

## *Wine terms*

*Aroma or bouquet – the smell of a wine: bouquet applies particularly to the aroma of older wines. Some aromas associated with wines include fruits, herbs, flowers, grass, tobacco, butterscotch, toast, vanilla, mocha, and chocolate.*

*Body – the apparent weight of a wine in your mouth, which is usually attributable principally to a wine’s alcohol. You can classify a wine as light-bodied, medium-bodied, or full-bodied.*

*Crisp – a wine with refreshing acidity. Acidity is more of a taste factor in white wines than in reds. White wines with a high amount of acidity feel crisp.*

*Dry – in wine speak, dry is the opposite of sweet. You can classify the wine you’re tasting as either dry, off-dry (in other words, somewhat sweet or semi-sweet), or sweet.*

*Finish – the impression a wine leaves in the back of your mouth and in your throat as you swallow it (an after taste). In a good wine, you can still perceive the wine’s flavours – such as fruitiness or spiciness – at that point.*

*Flavour intensity – how strong or weak a wine’s flavours are. Flavour intensity is a major factor in pairing wine with food, and it also helps determine how much you like a Wine.*

*Fruity – a wine whose aromas and flavours suggests fruit, does not imply sweetness. You smell the fruitiness with your nose, in your mouth, you “smell” it through your retro nasal passage.*

*Oaky – a wine that has oak flavours (smoky, toasty), often resulting from storage in oak barrels either during or after fermentation.*

*Soft – a wine that has a smooth rather than crisp mouth feel. Soft wines typically have a low amount of acidity.*

*Tannic – a red wine that is firm and leaves the mouth feeling dry. Tannins alone can taste bitter, but some tannin in wines are less bitter than others. Depending on the amount and nature of its tannin, you can describe a red wine as astringent, firm, or soft.*

## *Wine list*

### *Sparkling Wines and Champagne*

*Moet et Chandon Brut R1,450*

*Aromas of citrus, flowers, hazelnut and smoke. A lighter more delicate style of champagne.*

*Steenberg Brut 1682 Pinot Noir \*\*\*\* R485*

*With fresh and savoury with aromas of wild strawberry sorbet, fynbos, toasted croissant, candy apple and fresh raspberries. A delicate balance exists between the crisp acidity and subtle creaminess on the palate.*

*J & C le Roux le Domaine \*\* R185*

*A semi-sweet sparkling wine which has a bubbling muscat aroma supported by cheerful fruit flavours on the nose.*

*J & C le Roux la Chanson \*\* R185*

*A lively, ruby-red sparkling wine. It reveals a delightful mélange of sweet, fruity flavours suggesting hints of strawberry and plum*

### *Sauvignon Blanc*

*Durbanville Hills \*\*\* R155*

*Delightful combination of ripe green fig, starfruit, citrus, green apple, winter melon, grass and minerality. Goes best with grilled fish, minestrone or tomato-based soup, and a feta, goats' milk or haloumi cheese.*

*Diemersdal \*\*\*\*\* R185*

*Showing typical Durbanville capsicum and nettle along with fresh apple and peach notes.*

*Altydgedacht \*\*\*\*\* R200*

*Sweaty, intense green/grassy style and jolly good. Cool climate with underlying saline minerality*

*La Motte \*\*\*\*\* R210*

*Made from grapes sourced from the best Sauvignon Blanc areas, the La Motte Sauvignon Blanc offers fresh and fruity flavours*

## Chardonnay

*Graham Beck Waterside Chardonnay Unoaked* \*\*\*\* R140

*Pale straw with hints of green on the edge. Vibrant freshness and an explosion of tropical fruit and ripe citrus on the nose with underlying yellow stone fruit tones.*

*Franschhoek Cellars Chardonnay* \*\*\* R155

*Gives off beautiful pure and bright pineapple and lemon and lime fruit purity and intensity on both nose and palate with a perky balancing acidity to the frisky finish*

*Diemersdal Unwooded Chardonnay* \*\*\*\*☆ R190

*Has concentrated spicy aromas with fresh fruit flavours. The nose is elegant, with the richness of the fruit enhanced by apple and sweet melon aromas.*

*De Wetshof Limestone Hill* \*\*\*\*☆ R210

*Add these exciting flavours to your need – fresh apples, ripe peaches, nuttiness and lemon*

*Mulderbosch* \*\*\*\* R270

*Pear, citrus, almonds, green apples, litchi and melon flavours.*

## Chenin Blanc

*Ken Forrester Petit* \*\*\*\*☆ R155

*Classic Pinotage aromas of spicy mulberries, plum pudding and cherries, supported by smoky bacon nuances.*

*Ernie Els Big Easy White* \*\*\*\*☆ R190

*As his namesake alludes, this is a popular well-loved wine filled with flavours of strawberry, pineapple and citrus.*

*Kleine Zalze* \*\*\*\*☆ R225

*Concentrated aromas of guava, litchi and sweet melon on the nose with subtle oak notes. Ripe fruit with hints of minerality and good combination of oak gives a full but yet elegant finish to the wine*

## Chenin Blanc

*Boschendal Blanc* \*\*\* R245

*Lots of ripe melon appeal, plump and sweetly juicy, finishing with cleansing, balanced acidity*

## White Blends

*Bellingham Pear Tree* \*\* R115

*Bursts of tropical pineapple, passion fruit and honey melon, tinged with yellow peach and zesty orange blossom both on the nose and palate. Finishes with freshness and lively fruity intrigue.*

*Buitenverwachting Buitenblanc* \*\*\* R160

*A Sauvignon Blanc blend with rich fruit flavours is a very versatile wine, from the Constantia Valley. One of South Africa's most popularly recognised wine.*

*Levenwacht Tin Mine* \*\*\*\* R210

*The Chardonnay gives superb lime-citrus flavours; the Viognier lends a delicate perfume of dried peaches and apricots while the Roussanne and Chenin acts like salt and pepper, spicing things up.*

*Haute Cabrière Chardonnay Pinot Noir* \*\*\*\* R245

*The Chardonnay contributes elegance, Pinot Noir, an intensity of ripe zesty fruit.*

## Rosé

*Bellingham Berry Bush* \*\* R115

*Bursting with enticing crushed red berry, candied red apple, Turkish Delight and rosewater aromas. Flavours that finish with a lively dry and fruity flourish.*

*Brampton* \*\*\* R155

*This wine presents complex red berry fruit notes on the nose, followed by bright red berry and strawberry fruit on the palate. Offering great freshness, balance and drinkability.*

## Rosé

*Lanxerac* \*\*\* R195

*with gentle aromatic notes of perfume and rose petals, crushed strawberries and redcurrants. It has a delicate pink colour and soft fruit flavours.*

## Cabernet Sauvignon

*Franschhoek Cellars* \*\*\* R170

*Deep crimson with intense blackcurrants and violets on the nose providing a suitable introduction to concentrated currants and mulberry fruit flavours.*

*Ernie Els Big Easy* \*\*\*\*\* R195

*The Big Easy Cabernet Sauvignon shows immediate nuances of red fruits, Chinese spice and a hint of damp earth. The palate is medium-bodied, loaded with succulent raspberries and cherries, sprinkled with dried goji berries on the finish*

*Hoopenberg* \*\*\*\*\* R195

*A vibrant example of this classis cultivar with black currant flavours beautifully integrated with mint and dark chocolate*

*Allesverloren* \*\*\*\*\* R295

*Prune, blackcurrant and cherry aromas come to the fore, and are complemented by subtler oak spice and cigar notes. Lots of berry flavours, with undertones of dark chocolate.*

## Merlot

*Flagstone Poetry* \*\*\* R145

*There is a mixture of dark red fruit, cigar box and mint aromas with well-balanced wood. Sweet, spicy undertones give this wine great depth.*

*Porcupine Ridge* \*\*\*\*\* R165

*The nose shows plums, blueberry and dark cherry in abundance with subtle whiffs of aniseed, cloves and ginger. The palate is exceptionally smooth and balanced.*

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## Merlot

*Villiera Merlot* \*\*\* R210

*The aroma shows hints of wood spice with attractive red berry fruit. On the palate the wine is rich and full with juicy soft tannins and good acidity.*

*Diemersdal* \*\*\* R265

*Be seduced with flavours of mint, spices, blackberries and dried fruit.*

## Shiraz

*Spier Shiraz* \*\*\* R170

*Flavours of spice and ripe plums on the nose and palate with an undertone of bruléed sugar. Gentle soft tannins and a creamy aftertaste.*

*Durbanville Hills* \*\*\* R180

*Elegant and full-bodied with aromas of pepper, vanilla, spice, cigar box combine with soft tannins, well integrated wood and a mouth-watering finish.*

*Lonneblom* \*\*\*\*☆ R190

*Sleek with pepper & macerated fruit, leather and spice courtesy of the new French/USA oak. Flavourful and fresh with active green walnut lift*

*Hartenberg Shiraz* \*\*\*\* R415

*Deep black - red in colour and spicy, earthy notes on bouquet entry. Also cloves, red and black berry fruit. The palate is rich, fruit-driven and has great balance. Fine, powdery tannins finish the wine.*

## Pinotage

*Kleine Zalze* \*\*\*\*☆ R170

*On the bouquet there are notes of ripe, red fruit with floral tones and hints of lavender. The flavours follow through on the palate which also has a firm yet elegant tannin structure*

*Beyerskloof* \*\*\*\*☆ R175

*South-Africa's most popular Pinotage, and it's no wonder. This wine has shown a fruity and enjoyable consistency year after year. Classic Pinotage.*

## Pinotage

*Homestead by Bellingham* \*\*\*\* R185

*An intense dark red middle with a ruby red rim plotting sweet spices, plums and mulberries with hints of vanilla on the nose. Touches of ripe and juicy raspberry, strawberry and black cherry flavours.*

*Diemersdal* \*\*\*\* R245

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

## Red Blends

*Klein Constantia KC Cabernet / Merlot* \*\*\*\*☆ R170

*A classic and elegant Bordeaux-style blend with red fruit and herbaceous notes.*

*Groote Post Old Man Blend* \*\*\* R175

*Cabernet Sauvignon based, the nose has a faint touch of white pepper and spice with abundant berry and rich plum flavours on the palate.*

*Hartenberg Cabernet / Shiraz* \*\*\*\*☆ R225

*Ripe, rounded, savoury & broadly appealing but with a nice concentration and balance*

*Rupert & Rothschild Classique* R375

*Young and vibrant with raspberry aromas, blueberry flavours, roasted pine nuts and a dark chocolate after taste*

*Diemersdal Private Collection* \*\*\*\* R415

*Deep dark chocolate enticing cedar aromas appear first on the nose followed by wafting notes of blackberry jam, cherry and cassis. The firm, well-structured palate features robust yet sweet tannins and a broad range of flavours ranging from black cherry and red fruits carried along by the richness of its oak and vanilla notes.*

*Chocolate Block* R445

*The nose is exceptionally intense and complex with red berry fruit against a dark, brooding fruit compote and Swartland violets. The wine has a soft, smooth entry, a rich mid-palate with balanced acidity and svelte cocoa powdery tannins.*

## Dessert Wines

*Nederburg Noble Late Harvest* ★★★★★ R255

*A blend of Chenin Blanc and Muscat de Frontignan with enticing notes of honey, apricot and tangerine, and a lively acidity.*

## Wine By Carafe

### White

*Brampton Sauvignon Blanc* ★★★ R40

*Brampton Chardonnay* ★★★ R40

*Leopards Leap Chenin Blanc* ★★★ R35

*Pierre Jourdan Tranquille* R35

### Red

*Brampton Shiraz* ★★★ R45

*Brampton Pinotage* ★★★☆ R45

*Leopards Leap Merlot* ★★ R40

*Leopards Leap Cabernet Sauvignon* ★★★ R40