



NEWSLETTER - Summer 2011

Welcome to your Summer 2011 Constantia Glen Wine Estate newsletter.

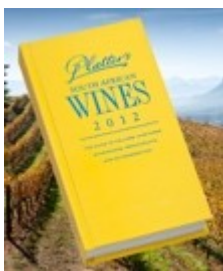
Constantia Glen's cool climate vineyards thrive at this time of the year when the proteas and vineyards are in full bloom, welcoming visitors to our spectacular setting on the upper reaches of the Constantiaberg, just 20 minutes from the Cape Town city centre.

We would like to take this opportunity to bid farewell to our winemaker, Karl Lambour, who has entrusted our wines to **Justin van Wyk** with whom he worked side-by-side in the cellar for numerous harvests. Justin has been involved in the winemaking at Constantia Glen for the past four years and is every bit as dedicated to continue on the path forged by Karl and our French mentor, Dominique Hébrard. Dominique is still very much a part of our winemaking team and we look forward to his next visit during harvest time.

Top International Accolades

It's been a good year for Constantia Glen in terms of international recognition. Our Constantia Glen Five 2008 brought home Gold medals from Mundus Vini in Germany as well as from the prestigious 2011 International Wine and Spirit Competition in London where it was Best in Class. Our Sauvignon Blanc also stood up to critical acclaim with a Silver Best in Class for the 2010 vintage at the International Wine and Spirit Competition.

Named in accordance with the number of Bordeaux varieties in the blend, Constantia Glen Five is made up of Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, Merlot, Petit Verdot and Malbec. The International Wine and Spirit Competition judges describe it as a "super display in the mouth of all things rich and full yet in fine balance and great style. Super harmony in every way."



Great ratings from Platter

The new 2008 vintages of Constantia Glen's prized red wines have shown their prowess by earning 4 ½ stars in the 2012 Platter's South African Wines, thereby upholding the same rating awarded to every single vintage produced to date. Constantia Glen Three 2008 is currently in the market, whilst Constantia Glen Five 2008 will be released early next year. The 2010 Constantia Glen Sauvignon Blanc was awarded 4 stars.



Constantia Glen served in high places

Our wines are gaining in stature on the global scene and we are particularly proud that our Constantia Glen Three can now be enjoyed by guests of the legendary 5-star The Peninsula Hong Kong. A landmark hotel in Hong Kong in terms of design, quality and Asian hospitality, The Peninsula has listed the wines for their peak season in December and January. Visit www.peninsula.com to view this spectacular hotel.



Constantia Glen wows Canada

Constantia Glen was one of just two South African participants at the recent Grand Tasting held at the Palace of the Congress in Montréal, Canada. Our Québec representative, Carol La Fontaine (left) of La Fontaine Vins & Liqueurs was joined by Dominique and Alexis Hébrard.

Constantia Glen wines have been successful in the Québec market since 2007 and are sure to grow in this wine loving province of Canada. A complete list of our international importers can be obtained on our website www.constantiaglen.com.

New Sales and Marketing Manager for Europe

We are proud to welcome Guenther Rettenbacher to the Constantia Glen team as our Sales and Marketing Manager in Europe. Guenther, who has extensive experience in the wine industry having worked with top wine estates in Austria and Spain, has had great success in promoting our wines during 2011. His efforts have increased our presence substantially in existing markets and opened new doors for us in previously untapped markets in Europe.



Special wines on offer at our Tasting Room

Constantia Glen’s magnificently appointed tasting room conjures up summer amidst the vines with its splendid, outstretched views and gorgeous wines on offer to wine lovers from near and far. Visitors are so taken by our passionate tasting room manager, Nadine Otto, that they love coming back for more of her bubbly personality and our wines of course! To accommodate the growing number of visitors, we have laid out additional tables and chairs under outstretched parasols so that more people can enjoy our spectacular views, wines and unique brand of hospitality this summer.



Visitors to the tasting room will have the exclusive opportunity to taste and buy the sumptuous new Constantia Saddle Rosé 2011. Think strawberries, salmon hues, floral scents and berry fruit, this bone dry Rosé, made in the classic style of southern France, is crisp and fresh yet satisfies with a rich, juicy palate.

Constantia Glen is known for the great ageing ability of our Sauvignon Blancs and we still have some of our older vintages available at our tasting room. Visitors now have the opportunity to purchase our superb Constantia Glen Sauvignon Blanc 2009 at R75 per bottle while stocks last. Or better still, buy 12 and pay only for 10!

One of the jewels of the Constantia Wine Valley, Constantia Glen is open daily from 10h00 - 17h00 during weekdays and from 10h00 – 16h00 on weekends.

Order your wines directly

If you are unable to visit our tasting room, or would like to place your order to secure your wine allocation, just fill in our on-line order form on our website www.constantiaglen.com. Special arrangements can be made for our overseas buyers.

We wish you all a joyous festive season and prosperous 2012 and hope to see you soon enjoying our wines on our beautiful veranda amongst the vines

Constantia Glen team

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