

**The JARDIN label was specially designed for the
JORDAN (Stellenbosch, RSA) range of wines available in North America**

Young, modern, dynamic – California-trained Gary and Kathy Jordan epitomise an exciting new and internationally aware approach to Cape wine. They are the Cape's first husband and wife winemaking and viticultural team with backgrounds in Geology and Economics respectively, bringing a New World touch to a farm with a history of grapegrowing going back over 300 years.

Success begins in the vineyard, with strict canopy management and varieties selected to suit appropriate soils and slopes. Situated at the cooler top end of Stellenbosch Kloof, overlooking both Table and False Bays, vineyard altitudes vary between 160 and 450m above sea level. An extensive replanting programme was begun in 1982, concentrating on the noble varieties Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Sauvignon Blanc and Chardonnay to take advantage of Jordan's exceptional terroir on this 146 Ha Stellenbosch property.

Not wanting to buy in grapes or make wine from young vineyards, 1993 marked the first vintage in the Jordan's gravity-flow cellar, where state-of-the-art stainless steel equipment, and barrel-fermentation and aging of wines in French oak barriques in the underground cellar produce wines displaying the ripe, concentrated fruity accessibility of the New World, with the complex elegance of Classic wine styles.

The Jordan's intimate knowledge of their mature vineyards, commitment to quality and readiness to experiment have combined to rocket this relative newcomer to the front-ranks of South African wine producers in just 7 vintages - Jordan wines have received numerous Gold and Double Gold Veritas Awards, International Wine Challenge medals, SAA awards and Wine Magazine and Platter stars.