

dining out



WHO RUNS THE WORLD? *GIRLS!*

We didn't think it possible to make the award-winning Restaurant Mosaic even better – despite the fact they already having the reigning Best Female Chef in the World, AKA Chef Chantel Dartnall. However, we've been proven wrong, as one of the country's most exciting female sommeliers, Taryn Nortje is joining the team!

Taryn will be bringing vino to a team that is already packed with girl power, as Chantel has a strong female brigade in the kitchen, while her mother Mari Dartnall oversees the restaurant's front-of-house. "I enjoy seeing the difference in the style of cooking and presentation between male and female chefs, but for me there is no gender, cultural or racial boundaries when it comes to talent," explains Chantel.

Just like us, the chef is pleased to have another powerhouse woman on the team. "I'm delighted that more women are making

their mark in the food and wine industry, and I just know that Taryn is going to become a key asset to the Mosaic team. She has a fantastic palate and is going to be a force to be reckoned with on the South African wine stage."

Taryn (who was previously at Marble) will be working alongside Mosaic's Moses Magwaza, who just happen to win the coveted Wine Service Award at the 2017 Eat Out Awards last year! "It's any sommelier's dream come true to work in a restaurant which boasts the finest cellar in Africa, with more than 75 000 bottles of wine under 5 500 different local and international labels. Mosaic is renowned across the world for its meticulous food and wine pairings and I am thrilled to be working with Chantel and her team," explained Taryn.

Mosaic's cellermaster and sommeliers are

already hard at work, planning exciting wine tastings for guests to indulge in, while Chantel and her team of talented chefs are working on a spectacularly seasonal autumn menu, which is set to launch on 22 March.

If you haven't already visited this incredible restaurant, then we highly recommend you pick up the phone and get booking! The décor takes you back to the early, romantic 1900s, creating a unique space that pays homage to Chef Chantel's love of Parisian Belle Époque restaurants. We adore its intimate feel, and with plenty of booth-type seats and two private dining rooms, you're sure to find a spot to wine and dine.

Restaurant Mosaic is located in The Orient Private Boutique Hotel in the Francolin Conservancy, Elandsfontein, Pretoria. ☎ 012 371 2902/3

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