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Renowned South African artist and creator of the official festival poster, Sam Nhlengethwa, shaping the visual identity of the first Montreux Jazz Festival Franschhoek.

escape

La Motte presents Van Horison tot Horison, an evocative exhibition exploring the South African landscape. Contemporary artists engage with historical precedents, celebrating the dialogue between tradition, reinterpretation, place, and legacy.



explore

Eleven Restaurant embraces hyper-local dining in Franschhoek — seasonal ingredients, valley wines and heartfelt hospitality, beautifully rooted in community, provenance and place.



experience

Montreux Jazz Festival lands in South Africa for the first time — world-class music, unforgettable vibes, and a celebration where the world meets Africa and Africa plays back!





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A Valley Pour

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In the heart of the Robertsvlei Valley, La Roche Estate offers a wine experience defined by elegance, mountain views and unhurried moments. Framed by vineyards and panoramic scenery, it is a place where guests are invited to pause, breathe deeply and savour the finer things.

At David's Bistro, visitors can explore the estate's limited-edition, **exclusive** range. Tastings showcase a refined selection — from Pinot Noir Rosé and Sauvignon Blanc to Unwooded Chardonnay, Pinot Noir and the celebratory Bacchus Cap Classique. Connoisseurs can also secure bottles to take home, including the highly sought-after, limited Vintage Cuvée.

Beyond the glass, the bistro's thoughtfully **curated** menu offers generous breakfasts, leisurely lunches and expertly brewed coffee for early risers. Families, friends and even four-legged companions are warmly welcomed, creating a relaxed yet sophisticated countryside escape.

Whether lingering over lunch or discovering a new favourite vintage, La Roche Estate promises a **memorable** taste of the valley — where every sip tells a story.

To make a reservation, purchase our wine, or for general enquiries, contact 071 541 0287 or email – deli@larocheestate.com

The team can't wait to welcome you to David's Bistro | Located at La Roche Estate, Robertsvlei Road, Franschhoek, 7690. Follow on Instagram to stay updated.



Gin, Mischief, and Totally Lilly's Fault

There's a new gin parlour shaking up Franschhoek, and it's about to become your favourite bad influence. Meet Blame Lilly — an intimate hideaway perched above the winelands, with sweeping views of dramatic peaks and the timeless charm of the historic village.

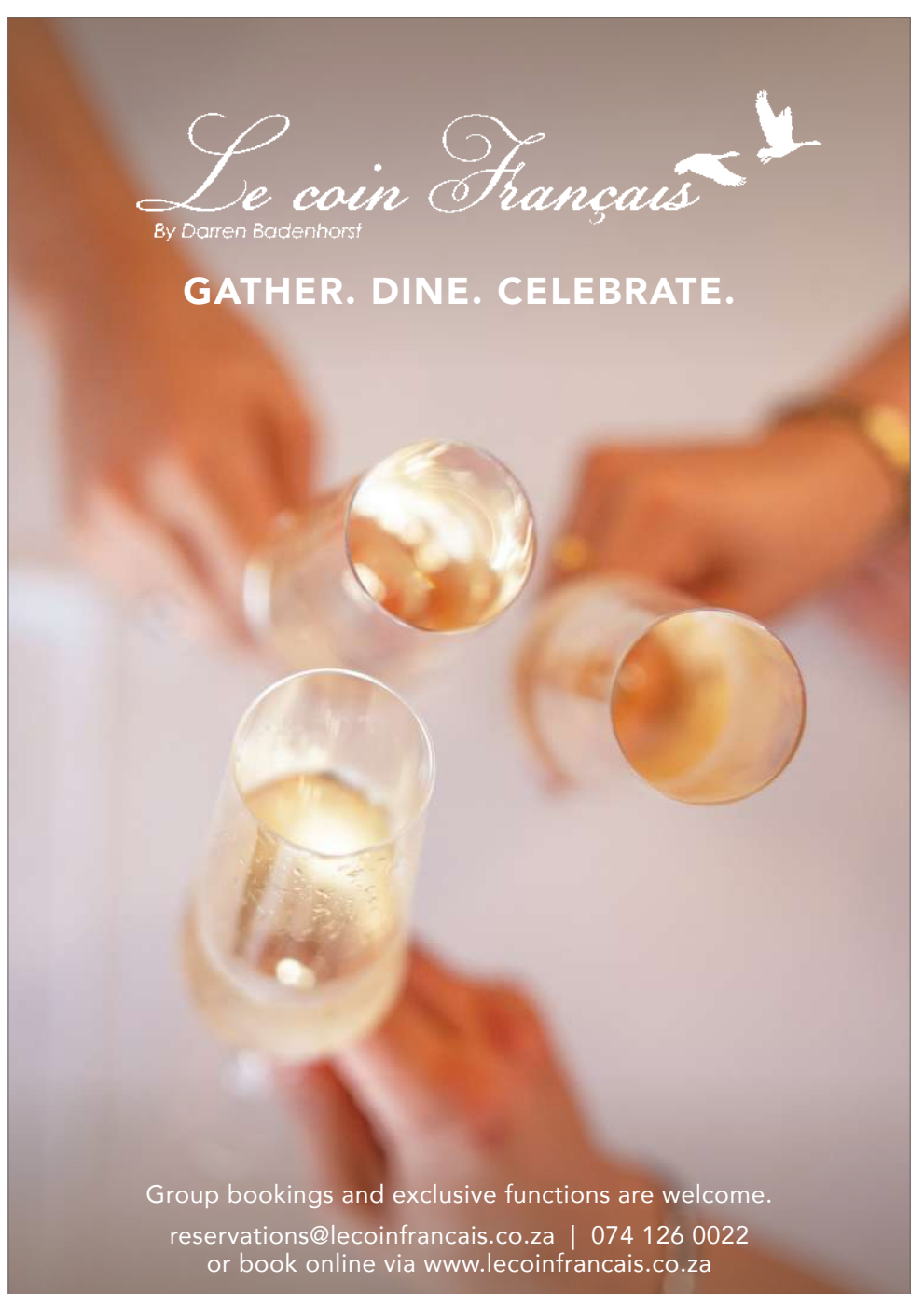
Life's too short for boring drinks, and Lilly knows it. The bar is a playground of botanicals, tonics, and **creative twists**, designed to keep spirits high and glasses never empty. Whether it's a cheeky after-work G&T, a girls' night that gets wonderfully out of hand, or a celebration that deserves a little **sparkle**, Blame Lilly makes every occasion an excuse for fun.

Afternoons slip into evenings, and evenings turn into stories you'll definitely tell again. And yes, let's be honest — bad decisions make better stories.

Around here, it's totally Lilly's fault.

The atmosphere is intimate but **alive**, with every corner inviting conversation, laughter, and the kind of memories that only happen when you throw caution to the wind. From the first sip to the last toast, Blame Lilly is where Franschhoek's winelands meet unapologetic indulgence.

Whether you're looking for a new favourite spot, a cheeky night out, or simply a reason to say "why not?", there's only one rule: whatever happens, Blame Lilly.



Le coin Français
By Darren Badenhorst

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Rooted in over 350 years of winemaking heritage, Franschhoek Cellar offers a vibrant collection of handcrafted wines and memorable experiences.

Enjoy curated wine tastings paired with artisanal chocolates and cheeses, or relax over a delicious deli-style lunch beneath the oak trees. With a supervised kiddies' playground, it's the perfect outing for the whole family.

Extend your stay in one of two luxury cottages—stylish, comfortable escapes ideal for exploring the Franschhoek Valley and Cape Winelands.

Planning an event? Distinctive venues set the stage for everything from elegant weddings and milestone celebrations to intimate gatherings and corporate functions.

As a standout destination on the Franschhoek wine route, Franschhoek Cellar blends country charm with world-class hospitality—crafted to exceed every expectation.

For enquiries or bookings,
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Legacy Meets Mastercraft

OLD ROAD DISTILLERY

In the heart of Franschhoek with sweeping 180-degree views of the Franschhoek Mountains, Old Road Distillery is redefining South African brandy. Under the guidance of Master Distiller Renaldo Fourie, the distillery offers premium potstill brandies, including rare 17- and 22-year-old expressions, each telling the story of its vineyard origins and traditional copper still craftsmanship.

The distillery is also home to the historic Sinovich Collection, a curated library of vintage brandies and wines from around the world. Discovered through Tim Hutchinson's friendship with the Sinovich family, the collection celebrates a legacy of pioneers including Sydney Back and winemaker Jaco Potgieter, whose contributions are honoured throughout the venue.

Visitors can tour gleaming copper stills, explore the "grape to glass" process, and enjoy immersive tastings paired with curated treats. The beautifully restored spaces — from exposed brick interiors to copper finishes, ambient lighting, and floral touches — pay homage to heritage while embracing contemporary design.

Old Road Distillery is more than a destination; it's a masterclass in storytelling, craft, and South African spirit heritage.

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Whether you're popping in for a relaxed lunch or planning an easy dinner, Ōku's à la carte menu is now available for both lunch and dinner, making it simpler to join us any day of the week.

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Montreux Arrives in Africa this Month

From 27–29 March 2026, the world-renowned Montreux Jazz Festival launches its first African edition: Montreux Jazz Festival Franschhoek presented by Nedbank – bringing a globally respected music institution to the heart of the Winelands.



Designed as an intimate, **immersive** festival which unfolds across two distinct performance spaces, each offering a different experience.

The Arches is the festival's premium concert environment – a focused, high-production stage offering a variety of pass options, and featuring a mix of reserved seating, hospitality and relaxed concert areas. This is where headline performances take centre stage in a refined, acoustically driven setting.

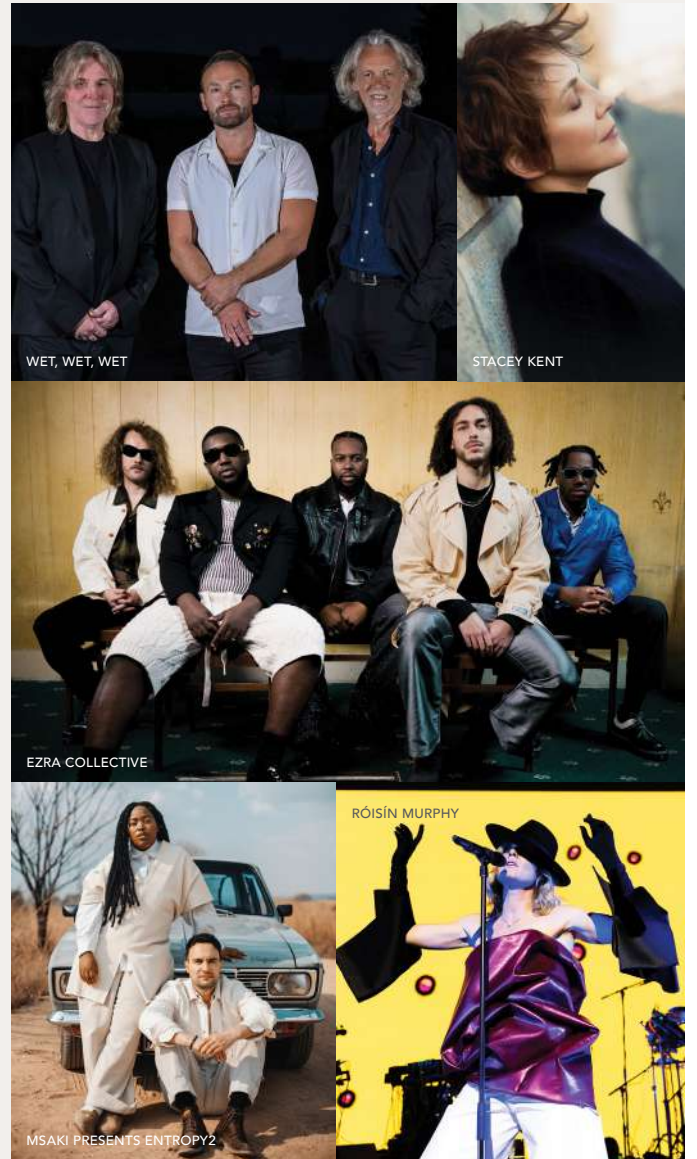
The Jazz Village is housed in an historic church in Franschhoek and here, seating is reserved with tickets sold per show. The church is set within the Jazz Village Precinct, a **vibey** gathering point with public bars, food vendors, markets and more.

Across the weekend, more than 30 global and local artists will perform. Among them are globally renowned band WET WET WET, Ezra Collective, the prize-winning UK jazz phenomenon known for explosive live energy and Afro-diasporic groove, and Robert Glasper with special guest Bilal – two architects of modern jazz and neo-soul. Irish icon Róisín Murphy brings her bold, genre-defying artistry to the programme, while local cultural powerhouse Thandiswa Mazwai appears at The Arches and Grammy-nominated vocalist Stacey Kent, celebrated for her elegant phrasing and timeless interpretations of jazz and chanson, performs in the Jazz Village.

Beyond the stages, the Montreux Mile invites guests to explore food, wine, installations and pop-up activations in an open setting that celebrates Franschhoek's hospitality and design culture. The Sunday Slowdown is un-ticketed along the Montreux Mile with fun for the whole family.

Whether attending a single day or curating a full weekend, Montreux Jazz Festival Franschhoek offers layered ways to **experience** music at close range – in true Montreux spirit.

www.mjfsa.com for more details and book your festival vibe at Ticketmaster.co.za.



A True Taste of the Valley

ELEVEN FINDS ITS PROVENANCE

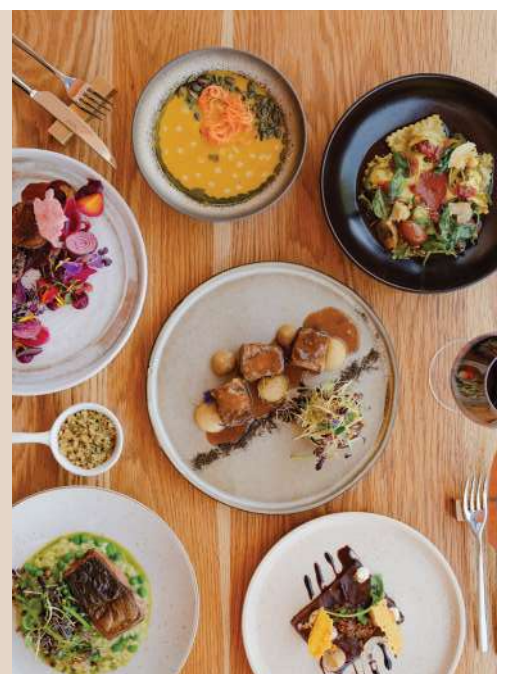
Three years after opening, Eleven Restaurant has come into its own. What began as a chic, globally inspired destination has evolved into something more **grounded** — a restaurant shaped almost entirely by Franschhoek itself.

Founded by Ryan Shell, Eleven is intentionally working towards being 100% **Franschhoek-sourced**, from its team to its produce and partnerships. The shift from a tasting-menu format to a thoughtful à la carte offering marked a turning point, making the restaurant more accessible while deepening its sense of place. Today, ingredients are sourced from within the valley wherever possible, building close relationships with small-scale farmers and producers.

Dishes reflect this hyper-local philosophy — from oxtail arancini using produce from Babylonstoren to Dalewood whipped feta ravioli and La Combé suckling pig. The wine list follows suit, favouring proximity and shared provenance.

Beyond the plate, wildflowers, locally gathered details and a **predominantly** Franschhoek-based team reinforce the connection to land and community. Eleven is no longer reaching outward — it is rooted, refined and unmistakably of its valley.

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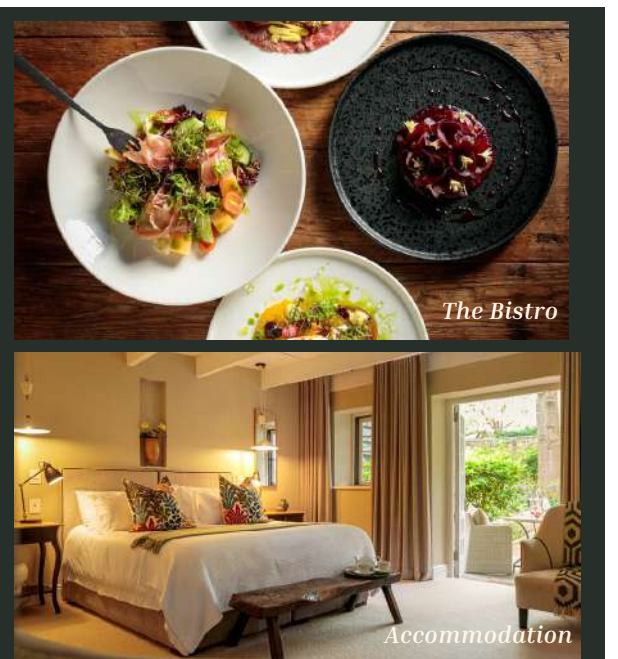


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The Bistro

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MARCH



NEW ART EXHIBITION OPENS IN THE LA MOTTE ATELJEE

La Motte is excited to announce *Van Horison tot Horison*. This exhibition focuses on the South African landscape by placing contemporary artists in dialogue with historical precedents, embracing the influence and inspiration of both place and legacy, tradition as well as reinterpretation. Wed – Sun, 09h00-17h00.

VISIT la-motte.com

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MARCH



MAMMA MIA OPEN AIR CINEMA WITH GALILEO AT LEOPARD'S LEAP

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27-29

MARCH



SAVE THE DATE MONTREUX JAZZ FESTIVAL FRANSCHHOEK

Over one unforgettable weekend, the Montreux Jazz Festival Franschhoek transforms the valley into an intimate stage for global and African voices. Blending music, art, food and wine, this boutique festival celebrates cultural diversity, creative excellence and the legendary Montreux spirit.

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SUNDAYS



THE SUNDAY LUNCH CLUB AT ELEVEN

On the final Sunday of each month, join for a three-course lunch, each course paired with wines from a featured local wine farm. A relaxed afternoon of seasonal plates and carefully selected wines. An easy way to close out the month and begin the next. R550 per person, all inclusive. A monthly lunch series for 2026. Bookings essential.

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TUES-SUN



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MON-SUN



LEVANTE RESTAURANT AT LYNX

Join us for a Culinary Journey through Levante Cuisine. Experience the vibrant flavours of East Mediterranean-inspired cuisine at Levante Restaurant. Enjoy a unique dining experience in Franschhoek, savouring a delightful meal or a relaxed tasting with delicious snacks in our bodega.

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MON-SUN



THE FRANSCHHOEK KITCHEN RESTAURANT AT HOLDEN MANZ

Welcomes the 2025/26 season with a daily à la carte lunch from 12h00-15h00. Enjoy a relaxed meal on the balcony overlooking the vineyards and mountains, paired with award-winning Holden Manz wines by the glass or bottle—or something special from the vinoteque. The team are delighted to host groups for special dinners by previous arrangement.

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MON-SUN



PICNICS AT MONT ROCHELLE

Indulge in a picnic set among vineyards and mountain views, featuring locally sourced cheese and charcuterie, seasonal gourmet bites and a sweet treat for dessert. Slow down, savour the scenery and toast to romance in timeless Franschhoek style. Perfect for sunlit afternoons, intimate celebrations, and memories worth sharing. 12h00-16h00.

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MON-SUN



LIGHT FESTIVAL AT SPIER

Spier Light Art returns for its eighth edition, transforming Spier Wine Farm into a glowing landscape of contemporary art from 6 March to 6 April 2026. As night falls, installations bend, morph and shimmer across the historic grounds, inviting reflection and play. Family-friendly and free to enter, bookings are essential. Open nightly at dusk. Entry and sunset picnic bookings via Dineplan.

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MON-SUN



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MON-SUN



YAMA ASIAN EATERY

Yama is a relaxed, family-friendly favourite in Franschhoek. It's a place to gather, share and enjoy flavour-forward Asian-inspired dishes, from tapas and ramen to bao buns, dumplings and more, alongside a sushi menu of classic and signature rolls.

With a dedicated kiddies menu and à la carte options for every appetite, Yama suits locals, visitors and little ones alike.

**BOOKINGS Call 021 023 4695
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3-6 APRIL



EASTER WEEKEND LUNCH AT MONNEAUX RESTAURANT

Celebrate Easter Weekend with a four-course family-style sharing menu. Available for lunch @ R800pp, this Easter lunch is perfect for families and friends seeking a festive feast. Easter kids menu available. Enjoy freshly baked bread, multiple starters, mains with sharing sides, and decadent desserts, all in the elegant ambiance of one of Franschhoek's top restaurants.

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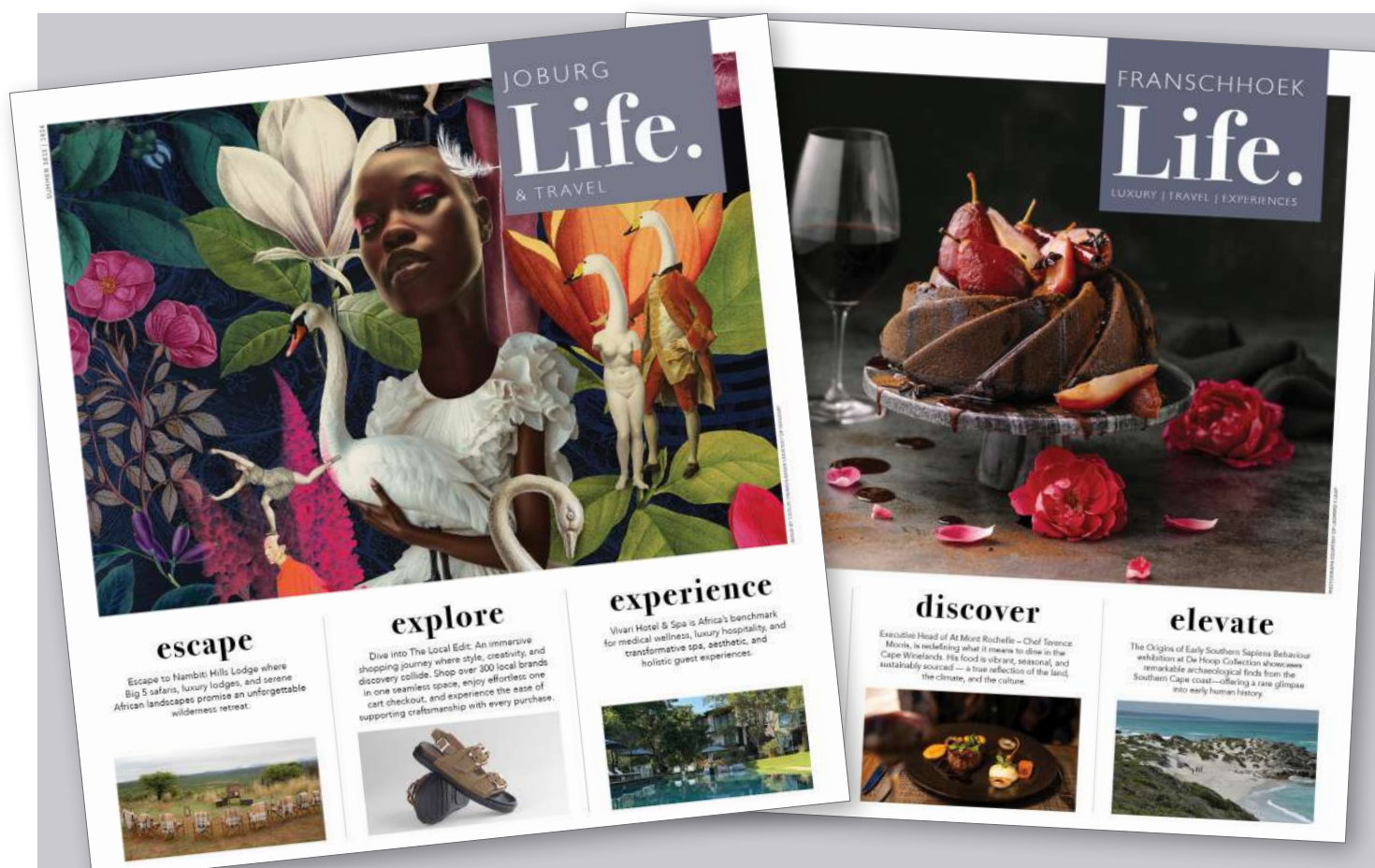
5 APRIL



EASTER PICNIC AT LA ROCHE ESTATE

Celebrate Easter in the Robertsvlei Valley with an exclusive picnic. Beneath the pecan trees, enjoy scotch eggs, pickled curry fish, lamb tagine, scalloped potatoes, seasonal vegetables, hot cross buns, and pecan apple crumble with compote. Children can join the Easter egg hunt while families relax in picnic areas near David's Bistro. R500pp. Subject to availability and weather.

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discover
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elevate
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This thoughtfully planned estate comprises 91 full title stands, offering residents the full benefits of ownership together with the long-term capital appreciation associated with Franschhoek property. All stands enjoy 360 degree mountain views and the architectural design will make full use of the Northern sun, ensuring comfortable year round living.

A centrally positioned dam with abundant birdlife forms the heart of the estate. Landscaped walkways and tranquil viewpoints will allow residents to enjoy the peaceful surroundings and natural beauty.

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- Open-plan living areas with exposed roof trusses and wood-burning fireplace
- Covered patio with built-in braai
- Quality finishes throughout, including Oggie hardwood flooring, underfloor heating, double glazed windows and Smeg appliances

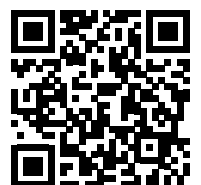
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A NEW ERA OF BUBBLES AT GRAHAM BECK

The House of Graham Beck marks a defining generational transition as founding winemaker Pieter Ferreira retires, passing stewardship to long-time Cellarmaster Pierre de Klerk.

After nearly four decades, Ferreira leaves behind a formidable legacy — transforming Graham Beck into a global leader in Cap Classique, exported to over 50 countries and recognised among the world's finest bottle-fermented sparkling wines. His influence helped shape not only the House's identity, but the international standing of South Africa's Cap Classique category.

De Klerk, supported by winemaker Lizemari Geldenhuys, continues the House's philosophy of patience, precision and respect for terroir.

Recently honoured with the Wine Advancement Award at Groot Constantia, Ferreira now turns to his own ventures — while Graham Beck confidently enters its next chapter.

www.grahambeck.com



A CELEBRATION OF EASTER THROUGH MUSIC AT LA MOTTE

La Motte invites audiences to a special voice and piano concert celebrating the Easter season. Featuring works by Bach, Handel, Mendelssohn, Verdi, Franck, Fauré, and more, the programme journeys from sacrifice and grief to contemplation, hope, and joy.

Soprano Siphamandla Moyake, tenor Lukhanyo Moyake, and pianist Esthea Kruger will perform on Thursday, 28 March, R350 per person. Guests may enjoy pre-concert wine and refreshments, view the latest La Motte art exhibition, and optionally book a concert-and-dinner package at the L'Ami Family Brasserie for R945.

Bookings via Dineplan or at www.la-motte.co.za

CHASE AWAY THE DARKNESS PORTIA ZVAVAHERA AT NORVAL FOUNDATION

Norval Foundation presents Tanda rima, a powerful new exhibition by acclaimed Zimbabwean artist Portia Zvavahera.

Translating from Shona as "Chase away the darkness," the exhibition continues Zvavahera's exploration of dreams, spirituality and lived experience. Her richly layered paintings, alive with colour and symbolism, navigate themes of motherhood, prayer, protection and transcendence. Three new works deepen this intimate narrative, anchored by a recurring luminous tree motif symbolising hope and sanctuary.

Norval Foundation, Cape Town.

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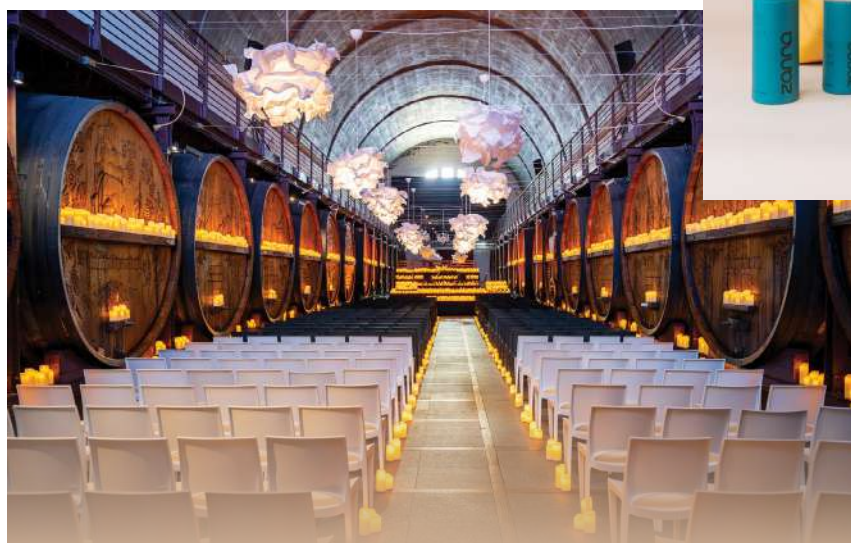
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Audiences can anticipate unforgettable evenings featuring tributes to Coldplay, Queen and ABBA, alongside masterpieces such as The Four Seasons and cinematic scores by Hans Zimmer. Praised as "sublime" and "dreamlike," the experience blends heritage, acoustics and artistry — where music and wine meet in spectacular harmony.

Guests can extend the evening with a Cathedral Cellar Wine & Tapas experience at the KVV Emporium.

Upcoming performances 21 March & 25 April 2026.

For bookings and more information, visit www.kvv.co.za

COMING HOME FOR EASTER AT BABYLONSTOREN

This Easter, Babylonstoren invites guests to come home — to a table where warmth, nostalgia and generosity meet. The farm celebrates the joy of gathering with beautifully set tables, comforting flavours and childhood traditions reimagined.

Handcrafted chocolate eggs hide the chance to find a golden treasure and win a share of R30 000 in online vouchers, while praline-filled delights and the smashable Spikkels chocolate hen promise sweet theatre. Hot cross bun-inspired cruffins and biscuits bring fragrant spice to the season.

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In the heart of Hermanus, known worldwide as a premier whale-watching destination, One Marine Drive Boutique Hotel offers guests an unrivalled vantage point overlooking Walker Bay. Situated directly on the iconic Cliff Path and just moments from the town's vibrant shops, galleries, bars and restaurants, the hotel perfectly balances coastal tranquility with easy access to local culture.

The boutique hotel features 16 elegantly appointed rooms and suites across six categories, including Classic, Deluxe, Superior Sea View, Junior Suite, The Columbine Suite and The Agulhas Suite. Each room combines **contemporary** style and comfort, with king-size beds, en-suite bathrooms, in-room safes, LED TVs, complimentary Wi-Fi, air conditioning, Ronnefeldt teas and pod coffee machines.

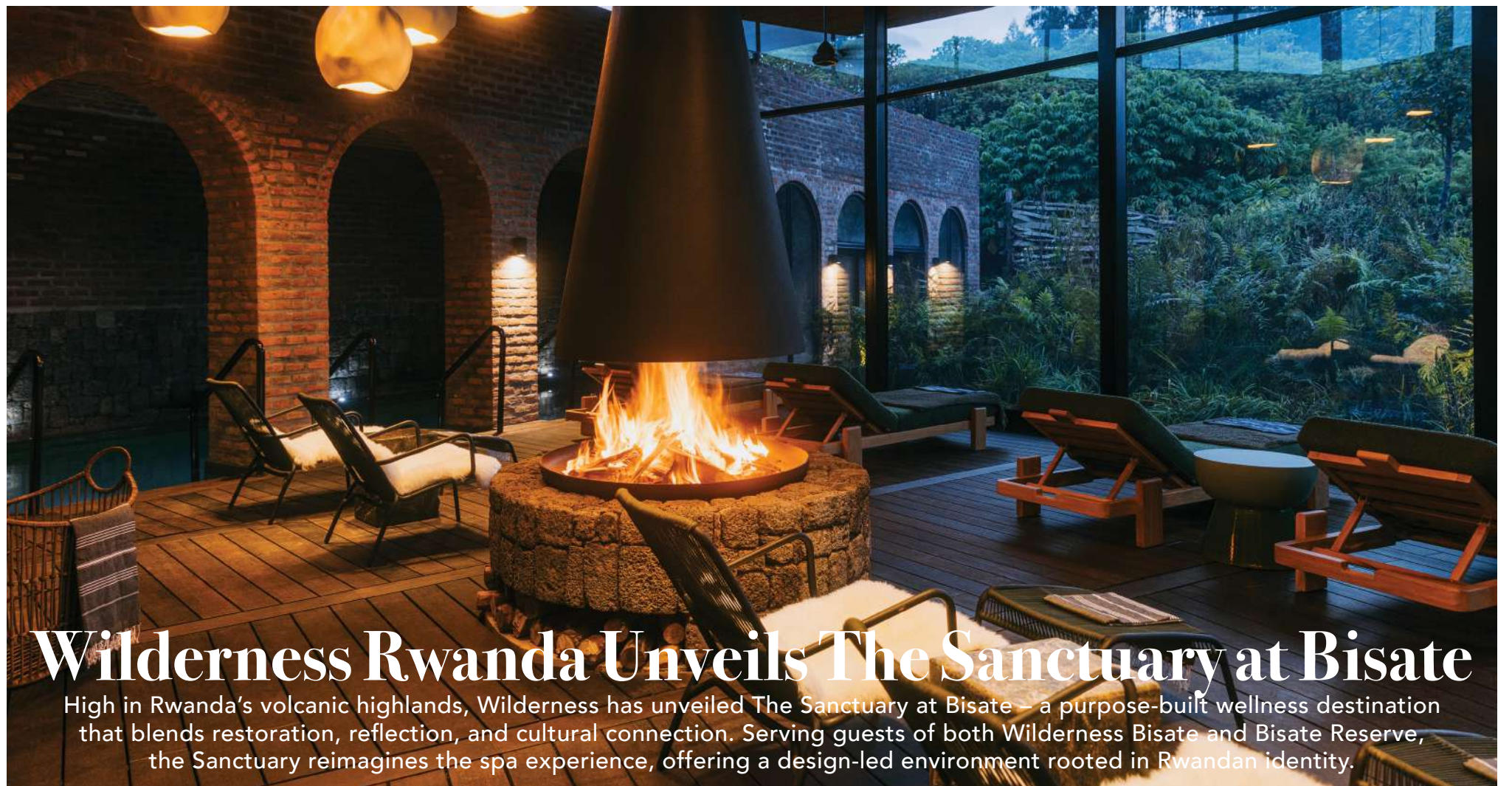
Guests enjoy thoughtful amenities such as 24-hour concierge service, in-room spa treatments, day rooms and a **refined** dining experience. Breakfast, included in the room rate, offers a continental buffet alongside made-to-order hot dishes served indoors or on the terrace overlooking the bay. The all-day dining and pool menus cater to light meals and casual indulgence, complemented by a stylish full-service bar and two sparkling swimming pools. The Zest Spa provides bespoke treatments designed for deep relaxation.

Ideal for business or leisure, the hotel includes a fully equipped **private** boardroom seating 14 delegates. Its prime location also encourages guests to explore Hermanus' renowned culinary scene and nearby celebrated wine estates, with personalised recommendations from the guest services team.

Winter getaway rates start at R3,700 per room per night (double occupancy), valid from 1 May to 30 September 2026.

www.thelivingjourneycollection.com





Wilderness Rwanda Unveils The Sanctuary at Bisate

High in Rwanda's volcanic highlands, Wilderness has unveiled The Sanctuary at Bisate – a purpose-built wellness destination that blends restoration, reflection, and cultural connection. Serving guests of both Wilderness Bisate and Bisate Reserve, the Sanctuary reimagines the spa experience, offering a design-led environment rooted in Rwandan identity.

Circular architecture, inspired by the symbolism of a cocoon, immediately evokes calm and transformation. Visitors move from intimate, low-lit corridors into **expansive**, light-filled hydrotherapy spaces. Locally crafted materials define the experience: handmade red clay bricks, slate, volcanic stone, and geometric imigongo motifs reinforce Rwanda's rich cultural heritage, while bespoke artworks provide an immersive sense of place. Interior finishes were produced in partnership with Irebe, a Rwandan company committed to skills development and local employment.

Hydrotherapy facilities – including an ionised lap pool, sauna, steam room, and ice bath – offer restorative contrast, while underfloor heating and meditation pods ensure comfort in the highland climate. Outdoor decks provide **panoramic views** of rainforest and volcanic peaks, encouraging self-guided yoga and mindful reflection. A bespoke soundscape, Sanctum: The Sounds of Bisate, layers rainforest ambience, wildlife, and distant gorilla calls to deepen sensory immersion.

Sustainability is integral: materials are responsibly sourced,

water use is minimised, and the design respects the natural environment. The Sanctuary exemplifies Wilderness' ethos of meaningful connection, offering more than treatments alone – it is a place to pause, restore, and engage with Rwanda's distinctive design language, culture, and landscape.

The Sanctuary marks a bold evolution for Wilderness Rwanda, placing wellness, design, **sustainability**, and a sense of place at the heart of the guest experience.

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Outdoors, terraced gardens cascade down the hillside, creating tranquil pockets of space that feel far removed from the pace of Johannesburg below. Two sparkling swimming pools anchor the resort atmosphere, offering

sun-drenched relaxation and sweeping views across the urban forest.

Dining is central to the experience. Flames, the hotel's signature restaurant, pairs bold, seasonal flavours with panoramic city vistas, making every meal an occasion. For a more leisurely indulgence, Afternoon Tea is served in refined surroundings — a **timeless** ritual of delicate savouries, warm scones and exquisite pastries.

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