



## WINERY OF THE MONTH

### BARTINNEY, STELLENBOSCH

**WHAT?** Set on the sheer slopes of the Helshoogte Pass outside Stellenbosch, Bartinney (above left) is quite the rising star. This historical farm's passionate owners, Michael and Rose Jordaan, have succeeded in getting their niche range of wines lauded within the industry, as well as gaining carbon-neutral status and becoming the latest Champion of the Biodiversity in Wine Initiative (BWI).

**WHY?** You'll definitely want to lounge around with glass in hand at their recently opened and ultra-stylish Tasting Shed (left), with its breathtaking views over the vineyards. The contemporary double-storey space mixes comfortable furnishings from La Grange Interiors with reclaimed farm pieces, Cape antiques and wonderful artworks (including a striking Deborah Bell) – what Rose calls 'an extension of our home'.

**WHICH WINES?** Winemaker Therese de Beer has crafted terroir-driven wines of distinction, melding traditional and innovative new methods. Stock up on their mellifluous Chardonnay 2009 (R95 – the 2008 vintage recently won Best Chardonnay at the Terroir Awards) and opulent, food-friendly Sauvignon Blanc 2010 (R80), while December sees the release of their maiden Cab Sauv.

**DON'T MISS...** sculptor Dylan Lewis's magnificent 'Elevation' on the grounds (top), mirroring the winged figure on the Bartinney label. 'It symbolises the French art of the selective maturing and ascension of a wine to its ultimate heights, unfurling its most noble traits,' explains Rose.

**Bartinney, Mon-Fri 8am-5pm, 021-885-1013, bartinney.co.za**

