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LE COIN FRANÇAIS

Guided by internationally, award-winning chef and restaurateur, Darren Badenhorst, Le coin Français is a restaurant that truly embodies the essence of the Franschhoek Valley in heritage, cuisine and wine. Even in the name, Le coin Français literally means "Franschhoek" in French! The restaurant has won multiple awards over the years including the EatOut Top 20 Mercedes-Benz Award and World's 50 Best Discovery, just to name a few. The 24-seater dining room is simple and elegant with high ceilings, a cozy fireplace, romantic lighting and a featured spiral staircase which creates an atmosphere that sets the tone for a long, intimate dining experience to celebrate any occasion. Both the Chefs Journey and Tasting menu feature cutting-edge methods combined with time-tested French elegance and a beautifully curated wine list showcasing the finest local wines that the Valley has to offer.

Contact 074 126 0022 | reservations@lecoinfrancais.co.za
17 Huguenot Rd, Franschhoek

YAMA SUSHI EMPORIUM

Yama Sushi Emporium is Franschhoek's first dedicated sushi restaurant. The concept behind the eatery was inspired by the vision of the co-owners, Ryan Shell and Darren Badenhorst. Situated on the main road in Franschhoek, behind sister restaurant, Ōku Asian Eatery, guests can choose to enjoy their meal outdoors in the courtyard or dine in inside the stylish restaurant. Yama also has an emporium filled with an abundance of Asian-inspired ingredients and products to take home. On the menu, guests will find a variety of delicious sushi and a selection of authentic Southeast Asian-inspired dishes such as bao buns, noodle bowls and dumplings. Yamas casual atmosphere perfectly contrasts the more fine dining experience of Ōku, making it ideal for a family outing and anytime treat!

Contact 079 737 1849 | reservations@eat-yama.co.za
Heritage Square, 9 Huguenot Rd, Franschhoek

ŌKU ASIAN EATERY

The acclaimed chef and restaurateur duo Ryan Shell and Darren Badenhorst (with over 30 years of combined hospitality experience) pooled their culinary prowess yet again to create Franschhoek's very first Southeast Asian eatery! The interior space of Ōku was designed to create an atmosphere that is truly relaxing and unique. From the bonsai trees to the tranquil music as well as the smaller details such as origami art displayed on each table, combine to transport diners on a food journey across Southeast Asia. The menu features a variety of authentic flavour-packed dishes that give a refined dining experience to guests with a perfectly curated beverage list showcasing local award-winning wines and a variety of sake too, including three types of Sake style beers exclusively available at Ōku.

Contact 021 876 2494 | reservations@eat-oku.co.za
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Contact 021 271 0379 | oldroadwinecompany.com | R45 Franschhoek



Cathedral Cellar Reopens its Doors

KWV's Cathedral Cellar is celebrating the reopening of its events venue in the heart of KWV, and the brand home of its premium wine series, the eponymous Cathedral Cellar wines.

A historic and architectural showpiece, Cathedral Cellar was built in 1930, and completed with a dramatic barrel-vaulted roof and stained-glass windows giving the impression of a grand cathedral. It is home to an impressive collection of massive wine barrels, with the capacity to hold 12 000 l of precious liquid. The history of the South African wine industry has been intricately carved on some of these, adding an artistic edge to this remarkable space. It was formally opened as a private dining and events space in 2018, under the custodianship of KWV Ambassador Chef, Mynhardt Joubert. It immediately attracted a share of beguiling events, which quickly tipped this venue as "the most sought-after exclusive venue in the Winelands."

Events held in Cathedral Cellar are characterized by their fine balance between the bold and the understated where Chef Mynhardt thrives on working closely with his guests to create original and truly captivating events for groups of 50 up to 300.

The Cathedral Cellar's journey was cut short on 23 March 2020, when South Africa's first lockdown was imposed. The reopening, aptly titled 'Culinary Journey in Purple', highlighted the distinct purple tones in Cathedral Cellar's brand language, while also giving a nod towards the 2022 Pantone Colour of the Year, Very Peri – a purple hue with distinct lilac and lavender undertones.

From his new cookbook, Stories From My Station Street Kitchen, Chef Mynhardt prepared a paired menu with purple Parisian figs as inspiration and base to each course. Pancetta-wrapped purple figs were served with KWV Centenary MCC, charcoal ciabatta and fig butter with Cathedral Cellar Sauvignon Blanc, 'Cacik' or Turkish Soup with fresh figs with Cathedral Cellar Chardonnay, rolled lamb with figs and asparagus with Cathedral Cellar Triptych, and finally, Italian chocolate tart with fresh figs and dried fig meringue with Cathedral Cellar Pinotage.

What a delight that this sought-after space, can now be booked again!

For more information call 0760331839 or send an email to chef@mynhardt.co.za

The Franschhoek Literary Festival 2022 is Back!

Mark your diaries for 13-15 May 2022. The FLF is back, bringing together a cross-section of South African and international authors, to inspire, delight, inform and challenge audiences.

Taking place in a variety of venues across the village venues, creating a vibrant ambience in the streets, buzzing with book-lovers. The emphasis is on informal discussions and spirited debates between several writers, one-on-one conversations and occasional talks. Starting at 10am, this year's program is a show stopper and highlights include: Zimbabwean novelist, playwright, and filmmaker Tsitsi Dangarembga. Her debut novel, *Nervous Conditions* (1988), was the first to be published in English by a Black woman from Zimbabwe and named by the BBC in 2018 as one of the top 100 books that have shaped the world; International bestselling author and winner of the Orange Prize – Lionel Shriver; Andrew Harding – BBC correspondent and winner of The Sunday Times non-fiction award in 2021 for his book, *We Are not Gentle People*; For sport & wine lovers, Schalk Burger Snr and Dugald Macdonald chat Boks Wine; Radio Cape Talk presenters, John Maytham (talking poetry and more), Pippa Hudson (speaking to Rusty

Labausagne about his 10-year wrongful imprisonment in Zimbabwe) and Refiloe Malotho with Bruce Whitefiled about his new book *Genius*, join this year's stellar line up too! Book fundi's will also be treated to recent Booker Prize winner Damon Galgut, participating in two sessions on the Friday only – so book early!

Zakes Mda, Sindiwe Magona, Fred Khumalo and Mandla Langa, Yewande Omotose are also festival highlights with their new books.

For some interactive family fun with Christopher Lloyd, editor of the Britannica All New Children's Encyclopedia, enter the exhilarating, family-friendly quiz show where the winners of eight rounds will be crowned!

Visitors are also invited to join acclaimed Welsh author and illustrator Jonny Duddle, (the mysterious Gigantosaurus and the troublesome Pirate family next door). The show features an interactive reading, a peek inside Jonny's sketchbooks

and a chance to create a fearsome pirate with Jonny ...

On Saturday night, don your dancing shoes and get ready for the Rock for Reading fundraiser event plus auction at Hey Joe Brewing Co with a lucky draw for FLF members.

For bookings and the full festival program visit www.flf.co.za



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DAILY



ONCE UPON A PAGE AT AITY GALLERY FRANSCHHOEK

A group exhibition. 13 May 2022 – 10 June 2022. Artists free their imaginations and memories by diving into the worlds of literature. Inspired by books, poems, lyrics, and historical writings, this show talks about their stories. 'Once upon a page' opens its doors the 13th of May 2022 in Franschhoek, in celebration of the Literary Festival Weekend.

INFO www.artintheyard.co.za

DAILY



THE WERF AT BOSCHENDAL

Framed by the Drakenstein mountains, and overlooking the werf food garden, the Werf restaurant celebrates the quintessential soil to fork philosophy that is at the heart of Boschendal. From sumptuous breakfasts, languid lunches and special dinners, this venue housed in the original cellar, is the perfect venue to enjoy with loved ones and friends for any occasion. Open daily for Breakfast and lunch and from Thursday to Saturday for dinner.

BOOK reservations@boschendal.co.za

MON-SAT



LA MOTTE MUSEUM'S PIERNEEF EXHIBITION

Monday to Saturday, 09h00–17h00. Visit the La Motte Museum's Pierneef exhibition with an extra showcase of beautiful Pierneef-inspired clothing, furniture, jewellery and textile items that runs until the end of May. Stay for a wine tasting or browse the La Motte Farm Shop. Entrance is complimentary.

museum@la-motte.co.za

CONTACT 021 876 8850

TUES-SUN



LUNCH AT DEUX LIONS

Deux Lions open for lunch Tue-Sun 12h00-16h30. Reserve your Mother's Day Harvest Table for Sunday 8th May, includes a welcoming Deux Lions signature cocktail for all Mothers.

reservations@deuxlions.za.com

BOOKINGS 021 876 3245

WED-FRI



THE LEOPARD'S LEAP SOUTH AFRICAN TABLE

The Leopard's Leap South African Table presents guests with the opportunity to taste authentic South African dishes and to learn more about our food heritage while sharing a meal paired with a variety of Leopard's Leap wines. Wed-Fri at 13h00. Reservation is essential. R355 pp for a three-course lunch with Leopard's Leap wines.

reception@leopardsleap.co.za

BOOKINGS 021 876 8000

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INFO www.boschendal.com

FRIDAY



NIGHT MARKET AT BOSCHENDAL

Expect live music, fresh farm produce, food stalls and other artisanal stands filled with handmade local products and a beautiful local is lekker vibe. Bring the family, four-footed members are also welcome as long as they are on a leash. There's no better way to end the week. Come live the farm under the starlight with us.

INFO www.boschendal.com

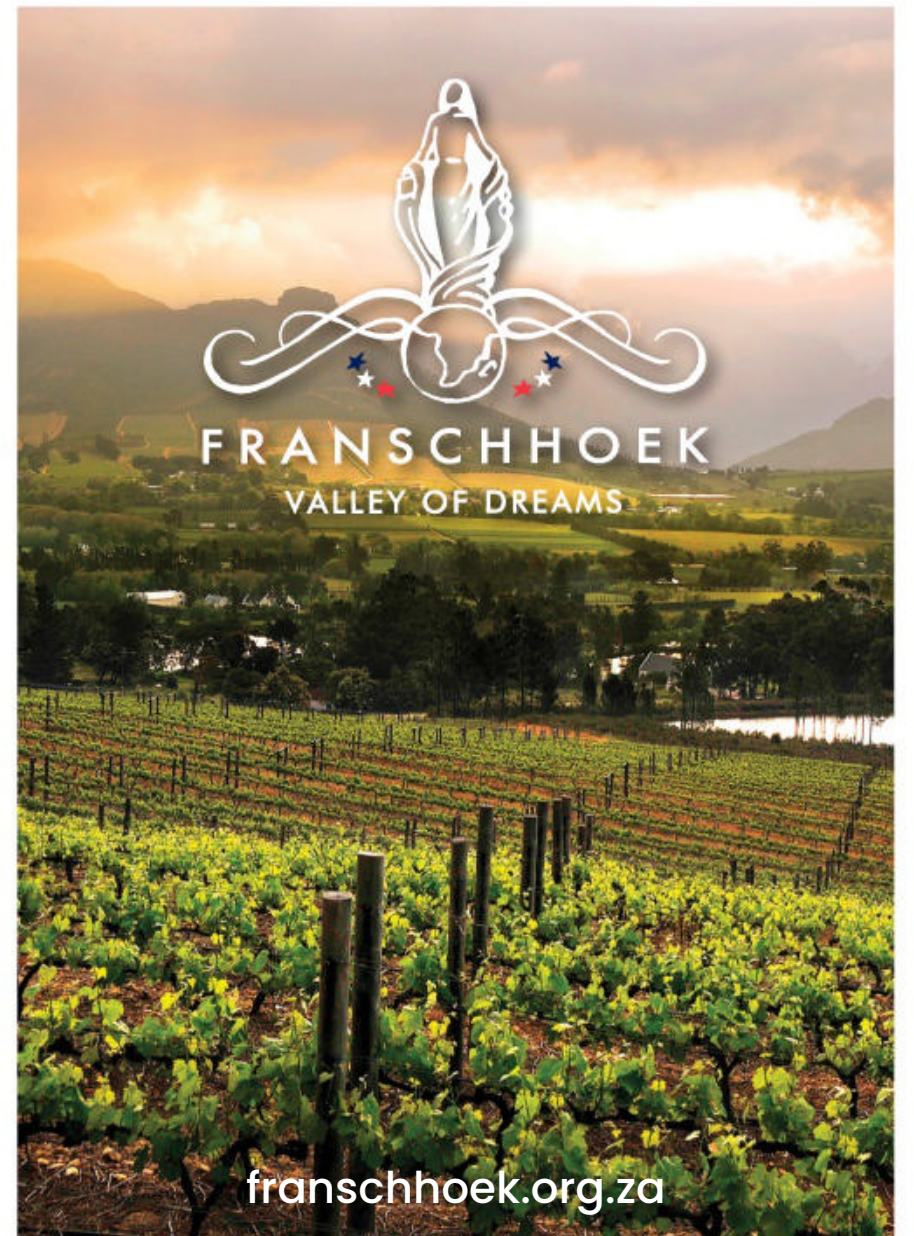
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JUNE



THE FRANSCHHOEK HOEDOWN!

In support of the Franschhoek Hospitality Academy. 18h00 for 18h30 At Festival Hall on La Roche Estate, Robertsvlei Road. Bubbles on arrival & dinner prepared by the Academy's Ambassador, Chris Erasmus. Entertainment by Franschhoek's own Uncorked band & Bootscooters S.A. for a line dancing demo and group lesson. Cash bar will be available. Tickets R550 pp. Prize for the best dressed and more.

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LAUNCHES 2022 ALASKAN CRUISE SEASON

Norwegian Cruise Line (NCL), the innovator in global cruise travel, kicked off the 2022 Alaskan cruise season with Norwegian Bliss from the Port of Seattle.

The ship is the first of any cruise ship to visit Alaska this season as well as the first of five Norwegian Cruise Line vessels to cruise The Last Frontier through October 2022.

Guests on Norwegian Bliss' April 23, 2022 sailing are the first of the season to discover the epic sites of the destination. The vessel will provide travellers with immersive experiences through Southeast Alaska, visiting natural wonders including the passage through the 25-million-acre World Heritage Site, Glacier Bay National Park. NCL was granted access to this natural wonder due to the Company's environmental commitments focused on air emissions, waste and wildlife protection. Other once-in-a-lifetime sites guests may visit include the majestic Mendenhall Glacier, which lies nearly 12 miles outside Juneau, Alaska and the Misty Fiords National Monument near Ketchikan, Alaska, a glacier-carved wilderness featuring snow-capped mountains and waterfalls.

Norwegian Cruise Line has a long history of cruising from Seattle to Alaska, having pioneered the route in 2001.

Driving economic support in Alaska, the Company partnered with and invested in Ward Cove Dock Group, LLC, transforming land, formerly designated as a superfund cleanup, or contaminated land, by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), into a sustainable, environmentally friendly and entertaining site for the community and cruise visitors.

Throughout the 2022 cruise season, NCL will have the youngest fleet sailing Alaska and offer the largest capacity ever with the most sailings offered by the Brand in Alaska, including a variety of cruises for guests to choose from with five, seven, nine, and 10-day itineraries on Norwegian Bliss, Encore, Sun, Spirit, and Jewel.

For more information about the Company's award-winning 17-ship fleet and worldwide itineraries, or to book a cruise, please contact a travel professional or visit www.ncl.com.



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Sailing with Silversea – the New Silver Dawn

THE PERFECT ART OF BALANCE

Silversea Cruises, the leading ultra-luxury cruise line, officially named its 10th ship, Silver Dawn, at a formal ceremony and gala dinner hosted in Lisbon on 31st March. Gaynor Galbraith Neill, Managing Director of Cruise Vacations, officially appointed General Sales Agents for Silversea in Southern Africa, joined esteemed guests, company executives and dignitaries to celebrate this milestone. In her words ... "Having recently stepped off this spectacular new ship, Silversea Cruises have perfectly defined the luxury experience on the latest addition to the fleet, third in the company's 'Muse Class', the Silver Dawn ... their own description "Whispered Luxury".

It is all about quality in every aspect of life on board. Silversea provides a multi-sensory experience which extends from personalised service to the beautiful eclectic artworks throughout the ship, the world-renowned and varied culinary experiences, the comfort of the suites, and, now debuting on Silver Dawn, the OTIVM Spa and Wellness programme. Silversea continue to innovate – creating the perfect balance between connecting the onboard 'boutique' sailing experience with the destinations which they visit.

The OTIVM Wellness programme is grounded in the philosophies of ancient Roman traditions. Moving away from the idea that wellness is solely about meditation and cleansing diets, OTIVM embraces the idea that indulgence and comfort have a huge role to play when it comes to leisure and relaxation. We are all for that! With the heart of the

programme in the newly re-imagined Spa, lavish treatments take a holistic and multi-sensory approach and include a choice of scents and oils, beautiful massage therapies, relaxation area, steam room and sauna complemented by gourmet snacks, chocolates and champagne. The programme extends to incredible in-suite experiences with specifically designed mattresses, pillow menu, movie night with truffle popcorn, an in-suite 'comfort food' menu and a beautiful scented bath drawn by your Butler, complete with candlelight, classical music, champagne, macaron and caviar.

Silver Dawn will be sailing in the Mediterranean until November 2022 when she will then position to the Caribbean for a season before returning to the Med in April 2023. Bookings for this incredible ship are available through Cruise Vacations.

For more information contact www.cruise-vacations.co.za



Franschhoek Cellar – Perfect for all Occasions

Inspired by over 350 years of winemaking tradition and heritage, Franschhoek Cellar is home to a vibrant and intriguing range of wines including whites, reds, and celebrated Cap Classique, all of which evoke a sense of history.

The on-site restaurant, Franschhoek Cellar Kitchen serves delicious café style lunches, locally sourced cheese platters and is open daily. Also on offer is a wide selection of specially curated wine tastings, locally sourced deli goods, and a supervised kid's playground, which means fun for the whole family!

Guests can opt to stay over at one of two luxury cottages, Rose and Protea, the perfect central base from which to explore the Franschhoek Valley and Cape Winelands. Located close to the working cellar and overlooking the breathtaking mountain vistas, a convenient point to

explore the fine Franschhoek restaurants, attractions, and shops. For relaxation and unwinding, there are an array of experiences on offer from the doorstep.

Franschhoek Cellar also has a selection of unique event venues to suit every occasion, from weddings, birthdays, anniversaries, year-end corporate groups to intimate gatherings.

The Venue, is one of the largest spaces in the Valley and can accommodate 350 guests cocktail style and 220 seated. Soft lighting and earthy decor create a warm ambience – the neutral colour palette provides the perfect canvas for any decor.

The Platform Bar & Bistro boasts exquisite mountain and vineyard vistas. Fashioned around an old railway platform and re-modelled to mimic a train carriage, this welcoming space with air conditioning in summer and fireplaces in winter, is perfect for celebrations of any kind and can host up to 80 guests.

Franschhoek Cellar is a beautiful asset to the Franschhoek wine route, combining the charms of leisurely country life with the elegance of a world-class venue to suit every need.

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www.tokara.com

STORIES FROM MY STATION STREET KITCHEN

Chef Mynhardt Joubert has been cooking from his Station Street Kitchen in Paarl in the Western Cape for the past five years, hosting dinners for paying guests, hosting media launches and using his home as a creative space and photographic studio. The book, *Stories From My Station Street Kitchen*, is a reflection of his kitchen and the dinners that he hosts there.

Mynhardt infuses everything he does with his enthusiasm, exuberance and love of food that incorporates his life experiences, from his childhood on a farm in the Eastern Free State to his travels around the world and throughout South Africa. Join him in the generous and warm environment of his Station Street Kitchen and create your own culinary delights, prepared with joie de vivre and plenty of love. Get your copy today!

www.mynhardt.co.za



LE NOZZE DI FIGARO

18-26 June 2022, Artscape Opera House

Mozart's *Le Nozze di Figaro* shaped the future of opera buffa and is in many ways the perfect opera. Continuing the story of the characters from *Il Barbiere di Siviglia*, this masterpiece offers a good dollop of farce, adultery, role-playing and cunning scheming. Presented in collaboration with Sempre Opera, with a fantastic South African cast. This much-loved opera will be directed by Magdalene Minnaar, with set and costume design by Maritha Visagie and Rabia Davids. The Cape Town Pops Orchestra will be conducted by Schalk van der Merwe. This production is proudly sponsored by the City of Cape Town. Tickets start at R180.

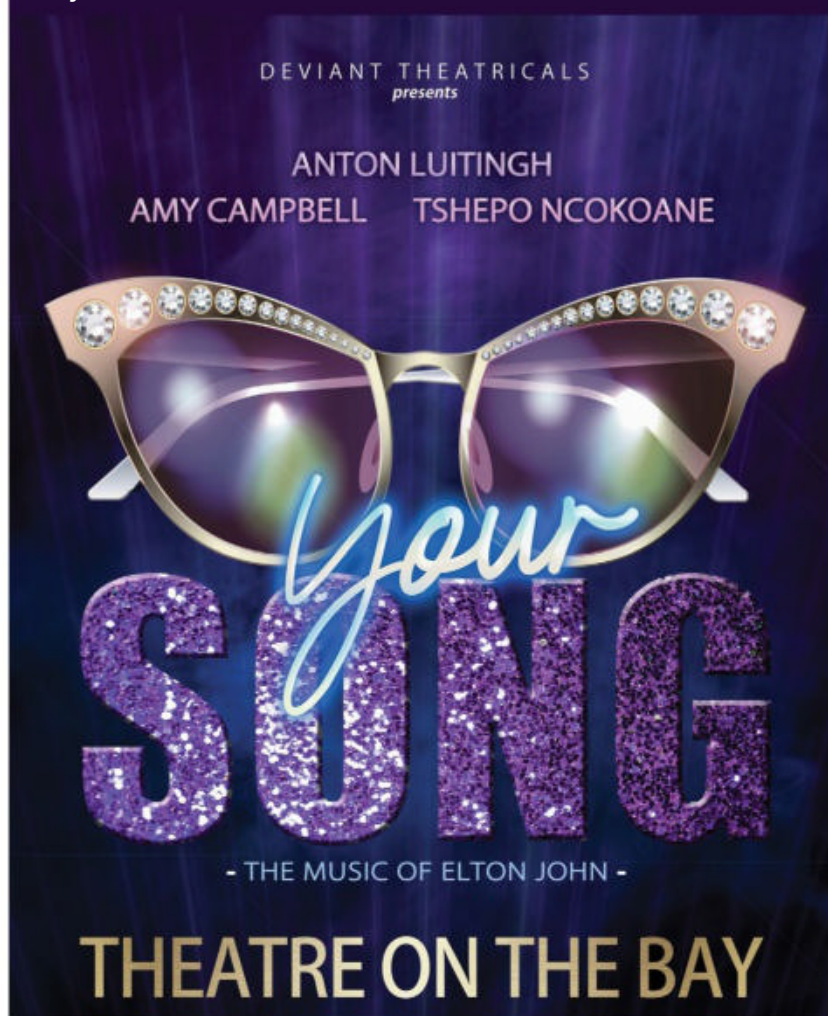
tickets.computicket.com/event/le_nozze_di_figaro/7187344

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Bookings https://tickets.computicket.com/event/your_songs_the_music_of_elton_john/7184841



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