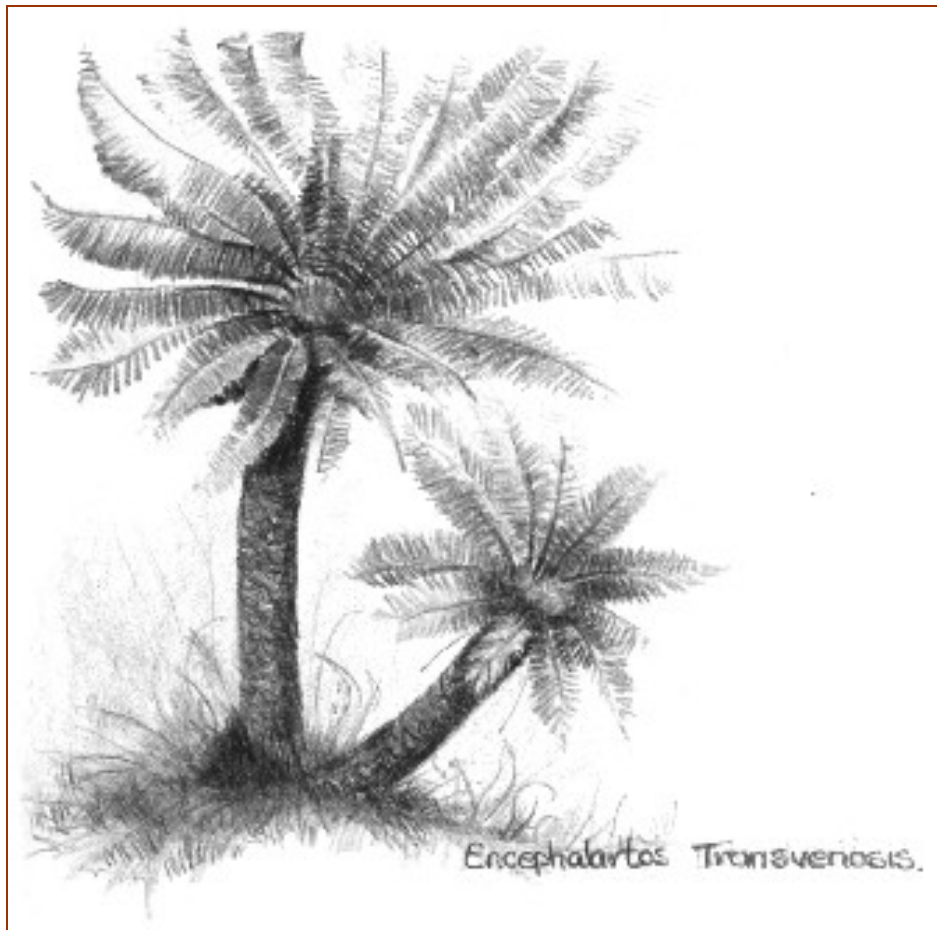


Le'Thaba Restaurant

Wine list

At

Fairview River Lodge



Foreword

Being wine lovers ourselves, it was a great pleasure to put this wine selection together for the Le'Thaba Restaurant at Fairview.

The South-African wine industry grew over the years to become the eighth largest wine producing country in the world, with France being the foremost producer, which produces 22% of the total wine in the world.

South-Africa has a total number of 388 wine cellars, which produces 530 million litres of wine annually .The wine sales in our country reaches an number of 379 million litres per year. The most popular varieties for the production of wine are the Cabernet Sauvignon, Shiraz and Merlot cultivars.

Our interest in wines started in 1987.Touring the Cape wine lands for our honeymoon was an unforgettable experience, and we visited as many wine estates and vineyards as possible. An annually return to that beautiful area made it possible for us to get to know most of the best wine estates and we started to collect our favourite wines.

Today we are able to offer some of the best wines that are produced in South Africa. Of course there are many more, but for ourselves it is a great pleasure to have our favourites on the wine list The list could probably expand in the time to come, as the wine industry of our country is truly dynamic, and so forth there is often a new and better product on the market that can only be of great value to any wine list.

We would like you to enjoy our wines with us, as we as South-Africans can be proud of a culture that we have refined and developed into a world-renowned trade and industry.

Remember, that it is a very old tradition that good food and good wine should be enjoyed together!

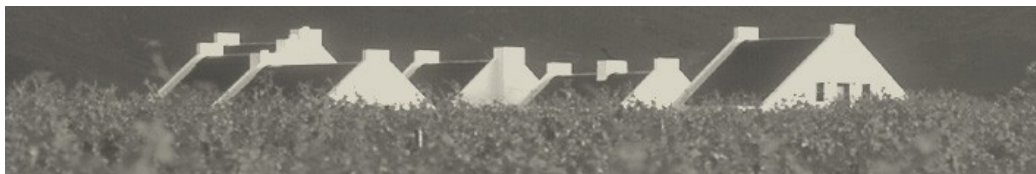
Keith Floyd said: "What is a feast? A feast is an occasion where food, friends and drinks are harmoniously celebrated, no matter how humble or grand the occasion "



*Andre &
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Fairview Hotel,
Since 1993*

Wine List

Red Wines



Cabernet Sauvignon

Adaptable and internationally planted black grape making some of the world's finest and long-lasting wines. The Cabernet Sauvignon grape can stand alone triumphantly, but is also frequently blended with a wide range of other varieties.

Fleur De Cap Cabernet Sauvignon

R 150.00

Medium to full-bodied matured in small oak casks. Aromas of sweet, ripe berries and nuts with fresh plum flavours on the palate

Fairview Cabernet Sauvignon

R 150.00

A well-structured wine with blackcurrant, mint and eucalyptus aromas and flavours.

Middelvlei Cabernet Sauvignon

R 170.00

Intense dark cherry / blackberry flavours wrapped luxuriously around supple tannins. Harmonious, smooth, with a persistent finish.

Allesverloren Cabernet Sauvignon

R 165.00

A Robust, deep flavoured dry red of remarkable colour and brimming with cabernet character. Matured in small French oak casks. A wine with outstanding bottle maturation potential.

Zonnebloem Cabernet Sauvignon

R 145.00

Ripe, plummy with a touch of mint, muscular and firm, but generously flavoured with a dry tannic comeback on finish.

Zorgvliet Cabernet Sauvignon

R 275.00

The wine has a plum, brick colour. The nose typifies Banhoek Cabernet Sauvignon, showing blackcurrant, herbaceous and cloves.

Nederburg Cabernet Sauvignon

R 150.00

Well juiced blackcurrant fruit. Plumps up aggressive frame. 20% French Oak

Backsberg Cabernet Sauvignon / Merlot

R 215.00

Spicy aromas of liquorice and vanilla mingled with blackcurrant fruit. Layers of fruit and oak tannins provide the necessary framework for ripe full fruit flavours of plum and blackberry.

Shiraz

This variety is internationally increasing in popularity, with Northern Rhone and now also Australia as its major domiciles. Clearly happy in warmer climates, Shiraz is seen by many as the great hope for South-African wine. Shiraz is made here in a variety of styles – generally wooded, often with American Oak.

Fairview Shiraz

R 160.00

This wine is the cellars flagship red – Peppery, smoky aromas with a spicy flavour.

Zandvliet Shiraz

R 195.00

Garnet in colour, this elegant wine expresses all the shiraz has to offer. Medium-bodied, dry red wine with rich fruit overlaid with typical smoky bouquet

Middelvlei Shiraz

R 175.00

Pepper, plum and liquorice aromas with hints of violets, vanilla and cherries on the palate. A stunning balance of old world earthiness and new world fruit.

Zonnebloem Shiraz

R 130.00

A well-balanced wine by excellent dark berried fruits, supple blackcurrant with a fine supported oak.

Spier Shiraz

R 102.00

Dark plum in colour with a youthful purple edge. The wine shows inviting aromas of sweet plum, white pepper and subtle oak-derived notes. A fruit-driven palate hosts well-structured tannin, with hints of sweet and smoky American oak-derived flavours.

Nederburg Shiraz

R 120.00

Silver Myn Shiraz

R 155.00

Pinotage

The Pinotage variety was developed in the 1920's when it was crossed between Pinot Noir and Cinsaut. The Pinotage variety is the only truly South-African cultivar and some recent international success has been achieved with this grape. The Pinotage wines are available in a range of styles, from simply fruity, ambitious to well oaken.

Fairview Pinotage

R 125.00

A rich, black cherry flavour with ripe tannins makes for delicious drinking.

Middelvlei Pinotage

R 140.00

Their flagship wine with raspberry aromas, mulberry undertones and elegant oak spices. Medium-bodied with prominent sweet flavours and a dry finish. Striking modern style!

Graham beck Pinotage

R 85.00

Plums, berries and hints of banana. A mouthful of juicy soft fruit for everyday drinking.

Zonnebloem Pinotage

R 95.00

A ripe and accessible wine, reliable and stylish. Red / black cherry fruit in a plump, friendly profile with a touch of varietal sweetness in finish.

Backsberg Pinotage

R 120.00

Ripe mulberry and sweet strawberry with a touch of herbs. A juicy mouth-feel with supple, 'sweet' tannins.

Kanonkop Pinotage

R 180.00

Matured in mainly new 225 litre French Nevers barrels for up to 16 months. This is a full-bodied wine which has a deep ruby colour exuding the flavours of red- and blackberries, raspberries, plum and hints of banana.

Nederburg Pinotage

R 125.00

Merlot

The Merlot variety is a classic blending partner for Cabernet, now widely fashionable around the world. Merlot tends to be an easier version of Cabernet – although this is perhaps because it is often made in a less ambitious manner.

Fairview merlot

R 155.00

Wonderfully juicy with red fruit aromas and a supple silky mouth-feel.

Middelvlei Pinotage/Merlot

R 155.00

This dynamic blend features rich aromatic flavours of plums and blackcurrant backed by mild, wooded spices. A forward berry fruit taste, with structured tannins and lingering taste.

Zonnebloem Merlot

R 85.00

Characterised by a whiff of mint to dark chocolate fruit, suitably fleshy with an intimidating tannin and a firm mineral finish, softened by a touch of sweetness.

Spier Merlot

R 102.00

The wine shows rich plum and red berry aromas, with mouth-watering caramel and a hint of smoky tobacco. A velvety-smooth palate that shows subtle oak and lingering berry flavours.

Tall Horse Merlot

R 120.00

Malbec

Neetlingshof Malbec

R 140.00

The Malbec Vineyards, established in Tukulu and Villafonte' soils, are located on a westerly slope between 120–150m above sea level. The vines were planted in 2003 and are trellised onto a seven-wire vertical hedge system and grafted onto Richter 110 rootstock. They receive supplementary irrigation through a drip system only when necessary. The 2008 vintage yielded 12tons per hectare, handharvested in march at 25° Balling.

Blends

Bartho Eksteen

R 115.00

Deep blue / black colour. Smells of barnyard, like a good Rhone Syrah at first, then moves to delicious ripe red berry aromas. Medium to full-bodied, super concentrated, great extracts and length. Multi-layered flavours of crème de cassis, cedar box, tobacco in a low acidity and high tannins. (but soft)

Kanonkop Kadette

R 180.00

Kanonkop's second label. A blend of 50% plus Pinotage, Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot and Cabernet Franc. Matured in 225litre French Nevers barrels for up to 16 months.

Kanonkop Paul Sauer

R 580.00

A traditional blend of approximately 70% Cabernet Sauvignon, 15% Cabernet Franc and 15% Merlot. It is matured in new 225litre French Nevers barrels for 22-26months. It is often described as more elegant than the straight Cabernet Sauvignon.

Nederburg Baronne

R 150.00

Silver Myn Pinot Noir

R 165.00

White Wines



Dry White Wines

Chardonnay

These cultivars have become more popular over the recent years. These wines show a wide range of styles, quality and price. It is a generally used variety and also often used in blends. Often a heavily wooded and more ambitious wine.

Fairview Chardonnay

R 120.00

Creamy citrus flavours, good balance with a long delicious finish. Full of class and elegance.

Zonnebloem Blanc de Blanc

R 80.00

A sexy little Chenin / Sauvignon blend, tweaked to meet the markets "light and fruity" mantra. Green apple, fresh and zippy, power-lunch-light.

Zonnebloem Chardonnay

R 115.00

A wine with smooth acidity, mouth-watering finish that is dry.

Nederburg Chardonnay

R 85.00

A striking wine that shifts the focus to a more minerally, stony intensity, refined, not big or bold, creamy and buttery.

Napier – Saint Catherine

R 110.00

Nederburg Premier Grand Cru

R 75.00

Sauvignon Blanc

Nederburg Sauvignin Blanc

R 150.00

Fairview Sauvignon Blanc

R 110.00

Zorgvliet Sauvignon Blanc

R 150.00

Semi-sweet / late Harvest wines

Gewürztraminer

Readily identifiable from its rose petal fragrance. Usually made in sweeter styles in the Cape.

Delheim Gewürztraminer

R 110.00

Intense ripe litchi and rose petal flavours. Suitable choice for spicy foods.

Grunberger Freudenlese

R 75.00

A very fruity, low alcohol wine blended from sauvignon Blanc and Gewürztraminer.

Kupferberger Auslese

R 65.00

A slightly sweet wine with a rich and outstanding late-harvest character, skilfully blended in the German Auslese tradition

Graqa

R 55.00

Cleverly made semi-dry crowd pleaser, hugely quaffable and an anytime light with sauvignons refreshing herbaceous ness.

Rosé Wines

Grunberger Rosenlese

R 75.00

A semi-sweet, low alcohol wine blended from three grape cultivars – Sauvignon Blanc, Gewürztraminer and Ruby Cabernet. It has a fresh, fruity and almost spicy character.

Graqa Rosé`

R 65.00

Rich in colour, fruity in taste, with a slight petulance and earthy presence

Wines / Per Glass

Allesverloren Port

R 15.00

An ever-popular full and sweet wine. Attractive, leafy, a welcome satiny texture with a freshening acidity, and a long tangy finish.

Monis Full Cream

R 12.00

Medium Cream

R 12.00

Pale dry Sherrie

R 12.00

Old brown Sherrie

R 12.00

Stein

R 20.00

Grand Cru

R 20.00

Sparkling Wines

JC Le Roux Le Domaine

R 95.00

The first sparkling wine to offer both natural lightness and a delicious full taste – lighter in alcohol and kilojoules.

JC Le Roux La Fleurette

R 95.00

Stylish new salmon pink rosé that is light-hearted yet naturally elegant

JC Le Roux La Chanson

R 95.00

Lively, ruby-red which reveals delightful, fruity flavours suggesting hints of strawberry and plum.

5th Ave Cold Duck

R 80.00

A blend of specially selected red and white sparkling wine

Pongraz

R 160.00

An explosion of pinpoint bubbles, characteristic fine aroma and yeastiness on the nose, followed by the rich complexity finesse and lingering after taste.

Graham Beck Brut Rosé

R 225.00

A beautiful salmon pink colour with strawberry flavours.

Monis Classic non-alcoholic

R 65.00

