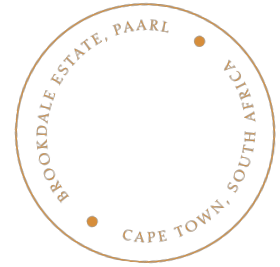


THE  
*Bistro*  
at BROOKDALE



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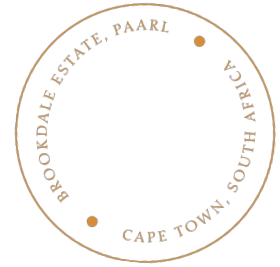


Our wine list is a work-in-progress, and hopefully it will never be complete. We have carefully selected wines from various regions which are a wonderful reflection of some of the best South African wines available. Ask us if you have any questions, would like a suggestion, or should you wish to have your wine decanted for your meal. We trust that you will experience a genuine wine adventure that will elevate your dining experience.

The descriptions of each wine are those of the winemaker behind each bottle.

*Stay curious...*

*Kindly note that vintages are subject to change | No corkage offered*



## BROOKDALE WINES

Our approach in the cellar is... unconventional. With winemaker Kiara Scott Farmer, and proprietor Tim Rudd offering sage advice, the Brookdale Estate winemaking team is as creative as they are unpredictable.

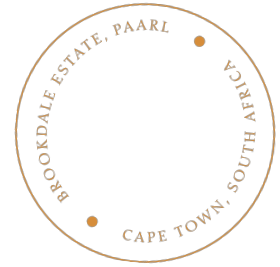
Here, formulas are thrown out the window. We embrace harvest-specific and site-specific practices within the Paarl Wine Valley. We explore techniques in varying combinations as we search for the right approach for each block, vine and year. It's a continual process of experimentation and discovery as we investigate our curiosity and test new theories. What you can be sure of is quality with each wine we release. As passionate wine enthusiasts with an outstanding vineyard with which to try new things, our primary goal is to produce extraordinary wines - vintage after vintage.

## BROOKDALE RANGE

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“WE ARE ALL MORTAL UNTIL THE FIRST KISS AND THE  
SECOND GLASS OF WINE.”

– Eduardo Galeano



## MASON ROAD WINES

The northern boundary of Brookdale Estate is set along the old Mason Road, used for centuries to carry post, news, and messages from the valleys and kloofs of the Limietberg to the coast.

The Mason Road wines continue this legacy with a story held in every bottle. Medium-bodied with revitalising freshness alongside full fruit flavours as a result of the warm climate and cool mountain breeze, the Mason Road range is lovingly harvested and shaped in the cellar. Each vintage is a discovery of terroir with a focus on minimal intervention embracing harvest-specific and site-specific practices. We believe in freedom of expression – expression that is, of fruit!

### MASON ROAD RANGE

2023	Mason Road Sauvignon Blanc	R 230 bt
	Translucent, pale straw colour. An expressive bouquet of gooseberry, passion fruit, pineapple, white peach and hints of lime citrus leads to a gentle palate that is both savoury and creamy.	R 60 gls
2023	Mason Road Serendipity Rosé	R 220 bt
	A Provence-style rosé blend from Syrah, Grenache Noir and Cinsault with a pale salmon pink colour. Elegant, balanced, with bright fruit concentration.	R 55 gls
2024	Mason Road Chenin Blanc	R 230 bt
	Fragrant and inviting, the wine opens with honeysuckle and pear drop, evolving to an electric current of tropicality, like an island storm.	R 60 gls
2023	Mason Road Syrah	R 245 bt
	A bright red core with red fruit flavours of raspberry, peach pith & hints of vanilla. Medium bodied with layers of fragrant violet & spicy notes of cloves & pepper.	R 65 gls
2024	Mason Road GSM	R 245 bt
	A fragrant wine boasting aromas of blackcurrant & violets with a rich & full mouthfeel and soft & velvety tannins finishing off a soft, round texture.	R 65 gls

*Our Mason Road wines are available by glass (185ml) or bottle (750ml)*



## CAP CLASSIQUE

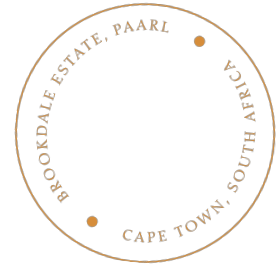
In 1971 the first “Sparkling Wine” in South Africa was released by the Simonsig Estate. This heralded an exciting new phase in South African wine making circles.

In 1992 a group of like-minded South African winemakers who had a passion for bottle fermented Sparkling wine, made according to the traditional Champenoise Méthode, joined forces to form the Cap Classique Producers Association. The Association’s vision in two-fold was to promote South Africa’s premium Cap Classique wines (CC) and to ensure that CC becomes the beloved term for these wines, which will enable them to take their rightful place on the world stage.

## CAP CLASSIQUE SELECTION

NV	Silverthorn ‘The Genie’ Rosé ORIGIN: Robertson  Produced from Shiraz, with flavours of fresh raspberries and sherbet with a velvety texture, fine mousse, and lengthy finish.	R 890 bt
2021	Silverthorn ‘The Greenman’ ORIGIN: Robertson  The Green Man is ‘Silverthorn’ - a Chardonnay Cap Classique wine, well balanced with elegant structure, fine mousse and a gentle explosion on the palate.	R 1000 bt
NV	Graham Beck Brut NV ORIGIN: Western Cape  This delightful sparkling wine exudes light yeasty aromas, limey fresh fruit on the nose, and rich creamy complexity on the palate.	R 625 bt

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 (1899 – 1977)



## White Wines

### SAUVIGNON BLANC

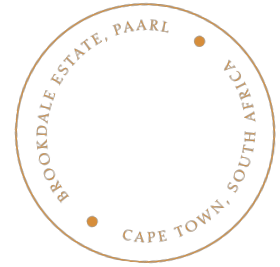
Certainly, this variety is often considered to be one of the most fashionable wines in “The New World”. The Loire Valley is its home, where it established the reputation for racy white wines. With distinctive fruity flavours and crisp green freshness, this varietal will better suit lighter dishes such as fresh fish and seafood salads.

### SAUVIGNON BLANC SELECTION

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| 2023 | Mason Road Sauvignon Blanc<br>ORIGIN: Paarl   WINEMAKER: Kiara Scott Farmer   | R 230 bt |
|      | Translucent, pale straw colour. An expressive bouquet of gooseberry, passion fruit, pineapple, white peach and hints of lime citrus leads to a gentle palate that is both savoury and creamy. |          |
| 2022 | Harry Hartman ‘Summer’<br>ORIGIN: Elgin   | R 550 bt |
|      | Fresh, with crisp acidity this graceful, citrus led wine has aromas of green fruits and summer blossoms. Supported by a nice flinty structure.  |          |
| 2021 | Cape Point Reserve<br>ORIGIN: Cape Town   WINEMAKER: Riandri Visser   | R 620 bt |
|      | An elegant representation of our unique terroir, with hints of floral spice, cardamom, and white pepper. The generous fruit profile showcases lemon, tangerine, and ripe nectarines.          |          |

“DRINKING GOOD WINE WITH GOOD FOOD IN GOOD COMPANY IS ONE OF LIFE’S MOST CIVILISED PLEASURES.”

– Michael Broadben

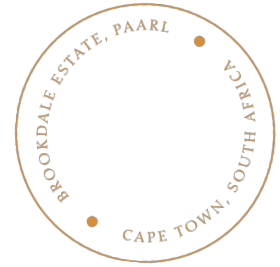


## CHARDONNAY

Probably one of the most popular white wines in the world – well liked for its combination of versatility and classicism. It is a noble variety from which the famous white wines of Burgundy are made. Cape winemakers increasingly use it as the basis of Cap Classique sparkling wines. Full-bodied Chardonnays go especially well with creamy dishes, poultry, and most types of fish. Medium-bodied Chardonnays can be enjoyed with smoked salmon, terrines and cheese.

## CHARDONNAY SELECTION

2023	Weltevrede ‘Calcrete’ – Unwooded ORIGIN: Robertson   WINEMAKER: Philip Jonker Described as elegant, linear, and minimalist. Bright, vibrant and limey. Luminescent light lime-green radiance.	R 355 bt
2022	Kara-Tara ORIGIN: Western Cape   WINEMAKER: Rüdger van Wyk This is not an area typically associated with fine Chardonnay, but this 40-year-old vineyard produces grapes with great flavour and intensity.	R 600 bt
2022	Capensis ‘Silene’ ORIGIN: Stellenbosch   WINEMAKER: Graham Weerts A blend of our estate Fijnbosch vineyard and neighbouring mountain vineyards, the 2022 Silene offers alluring notes of lemon-lime, peach and citrus blossom, carried by a bright salinity and richly textured, mineral finish.	R 935 bt
2022	Storm ‘Ridge’ ORIGIN: Hemel-en-Aarde Ridge   WINEMAKER: Hannes Storm Storm Ridge Chardonnay 2022 is a classically styled expression, taught, tight and chiselled – a medley of nectarine and citrus fruit with a refreshing, persistent finish.	R 1900 bt
2019	Richard Kershaw (MW) ORIGIN: Elgin   WINEMAKER: Richard Kershaw Restrained, mineral style focused on elegance with a white fruit character, some oatmeal and some complexity gained from percipient applied wood.	R 2000 bt



## VIOGNIER

This variety is not widely planted in South Africa. Throughout the rest of the world, it is a rare but fashionable cultivar, found mainly in the Rhône Valley in France. It produces a full-bodied wine and is often wood matured. Viognier will go well with Chinese and Vietnamese cuisines as well as seafood in creamy sauces.

## VIOGNIER SELECTION

2021 Lismore 'Age of Grace' R 650 bt  
ORIGIN: Cape South Coast | WINEMAKER: Samantha O'Keefe  
Primary Viognier aromas of ripe peach, apricot and later Jasmine flower. Fresh, rich mouth filling palate infused with white stone pip flavours and spices.

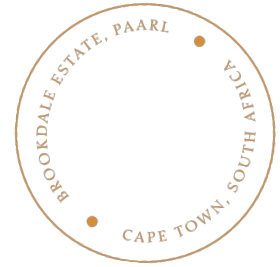
## ROUSSANNE

Roussanne is a late-ripening variety that produces powerful white wines that offer perfume-featuring scents of fresh flowers, peaches, herbs, pears, spice, roasted nuts and hints of pepper. Wines produced from Roussanne are typically rich and can even develop a silky, exotic, oily texture. Roussanne-based wines are best enjoyed either within the first few years of bottling or after they have been cellared for 10 to 20 years. In the years in between, the wines typically enter a closed period where their flavours and aromatics are difficult to find.

## ROUSSANNE SELECTION

2021 The Foundry R 620 bt  
ORIGIN: Stellenbosch | WINEMAKER: Chris Williams & James Reid  
Distinct and intense aromas of wildflowers, oatmeal, and lemon cream. The palate is lively and intense with quince and yellow apple flavours, hints of spice and pleasant acidity.



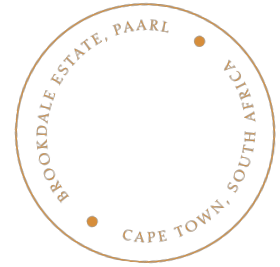


## CHENIN BLANC

It's hard not to love Chenin Blanc. In fact, this variety is the most widely grown in South Africa. It is versatile in style and sweetness and has the ability to be crafted into dry summer wines, more full-bodied oak-aged wines and even sparkling wines. Here at Brookdale Estate, Chenin Blanc forms the cornerstone of our wine range. Our property is home to a Certified Heritage Vineyard and this Old Vine block of Chenin Blanc is now roughly 39 years old. Chenin Blanc will pair well with mild to spicy dishes, seafood and white meat.

## CHENIN BLANC SELECTION

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| 2023 | Mason Road Chenin Blanc<br>ORIGIN: Paarl   WINEMAKER: Kiara Scott Farmer   | R 230 bt  |
|      | Fragrant and inviting, the wine opens with honeysuckle and pear drop, evolving to an electric current of tropicality, like an island storm.  |           |
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| 2023 | Alheit Wines 'Cartology'<br>ORIGIN: Western Cape   WINEMAKER: Chris & Susan Alheit   | R 1500 bt |
|      | Kumquat citrus, sweet oatmeal and honey, maybe elderflower. The palate is fine and bright, reminiscent of salty/sweet, candied lemon, great length.  |           |

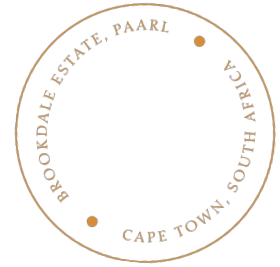


## SÉMILLON

Sémillon is one of the first grape varieties brought from Europe to the Cape. It once dominated the South African vineyards – to the tune of 90% in the 1820s. It now takes up less than one per cent of total vineyard surface. This is largely due to sheer ignorance of this noble variety's identity and provenance. It makes for a great accompaniment to any fish dish, particularly prawns and mussels.

## SÉMILLON SELECTION

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| 2022 | De Kleine Wijn Koöp 'Debutant'<br>ORIGIN: Franschoek   WINEMAKER: Wynand Grobler<br>A lovely semillon with characteristics of fruit, white florals, and beeswax. Its weight and texture allow it to stand up to a variety of dishes, but seared scallops, shrimp, and other richer seafood dishes work beautifully with it. | R 500 bt  |
| 2022 | Radford Dale 'Revelation'<br>ORIGIN: Elgin   WINEMAKER: Jacques de Klerk<br>This organic wine is a harmonious combination of lemon, grapefruit, and cape gooseberry flavours, complemented by delicate floral notes and an emergence of stone dust.   | R 1350 bt |



## RIESLING

Originating in Germany's Rhine region, Riesling is an aromatic white variety with pronounced acidity. The wines are expressive of their terroir and tend to be unwooded, exhibiting minerality, flower blossoms, apple, lime, nectarine, and beeswax, and developing notes of honey, nut, and petrol as they age. Styles vary from dry to dessert-style wines. Of all the classic white varieties, it is most notable for its longevity, developing extraordinary complexity in the bottle over many years and maintaining that peak performance for many more. Enjoy with lightly spiced dishes and fruity desserts.

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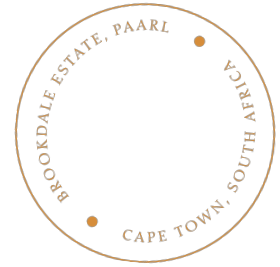
- 2024      Sauerwein 'Chi'      R 600 bt  
ORIGIN: Elgin | WINEMAKER: Jessica Sauerwein  
Fragrant citrus blossom, green melon, yellow stone fruits, white pear, ginger, Pina colada, honeysuckle and finishes with a flinty, cool earth lick.

## COLOMBARD

Colombard is a white French grape variety that is the offspring of Chenin Blanc and Gouais Blanc. It is known for the production of distilled wines, such as Brandy and Cognac. It produces wines with fresh, crisp and fruity flavours that pair excellently with light dishes from salads to sushi.

## COLOMBARD SELECTION

- 2021      Naude 'Langpad' Old Vines      R 920 bt  
ORIGIN: Western Cape | WINEMAKER: Ian Naude  
A classically presented cultivar, beginning with a gorgeous white crisp peach and pear on the nose, and finishing with that saline salty freshness.

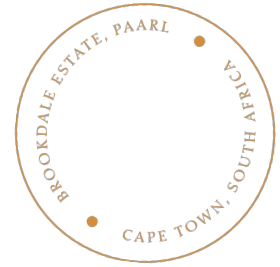


## WHITE BLENDS

Winemakers explore many different styles of blended, white wine making in South Africa. The result is that the wines are both interesting and challenging. Often you will discover something completely new. Lighter styles pair well with salmon, sushi, soft cheeses and lemon. Heavier styles pair well with creamy sauces, white meats and fish.

## WHITE BLEND SELECTION

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| 2022 | Brookdale Sixteen 'Field Blend'<br>A celebration of the lost art of field blend winemaking; 16 white varietals were planted as bush vines and harvested with many different passes. The wine is aromatically diverse, and the palate offers concentrated, minerally stone fruits evolving to nectarines and ripe citrus. | R 525 bt |
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| 2022 | Thorne & Daughters 'Rocking Horse'<br>ORIGIN: Western Cape   WINEMAKER: John Seccombe<br>A blend of Roussanne, Sémillon Blanc, Chardonnay, Chenin Blanc & Clairette Blanc<br>Wild honey and nut brittle aromas on the nose lead into a rounded, intense palate of honeybush, yellow plums.                               | R 750 bt |
| 2022 | Lourens Family Wines 'Lindi Carien'<br>ORIGIN: Western Cape   WINEMAKER: Franco Lourens<br>A blend of Verdelho, Chenin Blanc, Colombar, Grenache Blanc & Palamino<br>Beautifully textured wine. Rich and morish yet lean with a perfect acid balance. We love the layers of spice shining through.                       | R 740 bt |



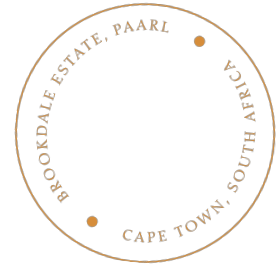
## Red Wines

### CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Cabernet is King! The Cape's sure success with Cabernet Sauvignon soon gave rise to consideration of the potential to make the type of blend that gave Bordeaux its star status. In the early 1980s, this classic tradition of combining Cabernet Sauvignon with Merlot and Cabernet Franc resulted in what is still loosely referred to as "Bordeaux-Style" red blends. Together, they make magic! Fuller styles cope well with richer types of food, meaty casseroles and lamb.

### CABERNET SAUVIGNON SELECTION

2022	Boschkloof ORIGIN: Stellenbosch   WINEMAKER: Reenen Borman A full-bodied, oak matured red wine with intense deep ruby black colour. Ripe plum, herb, chocolate and complex toasty oak bouquet.	R 470 bt
2020	Starke Conde ORIGIN: Stellenbosch   WINEMAKER: Jose Conde The palate is rich and polished with dark fruit, mocha flavours and with a delicately balanced acidity. It has a long finish with fine grain tannins at the end.	R 900 bt
2021	Mooiplaas 'Tabakland' Reserve ORIGIN: Stellenbosch   WINEMAKER: Bertus Basson & Louis Roos Pitch black colour, fruitcake nose with dark cassis and liquorice. Tannin still tight at this stage, which is to be expected. Fine concentration and good length.	R 1500 bt



## CABERNET FRANC

Cabernet Franc, the “baby Cabernet”, is a black grape variety originating in France and is similar in character to Cabernet Sauvignon. Although generally lighter in tannins and body, it possesses many similar flavours including black cherry, cassis, chocolate, vanilla, spice and cloves. Cabernet Franc is more likely to have a bell-pepper aroma or flavour. Because it mellows and matures faster than Cabernet Sauvignon, it is often used in blending heavier Cabernets. The wine will pair well with savoury mince and braised beef.

## CABERNET FRANC SELECTION

- 2022 Raats ‘Dolomite’ R610 bt  
ORIGIN: Stellenbosch | WINEMAKER: Jasper Raats  
The wine expresses great purity of fruit and balanced elegance, succulent red fruits coupled with a beautifully smoky mineral quality.

## MERLOT

All of the characteristics that make Merlot so masterfully complementary to Cabernet Sauvignon mark it a great solo act too. It is the “feminine” counterpart to Cabernet’s “masculinity”, filling out its partner’s almost austere structure with fleshy fruit, soft acids, silky tannins and accessible drinkability. The wine will pair well with game and steak.

## MERLOT SELECTION

- 2022 Van Loggerenberg ‘Break a Leg’ R 480 bt  
ORIGIN: Stellenbosch | WINEMAKER: Lukas van Loggerenberg  
A full-bodied, oak matured red wine with intense deep ruby black colour. Ripe plum, herb, chocolate, and complex toasty oak bouquet.
- 2020 Shannon ‘Mount Bullet’ R 1750 bt  
ORIGIN: Elgin | WINEMAKER: Gordon & Nadia Newton John  
The wine has a fragrance of ripe red fruits such as plums and dark cherries, with earthy complexity and yet still expressing minerality.



## CINSAULT

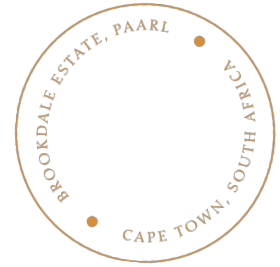
Cinsault is a French red-grape variety, traditionally used in the Southern Rhône blend as a partner to Grenache, Syrah and Mourvèdre. Also known as Cinsault without the "I", the variety has developed hundreds of synonyms owing to a wide distribution and over four centuries of cultivation. Despite a decline in plantings over the past decade, with stylistic trends moving towards lighter wines, Cinsault has been receiving fresh attention.

## CINSAULT SELECTION

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| 2023 | Van Loggerenberg ‘Geronimo’<br>ORIGIN: Stellenbosch   WINEMAKER: Lukas van Loggerenberg<br>Sweet fruit character follows through on the palate. Medium body with elegant palate weight. Finish: soft tannin with a refreshing flinty minerality. | R 800 bt  |
| 2022 | Savage Wines ‘Follow the Line’<br>ORIGIN: Darling   WINEMAKER: Duncan Savage<br>Deep, dark and very serious on the nose, boasting layers of cranberries, dried strawberries, red currants and subtle perfumed hints of rose petals and violets.  | R 1000 bt |

“WINE IS BOTTLED POETRY.”

– Robert Louis Stevenson



## PINOT NOIR

Unpredictable in the vineyard, difficult in the cellar, Pinot Noir is nevertheless able to make one of the world's greatest red wines. Pinot Noir is like a ballerina, fine-tuned and "en pointe". It has a rare fluidity, a delicacy, a beguiling beauty that belies an underlying power and structural strength, responsible for an unexpected ability to age. This variety pairs well with most foods.

## PINOT NOIR SELECTION

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| 2023 | La Brune 'The Valley'<br>ORIGIN: Elgin   WINEMAKER: Nico Grobbelaar<br>Perfumed, orange peel and strawberry. Notes of forest floor and mushroom. Linear, tight with a mineral core coated with some beautiful texture and red fruit and a long pure finish. | R 550 bt  |
| 2021 | Storm 'Ridge'<br>ORIGIN: Hemel-en-Aarde Ridge   WINEMAKER: Hannes Storm<br>Dense and perfumed showing floral scents, spice, red cherry and raspberry fruit, savoury tannins and focused acidity.  | R 1900 bt |

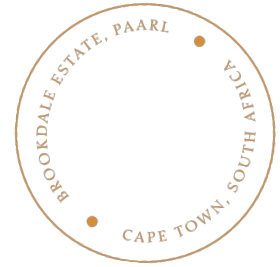
## MALBEC

Malbec is a purple grape variety used in making red wine. The grapes tend to have an inky, dark colour and robust tannins and are known as one of the six grapes allowed in the blend of red Bordeaux wine, contributing dark fruit, chocolate and tobacco aromas.

## MALBEC SELECTION

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| 2022 | Doolhof 'Signatures' Single Vineyard<br>ORIGIN: Limietberg   WINEMAKER: Gielie Beukus<br>The wine expresses great purity of fruit and balanced elegance, succulent red fruits coupled with a beautifully smoked mineral quality. | R 690 bt |
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## PINOTAGE

Developed by Prof. Abraham Perold in 1925, Pinotage is the result of a cross between Pinot Noir and Cinsault (then known as Hermitage). The wine boasts the truly distinctive sweetness of red berry fruit with a characteristic banana-like aroma and flavour best with game, roasts, ostrich and smoked snoek.

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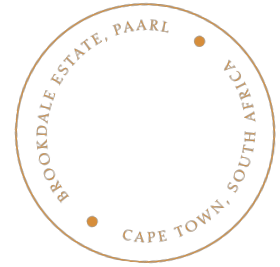
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| 2022 | Lievland Bushvine<br>ORIGIN: Coastal Region   WINEMAKER: Riaan Möller<br>This Pinotage is made in a modern, elegant style that emphasizes the softer, Pinot Noir-like characteristics of Pinotage. Ample red fruit and a delicious savoury note.  | R 495 bt |
| 2022 | Doolhof Single Vineyard<br>ORIGIN: Limietberg   WINEMAKER: Gielie Beukus<br>Deep crimson in colour with aromas of clove, vanilla, blackberries, and sweet spice on the nose. The palate is rich, full, and vibrant with juicy, yet elegantly soft tannins which linger to an elegant and long finish. | R 695 bt |

## TINTA BAROCCA

Tinta Barocca (sometimes Tinta Baroca) is one of the most common red wine varieties in the Douro Valley of northern Portugal. It is used most often to make Port, an application to which it is particularly well-suited, as the grapes' naturally high sugar levels (and correspondingly high potential alcohol) make them extremely useful for fortified wine production.

## TINTA BAROCCA SELECTION

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| 2022 | Sadie Family Wines 'Treinspoor'<br>ORIGIN: Swartland   WINEMAKER: Eben Sadie<br>Presents a crisp, well-defined bouquet of blackberry, briar and wild fennel scents, gaining intensity all the time in the glass. | R 1700 bt |
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## GRENACHE

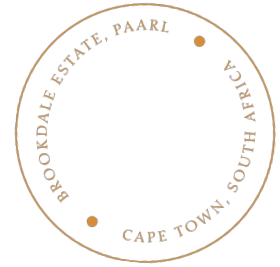
The unmistakable candied fruit roll-up and cinnamon flavour is what gives Grenache away to expert blind tasters. It has a medium-bodied taste due to its higher alcohol, but has a deceptively lighter colour and is semi-translucent. Depending on where it's grown, Grenache often has subtle aromas of orange rinds and ruby-red grapefruit. When Grenache is grown in Old World regions such as the Côtes du Rhône and Sardinia, it can have herbal notes of dried oregano and tobacco.

## GRENACHE SELECTION

2021	Tempel 'Skemerdans' ORIGIN: Western Cape   WINEMAKER: Neil Marais Packed with juicy red berry fruit, perfume, exotic spices and a hint of citrus. A vibrant line of acidity follows through on the palate with a light fresh lingering finish.	R 860 bt
2020	Ian Naude ORIGIN: Western Cape   WINEMAKER: Ian Naude The palate shows a fine sleek medium bodied texture. Impressive, delicious and expressive wild strawberry, bramble berries and subtle sappy peppery spice on the finish.	R 1070 bt

“WINE AND FRIENDS ARE A  
GREAT BLEND.”

– Ernest Heming

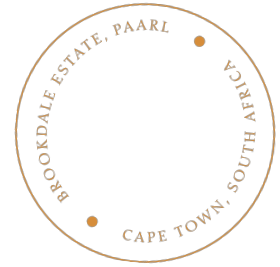


## SHIRAZ/SYRAH

Shiraz is often underrated and understated, but Cape Shiraz offers wine lovers' unplumbed depths of pleasure. The range of Shiraz styles in the Cape are evidence of this grape's generous bounty. Its response to wood extends the flavours even further; with winemakers enhancing its soft sweetness with the vanillin imparted by American Oak. Others believe in classic French Oak to balance its rich fruit and savoury spiciness. Accompany with red meat dishes with sweet and spicy overtones.

## SHIRAZ SELECTION

2022	Mason Road Syrah ORIGIN: Paarl   WINEMAKER: Kiara Scott Farmer  A bright red core with red fruit flavours of raspberry, peach pith & hints of vanilla. Medium bodied with layers of fragrant violet & spicy notes of cloves & pepper.	R 245 bt
2022	Trizanne 'Signature' Wines ORIGIN: Swartland   WINEMAKER: Trizanne Barnard  Beautifully expressive in the glass with aromas of blackberry, currant, garrigue and white pepper. Palate is medium-bodied and intense.	R 460 bt
2022	Savage Wines 'Savage Red' ORIGIN: Stellenbosch   WINEMAKER: Duncan Savage  The medium-weighted palate is bright and juicy, with a crushed-satin texture thanks to ample acidity and structured, yet fine tannins.	R 1000 bt
2020	Beau Constantia 'Stella' ORIGIN: Constantia   WINEMAKER: Megan van der Merwe  Viognier is interplanted within the Syrah vineyard. The Viognier is harvested golden and slightly raisined due to its extended hangtime, perfectly complimenting the spicy Syrah.	R 980 bt
2021	Boschkloof 'Epilogue' ORIGIN: Stellenbosch   WINEMAKER: Reenen Borman  Loaded with perfumed lavender combined with hints of oak spices. The true beauty of this wine is firm with a fine tannin structure.	R 2300 bt

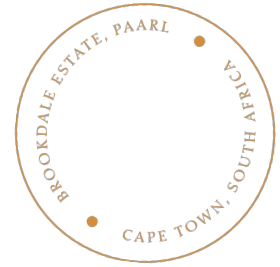


## RED BLENDS

Many of the great wines of the world are a blend of more than one grape variety. The finest old-world examples include Bordeaux and Chateauneuf-du-Pape. The wines below represent some of the finest interpretations of the red blend in South African blends. Savoury dishes, game, mushrooms, beef braised in ale and pan-fried lamb chops make a great pairing.

## RED BLEND SELECTION

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| 2024 | Mason Road GSM<br>ORIGIN: Paarl   WINEMAKER: Kiara Scott Farmer  | R 245 bt |
|      | A fragrant wine boasting aromas of blackcurrant & violets with a rich & full mouthfeel and soft & velvety tannins finishing off a soft, round texture.   |          |
| 2022 | Thorne & Daughters 'Wanderers Heart'<br>ORIGIN: Western Cape   WINEMAKER: John Seccombe  | R 800 bt |
|      | A blend of Syrah, Grenache Noir, Mourvèdre & Carignan. Focused with red cherries, violets, and cinnamon on the nose. The tannins are supple and integrated into a palate of red currants and black cardamom. |          |
| 2020 | Nitida 'Calligraphy'<br>ORIGIN: Durbanville   WINEMAKER: Etienne Louw  | R 740 bt |
|      | A blend of Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon, Malbec, Petit Verdot & Cabernet Franc. A harmonious composition, melodies of luscious red fruit, rich dark chocolate and warm sticky toffee pudding.                  |          |
| 2021 | Lourens Family 'Howard John'<br>ORIGIN: Swartland   WINEMAKER: Franco Lourens  | R 740 bt |
|      | Grenache Noir, Cinsault & Syrah<br>Supple, rounded and elegant, but with lots of flavour. Sweet cherries, olives and pepper. Juicy and lively with a nice damson twist on the finish.                        |          |



## Dessert Wines

### STRAW WINE

Straw wines are made from grapes that have been dried in the sun on straw mats before they are pressed. The technique dates to pre-Roman times. Straw wines are typically sweet to very sweet white wines, similar in density and sweetness to Sauternes and capable of long life.

### STRAW WINE SELECTION

NV	Tierhoek (375ml)	R 830 bt
	ORIGIN: Piekenierskloof   WINEMAKER: Roger Burton	
	The nose has a complex, enticing blend of dried peaches, apricots and marmalade. The palate is balanced by a clean, fresh and very long finish of dried apricots.	R 110 gls

### PORT

Portugal's flagship; an aged, sweet, fortified wine that comes in a wide range of styles, largely based on ageing techniques. Commonly seen styles include Ruby and Tawny. Port wine pairs wonderfully with richly-flavoured cheeses, chocolate and caramel desserts, salted and smoked nuts and even sweet-smoky meats.

### CAPE PORT SELECTION

NV	De Krans Cape Tawny	
	ORIGIN: Calitzdorp   WINEMAKER: Boets & Stroebel Nel, Christoff de Wet	
	Elegant with aged flavours of caramel, toffee, roasted nuts and fruitcake. Enjoyed best on its own by the fireplace, or with baked winter puddings or a selection of cheeses.	R 50 gls

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– Tim Rudd