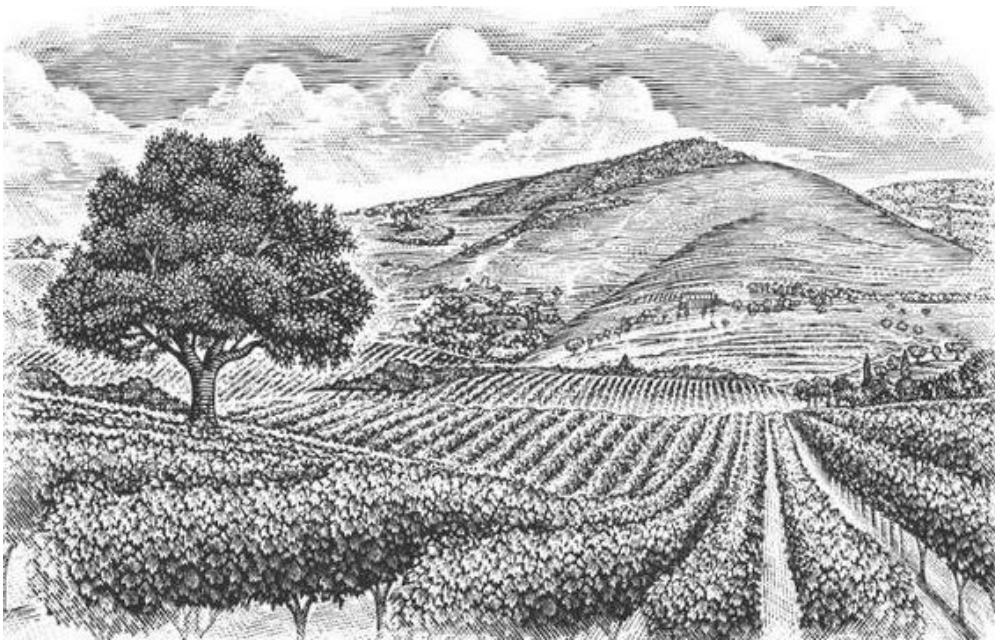


**BARRISTERS**
RESTAURANT

GOOD FOOD - GREAT WINE - WARM FRIENDS

Wine List

2024



CORKAGE POLICY

In the Bar or Deck areas and/or while taking advantage of any of our food specials, BYO wine is not permitted. At all other times corkage fees of R60 per bottle are payable.

With 115 wines (50 by the glass) we are proud to offer something for every taste & budget.

Special corkage arrangements for private functions may be agreed in advance, with Management.

While every effort is made to ensure that we have all the wines on this list in stock, there are times, when certain wines are not available. Fortunately, we list many alternatives, so there should be a good substitute for you to enjoy.

All prices are inclusive of VAT.

Please note that in terms of the Western Cape Liquor Authority Regulations you are not permitted to remove any alcoholic beverages, whether opened or not from the premises. We are also not permitted to serve alcohol to anyone who may appear to be intoxicated or under the age of 18.

**Drink Responsibly - Not for sale to anyone under the age of 18
Do Not Drink & Drive**

March 2024

MCC's & SPARKLING WINES

Methode Cap Classique

125 ml 750 ml

Boschendal Brut NV *125 ml glass or 750 ml bottle*

R70 R350

Boschendal Brut Rosé NV *125 ml glass or 750 ml bottle*

R75 R355

We've walked a long road together...from 1983, when I bought my first magnum of Boschendal MCC to celebrate the birth of our first child. We opened it in 2004 on her 21st birthday. It hadn't travelled well, but did bring back wonderful memories. Some Christmases past (when the world was a friendlier place) we tried a fresh magnum and here it is, for all to enjoy.

Pierre Jourdan / Villiera Brut *375 ml only*

R175

Dynamite comes in small packets and sometimes 375ml bottles of MCC.

Graham Beck Brut Rosé

R385

Flirtatious and fun. This wine has a beautiful salmon-pink colour with strawberry-fruit flavours. A favourite for special those occasions; to be remembered and cherished between two people.

Steenberg 1682 Chardonnay

R425

The Brut 1682 is made exclusively from chardonnay. This means that, it can, if taken in excess, bring on Joanna Lumley moments. Always, absolutely fabulous.

Sparkling & Non-Alcoholic Wines

Snowy Mountain Vonkel Chenin

R215

A vonkel in the glass normally brings a sparkle to the eyes and a glow to the cheeks.

Which reminds me of the great line from W.H. Davies' poem: Leisure:

"No time to wait till her mouth can, enrich that smile her eyes began"

Robertson Sparkling Sweet or Brut – Rose or White

R185

The classic bubbly that is produced at every family event, especially on Christmas Day. Drunk, in vast amounts, when given even the faintest hint of anything mildly worth turning into a celebration.

Robertson Sparkling White Non-Alcoholic

R165

An alcohol-free sparkling grape juice, that is full of delicate fruit and bubbles, but without the headache.

Terminology

Champagne is the term reserved exclusively for product grown and produced in the Champagne Region of France. Method Cap Classique (MCC) is the term used in South African to describe product grown and produced here in the Champagne style. Sparkling wine (Vonkel in Afrikaans), has carbon dioxide (*often captured during beer production*) added during bottling, to produce the bubbles.

The Champagne / Méthode Cap Classique Process

- Grapes are harvested earlier than normal with lower sugars and higher acid than would be the case when making still wine.
- The *First Fermentation* in tanks, is the same process as in normal wine production. The blend is known as *cuvée* (tank wine).
- Blending and bottling then takes place, before the *Second Fermentation*.
This is where Pierre Jourdan Tranquille leaves the cellar as a still wine, to arrive on a subsequent page in this wine list!
- The *Second Fermentation* takes place in the bottle, with a small amount of sugar and yeast known the *liqueur de tirage* added to the *cuvée*.
- The wine is then stored for at least 15 months to develop. The sugar is converted by the yeast to carbon dioxide, to reach a pressure of 600kPa in the bottle. (*3 times that of the average car tire*) Hence the thick walled bottle with the deep dimple on the bottom.
- After ageing, the lees (dead yeast cells) must be removed. This is done by Riddling the bottles, which involves storing them upside-down at an initial angle of 35° and turning the bottle slightly, by hand, each day, until they are fully upside-down and the lees settled in the neck (*sur pointe*). This takes 4-6 weeks and each bottle is turned 25 times. A professional remuer (bottle turner) can handle 40 000 bottles a day.
- Disgorging is the process of freezing the lees with a small amount of the wine in the neck and skilfully removing it as quickly as possible.
- Once disgorged the bottle is topped up with *liqueur d'expédition* (a mixture of the base wine and a little sugar) before having the cork inserted and the muselet (wire cage) and capsule fitted to secure the cork against the high pressure inside the bottle.

Ageing of MCC and Champagne

Ageing is a matter of taste, but, if stored in a dark cool place, with minimal movement. MCC can be kept for long periods of time. It will develop caramel flavours as it ages. In 2009, a 184-year-old bottle of *Perrier-Jouët* was opened and tasted, still drinkable, with notes of "truffles and caramel", according to the experts.

White Wines

White Blends

250 ml

750 ml

Saxenburg Granite White Blend

R50

R140

Truly deliciously crisp and rewarding drink. With a wonderful after taste that tingles the tongue and tempts a return to the cup. Surely the best value wine on this list.

Robertson Beaukett

R50

R145

An old fashioned wine. If you like chocolates, meringues, pancakes and anything sweet, then this is for you. Soet soos die perskies wat verkoop word buite tussen die kare. En wat so still sit in hulle boxie!

Fairview Goats do Roam

R55

R160

With goats roaming about the vineyards and helping themselves to the finest bunches of grapes, its no wonder that Fairview produces great goats cheese as well as this wonderful, value for money white blend. We left the gate open and the goats came in...and that's how it got onto this wine list.

D'Aria Music

R65

R190

Dvorak's Symphony from the New World is a profoundly complex and beautiful piece of music.

D'Aria Music is and a profoundly simple and beautiful blend of new world wines!

Buitenverwachting - Buiten Blanc

R195

Best consumed at Barristers, if service and price matter.

Ladybird White (v)

R205

Ladybirds are the natural enemies of the mealybug, one of the biggest pest that threaten vineyards in South Africa. Lybrand Vineyards use no pesticides and the farm has its own insectaria to ensure a steady supply of ladybirds. They do not, apparently, fly away home.

Afrikaans

R355

Ja, hierdie is 'n besondere wyn in 'n onwaarskynlike plek. Maar dis soos hulle sê: goeie wyn het nie 'n krans nodig nie. Vanaf Oom Jannie Engelbrecht se plaas.

Groote Poste Seasalter

R365

Groote Post owner Nick Pentz visited the tiny mediaeval village in Kent, of Seasalter, which had been a centre for salt production in the Iron Age. The name has no bearing on the wine which is not salty, but soft and smooth, just as you would expect with a blend of Groote Poste Sauvignon Blanc and a touch of Sémillon.

**"Let your boat of life be light, packed with only what you need -
a homely home and simple pleasures,
one or two friends, worth the name,
someone to love and someone to love you,
a cat, a dog, and a pipe or two,
enough to eat and enough to wear,
and a little more than enough to drink.
for thirst is a dangerous thing."**

Jerome K. Jerome

White Wines

Sauvignon Blancs

250 ml 750 ml

Robertson Sauvignon Blanc

R50 R145

Our house wine, which should be consumed by the glass with special friends, who are able to listen to the same stories day in and day out. Useful when your friend needs to review a dreary day's work.

Porcupine Ridge Sauvignon Blanc

R155

This wine will bring back memories of finding porcupine quills in the veldt. There's probably one still stuck in your sock draw or some other place where you keep special memories.

Bon Courage Gooseberry Bush

R60 R175

A gentle wine that pleases the palate, without impairing one's hearing, or the dexterity of the tongue.

Zonnebloem Sauvignon Blanc

R70 R195

Rays of sunshine flood your table as the Zonnebloem turns to greet you. We all need to taste sunshine in a glass.

Diemersdal Sauvignon Blanc

R75 R205

Diemersdal is a firm favourite in Newlands. This is the one that out sells all others; and for good reason. Diemersdal keeps well, sells well, drinks well and after a glass all is well. Oh well!

Neil Ellis West Coast

R210

"The region has a cold climate, but warm, inviting people who love to entertain. The food and wine culture is marked by simple preparation of quality ingredients, with generosity in spades". Sounds like our kind of wine.

First Sighting Sauvignon Blanc

R75 R220

The day I visited Elim, it was blustery, with skies full of heavy cloud and patches of bright sun. I'm sure the southern wind always blows in Elim. It makes one wonder over what oceans these winds have passed, on their way to the southern tip of Africa and how many ancient mariners have been blown off course or left becalmed.

You are in a safe harbour now. Sip slowly, breathe deeply and feel the calm of your home port.

De Grendel Sauvignon Blanc

R250

Visiting De Grendel is such a privilege and having loved their rosé for a long time, it was a chance visit that led me to the sauvignon blanc. A tasting at De Grendel, with a group of Barristers Regulars, opened up my senses to this soft, subtle and delicious wine.

Sophie Te'Blanche

R90 R265

Dear old Sophie, returned after a well deserve break. More talkative than ever, but offering wisdom in every glass. In fact, since she's been back, she never stops talking!

Groote Poste Sauvignon Blanc

R270

When winemaker and owner, Nick Pentz of Groote Poste, takes the time to visit Barristers for a midweek lunch, then its time to give his wines some attention. We'd had Old Man's Red for some time, and you'll be happy to know that we've added their sauvignon blanc to our 2024 list.

It's the wine to drink to celebrate moments that need to be celebrated, but modestly.

Fryer's Cove Sauvignon Blanc

R310

Growing wine requires a lot of water. 29,5 km of pipeline from Vredendal, built by the farmers themselves, supplies just enough of that to Fryers Cove. Turning this water into fine wine, with the help of the cold west coast sea, is something only Mother Nature, under the watchful eye of a passionate Wine Maker, can do.

Stenberg Sauvignon Blanc

R325

Established in 1682 and still producing fine sauvignon blancs. The logo recalls swans found on this, the Cape's first farm. They turned out to be geese! Far from being an ugly duckling the wine is great.

White Wines

Chenin Blancs

250 ml

750 ml

Robertson Chenin

R50

R145

It is spelt with a 'C' but pronounced with a 'Shh'. Perhaps it has to do with the second glass?

Saxenburg Guinea Fowl

R60

R170

We have guinea fowl in our garden and each spring they wonder around on the lawn with a clutch of keets. Try saying that after a glass of the old speckled hen!

Kleine Zalze Chenin Cellar Selection

R185

A mild and simple wine, so easy to drink; after a long day, when you seem to have used up your allotted allocation of decisions and can't decide what to drink today, go with Kleine Zalze.

Villiera Chenin

R70

R195

Well prices and delicious. A late starter to the list. Its on because its good to drink.

Noble Hills Sur Lie Chenin

R75

R205

For the uninformed, like yours truly, "Sur Lie" is a French term, meaning that the wine has lain of its lees long after fermentation is completed. This adds complexity and flavour, or so I am told.

Fleur du Cap

R220

Flowers of the Cape. With so much floral heritage in our fairest cape, it would be amiss of us not to remind you of the wonders on our doorstep. Although we are the smallest of six recognised floral kingdoms in the world, we have the highest number of endemic floral species of them all.

Marras Piekenierskloof

R230

As South African as it gets... red vellies, Mrs Ball's, Wilson's Toffees, Ouma Rusks and All Gold. 'Marras' Lamprecht says this of the Piekenierskloof area; "...a grape (if it could talk) would tell you that this is the spot that produces tough vines and top-class wines." He is korrek!

Secateurs

R80

R235

A most delicious wine...but then I do have a sweet tooth and have always been a big fan of chenin blanc. A wine that does go with old friends, old jokes and simple honest food.

Cape of Good Hope Chenin

R280

The "Cape of Good Hope" project tells a story of our land, culture and history through the vinification of some of the oldest vines in the Western Cape. The search and preservation of South Africa vineyards, older than 35 was launched in 2006 by Mr Rupert; once again leading the battle to preserve our wonderful country. The label bears the Hope we all still have for our land.

Ken Forester Reserve Chenin

R345

I like the ethos of this wine, which we try to practice at Barristers.

In Ken Forrester's words "...we know that if every community looked after their own, no-one would go wanting. This is our proposal, and consequently each bottle is a victory and represents a small change - for the better - in someone's life..." AMEN!

Alternative White Wine Cultivars

Terro de Capo Pino Grigio

R185

Pino Grigio is one of the few wines that I can afford when I visit my grandchildren in the USA. \$9.50 buys 1.5 litres of Italian pino grigio. Welcome after walking miles to see yet another monument.

Neethlingshof Gewürztraminer

R195

Gewürztraminer grapes are marvellous. Not only do they have red skins and only produce white wine, but the must is an extra-aromatic musqué variety. Drinking it is like drinking golden sunshine.

White Wines

Chardonnay

250 ml

750 ml

Un-Wooded

Robertson Chardonnay

R50

R145

This is Barristers' "House" Chardonnay. Served at 3°, it is cold and welcome after a long day at the beach, bench, computer, counter, desk, stove...or wherever you practice your trade. The great thing is you can't zoom in or hold a virtual meeting. You have to be here in person and you have to human!

Anura Chardonnay

R70

R195

Built on the back of an optometry business. It's not hard to see why, particularly after a bottle of Anura.

Diemersdal Chardonnay

R75

R205

Situated on the outskirts of Durbanville, Diemersdal has been producing wines for more than 300 years. The current family of owners, bought the farm in 1885 with six generations of Louw's having made wine on the farm. Diemersdal is Barristers bestselling wine – taste and you will understand why we live by the credo of “..old books, old wine and old friends...”

De Wetshof Limestone Hill

R240

The American critic Robert Parker describes this wine as such: “The De Wetshof Estate Limestone Hill Chardonnay never sees oak, and offers impeccably pure, refreshing apple, peach and lemon fruit, a lovely leesy richness of texture, and a nutty, chalky, fruit-filled finish of imposing length. Understated and less tropical than some of the better un-oaked Chardonnays, this wine possesses far better balance and sheer drinkability – not to mention more finesse – than 99% of the world's Chardonnay I have experienced.”

Wooded

Vergelegen Chardonnay

R275

100% estate grown and made. One of the most attractive and visited wine states in South Africa, we are proud to have this wine with its fine heritage on the 2024 list. Easy drinking not heavily wooded.

Tierhoek Chardonnay

R100

R285

The farm is situated at 760 m above sea level, in the peaks of the Piekenierskloof near Citrusdal. A more famous pass, with an interesting history, wonderful people and great wines, you won't find anywhere else.

Glen Carlou Chardonnay

R360

This tastes like a Chardonnay should – rich, expansive, buttery and indulgent.

**“The day he moved out was terrible - That evening she went through hell.
His absence wasn't a problem - But the corkscrew had gone as well.”**

Wendy Cope

ROSÉ

Rosés - Off-Dry

Leopards Leap Chardonnay Pinot Noir

R60 R160

Crisp, clean, and pink in the bottle; from a famous family of fine South African Vintners.

Pierre Jourdan Tranquille

R175

You'll always find peace in a glass or two. It is after all "A still or quiet" Pierre Jordan, having just single fermentation, unlike some of its cousins that like to show off when escaping from the bottle after their second fermentation.

De Grendel Rosé

R70 R195

Pinotage and Cabernet Sauvignon give this rosé, peachy cheeks, with the faintest blush; bringing back forgotten thoughts of yesterdays, long gone by.

Diemersdal Rosé

R75 R205

The birth of Cabernet Sauvignon is thought to have occurred in 17th century France. It came about, it appears, by accident, when Cabernet Franc met Sauvignon Blanc. What a happy accident that turned out to be! Diemersdal have brought the parent and step child together with a combination of Sauvignon Blanc and Cabernet Sauvignon in this delicate rosé.

Niel Ellis Wildflower

R210

A dry Provence-styled rosé made only from cinsault grapes to give the salmon pink colour. The label is innovative and talks to the west coast from whence this wine comes. Try it.

D'Aria Blush

R80 R215

We found this wine, a long time ago, late on a Wednesday, in Mouille Point. It's still a personal favourite and so consistently good. A refuge from the noise of our time.

Vrede en Lust Jess Rosé

R220

Vinified and dried by the sun with a delicate feminine touch. A favourite amongst our private equity investor types.

Haute Cabrière

R230

The benchmark and original chard-pinot blend. When in doubt, stick with what you know!

Rosés - Dry

Boschendal – *The Rose Garden*

R60 R170

Boschendal has one of the oldest collections of Cape roses in the country. This soft gentle rosé has a hint of the sweet fragrance of the most delicate of delicate, pink roses.

Bon Courage Lady of the House Pinotage Rosé

R65 R175

This lady packs quite a punch. At 13.9% alcohol and hints of strawberries and roses, you might find yourself radiating a delightfully pink glow and sharing your sense of humour to all and sundry.

Boschendal Blanc de Noir

R180

Boschendal Blanc de Noir is the original "white from the red", which has been around forever...when did you first discover Boschendal?

Vriesenhof Rosé

R80 R230

Grenache-Mourvèdre blend give the most gentle pink, dry rosé. Not what you'd expect from the hands of a springbok rugby great...but then again, even the Blue Bulls play in pink on occasions, these days.

Delaire Graff Cabernet Franc Rosé

R350

A pink diamond! Well, perhaps not quite worth the price, but a diamond is still a girls best friend.

The End of the Beginning

Beyond this door lies a treasure of red wines.

Fear not, enter and engage the Door Keeper as you pass.



Did you know?

Each bottle of wine contains about 1,5 kg of grapes.

(600 – 800 berries)

One vine produces between 24 and 36 glasses of wine.

A ton of grapes makes about 720 bottles of wine.

One barrel of wine equals 1 800 glasses of wine.

In 2020 there were 89 384 hectares of vines in SA.

55.4% white cultivars (18.6% chenin)

44.6% red cultivars (10.8% cab sav)

In 2022 SA produced 860 million litres of wines

of which 40.4% (368 million) was exported.

Sadly, the number of primary grape producers

declined from 4 360 in 2005 to 2 487 in 2022.

Direct and indirect employment in 2022 was 270 000 people.

Keep drinking Wine!

RED WINES

Blends

250ml

750ml

The Wolftrap Red

R55

R155

A blend of Syrah, Mourvèdre and Viognier. A great wine in which to confide matters of the heart. Safer than confiding in your new best friend at the bar.

Boschendal Lanoy

R60

R170

Lanoy has been produced on Boschendal for ages and ages. I bought my first bottle in 1979. The label was sadly changed a few years ago. A pity as the Cab/Merlot blend still tastes the same as it did in '79, just as the homestead at Boschendal still looks the same.

Saxenburg Guineafowl

R65

R185

If you think of how small a guinea fowl's brain is and yet; it doesn't fly into trees, knows when to stop drinking, cares for its clutch of keets and wakes us all at the same hour during mating season. Above all it seldom argues with its mate and does not have a seat on the UN Security Council...signs of a great wine.

Robertson - The Blend

R70

R195

They shot the photos for the launch of this wine in our Tudor Room. It was a cold, wet, blustery day and we made a warm and cosy fire and served a great Barristers Rump to go with the wine. What a winner!

Diemersdal Cab/Merlot Red

R75

R205

We sold out last week and the week before...must remember to order in tomorrow...just one more sip tonight...before tomorrow...

Groote Post The Old Man's Red

R80

R225

We went there once...the most corrugated road I've ever been on. The Pence family made us so welcome that we've listed two more of their wines this year. Old Man's Red is truly iconic in the Cape. Welcome!

Thelema Mountain Red

R240

This wine is a fresh blend of Petit Verdot, Merlot, Shiraz, Cabernet Sauvignon, Grenache and Cabernet Franc. All that was left out was the Fox terrier, Jack Russel, Dachshund and the touch of Basset Hound.

La Motte Millennium

R245

The Millennium has produced a vintage, every year, since 2001. It would be fun to collect a bottle from each year and open them all in 2101... what a legacy! Dr Anton Rupert knew a thing or two, when he bought the farm in 1970 and registered the Millennium name in 1988!

The Ladybird - Organic (v)

R260

Organically grown and organically made. So all in all quite organic!

Sophie Le Rouge

R265

Iona has this wonderful red blend which complements the Sophie Te'Blanche. Couldn't have one without the other, could we? Unlike Sophie Te'Blanche, the red is the strong silent type.

Noble Hills Field Atlas

R275

Such a pity, wine tasting notes talk of berries and freshly mown grass. Field Atlas talks of great adventures in unexplored forest and swamps; or simply hiking in the mountains of the Cape, with powerful scents from banks of fynbos, up dizzy heights, with vistas of magnificent vineyards; all seeking to be stripped of their fruit and start the remarkable journey from vineyard through to your glass. Without the atlas at hand, they might never get here. Noble Hills, a noble wine, from a most noble, estate.

Hartenberg Cabernet Sauvignon/Shiraz

R100

R285

The perfect foil for a tender Barristers' Fillet. Hartenberg have been producing great wines since 1692. This wine reflects their understanding of nature and attention to detail.

RED WINES

Blends (continued)

250ml

750ml

Fryers Cove Grenache/Cinsault

R320

I made a typically stupid decision to open a bottle of this wine towards the end of a great family dinner. From frowns around the table, I instantly regretted my decision, but only for a brief moment. As the cousins tasted, frowns disappeared and smiles all around. The family was one again!

This wine is magnificent.

Buitenverwagting Meifort

R340

A classic Bordeaux blend of Cab Sav, Merlot & Cab Franc, with a little Malbec & Petite Verdat for good measure. Dripping with serious contemplation and determined resolutions.

Afrikaans

R375

“Goei more Prokureur—geef my tog bitjie raad? Myn is ’n ding gebeur, hier buite op die straat. Daar kom ’n slegte hond, net vlak hier voor jou deur, En byt myn in dei been; myn broek is glad verskeur”.

A great Afrikaans poem I learnt in standard 3. It has nothing to do with this great wine, but if you want to really understand our wonderful country, and the great tragedies that we have endured, then drink this wine, slowly and think!

Fairview Homtini

R395

Homtini is a river near Knysna, close to the Portland Manor, where an ill fated attempt to grow silk in South Africa was attempted. Luckily the Italian family who were brought out in the 1800’s stayed on despite their initial failure and their descendants established and still operate Fairview.

Boschendal Nicholas

R415

Like a brass band – there are all the regular reds. When they play together they remind one of Elgar’s Pomp and Circumstance March. The tuber, the trombone and above all the lower C’s the oboe.

Rupert & Rothchild Classique

R430

The aristocracy of wines and the closest you will get to a 2009 Château Mouton Rothchild...or for that matter a round of golf at Leopards Creek.

Antonji Rupert - Optima

R450

We went to L’Ormarins once, a long time ago, as a guest of a friend, for their daughter’s wedding. Nothing can compare....

**“It was my Uncle George who discovered that alcohol
was a food well in advance of modern medical thought.”**

“A glass of wine in hand, thinking of what has passed and dreaming of what is to come.”

P.G. Woodhouse

Shiraz (Syrah)

250ml

750ml

Robertson Shiraz

R65

R175

Your dependable supply, of the things in red wine, that are good for you!

First Sighting Shiraz

R240

There's not a great deal at Elim, except for wind, sea, sand and scrub. Tucked away, in all of this, is the Strandveld Estate, (Translated: "Strand/Beach, Veldt/a flat area covered in grass or low scrub) an apt name for the area. Being a Shiraz, it brings this all together in a wine full of the smells and flavours of the Strandveld.

Bon Courage Pepper Tree

R265

Almost every Karroo farm has a Pepper tree at the homestead. Usually, visitors park underneath when they visit on Sundays. As children we'd eat the pepper corns and dream of spice ships rounding the cape. A glass of this shiraz will take you to those exotic places you'd like to visit, but perhaps should not, in these times.

Cape of Good Hope - Riebeeksrivier Syrah

R95

R280

The stamp says it all. A time when things worked and life was simple and we all had Hope. No user ID or password necessary. Even the Post Office worked. So if your battery is flat, or you left your phone at home, or you just don't feel like another e-mail, sit back, relax and watch the world go by. Make sure you're got a glass of Good Hope to hand.

Hartenberg Doorkeeper Shiraz

R295

The Keeper of the door. Cross this threshold first and only then can you understand Hartenberg. Although a visit to the estate will give you a far better understanding than we can.

Delaire Graff Shiraz

R365

This juicy, ripe and approachable Shiraz with its ruby colour and purple tints has a spicy white pepper undertone and dark red fruit aromas. Is there a hint of crushed diamonds somewhere?

De Grendel Shiraz

R405

True to the heritage of the Graaff family farm, De Grendel lies on the south-western slopes of Tygerberg and enjoys spectacular views of the Mother City. This Shiraz captures the exquisite taste and aromas of cosmopolitan Cape Town and its mix of east and west.

Constitution Road Shiraz

R475

In 2004 Robertson Winery released a very special Shiraz to commemorate ten years of democracy in South Africa under the new constitution.

The wine has a radiant deep purple colour. Rich aromas of plum, and black berries envelopes warm spice aromas and a hint of dark chocolate. Pair it with a joyous gathering of family and friends as you celebrate abundance.

Hartenberg Shiraz

R495

The wine that started my collection, back in the days. It cost me R7.29 in 1979. R18.50 in restaurant prices in those days. As they say, inflation is when you can now afford, what you couldn't afford at the time, because you didn't have the money then!

Syrah is American *for* shiraz,
just like
elevator *for* lift
first floor *for* ground floor
candy *for* sweets

You look like I need wine.

RED WINES

Merlot

250ml

750ml

Robertson Merlot

R65

R175

A glass a day keeps the Bailiff away!

Darling Cellars Reserve Six Tonner Merlot

R70

R190

Swartland winery at its best. Bush vines that deliver a scant six tons of grape per hectare with concentrated flavours and typical merlot smoothness. One of the most drinkable wines on the list and a scenic drive from Duckett's Orchid Nursery.

Spier Signature Merlot

R75

R200

More than just the whole Spier thing, that you drive past on the way to Stellenbosch.

This is a wonderful Merlot that truly tastes of blackcurrants and really is velvety smooth on the palate.

Guardian Peak Merlot

R220

The highest peak in Stellenbosch deserves a spot on the 2024 wine list. *Stellies* is really a great red wine production area, and one of my sons actually made the Stellenbosch University 1st Wine Tasting team.

Villiera Merlot

R245

A "Johnnie-come-lately". The list was done when this arrived...did I feel sorry for the wine, or did it taste so good that we just had to make space on the list? Judge for yourself.

De Grendel Merlot

R385

Founded by the first baronet Sir David Graaff (1859 – 1932), De Grendel overlooks Table Bay and is distinguished by a cool growing climate, resulting in a distinctive and expressive style. Certainly, the aristocrat of the Cape Merlots. Tread lightly. 14.0% is not to be taken lying down.

Alternative Red Wine Cultivars

Diemersdal Malbec

R315

Malbec is one of the six grape varieties allowed in a Bordeaux Blend. The others are: Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, Merlot, Petit Verdot and Carménère.

Malbec is becoming increasingly popular with planted areas growing from 40 hectares in 1990 to over 450 today. Rich full bodied, just what you need to face a Newlands winter.

Pinot Noir

Haute Cabrière Pinot Noir Unwooded

R85

R240

Best drunk chilled, on the deck in summer during lunch or even after; particularly when everyone else is back at work! In winter its great in the Tudor Room at room temperature.

Haute Cabrière Pinot Noir R serve

R475

Franschhoek is one of the most sublime places on earth. In this bottle of wine you will find great beauty and respect for working with nature. A gentle but mighty wine. It should be, after spending 11 months in selected French oak barrels.

How merlot can you go?

When the Wine is in; the Wit is out!

RED WINES

Pinotage

250ml 750ml

Robertson Pinotage

R65 R175

Somehow Pinotage used to go with herringbone tweed, briar pipes and obscure books on architecture. Now it goes with anything; provided you have the tang of a sharp cheese, a leaf of rocket or a hint of smoky pâté on your plate.

Beyerskloof Pinotage

R80 R235

A fascinating story of the development of South Africa's unique wine cultivar – the mighty Pinotage...and Beyerskloof was there all the way...

Zonnebloem Pinotage

R90 R250

After years of being in the Distell stable, Zonnebloem is now owned by Heineken...quite a compliment, when the 2nd largest brewer in the world, which is still firmly in the hands of the founding family, buys into this famous South African brand. Could it be that Heineken is Dutch?

Warwick First Lady Pinotage

R265

The First Lady Pinotage is a new addition to the range with the first release in 2020. The Pinotage story on <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pinotage> is worth a read.

Diemersfontein Pinotage

R290

This is the one! The original coffee/chocolate Pinotage now in its seventeenth vintage. It befriends – It covets – It seduces.

Cabernet Sauvignon

Robertson Cabernet Sauvignon

R65 R175

Ever popular and always available at Barristers. What better way to unwind, after a cold day at the office and then a hard winter's eve drive home. Thank goodness your car knows its own way here.

ps. in summer you may add one lump of clear ice, but only if you're from Cape Town.

Spier Signature Cabernet Sauvignon

R75 R205

I do like Spier's Growing for Good and Tree-preneurs initiative, a good wine and worthwhile cause.

Guardian Peak Cabernet Sauvignon

R220

They have a great restaurant with wonderful views of the cape peninsular. At 13.4% ABV this a typical robust cab sav, to be savoured with a fine Barristers fillet or rump, with our Gavel Sauce. Enjoy.

Zonnebloem Cabernet Sauvignon

R85 R250

Dark and intensely full of fruit flavours. Well priced, wholesome and promotes lofty ideas and develops moral courage. A wine that enriches the world and takes nothing for itself.

Warwick "First Lady" Cabernet Sauvignon

R95 R265

This elegant wine is crafted in a sophisticated style and the "First Lady" is a tribute to Norma Ratcliff – a pioneer in the South African Wine Industry.

Bon Courage Cabernet Sauvignon

R280

The perfect foil for our Beef Burgundy. Enough said.

Boschendal Cabernet Sauvignon

R475

A wine to be enjoyed once your ship has come in or on someone else's expense account.

Wine is the answer. I just don't remember the question.

Draught Beers on Tap

Amstel - What the Chamber of Seventeen were drinking, when they named what is now the Liesbeek, the Amstel River.

Black Label - The beer that built the nation and is still South Africa's biggest selling beer.

Castle Draught - The South African beer that put us on the map for the right reasons. Thanks to Charles!

Castle Lite - Tastes just like the advertising agency says it should, but only if you drink it when its ice cold!

CBC Amber Weiss - The best Weiss beer on the market – by far! Brewed in Stellenbosch. Consumed everywhere.

Devils Peak First Light - On Devil's Peak, 1st light always turns to warm sunshine. So does this beer.

Devils Peak Lager - Typical lager, with a bitterness to refresh the palate and slake the deepest thirst.

Devils Peak Lite - Low in total energy, but still flavorsome. It's what you expect from a craft beer.

Guinness - The original brewed in Dublin. Focus on the pour and the picture on top!

Hansa Pilsner - Back on tap after a short holiday somewhere up the east coast. Remains popular with the warm blooded.

Heineken - Hipster, cosmopolitan, a great international beer. Still family owned and family run.

Heineken Silver - Low in calories, high in taste. Still family owned and family run.

Jack Black Lager - The Main Man! The beer that got the craft revolution in Cape Town firmly underway.

Jack Black Butcher's Block Pale Ale - Fountains of flavour that tickle the inside of your ears.

Newlands – Mountain Weiss - A proper Weiss beer.... Cloudy and smelly! Just as it should be.

Newlands - Jacobs Pale Ale - Barristers can arrange a free tour of the Newlands Spring Brewery. Just ask!

Newlands - Passionate Blond - Not what you're thinking! This blond beer is named after Mr. Olsson.

Newlands - Tribute Lager - Made from the best Table Mountain spring water. Right here at its source.

Noon Gun The General 0.0 IPA - The first non-alcohol beer on tap. Tastes just like the real thing.

Stella Artois - It is the optimum premium pilsner with its full flavour and clean crisp taste.

Windhoek - The Reinheitsgebot beer. In reality, a beer drunk initially in protest, now, because it's very good.

Bottled Beers & Ciders

Bottled Beers

Amstel, Castle Double Malt, Lager & Lite, Devils Peak Lager & Lite, Hansa Pilsner, Heineken Original & Silver, Black Label, Tafel, Windhoek.

Non-Alcoholic Drinks

Devils Peak Zero, Erdinger Lager, The General IPA by Noon Gun, Heineken 0.0, Eversen's Cider Apple & Pomegranate, Harry's Biter Orange "Aperol 0.0 look-a-like"

Ciders & Coolers

De Grendel Three Spades, Savannah Lite, Savannah Dry, Rekorderlig Berry, Strongbow Gold & Berry

Beverages

Beverages and Mixers

Coke, Coke Zero, Sprite Zero, Fanta Orange, Creme Soda, Lipton's Ice Tea – Peach & Lemon, Schweppes Tonic Water - Original, Grapefruit, Light, Blue or Pink, Soda Water, Ginger Ale, Dry Lemon, Appetizer, Grapetizer – Red & White, Aquabella Still & Sparkling Water, Red Bull, Tomato Cocktail, Steel Works, Rock Shandy, Harry's Bitter Orange

Dessert Wines, Spirits and Liqueurs

Dessert Wines & Sherries

Pale Dry or Full Cream Sherry

Ports

Boplaas Cape Ruby

Liqueurs

Amaretto, Amarula, Aperol, Campari, Cape Velvet, Cinzano Rosso, Cointreau, Crème de Menthe, Frangelico, Grappa, Jägermeister, Kahlua, Pimm's, Sambuca Black or White, Tang Sours, Van Der Humm

Cognacs

Remy Martin VSOP, Courvoisier VSOP Hennessy VSOP

Brandies

Klipdrift, KWV 10 year, Richelieu, Richelieu 10 year

Scotch Whiskies

Bains, Bells, J & B, Johnnie Walker Red and Black, Famous Grouse 10 year, Black Grouse, Gentlemen Jack, Glenfiddich 12 year, Glenmorangie 12 year, Glen Grant 10 year, Monkey Shoulder, Singleton 12 year, Laphroaige, Macallan 12 year

Irish Whiskeys

Bushmills Original, Jameson's, Tullamore Dew, Dubliner, Paddy's, Tommy Ballard's

Bourbons and Kentucky Whiskeys

Jack Daniels, Jack Daniels Single Barrel, Woodford, Makers mark, Wild Turkey & Southern Comfort

Rums

Bacardi, Captain Morgan Dark, Captain Morgan Spiced Gold, Cape to Rio Cane Sprit, Red Heart, Don Papa

Gins

Bombay Sapphire, Cape Town Pink Lady, Gordon's, Hendricks, Inverroche Classic, Tanqueray, Bloed Lemoen white and amber

Vodkas

Absolut, Belvedere, Carvo Caramel, Skyy, Skyy 90, Smirnoff Triple Distilled, Belvedere

Tequilas

El Jimador Reposado, Jose Cuervo Gold/Silver and Tradition, Patronne

**The Moving Finger writes, and, having writ, Moves on: nor all thy Piety nor Wit.
Shall lure it back to cancel half a Line, nor all thy Tears wash out a Word of it.**

Drink Responsibly and Respect All our Customers and Staff Please.