Wine by the Glass

LIGHT, CRISP & DRY	Glass	Bottle
CHENIN BLANC Beaumont	80	300
VINTAGE: 2021 ORIGIN: BOT RIVER		
SAUVIGNON BLANC Creation	65	250
VINTAGE: 2021 ORIGIN: HEMEL-EN-AARDE		
FIZZY & REFRESHING		
SPARKLING WINE Villiera Tradition Brut	90	300
VINTAGE: NV ORIGIN: STELLENBOSCH		
WITH A HINT OF OAK		
CHARDONNAY Creation	75	255
VINTAGE: 2021 ORIGIN: HEMEL-EN-AARDE		
FRUITY & EASY-GOING		
ROSÉ Lomond	80	250
VINTAGE: 2020 ORIGIN: AGULHAS		
LIGHT, YET LUSH		
PINOT NOIR Seven Springs	90	400
VINTAGE: 2016 ORIGIN: OVERBERG		
JUICY & PLUSH		
PINOTAGE Raka	75	320
VINTAGE: 2019 ORIGIN: WALKER BAY		
BOLD & ROBUST		
CABERNET SAUVIGNON Jakob's Vineyards	85	440
VINTAGE: 2016 ORIGIN: UPPER HEMEL-EN-AARDE		
BOLD & ROBUST		
SHIRAZ Strandveld First Sighting'	80	350
VINTAGE: 2019 ORIGIN: AGULHAS		

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Sparkling Wine

South Africa's answer to Champagne, Méthode Cap Classique (MCC) is bottle-fermented and disgorged true to French tradition. Although many top quality MCCs are still produced from Chardonnay, Pinot Noir and Pinot Meunier grapes, other varieties such as Chenin Blanc, Sauvignon Blanc and even Pinotage have been employed to make exciting styles of this refreshing wine. MCCs can be paired successfully with a number of dishes such as crayfish, mushroom or truffle risotto and lightly spiced dishes.

NON-VINTAGE BLANC

CHARLES FOX Brut Reserve

525

Clear, bright, golden straw colour and a lively effervescence. Fresh fruity aromas, mingled with delicate bouquet of honeyed raisin and biscotti. On the palate hints of pears and apples, follow through with a slight savoury tone and generous finish.

VINTAGE: NV | ORIGIN: ELGIN

VINTAGE BLANC

LOMOND Brut Reserve

700

A harmonious MCC, a blend of Chardonnay and Pinot Noir . Fresh fruit and white pears with a hint of floral notes shows on the nose. Rich, elegant with ultra fine bubbles, layers of fresh zesty acidity displayed on the palate.

VINTAGE: 2017 | ORIGIN: CAPE AGHULHAS

ROSÉ

DOMAINE DES DIEUX Rose of Sharon Brut Rosé ©

600

Strawberry, black cherry, raspberry with a hint of mint and rose. The mousse is fine with a rich mouthfeel leading into a clean, dry finish. 58% Pinot Noir, 42% Chardonnay.

VINTAGE: 2011 | ORIGIN: WALKER BAY

WILDEKRANS Brut Rosé (1)

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"WINE MAKES DAILY LIVING EASIER, LESS HURRIED, WITH FEWER TENSIONS AND MORE TOLERANCE."

Benjamin Franklin

1706 - 1790

We are blessed with an endless choice of superb wines in South Africa. What determines if a particular vinification makes it onto the Grootbos wine list, however, is up to the discerning nose and palate of our sommelier. And because he is constantly on the lookout for new and exciting wines, our selection changes on a regular basis.

In line with our business philosophy, we focus our efforts on the Walker Bay and surrounding regions so that we can support the local economy and help maintain sustainable livelihoods.

Whether it is a delicate Chardonnay that will go well with your starter or a full-bodied Pinotage to enjoy with your main, our sommelier for the evening will be happy to assist you in creating the right pairing.

Don't be afraid of trying something new; of being a little adventurous. You might just discover a new favourite.

Cheens!

Fortified Wines

Deliciously sweet and opulent in character, South African port-style fortified wines are commonly creafted from Portuguese varieties in accordance with the traditional methods and designated styles of Portugal. All port-style wines in South Africa are bottled under the prefix "Cape", however, due to the agricultural trade agreement signed between South Africa and the European Union.

Served by the glass (5cl)

CAPE RUBY PORT STYLE

AXE HILL Cape Ruby

30

Lively cherry aromas on the nose with juicy oak notes. An elegant, polished palate with dark fruit and finely integrated tannin.

VINTAGE: NV | ORIGIN: CALITZDORP

BOPLAAS Cape Ruby

40

An assortment of spice, fynbos, dark fruit and liquorice. Full-bodied, complex and structured with a dry palate.

VINTAGE: NV | ORIGIN: CALITZDORP

CAPE WHITE PORT STYLE

PETER BAYLY Cape White •

30

Savoury notes of roast almond, crushed oats and hints of orange blossom unfurl to introduce a savoury palate with spice. The finish is dry and lengthy.

VINTAGE: NV | ORIGIN: CALITZDORP

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CREATION Elation 710

Classified 'Brut Nature', the wine contains only natural residual sugar and is delightfully crisp with a generous dash of exuberance and an elegant touch of finesse. Aromas of lemon blossom and dried apple emerge, followed by wild strawberry and hints of fresh brioche. On the palate well-integrated flavours of grapefruit and dried apple.

VINTAGE: 2016 | ORIGIN: CAPE SOUTH COAST

Sauvignon Blanc

South African Sauvignon Blanc is a crisp, fresh white style with delicate tropical fruit, citrus, lemongrass and green apple aromas. The fresh acidity of these wines makes them the perfect partner for foods with sharp flavouring or racy acidity where the wine will have an equal bite.

IONA © 420

Beautiful purity of limes and ripe gooseberry, with tropical, floral and fine herbal notes, ruby grapefruit and white pear drop on the finish. Vibrant, mineral, elegant, balanced and delicate, with a long, layered and complex finish.

VINTAGE: 2020 | ORIGIN: ELGIN | 13% vol.

LOMOND © 270

Rich flavours of stone fruit, sweet wild herbs and hints of blackcurrant on the nose accompany a crisp and zesty palate with diverse layers of fruit and minerality.

VINTAGE: 2020 | ORIGIN: CAPE AGULHAS | 13,5% vol.

420

Lime, pear and winter melon intensity on the palate is supported by hints of spice and minerality. Luxurious yet finely detailed.

SAUVIGNON BLANC

VINTAGE: 2019 | ORIGIN: ELIM

Viognier

LISMORE Age of Grace

16

Issued from the talent of female winemaker Samantha O'Keefe, this is an expressive viognier offering lovely perfume of honeysuckle and orange blossom. The palate is textured with whiffs of apricot, kiwi and pineapple. Barrel fermented and aged in French oak. Deliciously complex and food friendly.

VINTAGE: 2019 | ORIGIN: CAPE SOUTH COAST | 13.5% vol.

Chardonnay

Our selection of Chardonnay is meticulously chosen to exhibit interesting examples of cultivar and style. These wines represent balance between the inherent freshness of the fruit and the depth of complexity imparted by oaking. The original, subtle flavours of this style means that it can be paired with an array of food styles.

SEVEN SPRINGS UNOAKED CHARDONNAY

As an un-oaked Chardonnay this is an aromatic wine, showing floral notes of frangipani, sweet allysum, orange blossoms and even a hint of orange sponge cake. A dynamic palette with a Bramley apple acidity and wet pebble minerality.

VINTAGE: 2017 | ORIGIN: OVERBERG

HAMILTON RUSSELL ©

750

300

From the pionering estate of the Hemel-en-Aarde. Length and complex with notes pear, lime citrus and a whiff of nutmeg spice. The palate is clean and fresh on the entry, superb volume in the mouth here with almond and coconut-tinged citrus fruit. Elegant, yet textured and intense with a strong personality of both place and vintage.

VINTAGE: 2016 | ORIGIN: HEMEL-EN-AARDE VALLEY | 13,78% vol.

JULIEN SCHAAL Mountain Vineyards ©

420

Stimulating notes of citrus zest and chamomile introduce a medium bodied palate. Fine tannin adds slight grip.

VINTAGE: 2019 | ORIGIN: ELGIN

MIGLIARINA Single Vineyard

440

A cool-climate style displaying aromas of lime and pistachio with a touch of vanilla. A spice note of oak due to partial natural barrel fermentation adds intrigue. Fresh and crisp on the palate with a long finish.

VINTAGE: 2018 | ORIGIN: ELGIN | 13,5% vol.

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Dessert Wines

NOBLE LATE HARVEST

Noble Late Harvest wines are created by allowing white grapes to become infected by *Botrytis Cinerea*, a type of fungus. During the desiccation process of the grape the natural acidity levels remain high, which prevents the wines from being too sweet. This results in an opulent, rich, almost oily texture with upfront fruit flavours in a honeyed juice. Pair it with salty cheeses or baked desserts with cinnamon.

Served by the glass (5cl)

BEAUMONT Goutte d'Or ©

35

Fresh zesty lemon and lime notes flawlessly combine with orange blossom and spice. Vibrant and crisp with refreshing acidity on the palate

VINTAGE: 2012 | ORIGIN: BOT RIVER

FLEUR DU CAP

30

Plush apricot compote and lime blossom with ripe pineapple notes are held in balance by well-integrated acidity. Voluptuous and detailed.

VINTAGE: 2011 | ORIGIN: WESTERN CAPE

PAUL CLUVER ©

75

An aromatic nose of dried apricot, honeyed marmalade and floral tones. Concentrated on the palate with freshness and a very long, clean finish.

VINTAGE: 2014 | ORIGIN: ELGIN

STRAW WINE

Straw wine is a wine made from grapes that have been dried to concentrate their juice. The classic method dries clusters of grapes on mats of straw in the sun, but modern techniques have been developed in different parts of the world. Straw wines are typically sweet to very sweet white wines. The low yields and labour-intensive production method means that they are quite expensive.

Served by the glass (5cl)

MULLINEUX

100

Delicate and intricacate, yet rich and viscous. Enticing notes of dried peach, cut apple, savoury spice and marzipan. A clean and fresh palate and pleasantly lingering finish.

VINTAGE: 2015 | ORIGIN: SWARTLAND | 10,0% vol.

Cinsaut Noir

KLEINE ZALZE Cellar Selection

210

A rounded wine with aromas of juicy berry, dried red fruit and a slight pepper note. The palate is pleasingly light. Enjoy slightly chilled.

VINTAGE: 2016 | ORIGIN: COASTAL

Grenache Noir

DAVID & NADIA

750

An elegant perfume of pomegranate and sour cherry introduce a taut, refreshing palate with a light tannin structure.

VINTAGE: 2016 | ORIGIN: SWARTLAND

Italian Inspired

BOUCHARD FINLAYSON Hannibal ©

640

Rich Christmas spice blend with plum and strawberry, charcuterie and leather to introduce a firm palate with a lingering finish.

SANGIOVESE | PINOT NOIR | NEBBIOLO | SHIRAZ | BARBERA | NEBBIOLO

VINTAGE: 2015 | ORIGIN: WALKER BAY

Carignan

BLACKWATER Omerta

470

Light in body with notes of sour cherry, raspberry and cedar wood. The wine shows a lovely savoury note along with fresh fruit aromas.

VINTAGE: 2015 | ORIGIN: STELLENBOSCH

Chenin Blanc

Currently by far the most planted white grape variety of South Africa's vineyards, Chenin Blanc is a truly versatile grape. Best paired with more fatty dishes where the soft natural acitity and delicate fruit aromas cut through rich flavours and heavy sauces to bring lightness and balance.

BELLINGHAM The Bernard Series Old Vine

500

Alluringly fresh with notes of white pear, lemon drop and chamomile flower. Bottle maturation has afforded this wine great integration and softer acidity.

VINTAGE: 2010 | ORIGIN: COASTAL

ELEMENTAL BOB Cosmic Hand

510

An unusual blend produced via spontaneous fermentation and partial skin contact. Notes of citrus, apple, peach and sweet spice abound.

VIOGNIER | CHENIN BLANC | VERDELHO | SEMILLON

VINTAGE: 2015 | ORIGIN: WESTERN CAPE

SPRINGFONTEIN ©

495

Issued from vines planted an lime-rich soils, affording the wine's palate a chalk-like texture with mineral brightness and beautiful citrus freshness.

VINTAGE: 2017 | ORIGIN: STANFORD FOOTHILLS | 13,0% vol.

Riesling

SPIOENKOP

570

Bright green yet ripe fruits, such as light toast citrus, canned pineapple, apricot and touch of honey. Bone-dry on the palate with impressive focus and poise. An attractive flinty mineral note adds intrigue.

VINTAGE: 2011 | ORIGIN: ELGIN | 12,93% vol.

Rosé & Blanc de Noir

BARTHO EKSTEEN Blom (1)

340

A modern dry style with a refreshing nose of raspberry, red cherry, white stone fruit and a hint of white pepper. Light, crisp and reviving on the palate with a slight whiff of French oak.

GRENACHE NOIR | SHIRAZ | MOUVÈDRE | VIOGNIER |

VINTAGE: 2019 | ORIGIN: CAPE COASTAL | 13,0% vol.

CREATION 250

Lush ripe raspberry laced with evocative hints of dried apple; racy white pepper flirting with the tiniest scoop of honey. All enlivened by the crisp acidity and savoury minerality characteristic of this cool-climate, maritime wine. Produced from Grenache grapes.

VINTAGE: 2020 | ORIGIN: WESTERN CAPE

VAN LOGGERENBERG Break a Leg

370

A nose of red apple and wild strawberry introduces a light, fresh and bone-dry palate making for a very refreshing wine. Produced from Cinsaut grapes.

VINTAGE: 2019 | ORIGIN: PAARL

HERMANUSPIETERSFONTEIN Bloos

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VINTAGE: 2021 | ORIGIN: HEMEL-EN-AARDE VALLEY

Syrah / Shiraz

Known as Syrah in its native France and Shiraz to the majority of the world. Its berries give the wine firm tannins, good acidity and ripe berry fruit flavours. The strong black fruit character and the slight pepper notes add a wonderful touch of excitement to any meal of ostrich or venison. Also the the perfect partner for grilled or barbequed foods.

GROOTBOS The Last Syrah

600

Fine notes of cassis, cured meat and cocao bean are supported by a smoky undertone. The tannin structure is fine and chalky with a long finish.

VINTAGE: 2015 | ORIGIN: ELGIN

JULIEN SCHAAL Walker Bay ©



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VINTAGE: 2017 | ORIGIN: WALKER BAY

NEDERBURG Private Bin R121

900

An impressive offering of with an opulent nose of pepper and spice. Bramble fruit aromas mingle with echoes of leather. The palate offers succulent berry flavours with soft tannins and integrated oak.

VINTAGE: 2007 | ORIGIN: COASTAL

STRANDVELD The Navigator ©

640

Aromas of cool-climate spice with white pepper and cloves. The spiciness carries through to the palate and is complemented by black berry flavours.

VINTAGE: 2013 | ORIGIN: ELIM

Pinotage

Pinotage is probably South Africa's most treasured wine, not least because it was created in the country in the 1920's by crossing Pinot Noir and Hermitage (today known as Cinsaut Noir). The result is a wine with great depth of colour that ages better than most other red wines, developing a meaty complexity and strong raspberry notes. A robust pepperiness, chocolate and coffee flavours often present on the nose.

RAKA ©

A medium-bodied style of the grape showing bright red fruit, plums, a hint of Christmas spice and a whiff of charred cedar wood. Deliciously morish.

VINTAGE: 2018 | ORIGIN: KLEIN RIVER

SOUTHERN RIGHT ©

650

320

Intense classically styled, clay-grown wine, packed with complex berry fruit, beautiful tannins and subtle wood spice.

VINTAGE: 2016 | ORIGIN: HEMEL-EN-AARDE

WILDEKRANS ©

450

A voluptuous, rounded style of Pinotage. Generous notes of plum, savoury spice and cedar wood on the nose introduce an exquisite palate.

VINTAGE: 2019 | ORIGIN: BOT RIVER | 14%vol.

Pinot Noir

A notoriously difficult grape to grow outside of its native Burgundy and often referred to as the Heartbreak Grape. Walker Bay is known to produce some of South Africa's top Pinot Noirs due to the similar *terroir* to Burgundy. Once mastered in the cellar, it transforms into one of the world's greatest red wines with a heady red berry fruit character, silken texture and gamey complexity.

NEWTON JOHNSON Family Vineyard ©

800

Pure red fruit aromas, soft spices, turkish delight fringes, gravel, deepens to black fruit and a sturdy, austere frame. Rich and luxurious.

VINTAGE: 2015 | ORIGIN: HEMEL-EN-AARDE VALLEY

STORM Moya's Vineyard [©]

980

Lively, with sassafras and cinnamon notes backed by juicy cherry fruit. The finish has lightly firm minerality, giving this length and cut.

VINTAGE: 2014 | ORIGIN: CAPE AGULHAS

CRYSTALLUM Malabel ©

930

The palate is complex and alluring, with cherry pith, dates and cloves beside a fennel and caraway seed texture in the fresh tannins.

VINTAGE: 2015 | ORIGIN: BOT RIVER

THORNE & DAUGHTERS Copper pot ©

550

Bright red fruits and dried naartjie zest, with underlying herbal and cinnamon bark tones. In the mouth it is finely balanced showing good acidity and fine tannins.

VINTAGE: 2015 | ORIGIN: WESTERN CAPE

Merlot Noir

Merlot's flexibility both as a blending partner and a single cultivar wine has made it extremely popular with wine growers across the globe. A black grape with a thin skin that prefers warmer climates, its primary red flavour profile shows plum, spice and fruit cake aromas. Blackberry, chocolate and a hint of smokiness are also typical.

ELGIN VINTNERS ©

470

Deep ruby velvet in colour with an opulent nose combining red plums, cassis, walnuts and bramble boosted by a distinctive waft of violets.

VINTAGE: 2016 | ORIGIN: ELGIN

NEDERBURG Private Bin R181

900

Showing elegant integration and bottle maturation. A medium-bodied wine with freshness and balance of aroma and palate weight.

VINTAGE: 2006 | ORIGIN: PAARL

SPOOKFONTEIN ©

300

A cool-climate Merlot with elegant aromas of cassis, rasperry and sweet spice underpinned by a hint of herbal freshness. The palate is accessible with soft with fine grained tannins.

VINTAGE: 2018 | ORIGIN: UPPER HEMEL-EN-AARDE | 14,0% vol.

Cabernet Franc

Usually lighter in form than Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc shows an edge of finess that is hard to find elsewhere. The wine has a unique flavour profile of capsicum, raspberry, chocolate and wild herbs and consequently pairs well with a diverse range of dishes.

WHALEHAVEN

465

Ripe plum notes, nutmeg and black cherry mingle seamlessly. A slight aromatic whiff of wild sage adds complexity.

VINTAGE: 2012 | ORIGIN: COASTAL

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Cabernet Sauvignon

Known as the King under the black grapes of South Africa, Cabernet Sauvignon is recognised to show aromas and flavours of green capsicum, mint, dark chocolate, tobacco and cloves. As it matures, it develops more earthy and animal notes. Cabernet Sauvignon pairs well with uncluttered dishes – steak, braised red meat, roast poultry.

GABRIËLSKLOOF The Blend O

400

A Cabernet-driven blend offering delicate violet and black fruit on the nose with hints of vanilla and tobacco leaf. Refined and elegantly lithe, yet still restrained with a herbal fynbos finish.

CABERNET SAUVIGNON | CABERNET FRANC | PETIT VERDOT | MALBEC

VINTAGE: 2019 | ORIGIN: BOT RIVER | 14,4% vol.

NEDERBURG Private Bin R109

1500

The warm, dry vintage produced ripe red wines with soft tannins. A profusion of berry and mocha with floral aromas and soft oak on the nose, while the palate offers black berry, violets and spice flavours.

CABERNET SAUVIGNON | MERLOT |

VINTAGE: 1999 | ORIGIN: PAARL

NEDERBURG Private Bin R163

1900

Aromas of cigar box, blackcurrant, cassis, mint and coffee introduce an abundance of ripe fruit interwoven with complex nuances of oak and supported by firm but soft tannins.

CABERNET SAUVIGNON

VINTAGE: 2003 | ORIGIN: COASTAL

SPOOKFONTEIN

300

A cool-climate Cabernet Sauvignon with generous dark berry, black currant and savoury notes. Subtle wood spice and soft tannins lends to a long finish.

VINTAGE: 2018 | ORIGIN: UPPER HEMEL-EN-AARDE