

A combination of the old and the new, dancing together to a new rhythm...

My Celebrations Menu will take you

on a journey through

the elements of Mother Nature

- creations inspired by Gaia,

as I explore, discover and share

each beautiful note of her bounty.

I invite you to follow me
as I unite together nature
and culinary art
in creating a fantasy world
for you to explore...

Chantel 2016



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Small Prelude to our Celebrations Menu

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Garden Velouté, Fava Bean Mousse, Pea Shoots

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An Ode to Michel Bras

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Spring Vegetables, Sweet Peppers, Morels

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Old Amsterdam, Belnori Kilimanjaro and many more

Mamelon de Venus

Jasmine, Apple

A Walk Through The Orchard

Forelle Pear, Ivoire Chocolate, Tonka

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The breads and butters are prepared fresh daily by our team of skilled bakers.

Bread Selection

Aggie's Seed Loaf
Green Olive Rye Bread
Basil Pesto and Sun-Dried Tomato Rolls
Crusty Polenta and Calendula Rolls
Cranberry and Pear Cheese Bread

Butter Selection

Mooirivier Salted Farm Butter
Honey and Cinnamon
Anchovy and Caper
Lavender and Lemongrass Butter

We also have a selection of Wheat, Gluten, and Lactose free bread and butters available for Vegans.

Macadamia Nut Hazelnut



Garden Velouté

Fava Bean Mousse

Pea Shoots

I have created this dish to be a true interpretation of the colour 'green'. The taste, smell and visual impressions are all reminiscent of the first vibrant and lush shoots that emerge from the soil of my herb garden as they lift their tiny and aromatic leaves toward the sun. These tiny leaves, so welcome amongst the browns of Autumn and early Winter, were the inspiration behind "Simply Shoots".

Most of the flavourful ingredients for this dish are organically grown at Kazi Farm, a small family owned and operated boutique farm situated in the Cradle of Humankind, close to Restaurant Mosaic. They have successfully and sustainably grown exceptional baby vegetables, herbs and salad greens for our kitchen for the past decade. After ten years, farmers Denzyl and Leoni, are still assisting us to delight our guests with only the finest and freshest of produce.

Connoisseur Pairing	
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Quinta das Maias Malvasia Fina 2013

Dão

Portugal

An intense bouquet containing floral and citric notes in perfect harmony with light butter elements from the oak. Aromas are very clean: white floral with a touch of honeysuckle.

Non-Alcoholic Pairing

Home-made Nasturtium Lemonade

The Nasturtium leaf is rich in Vit.C and a natural antibiotic. Eating a couple of the peppery leaves at the onset of a cold can stop it dead in its tracks. The gentle antibiotic reaction makes it ideal as a natural medicine.

Enthusiast Pairing

Creation Viognier 2015

Walker Bay

Cape

Abundantly fruity with fragrant white peach aromas and a rich character. On the creamy palate pure peach and apricot flavours mingle with exciting minerality. Beautifully balanced.



An Ode to Michel Bras

As the sweet scent of flowers fills the air, the temperature slowly starts to change and blossoms appear all around, I am tempted to spend more time outside.

Inspired by one of the greatest chefs in Europe "Celebration of Spring" is my ode to Chef Michel Bras. This dish is a true reflection of spring capturing the freshness of the season, fragrances in the air and the vibrancy of colour emerging from the soil. We have created an elegant, light, floral and vegetal dish combining marinated and fresh young vegetables of the season.

Connoisseur Pairing

Domaine du Clos Naudin Vouvray Sec 2009

Vouvray

France

Delicate floral aromas and a mineral-laden palate brimming with ripe fruit. Elegant flavours of peach, grapefruit, honeysuckle and citrus, complemented by a touch of smoke on the finish.

Non-Alcoholic Pairing

Lime and Lemongrass Spritzer

Lemongrass is native to India and Sri-Lanka. In addition to its culinary usage, it offers a wide array of medicinal benefits - in the Caribbean, it is known as Sweet Rush, and is used to treat colds and fevers

Enthusiast Pairing

Botanica Old Vine Chenin Blanc 2014

Stellenbosch

Cape

Grapefruit & citrusrind, honeyed richness
tempered by leesy
minerality, spiced by
careful partial oaking.
The palate has a silky
texture and is generous,
showing profoundly
expressive flavours - a
complex wine.



Rooibos Day Lilly Risotto

I found my inspiration for the dish during a walk on the beach, watching the waves creating beautiful foam as they came rolling in, washing up small bits of bark, shells and seaweed and I immediately wanted to recreate this beautiful small tableau on my plate.

For the "beach" I combine the sweet and tart flavours of tomato and also prepare a fragrant stock combined with one of South Africa's truly traditional ingredients - Rooibos Tea. This adds a great deal of depth and complexity to the consommé and merges naturally with the sweetness of the langoustine. The creamy "Mousse de Mer" is ethereal and light yet provides decadence to this playful dish.

I hope you will enjoy this creation and remember a special moment rediscovering the water crushing against the shore while standing with your toes in the sand...

Connoisseur Pairing

Domaine Albert Boxler Riesling 2012

Alsace

France

Beautiful dry, fresh style, green apple and peach aromas. After some time in the glass a range of citrus and white flesh fruit scents appear. Limestone and granite terroirs add a good minerality to this well structured Riesling.

Non-Alcoholic Pairing

Rooibos and Citrus Tea

Rooibos tea, one of South Africa's most iconic ingredients is known to contain powerful antioxidants that have a strong cancer-fighting effect. Rooibos also lowers the production of cortisol—the "stress hormone".

Enthusiast Pairing

Hartenberg Occasional Riesling 2012

Stellenbosch

Cape

A rich, sweet and sour entry yet a floral and honeyed mid-palate that has both balance and complexity. The residual sugar, although subtly noticeable, contributes extra fullness and richness to the palate.



Quail Eggs Black Truffle Paste Courgette Truffle

The inspiration for this dish came from a variety of sources. My focus on the spirit of Mother Nature; the fact that black truffles are now in season and our individual aspirations and desires to one day have our own modest nest egg grown into a treasure chest.

Although our Weaver bird's nests in the garden seem fragile, it provides all the necessary protection to keep the delicate little eggs safe. With the design of this dish I visualized what it should look like, and wanted it to closely resemble a true "birds nest". I have created the nest with delicate courgette tagliatelle, garnished with "twigs and leaves". Within the nest, you will find three miniature quail eggs, each with a decadent liquid centre and topped with thin slices of truffle infused Paris Mushrooms, or Black Truffle slices.

The black truffle has been described variously as the diamond of cookery, fairy apple, black queen, gem of poor lands, fragrant nugget and the black pearl. We do have some fresh Truffle available for those who just can't resist a little extra temptation.

* White Alba Truffle R150.00 Per 1 gram

Connoisseur Pairing

Tokaji Pendits Muskotály Dry 2012

Abaújszántó

Hungary

Pale yellow colour. Some floral and yellow fruit aromas on the nose. Bone-dry and has a crisp freshness with green apple and mineral flavours.

Non-Alcoholic Pairing

Wild Mushroom and Nettle Consommé

Mushroom Tea is a staple ingredient of Eastern medicine. Its Chinese name, ling chih, means "mushroom of immortality" and improves well-being.

Enthusiast Pairing

Eagles' Nest Viognier 2013

Constantia

Cape

A fresh, rich mouth filling palate infused with telltale Viognier spices. Freshness coupled with subtle wooding ensure a crisp clean finish.

The Garden Pea

Matcha Sweet Pea Lime

Inspired by the abundance of fresh sugar snap peas in my summer garden I have created this refreshing palate cleanser - The Garden Pea - capturing the pure essence of mother nature from fragrant peas grown in Mosaic's own garden.

A brief repose...



Spring Vegetables

Morels

Sweet Peppers

Having been a vegetarian myself for a few years I can remember the restricted vegetarian option on any menu included either a spinach quiche or a baked potato filled with creamed mushrooms. For this reason I have always put a lot of time into planning our vegetarian menu and had great fun creating our Spring Vegetable Cook Pot.

After browsing through a small antique shop in the Eastern Cape I discovered a beautiful ceramic steamer that was originally designed for steamed pudding - but was also the precursor to the steam cooker as we know it today.

This dish combines crispy, colourful and fragrant spring vegetables like Fava Beans, Garden Peas, Courgette Puree, Sweet Peppers, Baby Carrots and Pac Choy with a rich Morel mushroom Consommé.

Connoisseur Pairing

Non-Alcoholic Pairing

Enthusiast Pairing

Albert Mann Riesling Cuvée Albert 2011 Genmaicha, Mushroom, Brown Rice Infusion Lismore Sauvignon Blanc 2011

Cape

Greyton

Alsace France

Pure aromas of musky white peach, ginger, stone and white flowers. Juicy and just off-dry, with a penetrating acidity framing the white peach and quinine flavours.

Mushroom Tea (Ling Chih) is a staple of Eastern medicine and means "mushroom of immortality." Drinking the tea continuously for two months will significantly improve your overall well-being.

This unique terroir driven wine opens with a green apple nose and some pear undertones. The aromas evolve into a well-balanced wine with an underlying minerality and

lingering aftertaste.



Old Amsterdam, Belnori Kilimanjaro and many more...

Mosaic's cheese trolley offers a hand-picked seasonal selection of exceptional local and European cheeses, served with a variety of condiments and freshly baked Cranberry and Pear or Sour Cherry and Walnut breads to complement the cheese. We also have a selection of Wheat, Gluten, Lactose and Nut free breads available.

A few of the highlights on our cheese trolley to tempt your taste buds:

- **Époisses de Bourgogne (PDO)** The Emperor Napoleon's favourite cheese, it has a striking but pleasant smell, strong flavour and is very creamy it melts in your mouth.
- Belnori Phantom Forest Fresh Chèvre with layers of vegetable ash, wrapped in Camembert. Norman and Rina Belcher at their Belnori Boutique Cheesery, in Bapsfontein, make this cheese with organic milk from their lovable Swiss Saanen goat herd. This soft cheese has no "goaty" flavour and is slightly nutty and was honoured as the champion cheese at the SA National Championships numerous times.
- **Dolcelatte Gorgonzola (PDO)** Produced from combining the curds from the evening's milk with curds made from warm, fresh milk to encourage bacteria growth, creates the yellow interior full of greenish-blue striations. A creamy, buttery cheese, from the rolling hills of Piedmont in Italy.
- * Our Sommelier will be happy to assist with a recommendation for wine to compliment your cheese.
- ** Please Note as an addition to the Market Degustation R185.00 supplement charge will be added.

Non-Alcoholic Pairing

Spiced Pear Toddy

Star anise is a main source of shikimic acid. This substance boosted the spice's prominence in the western medicine. It is one of the main components for making the anti- influenza pharmaceutical called Tamiflu.

Mameton, de Venus

Jasmine Apple

A delicate pastry cream scented with the exotic aromas of Jasmine and the blossoming of Spring.

With this dish we celebrate Venus and all her attributes as the Roman goddess of love, beauty and prosperity. I was looking for that last delicate titbit that you can not resist, knowing that there is no space left, but giving in to the seduction of the sweet silky softness on your palate. Part of my inspirations for this post-dessert was to make it delicate and decadent at the same time - a true temptation. I discovered an Italian Pastry chef called Panterelli who, in 1540, decided to try and make a cake, using pastry which had been partially dried out over the fire before baking.

It quickly caught on becoming known as 'pâte à Panterelli.' After some refinement that pastry became known as 'pâte à choux'. Combining this crunchy choux pastry with a creamy heart of scented seduction, my Mamelons de Venus was born - a temptation when you know that you should, but cannot resist...



White Peach

Passion Fruit

Vanilla Meringue

Throughout the Milky Way and in the space between the galaxies, are huge clouds of gas and dust that join together to create magical stars. The universe is endless and so too is it's many sources of inspiration. I discovered my "Starburst / Stellar Evolution" while looking at some incredible images taken by the Hubble telescope.

For this dish I wanted components that were light and ethereal, which would almost dissolve in your mouth the moment you tasted it. I decided to combine a delicate Jasmine mousse with crunchy meringue and poached white peaches with colourful sugar dust...

"In violation of all the laws of physics, gas pushed itself together and formed a young star. Fueled by hydrogen explosions, gradually the star burned out and became a red giant. In doing so, it had expanded hundreds of times in size and become somewhat cooler and slowly collapsed into a small, hot white dwarf star."

Wine Pairing

Château Bélingard Monbazillac AOC 2009

Monbaxillac

France

It has a full nose with a blend of honey, wax, candied fruits and aromas that are characteristic of botrytis. The wine is powerful, while maintaining a touch of acidity for a light effect.

Non-Alcoholic Pairing

Passion Fruit, Vanilla and Peach Extraction

The Amazon is home to more than two hundred species of passion plants. Passion Fruit is a good source of vitamins A and C, as well as potassium and iron. One passion fruit has only 16 calories.



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Still Water

Sparkling Water

Acqua Panna R50 / 750ml S. Pellegrino R50 / 750ml

Acqua Panna Natural Spring Water, which dates back to the Romans, comes from the region of Tuscany and is the ideal still water for dining occasions. Legend has it that Romans built the only road from Northern to Southern Italy through Scarperia. This road went past the Acqua Panna spring, which provided deserved refreshments to weary travelers. In the 1500's, terra cotta pipes were discovered near the source. These pipes were used to transport the natural spring water to the noble Medici Family, the wealthiest, most powerful and influential family in Florence. The Medici's home, called Villa Panna, is located on the land surrounding the source. The creamcoloured villa provides the name for the brand, "Panna", which means "cream" in Italian. The lion's head found on the Acqua Panna logo was originally part of the fountain at Villa Panna.

San Pellegrino mineral water has been produced from the same natural spring for over 600 years. In 1395, the town borders of San Pellegrino were drawn, marking the start of its water industry. Leonardo da Vinci visited the town in 1509 to sample and examine the town's "miraculous" water. later writing a treatise on the subject. The water originates from a layer of rock 400 metres (1,300 ft) below the surface, where it is mineralised from contact with limestone and volcanic rocks, giving the water its distinctive taste. It emerges from three deep springs at a temperature of about 22°C (72°F). The iconic green bottle was designed in 1899, and was originally used to bottle wine. The red star was considered a symbol of export products of particular excellence and quality. The bottle's label features the Art Nouveau casino building of San Pellegrino Terme against the Alps skyline.

The Orient's Crystal Clear Spring Water No Charge

The Magaliesberg, one of the oldest ranges in the world, separates the Highveld Grasslands to the south and the Bushveld Savannah to the north. These mountains' creation began almost 2 300 million years ago when Africa, what was then a large landmass called Gondwanaland and most of what is now known as Gauteng, was submerged under shallow water. Several layers of sedimentary rock, dolomite and limestone settled on this seabed. Over millions of years, once the rock had solidified, water seeped in and dissolved parts of the dolomite leaving huge caves, some of which became under ground reservoirs, and these are the source of many of the streams that flow through the region. This is also the origin of "The Orient's Crystal Clear Spring Water", especially to spoil our guests with the purest of pure water.