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OVERBERG: From Old Dutch *Over 't Berg* (Literal meaning: '*Over the Mountain*')

Welcome *to the Overberg*

It is with great pride and pleasure that we invite you to join us in celebrating the 20th anniversary issue of the Overberg Wine Guide.

Back in 2006 when the first edition was published, the Overberg was a hidden gem cherished by off-the-beaten-track adventurers. But along single-lane dirt roads across rugged landscapes surrounding sleepy rural villages, visionary farmers had already planted the seeds of a new wine legacy.

Attuned to the earth and inspired by cool coastal breezes and diverse soils, these pioneers have given birth to vineyards of distinction. No longer in the shadow of South Africa's historic winelands, the Overberg's winemakers are crafting wines of singular character that embody the soul of the Overberg – a blend of tradition and innovation.

Over the past two decades, the region has been transformed into a vinicultural heaven where every bottle tells a story. Its exceptional wines have claimed their place on the international stage and continue to garner world-wide attention. With the 'Whale-watching Capital' of Hermanus as its main commercial hub, the Overberg has blossomed into a world-class destination with a vibrant food and wine culture.

Cradled by fynbos-clad mountains and valleys, and bordered by a pristine coastline teeming with marine life, the region offers visitors unspoilt natural beauty, charming villages, and unforgettable hospitality experiences. This guide invites visitors to linger longer and explore the many attractions that make the Overberg such a rewarding destination.

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Public Holidays 10am–4pm

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sales@wineandco.co.za



Wine



Overberg Wine Routes

The Overberg stretches from beyond the Hottentots-Holland Mountains and along the Cape South Coast to the start of the Garden Route. Here, among rolling hills of fragrant fynbos, you will find a land of big skies, with canola and wheat fields, orchards and vineyards stretching to the horizon, and a rugged coastline teeming with marine life. Its wine country is one of the many jewels in the Overberg's crown, producing some of the freshest and most exciting wines in the country, waiting to be discovered.



HEMEL *en* **AARDE**
WINES • HERMANUS



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HEAVEN & EARTH

WEDDINGS • EVENTS • FUNCTIONS

The One Heaven and Earth Where mountain meets memory

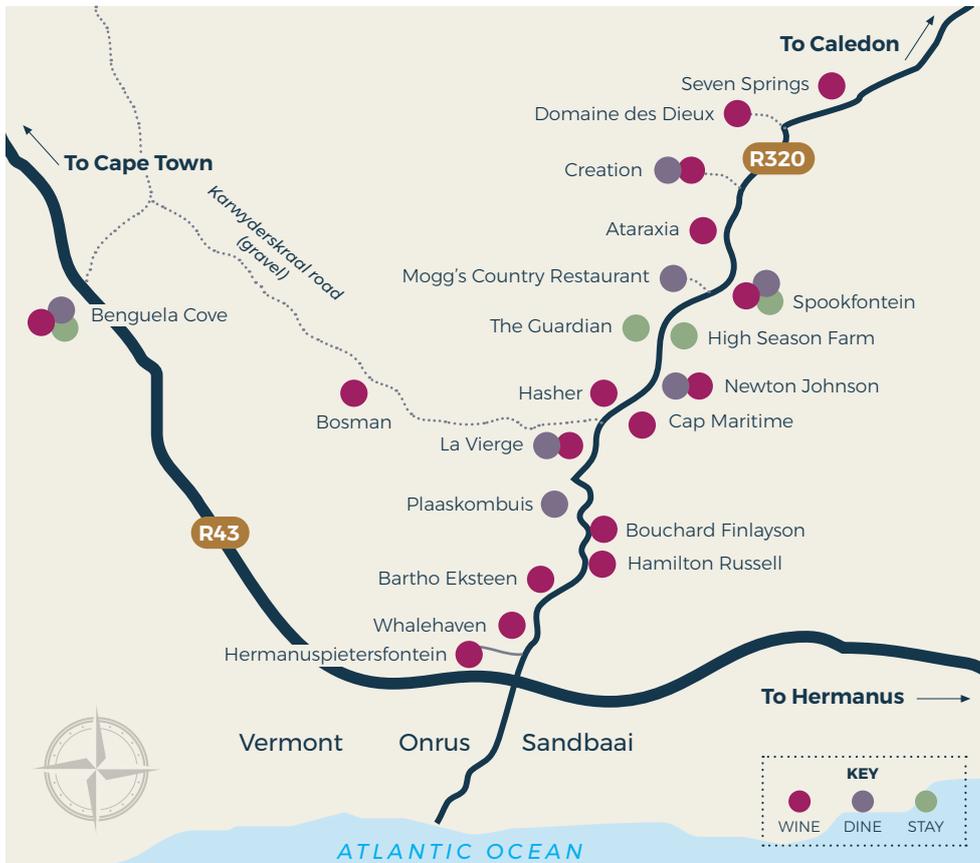
Perched at the top of Shaw's Pass, overlooking the Hemel en Aarde Valley.
A Glass House. Forest ceremony space. Views that stay with you.

We're venue hire only—which means you choose everything. Your caterer. Your vibe. Your vision. We provide the space, the furniture, and exclusive use of something genuinely beautiful.

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Come see it.





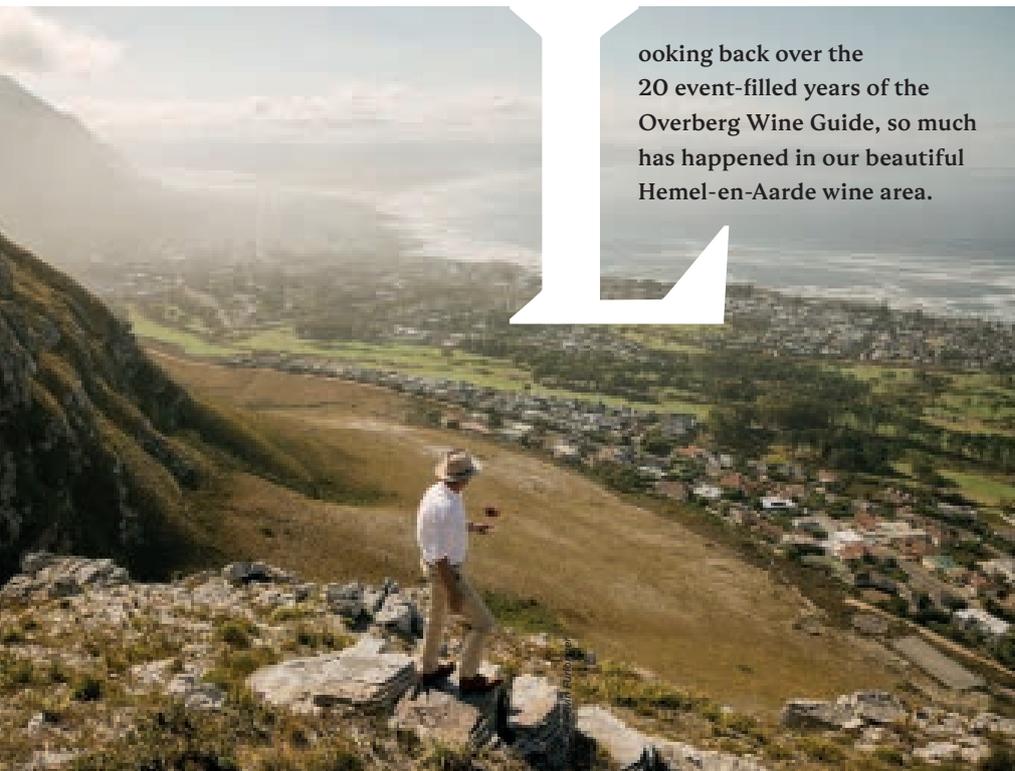
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Hemel-en-Aarde Wine Route

Nestled between rolling hills and lush vineyards, the picturesque Hemel-en-Aarde Valley is a paradise for wine enthusiasts and gourmands alike. World-class wineries produce exceptional cool-climate wines, particularly renowned for their Pinot Noir and Chardonnay.

Local restaurants showcase farm-to-table cuisine, perfectly complementing the region's vintages. Charming farm cottages offer luxurious accommodation with breathtaking views, allowing visitors to immerse themselves in the valley's natural beauty. From cellar door tastings to culinary experiences, this route promises an unforgettable journey through the best of wine country living.

Between Heaven *and Earth*



Looking back over the 20 event-filled years of the Overberg Wine Guide, so much has happened in our beautiful Hemel-en-Aarde wine area.

Fine wine country, made up of three contiguous Wine Wards – Hemel-en-Aarde Valley, Upper Hemel-en-Aarde Valley, and Hemel-en-Aarde Ridge. Collectively it is the size of Manhattan Island, with vineyard plantings only 15% bigger than Central Park, but growing. An area of great natural beauty with a particularly strong conservation ethic. There are currently six WWF Conservation Champions among our wine producers and there is an almost unbroken ring of privately conserved Cape Mountain Fynbos surrounding the area.

It is hard to imagine the Hemel-en-Aarde 50 years ago. A single-lane dirt road led into an impoverished agricultural hinterland, and it is down this road that my father Tim Hamilton Russell drove, in a trail of dust behind



HAMILTON RUSSELL VINEYARDS

a realtor, to buy the farm Braemar, that is now Hamilton Russell Vineyards. He paid R53,000 for it on 27 February 1975 and planted the first vines in 1976, pioneering a fine wine area that has become world renowned for truly exceptional Pinot Noir and Chardonnay.

Driving this same Hemel-en-Aarde road today would paint a very different picture. The collective efforts of the now more than 20 resident wine producers have created an area of great beauty and interest to wine lovers. Almost all the properties have

been pioneered by families that still farm them. The pride and love for the land is evident.

Fine restaurants, charming and varied accommodation, and of course the many tasting rooms have made the Hemel-en-Aarde a “must visit”. And elevating all of this are the great vistas. Mountains. Beautiful skies. The cooling South Atlantic Ocean.

Anthony Hamilton Russell, proprietor of Hamilton Russell Vineyards.
PLATTER'S WINERY OF THE YEAR
– *EDITOR'S AWARD, 2025*



Rightly it has got its name because so high are the hills which closely embrace the valley all round, that they seem to touch the sky and you cannot see anything but heaven and earth.”

Brother Schmidt, 1899

Creation



At Creation in Hemel-en-Aarde Ridge, famous for its Chardonnay and Pinot Noir, nature and art converge amidst towering mountains and fynbos-lined vineyards.

Collaborating with scientists and medical professionals, the team crafts anti-inflammatory, flexitarian menus embodying the philosophy of “what grows together, goes together”. Memorable tasting experiences for all include a seasonal wine

and food pairing, alcohol-free pairing, kids’ menu, breakfast, à la carte selections, and wine tastings. The scenic setting offers spectacular views, a fynbos garden with contemporary art installations, and vineyard tours.

WINERY DETAILS

On the R320, Hemel-en-Aarde Ridge, Hermanus

Tel: +27 (0)28 212 1107

reservations@creationwines.com

info@creationwines.com

www.creationwines.com

OPENING HOURS:

Wine Tasting and Sales

Daily 09h00 – 17h00

Wine and Food Pairing

Daily 10h00 – 16h00

Breakfast

Daily 09h30 – 11h00

Closed: 25 December and 1 January

THE WINES

Chardonnay, Ridge Chardonnay, Art of Chardonnay, Glenn's Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Ridge Pinot Noir, Art of Pinot Noir, Emma's Pinot Noir, Rosé, Sauvignon Blanc, Sauvignon-Semillon, Cool-Climate Chenin Blanc, Viognier, Roussanne-Grenache Blanc-Viognier, Ridge Syrah, Syrah-Grenache, Ridge Grenache Noir, Elation Cap Classique, Fine Cape Vintage, Cape White



experience

CREATION

Hasher Family Wines



The estate embraces regenerative farming, minimising environmental impact through organic methods and ecological pest control. Each vintage is a creation of character and depth that embodies their respect for the land.

EXCLUSIVE SEASONAL DINING:

Enjoy expert cuisine paired with Hasher's wines from December 2025 to February 2026 when Michelin-starred chefs Edwin and Tom Vinke of De Kromme Watergang combine Dutch artistry with the wild flavours of the Hemel-en-Aarde Valley.
info@epoche.co.za • www.epoche.co.za

WINERY DETAILS

R320 Hemel-en-Aarde Road,
Hermanus

WhatsApp: +27 (0)78 349 5402
info@hasherfamilywines.co.za
www.hasherfamilywines.co.za

OPENING HOURS:

Tuesday to Saturday 10h00 - 17h00
(all year), Sundays 10h00 - 16h00 during
season only (December to February)
Closed Mondays, 25 December and
1 January

THE WINES

*Ernest Pinot Noir, Marimist Chardonnay, Nauticus
Sauvignon Blanc, Cyriel Cabernet Franc, Batrachella
Pinotage*



HASHER
FAMILY WINES

In the heart of the Upper Hemel-en-Aarde Valley lies the home of the Hasher Family, where winemaking is deeply rooted in the soil and rhythms of nature. Combining centuries of European farming heritage with a lifelong passion for Africa, Hasher Family Wines proudly produces elegant cool-climate wines that celebrate their unique terroir, focusing on Pinot Noir and Chardonnay.

Bosman Hermanus



A minimalist tasting venue in the Upper Hemel-en-Aarde Valley, set against a pristine landscape with sweeping views of fynbos, rolling vineyards, and the towering Babylonstoren Mountains. Rooted in a deep commitment to sustainability, Bosman crafts wines of excellence while uplifting both community and environment. Enjoy personalised tastings hosted by knowledgeable staff, paired with tapas-style small plates and panoramic views.

WINERY DETAILS: Bosman Hermanus | Frame House, Karwyderskraal Road, Upper Hemel-en-Aarde Valley, Hermanus

Tel: +27 (0)76 300 0819 • taste@bosmanhermanus.com

www.bosmanhermanus.com

OPENING HOURS: Tuesday to Friday 10h00 – 17h00 (kitchen closes at 16h00)

Saturday 10h00 – 16h00 (kitchen closes at 15h00)

Sunday and Public Holidays 10h00 – 15h00 (kitchen closes at 14h00)

Closed on Mondays, 25, 26 December, 1 January and Good Friday

THE WINES: *The Bosman family has been farming in Wellington for eight generations. In 2000 these vine growers expanded to the Upper Hemel-en-Aarde Valley, where they planted cool-climate cultivars such as Sauvignon Blanc, Chardonnay, and Pinot Noir. These sea-facing vineyards produce elegant, complex wines with a distinctive salinity.*



Cap Maritime



Cap Maritime was established in 2019 after acquiring land in the Upper Hemel-en-Aarde Valley, one of the most exciting places to grow Chardonnay and Pinot Noir in South Africa. Endeavouring to create wines that capture the essence of their origin, this project is spearheaded by winemaker Gottfried Mocke. Following a traditional winemaking philosophy, only concrete tanks and native yeasts are used during fermentation, with *élevage* in Burgundian barrique and foudre.

WINE TASTING: Cap Maritime wines are available for tasting and purchase at Wine Village, Hemel-en-Aarde Village, 1 Hemel-en-Aarde Road, Hermanus.

Tel: +27 (0)28 316 3988 • info@capmaritime.co.za

www.capmaritime.co.za

THE WINES:

Cap Maritime Pinot Noir (Upper Hemel-en-Aarde Valley)

Cap Maritime Chardonnay (Upper Hemel-en-Aarde Valley)

Cap Maritime Coastal Pinot Noir (Cape South Coast)

Cap Maritime Coastal Chardonnay (Cape South Coast)



Hermanuspietersfontein



Established in 2005, this cellar adopted the village's original 1855 name, Hermanuspietersfontein. Elegant European-style wines are crafted from their Sondagskloof vineyards, featuring iconic Afrikaans names, which can be sampled at their Hermanus winery. For a complete escape, stay in the self-catering cottages on the farm, perfect for hiking and mountain biking.

WINERY DETAILS: 17 Village Lane, Hemel-en-Aarde Village, Hermanus
Tel: +27 (0)28 316 1875 • kelder@hpf1855.co.za
www.hpf1855.co.za

OPENING HOURS: Monday to Friday 10h00 – 16h00, Saturday 10h00 – 14h00
Closed on Sundays. Please enquire about opening hours on Public Holidays.

Pop-up Dinners: Friday and Saturday evenings only, by celebrated Chef Bruce Henderson.
Booking essential: bruceah55@gmail.com or WhatsApp 082 459 2199.

THE WINES: *Arnoldus (Bordeaux Blend), Swartskaap Cabernet Franc, Kleinboet (Bordeaux Blend), Skoonma Shiraz, Kat met die Houtbeen Sauvignon Blanc, Kaaivoet Meisie Sauvignon Blanc, Bloos Rosé, Posmeester Merlot.*



Hermanuspietersfontein



Whalehaven



Winner of the Top 10 Chardonnay in the World at the Chardonnay du Monde 2025 Competition in Burgundy, Whalehaven merits a visit. Master of Wine Richard Kershaw crafts their exceptional Terroir and Reserve Series, working with the Bottega Family to create wines that are worthy of cellaring. The winery offers tastings and a unique Wine and Chocolate Truffle experience.

WINERY DETAILS: c/o R320 Hemel-en-Aarde Road & Village Lane, Hermanus
Tel: +27 (0)28 050 1301 • experience@whalehaven.co.za • **www.whalehaven.co.za**

OPENING HOURS: Monday to Friday 09h30 – 17h00
Saturday and Sunday 10h30 – 16h30

THE WINES: *Whalehaven Terroir Series: Sandstone Strata Chardonnay, Granite Rock Pinot Noir, Shale Summit Pinot Noir, Mineral Stone Sauvignon Blanc.*

Whalehaven Reserve Series: Seascape Chardonnay, Earthscape Pinot Noir, Cloudscape Pinot Noir.

Whalehaven Classic Cultivars: Sauvignon Blanc, Pinotage.



WHALEHAVEN
A TRIUMPH OF NATURE
HERMANUS

Seven Springs Vineyards



Seven Springs captures Walker Bay's beauty in its wines, flourishing between Babylonstoren, Klein River mountains, and the Atlantic. Specialising in world-class Chardonnay and Pinot Noir. From the Hemel-en-Aarde Valley, they offer six single-varietal wines in a warm, informal tasting atmosphere.

WINERY DETAILS: R320 Hemel-en-Aarde Road, Caledon

Tel: +27 (0)28 316 4994

info@7springs.co.za • www.7springs.co.za

OPENING HOURS: All year round, seven days a week from 11h00 – 16h00

Public holidays: Please enquire

THE WINES:

Sauvignon Blanc, Unoaked Chardonnay, Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Syrah, Syrah Rosé



SEVEN SPRINGS
VINEYARDS

Spookfontein



Enjoy distinctive, delicately balanced wines and feast on locally inspired dishes amidst scenic vistas of the Babilonstoren mountains and valley below. The striking architecture of the winery and restaurant blends harmoniously into the dramatic landscape. For a complete Hemel-en-Aarde experience, stay in one of two self-catering cottages nestled between the vineyards, each accommodating four guests.

WINERY DETAILS: R320, Hemel-en-Aarde Valley, Hermanus

Winery: +27 (0)28 125 0128 • admin@spookfontein.co.za

Restaurant: +27 (0)73 067 7936 • restaurant@spookfontein.co.za

www.spookfontein.co.za

OPENING HOURS: Winery: Monday to Saturday 10h00 – 16h30

Sunday and Public Holidays 10h00 – 16h00. **Restaurant:** Tuesday to Sunday

12h00 – 16h30 (kitchen closes at 15:30) Enquire about private dinner functions

THE WINES: *Cap Classique, Chardonnay, Chenin Blanc,*

Full Moon, Sauvignon Blanc, Rosé, Pinot Noir, Phantom,

Cabernet Franc, Cabernet Sauvignon, Opera, Syrah,

Merlot, Cape Ruby



SPOOKFONTEIN



NEWTON JOHNSON

R320, Upper Hemel-en-Aarde Valley, Hermanus

Opening Hours: Monday to Friday 09h00 – 16h00

Saturdays and Public Holidays 10h00 – 15h00

Restaurant: Wednesday to Sunday 09h00 – 16h00

Tel: +27 (0)28 312 3862 (Winery) • +27 (0)83 667 5283 (Restaurant)

wine@newtonjohnson.com • www.newtonjohnson.com

Family-owned estate in Upper Hemel-en-Aarde Valley, highly acclaimed for their terroir-driven Pinot Noir and Chardonnay. Enjoy panoramic valley views stretching to the ocean in the distance.



BOUCHARD FINLAYSON

R320 Hemel-en-Aarde Valley Road, Hermanus

Monday to Friday 09h00 – 16h30

Saturday, Sunday and Public Holidays 10h00 – 16h00

Tel: +27 (0)28 312 3515 • www.bouchardfinlayson.co.za

Located in Hemel-en-Aarde Valley, this winery produces award-winning Pinot Noir and Chardonnay, crafted from its maritime climate and ancient soils. Daily tastings and curated platters offer the perfect way to experience these exceptional wines.



LA VIERGE

12 Hemel-en-Aarde Road, Upper Hemel-en-Aarde Valley

Tasting Room: Monday to Sunday 10h00 – 17h00

Restaurant: Tuesday to Sunday (**Festive Season:** Monday to Sunday)

11h30 – 15h30. Closed 25 December

Tel: +27 (0)28 313 0130 • **WhatsApp** +27 75 163 5270

hello@lavierge.co.za • www.lavierge.co.za

Founded in 2004 on an amphitheatre of virgin soils planted mainly with Pinot Noir and Chardonnay. The winery, complemented by its restaurant and tasting room, enjoys a prime position to showcase the region's breathtaking views.



Valley Cru

The Creative Side of Winemaking



Discover a pop-up wine collective at their Ertjiesvlei home, one of the few untouched family farms in the Hemel-en-Aarde Valley.

A unique initiative, bringing together five independent wine brands – Sketch Cru Wines, Die Kat se Snor, Thiant Wines, Salt Rock Wines, and Iron Child – and their winemakers ...

At the foot of Babylonstoren, 13km up the Hemel-en Aarde Road, awaits a welcoming laid-back working atmosphere of pallet tables and hay bales where you can experience all their wines, poured by the winemakers themselves.

An open invitation for wine lovers to celebrate the creative side of winemaking by showcasing Valley Cru's winemakers and their wines – each expressing their personalities, characters, ideas, and love of the Overberg's terroirs.

Get to know Gerhard Smith, Reino Thiant, Christo Kotse, Xander Grier, Rudolph Steenkamp, and Chris Albrecht in a welcoming, relaxing space where kids can run free and new friends are made over a bottle of wine.

Be part of a new chapter in the Valley's wine culture.

When:

22 Dec 2025 – 4 Jan 2026
Easter Weekend
3 – 6 Apr 2026

Where:

R320 Hemel-en-Aarde Road,
between Spookfontein
and Ataraxia

Book your table and charcuterie platter:

+27 (0)84 548 7156
valleycrubookings@gmail.com

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Genevieve MCC

The Overberg's Sparkling Rebellion



In a region better known for bold reds and crisp whites, Melissa Nelsen chose a different path - crafting *Méthode Cap Classique* with the precision of a soloist. As the Overberg's only independent female MCC producer, her Genevieve range is a study in quiet audacity.

What makes her bubbly remarkable?

Bot River's cool climate and the Walker Bay winds gift her Chardonnay-based wines complex fruit flavours and razor-sharp acidity - the backbone for MCCs that age with grace.

Where others chase volume, Melissa embraces the intimate scale: hand-riddled bottles, extended lees ageing, and a disgorgement schedule dictated by taste rather than timelines. Minimal yet precise intervention is how she describes her winemaking approach.

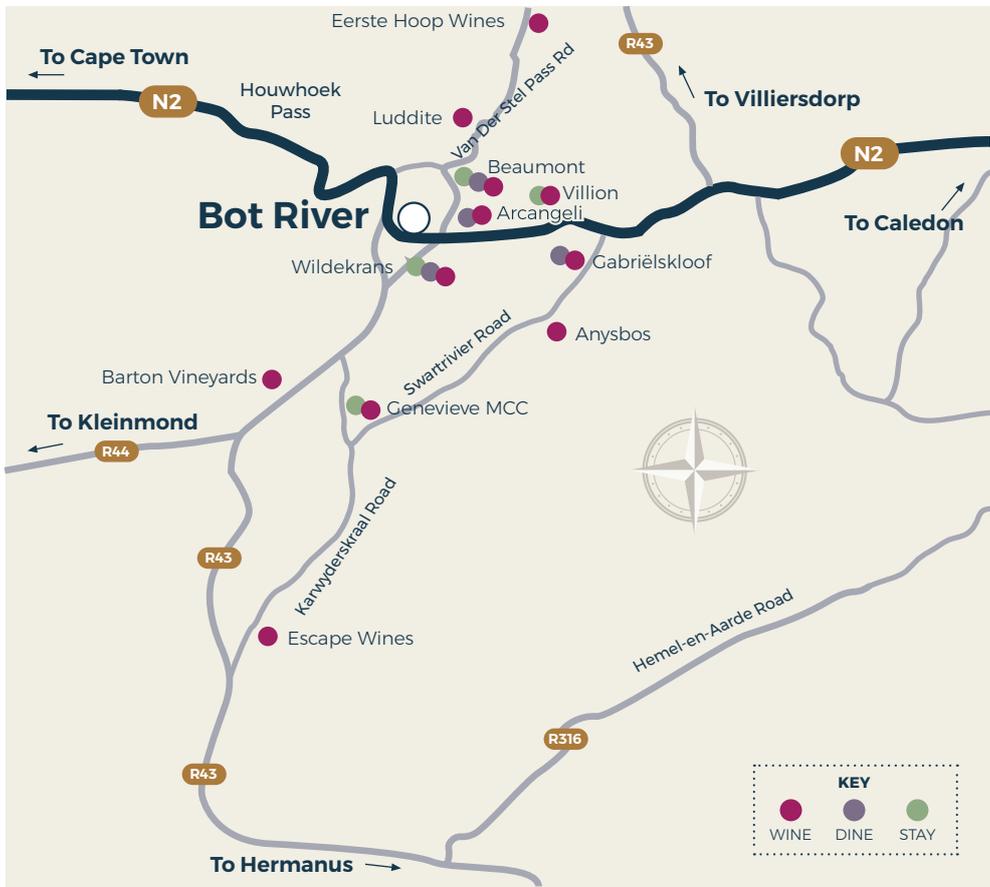
Recent vintages have caught the attention of sommeliers seeking smaller, terroir-driven sparklings. "There's a tension in these wines," notes a Cape Town wine buyer. "Like the Overberg itself - serene on the surface, but full of quiet intensity underneath."



I learnt the importance of precision from being a pilot and how to calculate the fine line between stupidity and bravery."

Born and raised in Elgin, Melissa is a real Overberg country girl at heart. In her previous life, she dreamt of taking to the skies and qualified as a commercial pilot. These days she is happiest on terra firma, pouring her passion into her Klein Botrivier Farm, purchased in 2017.

For Melissa, every bottle proves a point: great MCC doesn't need a famous address - just a stubborn vision and the courage to work alone.



This map serves as an indication only

Bot River Wine Route

At the foot of the Houwhoek Pass, the Bot River wine region captivates with its rustic charm. This cool-climate area excels in Shiraz, Pinotage, and Chenin Blanc production. The free-spirited winemakers, known for their down-to-earth, sociable character, craft wines embodying its distinctive local terroir.

The region boasts farm-to-table restaurants showcasing local produce and cosy self-catering cottages offering warm hospitality. The rolling hills, wide open spaces and big skies of Bot River create a picturesque setting for an intimate, holistic wine country experience in the heart of the Overberg.

Gabriëlskloof



Gabriëlskloof, a family-run wine estate in Botrivier, produces acclaimed terroir-driven wines. It offers a serene escape for visitors to enjoy fine wine, food, and hospitality. The estate prioritises sustainability, conservation, and community, fostering a lifestyle centred on family and land stewardship. Enjoy your favourite wines over lunch at their restaurant. *Cellar Door Experience of the Year* – Tim Atkin, 2025

WINERY DETAILS: Swarttrivier Road, N2, between Botrivier and Caledon
Tel: +27 (0)28 284 9865 • +27 (0)67 331 2957 (WhatsApp only)
info@gabriëlskloof.co.za
www.gabriëlskloof.co.za

OPENING HOURS: **Wine Tasting:** Weekdays 09h00 – 17h00; Weekends and Public Holidays 10h00 – 15h00. **Restaurant:** The Kitchen Door is open Wednesday to Sunday 09h00 – 16h00 (May – October); Seven days a week 09h00 – 16h00 (November – April)

THE WINES: **Gabriëlskloof Range:** Rosebud (Syrah Rose), Sauvignon Blanc, Chenin Blanc, Syrah, The Blend (Bordeaux style blend); **Landscape Series:** Magdalena Semillon, Elodie Chenin, Era Rene Chenin, Syrah on Sandstone, Syrah on Shale, Cabernet Franc; Madame Lucy's MCC, Amphora Sauvignon Blanc, Wholebunch Syrah.




GABRIËLSKLOOF

Beaumont Family Wines



This family-run farm is home to three generations of Beaumonts, known for their down-to-earth country hospitality. Established in the 1700s as a supply farm for the Dutch East India Company, it boasts the oldest wine cellar in the region and a restored Vitruvian water mill. Join them on the farm to taste award-winning wines, relax under the tree-shaded restaurant terrace and enjoy a farm-to-table brunch or lunch, or to pick up some homemade meals and produce.

WINERY DETAILS: Compagnesdrift Farm, Bot River
Tel: +27 (0)28 284 9194 • WhatsApp 066 251 8155
vineyards@endlessgroup.co.za • **www.beaumont.co.za**

OPENING HOURS: Monday to Friday 09h00 – 16h30. Saturday, Sunday and Public Holidays 10h00 – 15h00. Closed on 25, 26 & 31 December and 1 January

THE WINES: Chenin Blanc, Hope Marguerite Chenin Blanc, New Baby White Blend, Rosé, Raoul's Red, Jackals River Pinotage, Dangerfield Syrah, Far Side Mourvèdre, Ariane Cabernet Franc, Vitruvian Red Blend, Goutte D'Or Chenin Blanc
Noble Late Harvest, Cape Vintage Port



BEAUMONT
Family Wines



VILLION FAMILY WINES

Rooiheuvel Farm, N2, Bot River

Monday to Friday 10h00 – 16h00

Saturday and Public Holidays 10h00 – 15h00

Tel: +27 (0)82 547 5565 • +27 (0)83 992 9779

elnette@villionwines.com • www.villionwines.com

Overberg hospitality, a charming manor house, lazy “stoep-kuiers” and sweeping valley views in the heart of Bot River. Create lasting memories with family and friends whilst being treated to authentic handcrafted wines and Room4 Whisky.



BARTON VINEYARDS

R43 Hermanus Road, Bot River

Opening Hours: Tuesday to Sunday 10h00 – 16h00

Tel: +27 (0)28 284 9283 or +27 (0)82 214 7016

admin@bartonvineyards.co.za • www.bartonvineyards.co.za

A working farm encompassing vineyards and a Fynbos Reserve, conserving the region’s rich biodiversity. Visit their wine and olive oil tasting room or book one of their Tuscan Villas for a relaxing getaway.



GENEVIEVE MCC

Klein Botrivier Farm, Karwyderskraal Road, Bot River

Opening Hours: Wednesday to Saturday 10h00 – 16h00

Tel: +27 (0)83 302 6562

melissa@genevievemcc.co.za • www.genevievemcc.co.za

Traditional Cap Classique crafted from Bot River Chardonnay by Melissa Nelsen with passion and respect. Extensive time on lees results in refined and elegant wines with a fine mousse and luscious, balanced complexity.





EERSTE HOOP

Van der Stel Pass, Vyeboom

Opening Hours: Monday to Friday 10h00 – 16h00; Saturday 10h30 – 15h00

Tel: +27 (0)82 754 4408

wine@eerstehoop.co.za • www.eerstehoop.com

The wines of Eerste Hoop, founded in 2005, showcase the unique terroir of the valley. The farm is located along the banks of the Bot River, some 20km up the Van der Stel Pass, in close proximity to the Theewaterskloof Dam. The 11 hectares of vineyards are meticulously farmed to produce small batches in their boutique cellar.



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EERSTE
HOOP



WILDEKRANS WINE ESTATE

R43, Bot River

Opening Hours: (Tasting Room and Restaurant)

Wednesday to Sunday 10h00 – 16h00; Closed on Monday and Tuesday

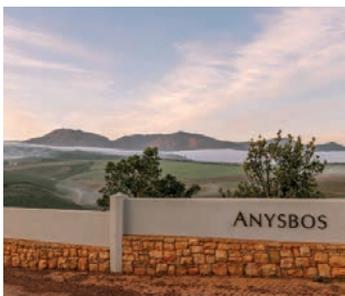
Tel: +27 (0)28 284 9488

vineyards@endlessgroup.co.za • www.wildekrans.com

Picturesque 1,000ha estate tucked away in the Bot River Valley, known for its award-winning wines, olive oils and dining experiences. Book into one of their country cottages for a relaxing get-away.




WILDEKRANS
WINE ESTATE



ANYSBOS

Swartrivier Road, Bot River

Opening Hours:

Tastings by appointment Monday to Saturday between 11h00 – 15h00.

Tel: +27 (0)82 897 0273 • info@anysbos.co.za

www.anysbos.co.za

Anysbos produces small-batch wine, olive oil and goat's cheese with care, patience, and passion on their Overberg farm. Their products reflect a deep respect for the Bot River Valley terroir where everything is grown and crafted on the farm.





**ELGIN
VALLEY**
EXPERIENCE ITS MAGIC



the table

RESTAURANT

Set around a beautiful pool, the venue offers alfresco dining either next to the pool or under the oak trees in the garden where guests are encouraged to linger well into the afternoon. The restaurant concept is a set, three course, sharing style lunch consisting of fresh, locally sourced ingredients. The menu changes weekly based on what is available and in season. There are also platters available through the tasting room consisting of freshly baked bread, a selection of cheese and charcuterie, a seasonal salad as well as dips and spreads.

HOURS OCTOBER TO APRIL

Wed to Sun: 11:00-15:30

Closed: Mon & Tues

HOURS MAY TO SEPTEMBER

Thurs to Sun: 11:00-15:30

Closed: Mon, Tues & Wed



OAK VALLEY ESTATE, 127 OAK AVENUE, ELGIN | TEL. +27 21 859 4111
oakvalley@thetablerestaurant.co.za www.thetablerestaurant.co.za



Rising 1,181m above our vineyards, the Groenlandberg mountain defines Oak Valley's cool-climate character. Its altitude, sea breezes, and cold winters make Oak Valley one of South Africa's leading Chardonnay and Pinot Noir producers. Dine poolside at The Table Restaurant or explore our celebrated mountain biking trails through ancient oaks, vineyards, and orchards — a place where adventure and refinement meet.



WINE TASTING HOURS | Monday to Friday: 09h00-17h00
Saturday & Sunday: 10h00-16h00 | Public Holidays: 10h00-16h00

DISCOVERY WINES

Fountain of Youth Sauvignon
Blanc, Stone and Steel Riesling,
Beneath the Clouds Chardonnay,
Sounds of Silence Pinot Noir

GROENLANDBERG WINES

Chardonnay, Pinot Noir

TABULA RASA COLLECTION

Chardonnay, Pinot Noir

OAK VALLEY ESTATE, 127 OAK AVENUE, ELGIN | TEL. +27 21 859 4110
wines@oak-valley.co.za | www.oakvalley.co.za



This map serves as an indication only

Elgin Wine Route

Cradled in a high-altitude valley, Elgin's cool-climate vineyards thrive in South Africa's premier apple-growing region. This young wine district has rapidly gained acclaim for its elegant Chardonnays, crisp Sauvignon Blancs, and refined Pinot Noirs. Meticulous viticulture and cutting-edge winemaking yield bottles of remarkable finesse.

Beyond wine, Elgin offers gastronomic delights at farm restaurants and orchards bursting with fruit. Luxurious country lodges and quaint self-catering cottages provide serene retreats. Elgin's natural beauty, outdoor activities, and world-class wines create an enchanting escape just an hour from Cape Town.

Lothian of Elgin



Family-owned estate on the scenic Palmiet River in the heart of the Elgin Valley, renowned for its award-winning Pinot Noir, Chardonnay, and a refreshing dry Riesling. Embracing an authentic and traditionalist approach to Burgundian-style winemaking. Enjoy luxury wine tastings and stunning vineyard views, or the ultimate retreat at opulent Lothian House.

WINERY DETAILS: Lothian Vineyards, Rockview Dam Road, Elgin
Tel: +27 (0)21 859 9901
info@lothianvineyards.com • www.lothianvineyards.com

OPENING HOURS: Monday to Friday 10h00 – 16h00
Weekends by Appointment

THE WINES: *Lothian Estate Wines:* Pinot Noir, Chardonnay, Riesling, Grüner Veltliner;
Biosphere Range: Chardonnay Sur Lie, Pinot Noir;
Horny Owl Range: Sauvignon Blanc, Shiraz



LOTHIAN
OF ELGIN



Paul Clüver Family Wines



Paul Clüver Family Wines, rooted in a family legacy dating back to 1896, is a pioneer in Elgin's cool-climate region. Celebrated for crafting elegant, terroir-driven Pinot Noir and Chardonnay, the estate invites guests to linger and explore its diverse culinary offerings. Relax in the tasting room with wine and snacks, enjoy tapas-style dining at BLOEM by Bertus Basson, or unwind beneath the fig trees in the Pizza Garden, where wood-fired pizzas meet vineyard views.

WINERY DETAILS: N2, Kromco turn-off, Grabouw
Wine Tasting: +27 (0)21 844 0605 • **Restaurant:** +27 (0)21 844 0607
info@cluver.com • info@bloemrestaurant.co.za • www.cluver.com

OPENING HOURS: Wine Tasting: Monday to Friday 09h00 – 16h00
Saturday & Sunday 10h00 – 14h00

Bloem Restaurant: Tuesday to Sunday Breakfast & Lunch

Pizza Garden: Tuesday to Sunday 12h00 – 15h30
(weather dependent)

THE WINES:
Pinot Noir, Chardonnay, Sauvignon Blanc, Riesling





ALMENKERK WINE ESTATE

50 Viljoenshoop Road, Elgin
Tuesday to Saturday 09h00 – 16h00

Closed on Sundays and Mondays

Contact us for festive season and public holiday opening times.

Tel: +27 (0)21 848 9844

info@almenkerk.co.za • www.almenkerk.co.za

Owned by the Belgian/Dutch Almenkerk family making elegant cool-climate wines. Visit the tasting room and take a hike along the 5 – 7 km trail for all ages.



CHARLES FOX CAP CLASSIQUE WINE ESTATE

89 Valley Road, Elgin

Monday to Sunday 10h00 – 16h00. Closed 25 Dec and 1 Jan.

Tel: +27 (0)82 471 3444 | +27 (0)82 569 2965

charlesfoxmcc@gmail.com • www.charlesfox.co.za

Nestled in the heart of the Elgin Valley. Specialising in grape varieties used in making champagne in classic French style – Chardonnay, Pinot Noir and Pinot Meunier.



CHARLES FOX
CAP CLASSIQUE WINE ESTATE
ELGIN SOUTH AFRICA



ELGIN VINTNERS

Ridgeland Farm, Appletiser Road, Elgin

Wine Tasting, Sales, Light Meals, Pizzas, Platters

Wednesday to Sunday 10h00 – 16h00

Open by appointment only on Monday and Tuesday

Tel: +27 (0)72 548 2462

info@elginvintners.co.za • www.elginvintners.co.za

Producers of cool-climate wines crafted with minimal intervention and maximum care on the historic Elgin Orchards Farm (est. 1890). Also home to a scenic function venue and 4-star country guesthouse.





HIGHLANDS ROAD ESTATE

75 Highlands Road, Elgin

By Appointment: Saturday to Wednesday from 10:00 - 16:00

Tel: +27 (0)71 271 0161 • +27 (0)72 260 5566

info@highlandroadestate.co.za • tasting@highlandroadestate.co.za

www.highlandroadestate.co.za

This estate produces a premium range of elegant cool-climate wines at realistic prices. Relax at the tasting room and casual café next to the cellar with decks overlooking a dam.



PAUL WALLACE FAMILY WINES

63 Highlands Road, Elgin

Opening Hours: Monday to Friday: By Appointment, Saturday: 10h30 - 17h00

Mid Dec - Mid Jan: Open daily. Closed on 25 and 26 Dec

Tel: +27 (0)76 876 9970 • +27 (0)83 255 1884 • **www.paulwallacewines.co.za**

Wines vinified with passion and an understanding of the unique Elgin landscape. Discover the Paul Wallace and Off the Record ranges of cool-climate wines in an intimate and hospitable environment. Self-catering cottages offer the perfect escape.



SOUTH HILL VINEYARDS

113 The Valley Road, Elgin

Opening Hours:

Restaurant and Wine Tasting: Wednesday to Sunday 08h00 - 16h00

Tel: +27 (0)21 844 0888

info@southhill.co.za • restaurant@southhill.co.za

www.southhill.co.za

Boutique wine destination in the heart of the Elgin Valley. Where fine wines, art, and warm hospitality meet breath-taking scenery, luxurious stays, and unforgettable farm-to-table experiences.



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WINE ROUTE





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Stanford Wine Route

Tucked between mountains in the heart of the Overberg, Stanford's burgeoning wine scene complements its laid-back village charm. This hidden gem is gaining recognition for its terroir-driven Pinotage, Syrah, and aromatic white blends.

Family-owned boutique wineries dot the pastoral landscape, offering intimate tastings often led by its passionate winemakers. Stanford's culinary scene shines with farm-to-table eateries, while historic cottages and riverside guesthouses provide idyllic accommodations. Here, wine enthusiasts discover a perfect blend of rustic authenticity and refined flavours.

Springfontein Wine Estate



Springfontein Wine Estate is South Africa's only estate growing vines on maritime limestone soils. Focused on local varietals Pinotage and Chenel, certified organic and crafted with minimal intervention, the wines reflect the unique terroir of the monopole appellation 'Springfontein Rim'.

Guests can savour authentic cuisine at ULUMBAZA Wine Bar(n) or indulge in the refined offerings of WORTELGAT Wine Dining. Luxurious accommodation, with sweeping views of the Klein River and surrounding mountains, invite visitors to linger and fully experience the estate.

WINERY DETAILS

8 Wortelgat Road, 5km from Stanford
Tel or WhatsApp: +27 (0)78 582 9836
reservations@springfontein.co.za
www.springfontein.co.za

OPENING HOURS:

**ULUMBAZA Wine Bar(n),
Food, Tastings and Sales**

Daily from 11h00 – 21h00

WORTELGAT Wine Dining

Thursday: Dinner only;

Friday to Monday: Lunch and Dinner
Bookings mandatory

THE WINES

Cape Moby Range: White, Red, Pinot Noir, Merlot,

Shiraz, Semillon, Chardonnay, Sauvignon Blanc;

ULUMBAZA Pinotage Blends: White, Pink, Red;

Terroir Selection Range: Pinotage, Chenel, Chenin Blanc;

Single Vineyard Range: Jill's Dune Chenin Blanc,

Jonathan's Ridge Pinotage;

Limestone Rocks Pinotage Blends: Dark side of the

Moon, Whole Lotta Love, Gadda da Vida, Child in Time;

Daredevil's Drums Range: Blushes Inverse

Blanc de Pinotage, Juices Untamed Chardonnay;

Skins Agleam Sauvignon Blanc,

Mashes Extreme Pinotage



SPRINGFONTEIN WINE ESTATE

Stanford Valley Wines



Elegant wines of character that reflect terroir, patience and precision. The well-balanced Manor House range offers layered aromas, vibrant minerality and ageing potential. Enjoy a wine tasting at The Manor House, one of the Overberg's most acclaimed destination restaurants, or book a relaxing stay in one of Stanford Valley Country Lodge's beautiful cottages on the farm.

WINE TASTING: The Manor House Restaurant, Stanford Valley Country Lodge, R326, Stanford

Tel: +27 (0)72 198 0862

winemaker@stanfordvalley.co.za • sales@stanfordvalley.co.za

www.stanfordvalley.co.za/manorhousewines/

OPENING HOURS: Breakfast and Dinner Monday to Sunday
Lunch Wednesday to Sunday.

Closed for Dinner on 24 and 31 Dec, and all day on 25 Dec

THE WINES:

Uitbundig Brut Rosé MCC, Lieverd Chenin Blanc, Eersteling

Syrah-Grenache Noir, Gesellig Chardonnay, Vrypostig Pinot Noir



Walker Bay Estate



Ascenic country estate in the shadow of the Kleinrivier mountains. Home to Birkenhead Brewery, one of the first craft breweries in South Africa. The vineyards were planted in 2003 and have since grown into a state-of-the-art winery producing award-winning wines that have a true sense of place. Offering wine and beer tastings, and a restaurant.

WINERY DETAILS: R326, Stanford

Tel: +27 (0)28 341 0013 • reservations@birkenhead.co.za

www.walkerbayestate.com

OPENING HOURS: Tastings, Sales and Restaurant

Summer Season: 1 Nov to 14 Dec: Daily 10h00 - 18h00

15 Dec to 15 Jan: Daily 10h00 - 19h00

Rest of the year: Daily 10h00 - 17h00



Landskein Wines



Established in 2022, Landskein marks a new chapter on a historic grape farm on the slopes of the Klein River Mountains. The name, meaning 'the weaving of horizon lines', reflects the coming together of different cultures, heritages, and craftsmanship. Shaped by ancient granite soils, Atlantic Ocean breezes, and mountain fynbos, their boutique wines capture the spirit of Stanford. Enjoy intimate wine tastings at The Parlour, where like-minded people gather to share stories and wines, or enjoy performances at Landskein's new Amphitheatre.

WINERY DETAILS: R43, Stanford
Tel: +27 (0)28 054 0422 • info@landskein.wine
www.landskeinwines.co.za

OPENING HOURS: The Parlour (Tasting Room) Tuesday to Saturday 11h00 – 18h00
 Sunday 11h00 – 15h00. Closed on Mondays

THE WINES: *Landskein Horizon Sauvignon Blanc, Landskein Horizon Chenin Blanc, Landskein Pinot Noir, Landskein Chardonnay, Landskein Petit Verdot, Landskein Pinot Meunier Cap Classique*



Stanford Hills



Experience country living at its best at this child- and pet-friendly wine estate, surrounded by the natural beauty of Stanford's vinicultural landscape. Enjoy wines crafted with passion and expertise over lunch at Casa Cello Restaurant, where Chef José offers a menu of Portuguese-inspired dishes using fresh, seasonal ingredients.

WINERY DETAILS: Weltevrede Farm, R43 Stanford
Wine and Accommodation Tel: +27 (0)66 250 3388 • info@stanfordhills.co.za
accommodation@stanfordhills.co.za
Restaurant Tel: +27 (0)63 927 3290 • casacello43@gmail.com • www.stanfordhills.co.za

OPENING HOURS: **Wine Tasting:** Daily from 08h00 – 17h00
Restaurant: Sunday to Thursday 08h00 – 17h00; Friday and Saturday 08h00 – 20h00

THE WINES: *Jackson's Pinotage, Stanford Hills Shiraz, Stanford Hills Rosé, Stanford Hills Sauvignon Blanc, Stanford Hills MCC, Veldfire Méthode Ancestral, Veldfire Cape Blend, Veldfire Pinotage, Veldfire Pink Sauvignon Blanc.*





MAANSCHIJN

Stonefields, Lagoon Road, R43, between Hermanus and Stanford

Opening Hours: December and January: Daily from 11h00 – 15h00

Rest of the Year: Saturdays only from 11h00 – 15h00 or By Appointment. Gourmet picnics available – booking essential.

Tel: +27 (0)76 908 2188 • +27 (0)72 859 1093

info@maanschijn.co.za • www.maanschijn.co.za

Artisinal winemakers Doug and Paul craft low-intervention wines from maritime, fynbos-lined vineyards on the edge of the Klein River Estuary.



RAKA WINE ESTATE

R326, 17km from Stanford

Opening Hours: Monday to Friday 09h00 – 17h00

Saturday and Public Holidays: 10h00 – 15h00

Closed on Sundays, Christmas Day and Good Friday

Tel: +27 (0)28 341 0676 • info@rakawine.co.za • www.rakawine.co.za

Raka is located in a picturesque glen in the Kleinrivier mountains.

Here the Dreyer family has been farming since 1982 and continues to harvest the earth's bounty in the creation of fine wines.



RAKA



BOSCHRIVIER WINES

R326, 17 km from Stanford

Opening Hours:

Monday to Saturday 09h00 – 17h00

Public Holidays and Sundays (Summer Only) 10h00 – 15h00

Tel: +27 (0)76 876 9970 • +27 (0)83 255 1884

admin@boschrivierwines.co.za • www.boschrivierwines.co.za

Family-owned Wine Farm offering Tasting Room, Coffee Shop, Five accommodation options and a Function Venue for up to 100 people.



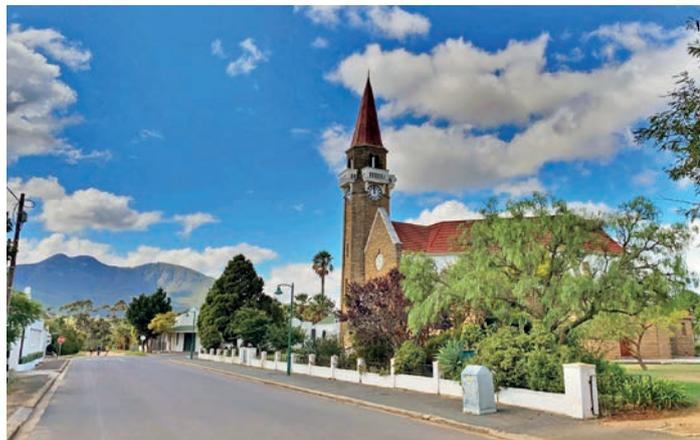
A River Runs Through It...

Strolling through the quaint streets of this historic village, founded in 1857, feels like taking a journey back in time to when life was simple, unhurried, peaceful. Not much has changed over the years, and the locals still live like that, united by a wholesome community spirit that has seen this charming village thrive.

Hugging the banks of the Klein River, under the watchful eye of the Klein River Mountains in the background, Stanford is a must-visit for those exploring the Overberg's wine routes. You'll find welcoming country-style accommodation options, cosy bakeries and coffee shops, and fine-dining restaurants with the emphasis on seasonal ingredients and regional cooking. The 'slow food' movement is alive and well in Stanford, ensuring that every bite is a celebration of local flavour, craftsmanship, and sustainability.

On Saturday mornings the town is bustling with markets selling everything from fresh produce, home-baked goods and deli products, to arts and crafts, plants, clothing and home decor. Bargain hunters, in search of collectables and second-hand treasures, will have a field day browsing its quirky vintage and antiques shops.

Known as one of the most well-preserved heritage villages in South Africa, it is well worth exploring the town on a guided Heritage Walk, or opt for a self-guided 'Historical Stanford on Foot' tour with a map that can be picked up at the Tourism Information Centre. Add to your exploration a stroll on the 'Wandelpad' along the Klein



River that runs through the village, or take a leisurely cruise down the river – a paradise for nature lovers and bird watchers.

Stanford offers authentic, days of yore, relaxed country living at its best.



New Wave Winemakers

The South Coasters



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he South Coasters are a group of ten like-minded winemakers operating out of the Cape South Coast wine region. Their aspiration is to explore the cooler, southern and maritime region to its full potential, through their shared philosophies of patience, sustainable viticulture, low intervention winemaking and collaboration.

INTERROGATING THE TERROIR

In this southernmost region of viticulture in South Africa, they are on a mission to

extract the differences embedded in the Elgin, Overberg, Walker Bay, Cape Agulhas, Swellendam, Lower Duivenhoks River and Plettenberg Bay districts.

Their wines manifest great freshness and concentration, partly due to the region's proximity to the Atlantic Ocean, but also due to the tough growing conditions, windswept valleys, poor soils, and extended hanging time afforded in the vineyard.

CREATING WINES WITH A SENSE OF PLACE

From these diverse and exciting terroirs, this group of young wine companies are producing diverse and exciting, small batch premium wines. Each is individually unique, with an emphasis on quality instead of quantity.



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explore the cooler, southern
and maritime region to its full
potential.***

The South Coasters their new wave includes the young wine companies of Brunia, Maanschiijn, Thamnus Wines, Lelie Van Saron, Charla Haasbroek Wines, Saurwein Wines, Deep Rooted Wines, Van Niekerk Vintners, Weather Report Wines and Off the Record.



www.thesouthcoasters.co.za

BRUNIA WINES (Sondagskloof)
Wade Sander: +27 (0)72 467 0417
wade@coldmountain.co.za

CHARLA HAASBROEK WINES (Malgas)
Charla Bosman
charlahaasbroek@gmail.com

DEEP ROOTED WINES (Stanford)
Mark Stephens: +27 (0)82 222 6129
living.vineyards@gmail.com

LELIE VAN SARON (Hemel-en-Aarde)
Natasha Williams: +27 (0)73 034 4846
natasha@lelievansaron.co.za

MAANSCHIJN (Stanford)
Douglas Mylrea & Paul Hoogwerf
+27 (0)76 908 2188 | info@maanschiijn.co.za

OFF THE RECORD (Elgin)
Bobby Wallace: +27 (0)76 876 9970
bobby@offtherecord.co.za

SAURWEIN WINES (Stanford)
Jessica Saurwein: +27 (0)76 228 3116
jessica@suarwein.co.za

THAMNUS WINES (Hemel-en-Aarde)
PJ Geyer: +27 (0)76 632 8002
info@thamnuswines.co.za

VAN NIEKERK VINTNERS (Overberg)
Albert & Anmar van Niekerk
+27 (0)73 859 0049 | albert@vnvintners.com

WEATHER REPORT WINES (Elgin)
Christopher Keet: +27 (0)72 841 6483
chris@weatherreport.wine

What is so special about *The Agulhas Wine Triangle*

By the time South America, Australia, India, Madagascar and Antarctica stopped smashing into each other and slunked off to opposite corners of the globe, Southern Africa was left with an incredible diversity of ancient, minerally-rich soil and myriad slopes and aspects to choose from.

From a wine perspective this was great – and it's the same reason we have such an incredible biodiversity of flora in the Western Cape.

'Mediterranean' tries to label a climate that has wet, cold winters and warm, dry summers. But it can't describe the dominating cold ocean winds of the Agulhas Wine Triangle (AWT), ensuring natural acid retention and intense flavour development in wine grapes grown here.

The culmination of the unique soils, the wind and the inimitable coastal climate results in a golden thread of elegance running through all wines made in the AWT. And because of these factors, grape yields will never be high like in hotter inland areas, so wines are naturally balanced and of premium quality.

Despite all the international interest, the AWT is far from Cape Town. Not only are wine industry suppliers far away, but unlike Constantia and Stellenbosch, customers are not on the doorstep. Growers have to be self-reliant and innovative, and farmers share ideas and rely on each other.

The AWT is crammed with self-starters. Farmers here, partly due to their isolation, are open and good to be around. There's

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I've travelled through most of the well-known wine regions of the world, some very beautiful, others very prosperous, but none as intriguing or as generous of spirit as the Agulhas Wine Triangle. I am very privileged to call it home

– BRUCE JACK

a different vibe and you can taste it in the wine. That's why you will find engaging cellar-door experiences where authenticity is everything and people are super friendly.





DE HOOP COLLECTION

Experience the Natural Wonders of De Hoop

Few other reserves offer as complete an outdoor experience as De Hoop – sea, sand dunes, the vlei, a floral sensation of rare fynbos plants, diverse antelope and the Potberg Mountains, coupled with a range of accommodation options from self-catering cottages to suites and villas.

Guided Activities | Day Visitors Welcome
Restaurant Open Daily | Family Friendly
Origins Exhibition | Conferencing
Visit our website for our full list of Events

www.dehoopcollection.com
res@dehoopcollection.co.za



Onsite Restaurant & Wine Cellar





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Agulhas Wine Route

The Agulhas Wine Triangle, with its slogan 'Wine for Explorers', is a wild and rugged region that beckons those who enjoy travelling off the beaten track. Here, pioneering farmers have planted the southernmost vineyards on the African continent in ancient soils exposed to extreme maritime conditions.

The windswept terroir produces elegant wines of outstanding character, including world-acclaimed Sauvignon Blanc, Shiraz and Semillon. Offering inspiring wine tastings, outdoor activities and self-catering farm cottages, this peaceful, unspoilt, biodiversity-rich region is just waiting to be discovered.

Lost Boy Wines



This boutique producer based just outside of Gansbaai was founded by retired American professional cyclist Trevor DeRuisé. Producing wines with a distinct sense of place, Lost Boy specialises in dry, elegant Rosé and bubbles but crafts a full portfolio of cool-climate varietals. These beautiful, small-batch wines are farmed, harvested, and crafted by hand and you won't find them in wine shops.

WINERY DETAILS: Romansbaai Estate, Gansbaai

WhatsApp: +27 (0)81 832 4167

www.lostboy.co.za

OPENING HOURS: Monday to Sunday

Book your Tasting Experience with the winemaker at www.lostboy.co.za/tastings

THE WINES: *Lost Boy Rosé, Las Flores Reserve Rosé, Fumé Blanc, Cinsaut, Syrah, Brut Rosé Cap Classique, Brut Rosé, Pét Nat.*



LOST  BOY
WINES FOR THE WILD

Strandveld Vineyards



Strandveld Vineyards, Africa's southernmost winery, sits 9km from the ocean between Elim and Cape Agulhas. Known for terroir-driven Sauvignon Blanc, Shiraz, and Pinot Noir. Offers self-catering cottages for a tranquil escape amidst natural beauty and vineyards.

WINERY DETAILS: Blomfontein Farm, Die Damme Road, Elim

Tel: +27 (0)28 482 1902 • info@strandveld.co.za • www.strandveld.co.za

OPENING HOURS: Monday to Friday 10h00 -16h00

Saturday and Public Holidays 10h00 - 15h00

Closed on Sundays, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Christmas and New Year's Day

THE WINES: *Strandveld Wines: Pofadderbos Sauvignon Blanc, Adamastor, Syrah, The Navigator, Anders Sparrman Pinot Noir, Skaamgesiggie Pinot Noir Brut, Grenache, Viognier.*

First Sighting Wines: *Sauvignon Blanc, Syrah*



STRANDVELD
VINEYARDS

The Drift Estate and Bruce Jack Wines



Nestled in the Overberg Highlands, The Drift Estate is a wild and beautiful place where nature leads the way and the wines follow with quiet integrity. The cool summers and icy winters shape expressive wines that capture the purity of this mountain farm.

Winemaker Bruce Jack has built cellars across the world – from Spain to Chile – yet it’s here, on his fourth and most personal cellar, that his philosophy truly lives. He was recently named among The Drinks Business’ Top 100 Winemakers in the World, while Bruce Jack Wines has featured five times in Drinks International’s 50 Most Admired Wine Brands.

A winemaker-driven, family business, Bruce Jack Wines believes that great wine should be honest, joyful, and always add a little more goodness to life.

WINERY DETAILS:

The Drift Estate, Overberg Highlands
Tel: +27 (0)21 180 3668
wineadventures@brucejack.com
www.brucejack.com

WINE TASTING:

Stanford Wine Bar at Stanford Kitchen,
19 Queen Victoria Street, Stanford;
Jack@Skye, The Hyde Hotel,
13 London Road, Sea Point

THE WINES:

*The Drift Estate Range, Bruce Jack Wines,
Ghost in the Machine*





LOMOND WINE ESTATE

Avoca Road, 10km from Gansbaai

Opening Hours: Open 7 days a week from 10h00 – 16h00

Closed on 25 Dec and 1 Jan

Tel: +27 (0)82 908 0099

info@lomond.co.za • www.lomond.co.za

Situated on the Agulhas Plain, Lomond's wines express this cool coastal terroir. Enjoy tastings and platters with unparalleled views across the valley, vineyards and Lomond Dam.



SIJNN WINES

Malgas, Western Cape

Monday to Saturday 10h00 – 15h00

Tel: +27 (0)71 670 7483

info@sijnn.co.za • www.sijnn.co.za

As a unique first-growth winery in the appellation of Malgas, Sijnn pioneered viticulture in this maritime climate, producing wines that express the distinctive terroir of the region.



BLACK OYSTERCATCHER

Moddervlei Farm, R43, Elim

Opening Hours: Tuesday to Saturday 10h00 – 16h00

Closed 24, 25 Dec and 1 Jan 2026

Tel: +27 (0)28 482 1618 • venue@blackoystercatcher.co.za

www.blackoystercatcher.co.za

This boutique winery is a destination where fine wines, farm-style cheese platters, and warm hospitality meet. Enjoy curated tastings, scenic country stays, and authentic experiences celebrating the beauty of the Agulhas region.





SKIPSKOP

7-9 Meul Street, Napier

Opening Hours: Tastings by Appointment only

Tel: +27 (0)82 0931791

skipskopwines@gmail.com

www.skipskopwines.com

This Napier-based boutique winery produces hand crafted wine from vineyards both within Napier and against the Swartberg Mountains in the Klein Karoo. The name pays homage to a lost community on a shipwrecked shore at the tip of Africa.



THE GIANT PERIWINKLE

Baardskeedersbos

Opening Hours: Tastings by Appointment only

Tel: +27 (0)82 465 8350

rglstelz@law.co.za

www.giantperiwinkle.co.za

Located on the outskirts of the tiny hamlet of Baardskeedersbos, this little winery crafts individualistic, non-interventionist wines that are a true expression of the area's terroir.



ZOETENDAL

Moddervlei Farm, R43, Elim

Opening Hours:

Wednesday to Sunday 10h00 - 16h00

Closed on Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day

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www.zoetendal.co.za

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The diverse agricultural tapestry is alive with farmers cultivating an impressive array of produce, from fruits and vegetables to grains and livestock. Located within the Cape Floral Kingdom, a UNESCO World Heritage site, the Overstrand's rich biodiversity contributes to unique flavours in honey, fruit, vegetables, grains, dairy, wine,

craft beer, meat, and seafood.

Local chefs and restaurants embrace this farm-to-table ethos by using local seasonal produce to create diverse and ever-changing menus to cater to every palate and dietary preference. Most come with a side serving of ambience afforded by the setting, be it on a quaint village street, tucked between vineyards on a wine farm, or overlooking the ocean.



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Inside, Michelin-starred chefs Edwin and Tom Vinke of De Kromme Watergang and Hasher Family Wines guide guests through a culinary journey shaped by the land and season. Named Epoché, it means a pause in time, offering a rare chance to experience culinary mastery in one of South Africa's most beautiful wine regions.

Each of the fifteen dishes across six courses reimagines Michelin-starred artistry through the lens of the Upper Hemel-en-Aarde Valley and the expressive wines grown from its soil. This is a once-a-year, unmissable occasion.

RESTAURANT DETAILS:

Hasher Family Wines
R320 Hemel-en-Aarde Road
info@epoche.co.za
www.epoche.co.za

OPENING HOURS:

December to February only
Lunch: Wednesday to Sunday
from 12:00. **Dinner:** Wednesday
to Saturday, from 18:00
*Limited seating; advance
booking is essential*



Ficks Pinchos and Wine



Perched atop the historic tidal pool in Hermanus, Ficks is an open-air gem offering Basque-inspired pinchos – small, flavour-packed dishes perfect for sharing. Nestled on wooden decks hugging the coastal cliffs, it invites relaxed social dining with friends or family while the waves crash below and dolphins and whales glide by. Pure bliss with every shared bite. No reservations; seating on first-come basis.

RESTAURANT DETAILS: 8 Marine Drive, Westcliff, Hermanus

Tel: +27 (0)28 312 4082

info@ficks.co.za

www.ficks.co.za

OPENING HOURS: (weather dependent)

December to April: Daily from 11h00 – 21h00

May to November: Sunday to Thursday 11h00 – 18h00

Fridays and Saturdays 11h00 – 19h00



The Rock



Situated on a cliff overlooking the bustling New Harbour, The Rock Restaurant has been a favourite in Hermanus since 1997. Offering spectacular sea views, seafood and grill dishes, as well as freshly prepared sushi, and a wine list featuring some of the area's top wines. Don't forget to browse the excellent gift shop in The Breakfast Room.

RESTAURANT DETAILS: 24A Still Street, New Harbour, Hermanus

Tel: +27 (0)28 312 2920

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OPENING HOURS:

Monday to Sunday 11h30 – 22h00



La Pentola



Seafront restaurant with panoramic views across Walker Bay. Renowned Chef-Patron Shane Sauvage specialises in international cuisine with vibrant South African flavours. Expect warm hospitality, excellent service and innovative dishes, complimented by a Diners Club award-winning wine list. The menu caters for all dietary needs.

RESTAURANT DETAILS: 87 Marine Drive, Hermanus

Tel: +27 (0)28 313 1685 • +27 (0)65 928 9238

reservations@lapentola.co.za

www.lapentola.co.za

OPENING HOURS:

Open Monday to Sunday for Lunch and Dinner



Bistro @ The Wine Glass



Taste the entire Overberg wine region in one space at The Wine Glass, whether in tasting flights, by the glass, by the bottle or off-con. Indulge in a fabulous food and wine pairing or simply enjoy casual dining with your favourite bottle or glass. The European-style Bistro food with an Asian influence includes oysters, platters, small chef's plates, and mains. This spacious venue is located in Hermanus's trendy art precinct, complete with a long bar, cosy seating areas, a courtyard garden, and three fireplaces.

RESTAURANT DETAILS: 2 Harbour Road, Hermanus
Tel: +27 (0)82 082 0007 • info@thewineglass.guru
www.thewineglass.guru

OPENING HOURS:

October - April: Monday to Sunday 11h30 to late
May to September: Monday to Friday 16h00 to late
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Pear Tree Bistro



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RESTAURANT DETAILS: Hermanus Waterfront, Marine Drive, Hermanus
Tel: +27 (0)28 313 1224
info@pear-tree.co.za
www.pear-tree-hermanus.co.za

OPENING HOURS:

Monday to Sunday from 09h00 – 21h00



Milk on the Beach



Overlooking the tranquil Onrus estuary, Milk on the Beach is the true heart of the Onrus community. Here, fresh coastal dishes and crafted drinks meet relaxed, social energy. From morning coffees to elegant evening dining, it's where locals and visitors gather to celebrate seaside living, comfort, and connection. This child- and dog-friendly restaurant includes a self-help Waffle Bar downstairs.

RESTAURANT DETAILS: 1 Atlantic Drive, Onrus

Tel: +27 (0)28 316 1516

info@milkonthebeach.co.za

www.milkonthebeach.co.za

OPENING HOURS:

Daily from 08h00 – 21h00

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RESTAURANT DETAILS: Grotto Street, Voëlkliip, Hermanus

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info@dutchies.co.za

www.dutchies.co.za

OPENING HOURS:

Monday to Sunday 09h00 – 21h00



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RESTAURANT DETAILS: 15 Van Blommestein Road, Onrus
Tel: +27 (0)28 316 2967 • +27 (0)84 207 9718
info@riposo.co.za
www.riposo.co.za

OPENING HOURS:

Tuesday to Thursday: 16h00 – 22h00
Friday to Saturday: 12h00 – 22h00
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info@fusionhermanus.co.za
www.fusionhermanus.co.za

OPENING HOURS:

Monday to Sunday from 09h00 – 21h00

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RESTAURANT DETAILS: Vrede Farm, R320 Hemel-en-Aarde, Hermanus

Tel: +27 (0)28 312 1857

plaaskombuishermanus@gmail.com

www.dieplaaskombuishermanus.co.za

OPENING HOURS:

Open daily for Breakfast and Lunch 08h00 – 17h00

Wine Tasting and Sales daily 10h00 – 17h00



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RESTAURANT DETAILS:

Cheverells Farm, 55 Highlands Road, Elgin Valley

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www.cheverellsfarm.com

OPENING HOURS:

Wednesday to Saturday 08h00 – 16h00

Sunday 08h00 – 15h00





THE ZESTY LEMON

Landskein Wines, R43, Stanford

Opening Hours: Monday to Thursday from 09h00 – 16h00
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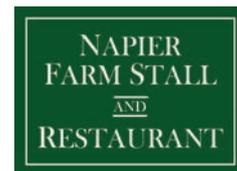
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Opening Hours: Wednesday to Sunday lunch,
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Opening Hours: Tuesday to Sunday from 09h00 (kitchen closes at 20h00)

Closed on Mondays, except during the Festive Season

Tel: +27 (0)79 975 6211 • info@stanfordkitchen.co.za

A warm, welcoming restaurant in the heart of the village, offering wood-fired pizzas, hearty breakfasts, and flavourful lunches and dinners. A local favourite, the Stanford Kitchen and Bruce Jack Wine Bar is the perfect place to relax and experience genuine Stanford hospitality.



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3A Harbour Road, Hermanus

Opening Hours: Monday to Saturday: Dinner service from 17h00

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Tel: +27 (0)28 312 3642

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ACCOMMODATION DETAILS:

Off N2, Houw Hoek, Grabouw

Tel: +27 (0)28 284 9646 • +27 (0)87 814 1226

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www.houwhoekhotel.com



Arniston Spa Hotel



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ACCOMMODATION DETAILS:

1 Main Road, Arniston

Tel: +27 (0)28 445 9000

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Famous for its Marine Big 5 and ecotourism initiatives, the Cape Whale Coast attracts visitors from far and wide to experience boat-based whale watching and shark-cage diving. For adrenaline junkies, the Overberg boasts the world's longest continuous zipline near Caledon, a 3km ride soaring through the air at heart-pounding speed; paragliding, quadbiking, kayaking and sandboarding are also on offer.

For those who are more inclined to take things easy, the hub of Hermanus and villages such as Kleinmond, Stanford and Greyton are filled with quaint coffee shops, art galleries and markets where you can browse to your heart's content. Stroll along the cliff paths, take a chauffeured wine tour, relax over a leisurely multi-course lunch, take in the magnificent sunsets with a sundowner in hand ...



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Hermanus Country Market



This vibrant community hub is held every Saturday on the grounds of the Hermanus Sports Club. Featuring local arts and crafts, farm-fresh produce and artisanal foods, it is the perfect place to relax, connect, and support local talent. Family-friendly, dog-friendly, and proudly local, the award-winning Hermanus Country Market is where community and creativity meet in the heart of Hermanus.

VENUE DETAILS:

Corner of José Burman Drive and Fairways Avenue, Hermanus

Opening Hours: Every Saturday 09h00 – 14h00

Summer Night Markets 17h00 – 21h00

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In collaboration with Creation Wines, Tastes of Hermanus offers two guided walking tours through the authentic heart of Hermanus and Stanford. This immersive sensory experience entails a roaming menu of local dishes paired with Creation's wines in different settings, from fynbos gardens to coastal kitchens. Meet the artisans, taste the terroir, and join in celebrating the creative flair and community spirit that earned Overstrand Hermanus the distinction of a UNESCO Creative City of Gastronomy.

Contact: Susan Mann +27 (0)78 239 9512
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DISTILLERY DETAILS:

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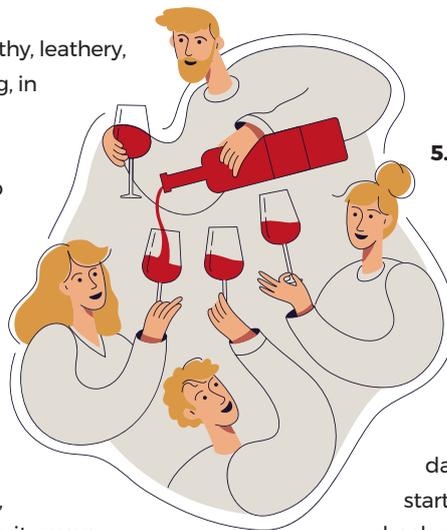
in Five Steps

Wine tasting is both an art and a science. It is also a fun experience that opens up a whole new world of sensory delights.

- 1. SQUINT:** Hold your glass up at a slight angle against a white background and take a good look at the appearance of the wine to 'see what it tells you'. The colour, clarity and viscosity will give clues about the wine's age and grape variety.
- 2. SWIRL:** Gently swirl the glass anti-clockwise to aerate the wine and release its aromas.
- 3. SNIFF:** Take a deep sniff to identify the aromas. Your nose will pick up primary aromas (fruity, floral, herbal) from the grapes used to make the wine. Secondary aromas (yeasty, nutty, buttery) come from winemaking practices, and

tertiary aromas (earthy, leathery, smoky) from ageing, in bottle or oak.

- 4. SIP:** Take a small sip and it roll around your mouth. You'll be looking for more of the flavours sniffed: When drinking white wine, expect gooseberry, green apple, melon, tangerine, passionfruit, guava, lemon, lime, mango, white peach, pear and grapefruit. In red wine, anticipate cherries, pomegranate, blackberry, raspberry, plums, tomatoes, cranberry, cassis and red currant. You may also pick up on herbaceous flavours such as green bell pepper, asparagus and thyme,



or spicy notes of vanilla, mocha or cinnamon.

- 5. SAVOUR:** Take heed of the wine's acidity, sweetness, tannins, body, balance, and finish. A complex and balanced wine will offer more than one fruit flavour and a range of nuances dancing on your tongue from start to finish, lingering in the back of your throat – and memory – after you've swallowed the last sip.

Wine tasting is a subjective, personal experience – enjoy digging into your own memory bank for flavours you may be familiar with. Cheers!

Preserving the Overberg's *Natural Heritage*

The Overberg region, in the heart of the Cape Floral Kingdom, boasts nature reserves and conservation bodies dedicated to protecting its rich biodiversity.

Hermanus' Fernkloof Nature Reserve features 60km of well-maintained trails crisscrossing the Kleinrivier

Mountains and breathtaking views of the coastline. The Harold Porter Botanical Garden in Betty's Bay provides picturesque picnic spots and shaded walkways leading to Disa Kloof, a haven for nature enthusiasts.

The Walker Bay Nature Reserve, a 17km stretch of pristine beach ideal for coastal hikes, starts near Gansbaai. Along this rugged coastline, visitors can explore limestone

caves, and the Klippgat Cave, a place of archaeological importance.

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