Amanzi Lodge Wine Tour

Suggested Wine and Food Pairings by the Glass

Simonsig kaapse Vonkel Brut - \$7

Aperitif, salads, prawns, calamari balsamic vinaigrette, citrus.



Rooiberg Chardonnay - \$3

Lobster, prawns, chicken, turkey and pork butter, cream & garlic sauces.



Simonsig Adelberg Sauvignon Blanc - \$3

Scallops, prawns, smoked seafood, chicken and pork citrus & vinaigrette sauces.



Leopards Leap Chenin Blanc - \$3

Shellfish, smoked salmon, chicken and pork citrus & vinaigrette sauces.



Simonsig Adelberg Cabernet Sauvignon - \$3

Rare tuna steaks, beef, duck, lamb and venison meat jus, mustard, pepper and red wine sauce.



Du Toitskloof Merlot - \$3

Tuna, salmon, lamb, duck and goats cheese meat jus, mushroom and red wine sauce.



Rooiberg Shiraz - \$3

Stews, venison, lamb, beef steaks and red meat curries meat jus, full bodied spiced sauces that are low in acidity.



Bon Courage Late Harvest - \$7

Suited to sweet fruit based desserts, also good with pastries and cakes.

White Wines

Chardonnay

Originated in the Burgundy wine region of eastern France. The Chardonnay grape itself is very neutral, with many of the flavours commonly associated with the grape being derived from such influences as terroir and oak. Chardonnay is an important component of many sparkling wines around the world, including Champagne.

Sauvignon Blanc

Originated from the Bordeaux region of France. The grape most likely gets its name from the French word sauvage ("wild") and blanc ("white"). The grape is also a component of dessert wines. Depending on the climate, the flavour can range from aggressively grassy to sweetly tropical. Wine experts have used the phrase "crisp, elegant, and fresh" as a favourable description of Sauvignon Blanc.



Chenin Blanc

Originates from the Loire valley of France. Its high acidity means it can be used to make everything from sparkling wines to well-balanced dessert wines, Outside the Loire region, it is the most widely planted variety in South Africa, where it is also known as Steen, which offers a sweeter taste in comparison to the dry nature of a Chenin Blanc.

GRAHAM BECK UN-OAKED 2010	\$16
LEOPARD'S LEAP 2012	\$17
GLEN CARLOU QUARTZ STONE 2011	\$40

DU TOITSKLOOF 2012	\$1!
SIMONSIG SUNBIRD 2012	\$20
SPRINGFIELD 2012	\$33

STELLEKAYA BOSCHETTO 2012	\$16
GRAHAM BECK GAME RESERVE 2010	\$25
TEMBANA STEIN 2011	\$12

Red Wines

Cabernet Sauvignon

One of the world's most widely recognized red wine grape varieties. It is grown in nearly every major wine producing country among a diverse spectrum of climates. Cabernet Sauvignon became internationally recognized through its prominence in Bordeaux wines where it is often blended with Merlot and Cabernet Franc.

For most of the 20th century, it was the world's most widely planted premium red wine grape until it was surpassed by Merlot in the 1990s. Cabernet Sauvignon is a very bold and assertive wine that has potential to overwhelm light and delicate dishes. The grape has high tannin content as well as oak influences and high alcohol levels.

ROOIBERG 2011	\$14
DU TOITSKLOOF 2011	\$14
GLEN CARLOU 2009	\$26
GRAHAM BECK GAME RESERVE 2010	\$28
VERGELEGEN CAB SAV/MERLOT 2007	\$42
SPRING FIELD 2011	\$60



Red Wines

Merlot

The earliest recorded mention of Merlot was in the notes of a local Bordeaux official who in 1784 labeled wine made from the grape in the Bordeaux region. The name comes from the Occitan word "merlot", which means "young blackbird". Merlot is softer and has a fruity profile, hence making it more approachable to some wine drinkers.

ROOIBERG 2012 \$14 VILJOENSDRIFT 2011 \$34 KEN FORRESTER 2010 \$36

Malbec

One of the six grapes allowed in the blend of red Bordeaux wine. A popular but unconfirmed theory claims that Malbec is named after a Hungarian peasant who first spread the grape variety throughout France while working as an undercover detective.

BLAAUWKILPPEN 2008 \$26



Pinot Noir

The name is derived from the French words for "pine" and "black" alluding to the grape variety's tightly clustered dark purple pinecone shaped bunches of fruit.

Pinot Noir grapes are grown around the world, mostly in the cooler regions, but the grape is chiefly associated with the Burgundy region of France. It is widely considered to produce some of the finest wines in the world, but is a difficult variety to cultivate and transform into wine.

GLEN CARLOU 2011 \$26 HAUTE CABRIERE 2008 \$32



Pinotage

Pinotage is a grape variety that was created in South Africa in 1925 by Abraham Izak Perold, who succeeded in combining the best qualities of the robust Hermitage with Pinot Noir. It typically produces deep red varietal wines with smoky, bramble and earthy flavors, sometimes with notes of bananas and tropical fruit. Pinotage is often blended, and also made into fortified wine and even red sparkling wine.

DU TOITSKLOOF 2011 \$18 SIMONSVLEI JA MOCHA 2010 \$30 DIEMERSFONTEIN (COFFEE) 2011 \$38



Shiraz

It is called Syrah in its country of origin, France, as well as in the rest of Europe and new world wine regions. The name Shiraz became popular for this grape variety in Australia, Wines made from Shiraz are often powerfully flavoured and full-bodied. Aroma characters can range from violets to berries (usually dark as opposed to red), chocolate, espresso and black pepper.

DU TOITSKLOOF 2009 \$18
GRAHAM BECK 2010 \$25
SIMONSVLEI HERCULES PARAGEN 2008 \$38
VERGELEGEN 2007 \$50



Sparkling Wines

Sparkling

Is a wine with significant levels of carbon dioxide in it making it fizzy. The carbon dioxide may result from natural fermentation in a bottle (Champagne method) or as a result of carbon dioxide injection. Sparkling wine is usually white or rosé but there are many examples of red sparkling wines. The sweetness of sparkling wine can range from very dry "brut" styles to sweeter "doux" varieties. The classic example of a sparkling wine is Champagne, but this wine is exclusively produced in the Champagne region of France and many sparkling wines are produced in other countries and regions.

SIMONSIG KAAPSE VONKEL BRUT	
PIERRE JOURDON BRUT CAP CLASSIQUE	\$36
GRAHAM BECK BRUT	\$36
PIERRE JOURDON CUVEE BELLE ROSE	\$40



Rosé Wine

Rosé

Is a type of wine that incorporates some of the color from the grape skins, but not enough to qualify it as a red wine. There are three major ways to produce rosé wine: skin contact, saignée and blending. Rosé wines can be made still,semi-sparkling or sparkling. Rosé are made from a wide variety of grapes and can be found all across the globe



Dessert Wine

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Late Harvest is a term applied to wines made from grapes left on the vine longer than usual. Late Harvest grapes are often more similar to raisins, but have naturally dehydrated on the vine. The Bon courage Late Harvest is an elegant dessert wine with hints of honey and fragrances of peach and apricots.



BLAAUWKLIPPEN 2010

\$18

BON COURAGE NOBLE LATE HARVEST 2011 \$7 GLASS OR \$28 BOTTLE 375ML

