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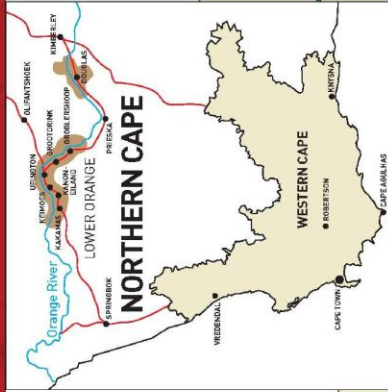
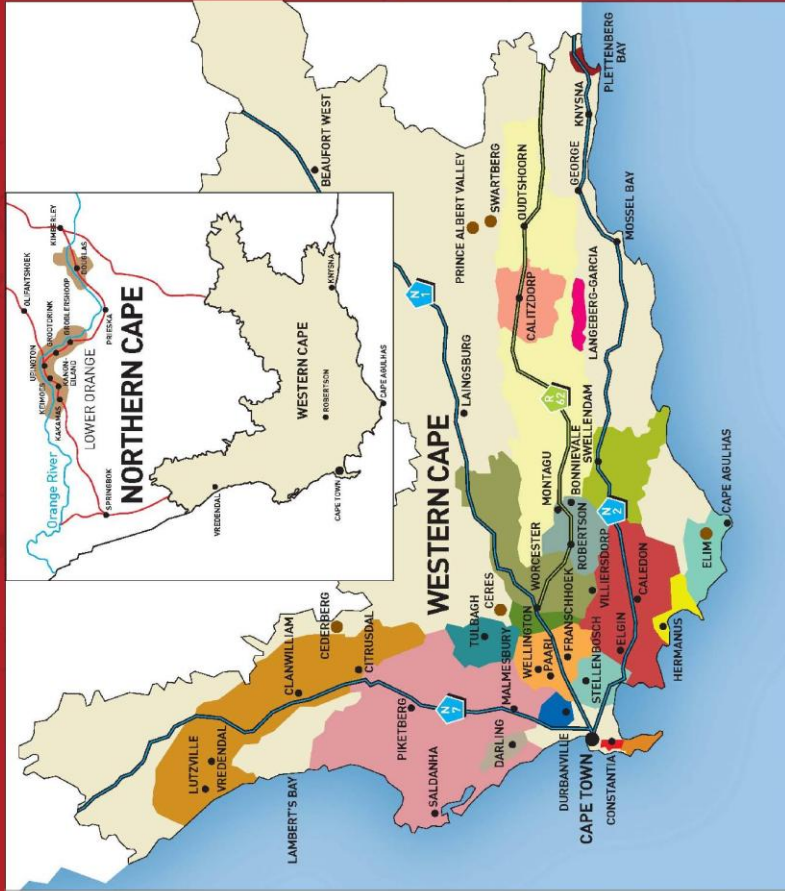
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WINERY NAME	WINE	VINTAGE	VARIETAL
Anthonij Rupert Wines	Optima	2006	Bordeaux Blends
Asara	Bell Tower Estate	2007	Bordeaux Blend
Bouchard Finlayson	Galpin Peak Pinot Noir	2006	Pinot Noir
Claine d'Or	Cabernet Franc	2008	Unusual Category - Cabernet Franc
Creation Wines	Semillon	2010	Semillon
De Wetshof	Bateleur Chardonnay	2007	Chardonnay
Fairview	Chakalaka	2009	Unusual Category - Rhône Blend
Glenelly	Lady May	2008	Cabernet Sauvignon
Hamilton Russell	Chardonnay	2009	Chardonnay
Jordan Wines	Nine Yards	2009	Chardonnay
Kloovenburg	Shiraz	2008	Shiraz
Laborie	Pineau de Laborie	2004	Dessert Wine - Pinotage
Laborie	Alambic Brandy	n/v	Brandy
Laibach	Ladybird	2008	Unusual Category - Organic Bordeaux Blend
Morgenhof	Chenin Blanc	2009	Chenin Blanc
Morgenster	The Morgenster	2005	Bordeaux Blend
Muratie	Shiraz	2007	Shiraz
Rupert & Rothschild	Classique	2009	Bordeaux Blend
Rustenberg	Stellenbosch John X Merriman	2008	Bordeaux Blend
Saronsberg	Viognier	2009	Viognier
Tokara	Reserve Noble Late Harvest	2009	Dessert Wine
Vondeling	Chardonnay	2008	Chardonnay
Vrede en Lust	Viognier	2010	Viognier
Waterkloof	Circumstance Syrah	2008	Shiraz



<b>WINERY NAME</b>	<b>ANTHONIJ RUPERT WINES</b>
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**HISTORY OF THE WINERY:** Named after the late and great Anthonij Rupert, these flagship wines are the pinnacle of quality. Aimed at producing the finest, using premium grapes, with specific varieties planted on the most ideal sites in the Western Cape, these wines are earmarked for greatness. The range comprises just red wines: Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Syrah, Cabernet Franc and a Bordeaux-style blend Optima. Vinification practices respect the fine quality of the grapes, awarding them with hand-selection, gravity processing, barrel fermentation and the luxury of time for nature to work its indefinable magic.

<b>Wine Name</b>	<b>Anthonij Rupert Optima</b>			
Vintage	2006	Region	Western Cape	
Cultivar/Blend	Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Cabernet Franc, Petit Verdot	Winemaker	Dawie Botha	
Chemical Analysis	Alcohol	14.5%	RS	n/a
	TA	n/a	PH	n/a
Ave French Retail EUR	EUR21.50			

**TASTE PROFILE:** Rich fruited plum and berry spice compote, with flavours of cocoa, blue and black berry aromas. A palate touched, A bold entry, chocolately richness, with a restrained, elegant, velvety spice.



<b>WINERY NAME</b>	<b>ASARA WINE ESTATE</b>
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**HISTORY OF THE WINERY:** ASARA was bought by owners Markus & Christiane Rahmann in 2001. It was named Asara after three African gods representing the Earth, Sun and Sky: Astar, Asis and Asase. The farm is 180 hectares (Ha) in size, of which 103Ha are under vine. Production: 500 000 bottles or 41600 cases (12 bottles in a case). Approximately 65% of production is red wine, and the remaining 35% white wine. The Asara Winery has within a very short time-frame positioned itself as one of SA's premium growers with many awards bearing testament to this.

<b>Wine Name</b>	<b>Bell Tower Estate Wine</b>			
Vintage	2007	Region	Stellenbosch/South Africa	
Cultivar/Blend	Malbec 40%, Merlot 26%, Petit Verdot 19%, Cabernet Franc 11%, Cabernet Sauvignon 4%	Winemaker	Francois Joubert	
Chemical Analysis	TA	5.8g/litre	PH	3.53
	ALC %	14	RS	4.5g/litre
Ave French Retail EUR	EUR24.00			

**TASTE PROFILE:** A true "Big Five" blend, with intense aromas of black cherry and cassis, hints of mocha that are elegantly uplifted by oak. The palate is powerful yet balanced, with ripe fruit flavours and mature tannins underpinned by fresh acidity and subtle maturation in small barrels for 18 months. It is drinking beautifully now and should provide pleasure in years to come.



<b>WINERY NAME</b>	<b>BOUCHARD FINALAYSON</b>			
<b>HISTORY OF THE WINERY:</b> Peter Finlayson was the first icon winemaker in the Hemel en Aarde Valley, creating wines for a neighbouring winery in 1978. He won the Diners Club Winemaker of the Year Award in 1989, with his Pinot noir. In the same year, he founded Bouchard Finlayson with the international French judge Paul Bouchard from Bouchard Aîné et fils in Burgundy. A close lifetime friendship and business relationship ensued. The vineyards were planted according to the Burgundian principle of high density and plantings particularly close to the soil to reduce yields, concentrate fruit and develop a firm mid-palate structure. Peter's skill, experience and close friendships with Burgundian winemakers, has resulted in a style of Pinot Noir that is often associated with some of the great wines of Burgundy.				
<b>Wine Name</b>	<b>Galpin Peak Pinot Noir</b>			
Vintage	2006	Region	Walker Bay	
Cultivar/Blend	100% Pinot noir	Winemaker	Peter Finlayson	
Chemical Analysis	TA	5.4g/litre	PH	3.66
	Alc %	14	RS	1.9g/litre
Ave French Retail EUR	EUR40.00			
<b>TASTE PROFILE:</b> Pinot noir is said to be the most terroir driven wine variety in the world. Its beauty and finesse is often lost on less experienced growers who shy away from confronting it. 100% of the Galpin Peak Pinot noir grapes are grown on the Domain. The quality of the wine is directly proportional to the clay content of individual vineyard sites. Vintage 2006 has followed admirably after the most successful 2005. Excellent quality grapes were picked over ten days resulting in great natural acidity and rewarding grape sugars. It is deeply coloured with rich plum, floral, fruity aromatics and is deftly balanced on the long finish. Its appealing, luscious tannins lure you back into the glass.  D'une robe couleur relativement profonde, avec des arômes à la fois floraux et fruité, proche de la prune. Des tannins succulents donnent une patine très civilisé et une longue finale à ce vin.				



<b>WINERY NAME</b>	<b>CLAIME D'OR</b>			
<b>HISTORY OF WINERY:</b> The winery "Claime d'Or", in the Robertson valley was launched in 2009. Its name honours its' original name "Goldmine" with the French word "d'Or" or "gold". "Claim" refers to "a right, title or mining claim on a piece of land." The farm nestles in the Breede River valley surrounded by mountains and blue skies. Claime d'Or has a boutique wine award-winning collection which reflects Bernardo Rapoport and Magriet de Wet's passion for wine. The rich and fruitful soil produces excellent Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc & Sauvignon Blanc, resulting in wine of superb quality.				
<b>Wine Name</b>	<b>Claime d'Or Cabernet Franc</b>			
Vintage	2008	Region	Robertson	
Cultivar/Blend	Cabernet Franc 100%	Winemaker	Kobus Burger	
Importer's Details	n/a			
Chemical Analysis	TA	3.53g/litre	PH	5.9
	Alc %	13.81	RS	3.7g/litre
Ave French Retail EUR	EUR26.00			
<b>TASTE PROFILE:</b> This wine displays cranberry, mulberry and mocha with hints of fragrant cedar wood on the nose. It has a ripe, accessible palate, soft integrated tannins and dark chocolat on the finish. It is drinking well now and will continue to mature over 3 – 5 years. It's perfectly paired with Roast Pork Belly, Polenta and Wild Mushroom Sauce.				



<b>WINERY NAME</b>	<b>CREATION WINES</b>
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**HISTORY OF THE WINERY:** In 2002 the Swiss-trained winemaker, Jean-Claude Martin and his wife, Carolyn (née Finlayson), purchased the farm and established its first vineyards. In 2005 Swiss winemaker Christoph Kaser and his wife, Heidi Kellerhals Kaser, co-invested in the vast potential of the land. Christoph and Jean-Claude’s mutual 30 years’ international viticultural and winemaking experience results in an exclusive, terroir-reflective wine range. Driven by the marketing expertise of Carolyn Martin and inspired by the Creation team, these wines have become sought-after the world over.

<b>Wine Name</b>	<b>Semillon</b>			
Vintage	2010	Region	Walker Bay	
Cultivar/Blend	100% Semillon	Winemaker	J.C. Martin & Christoph Kaser	
Chemical Analysis	TA	6.3g/litre	PH	3.41
	Alc %	13.5	RS	2.0g/litre
Ave French Retail EUR	EUR7.50			

**TASTE PROFILE:** The invigorating, salty bouquet, reminiscent of the fresh sea breezes caressing the vineyards. You will also discover delightful hints of green fig and *petits pois*. It’s a distinctive, terroir expressive Semillon with a characteristic waxy, lanolin nuance true to this variety.

Le nez est vif et un peu salin, évoquant les brises de mer qui caressent les vignes. On y trouve aussi de notes délicieuses de figue verte et de petit pois. C’est distinctif et exprime bien son lieu d’origine tout en restant fidèle au caractère typiquement “cireux” du sémillon.



<b>WINERY NAME</b>	<b>DE WETSHOF ESTATE</b>			
<b>HISTORY OF THE WINERY:</b> De Wetshof is family owned. Its wines are inspired by the winemaking and international marketing experience of Danie de Wet and complimented by his son's talents. Danie creates the wines and guides as he works with Peter in the cellar and Johann in market. Their interest in Chardonnay dates back to Danie's days as a student at Geisenheim in the 1970 as well as visits to leading Burgundian wineries. Danie played a leading role in introducing the variety to South Africa. Today De Wetshof's range includes site specific Chardonnay's which offer a diverse stylistic expression of this intriguing cultivar.				
<b>Wine Name</b>	<b>De Wetshof Estate Bateleur Chardonnay</b>			
Vintage	2007	Region	Robertson	
Cultivar/Blend	100% Chardonnay	Winemaker	Danie de Wet	
Chemical Analysis	TA	6,25g/l	PH	3,26
	Alc %	14	RS	4,1g/l
Ave French Retail EUR	EUR54.00			
<b>TASTE PROFILE:</b> This premium quality, uniquely complex Chardonnay comes from site-specific grapes in exceptional vintages. Danie personally blends the wine from various barrels. This is a multi-dimensional wine, with complex flavours derived from a melange of quality of grapes and good wood. It displays elegant citrus flavours, a fine structure and long finish of lemons and minerals.  Provient d'une récolte issue d'un site particulier, qui n'est mise en bouteille que les années exceptionnelles. Un vin ayant une belle complexité de saveurs, due à la qualité des raisons et son élevage dans les meilleures barriques. Ces saveurs sont fines et élégantes, autour des agrumes. Le vin est long avec un profil de type minéral et citronné.				



<b>WINERY NAME</b>	<b>FAIRVIEW / SPICE ROUTE</b>			
<p><b>HISTORY OF THE WINERY:</b> Five centuries ago the ancient mariners braved uncharted seas to round the Cape in search of exotic spices. Their nerve and dash inspired Charles Back to found the Spice Route Winery in 1997 at Klein Amoskuil in Malmesbury. The Spice Route Winery found its signature wine style in the warm rolling hills along the Cape West Coast. Matching traditional vineyard practices with modern, minimalist cellar techniques exceptionally ripe and deep-flavoured terroir reflective wines are achieved. The deep red soils, unirrigated bush vines and long warm summers are tempered by cool Atlantic breezes rolling in overnight. After only a few years since inception, the wines are leaders in their field.</p>				
<b>Wine Name</b>	<b>Spice Route Chakalaka</b>			
Vintage	2009	Region	Swartland	
Cultivar/Blend	37% Syrah; 21% Mourvèdre ; 18% Carignan; 10% Petite Syrah ; 10% Grenache ; 4% Tannat	Winemaker	Charl du Plessis	
Chemical Analysis	TA	5.9g/litre	PH	3.59
	Alc %	14	RS	3.8g/litre
Ave French Retail EUR	EUR23.00			
<p><b>TASTE PROFILE:</b> Intensely purple with sweet mulberry, fragrant cigar and spice on the nose. Concentrated red fruit on the palate, well-balanced with appealing tannins and rich savoury tones, with a soft, ripe mouthfeel and elegant and lengthy finish.</p>				



<b>WINERY NAME</b>	<b>GLENELLY ESTATE</b>
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**HISTORY OF THE WINERY:** 1865: Glenelly was purchased by the Garlicks, a British family who ran the fruit farm (pears and plums) for 138 years.  
 1925: May de Lencquesaing was born in Bordeaux, brought up and educated at the family home, Chateau Pichon Longueville Comtesse de Lalande.  
 1978: May de Lencquesaing takes over the management of Chateau Pichon Longueville Comtesse de Lalande, Second Grand Cru Classé, Pauillac, Bordeaux. Through her tireless pursuit of excellence and her indefatigable touring of the world to promote her wine she becomes recognised as a staunch global ‘ambassador’ for Bordeaux wines.  
 1988: May de Lencquesaing’s first dedicated wine visit to the Cape with her late husband, the General de Lencquesaing, and a delegation from Bordeaux. She is greatly impressed by the potential for quality wines.  
 2003: May de Lencquesaing acquires the 128 hectares from the Garlick family.  
 2007: May de Lencquesaing sells Chateau Pichon Longueville to Roederer Champagne and devotes her time to the construction and the development of social structures of Glenelly.  
 2007: Wine maker Luke O’Cuinneagain joins the team having previously worked at Chateau Angelus and Rustenberg.

<b>Wine Name</b>	<b>Lady May</b>			
Vintage	2008	Region	Stellenbosch	
Cultivar/Blend	91% Cabernet Sauvignon, 9% Petit Verdot	Winemaker	Luke O’Cuinneagain	
Chemical Analysis	TA	5.1g/litre	PH	3.92
	Alc %	14.55	RS	1.36g/litre
Ave French Retail EUR	EUR30.00			

**TASTE PROFILE:** LADY MAY is Glenelly's Flagship Estate wine. The wine displays blackcurrant, raspberry aromas and delicate spices with nuances of mint characteristic of the terroir. Elegant, complex, deep and perfectly balanced, it has an exquisite structure with velvety tannins aging capability of 10 to 15 years.

Lady May est le vin porte-drapeau de Glenelly. Ce vin elegant et complexe, a des arômes qui rappellent le cassis, la framboise et des épices douces. Avec beaucoup de fraîcheur, le vin évolue vers des notes mentholées classique pour la région. Profond et bien équilibré, ce vin possède une structure fine avec des tannins veloutés. Il a la capacité de vieillir pendant 10 à 15 ans.



<b>WINERY NAME</b>	<b>HAMILTON RUSSELL VINEYARDS</b>			
<p><b>HISTORY OF THE WINERY:</b> Hamilton Russell Vineyards – one of the most southerly wine Estates in Africa and one of the closest to the sea - is located in the beautiful, cool, maritime Hemel-en-Aarde Valley appellation, just behind the old fishing village of Hermanus. The Estate specialises in producing highly individual, terroir-driven Pinot noir and Chardonnay, which are widely regarded as the best in South Africa and among the best in the New World.</p> <p>Founder, Tim Hamilton Russell purchased the undeveloped 170 hectare property in 1975, after an exhaustive search for the most southerly site on which to make South Africa’s top cool climate wines from a selection of noble varieties. His son Anthony Hamilton Russell, who took over in 1991 (finally buying the property in 1994), narrowed the range down to Pinot noir and Chardonnay only and registered Hamilton Russell Vineyards as an Estate, committing to work only with grapes from their terroir. Extensive soil research initiated in 1994 identified 52 hectares of stony, clay-rich, shale-derived soil as optimal for the individual, origin expressive style they aim for and all plantings have now been limited to this soil type.</p> <p>Anthony with winemaker Hannes Storm and viticulturist Johan Montgomery are completely dedicated to expressing the personality of the Hamilton Russell Vineyards terroir in their wines. Tiny yields and intense worldwide demand keep the elegant, highly individual, estate grown Pinot noir and Chardonnay in very short supply.</p>				
<b>Wine Name</b>	<b>Hamilton Russell Vineyards Chardonnay 2009</b>			
Vintage	2009	Region	Hemel-en-Aarde Valley	
Cultivar/Blend	100% Chardonnay	Winemaker	Hannes Storm	
Chemical Analysis	TA	7.1g/litre	PH	3.12
	Alc %	13.0	RS	2.97g/litre
Ave French Retail EUR	EUR34.00			
<p><b>TASTE PROFILE:</b> A tight, minerally wine with classic Hamilton Russell Vineyards length and complexity. A prominent core of intense pear fruit aromas and flavours is brought beautifully into focus by a tight line of natural acid and a dry minerality. An elegant, yet textured and intense wine with a strong personality of both place and vintage.</p>				



<b>WINERY NAME</b>	<b>JORDAN WINE ESTATE</b>			
<b>HISTORY OF THE WINERY:</b> Situated in Stellenbosch, the heart of the Cape Winelands, Jordan Wine Estate boasts panoramic views of Table Mountain, False Bay and the Stellenbosch Mountains. This family-owned estate, established in 1982, has been transformed to become one of the leading estates in South Africa. The first Jordan wines were made in 1993 by husband-and-wife winemaking team, Gary and Kathy Jordan in their state-of-the-art cellar. The estate features a wine tasting centre, rolling lawns and a world-class restaurant where visitors can relax and enjoy fine Cape wines and local Cape fare surrounded by breathtaking views of the vineyards.				
<b>Wine Name</b>	<b>Jordan Nine Yards Chardonnay</b>			
Vintage	2009	Region	Stellenbosch	
Cultivar/Blend	Chardonnay	Winemaker	Gary and Kathy Jordan	
Chemical Analysis	TA	6.3g/litre	PH	3.27
	Alc %	13.5	RS	2.7g/litre
Ave French Retail EUR	EUR19.00			
<b>TASTE PROFILE:</b> Butterscotch, spicy cloves, lemon/lime and orange peel with complex mineral citrus flavours. A rich mouthfeel and subtly balanced toasty French oak integrate with the long, tropical peach and melon finish.  Des arômes qui évoquent le caramel, le citron, le citron vert et l'écorce d'orange, avec une pointe de minéralité citronnée qui ajoute de la complexité. Riche au palais, avec un boisé toasté qui s'intègre à des saveurs fruitées proches de la pêche et du melon.				



<b>WINERY NAME</b>	<b>KLOOVENBURG VINEYARDS</b>			
<b>HISTORY OF THE WINERY:</b> Kloovenburg was planted with grapes as early as the mid-18 <sup>th</sup> century, but it had to wait for the two generations of Du Toits to transform these into significant wines. In 1998 Pieter produced his first Shiraz and its success encouraged him to renovate Kloovenburg's cellar, with the purpose of establishing a new name in the South African wine industry. Of the farm's 300 hectares, 130 are under wine grapes, 25 under table grapes and 30 under olives. 20% of the best grapes are reserved for making Kloovenburg' own wines.				
<b>Wine Name</b>	<b>Kloovenburg Shiraz</b>			
Vintage	2008	Region	Swartland	
Cultivar/Blend	100%	Winemaker	Pieter du Toit	
Chemical Analysis	TA	5.6g/litre	PH	3.54
	ALC %	14.5%	RS	2.8g/litre
Ave French Retail EUR	EUR8.50			
<b>TASTE PROFILE:</b> A vivid ruby colour reveals itself in a seduction of smoky flavours, exciting spice and dark berries. Perfectly balancing ripe fruit, subtle oak and coconut, the opulent nose follows through in a stylish palate with beautiful soft tannins and a sultry chocolaty aftertaste.				



<b>WINERY NAME</b>	<b>KWV SOUTH AFRICA (PTY) LTD</b>
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**HISTORY OF THE WINERY:** In the seventeenth century, the Tailleferts were a prosperous family in the district of La Bri, in the Poitou-Charentes of France. After the revocation of the Edict of Nantes in 1685, this French Huguenot family boarded the Dutch East India Company’s ship Oosterland, bound for the Cape.

Laborie was granted to Isaac Taillefert in 1691, which he placed in his son Jean’s name. He already owned the neighbouring Picardie. They set about clearing the bush and planting vines, which was no easy task. But within seven years, they were making a drinkable wine. In fact, it was the opinion of a Frenchman, Leguat, who visited the Cape in 1698, that their wine was “the best in the colony and similar to the small wines of Champagne”. With their knowledge of French viticultural techniques, the Taillefert family laid a solid foundation of vineyards and outstanding wine production that is evident today, three hundred years later, in Laborie’s wines of distinction.

Three hundred years on, Laborie remains one of the oldest operational wine estates in South Africa, producing some of the best Methodé Cap Classique bubbliies, an array of award winning wines, an estate brandy and a unique fortified Pinotage dessert wine, which can daily be tasted in the historic cellar, situated next to the stately Manor House.

<b>Wine Name</b>	<b>Laborie Alambic Brandy</b>			
Vintage	NV	Region	Western Cape	
Cultivar/Blend	Chardonnay	Brandy Master	Kobus Gelderbloem	
Chemical Analysis	TA	n/a	PH	n/a
	Alc %	38	RS	7.36g/litre
Ave French Retail EUR	EUR36.00			

**TASTE PROFILE:** Pure 100% double-distilled Pot Still Brandy made from Chardonnay grapes with a touch of Pinotage. It has a rich golden amber colour, with characteristic aromas of Cognac: apricot, dried peach aromas, ripe strawberries, exotic pineapple, chocolate, walnut and an elegant, complex and nutty finish. It displays an elegance and balance worthy of its title of the finest brandy in the world.

<b>Wine Name</b>	<b>Laborie Pineau de Laborie</b>			
Vintage	2004	Region	Western Cape	
Cultivar/Blend	Pinotage	Brandy Master	Thys Loubser	
Chemical Analysis	TA	5.14g/litre	PH	3.37
	ALC %	17.47	RS	113
Average EUR price	EUR11.00			

**TASTE PROFILE:** This fortified sweet wine is made from 100% Pinotage grapes. It is matured in small oak barrels, resulting in a wine with a typical fruity aroma and well balanced flavour.





<b>WINERY NAME</b>	<b>LAIBACH VINEYARDS</b>
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**HISTORY OF WINERY:** At Laibach Vineyards we are committed to producing wines of outstanding quality, that best reflect the unique terroir and the microclimate of the Simonsberg ward near Stellenbosch, one of South Africa’s prime wine-growing areas for noble cultivars. Therefore we use a blend of tradition and innovation, adhering to a philosophy of continuous improvement. The history of our wine farm can be traced back until the year 1818. Originally named “Good Success” and owned by Dutchman Daniel Johannes van Ryneveld from Amsterdam, this vast farm extended to most of the catchment area in the valley enclosed by the Simonsberg, Kanonkop and Klapmutsberg. Later on it was divided in three farms: Warwick, De Goede Suces and the remainder of the farm Good Success, which has become Laibach in 1994.

<b>Wine Name</b>	<b>Laibach Ladybird</b>			
Vintage	2008	Region	Simonsberg - Stellenbosch	
Cultivar/Blend	42% merlot, 25% cab franc, 16% cab sauv, 6% malbec, 11% petit verdot	Winemaker	Francois van Zyl	
Chemical Analysis	TA	5.5g/litre	PH	3.7
	ALC %	14	RS	2.5g/litre
Ave French Retail EUR	EUR20.00			

**TASTE PROFILE:** Picking by hand several times to achieve optimum sugar levels. Hand sorted on modern vibrating tables before fermentation in small open top 5 ton fermentation tanks. Extracting is done with manual punch downs and pumpovers in the “old school” technique, with skin contact around 6 – 10 days. Some wild yeast experiments are in progress. The wine is matured in small French oak barrels for 12 months of which 20 % is new. Bottled without filtration and sealed with an organic cork. Our aim is to make a wine to reflect our classically unique Simonsberg – Stellenbosch terroir. It has a deep dark color, intense pure black fruit, spice a medium bodied palate, complexity, length and supple tannins. Drinking beautifully with good building components to improve over the next 4 – 5 years.



<b>WINERY NAME</b>	<b>MORGENHOF ESTATE</b>
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**HISTORY OF WINERY:** Owned by French born, Mrs Anne Cointreau since 1993, the Estate dates back to 1692. Morgenhof is part of the Simonsberg Ward of Stellenbosch which is known to produce outstanding red wines. The town of Stellenbosch is the second oldest town in the country.

Anne Cointreau was the first French person to invest in the South African Wine Industry in 1993, pre democracy. In 13 years she has developed this unknown farm into one of the top 5 wine farms to visit. She has received many awards for this development and has been voted one of the top 40 women entrepreneurs of the world by the Star Group in the USA. She was on the Harvard Business School's Women's Leadership Board in 2001, a finalist in Business Women of the Year in 2002, and awarded the very prestigious Legion d'Honneur by the French Government for her business in South Africa in 2005.

<b>Wine Name</b>	<b>Morgenhof Estate Chenin Blanc</b>			
Vintage	2009	Region	Simonsberg Stellenbosch	
Cultivar/Blend	100% Chenin Blanc	Winemaker	Jacques Cilliers	
Chemical Analysis	TA	5.8g/litre	PH	3.4
	ALC %	14	RS	2.7g/litre
Ave French Retail EUR	EUR12.00			

**TASTE PROFILE:** A wonderful expression of refreshing citrus, lime and passion fruit flavours integrated with French oak giving a creamy texture and lingering crispness.

Une belle expression d'agrûmes et de fruit de la passion. L'ensemble est désaltérant, bien intégré avec le chêne français qui donne une sensation crémeuse au palais, laissant une longue et précise fraîcheur conduire la finale.



<b>WINERY NAME</b>	<b>MORGENSTER WINE ESTATE</b>
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**HISTORY OF WINERY:** This year Morgenster is 300 years old and was once part of the thriving farm, Vergelegen, owned by Cape Governor Willem Adriaan van der Stel. After van der Stel's recall in 1708, the property was divided into four. The section now known as Morgenster was bought by Jacques Malan, a Huguenot who had fled religious persecution in France and was to found a dynasty in the Cape. It was he who gave the farm its name. Giulio Bertrand, who bought the farm in 1992, restored Morgenster under the guidance of architect Revel Fox. Apart from olive trees, the Morgenster hillside today boasts the classic red grape varieties - Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon and Cabernet Franc, and a state-of-the-art wine cellar.

<b>Wine Name</b>	<b>Morgenster – The Morgenster</b>			
Vintage	2005	Region	Stellenbosch	
Cultivar/Blend	Cab Sav/ Cab Fr/ Mer		Winemaker	Henry Kotze
Chemical Analysis	TA	5.65g/litre	PH	3.6
	ALC %	14.5	RS	2.5g/litre
Ave French Retail EUR				

**TASTE PROFILE:** Black cherries on the nose with cherry kernels; marzipan and stone fruit on the palate, silky tannins and an impressively long finish.

Des tannins soyeux assurent une bon lien entre fruit et acidité. Des arômes de cerises noires se tranforment en saveurs de noyaux de cerises au palais. On y trouve aussi des notes de frangipane et d'autres fruits à noyaux. La finale est d'un longueur impressionante.



<b>WINERY NAME</b>	<b>MURATIE</b>			
<b>HISTORY OF WINERY:</b> Muratie Wine Estate is one of South Africa's oldest privately owned wine Estates specialising in classic, elegant Red Blends and Shiraz of character and personality.				
<b>Wine Name</b>	<b>Muratie Shiraz</b>			
Vintage	2007	Region	Simonsberg-Stellenbosch	
Cultivar/Blend	Shiraz	Winemaker	Francois Conradie	
Chemical Analysis	TA	4.9g/litre	PH	3.74
	ALC %	14.5	RS	1.5g/litre
Ave French Retail EUR	EUR21.00			
<b>TASTE PROFILE:</b> The wine is an intense red with a violet miniscus. The nose displays a combination of floral and berry notes supported by a sweet spiciness. The palate shows ripe tannins with green peppercorns and venison which give structure to the wine and compliments the fruit. It has a long vanilla, crème brûlée finish.				



<b>WINERY NAME</b>	<b>RUPERT &amp; ROTHSCHILD VIGNERONS</b>			
<b>HISTORY OF WINERY:</b> A wine partnership between the Rupert family from South Africa and Baron Benjamin de Rothschild from France on the historic French Huguenot farm Fredericksburg situated in the Franschhoek Valley. In addition to striving to produce world-class wine, they are deeply committed to the preservation and conservation of the environment. Rupert & Rothschild Vignerons was the first winery in South Africa to be awarded ISO14001 Environmental Management Certification.				
<b>Wine Name</b>	<b>Rupert &amp; Rothschild Classique</b>			
Vintage	2009	Region	Franschhoek	
Cultivar/Blend		Winemaker	Yvonne Lester	
Chemical Analysis	TA	6g/litre	PH	3.65
	ALC %	13.5	RS	2.3g/litre
Ave French Retail EUR	EUR17.50			
<b>OTASTE PROFILE:</b> Elegant and appealing with aromas of red berries, sweet cherries, white pepper and cedar wood with undertones of aniseed and almond. Good complexity with dark chocolate and flinty undertones on the palate.  Vin elegant et séduisant don't les arômes évoquent des baies rouges, des cerises bien mures, du poivre blanc, ainsi que des notes d'anis et d'amande. Bonne complexité, avec des sensations de chocolat noir et un fond plus ferme et schisteux au palais.				



<b>WINERY NAME</b>	<b>RUSTENBERG WINES</b>			
<p><b>HISTORY OF WINERY:</b> Originally granted in 1682 to a German settler, Rustenberg farm was bought by Peter and Pamela Barlow in 1941. Uninterrupted wine records started in 1892 and for many years this 1200 hectare property produced roughly 120 000 bottles annually from mainly red Bordeaux grape varieties, cultivated in the rich Stellenbosch soils on the foot of the majestic Simonsberg Mountain.</p> <p>The force behind the 21st Century renewal is Simon Barlow, son of Peter and Pamela. A custodian, who is driven by his vision of <i>“absolute passion and total dedication to quality in both the vineyard and cellar”</i>.</p>				
<b>Wine Name</b>	Rustenberg Stellenbosch John X Merriman			
Vintage	2008	Region	Simonsberg-Stellenbosch	
Cultivar/Blend	51% Cabernet Sauvignon; 36% Merlot; 7% Petit Verdot; 4% Cabernet Franc; 2% Malbec	Winemaker	Randolph Christians	
Chemical Analysis	TA	5.9g/litre	PH	3.59
	ALC %	14.5	RS	2.9g/litre
Ave French Retail EUR	EUR15.00			
<p><b>TASTE PROFILE:</b> Plum and cigar-box aromatics prelude a multi-layered palate with an elegant tannin structure.</p>				



<b>WINERY NAME</b>	<b>SARONSBERG CELLAR</b>
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**HISTORY OF WINERY:** Saronsberg consists of two farm portions formerly known as Waveren and Welgegund. The farm originally formed part of the beautiful and historic Twee Jonge Gezellen (TJG) until it was divided between the two Krone brothers in the 1950s. Waveren and Welgegund, which lie on either side of TJG, were acquired in 2002 and renamed after the commanding mountain whose slopes are home to a portion of their vines: Saronsberg. The two sites are distinctly different in terroir, with broad disparities in altitude, aspect, soil type and temperature producing grapes with strongly contrasting characteristics. The immediate construction of a cellar was not part of the initial plan, but a wild fire two months after the acquisition of the farm meant the original strategy of gradually replanting vineyards had to be re-assessed. On 25 January 2004, Saronsberg's winemaking history officially began with the harvest of our first Sauvignon Blanc grapes – a momentous occasion that was celebrated 2 weeks later with a harvest party, then again the following year when Saronsberg reaped numerous awards for the 2004 vintage.

<b>Wine Name</b>	<b>Saronsberg Viognier</b>			
Vintage	2009	Region	Tulbagh	
Cultivar/Blend	100% Viognier	Winemaker	Dewaldt Heyns	
Chemical Analysis	TA	7.1g/litre	PH	3.29
	ALC %	13.58	RS	3.1g/litre
Ave French Retail EUR	EUR22.00			

**TASTE PROFILE:** This Viognier displays the aromatic elegance and finesse of which this cultivar and is capable. The wine has a light straw colour, flavours of butterscotch, nutty caramel, pear and lime. It displays minerality, subtle fruit expression and approachable oaking(second fill only), with a rich, silky palate and a balanced oak finish.



<b>WINERY NAME</b>	<b>TOKARA</b>
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**HISTORY OF WINERY:** Made from 100% botrytised hand harvested Sauvignon Blanc on Tokara's Farm's Siberia; in the Hemel-en-Aarde Valley in the Walker Bay Area; and Highlands, in the Elgin District. Only the healthiest botrytised bunches were selected and picked into shallow crates and put into our cold store to bring the temperature of the grapes down to 4 degrees Celsius. The grapes were delivered to our Stellenbosch winery the next day and a further bunch selection took place while loading the basket press. The grapes were whole bunch pressed overnight to extract all the juice possible and settled in stainless steel overnight. The following day the juice was racked to barrel and inoculated with selected yeast for fermentation. The fermentation took 4 months before stopping naturally. Fermentation took place in 4 225 litre barriques of which 25 % were new French oak. The wine spent 6 months in barrel before being filtered and bottled in October 2009. Only 2300 375 ml bottles were produced. This wine will benefit from further maturation until 2018.

<b>Wine Name</b>	Tokara Reserve Noble Late Harvest 2009			
Vintage	2009	Region	Overberg	
Cultivar/Blend	Sauvignon Blanc	Winemaker	Miles Mossop	
Chemical Analysis	TA	7.8g/litre	PH	3.70
	ALC %	12	RS	121.1g/litre
Ave French Retail EUR	EUR15.75			

**TASTE PROFILE:** This wine displays a brilliant gold colour with flecks of green. The nose is generous and complex, with notes of dried nectarines, ripe apricots and greengage jelly with hints of cumquat and green fig preserve. The aromas keep emerging from the glass in waves of complexity ever changing in the glass from lime preserve to toasted almonds, marzipan and brioche. The wine explodes onto the palate. The mid-palate is rich, full and textured with a fresh, lingering finish. The wine displays perfect balance between sweetness, acidity and alcohol leaving the palate refreshed.

Une robe d'un or brillant, aux reflets verts. Nez aussi généreux que complexe, avec des notes qui évoquent la nectarine, l'abricot mur et la reine-claude, ainsi que de touches d'agrume et de figue verte. Ces arômes arrivent par vagues, en constante évolution dans le verre. Ils tendent ensuite vers l'amande grillée, la frangipane et la brioche. Au palais les saveurs sont explosives: nectarine, orange amer, reine-claude et citron vert. La texture est pleine et riche, et la finale longue et fraîche. Le vin est parfaitement équilibré entre douceur, acidité et alcool et laisse le palais très frais.



<b>WINERY NAME</b>	<b>VONDELING</b>
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**HISTORY OF WINERY:** Vondeling, meaning 'foundling' was established in 1704 when the land was granted by Simon van der Stel to Swedish immigrant Olaff Bergh. Situated on the west-facing slopes of the Voor-Paardeberg near Paarl, the farm was purchased by the current owners in 2000. In 2002, the process of renovating the 18<sup>th</sup> Century farmhouse began with a wine cellar following in 2004 and the first wine being made on the farm in 2005.

<b>Wine Name</b>	<b>Vondeling Chardonnay</b>			
Vintage	2008	Region	Voor-Paardeberg	
Cultivar/Blend	100% Chardonnay	Winemaker	Matthew Copeland	
Chemical Analysis	TA	6.3g/litre	PH	3.39
	ALC %	13.1	RS	5.2g/litre
Ave French Retail EUR	EUR13.50			

**TASTE PROFILE:** The grapes are destemmed before whole berry pressing. This action reduces the absorption of coarse phenolics and helps retain more of the grape's natural acidity. The clear juice is then transferred to 500-litre French oak barrels for fermentation. Spontaneous fermentation by wild yeast is encouraged and NO commercial yeast culture is added. Although a racking process, this method promotes complexity in the wine.

The wine is matured on the yeast lees for 7 months and a small degree of malolactic fermentation occurs spontaneously, producing rich, buttery flavours. The wine is raked from its yeast lees and blended homogeneously before barrel maturation for a further 4 months. The wine spends a total of 11 months in oak before being bottled in January the following year. The nose offers fresh peaches, orange blossom, marmalade and a touch of honey. The palate is full and rich with a zesty, fresh finish.



<b>WINERY NAME</b>	<b>VREDE EN LUST WINE ESTATE</b>			
<b>HISTORY OF WINERY:</b> Nestled at the foothills of the Simonsberg, Vrede en Lust is home to the wines produced by the 2007 Landbou Weekblad Woman Winemaker of the Year, Susan Erasmus. The history of Vrede en Lust is a story of passion, vision and resurrection, dating to 1688, when Flemish merchant Jacques de Savoye arrived at the Cape with the French Huguenots.  After changing hands several times until bought in 1996 by the Buys family who became the 17 <sup>th</sup> owners. In 1996 Buys family became the 17th owners, they embarked on a program of renewal to realise the exceptional winemaking potential of the land. Vrede en Lust is a family owned and managed wine business which has been totally restored to realise its full potential. It is a tribute to its noble roots and a magnificent addition to the South African wine industry.				
<b>Wine Name</b>	<b>Viognier</b>			
Vintage	2010	Region	Simonsberg-Paarl	
Cultivar/Blend	100% Viognier	Winemaker	Susan Erasmus with Anson Fourie	
Chemical Analysis	TA	7g/litre	PH	3.76
	ALC %	14.5	RS	2.9g/litre
Ave French Retail EUR	EUR21.00			
<b>TASTE PROFILE:</b> A very expressive Viognier with characteristic apricot and peach flavours. The wine has an off-dry level of residual sugar. It is full bodied, delicately balanced with subtle oaking to compliment its full body.				



<b>WINERY NAME</b>	<b>WATERKLOOF</b>			
<p><b>HISTORY OF WINERY:</b> In 1993, winemaker and importer Paul Boutinot commenced his search for a vineyard site with the potential to produce truly fine wine with a defining sense of origin. The classic areas such as the Cote d’Or, Chablis, Paulliac, Barolo, etc. were either unavailable or unattainable (rich men’s toys), so he had to find a new “classic”. After ten years he discovered the south-facing vineyards on the slopes of the Schaapenberg in Stellenbosch, just 5 kilometres from False Bay. Bought in 2004, with the first vintage in 2005. A state of the art gravity fed winery and cellar was then completed just in time for the 2009 vintage, before being joined in late 2009 by a now widely acclaimed restaurant.</p> <p>Waterkloof wines display classic, European style wines of great complexity and uncompromised quality. The wines are shaped by an amphitheatre of bio-dynamic farmed vineyards, famed as one of the finest cool climate wine growing sites in South Africa. Each wine is defined by a unique symphony of fortuitous circumstances and embraces a strong core of elegance. Waterkloof fosters a time-honoured winemaking philosophy and stays true to a well ensconced ‘slow wine’ mantra, celebrating the full expression of the unique character and sense of place in every bottle.</p>				
<b>Wine Name</b>	<b>Waterkloof, Circumstance Syrah</b>			
Vintage	2008	Region	Stellenbosch	
Cultivar/Blend	Syrah	Winemaker	Werner Engelbrecht	
Chemical Analysis	TA	4.9g/litre	PH	3.76
	ALC %	14.5	RS	2.9g/litre
Ave French Retail EUR	EUR27.00			
<p><b>TASTE PROFILE:</b> Intense and complex bouquet of black cherries, violets, charcuterie and freshly crushed dark vanilla pods. The palate is rich and brimming with black fruits and finishes with silky-smooth tannins. It will complement red meat, especially lamb or sirloin steak, flavoured with Southern French herbs (rosemary, thyme) or hearty casseroles.</p>				