



SUMARIDGE ESTATE WINES

EARTHLY EXPRESSION, PORTRAYED TO HEAVENLY EFFECT



● PAARL

● CAPE TOWN

● STELLENBOSCH

● BETTY'S BAY

● UPPER HEMEL-EN-AAARDE VALLEY

● DANGER POINT

● CAPE AGULHAS



THE HEMEL EN AARDE VALLEY

SWEEPING SEA VISTAS DOMINATE THE VIEW FROM THE SUMARIDGE WINE CELLAR, AND OUR WINES ARE THE EMBODIMENT OF OUR TERROIR AND THE MARITIME INFLUENCES OF THE COLD BENGUELA CURRENT THAT WASHES OUR SHORES.

THIS PICTURE TAKEN FROM THE CELLAR SHOWS THE VIEW ACROSS ONRUS TOWARDS BETTY'S BAY WHERE YOU CAN SEE THE SAND DUNES APPARENTLY HALF WAY UP THE MOUNTAIN.

THE AERIAL VIEW, OPPOSITE, OF PART OF THE ESTATE SHOWS HOW CLOSE THE ESTATE IS TO THE OCEAN.

THESE MOUNTAINS FORM PART OF THE FERNKLOOF NATURE RESERVE, A WILDLIFE HAVEN, AND A HIKER'S PARADISE.

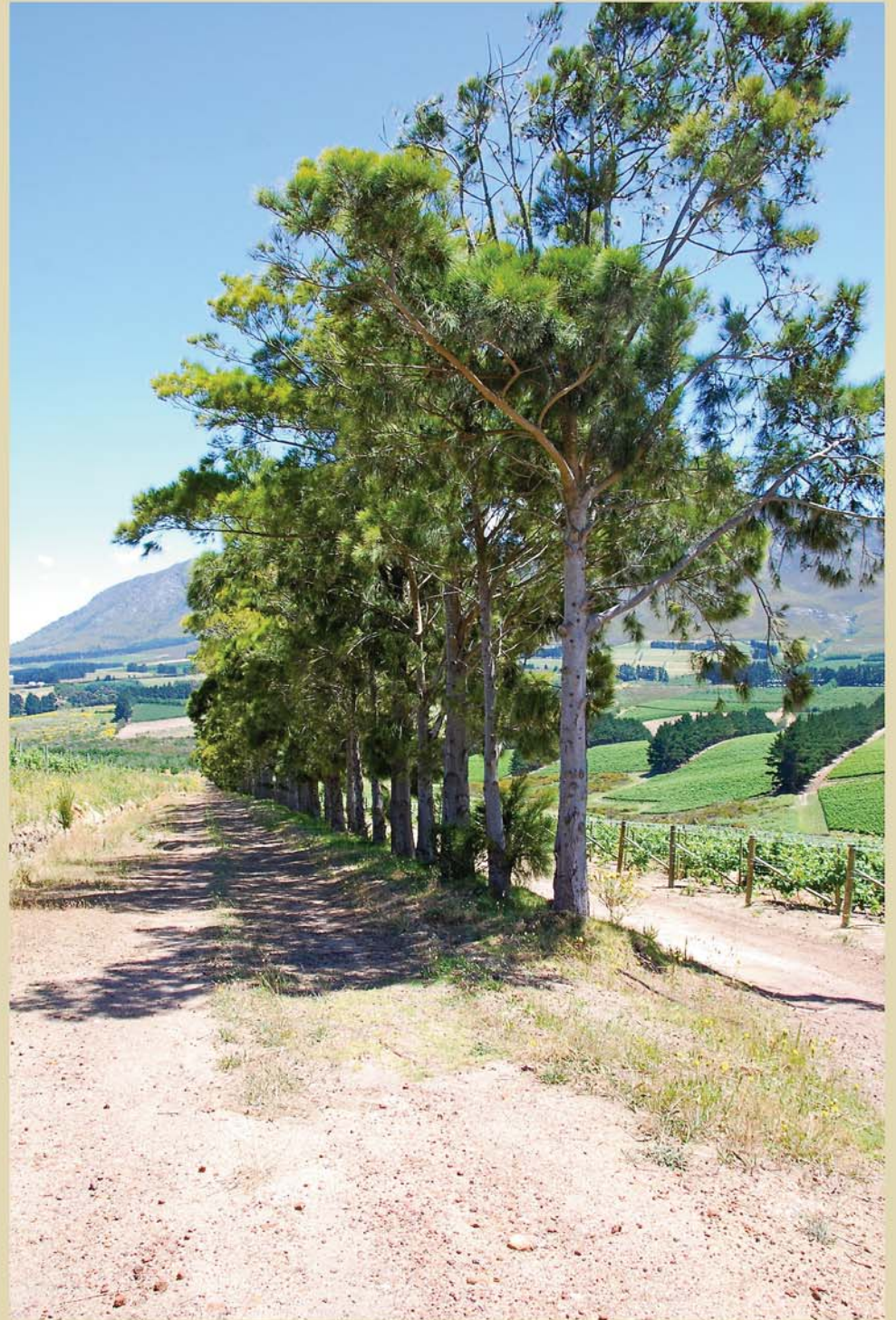
WALKER BAY LIES TO THE SOUTH EAST AND DANGER POINT CAN BE SEEN ON THE FAR RIGHT OF THE POINT.



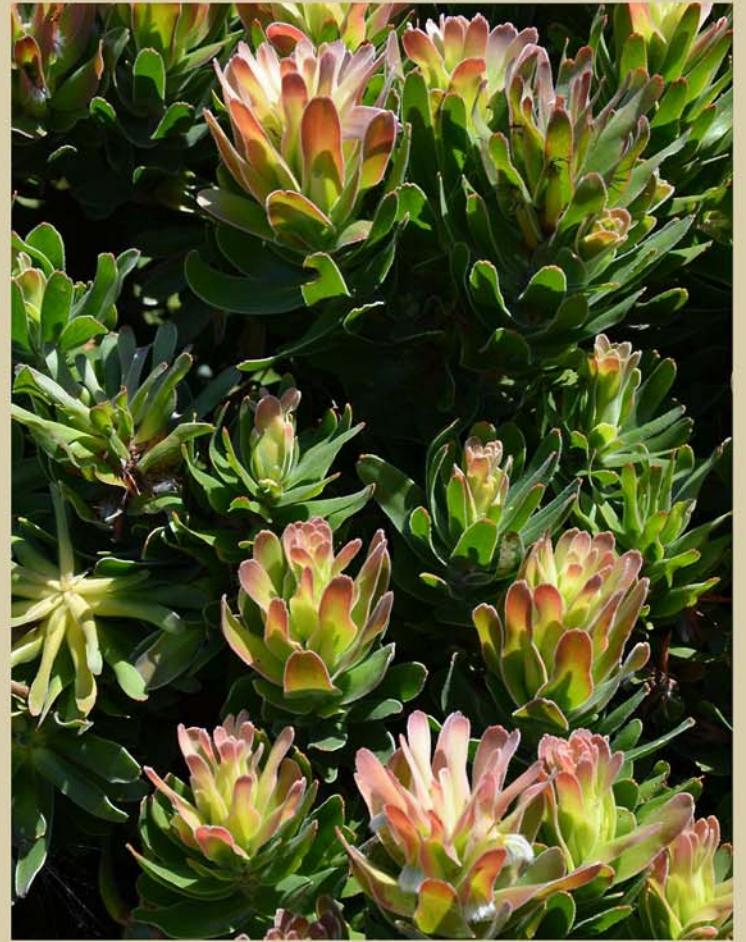




IN THE OPPOSITE
DIRECTION LIES
THE
BABILONSTORING
NATURE RESERVE
WITH MOUNTAINS
RISING TO OVER
640 METRES







INDIGINOUS FLOWERS THRIVE....



.....AS DOES LOCAL WILDLIFE. SUMARIDGE BOASTS BREEDING PAIRS OF BLUE CRANE, WEAVER BIRDS A PLENTY, BUT ONLY RARELY WILL YOU SPOT A CARACAL OR A BAT EARED FOX



THE ESTATE IS COMMITTED TO THE ORGANIC ERADICATION OF ALIEN VEGETATION. THIS LOVELY LADY LEADS THE TEAM, AND BELIEVE ME.....THEY ENJOY THEIR JOB!



THE DESIGN OF THE CELLAR PAYS HOMAGE TO THE GREAT WINE HOUSES OF BURGUNDY



SPRING SEES THE DISGORGING OF OUR M.C.C.



AND A BIRTHDAY PROVES THE IDEAL OPPORTUNITY FOR GAVIN PATTERSON TO POP THE FIRST CORK!



IT'S ALSO THE TIME TO LABEL OUR PINOT NOIR







CHRISTMAS IS AT THE HEIGHT OF SUMMER, AND IS WHEN WE WELCOME THE MOST GUESTS TO VISIT THE CELLAR, RELAX IN THE TASTING ROOM AND ENJOY THE BREATH TAKING VIEW, OVER THE OCEAN TO BETTY'S BAY, FROM THE BALCONY



MANY OF OUR GUESTS COME TO ENJOY A LIGHT LUNCH.



OTHERS JUST COME TO TASTE OUR WINES AND LEARN ABOUT THEM FROM OUR KNOWLEDGABLE TASTING ROOM STAFF.

TEA & COFFEE ARE ALWAYS AVAILABLE FOR DESIGNATED DRIVERS!







OUR LUNCHTIME TASTING PLATTERS ARE CREATED TO COMPLIMENT OUR WINES. BUT THERE IS ALSO A MENU DESIGNED FOR OUR "LITTLE GUESTS".



LUNCH CAN BE ENJOYED IN THE DINING ROOM ADJACENT TO THE TASTING ROOM.....



OR ALFRESCO IN THE GARDENS BESIDE OUR DAM





HARVEST

COME LATE
SUMMER,
USUALLY
AROUND ST.
VALENTINE'S
DAY, THE
HARVEST CAN
BEGIN.





THE GRAPES ARE LOVING PICKED BY HAND AND PAINSTAKINGLY SORTED



WHAT IS HARVESTED, AND WHEN, IS DEPENDENT ON THE GROWING CONDITIONS OVER THE SUMMER





FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF THE STAFF COME TO HELP AT THIS FRANTIC TIME OF YEAR









CRATES SERVE MANY PURPOSES!



“TREADING” THE GRAPES

WHILE JUMPING UP AND DOWN IN A BARRELL OF GRAPES WOULD BE GREAT FUN....THE USE OF AN AUGER (A LARGE ARCHIMIDES SCREW) IS LESS ROMANTIC BUT MUCH MORE HYGIENIC!





THE REAR OF THE CELLAR IS WHERE THE WORK TAKES PLACE AND WHERE GAVIN WORKS HIS MAGIC.





THE LENGTH OF TIME SPENT IN TANK OR BARREL IS ENTIRELY DEPENDANT ON THE VARIETAL OR THE BLEND. ALL THE OAK BARRELS ARE SOURCED IN BURGUNDY. THE TREES WERE REPUTEDLY PLANTED BY NAPOLEON WHO ENVISAGED THEIR USE FOR BUILDING WARSHIPS! NAPOLEON LOVED SOUTH AFRICAN WINE SO HE WOULD CERTAINLY APPROVE.



AND FINALLY WE CAN ALL ENJOY THE FRUITS OF OUR
LABOURS!



THE LODGE AT SUMARIDGE PROVIDES GUESTS WITH SECLUDED LUXURY ACCOMMODATION

HEMEL - EN - AARDE MEANS HEAVEN AND EARTH.....

.....AND THE VALLEY IS APTLY NAMED. HAVING BOUGHT THE VINEYARD THE BELLINGHAM TURNER FAMILY WERE KEEN THAT OTHERS SHOULD BE ABLE TO SHARE WITH THEM THE BEAUTY OF THE ESTATE, AND THEY TRANSFORMED A FORMER FARM COTTAGE INTO A GORGEOUS, SECLUDED, FIVE-ROOM LODGE.

THE MAIN LODGE HAS FOUR EN-SUITE BEDROOMS, ALL WITH BRUSHED-OAK FLOORING AND FOUR POSTER BEDS; EACH IS GENTLY THEMED TO AN INDIGENOUS PLANT. THE VERY SPACIOUS ROOMS ALSO BOAST PRIVATE PATIOS OR BALCONIES. THERE IS ALSO A SEPARATE WHEEL CHAIR FRIENDLY SUITE. THE HOUSE IS VERY CHILD FRIENDLY.

THE DÉCOR HAS A CONTEMPORARY FEEL WITH JUST A TOUCH OF AFRICA. THE BEAUTIFUL LANDSCAPE IS REMINISCENT OF THE WEST COAST OF SCOTLAND OR IRELAND, AND SIMON AND HOLLY WANTED TO EVOKE A SENSE OF BEING IN AFRICA. THE WHOLE PROPERTY BOASTS A COLLECTION OF ORIGINAL ARTWORKS, ALL SOURCED FROM LOCAL ARTISTS AND THE GALLERIES OF HERMANUS.

THE LODGE HAS A SPACIOUS OPEN PLAN LIVING ROOM AND DINING ROOM WITH AN OPEN FIRE FOR COOL WINTER NIGHTS. THERE IS A FULLY FITTED KITCHEN WITH - NOT SURPRISINGLY - A WELL STOCKED WINE FRIDGE! ALMOST ALL OUR GUESTS COULD BE CLASSED AS INDEPENDENT TRAVELLERS WHO APPRECIATE THE FLEXIBILITY OF A SERVICED SELF-CATERING OPTION, AS WELL AS BEING ABLE TO ENJOY THE FIRST CLASS EATERIES, BOTH IN THE VALLEY AND IN HERMANUS. THERE IS MUCH TO DO WITHOUT EVEN LEAVING THE ESTATE, WITH HIKING THROUGH THE FYNBOS, MOUNTAIN BIKING, FISHING AND BIRD WATCHING - THE ESTATE BOASTS SEVERAL BREEDING PAIRS OF BLUE CRANE - THE NATIONAL BIRD OF SOUTH AFRICA

IT'S A HOUSE THAT HAS BEEN DESIGNED FOR HOUSE PARTIES. WHETHER IT'S ENJOYING A "SUNDOWNER", CURLED UP WITH A GOOD BOOK, REGALING FRIENDS WITH TALES OF THE "ONE THAT GOT AWAY", LAZING IN THE HOT TUB, COOKING UP A BRAAI IN THE FIRE PIT, OR GOING TO WAR ON THE BOULE COURT OR EVEN A VICIOUS GAME OF SCRABBLE, WHEN IT COMES TO EARLY EVENING, GUESTS BOTH YOUNG AND OLD SEEM TO GRAVITATE TO THE VERANDA AND IT BECOMES THE HEART OF THE HOUSE.





THE OPEN PLAN
SITTING AND
DINING ROOM



IF YOU ENJOY COOKING WITH WINE....IT'S THE IDEAL PLACE TO EXPERIMENT WITH PAIRINGS



THE PROTEA KINGSIZE SUITE ALSO HAS A SOFA BED



THE GRAPES TWIN SUITE ALSO HAS A SOFA BED



THE ARUM KINGSIZE SUITE



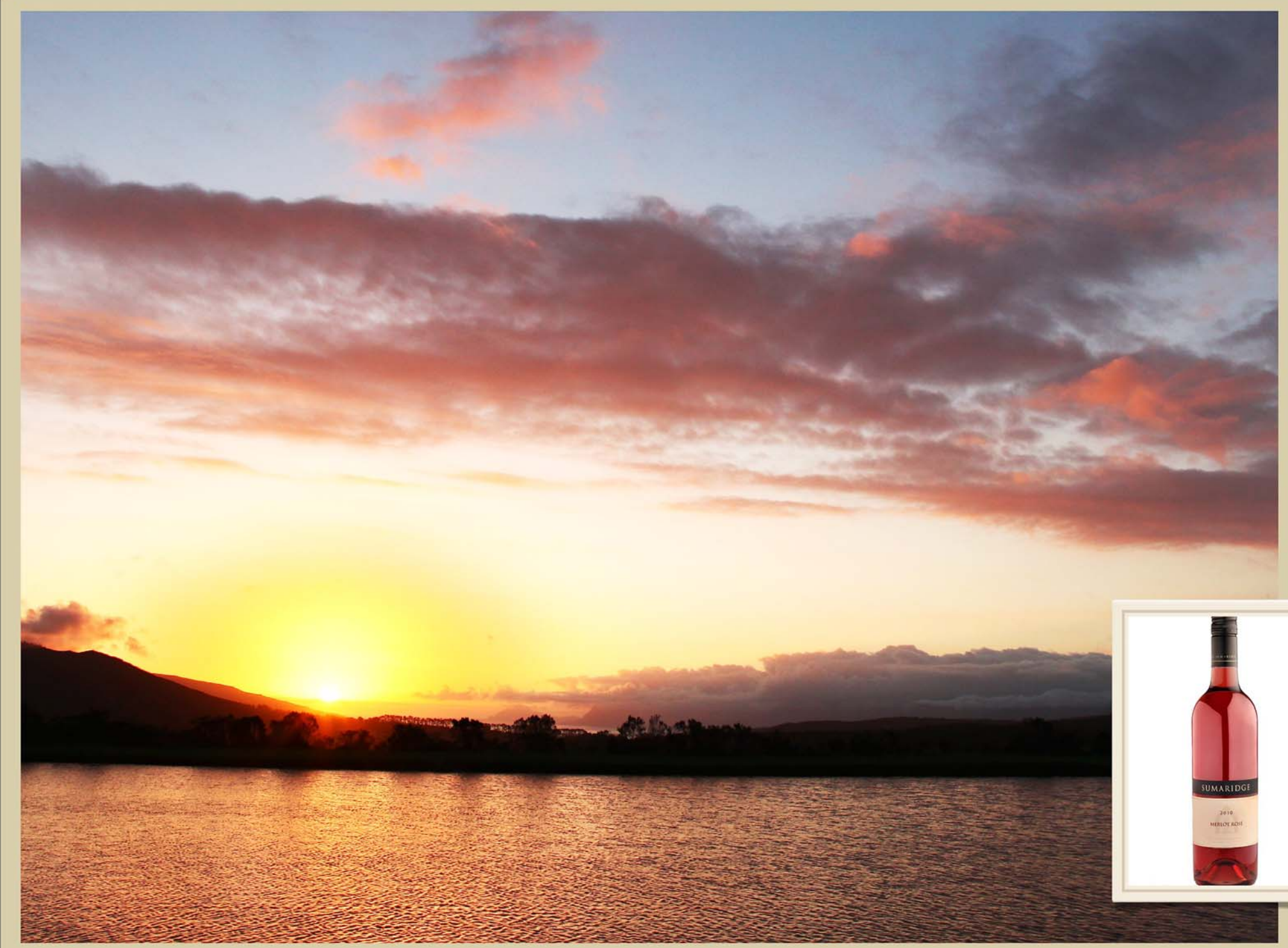
THE POMEGRANATE TWIN SUITE



THE ALOE KING SIZE SUITE IS DISABLED FRIENDLY AND HAS IT'S OWN ENTRANCE AND IT'S OWN KITCHENETTE. PERFECT IF YOU ARE LUCKY ENOUGH TO BRING YOUR CHEF OR YOUR NANNY.



EARLY EVENING WHEN THE "STOOP" BECOMES THE HEART OF THE LODGE



NATURE PROVIDES THE STUNNING SUNSETS...WE PROVIDE THE MATCHING WINE!



