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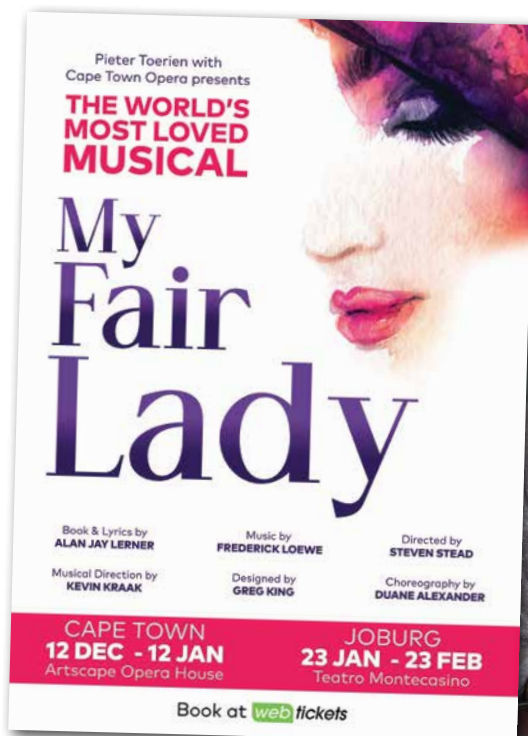


THE RAIN IN SPAIN.....

Pieter Toerien with **Cape Town Opera** is proud to present the world's most loved musical – **My Fair Lady** – over the holiday season. This charming production will play at **Artscape** and will feature the crème of our musical talent.

Gather 5 of your friends, because we have secured **6 seats** at this musical on the **9th January 2025**. And.....drumroll.....this is your chance to get a glimpse behind the curtains of this intricate musical. And to show you the ropes, you will be escorted **backstage** by none other than the inimitable **Marlene le Roux**, CEO of Artscape.

After the show, you will be able to meet Eliza Doolittle and Henry Higgins and other members of the cast.



AUCTION ITEM 2



CALLING ALL WINE CONNOISSEURS!

Vin de Constance has in the 18th and 19th centuries consistently appeared in lists of the world's top wines. **Napoleon** Bonaparte, King Louis Philippe of France, Charles Dickens and Frederick the Great all demanded it, while **Jane Austen** even recommended it as a cure for a broken heart....

Now, a century after its disappearance, it is carefully made again in the style of the old Constantia, from vineyards that produced this legendary wine.

Take home a piece of history! This exclusive **collector's box** features **three vintages** of this sublime wine – 2017, 2018 and 2019.

Time to raise a glass to one of the world's best natural sweet wines.

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AUCTION ITEM 3



DELIGHT YOUR SENSES AT KLEIN CONSTANTIA

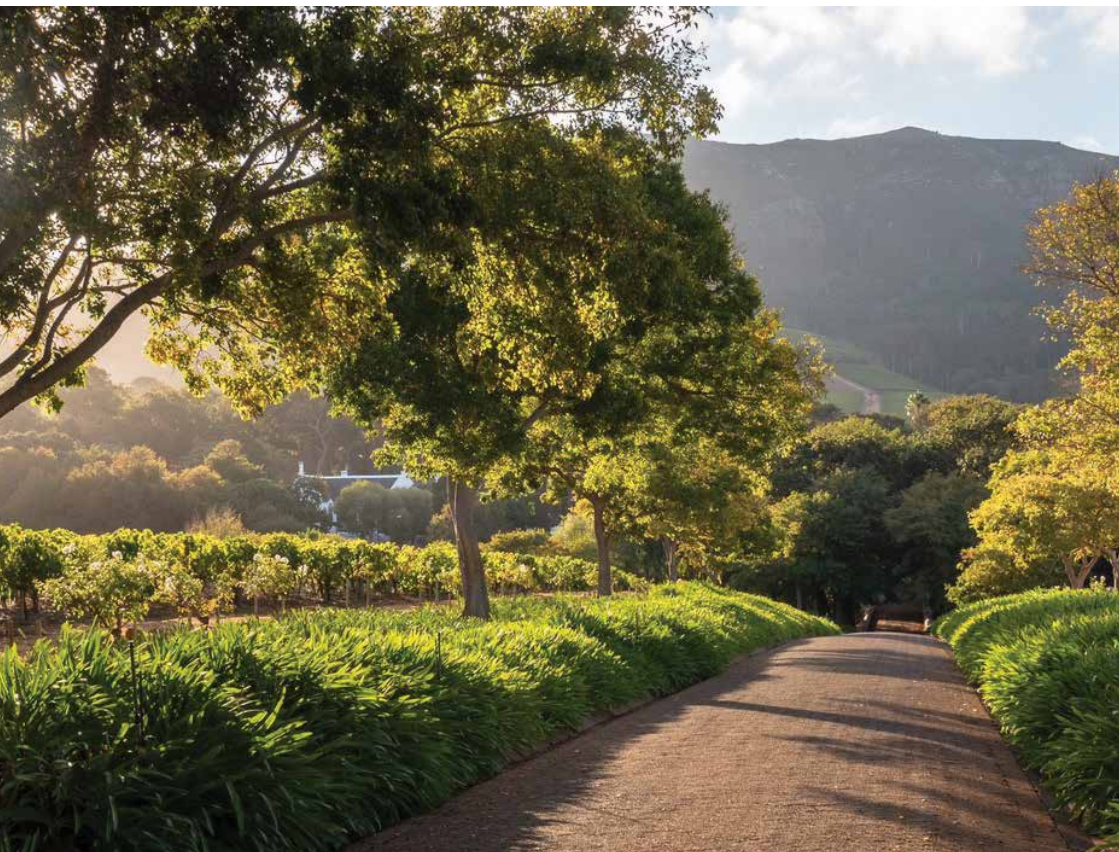
Dating back to 1685, **Klein Constantia** has been described as one of the world's most beautiful wine estates. It has also been recognised as one of the **Top 50 Vineyards in the World** for 2024. This is a chance for a group of **six friends** to enjoy an exclusive **wine tasting** and **luncheon** at this esteemed estate on the upper foothills of Constantiaberg.

This special event will be hosted in the company of the estate's **winemaker** who will share his deep knowledge of the estate's rich history and winemaking experience.

The wine tasting will feature some of the estate's finest vintages allowing the guests to enjoy the flavors and craftsmanship of the wines. It will be followed by a **delightful lunch** with **CEO Pascal Asin** where you can raise your glasses and celebrate the art of fine wine.

*This item is courtesy of the Honorary Consul of Morocco,
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AUCTION ITEM 4



THE MOTHER OF ALL BRAAIS

Show your friends what a **braai** should really be like!

The Honorary Consul of Paraguay, **Mirella Kruger**, will host a traditional **Asado Paraguayo** – a barbeque of enormous proportions – for **twelve** people at her private residence.

There will be wine, music and more **meat** than you can handle. All you need to bring is yourself, 11 friends and be ready to party!



AUCTION ITEM 5



SOMETHING DIFFERENT....

For the **art lover** drawn to the unusual, this artwork will catch your attention.

Christopher Lary is an artist who works from his home studio in Rooiels, Cape Town. His subject matter is **people** – he portrays everyday life and the interaction between people. Expressive line and brushstrokes accentuate mood and character. Acrylic and mixed media on paper, canvas and **recycled cardboard** creates an interesting medium.

He says: "I enjoy the tangible process of tearing, pasting and cutting into cardboard, revealing the under layers and textures of the medium. Literally and figuratively, we are looking **beyond the surface**, exploring something deeper."

The new owner of this work will also have the rare opportunity to commission Christopher to create a **portrait** of a loved one from a photo.



AUCTION ITEM 6



AN UPLIFTING DAY AT THE COAST

The **African penguin** is an endangered species and without urgent intervention might be extinct in another decade.

SANCCOB has been **rescuing** and rehabilitating 2000 seabirds each year by incubating abandoned eggs and hand rearing these penguin chicks.

This is a rare opportunity for **6 friends** to witness one of nature's most heartwarming sights – the release of these penguins back into the wild.

You and 5 friends will journey to **Stony Point Nature Reserve**, near Bettie's Bay, where you will meet the expert conservation team who will introduce you to the 6 penguins. You can each **name your own penguin** and will bear witness to these penguin chicks' **first swimming** experience in the ocean.

And to top it all, you will receive bragging rights with a release **certificate** that will be issued to you.



Afterwards you will go to **Edible Shores** in Pringle Bay where you will be treated to a **3-course gourmet lunch** with a difference – chef Carmen Burls forages all the ingredients from the ocean. This exceptional meal from **ocean to plate** will be paired with local wine and gin.

So, gather your friends and join us for a day of hope that will stay with you long after the penguins swim away....



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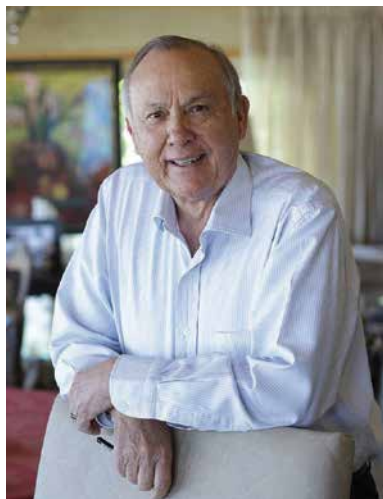
A SPITBRAAI WITH CHRISTO WIESE

This is a chance for a group of **12 friends** to experience the beautiful Lourensford Wine Estate in the heart of the Helderberg.

In the company of **Mukhtar Joonas**, Honorary Consul of Mauritius, you will enjoy a **winetasting** and visit the **Car Museum** that houses an impressive collection of over 200 classic and modern cars.

Afterwards you will be joined for a **spitbraai** by the owner of Lourensford, South African icon **Christo Wiese**.

And as a final touch, each guest will receive a bottle of superb **Lourensford wine**.





AUCTION ITEM 8



DOUBLE DELIGHT AT LEEUWENHOF

A unique chance for you and your friends to get up close and personal with the two men at the head of the Western Cape government and Cape Town.

Premier Alan Winde and the **Executive Mayor of Cape Town, Geordin Hill-Lewis**, will entertain a group of **8 friends** for lunch at **Leeuwenhof**, the Premier's residence.

You can enjoy the magnificent gardens and beautiful view and use this **intimate lunch** to ask your hosts everything that you've always wanted to know.

The lunch will take place on a date in 2025 that is suitable to all parties.





AUCTION ITEM 9



A TREAT FOR ART LOVERS

Welgemeend Manor House, a 300 year old historic home on the slopes of Table Valley, is synonymous with art exhibitions and art events.

Frank Kilbourn is the executive chairperson of **Strauss & Co, Africa's leading art auction house**. He and his wife, **Lizelle**, are ardent private art collectors and passionate about S.A. paintings and sculptures.

Every year they curate various **exhibitions** at Welgemeend from the **Kilbourn family collection**, one of the largest in South Africa.

As a special treat, a group of **20 friends** will gather at Welgemeend and be taken on a **guided tour** with Frank to see some of the magnificent art that is part of their **private collection**. They will get the opportunity to share in his passion and considerable knowledge and see the art through his eyes.

The walkabout will be followed by **drinks and light refreshments**. This event will take place on a date and time that is suitable for all parties.





AUCTION ITEM 10



A FRENCH AFFAIR

Four lucky persons will enjoy a day at **Glenelly Wine Estate** in Stellenbosch, owned and created by the legendary Madame May de Lencquesaing, who came to S.A. at age 78 and bought the estate.

Your visit will begin with a **tour of the cellar** with **Nicolas Bureau**, CEO and grandson of May, followed by a visit with the curator of the **Glass Museum** – one of the largest privately-owned collections in the world that includes pieces from the 1st and 2nd century to modern classics.

You will then head up to the **tasting room** where you will explore the red and white wines that Madame was so passionate about. You will be presented a **signed book** of her memoirs called: My Journey with Wine, from Bordeaux to South Africa.

Finally you will be joined by **Sophie Bel**, the Consul General of France, for a **three course lunch** with coffee and wines at the Vine Bistro.

Santé!





AUCTION ITEM 11



STARS & CHEETAHS IN SUTHERLAND

One lucky couple will be off to Sutherland – the place in S. A. where the stars are brightest and the snow the thickest - where they will stay for **two nights** at the **Rogge Cloof Private Nature Reserve** with its magnificent clear skies and expansive plains.

They will be treated to **game drives**, guided **cheetah tracking**, a **fossil** field visit and a **guided hike** to the southernmost extinct **volcano, Salpeterkop**.

They will also be treated to a **candle-light dinner** in the newly restored Louwhuis Museum, birthplace of S.A. literary giants N.P. van Wyk Louw and W.E.G. Louw. Viticulturist **Rosa Kruger**, the 2022 Decanter Hall of Fame recipient, will conduct a **wine tasting** of Southern African high altitude wines including the Rogge Cloof wines from the **highest vineyard** in S.A.

And at night the sky is the limit.... Whether the night sky offers clouds, a full moon, pitch darkness or the full spectrum of the **magnificent Milky Way**, no evening goes unnoticed at Rogge Cloof.

Located at an altitude of between 1400 to 1700 metres, Rogge Cloof offers the **best stargazing** in S.A. – bring your camera, your telescope and wish upon a star!





AUCTION ITEM 12



CALLING ALL MUSIC LOVERS!

Escape the ordinary for a weekend of **musical bliss!**

The **Tankwa Classics** is one of S.A.'s most inspiring classical music festivals. For four days the rugged beauty of the **Karoo** plays host to the elegance of world-class orchestral performances.

Two couples will be chauffeur-driven by **Cape Town DMC**, a company that specializes in transferring diplomatic persons in safety, discretion and comfort.

They will stay from 28 – 31 March 2025 in **glamping luxury** at the Place of Dreams, near Ceres, for a feast of **five classical performances**, curated by internationally acclaimed pianist, **Elna van der Merwe**.

They will explore the majestic million-year-old **canyon**, take a dip in the **infinity pool**, indulge in **stargazing** and enjoy delicious **Karoo-inspired cuisine** – all while being entertained by **14 of S.A.'s best musicians and singers**.

And as a bonus, the two couples will meet Elna and the performers for a glass of **bubbly** after one of the concerts.





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A BIRD'S EYE VIEW

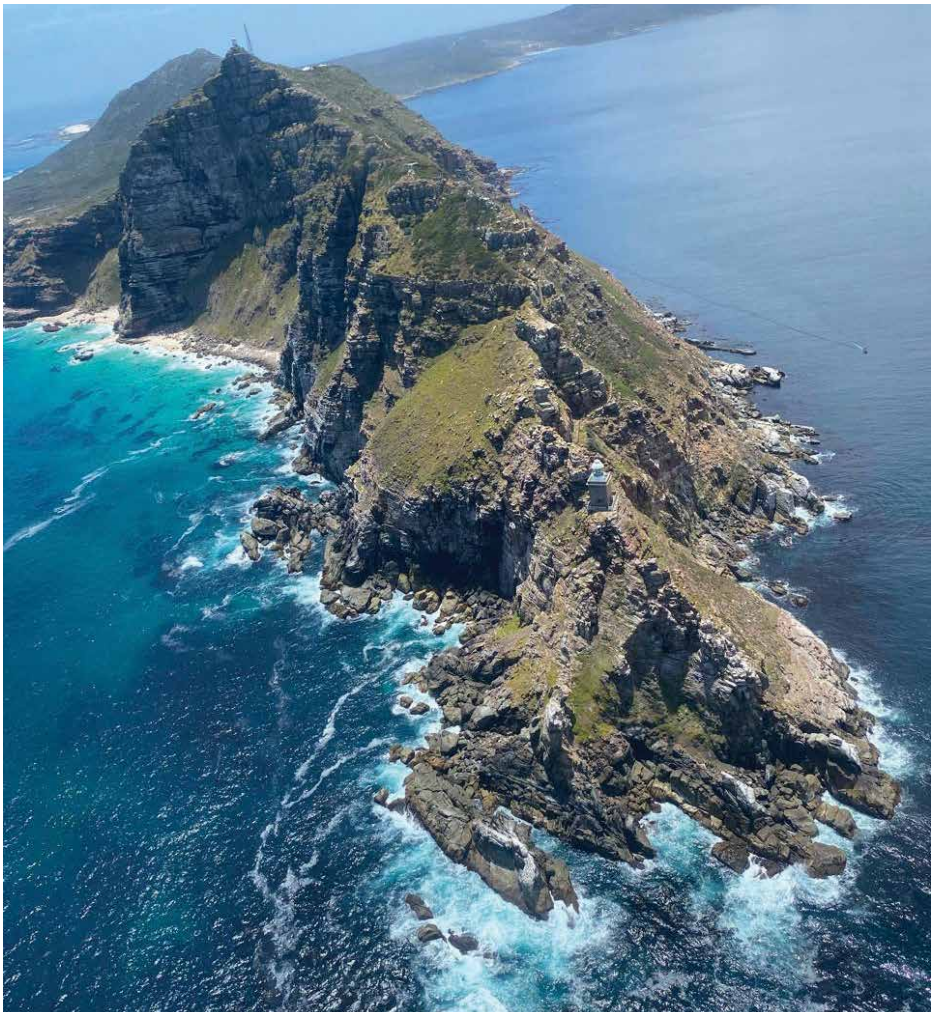
This is a unique chance for **3 couples** to experience the full sweep of South Africa's breath-taking peninsula like never before – from high up in the air!

Ocean Guard Africa is dedicated to marine conservation. By combining ocean safari flights with impactful conservation insights, they connect passengers with the natural beauty of South Africa's coastline while supporting vital research and monitoring efforts.

The lucky bidder and 5 friends will meet **pilot Altus Basson** at the Stellenbosch Flying club where they will board one of Ocean Guard Africa's aircrafts. This exclusive **aerial safari** will take them on an hour long unforgettable flight over Cape Town's iconic landmarks, dramatic coastlines, and remote marine habitats. They will witness **Table Mountain, the Twelve Apostles, Chapman's Peak, Cape Point** and **Robben Island** – all while keeping their eyes peeled for a **whale or dolphin** sighting.

At their return, they will enjoy **champagne and oysters** in the hanger's VIP lounge from where they will have a fabulous view of the sunset. This is the life!





AUCTION ITEM 14



THE ULTIMATE OUT OF AFRICA

This bucket-list item includes a three day “**Safari for the Soul**” stay for **4 persons** at the very exclusive 67 000 acre **Samara Karoo Reserve** in the Camdeboo Mountains near Graaff-Reinet.

You will be transported by **private plane** from Cape Town to Samara’s own Airstrip.

5-Star accommodation will be provided in one of the two **family suites** at Karoo Lodge which consists of two en-suite bedrooms - each with its own fireplace.

You will witness the ambitious programme of land rehabilitation and **wildlife reintroduction** that has brought Samara’s valleys, plain and mountains back to life over the past 20 years.

Herds of Springbok, black wildebeest, zebra and eland now roam here, rhinoceros, elephant and cheetah meander across the veld once more. And almost **200 years** after it was last seen, the lion reigns again.

You will enjoy 6 game drives, **cheetah tracking on foot** and guided bush walks. Also visits to some of Graaff-Reinet’s places of interest on request and in particular, a visit to the brand new Karoo Origins Fossil centre led by internationally famed **Professor Bruce Rubrige**, the curator of the museum.

Last but not least, you shall be able (and compelled) to drink as much **Tokara wine** as you can.

This item was donated by GT Ferreira of Tokara.





AUCTION ITEM 15



MAGICAL SLOVENIA!

One lucky couple will have the trip of a lifetime to **magical Slovenia**.

They will stay for 2 nights in a **5 star boutique** hotel in the capital, **Ljubljana**, where they will be invited to have dinner with **Nena Pergar**, S.A.'s Honorary Consul in Slovenia.

They will be **chauffeur- driven** to picturesque **Lake Bled** where they will be taken on a gondola to the church in the middle of the lake, and visit the medieval **Bled Castle**. They will also be taken to the jaw-dropping **Postojna Caves** where they will be escorted to **secret caves** that are not open to the public, depending on the date of their visit.

Their next destination will be in the most beautiful part of Slovenia – **Jezerško**, situated in the **Slovenian Alps**. They will be the guests of the young mayor, **Andrej Karnikar**, for 2 nights at his homestead and will join him for a **walk in the mountains** while being entertained by his stories of Jezerško.

From there they will meet Tanja, nicknamed the **Blonde Witch** by the locals, who uses **herbal ingredients** from the mountains to make incredible potions



and schnapps. They will stay for two days in her campsite in the mountains and join her for a **schnapps-tasting**.

Two **economy class** return flights from **Air France or KLM** to any Western Europe destination are included in this item. All other flight and land arrangements are for their own account.

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