



Cap Maison Wins 3rd Consecutive Award from *Wine Spectator*

September **TK**, 2015 - Cap Estate, Saint Lucia – Cap Maison, the popular five-star resort on Saint Lucia that’s been ranked as one of the top in the Caribbean by *Travel + Leisure* 2014 World’s Best Awards, has been named a *Wine Spectator* Restaurant Award Winner for the third consecutive year. The resort’s restaurant, The Cliff at Cap, was singled out for a cellar strong in both French and California offerings.

Cap Maison’s wine is housed in the 2,000 plus bottle temperature controlled Cellar Maison, a dark and welcoming cave that also serves as an elegant private dining room for Cellar Maison Wine Pairing Dinners and daily Tastings. There are hand-picked wines from nearly a dozen countries, from enjoyable and unpretentious grape varietals from the new world to high end wines that have been only modestly marked up so that more guests can enjoy them. Many of Cap Maison’s wines are available by the glass and the wine list includes rare champagnes, grand cru Bordeaux, fine Burgundies, orange wines and a notable selection of natural and biodynamic wines, most of them made in small quantities by family wineries in France. These organic wines are distinguished by low intervention and they are distinguished by being both low in sulphur and not having any added yeast.

“These are not just drinking wines, they are meant to be paired with food,” explains Jasper Kok, the executive assistant manager who is certified by the Court of Master Sommeliers and oversees Cap Maison’s ambitious beverage program. “They are beautiful wines and often display dramatic year-to-year differences.”

In Cellar Maison, a cozy lair with beamed ceiling, brick floor and wooden wine shelves and bins

flights of unique wines, paired with a delectable assortment of amuse-bouche and interactive discussions guided by the Sommelier, Robinson George. The Cap Maison wine team can also send a favorite bottle of bubbly via the resort's Champagne Zip line straight from the bar to the private dining venue, Rock Maison. For added drama, they willingly demonstrate the Napoleonic tradition of sabering a bottle of champagne using the blade of a knife.

Cellar Maison's Wine Program

Wine Pairing Dinner

Join the Sommelier for an evening of delicious food and fine wine with special pairings and blind tastings. This is a relaxed and sociable events for six to 11 guests, during which Chef Craig Jones of Cliff at Cap serves an artisanal menu to go along with the chosen wines. Reservations are required and the cost is \$150 per person.

Deli and Wine Pairing Dinner

Ever Friday evening between 6:30 and 8:30pm, guests have the opportunity to learn a little about the art of pairing artisanal food with wine in the relaxed and informal atmosphere of Cellar Maison.

The cost is \$95 per person.

Cellar Maison's Casual Tutored Wine Tastings

This is a fun learning experience that allows guests to taste both Old World and New World Wines. Offered daily, reservations are required and the cost is \$75 per person.

Cellar Maison's Fine Wine Tastings

Prepared and conducted by Sommelier Robinson George daily. Reservations are required and the cost is \$100 per person.

Visit Cap Maison for more information on the resort's wine programs.

About Cap Maison

Cap Maison debuted on Travel + Leisure 2014 World's Best Awards with an impressive ranking of #2 in the Caribbean. A member of Virtuoso and the Preferred Hotels & Resorts LVX collection, Cap Maison is set on a dramatic four-acre cliff just north of popular Rodney Bay and features 49 artfully appointed suites and guest rooms. Cliff at Cap, the resort's signature restaurant with breathtaking panoramic views of the Caribbean, holds the Award of Excellence from Wine Spectator magazine. Under the direction of Executive Chef Craig Jones, the white table cloth, oceanfront restaurant serves a French West Indian-inspired contemporary menu. The resort's newest dining venue is The Naked Fisherman Beach Bar & Grill. The resort features a serene 2,000 square foot spa and a private 46-foot luxury yacht, Cap Maison 1. For bookings and more information, guests may call Reservations toll free at 1-888-765-4985 or send an email to reservations@capmaison.com, or visit the website at www.capmaison.com.

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