sea'. Wave upon wave of refreshing pineapple and apricot fruit purity, packed with floral perfume. Silken richness and elegance combine to entice the senses. A lemony persistence, with saline highlights, makes for an appealing finish.

Boschendal, Coastal Region

225

Chardonnay, Pinot Noir


The Chardonnay component contributes the richness and backbone to the wine, while the Pinot Noir adds fruit and elegance with its characteristic and hints of ripe red berries. The gentle oak maturation gives an elegant touch of spice. The nose gives great tension and poise, brimming with apricot stone-fruit, peach and mango on the nose. Fresh, vibrant and textured with weighted density that finishes with elegance and freshness on the palate.

ROSÉ

This wine with its pink hue is not only appealing on the eye, but is normally quite light and very refreshing. The pink colour comes from the limited amount of skin contact in the wine making process, dry Rosé/Blanc de Noirs pair with Carpaccio, whereas the off-dry, sweeter wines pair well with lightly-spiced dishes.


750ml

De Krans, Rosé Moscato Perlé

155 

Beautiful light rose petal colour with fine fizzy bubbles. Exotic muscat and spicy aromas, with hints of strawberries and candyfloss on the nose. Fresh tropical fruit and strawberries, light bodied, with a good balance between sugar and acidity.

Durbanville Hills, Merlot Rosé, Durbanville, Cape Town

175 

Grapefruit colour. Nose of raspberries and strawberry dusted with rose petals. Refreshing and light-bodied dry wine with an abundance of fresh summer berries on the palate and berry compote.

Lanzerac, Pinotage Rosé, Stellenbosch

190

A dry, perfumed and fruity Rosé that is perfect for easy sipping during the warm summer months, the Lanzerac Pinotage Rosé proudly lives up to its name.

MERLOT

A soft fruit with gentle tannins creates a very popular varietal. Once barrel fermented or aged, a Merlot can become a more serious wine with vanilla and spice flavours. Merlot pairs well with the Springbok Carpaccio or Rack of Lamb.

750ml

Durbanville Hills, Durbanville, Cape Town

200 

A medium bodied Merlot accentuated by flavours of soft sweet red and dark fruit, rounded off with silky tannins and a full mouth feel.

L'Avenir Provenance, Western Cape

235

The palate is smooth and offers seductive notes of crushed pomegranate, fresh cherries and dried cranberries. Refined and sophisticated, with delicate finesse and feminine elegance.

Fat Bastard, Roberston

290

Distinct blackberry, cherry and plum flavours dominate the palate, supported by well-integrated tannins that lend the wine a smooth mouth-filling quality and long, juicy finish.

La Bri, Franschhoek

295

This Merlot has a rich garnet colour. The nose is a complex mix of fresh cherries, nutmeg and cedar oak. A juicy, fresh yummy palate with firm integrated tannins.

Jordan Black Magic, Stellenbosch

385

Harvested from mature east and west facing vineyards established on mother soils of decomposed granite. Part whole-berry fermentation and softer pump-overs extract aromas of red plums and dark bitter chocolate. French oak maturation seasons the wine to accentuate the seductive flavours and generous velvety tannins.

Creation, Walker Bay

385

Spicy & fruity aromas. On the palate, dark chocolate and mocha combine generous ripe berry flavours, supported by a firm structure derived from judicious oak fermentation. Aged in barrel for 16 months.

CABERNET SAUVIGNON

South African Cabernet Sauvignon shows classical characteristics of blackcurrant, lead pencil and firm tannins, flavours that blend well to make for a full bodied wine. For a wonderful combination, pair a Cabernet Sauvignon with red meat.


750ml

Porcupine Ridge, Coastal Region

175

Classic black fruit with whiffs of cranberry, cigar box, graphite and subtle perfume. The blueberry and blackberry character of the nose follows through onto a wellrounded mid-palate, with notes of thyme, oregano and rosemary and pencil lead, tobacco, cedar and spice derived from the French oak.

Nederburg, Western Cape

225 

A rich and full-bodied wine with ripe fruit, cherry and delicate oak spice flavours, velvety tannins and a lingering aftertaste.

Tokara, Stellenbosch

275

This wine has a beautiful claret colour. There are aromas of brambleberry coulis, dark cherry and subtle cassis on the nose complimented by underlying notes of raw tobacco and baking spices. The palate is packed with delicious dark fruit interwoven in spice and light toasty notes from the barrels.

Lanzerac, Stellenbosch,

380

This is a classic Cabernet Sauvignon that has spent 18 months in barrel. The wine boasts an array of flavours such as black and youngberries with hints of cocoa, almond and cedar.

Groot Constantia, Constantia, Cape Town

475

The fruit and cigar box carries through with good flavour concentration on the palate that is backed by firm tannins, and leaves a long elegant finish.

Stark-Conde Stellenbosch, Stellenbosch

515

Blackberry fruit aromas with tea-leaf and cedar notes. The palate is rich and polished with dark fruit and mocha flavours and a finely balanced acidity. Long finish with the fine tannins typical of a Jonkershoek Valley wine.

SHIRAZ / SYRAH

Shiraz or Syrah with its inherent spiciness and combinations of smokiness and red summer berries make for a well-rounded, very enjoyable red wine. Hints of leather and fynbos linger in the glass. Enjoy this wine with oxtail or Caraffa's famous fillet gorgonzola.

750ml

Jordan Chameleon, Syrah, Stellenbosch

190 

A complex flavour spectrum of violets, sweet ripe plums and wild scrub with nuances of crushed pepper and bay leaf. Maturation in oak adds a spicy smokiness to the savoury fruitcake finish.

Neil Ellis, Syrah, Groenekloof

285

Medium bodied Shiraz. Nose has bright dark fruit with contributing spicy perfumed aromas. Palate is soft and round with fine, elegant tannins. This wine has been aged in French oak for 15 months.

Boschendal 1685, Shiraz, Coastal Region

300

Generous, deep black fruit and riper vintage fruit expression with pepper spice. Richness and juiciness with a round, integrated fruit core and silky ripe tannins. Shows elegant freshness and length with lingering fruit on the finish.

Allesverloren, Shiraz, Swartland,

305

A rich and full-bodied wine with a good tannic structure and ample ripe fruit flavours. The winemaker recommends serving this wine with poultry, veal and red meat dishes or savouring it on its own.

Kleinood Tamboerskloof, Syrah, Stellenbosch

415

A bright ruby colour. Complex 2016 fruit develop into cranberry and blackberry, exquisitely opening the violets and jasmine notes. The entry is elegant with well rounded tannin and the fruitful follow-through from nose causing the finish to linger.

PINOT NOIR

This grape varietal is known as one of the most volatile grapes, A Pinot Noir is a light 'gentle' red wine that is complex and intense. Always a good pairing with porcini and carbonara pasta.

750ml

The Valley, Elgin

285

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

Oak Valley Sounds of Silence, Elgin

290 

High up along the foothills of the Groenlandberg in the cool climate of Elgin, grows the ever-so delicate Pinot Noir. This may seem like a gloomy environment but Pinot Noir thrives amongst the Sounds of Silence.

De Kleine Wijn Koöp Hoendertande, Hemel en Aarde

360

Delicate and classic earthliness with sour cherry on the nose. Raspberries, clove and slight tobacco with herbs combines to support the subtle fresh and juicy tannin and lengthy finish.

Catherine Marshal on Sandstone soils, Elgin

415

Pomegranate, cranberry and red cherry top notes with underlying ferrous savoury aromatics Mouth filling red fruit supported by dry, suede tannins for texture and complexity.

Shannon Rockview Ridge, Elgin

565

Black cherry and farmyard aromas classical of true Pinot Noir. It has a dense mouthful of fruit with assertive tannins and tight acidity, powerful yet balanced with fine wood fruit combinations - A fine wine.

PINOTAGE

Dr Perold of Stellenbosch created a hybrid seed of Pinot Noir and Cinsault, to create the uniquely South African Pinotage. Pinotage pairs perfectly with Caraffa's pepper fillet, As well as the sweetbread (tripe).

750ml

Durbanville Hills, Durbanville, Cape Town 200

This medium bodied wine evokes a sweet sensation on the palate with hints of dark cherries and plums. It is well balanced with silky tannins and lingering flavours of sweet wood spice.

L'Avenir Horizon, Western Cape 200

A medium bodied, fruity expression of Pinotage, with fresh cherries, raspberries and a touch of sweet spiciness, typical to Pinotage.

Diemersdal, Cape Town 260

Red fruits, vanilla, exotic spices and rich dark chocolate aromas with a smooth palate with roasted banana flavours.

Beyerskloof Reserve, Stellenbosch 345

Winemaker, Beyers Truter, is known as the King of pinotage. Beyerskloof pinotage. The wine showcases dark cherries, plums and spices, with velvety tannins.

Rijks Touch of Oak, Coastal Region 355

Nose explodes with aromas of cranberry and subtle hints of mulberry and vanilla spice. The lively palate is rich and creamy and finishes with smooth and well-matured tannins. Gentle presence of oak on nose and palate completes this delicious wine.

OTHER RED VARIETALS

Once again, too many to list. Here you have a selection of our favourite unique red varieties. These varieties are so diverse but we truly believe our selection showcases the best of their respective producing areas.

750ml

Morgenster, Sangiovese, Stellenbosch 245

Morgenster's version of Chianti Classico. Fruit sweetness initially, with a lingering taste of cherry and dark prune, which is very appealing. Tannins are well managed and juicy, with a soft, elegant acidity.

Diemersdal, Malbec, Cape Town 260

This wine shows beautiful layers of ripe black fruit and spicy undertones. A complex and concentrated Malbec with good structure, a mineral core and a juicy finish.

Zorgvliet, Petit Verdot, Stellenbosch 325

Dark plum coloured with coriander, cloves and fruit cake on the nose. The wine shows dark plum and prune fruit on the palate.

Zorgvliet, Cabernet Franc, Stellenbosch 350

The wine shows cinnamon and spice characteristics on the nose, which are well integrated with flavours of black cherry and plum fruit on the palate.

Idiom, Primitivo/Zinfandel, Stellenbosch 470

Silky and spicy. This elegant, medium bodied expression of Stellenbosch Zinfandel exhibits a superb power-to-weight ratio. Aromas of Vanilla and sweet fynbos dominate the nose. An effortless entry leads to an explosive revolving tray of organum, sage and red cherry flavours dancing on the palate. A refreshing wine with an attractive long finish.

Miles Mossop Wines, Cinsaut, Stellenbosch 475

There are stunning perfumed aromas of rose petals, bramble fruit and fresh herbs on the nose. The palate bursts with flavours of concentrated blackcurrant, red berry fruits, dried Italian herbs and white pepper spice. The palate is dry with fine grained emery paper tannins on the finish.

BORDEAUX-STYLE BLENDS

A blend made up exclusively of varietals grown originally in Bordeaux. Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Cabernet Franc, Petit Verdot and Malbec wines are used in any combination or proportion to produce this most famous style blend. This pairs well with various meat dishes, but especially grilled steaks, oxtail and Caraffa's roasted rack of lamb.

750ml

Kaapzicht Bin 3, Stellenbosch

270

Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon

Interesting herbaceous profile, showing earthy, crushed leaf components and even agave, but without any green, bitter elements. The palate is broad, with red fruited accessibility, and the property's signature structure and firm tannins. Medium bodied.

Fat Bastard Golden Reserve, Robertson

295

Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot

Luxurious aromas and flavours of dark berry fruit and plum. The palate of the wine is rich and full with silky and lasting finish.

Le Riche Riche, Stellenbosch

375

Cabernet Sauvignon; Cinsaut; Merlot, Petit Verdot; Malbec, Cabernet Franc

Aromas of fresh plums and red cherries, balanced with a touch of oak on the nose. Juicy mouth filling flavours of red berries are supported by a fine, silky tannin structure and a rounded long finish.

La Bri Affinity, Franschoek

375

Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Cabernet Franc, Petit Verdot

A beautiful vibrant plum colour. An exceptionally complex wine with juicy red fruit palate, silky tannins, plums and cherry tobacco on the nose.

Morgenster Lourens River Valley, Stellenbosch

405

Merlot, Cabernet Franc, Petit Verdot and Cabernet Sauvignon

Notes of dark and red cherries, strawberries and cassis are accompanied by earthy tones, while liquorice, vanilla and cinnamon provide a spicy component. Aeration will release, plum, mulberry and raspberry aromas. Silky soft, the Morgenster Lourens River Valley caresses the palate.

Vilafonte Seriously Old Dirt, Western Cape

555

Cabernet Sauvignon, Malbec, Merlot and Cabernet Franc.

This wine displays a brilliant, deep garnet-red colour and delivers layers of fresh fruit on the nose; plum, black cherry, and blackberry along with warm notes of baking spice and vanilla pod. Subtle liquorice and seductive tobacco and hazelnut add a luxurious dimension. Flavours of ripe black cherry develop into lovely mineral notes, along with a lingering finish.

RHÔNE-STYLE BLENDS

Rhône-Style blends usually combine these grape varietals from the Rhone area in France: Syrah (Shiraz), Mourvèdre, Grenache, Viognier and Tannat. These wines are rich on the mid palate with soft tannins, resulting in a softer wine than a Bordeaux blend. Rhône blends pair well with osso buco, and Caraffa's gnocchi quattro formaggi.

750ml

Zevenwacht The Tin Mine, Coastal Region

250

Shiraz, Grenache, Mourvèdre

Purple red in colour, with the nose that exudes aromas of violets, dried spices and concentrated black prunes with a slow release of red cranberry and dark chocolate. The palate impresses with density on entry matched with persistent yet supple tannins – a multi layered wine. This texture is perfectly offset by balanced acidity that allows for a remarkable length of finish.

Mullineux Kloof Street Rouge, Swartland

275

Tinta Barocca, Syrah, Grenache, Cinsault, Carignan

The spicy perfumed nose has undertones of dark fruits. Each variety in the blend adds balance to the wine, filling your palate. Tinta Barocca brings tannin, Cinsault brings perfume, Carignan brings freshness, Grenache brings fruit character, and the Syrah ties it all together.

Hartenberg Doorkeeper, Stellenbosch

315

Grenache, Shiraz, Mourvèdre

Floral, perfumed notes with elegant spices of white pepper and cloves on the nose. The palate shows juicy, voluptuous red fruits like raspberries and strawberries. Silky soft tannins promises a refined finish.

Haute Cabriere Arnim Family Reserve, Franschoek

325

Syrah, Pinot Noir

A pioneering blend. A dark, rich colour with intense red fruit and spice on the nose followed by hints of cedar from 18 months in French oak barrels. On the palate it is layered with liquorice and cassis notes, with a full mouthfeel.

Idiom, Flagship Rhône Blend, Stellenbosch

625

Shiraz, Mourvèdre, Viognier

Aromas of juniper berry, lavender and cloves. Tantalizing flavours of savoury plums and exotic spices dance on the palate. Smooth velvety tannins and a long rich finish make for an elegant wine with real promise. Wine with rich, savoury flavours and a long, elegant finish.

CAPE BLENDS

A unique blend permitted to contain at least 30%, but no more than 70% Pinotage. The balance usually consists of Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot and Shiraz. These wines are typically robust, full-bodied and complex. Pair these blend with any red meat dish and rich earthy sauces.

750ml

Beyerskloof Synergy, Stellenbosch 260

Pinotage, Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon, Shiraz, Pinot Noir, Merlot

The name represents the synergy of these red grape varieties. Flavours include red fruit, cherries and cedar wood.

Alvis Drift Fusion, Western Cape 345

Cabernet Sauvignon, Pinotage, Petit Verdot

Intense black cherry colour with a youthful ruby red rim. Multiple layers on the nose of ripe blackberries, plums, dark chocolate, tobacco, with hints of spice and vanilla. Superior integration of the structural elements producing a velvety, viscous wine with a long lingering fruit driven finish.

Groot Constantia Lady of Abundance, Constantia, Cape Town 425

Shiraz, Merlot, Pinotage, Tannat

This new blend shows beautiful complexity. Ripe plum and red cherry flavours combine with a hint of fennel and careful use of oak. The variety of fruit follows on the palate and is framed by a fine tannin structure.

OTHER RED BLENDS

Winemakers in our country generally has free reign when it comes to blending. Usually inspired by Spanish, Australian or Italian blends, this category showcases blends from the most Cowboy-like winemakers producing something like no other.

750ml

Hartenberg Doorkeeper, Stellenbosch 225 

Merlot, Malbec

The nose shows notes of rose, cinnamon, and black fruit. Plums, opulent blackcurrants and violets combine in a rich palate with fine tannins that allow the bright fruits to linger.

Alvis Drift 221 Special Cuvee, Western Cape 245

Shiraz, Cabernet Sauvignon, Pinotage, Durif, Petit Verdot, Grenache, Viognier.

A multi layered aromatic wine, reflecting a rich, ripe fruit character of plums and red cherries, with hints of spice and liquorice. Medium to full bodied, well rounded wine with great balance of tannin and fruit. Long lingering and memorable.

Eikendal Charisma, Stellenbosch 275

Shiraz, Petit Verdot, Sangiovese

The Charisma 2020 is an ingenious creation and red blend living up to its name. The Shiraz (Rhône Valley) lends a tight, fresh structure with aromatic and seasoned undertones. Petit Verdot (Bordeaux) contributes a rich berry character and the Sangiovese, in true Italian style, adds fruity flavours with flair on the palate. The result is a bold, charming, seductive and ultimately elegant wine.

Terra del Capo Arné, Groenekloof 295

Merlot, Sangiovese

Red fruit, Christmas cake, spice – nutty, lip-smacking succulence on entry, with lingering juicy red fruit and nutty spice and integrated oak on the palate. Lovely pliable lithe but well-structured body. A supple and succulent wine with a genteel and long finish.

Babylonstoren Babel, Western Cape 335

Shiraz, Merlot, Cabernet franc, Petit Verdot, Malbec, Pinotage

Intense red colour. Pencil shavings and sweet tobacco with mulberry, cherries and dark chocolate on the nose. A balanced fusion of dark red berry and chocolate flavours with a soft mouthfeel and juicy, lingering finish.

DESSERT WINES

60ml

375ml

Nitida Modjadji, Noble Late Harvest, Cape Town 45 265

Semillon - A gift from a wet harvest, it seemed fitting to name this wine after queen Modjadji, considered the most powerful rain queen in Southern Africa. You're welcomed by this character of a noble late harvest wine, complimented by sweet aromas that fill your senses. Delving in, your palate is embraced with flavours of dark chocolate candied orange peels, rounding off to hints of freshly picked forest truffles.

Paul Wallace The Nix, Noble Late Harvest, Elgin 385

It flaunts layers of dense apricot and tangerine fruits, with a hint of almond and star anise. An invigorating fruity acid adds backbone and structure to this third release of the Paul Wallace "The Nix" Noble Late Harvest.



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