



# Caraffa

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## RISTORANTE DI FAMIGLIA

Welcome to the Caraffa Wine List. Every wine selected for Caraffa's collection has been chosen personally by the passionate owner team Michela, Enrico & Franca. 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.

## Preserve it - LE VERRE DE VIN

Using of the latest wine preservation technology called "Le Verre de Vin", we are able to serve all our wines by the glass, fresh from the bottle. "Le Verre de Vin" preserves opened bottles of still and sparkling wines for up to three weeks without any loss of flavour, bouquet or sparkle. The system has been endorsed internationally and by leading wine producers and distributors in South Africa. The technology enables "wine by the glass" to be the finest you could possibly be served. "We believe that the introduction of the Le Verre de Vin system in South Africa will encourage the wine drinker to experiment with different wines and cultivars from all over our fantastic country. We hope that restaurateurs will be creative and encourage the consumer to enjoy the different experiences that can be achieved through educated food and wine pairing."

- Ian Trethowan Imvusa Technologies



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## WHITE WINES BY THE CARAFE

250ml

<b>Koelenhof</b> , <i>Koelnektar, Gerwurztraminer, Stellenbosch</i>	50
<b>Theuniskraal</b> , <i>Moscato Rosé, Tulbagh, Semi-Sweet</i>	50
<b>Kaapzicht</b> , <i>Chenin blanc, Stellenbosch</i>	60
<b>Terra Del Capo</b> , <i>Pinot Grigio, Western Cape</i>	60
<b>Durbanville Hills</b> , <i>Merlot Rosé, Durbanville, Cape Town, Dry</i>	60
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<b>Longridge</b> , <i>The Emily, Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Stellenbosch</i>	65
<b>Rickety Bridge</b> , <i>Sauvignon blanc, Franschhoek</i>	65
<b>Eikendal</b> , <i>Janina, Unwooded Chardonnay, Western Cape</i>	75

## RED WINES BY THE CARAFE

250ml

<b>Koelenhof</b> , <i>Koelenbosch, Shiraz, Stellenbosch</i>	65
<b>Hartenberg</b> , <i>Stellenbosch Cabernet Sauvignon, Shiraz</i>	70
<b>Durbanville Hills</b> , <i>Merlot, Durbanville, Cape Town</i>	70
<b>Durbanville Hills</b> , <i>Pinotage, Durbanville, Cape Town</i>	70
<b>Rickety Bridge</b> , <i>Foundation Stone Red, Western Cape Shiraz, Grenache Noir, Cinsault, Tannat, Mourvèdre</i>	75
<b>Nederburg</b> , <i>Cabernet Sauvignon, The Winemasters, Western Cape</i>	80 (bottle)
<b>Beyerskloof</b> , <i>Synergy, Stellenbosch Pinotage, Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon, Shiraz, Pinot Noir, Merlot</i>	85
<b>Morgenster</b> , <i>Sangiovese, Stellenbosch</i>	85
<b>Eikendal</b> , <i>Charisma, Stellenbosch Shiraz, Petit Verdot, Sangiovese</i>	85
<b>The Valley</b> , <i>Pinot Noir, Elgin</i>	95
<b>Vergelegen</b> , <i>Premium, Stellenbosch Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Cabernet Franc, Petit Verdot, Malbec</i>	100

## SPARKLING WINES BY THE 'GLASS'

<b>La Delizia</b> , <i>Prosecco, Veneto</i>	65 150ml
<b>Dieu Donné</b> , <i>Rosé, Franschhoek, Brut</i>	70 150ml

## ITALIAN WHITE WINES

### **Bidoli, Pinot Grigio, Friuli Grave, Friuli-Venezia**

750ml

**250**

Pear and apple aromas dominate the nose which echoes the lively tangy freshness of the well balanced palate. Its good length mixes well with the refreshing fruit and has an abundance of flavor and character.

### **Principe Pallavicini, Frascati, Lazio**

**285**

#### **Malvasia, Trebbiano Corvina, Corvinone, Rondinella**

The nose is broad and intense, with notes of blossoms and tropical fruit. A full, soft palate with lingering aftertaste and a hint of almond. Wonderful bottle and great value!

### **Sella & Mosca, Vermentino, Sardegna**

**285**

Pale straw with tints of lemon-green. Very intense with notes of citrus; delightful and floral. Crisp and dry with youthful vitality and freshness.

### **Zenato, Soave Classico, Veneto**

**285**

#### **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.

## ITALIAN RED WINES

### **Zenato, Valpolicella Classico Superiore, Veneto**

**395**

#### **Corvina Veronese, Rondinella, Corvinone**

Colour is intense ruby red. Nose is complex, hints of red fruits, vinous and spicy. On the palate, the wine is harmonic, full bodied, smooth and velvety with well-balanced tannins and acidity.

### **Ca'Viola, Vilot, Dolcetto d'Alba, Piedmont**

**425**

Rich ruby red color. Notes of fresh fruit and finishes with a pleasant note of blackberry. Smooth, agile and balanced in the mouth

### **Badia a Coltibuono, Sangiovese, Canaiolo, Chianti Classico, Tuscany**

**470**

The color is bright ruby, the nose unveils layers of iris, violet, tobacco, black pepper and marasca cherry. Well balanced, tightly knit with supple tannins, mineral notes, a mouth cleansing fresh acidity.

### **Enrico Sarafino, Barolo, Nebbiolo, Piedmont**

**995**

Bright garnet-red colour which in time takes on light orange hues. Intense nose with overtones of vanilla, spices, withered roses and underbrush. Warm, soft, richly-textured with velvety, well-balanced and lingering flavours.

## ITALIAN SPARKLING WINES

### **Fini, Lambrusco Grasparossa di Castelvetro, Emilia-Romagna**

750ml

150ml

**225**

An off-dry leaning towards semi sweet lightly sparkling red wine made from Grasparossa grapes. Ruby red with garnet hue and brown rim, clean, stewed red fruits, plums and strawberry jam, light sparkle.

### **La Delizia, Prosecco, Veneto**

**325**

**65**

Fully sparkling (Spumante) with fine bubbles. Pale lemon with green hints. Nose of blackcurrant buds and fresh white asparagus. Soft with a rounded, off-dry finish.

### **Ferrari, Trento, Trentino, Brut**

**700**

Harmonious and well-balanced, with a faint suggestion of ripe fruit and attractive hints of crusty bread.

### **Ferrari Rosé, Trento, Trentino**

**890**

Fresh and fruity, with a touch of mellowness: the flavour of sweet almonds is supported by an acidulous vein that is extraordinarily appealing.

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.

### **Château Los Boldos, Carmenère, Rapel Valley, Chile** 310

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

### **Bodegas LAN, Crianza, Tempranillo, Rioja, Spain** 380

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.

### **Trinity Hill, Sauvignon blanc, Hawkes Bay, New Zealand** 450

Gentle flavours and aromas of lime, citrus and lemon grass compliment the distinct aroma of stone-fruit. A mineral element gives presence to a Sancerre-like textural character in the wine. The fresh acidity is balanced by a tiny amount of retained sweetness.

### **Flechas De Los Andes, Aguaribay, Malbec** 500

Vista Flores, Mendoza, Argentina

Dark and rich with baked blueberry and raspberry notes; followed by a long finish underscored with notes of tobacco. Softer and less alcohol than most Argentine Malbecs, yet generous with loads of black fruit flavors.

### **Schröder & Schöler, Saint Émilion Private Reserve** 550

Saint Émilion, Bordeaux, France - Merlot, Cabernet Franc

Deep ruby-red colour. Charming, velvety bouquet with seducing aromas of blackcurrant, cherry and a spicy finish. A romantic, yet stern example of a Bordeaux wine offering great value.

### **Domaine Juliette Avril, Châteauneuf-du-Pape** 670

Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Rhône Valley, France - Grenache, Mourvèdre, Syrah

Ruby-red colour, Brilliant, garnet red highlights. Delicate, subtle spice hints, subtle black pepper hints, fine tannin, good intensity.

## 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

750ml 375ml

### **Laurent-Perrier, La Cuvée, Brut** 1200 800

An alliance of power and elegance, freshness and complexity. Taste of spring and hints of honey-dew. Notes of citrus fruits. A balance of lightness and fullness with a long, fresh finish.

### **Veuve Clicquot, Yellow Label, Reims, Brut** 1450

Bright golden colour with tiny bubbles. Toasty aromas with a hint of brioche. On the palate - peach, pear and slight plum flavours with a crisp, lingering finish.

### **Moët & Chandon, Nectar Impérial, Épernay, Demi-Sec** 1500

Bold yellow with golden highlights. A burst of exotic fruits. A voluptuous palate combining creaminess and vibrancy. The residual sugar gives it depth and dimensions without clawyness.

### **Veuve Clicquot, Rosé, Reims, Brut** 1800

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## 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.

### **Simonsig, Kaapse Vonkel, Western Cape, Demi-sec**

750ml 150ml

**295**

*Jewel-like in clarity with a straw-coloured undertone, this sophisticated Cap Classique excites with a symphony of energetic, yet elegant bubbles, and notes of white peach and red berries.*

### **Pongrácz, Western Cape, Brut**

**325**

*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, Western Cape, Brut**

**325**

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

### **Dieu Donné, Rosé, Franschhoek, Brut**

**350 70**

*Delicate yeasty biscuit nose with raspberry and strawberry touches on the palate and an earthy dry mineral finish*

### **Eikendal, Stellenbosch, Brut**

**355**

*On the nose it lures with citrus and lime notes, peaches and cream and a fresh minerality. The palate is soft and well balanced and filled with the citrus flavours found on the nose.*

## OTHER SPARKLING WINES

### **Durbanville Hills, Sparkling Sauvignon blanc, Durbanville, Cape Town**

750ml 150ml

**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.*

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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	250ml
<b>Durbanville Hills, Durbanville, Cape Town</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>60</b>
<i>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.</i>		
<b>Rickety Bridge, Franschhoek</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>65</b>
<i>Vibrant and zesty with aromas of pear, gooseberry and passion fruit layered with subtle mineral tones. Full flavoured with a rich mid-palate and peach and litchi flavours which linger on the finish.</i>		
<b>Oak Valley, Fountain of Youth, Elgin</b>	<b>200</b>	
<i>Straw-like colour with hints of green fig, nettle and flinty undertone. Gooseberry and Granny Smith flavours are coupled with a firm acidity.</i>		
<b>Bouchard Finlayson, Hemel-en-Aarde Valley, Walker Bay</b>	<b>215</b>	
<i>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.</i>		
<b>La Motte, Western Cape</b>	<b>215</b>	
<i>Aromas of gooseberries, guava, lemon zest with hints of asparagus and green fig. A refreshing, crisp acidity finishes off the initial sensation of creaminess on the mid-palate.</i>		
<b>Paul Wallace, Little Flirt, Elgin</b>	<b>245</b>	
<i>Mouth filling flavours of citrus, lime sorbet and a core of ripe nectarine flesh with a long, pure line of pink grapefruit on the finish.</i>		
<b>Ataraxia, Hemel-en-Aarde Valley, Walker Bay</b>	<b>275</b>	
<i>Melange of tropical fruits, granadilla and pink grapefruit aromas with a hint of ripe gooseberries.</i>		

## 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	250ml
<b>Kaapzicht, Stellenbosch</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>60</b>
<i>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.</i>		
<b>Mullineux, Kloof Street, Swartland</b>	<b>220</b>	
<i>Pale straw in colour, this wine has a nose of sun ripened pears and wet granite. The palate has a vibrant acidity balanced by a soft, round texture and some pithy character. The wine has a fresh, mineral finish.</i>		
<b>Cederberg, Cederberg</b>	<b>220</b>	
<i>Organic practices implemented in the production of this wine. Beautiful layers of melon, grapefruit and fleshy white pear. Mouth coating creaminess on the palate with a lively crisp acidity to finish off.</i>		
<b>Longridge, Stellenbosch, Organic</b>	<b>345</b>	
<i>Green sweet melon, rich citrus, lime &amp; perfume greets you on the nose while hints of nuttiness on the palate ends in a crisp fresh finish.</i>		

# 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.

750ml 250ml

## UNWOODED

### Eikendal, Janina, Western Cape, Unwooded

215 75

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.

### Groote Post, Darling, Unwooded

240

Pineapple, citrus flavours are in abundance on the nose and palate. This vintage has fresh acidity and concentrated structure with impeccable balance.

## WOODED

### Durbanville Hills, Rhinofields, Durbanville, Cape Town

320

Pale straw with a green hue. Aromas of yellow citrus, stone fruit, orange blossom and a hint of sweet oak. Mouth filling with minerality, citrus that finish with a sweet sensation.

### Hartenberg, Stellenbosch

325

Seamlessly merges tangerine vibrancy with vanilla cream from barrel ferment. Textured and rich yet lean and focused throughout. A peaches and cream delight with a dry finish.

### Plaisir de Merle, Western Cape

350

Light straw with a green tint. Roasted almonds, dried peach and touches of fynbos on the nose. Crisp flintiness, white pear, citrus and mineral notes. Toasted nuts balanced with creaminess ending in a lingering aftertaste.

### Chamonix, Franschhoek

415

The wine shows bright straw yellow colour with golden highlights and ample aromas in scents that recall tropical fruits and grapefruit, mingling with hints of oatmeal, caramel and nutmeg. Medium-bodied with richly complex flavours, mellow fruit sensations are deftly fused with oak in a long, elegant finish.

### Ataraxia, Hemel-en-Aarde Valley, Walker Bay

545

A focused wine that manages to be both subtle and intense. The palate is penetrating and profound yet graceful and poised. A forceful mineral acidity is beautifully balanced by a subtle yet compelling intensity of fruit.

# OTHER WHITE VARIETALS

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

750ml 250ml

### Koelenhof, Koelnectar, Gerwurztraminer, Stellenbosch

140 50

A *Semi-Sweet* wine. The nose boasts with aromas of lychee, Turkish delight and soft rose petals. The lychee and Turkish delight follows through on the palate with a slight spicy undertone.

### Terra Del Capo, Pinot Grigio, Western Cape

180 60

Lemon, orange leaf, peach and stone fruit tempt the nose. The palate offers tangy and succulent notes of peach and nectarine fruit, along with some lemon freshness. Rounded, juicy and refreshing.

### Oak Valley, Stone & Steel, Riesling, Elgin

185

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.

### Creation, Viognier, Cape South Coast

260

Pale gold, clear and shiny in the glass. Abundantly fruity and forthcoming yet refined on the nose with white peach aromas with a rich, creamy character. Crisp minerality and bouncy, well-integrated natural acidity.

### Bizoe, Kruispad, Sémillon, Coastal Region

310

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.



## 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 250ml

### **Jordan, Chameleon, Stellenbosch**

**170**

#### **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.

### **Longridge, The Emily, Stellenbosch**

**195 65**

#### **Chardonnay, Pinot Noir**

A fresh wine with a lovely hue, bursting with aromas of ripe guava, pineapple, kiwi, green apple and a hint of strawberry, ending with a well-balanced acidity and a lingering finish.

### **De Kleine Wijn Koöp, Klipkers, Voor Paardeberg**

**220**

#### **Grenache Blanc, Verdelho, Grenache Gris**

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 250ml

### **Theuniskraal, Moscato Rosé, Tulbagh, Semi-Sweet**

**140 50**

Shiraz, Muscat Ottonel, Colombard - Brilliant rosy pink colour. Aromas of candy floss and strawberries with a floral background. Fresh and crisp on the palate with a complexity of fruit flavours and a lingering aftertaste.

### **Durbanville Hills, Merlot Rosé, Durbanville, Cape Town, Dry**

**180 60**

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.

### **Kaapzicht, Pinotage Rosé, Stellenbosch, Dry**

**180**

Light salmon pink in colour with buckets of strawberries bursting forth on the nose, accompanied by subtle undertones of rose petals and herbaceousness.

### **Morgenster, Caruso, Sangiovese Rosé, Stellenbosch, Dry**

**225**

Rich and elegant, it has a soft, velvety feel but with enough focus and length. There is a wonderful freshness of berries and cranberry type tanginess.

## 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.

### **Durbanville Hills, Durbanville, Cape Town**

750ml 250ml

**200 70**

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**

**225**

A very accessible, early-drinking red wine with a gentle tannin structure and a rich red ripe berry finish with deep mocca notes.

### **Longridge, Stellenbosch**

**360**

Medium bodied wine with a savoury nose and slight cedar characters. Ripe, yet soft tannins complement the aromas of plump dark, red fruit and ripe strawberries with a hint of dark chocolate and cocoa on the nose.

### **Jordan, Black Magic, Stellenbosch**

**380**

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**

**395**

Concentrated black-berried fruit is edged with sweet vanilla hints and spicy aromas on the nose. Savoury tannins add layers of complexity, gently supporting the flavours of plums, black cherries, cooked strawberries and dark chocolate before a long, integrated finish rounds the wine off in fine style.

### **Groot Constantia, Constantia, Cape Town**

**475**

Shows ripe plums, black cherries and a hint of black currant on the nose with careful use of French oak. The palate is ripe, the black fruit and subtle oak follow, all framed by soft tannins and a fresh acidity.

## 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.

### **Ernie Els, Big Easy, Stellenbosch**

750ml 250ml

**215**

Dark black in appearance. cassis and cigar box on the nose. Silky smooth tannins with a lingering dark chocolate aftertaste.

### **Nederburg, The Winemasters, Western Cape**

**230 80**

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

### **Fleur du Cap, Unfiltered, Stellenbosch**

**450**

Full-bodied wine is ruby red in colour with subtle aromas of ripe berries and cherries, and hints of pencil shavings ending in subtle oak spices. Well-balanced wine is velvety soft yet mouth filling with clean soft fruit and elegant oak spice with gentle tannins.

### **Eikendal, Stellenbosch**

**425**

On the nose one detects an earthiness and a hint of seaweed, yet with a freshness and notes of cassis. The wine has a strong character displaying aspects of mineral, rock pool and iodine. The tannins are tight and fresh with a linear profile.

### **Groot Constantia, Constantia, Cape Town**

**475**

Black currant and ripe cherries, followed by layers of tobacco leaf, cinnamon and cedar wood on the nose. The wine is full bodied on the palate with black fruit, firm tannin and a fresh acidity.





## SHIRAZ

*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 250ml

### **Koelenhof, Koelenbosch, Stellenbosch**

**195 65**

*Jumps out of the glass, perfumed aromas with spicy notes. A gentle, medium bodied wine with soft sweet tannins. This wine offers excellent value for money.*

### **Tokara, Western Cape**

**275**

*The wine enters the palate with upfront bright red and black fruit and finishes with a certain amount of freshness with a definite peppery grip.*

### **Dieu Donné, Franschhoek**

**345**

*Sweet dark fruit, vanilla spice and well integrated wood on the nose with hints of spicy cloves and pepper.*

### **Kleinoed, Tamboerskloof, Syrah, Stellenbosch**

**425**

*Crimson to scarlet in colour. This wine has a complex nose of black currant and plum notes and supportive white pepper and violets. The well balanced palate shows cool dark fruit pastille, hints of violet and fine spices.*

### **Eagle's Nest, Constantia, Cape Town**

**495**

*Deep purple colour that is both fresh and lively. On the nose, dense aromas of cherry and ripe berry fruit with crushed red pepper kernel tempt the senses. A creamy mouth filling tannin, with hints of toasted coconut and wisps of pepper spice embrace your taste buds and are deliciously dry.*

## 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 250ml

### **The Valley, Elgin**

**280 95**

*All about purity of Pinot Noir - Nico Grobler's The Valley. Rich fruit on the nose with some perfume and orange peel. It is vibrant, full of energy with ripe red fruit, tight palate with freshness, length and minerality.*

### **Kaapzicht, Stellenbosch**

**340**

*This noble, unexpected style of Pinot Noir is sure to surprise you with more concentration, colour and character than expected. Lovely sweet and sour cherries accompanied by elegant tannins.*

### **Oak Valley, Sounds of Silence, Elgin**

**315**

*A well- balanced Pinot Noir showing an abundance of red fruit, cherries & raspberries with an earthy undertone. A lingering taste of fruit with a smooth silky finish on the palate.*

### **Catherine Marshall, Sandstone, Elgin**

**445**

*Opulent and intense berry core with a fine, elegant and subtle fruit structure supported by well integrated oak tannins.*

### **Bouchard Finlayson, Galpin Peak, Hemel-en-Aarde Valley, Walker Bay**

**695**

*Pretty oral aromas and an expressive and complex fruit development on the palate. More strawberry than dark fruit, but lots of plum with spicy cherry notes.*

## 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).

### **Durbanville Hills, Durbanville, Cape Town**

750ml 250ml

**200 70**

*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 flavors of sweet wood spice.*

### **Beyerskloof Reserve, Stellenbosch**

**315**

*Promising blackberry aromas upfront with lively sweet cedar oak in the background with the cedar oak aromas from Barrel maturation.*

### **Eikendal, Stellenbosch**

**350**

*Seductive and elegant, with great finesse. The nose is full of berry, plum, cherry and chocolate flavours. The palate shows sophisticated oak integration with a supple and lingering finish.*

### **Chamonix, Greywacke, Franschhoek**

**415**

*Deep garnet red colour with tinges of dark violet when young. On the palate the wine shows full body and rich dark chocolate bites extract with fruit flavours balanced elegantly by tannins with a long and lingering finish that reveals a sweetness reminiscent of liquorice.*

### **Southern Right, Hemel-en-Aarde Valley, Walker Bay**

**495**

*Smoky-soft top notes combine with black plums and cherries, hints of polish and leather. Juicy, well-integrated tannins support a spicy, meaty core with a refreshing acidity and long smooth finish.*

## 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.

### **Morgenster, Sangiovese, Stellenbosch**

750ml 250ml

**250 85**

*Powerful flavours of every variety abound on this nose. Cassis, cherry, raspberry, coffee, almond and vanilla undertones. Notes of rose petals, lavender and mint. Fruit sweetness initially, with a lingering freshness of cherry and dark prune which is very appealing.*

### **Kaapzicht, Skuinsberg, Cinsaut, Stellenbosch**

**340**

*A darker than usual core for Cinsaut, on the nose and palate black cherry and plums combine with sweet herbs and a slight smoked meat element. Juicy yet structured, savoury and dry.*

### **Paul Wallace, Malbec, Elgin**

**390**

*The flavour reminds of plums and wild berries and is somewhat savory. The tannins are very fine and silky and the texture is lush, with a medium length finish.*

### **Rainbow's End, Limited Release, Cabernet Franc, Banghoek, Stellenbosch**

**490**

*Nuances of dark cherry, earthy, black berries, tobacco and black forest cake. There is underlying fynbos and lavender but no heavy vegetativeness.*

### **Idiom, Primitivo/Zinfandel, Stellenbosch**

**495**

*An explosive wine typical of our exotic 'primitivo'. Aromas of fynbos and a fusion of sage, rosemary and mint dominate the nose. Intense flavours of blackberries and raspberries on the palate enhance the sweet cooking herbs.*



## 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 250ml

### **Kaapzicht, Bin 3, Stellenbosch**

**250**

**Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon**

Herbaceous profile, showing earthy, crushed leaf components. Palate is broad, with red fruited accessibility, structure and firm tannins. Medium bodied.

### **Vergelegen, Premium, Stellenbosch**

**295 100**

**Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Cabernet Franc, Petit Verdot, Malbec**

Bright dark red. On the nose striking cassis underlined with cedar and a fresh ripe fruit character. On the palate the freshness carries through with a sprightly lingering finish.

### **First XI, The Partnership, Western Cape**

**345**

**Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, Merlot, Malbec, Petit Verdot**

Dark plum colour. Well defined leafy liquorice and forest floor earthiness on the nose carried through on the palate complemented by oak with a full rich aftertaste.

### **Morgenster, Lourens River Valley, Stellenbosch**

**395**

**Cabernet Franc, Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon**

Aromas are of black and red cherries, strawberry shortcake and cassis. Earthy and spicy nuances of liquorice and cinnamon. Silky smooth with luscious ripe fruit woven into elegantly constructed tannins.

### **Eikendal, Classique, Stellenbosch**

**650**

**Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Cabernet Franc, Petit Verdot**

Marvelous full flavours are entwined throughout, with strains of oak, spice, chocolate, tobacco and mint, all leading to a very smooth finish. It shows a rich, well-structured body, and fine tannins.

## 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 250ml

### **Rickety Bridge, Foundation Stone Red, Western Cape**

**215 75**

**Shiraz, Grenache Noir, Cinsault, Tannat, Mourvèdre**

Intriguing blend is silky soft on the palate with succulent tannins and notes of black pepper, blackcurrant, white chocolate on the nose. Layered complexity on the nose and palate surprise with every interaction.

### **First XI, The Belter, Western Cape**

**275**

**Syrah, Mourvèdre, Grenache**

Clear, vibrant and rich ruby red. Sweet, juicy red fruit with ample black pepper and other spices and hints of floral notes. Rich and intense flavours of pepper and spice, with soft, silky tannins.

### **Newton Johnson, Full Stop Rock, Cape South Coast**

**350**

**Syrah, Grenache, Mourvèdre**

Rich and generous with its wild flavour of black fruits. Full liquorice flavour, with juicy red fruits in the periphery, and chewy tannins lasting in to the finish.

### **Nederburg, The Motorcycle Marvel, Western Cape**

**425**

**Carignan, Shiraz, Grenache, Mourvèdre**

Dark, intense red. Aromas of sweet spice, berries, dates and a hint of tobacco leaf. Full-bodied explosion of red fruit flavours with ripe and silky tannins. Excellent integration of fruit and wood with a hint of spice.

### **Idiom, Flagship Rhône-Style Blend, Stellenbosch**

**695**

**Shiraz, Mourvèdre, Viognier**

Dark and broody, with sweet aromas of violets, lavender, black cherry and dark chocolate. A mouth filling 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.

### **Beyerskloof, Synergy, Stellenbosch**

750ml 250ml

**250 85**

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

Initial impressions of lovely red fruit and cherries give way to sweet cedar oak aromas. An abundance of black fruit upon entry leads to a big, juicy middle with soft, well rounded tannins.

### **Blake's Family Wines, Amethyst, Swartland**

**495**

**Shiraz, Pinotage, Cabernet Sauvignon**

Dark coloured, bold wine with upfront lively, spicy fruit. The Pinotage adds lovely fruit flavours that linger on the aftertaste. Dark fruits and good ripeness leads to complex palate with spice and herbal notes.

## 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.

### **Rainbow's End, Mystical Corner, Banghoek, Stellenbosch**

750ml 250ml

**195**

**Shiraz, Malbec, Cabernet Sauvignon, Petit Verdot**

Aromatic blackcurrant and dark cherries with an undertone of dark moist soil complemented by spiciness, a juicy palate with vanilla wood tones and soft tannins.

### **Hartenberg, Stellenbosch**

**200 70**

**Cabernet Sauvignon, Shiraz**

Vibrant red fruit, plums and cassis aromas from the Cabernet Sauvignon combine well with black pepper undertones from the Shiraz. The palate is brimming with crunchy fruit with soft tannins and a velvety finish.

### **Eikendal, Charisma, Stellenbosch**

**250 80**

**Shiraz, Petit Verdot, Sangiovese**

Tight, fresh structure with aromatic and seasoned undertones. A rich berry character. Fruity flavours with air on the palate. A bold, charming, seductive and ultimately elegant wine.

### **Babylonstoren, Babel Red, Western Cape**

**300**

**Shiraz, Cabernet Sauvignon, Malbec, Petit Verdot, Merlot, Cabernet Franc, Pinotage**

Fresh cranberries and flowery perfume, roasted tomatoes, cigar box and deeper whiffs get you some cloves and cinnamon spiciness. Warmth and elegance, with silky tannins and elegant structure.

### **Bouchard Finlayson, Hannibal, Hemel-en-Aarde Valley, Walker Bay**

**595**

**Sangiovese, Pinot noir, Nebbiolo, Shiraz, Mourvèdre, Barbera**

Olive and red current flavours combine with cranberry to result in a lingering finish and complex mouthfeel.

## DESSERT WINES

### **Paul Wallace, The Nix, Noble Late Harvest, Elgin**

375ml 60ml

**385 55**

**Sauvignon blanc** - This wine with its unique golden colour entices the palate with flavours such as passion fruit, honeycomb, marmalade, apple and dried peach.



## FORTIFIED WINES *South African*

60ml

### **Kaapzicht, Hanepoot Jerepigo**

**20**

*Muscat d'Alexandrie - Beautifully fragrant grape flavours fill the glass together with honeysuckle notes; sweetness well balanced with lively acidity for a harmonious finish.*

### **Allesverloren, Fine Old Vintage**

**25**

*Muscat d'Alexandrie - Beautifully fragrant grape flavours fill the glass together with honeysuckle notes; sweetness well balanced with lively acidity for a harmonious finish.*

### **Wonderfontein, Red Muscadel** *(2012 Nederburg Wine Auction)*

**28**

*Sumptuous sunny raisins, toffee and nutty allure. Well-contained sweetness integrated in rich caramel and layered complexity.*

## FORTIFIED WINES *International*

60ml

### **Sandeman Porto Fine Ruby**

**28**

*Excellent freshness and appeal on the nose with dark fruits and spice characters. The palate is lush and flavoursome showing lovely fruit intensity and a smooth sweet finish. It beautifully delivers with the classic Ruby Port vibrancy combined with fruit richness.*

### **Gonzalez Byass Tio Pepe Fino**

**40**

*This Sherry has a classic fino nose of raw & toasted almonds, nut shells, lemon & orange rind, dried apples & pears & white cheese rind – along with salty sea notes that depict vigorous flor growth in a fino Sherry. The palate has orange & lemon.*

### **Sandeman Porto Tawney 10 Years Old**

**59**

*An opaque purple colour leads to immediately appealing aromas and flavours of spicy wood, plum, dried fruit, milk chocolate, black cherry, cranberry and fruitcake. On the palate, it is sweet, full-bodied, rich and lush with rounded tannins.*

## COGNAC *France*

30ml

**Bisquit V.S.** - Pear, plum and floral aromas underlined with spicy notes.

**40**

**Bisquit V.S.O.P.** - Dry apricot, honey, cinnamon and clove aromas.

**65**

**Hennessy V.S.O.P.** - Velvety, complex blend of delicate spice and honeyed fruit flavors.

**66**

**Remy Martin V.S.O.P.** - Apricot and baked apple notes. Complex, silky texture.

**62**

## OTHER BRANDIES

30ml

*RSA* **Richelieu 10 Y.O.** - Layered flavours of ripe and dried fruit.

**26**

*Portugal* **Aguardente 1920** - Smooth taste with a touch of vanilla aromas.

**26**

*RSA* **Klipdrift Gold** - Summer fruits, sweet spices, hazelnuts and chocolate.

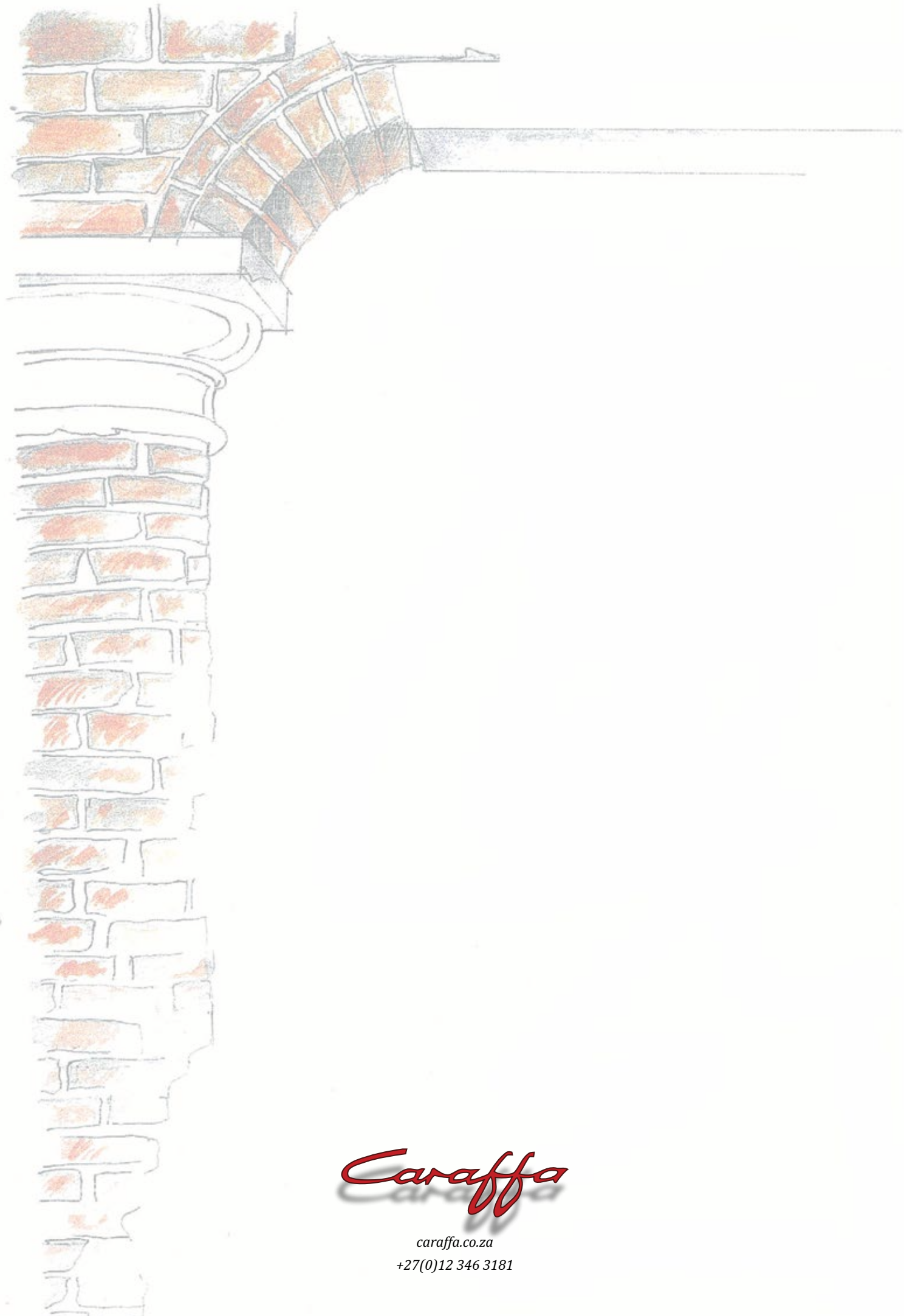
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*RSA* **Van Ryn's 10 Y.O.** - Complex and lingering with a voluptuous, velvety texture.

**32**

*France* **Christian Drouin Calvados** - Green apple aromas with hints of cherry.

**32**



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