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# Yuletide Celebration @ The Toronto Lawn Tennis Club

Friday, December 5, Reception 7:00 pm, Dinner 7:30

## A journey of flavours

A great way to start the festive season. Relax. Experience the good life while sharing the evening with friends. We offer good food, fine wines, great company and prizes – yes, you could win a bottle of Bon Courage!

We will continue our tradition and offer a display of South African sculpture suitable for Christmas gift-giving. As In past years we met Yvan Leclerc from AbantuArt and saw the amazing sculptures that he imports. This year, he is back with some smaller pieces.



# The menu

Reception -- Graham Beck Brut NV

### Soup

Rustic mushroom soup Oldenburg Chardonnay 2011

#### Choice of entrée

OR

Beer-brined turkey with stuffing, mashed potatoes, roasted root vegetables & natural pan jus

Salmon fillet with mashed potatoes & roasted root vegetables

Newton Johnson Pinot Noir 2012 and Paul Cluver Pinot Noir 2012

Christmas pudding & brandy butter hard sauce, tea & coffee Landskroon Vintage Port 2001

Where: The Toronto Lawn Tennis Club, 44 Price St, Toronto M4W 1Z4 MAP.

Parking available. Summerhill subway nearby.

When: 7:00 pm, Friday, December 5

Price: \$95 members \$105 non-members. Non-members who join the club at the event will receive a credit of \$15.

Closing date: Your booking or cancellation must be received by Friday, November 28. Your booking or cancellation will be acknowledged.

Your cheque payable to *South African Wine Society* or **Visa credit card** information will reserve your place at the tasting. If we have your credit card information on file, you may book by e-mail (without the form) to <a href="mailto:sawsinfo@rogers.com">sawsinfo@rogers.com</a>
\* Visa charges will appear as Pushka Holdings.

# **Tasting Notes**

**Note:** As a courtesy to other members, please refrain from wearing any scented products, including perfumes, colognes, after shaves or hand lotions. These products interfere with enjoyment of the wines.

### Graham Beck Brut Rose NV

Strawberry infused NV bubbly; latest equal partners chardonnay & pinot. On the nose expect whiffs of raspberries, cherries and a few secondary aromas of minerality. The palate delivers a lively mousse but fine in the mouth, with subtle red berry flavours enlivened by bright acids.

## Oldenburg Chardonnay 2011

It has a show-stopping exuberant bouquet of tropical fruit, guava, orange blossom and peach that is beautifully balanced and recalls a fine Chassagne-Montrachet. Yes, it is really that good. The palate is very well balanced with crisp acidity, vibrant citrus fruit that counterbalance the extrovert peach and apricot notes towards the persistent finish. It is one of those Chardonnay wines that you cannot stop yourself sipping and regretting when you reach the bottom of the bottle.

### Newton Johnson Pinot Noir 2012

Walker Bay is a cooler region in South Africa, ideal for encouraging the creation of Pinots of significant elegance and freshness, such as this one. Excellent fruit framed by solid but beautifully integrated tannins. This maintains a near-delicate, easy-drinking feel and style. Quite lovely, it has a very fine quite savoury herbal nose with cran-sour cherry fruit and judicious oak ageing plus earthiness. Honest light pinot. It's tidy, fairly smooth and light in tannin, with considerable acidity and the same herbal/shrubby character on the finish. The length and focus are excellent.

#### Paul Cluver Pinot Noir 2012

This wine has a lovely luminosity – the colour is bright plum skin. The nose has delicate earthy almond aromas combined with cranberry, pomegranate and raspberries. On the palate these characteristics follow through combining with interesting seaweed, umami savory flavours.

# Landskroon Vintage Port 2001

Beautiful aromas of spicey black prunes & cigars. A wine with power and refinement. Ripe plums and blackberries in bouquet. Smooth but lively palate with an attractive dry finish and concentrated berries and chocolate. Smooth but lively palate with an attractive dry finish. A dark colored fortified wine.

# Event Registration

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