



BOSMAN

Family Vineyards



A Family Story of Vine to Wine

An eighth generation family story of vine to wine, made in harmony with the motto on the family crest, Faith Hope and Love.

Our vineyards are located in the beautiful and historic Wellington area of the Cape. Uniquely, we have raised each vine in these vineyards ourselves. Our vine nursery,

Lelienfontein Vine Growers, makes us custodians of our wines right from their very roots.

After a proud tradition of winemaking in the early 20th century, our family have increasingly focused on the vine-growing business. After 50 years we are excited to share the love for our vineyards in our wines.

Cellar Master	Petrus Bosman	Region	Wellington
Winemaker	Corlea Fourie	Total hectares planted	250
Bosman Family Wine Club Manager	Carla Bosman	Total tons of own production	150

Points of Interest

- Home of the eighth generation family and those who work on the estate.
- Lelienfontein Vine Growers is the most successful vine nursery in South Africa.
- Our foundation garden of different varieties located in the Hemel and Aarde Valley Hermanus, gives us first access to the best performing vines in the industry.
- Family story both in terms of heritage and modern approach.
- Bosman Family Vineyards is Fairtrade accredited.
- Only using a small personal selection of the best vineyards for our cellar.
- A credible example of BEE (Black Economic Empowerment) at work.
- A winery that tells the family story of love and commitment to wine as opposed to a production facility.
- Historic farm, old homestead and beautiful gardens constitutes one of most beautiful wine locations in the world.

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Winery

Respect was the keyword when restoration and building took place and all existing building elements from the past, such as walls of the old kraal; open cement fermentation tanks; roof structures and rough walls were treasured and incorporated in the design in very ingenious ways.

Restoration of the 250 year old cellar started in 2006 and retained the existing 18th century style in the overall building process. Old and new happily marries in the Lelienfontein cellar where our enchanting wines are carefully crafted by our accomplished winemaking team.

Our Wines

Decades of experience in the field of vine growing, the know-how in choosing just the right terroir and vineyards where only small selections of our best grapes are chosen to reach this cellar goal - to produce wines that are true to its origin and excites our customers.

Our wines are nurtured long before the grape is born. The fruit is gently handled and grapes are picked and

sorted by hand. Hereafter the philosophy of minimal intervention is adhered to because the main aim is to allow the quality of the fruit to stand proud.

Our skilful winemaker Corlea Fourie brings with her the soft feminine touch to our wines. Her dedication, passion and attention to detail are evident in the wines she makes.

Accolades

Rosé	
2009	88 points by Stephen Tanzer (International Wine Cellar, USA). <i>Review: Orange with a pink tinge. Strawberry, flowers and wild herbs on the nose. Silky and round but quite dry, with a light underbrush quality complicating the subtle red fruit flavors. Lovely rose in a Provencal style, finishing with good grip, pure, precise & elegant with musky pear, melon and grapefruit characters and hints of nuts and honey.</i>
“Sur lie” Chenin Blanc	
2011	Best Fairtrade White Wine of South Africa (Michelangelo International Wine Awards - 2011)
2007	90 points given by Simon Woods (UK’s world renowned wine critic). <i>Review: 90 pts. S. Wood, Wonderful pure, precise & elegant with musky pear, melon and grapefruit characters and hints of nuts and honey.</i>
Adama White	
2010	91 points by Stephen Tanzer (International Wine Cellar, USA). <i>Review: Pale bright yellow. Pungent, complex nose melds grapefruit pith, peach, under ripe pineapple and crushed stone. Juicy and penetrating, with brisk citrus fruit and peach flavors lifted by a floral quality. A leesy complexity gives the wine more texture to buffer its lively acidity. Very pure, dry and classy wine with a cool, long finish.</i> 90 points by Neal Martin (e robertparker report and review, USA). <i>Review: From Western Cape and Wellington, the 2010 Adama White Blend is comprised of 60% Chenin Blanc, 20% Chardonnay, 10% Pinot Gris, 6% Viognier and 4% Semillon. It has an attractive, well-defined bouquet with light beeswax and citrus aromas that would benefit from a touch more vigour. However the palate has an attractive honeyed component on the entry, good acidity with a clean, waxy finish that offers a lot of pleasure, especially at the price.</i> WINE Magazine (Nov 2010): Panel Chairman’s Choice & Investment White Blend (3.5*)



Adama Red	
2008	<p>92 points (Beverage Tasting Institute, USA 2010) 2008 88 points by Stephen Tanzer (International Wine Cellar, USA).</p> <p><i>Review: Good bright, dark red with ruby highlights. High-pitched aromas of cherry, spices and pepper. Juicy and intense, with darker black fruit and licorice flavors cut off on the back end by firm oak. Tightly structured, persistent wine, but a bit dried by its oak element. (A second bottle showed a distinct white fruit note on the nose and a chocolaty character on the palate--and less obvious oak.)</i></p> <p>86 points (Wine Enthusiast - March 2011)</p> <p>Gold (Expovina Internationale Zurich Awards)</p>
2007	<p>Best New World Red in Spurriers World - Decanter Magazine (May 2009)</p> <p>Gold medal (Category: Unusual red blends) for Adama Shiraz and 3rd place overall in the 2008 Juliet Cullinan Wine Connoisseur's Awards. 2007</p> <p>Gold (Veritas)</p>
Optenhorst Chenin Blanc	
2009	<p>South Africa's Top 100 Wine Challenge - Top 100 selection</p> <p>Best White in Wellington Region and Best Chenin Blanc in Wellington Region (Wellington Quest for the Best)</p>
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Pinotage	
2009	<p>South Africa's Top 100 Wine Challenge - Top 100 selection</p> <p>Peter May</p> <p><i>Review: On the nose it had a hint of coffee and in the mouth it was a sensation being big, round full and galumphing offering sweet ripe bramble berry fruits and with a racy exciting finish. Corlea said 2009 had been a late vintage and Petrus added that he grows Pinotage on a west facing slope to get the afternoon sun. He says Wellington is a superb location for Pinotage. This wine was aged 14 months in 225litre barriques, 60% French and 40% American oak. I was absolutely knocked out by this fantastic wine.</i></p>
2008	<p>93 points (Beverage Tasting Institute, USA 2010)</p> <p>90 points (Wine Enthusiast - March 2011)</p> <p>Platter 4*</p>
Cabernet Sauvignon	
2007	<p>Best Red Wine of Wellington Region (Wellington Quest for the Best Competition 2011)</p> <p>92 Points (Beverage Tasting Institute, USA 2010)</p> <p>88 Points by Stephen Tanzer (International Wine Cellar, USA).</p> <p><i>Review: Deep ruby-red. Aromas of cassis, licorice, mint, bitter chocolate and wild herbs, plus some exotic oak spices. Densely packed and sweet, with minty lift to the slightly clenched black fruit flavors. In a rather chunky style, but spreads out nicely on the finish, showing fairly fine-grained, building tannins.</i></p>
2006	Platter 3.5*
Appolis White Blend	
2009	88 Points (Beverage Tasting Institute, USA 2010)
Appolis Cabernet Sauvignon Blend	
2009	89 Points (Beverage Tasting Institute, USA 2010)
Appolis Shiraz Blend	
2009	88 Points (Beverage Tasting Institute, USA 2010)