

The Table Bay wine list inspires exploration

For the second year in a row, The Table Bay has received a Diamond Award in Diners Club Winelist Awards - the highest possible achievement and a testament to the hotel's focus on creating a more personalised story that reflects the style and character of the hotel and its guests.

A Diamond list scores 91% or higher, with a selection of excellent wines in all categories; including exciting new wines and classic labels as well as a reserve list of aged wines and good international choices.



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“The Table Bay has a discerning and diverse clientele, and we have placed special emphasis on selecting wines that reflect this as well as complement our dishes. This involves close collaboration with our culinary team, including Executive Chef Jocelyn Myers-Adams who is a qualified sommelier. Though more complex than in days gone by, food and wine pairing is certainly an exciting journey. This journey is integral to the experiential adventure that has become synonymous with dining at The Table Bay,” says The Table Bay’s assistant food and beverage manager Charl Theron.

According to Theron, The Table Bay’s wine list inspires exploration with a graphical representation of the Western Cape Wine Region, highlighting the different regions within the vast landscape.

Diverse list of wines offer guests tremendous opportunities to explore

“One of the major impacts, which make South Africa’s wines so exceptional, is the different climates and soil types which form part of the terroir. Guests are able to read the descriptions of the wines, with reference to the map, to guide their journey of exploration. Our waitrons are also extremely knowledgeable about the wines we offer and are well-equipped to recommend to guests the most suitable wines with which to pair their meals.”

He continues: “A focus when creating our new wine list was to further extend our selection of wines by the glass, which also presents tremendous opportunities for guests to explore. We now have over 129 interesting wines by the glass, representing diverse categories, including champagne.”

The Winelist Awards are designed to recognise and celebrate the hard work and innovation of restaurateurs who are meticulous in their wine selection and pairing of food with wine. The awards – established 23 years ago – are a coveted symbol of distinction and see a great number of local restaurants vie for top honours. The judging criteria were developed with the help of the South African Sommeliers' Association which brought its extensive practical experience to bear to ensure that the criteria are fair to restaurants.

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