

Another Proud Year for Creation

As 2015 draws to a close, Creation Wines can look back on yet another exciting and successful year. Its various recent accolades include top scores in the authoritative Tim Atkin SA Wine Report, a coveted Great Wine Capital (GWC) Best of Wine Tourism Award, a prestigious Wine-of-the-Month Club Trophy and ... for the third time ... the KLINK Wine Tourism Award for Best Food and Wine Pairing at the Cellar Door.

Tim Atkin (MW) is widely regarded as an expert on South African wines. When his 2015 report on South African wines was published, Creation was delighted to find no less than 13 of its wines in the 90+ point category. Most recently our wines have also been rated by Neal Martin of www.erobertparker.com, with 8 wines scoring above 90 points. To add to the consistently high scores from individual critics and reviewers *Decanter* magazine, published in over 90 countries, has just rated our latest vintage of Chardonnay amongst the top 10 in South Africa.

Commenting on the GWC Best of Wine Tourism Award (2016) which Creation received as the South African winner in the category 'Innovative Wine Tourism Experiences', marketing director Carolyn Martin said: "This is the second time Creation has won this sought-after award (the previous was in 2013) and it once again confirms that our trendsetting estate lives up to its name."

Soon after the announcement of Creation's GWC Award, Wine-of-the-Month Club awarded the Creation Reserve Merlot 2013 its trophy for Best Merlot of the Year 2015. This is an outstanding achievement for Creation and the Hemel-en-Aarde, which is traditionally associated with Pinot Noir and Chardonnay production. According to cellar master Jean-Claude

(JC) Martin, Creation's stable, cool climate and clay-rich soils have proved to provide a unique and ideal terroir for cultivating a variety of wine grapes, including the fickle Merlot.



Klink Awards

Last but certainly not the least among Creation's recent spate of accolades is the KLINK Yin and Yang Award for Best Food and Wine Pairing at the Cellar Door. The consumer-driven KLINK Awards is an initiative of Wine Tourism South Africa and offers local wine lovers and foodies the opportunity to vote for their favourite wine farms, wines and food from the selected nominees. Instead of having a panel of judges, consumers vote for their best experience through social media channels. According to a KLINK spokesperson hundreds of nominations were received for the 2015 awards and these were vetted down to a list of 85 participants in 16 categories.

The Creation team is world-famous for their wine and food pairing and marketing director Carolyn Martin said "We are

truly honoured to have won this award for a third time.”

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Food and Wine Pairings

Visitors to this picturesque and trendsetting estate on the Hemel-en-Aarde Ridge near Hermanus can certainly look forward to a pairing experience ‘made in heaven’. The team has recently launched their new pairing menu which now comprises no less than eight options. The irresistible and varied Tapas Pairing ranges for example from a feast of pickled calamari, pawpaw, cucumber, pineapple, celery and radish served with the Creation Sauvignon Blanc to the delectable springbok loin with cumin, sweet potato, liquorice and blueberry served with the Creation Syrah.

Another thrilling newcomer to the Creation menu is the Three Course Pairing which changes weekly and incorporates fresh local ingredients and unexpected combinations as each course is enjoyed with a different wine.

Adding an innovative twist to their cheese and antipasti platters are two delicious new offerings: the Cheese Pairing and the Charcuterie Pairing. At the same time established favourites such as the 10AM Brunch Pairing, the Gourmet Secret Pairing, the Paradoxical Chocolate Pairing, the Non-alcoholic Tapas and Tea Pairing and the Surprise Pairing for Kids will remain on the menu.

Further good news for prospective visitors is that for the period 18 December to 10 January Creation will be extending its opening hours until 19h00 for sundowners (excluding 24 and

31 December when they will close at 17h00 pm). The scrumptious Sunset Tapas Menu ([here](#)) will be available between 17h00 and 19h00 pm.

Creation caters for specific dietary requirements. So, if you are a vegetarian, lactose or gluten intolerant or follow a Low-Carb Hi-Protein eating plan, simply let them know when booking. The Creation Tasting Room is open 7 days a week, with pairings available between 11h00 and 16h00.

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