

DRINK

S Booze with which to celebrate love. By Denise Mhlanga



TIMELESS CAP CLASSIQUE

Pongrácz Rosé Cap Classique will delight the mind as much as the eye and evokes an air of romance with its delicate salmon pink hue. Light yeasty tones, layered with toast and ripe fruit are enlivened by a firm mousse and persistent bead that make it attractive. It imparts a wonderful foamy mouthful of black berry fruit flavours with a lingering brut aftertaste. It is perfect for any occasion and is superb with chicken, seafood and oysters. A bottle retails for R105 at leading liquor outlets.

EXCEPTIONAL QUALITY

The Three Ships 10-year-old Single Malt is an exceptionally bold whisky of finest quality. With its natural warm copper colour, this full-bodied, round whisky has a hint of peat without the associated smoke. The estery notes add a slightly sweet fragrance hinting of dried fruit and fudge. It has a long, warm finish with a good balance between the wood and the whisky. A bottle retails for about R200 at selected bottle stores countrywide.

JOURNEY'S END

Double gold winner at the 2010 Michelangelo Wine Awards, Journey's End Merlot 2007 is bursting with flavours of blackberries and plums backed by vibrant mint. It has a dark ruby colour with a light brown tint. On the palate, expect gentle ripe fruit with firm tannins and a supple sweetness that gives it a lingering aftertaste. A bottle retails for around R120.

LUSCIOUS WINE

New from Morgenster wines is the Caruso 2010 a luscious wine with rich layers of Tuscan flavour. Fresh and vibrant on the nose, it gives out aromas of pomegranate and watermelon. Caruso is rich and elegant on the palate with freshness of berries and soft cinnamon spice. Try with grilled duck breast served with Caprese salad. Buy a bottle at selected retail outlets for R78 or visit www.morgenster.co.za