Two Oceans

021 809 7000 Website: www.twooceanswines.co.za email: <u>info@distell.co.za</u> Owner(s): Distell Winemaker(s): J Corrans, P Badenhorst, B van Niekerk & E Coetzee WO; Western Cape Ultra reliable wine brand, entry level prices which occasionally produce tremendously good wines, the Pinot Noir and Pinot Grigio always deliver way above expectation.



Vintage Score best drinking

Sauvignon Blanc R

<mark>2011 8</mark> 0	0 2011-2016
<mark>2013 8</mark> 3	3 2013-2019
<mark>2014 8</mark> 0	0 2014-2019
<mark>2015 8</mark> 2	2 2015-2021
<mark>2016 8</mark> 2	2 2016-2023
<mark>2017 8</mark> 2	2 2017-2024
<mark>2018 8</mark> 3	3 2018-2025
<mark>2019 8</mark>	5 2019-2026
<mark>2020 8</mark> 4	4 2020-2027
<mark>2021 8</mark> :	3 2021-2027
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warmer tropical finish, but feels quite dilute.

2022: more attack than the '21, with zesty lime	2022	85	2022-2028
squeeze and green fruit buzz, quite lip-smacking.			
2023: same green fruit and mild grapefruit crunch,	2023	84	2023-2028
nicely weighted, just lacking complexity and			
concentration.			

Chenin Blanc

2018: fresh citrus green apple with light tropical hint,	2018	83	2018-2024
has everything but seems to be running on half empty.			
2019: hugely floral with perfumed talcum powder nose,	2019	85	2019-2026
gentle green fruit and a ripe pear-drop flavour, more			
generous than '18.			
2021: rough skinned green apple and bright summer	2021	85	2021-2027
citrus on a pleasant if rather light dry version.			

Pinot Grigio

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2011: hint of green with overt waxy lemon	2011	82	2011-2016
nose then touch watery floral and lime			
palate. Flavourful and pleasant.			
2012: straw green with rich aromas and	2012	83	2012-2018
mid weight palate. Lots of fruit and a good			
example.			
2013: fresh and tangy if lacking some weight	2013	82	2013-2017
of the '12. Still a quenching summer wine.			
2014: gentle green nose with lanolin, rich,	2014	84	2014-2020
full mouthfilling note, finishing light and dry.			
2015: less rich than previous, firmer and	2015	80	2015-2020
cleaner and still reliably pleasant.			
2016: back to familiar richness and heady	2016	82	2016-2023
perfume, a lovely example, with depth and			
satisfaction.			
2017: another fuller, deliciously fatter and	2017	84	2017-2024
crunchy version, oily and spicy.			
2018: muted musky fruits, lighter than '17, hints	<mark>2018</mark>	84	2018-2025

of talcum and spice and nicely balanced. Great value.

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2019: tighter and more steely than previously,	<mark>2019</mark>	83	2019-2025
with firm grip of feint citrus, not as spicy but			
still very pleasant.			
2020: aromas of white blossom and skin cream, then	2020	85	2020-2027
lusty notes of mixed summer fruit and talcum powder,			
moreish and friendly.			

Shiraz Rosé

2013: Shiraz based, but still red berry fruited, 82 2013-2018 2013 dry, lightish bodied and great value. 2014: looks, smells and tastes of squashed 2014 82 2014-2019 strawberries. Fun, fruity and dry, quite appealing. 2015: full-fruited and syrupy but retaining 2015 82 2015-2022 bite and freshness. 2017 83 2017-2023 2017: another bold and expressive version, bright strawberry and fruit cocktail richness. 2018: cherryade rouge, overt fruity attack of Morello 2018 82 2018-2024 cherry and ripe strawberries, forward, dusty, dry if rather overblown. 2019: cherry red hue, candied wild strawberry and 2019 82 2019-2025 Turkish delight notes, viscous and with a pleasant dry finish. 2020-2026 2020 2020: still lurid copper-red, with strawberry cordial 84 nose and lovely bright and zippy dry cherry fruit, finishing too light.

Pinot Noir

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	2009	82	2009-2018
2011: punches well above its weight, lovely	2011	87	2011-2017
fruit quality, obvious wood charing, nice			
balance and all round satisfaction. A bargain.			
2013: delicate bitter cherry notes in a lighter	<mark>2013</mark>	81	2013-2018
style. Juicy, but with less certainty.			

2014: consistently fresh and flavourful, with	2014	82	2014-2019
charry notes and a deft touch.			
2015: bright cherry and bursting with clean,	2015	87	2015-2021
rich fruit. Oak seems lighter and juicy flavours			
more forward, probably for earlier consumption.			
Delicious.			
2016: smooth and accessible, with fleshy	<mark>2016</mark>	82	2016-2021
fruit and just enough grip. Always reliable.			
2017: fleshy and lush, with deep strawberry	2017	85	2017-2023
fruit, very smooth, seamless and seductive.			

Cabernet Sauvignon/Merlot R

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2011: dark cherry nose and medium bodied,	2011 85	2011-2018
rich fruit palate. Hints of spice and nice		
depth of flavours		
2012: intense black fruit and very dry	<mark>2012 83</mark>	2012-2018
throughout, touch of bitter finish spoils the		
effect, though.		
2013: syrupy black cherry and lozenge like	<mark>2013 83</mark>	2013-2019
fruit attack. Mid weight and juicy if short		
finishing.		
2014: big and bold and with spicy dry black	<mark>2014 82</mark>	2014-2021
fruit in a simple, unlingering style.		
2015: dark berries and overt vanilla/coffee	2015 81	2015-2022
oak, rather confected but still good value.		
2016: seems more agricultural, with bold,	2016 79	2016-2025
untamed spicy notes and lack of finesse.		
2017: competent in every area, if excelling in	2017 78	2017-2025
none, but at its price point, reliable and		
packed with punch.		
2018: clean and very fruity, mixed dark berry	<mark>2018 82</mark>	2018-2026
notes, supple and attractive and straightforward.		
2019: crowd pleasing blackcurrant and vanilla hint,	<mark>2019 84</mark>	2020-2027
with smooth and lush berry depths, as reliably		
satisfying as ever.		
2020: soft fruited with a bold pliant core and dark	<mark>2020 85</mark>	2020-2028
cherry note, lots of winter berry fruit, finishing		

mellow and ripe.

2021: smoky tar and earth upon a black fruit and	2021	87	2021-2029
currant base, supple as ever, accessible and a			
crowd pleaser.			
2022: so consistent, with seamless juicy fruit,	2022	87	2022-2029
hearty without being overblown, just a worthy wine.			
2023: touch of spice and grit with this juicy, dark	2023	86	2023-2028
hearted version, always affable.			

Shiraz

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2014: silky mouthfeel, easy style, red and	2014	85	2014-2021
blue fruited with a pleasant finish. Consistent			
with range's value.			
2015: reverting to feral, gamey and smoky,	<mark>2015</mark>	84	2015-2025
with spicy dark but lush fruit.			
2016: smooth and tender, almost reticent, with dark	<mark>2016</mark>	85	2016-2026
fruit comfort and likeablity.			
2017: ultra friendly and gentle, lacking much varietal	<mark>2017</mark>	82	2017-2026
character, but pleasant and vinous.			
2018: liquefied blackberry juice, juicy and full bodied,	<mark>2018</mark>	85	2018-2027
with little spicy bite or complexity, don't think, just enjoy,			
it's delicious.			
2019: very smooth, with 13% alcohol and mixed black	<mark>2019</mark>	83	2019-2026
fruits, juicy, generous but don't expect complexity.			
2020: consistently enjoyable and good value, another	2020	85	2020-2027
dark fruited, furry tannin, lozenge-like comfort, silky			
and full.			