



Wine List

Rooted in place, selected with purpose

Every wine at Xigera has a story to tell.

This list features bottles we've tasted and loved,
curated to complement our seasonal dishes.

Some are from our family vineyard in South Africa's
Hemel-en-Aarde Valley, others discovered on journeys far from here.

All speak to the same truth: great wine begins in nature and
reveals itself slowly – much like the Delta herself.

Signature Cellar



BOUCHARD FINLAYSON

HEMEL-EN-AARDE VALLEY, SOUTH AFRICA

Our sister estate, Bouchard Finlayson, lies in a valley called
"Heaven and Earth" – with the cooling Atlantic Ocean just a stone's
throw away. Widely acclaimed as one of South Africa's leading
boutique wine cellars, the estate specialises in expressive Pinot Noir,
Chardonnay and Sauvignon Blanc that embody both precision
and provenance.

The Estate Series

BLANC DE MER White Blend

WALKER BAY Sauvignon Blanc

SANS BARRIQUE Unwooded Chardonnay

CROCODILE'S LAIR Wooded Chardonnay

HANNIBAL Blend of Italian and French varieties,
led by Sangiovese and Nebbiolo

GALPIN PEAK Pinot Noir

AURUM Riesling – Straw Dessert Wine

The Reserve Collection

Rooted in the noble traditions of Burgundy but born of expressive
South African soils, Tête de Cuvée and Missionvale stand at the
pinnacle of Bouchard Finlayson's craft. Made only in exceptional
vintages, these distinct wines are the culmination of old-vine fruit,
patient barrel selection, and the extraordinary potential of
Hemel-en-Aarde terroir.

MISSIONVALE, CHARDONNAY

Named for the former missionary hospital on the estate,
this cool-climate Chardonnay is fermented in oak and amphorae,
balancing bright citrus and mineral tension.

2018		P 2,600
2022		P 2,400
2023		P 2,200
2024		P 2,000

TÊTE DE CUVÉE, PINOT NOIR

The "head of the blend", Tête de Cuvée is crafted only in exceptional
vintages from the estate's oldest vines and finest barrels.
Finely structured and vibrant in youth, it is built to age.

1996, 1999		P 7,000
2000, 2001		P 6,800
2003, 2005, 2006, 2007		P 6,500
2012, 2013, 2019, 2020, 2021		P 6,000
2023		P 5,500

"Nature is not a place to visit. It is home."

GARY SNYDER (BORN 1930), AMERICAN POET,
ZEN PRACTITIONER, AND ENVIRONMENTAL THINKER.

South African Selection

A celebration of character, craft, and beginnings

South Africa's wine story is one of contrast and creativity; expressive terroirs and bold new voices, time-honoured vines and modern hands.

This selection brings together a mosaic of the country's most respected estates and pioneering winemakers.

Each bottle speaks not only of the region, but of a rooted commitment to the art of letting nature lead.

White

- CEDERBERG Unwooded Chenin Blanc
- HARTENBERG Wooded Chardonnay
- RIJK'S Wooded Chenin Blanc

Rosé

- BARTHO EKSTEEN Blom, Rosé
- VERGELEGEN Florence, Rosé

Red

- HARTENBERG Cabernet Sauvignon
- HARTENBERG Shiraz
- BEYERSKLOOF Reserve Pinotage
- ANTHONIJ RUPERT Optima, Red Blend
- RUST EN VREDE Estate Cabernet Sauvignon

Port-style

- AXE HILL Cape White, NV
- AXE HILL Cape Vintage Reserve

“Wine is sunlight, held together by water.”

GALILEO GALILEI (1564–1642), ITALIAN ASTRONOMER, PHYSICIST, AND EARLY PHILOSOPHER OF SCIENCE.

“Live in the sunshine, swim the sea, drink the wild air.”

RALPH WALDO EMERSON (1803–1882), AMERICAN ESSAYIST AND TRANSCENDENTALIST PHILOSOPHER.

South African Icons

White

CRYSTALLUM, CLAY SHALES, CHARDONNAY

Crafted by brothers Andrew and Peter-Allan Finlayson minutes from our sister estate, this single-vineyard Chardonnay draws complexity from the shale and clay soils of the Hemel-en-Aarde.

2022 | P 3,000

CAPENSIS, CHARDONNAY

Latin for “from the Cape,” Capensis is a culmination of fruit from three distinct regions: Stellenbosch, Overberg and Clanwilliam. Richly textured and refined, it’s a mosaic of South African terroir.

2020 | P 4,500

CARTOLOGY, ALHEIT VINEYARDS

A coveted blend of dry-farmed, old-vine Chenin Blanc and Sémillon from historic parcels. Chris and Suzaan Alheit’s tribute to the Cape’s viticultural heritage. Timeless and resolutely South African.

2023 | P 1,900

Red

BEYERSKLOOF DIESEL, PINOTAGE

Crafted in honour of the Truter family’s beloved Great Dane. Pinotage is Africa’s own varietal, and this is its most commanding expression. Deeply concentrated, bold and structured, it is a modern icon with unmistakable presence.

2022 | P 6,000

SIMONSIG THE GARLAND

An elegant, Cabernet Sauvignon drawn from a single Simonsberg vineyard. Polished tannins, dark fruit, and a quiet intensity reflect the precision and pedigree of Stellenbosch’s finest terroir.

2020 | P 7,500

VILAFONTÉ, SERIES C

The pinnacle of Vilafonté’s winemaking prowess, named for the ancient vilafonte soils that define the estate. The ‘C’ stands for Cabernet, the backbone of this powerful precise blend that marries New World innovation with African terroir.

2012 | P 14,400
2022 | P 7,200

Dessert

KLEIN CONSTANTIA, VIN DE CONSTANCE (500ML)

A legend of the Cape. Lusciously complex and finely poised, this historic sweet wine has graced the tables of poets, kings, and collectors for over two centuries.

2006 | P 6,000
2008 | P 7,000
2009 | P 9,000

Featured South African Vinter



THE SADIE FAMILY WINES PTY LTD.

SWARTLAND, SOUTH AFRICA

Eben Sadie has reimagined the Swartland, transforming it into one of the world’s most compelling wine regions. His wines are uncompromising in spirit, pure in expression, and globally revered.

White

PALLADIUS, WHITE BLEND

A superb expression of the Swartland’s old vines. A blend of up to 11 white varietals is both ancient in spirit and modern in execution.

2022 | P 4,300
2023 | P 4,200

MEV KIRSTEN, OLD VINE CHENIN

From South Africa’s oldest Chenin vineyard, this is a wine of rare grace and gravity.

2024 | P 4,600

Red

COLUMELLA, RED BLEND

Sadie’s flagship red; layered, precise, and profoundly expressive. A blend of Syrah and Mourvèdre that speaks of restraint, and the slow beauty of time.

2005 | P 12,800
2023 | P 4,600

“Wine is bottled poetry.”

ROBERT LOUIS STEVENSON (1850–1894),
SCOTTISH NOVELIST, ESSAYIST, AND ROMANTIC TRAVELLER.

“In every walk with Nature one receives far more than he seeks.”

JOHN MUIR (1838–1914), SCOTTISH-AMERICAN NATURALIST
AND WILDERNESS PHILOSOPHER.

French Curated Classics

Old World to Okavango

French wine is widely considered the benchmark of fine wine globally, revered for its long-established winemaking traditions and mastery of terroir.

From the limestone soils of Chablis to the legendary châteaux of Bordeaux, our focused selection brings a taste of Old World elegance to your table right here in the heart of the Okavango.

White

PASCAL JOLIVET, POUILLY FUME, INDIGENE

From the misty Loire, this is Sauvignon Blanc at its most precise and powerful. Crafted with minimal intervention and sourced from Jolivet’s prized vineyards, this wine blends chalk, flint and clay soils to balance ripe fruit with focused minerality.

2021 | P 4,200

JEAN PAUL & BENOIT DROIN CHABLIS
‘FOURCHAUME’ 1ER CRU

A benchmark Premier Cru from Chablis’ oldest winemaking dynasty – fourteen generations spanning nearly 400 years. Sourced from the clay-rich ‘Fourchaume’ parcel, this Chardonnay is both ample and taut. A wine that rewards patience, just like the Delta.

2022 | P 5,000

Red

CHÂTEAU MARGAUX, MARGAUX

Whispered with reverence since the 12th century, Château Margaux is one of Bordeaux’s five First Growths (the highest classification in the historic 1855 ranking of Bordeaux wines). Located in the famed Médoc region, where gravelly soils favour Cabernet Sauvignon, the storied estate produces a timeless expression of luxury that resonates perfectly within our refined wilderness setting.

1996 | P 50,000
2000 | P 60,000
2001 | P 70,000

CHÂTEAU LAFITE ROTHSCHILD, PAUILLAC

For four centuries, this legendary First Growth has captivated kings, poets and presidents alike. From its hallowed gravelly slopes in Pauillac, the Rothschild family crafts a Cabernet of otherworldly finesse, perfumed elegance and remarkable longevity.

1998 | P 50,000
2000 | P 75,000
2001 | P 56,000

PETRUS, POMEROL

From a mere 11.5 hectares of rare blue clay in Pomerol comes what many consider the pinnacle of fine wine. Almost exclusively Merlot, Petrus achieves a paradox of power and silk, with the 2009 that defies explanation. The 2009 represents a once-in-a-generation expression.

2009 | P 169,000

“We do not inherit the earth from our ancestors;
we borrow it from our children.”

ANTOINE DE SAINT-EXUPÉRY (1900–1944), FRENCH AVIATOR,
WRITER, AND POETIC OBSERVER OF THE HUMAN SPIRIT.

“Wine is the most civilized thing in the world.”

ERNEST HEMINGWAY (1899–1961),
AMERICAN AUTHOR, OUTDOORSMAN,
AND LOVER OF ELEMENTAL PLEASURES.

Rosé

OTT ROSÉ BY OTT

A benchmark for Provence Rosé, Domaines Ott was founded in 1912 by Marcel Ott. Set within sight of the sea, Ott by Ott is a delicate wine shaped by maritime breezes, sunlit minerality and effortless elegance.

2021 | P 2,800

WHISPERING ANGEL

A modern classic from Château d’Esclans, this blend of Grenache, Cinsault and Rolle is crafted in the hills above Saint-Tropez. Fresh, smooth, and destined for golden afternoons and Okavango evenings.

2019 | P 1,800

Champagne

RUINART BLANC DE BLANCS

Founded in 1729, Ruinart is Champagne’s oldest house. Crisp, elegant and infinitely food-friendly, this pure Chardonnay was the Champagne of choice for our late founder, Stanley Tollman – his signature toast to a life well lived.

NV | P 6,500

DOM PÉRIGNON

“Come quickly, I am tasting the stars,” said Dom Pérignon, the visionary monk long associated with inventing Champagne. Crafted only in exceptional years, few settings rival the experience of this benchmark beneath Botswana’s star-strewn night sky.

Brut

2013 | P 7,200
2008 | P 19,000

Rosé

2008 | P 24,000

Additional Selections

LANSON BRUT NV

LANSON BRUT ROSÉ NV

VEUVE CLICQUOT NV

In Good Company
A great glass. A unique moment.
A lasting memory.

In the beauty of the Okavango, time slows. A shared bottle, a quiet sunset, a story told – these are the moments that stay with us, long after the last sip.

“There is something about safari life that makes you forget all your sorrows and feel as if you had drunk half a bottle of champagne — bubbling over with heartfelt gratitude for being alive.”

ISAK DINESEN (KAREN BLIXEN) (1885–1962),
DANISH WRITER AND CHRONICLER OF LIFE IN EAST AFRICA.

ALL PRICES IN BOTSWANA PULA. 750ML BOTTLES UNLESS STATED.
VINTAGES SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY.

