

Lovane Boutique Wine Estate

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Small plotted facilities and dungeon like tasting room, poorly lit for proper tasting, but friendly and unfussy.

Vintage Score best drinking

Sauvignon Blanc R

2018: overt and forward, with guava and tropical fruits, dry peach and a supple, lower acid style, brief but fresh and clean.	2018 85 2018-2024
2020: lighter styled with rather brief but nicely steely green pepper and feint citrus notes.	2020 86 2020-2027

Unwooded Chardonnay RR

2011: mid yellow, very shy nose, very shy fruit, light, thirst quenching but forgettable.	2011 78 2011-2015
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Chenin Blanc R

2017: deep straw hue, bright apricot peach and passion fruit notes, light and brief.	2017 85 2017-2024
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Summer Mist RR

2011: pale, dry nose with delicate rose hints. Subtle strawberry flavours finishing dry.	2011 79 2011-2015
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Theresa Blanc de Noir RR

2010: mid pink, dusty nose, gentle tannins and a slightly off dry style.	2010	80	2010-2014
2018: red berry notes, definitely a rose hue, seems to be just off dry at entry, easy and brief.	2018	83	2018-2024
2019: soft and comforting, off-dry and very fruity with red berry and strawberry, candy floss notes, simple and fun.	2019	84	2019-2025
2020: hints of candy floss and strawberries, smelling sweet but tasting dry, easy-going and peasant.	2020	86	2020-2026

Petit Verdot (was Umama) RRR

	2006	86	2006-2014
2011: ruby hue, smells dry but has easy sweet fruit, all blackcurrant and brightness.	2011	86	2011-2022

Malbec R

2019: shy nose then deep and intense fruit core, mulberries and currants, supple and generous if brief.	2019	88	2020-2028
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Pinotage RR

2016: bold and juicy, forward and full-fruited, dark and very dry, finishing pleasantly.	2016	87	2016-2026
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Berries Only Cabernet Sauvignon RR

2007: subtle cassis and oak then pastille like luscious blackcurrants. Silky and classy.	2007	92	2009-2017
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Cabernet Sauvignon Isivuno R

	2006	86	2006-2016
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Cabernet Sauvignon Umgidi RR

2006: still deeply coloured despite age, ripe fruit nose, lush, blue fruits in a rustic style.	2006	91	2008-2018
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Cabernet Sauvignon RR

2015: shy nose, vanilla and blueberry notes, easy-going and accessible with nice mouthfeel.	2015	85	2015-2025
2016: dusty tannins, dry cassis fruit, silky and accessible and full forward.	2016	86	2016-2026
2018: very deeply toned with a red berry, nicely rustic, nose, grippy tannins, hint of earth and juicy, smooth fruit.	2018	87	2019-2028

Isikhati RR

2007: opaque, pencil shavings and cassis liquor with soft oak tannins and a ripe blueberry finish.	2007	93	2010-2018
2015: sweet and ripe hedgerow fruits, mocha chocolate and herbal oak notes.	2015	85	2015-2025
2017: enticing nose over beautifully layered wood, earth and blackcurrants, lush, silky and long, back to '07.	2017	93	2019-2029
2018: shy yet, needs time to reveal ripe mulberry velvet fruit, vanilla and lush berry notes, long and sleek.	2018	92	2020-2029

Family Reserve Shiraz RR

2016: opaque depth, bone dry mouthfeel, wood and dark fruits, all a bit porty and almost over extracted.	2016	86	2017-2026
2017: sweet wood notes then bold and juicy black	2017	91	2019-2028

fruits, quite intense and with a deep core and some persistence. A step up.

Cape Ruby (was Vintage)

RR

2016: unusually light, barely fortified, smells dry yet has restrained sweetness. Pleasant chilled.	2016	85	2016-2026
2017: balanced alcohol (16.5%) on a raisins and vanilla, intensely plum based joy, accessible and pliant, delicious.	2017	91	2018-2028
