

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN DARLING/
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FEBRUARY 2010

Darling Valentine's Promotion 1 – 28 February 2010
Come Romance your darling in Darling!

Woo your loved one with an evening of light classical music, watch for falling stars in velvety night skies or bring your special friends and enjoy an afternoon of west coast style jazz. Titillate your senses and your taste buds with award-winning wines and delicious country cuisine.

The aptly named town of Darling on the West Coast has wonderful happenings & surprises planned to ensure that the month of February is your most romantic time yet. Come find out for yourself why it's called Darling.

Saturday 06 February
The Darling Country Market

This community market has its home at Evita se Perron and takes place on the first Saturday of each month. The market opens promptly at 10h00 and trades until 13h30. With the emphasis on home made, home grown and hand made; stallholders sell fresh produce, flowers, home bakes, special breads, preserved olives, arts & crafts including pewter and much more.... Why don't you join us? Contact Con Meyer for information or to book a stall

11 – 14 February 2009

The Darling Music Experience

Lovers of excellent music, food and wine are once again in for a treat.

The Darling Music Experience, under the artistic directorship of South Africa born German pianist Andreas Kern the music on offer varies between classical and contemporary chamber music, popular choir works and Jazz, bringing together community ensembles and soloists with well known national and international musicians.

THURSDAY 11 February 2010

12h00 Up Close & Personal – an intimate lunch with Concert Pianist Andreas Kern

Admission: R250

Venue: Hilda's Kitchen, Groote Post

Limited seats are available for this exclusive intimate lunch with German concert pianist Andreas Kern. Passionate about classical music, Andreas will chat to you about music and life as a concert pianist. Afterwards together with Andreas, taste Groote Post Wines and enjoy a delicious lunch at Hilda's kitchen.

FRIDAY 12 February 2010

18h30 Concert with the DME Festival Choir

Admission: Free

Venue: Ormonde Wine Estate, Langfontein Rd, Darling

A wide range of popular choir works, both sacred and secular, will be performed in front of the old Manor House. Bring your own chairs or blankets.

FRIDAY 12 February 2010

20h00 DME Rising Stars

Admission: R100 per person

Venue: Presbyterian Church, Pastorie Street

Saxophonist Hamman Schoonwinkel and Myles Roberts, winners of the Artscape National Youth Music Competition 2009, team up to create an eclectic programme of classical music including: Poulenc, Sonate; J. Demersseman, Fantasie; D. Milhaud, Scaramouche; P. Gaubert, Intermede Champetre; P. Iturralde, Pequena Czardas.

SATURDAY 13 February 2010

10h00 Film Screening "El Systema" **Admission:** Free

Venue: Evita se Perron, Arcadia Street

This multi award winning recently released documentary covers the extraordinary success of this famous music education initiative in Venezuela.

SATURDAY 13 February 2010

13h00 DME Classic Lunch

Admission: R350 includes meal and wine

Venue: !Kwa ttu

A wicked combination of not one but four of life's greatest pleasures. Wine, Food, live classical Music and a fantastic view. The highly trained !Kwa ttu Chef, Vivienne Pieterse, has planned an exclusive four course meal paired with delicious wines. Andreas Kern will interpret, on the piano, the essence of the dishes and the wine prepared especially for the DME.

SATURDAY 13 February 2010

16h00 The Ormonde Musical Wine Tasting Concert

Admission: R100 per person

Venue: Ormonde Wine Estate, Langfontein Rd, Darling

Enjoy a concert amongst leafy green vines and the ambience of a summers afternoon with the DME Chamber Orchestra. Their programme includes Mozart: Eine kleine Nachtmusik; Vivaldi: Summer and Shostokowitsch: Waltz No 2. Sit on hay bales or your own chairs and blankets and enjoy a picnic (bring your own). The delicious wines from the award winning Ormonde Wine Estate will be tasted. Aaah Life is beautiful.

SATURDAY 13 February 2010

16h00 The DME Olympiad - a musical fun rally for kids.

Admission: Free

Venue: Ormonde Wine Estate, Langfontein Rd, Darling

Whilst the parents are enjoying the wine tasting concert, flutist Dillon Peters will take your kids on a tour of music and fun following the Darling Music Experience motto: use your ears as eyes.

SATURDAY 13 February 2010

19h00 Piano Concerto: The Duel

Admission: R100

Venue: The Darling Vintage Transport Museum, Hill Street, Darling

This is no ordinary concert in no ordinary venue. It will be performed by pianists Andreas Kern and Tertia Visser in the form of a duel. You the audience will be the jury.

Programme includes Chopin: Opus 10 and 25; Debussy: Claire de Lune & Lisle Joyeuse; Bach: Prelude d-minor & e-flat minor; Schumann: Toccatta; Schubert: Impromptus g-flat major

SUNDAY 14 February 2010

9h00 Interdenominational Church Service - with the DME Festival Choir

Admission: Free

Venue: The "Vlei", behind Evita se Perron

Celebrate life and the beauty of it together with the locals in this rural outdoor setting.

Bring your own chair or blanket and don't forget a sunhat.

SUNDAY 14 February 2010

12h30 The Tukul Jazz Lunch

Admission: R250 includes meal and wine

Venue: The Marmalade Cat, Main Road, Darling

It's Valentines Day! Bring your special friends and enjoy west coast style jazz with The West Coast Jazz Co, perfect for a summers day in the quirky Marmalade Cat Barn.

The programme includes Killer Joe (Benny Golson), Moanin' (Bobby Timmons), On a Clear Day (Lerner / Lane), Cute (Neil Hefti), Satin Doll (Ellington / Strayhorn / Mercer) and God Bless the Child (Herzog / Holiday).

SUNDAY 14 February 2010

17h30 The DME World Premier Concert

Admission: R100

Venue: Presbyterian Church, Pastorie Street, Darling

The final highlight of this festival. The DME has again commissioned a piece of classical music. This year the young and brilliant composer Matthijs van Dyk has written for us the "Clarinet Quintet No. 2: Dances of Moonlight". By popular demand this world premier will be followed by Hendrik Hofmeyr's "Song of the Summerwind" for flute and violine, last years commission. Among the musicians: Farida Bacharova, Maria du Toit and Owen Brits. Dancer Mamela Nyamza, will ad a special facet to this extraordinary line-up.

For more information and ticket sales contact Mary on 082684557 or mary@toucancape.co.za

Bookings at Computicket 083 915 8000 www.computicket.co.za

Sunday 14 February

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!Khwa ttu Valentine's day lunch

Enjoy a fabulous 4 course menu for only R145.00 per person

The Starter: Cappuccino of Carrot and Orange Soup

The Entrée: Smoked Salmon Mousse with Crostini Hearts

The Main: Beef Fillet on Rosti with fresh vegetables and a Red Wine jus

OR Grilled Butterfish with a lemon cream sauce

The Dessert: Strawberry Cheesecake

Bookings essential: Tel 022 492 2998

Valentine's Day on the Farm: A Family Affair – A Real Farm Experience.

Dear Husband

Treat your lovely wife to a Valentine's feast at Lelieblom Farmhouse Restaurant.

We also cater for the children, they can play and swim while you relax over your meal inside! A family Valentine's day around the family table, making new friends and renewing old friendships.

A set menu at R190 p/p and a complimentary bottle of sparkling wine per couple.

Children under 12 R75 per child.

Advance bookings essential due to limited space. Contact Karen on 082 573 7736 for bookings or visit www.lelieblom.co.za

MY DARLING VALENTINE

Aloe Cottage is offering a 10% discount for all bookings during the Valentine's month of February.

PLUS receive a complimentary bottle of Darling wine, to share with your darling...

Please mention "Valentine's Special" when enquiring. Bookings 083 400 1666

Thursday 18 February

Every third Thursday of the month **Bistro 7 presents Trivial Pursuit** with our excellent quizmaster, Peter Killick.

Enter your table of four - Bookings on 083 655 4237

Selection of soups and first glass of wine included in the price of R50.00 per head (R5.00 of which goes to the SPCA).

Sunday 21 February

Another Jolly Day out in Darling – A Tractor Trip with 3 course meal!

Venues: Omnia @ The Mantis, Lelieblom and Café Mosaic

Cost: R160 p/p

Starters with Omnia @ The Mantis, Main Course @ Lelieblom and a flabberghastingly delicious dessert at Cafe Moziac!

We look forward to your company, come and make new friends and renew old friendships!

Please book with Karen on 082 573 7736 or karen@lelieblom.co.za. Space is limited, therefore your payment will assure your seat!

Saturday 27 February

Farmers Market @ Vyge Valley

9am until 13h00

Every last Saturday of the month a Fresh Produce Market will be held at Vyge Valley Farmstall. Shoppers can look forward to homemade cheeses, fresh breads, preserves, home cured bacon, home made butter and a host of other delicious foods. There will also be lots of activities for the little ones to enjoy as well, including sand art, jumping castles and all the farm animals to view. Contact June on 0833368305 or 022 492 2586 for more information.

Saturday 27 February

Darling Cellars Crush Day: Picking, Crushing, Eating & Drinking in the Sun!

Arrival 8h00 for 8h30 departure

Come join us for a fun day of picking your own grapes, stomping on them to get your own grape juice, which we'll ferment into a lovely wine, with your own special label on it!

The day includes: breakfast, picking & crushing your own grapes (with your very own wine & label to come 8-10 months later); label design competition and a traditional west coast lunch to make the day really special.

Wine tasting will be available

Prices: Adults – R190 per head / Teenagers – R100 (between 13 and 17 years) per head

Child – (12 and under) per child R180 per person.

Bookings are essential, please book on 022 492 2276 Or tasting@darlingcellars.co.za

Throughout February

!Khwa ttu Sunday Lunch Buffet. Every Sunday (special Valentine's menu on 14 Feb)

Our food is prepared with love and care and we are proud to make use of the fresh home grown vegetables, salads and herbs from our own organic garden.

!Khwa ttu Sunday Lunch Buffet consist of:

Freshly baked Breads, Pates,

Selection of fresh Salads

Homemade Pies, Potjies and Roasts.

Selection of Vegetables

Selection of delicious Desserts.

Eat to your heart's content.

Complimentary Glass of Champagne and orange juice on arrival.

R135.00 per person (children under twelve R70.00)

Bookings essential at 022 492 2998

Kraalbosdam Venue/Restaurant is open for

- **Friday Evenings Steak & Chips – from 7pm**

Bookings essential: 022 492 3803 / 022 492 2345 / 083 632 2196

Hilda's Kitchen

We're very proud to announce that Hilda's Kitchen at Groote Post Wine Estate has been selected as a Top 10 Alfresco Restaurant in South Africa by the annual Eat Out guide. This popular restaurant is open

Wednesday to Sunday for lunch. Bookings essential 022 492 2825

The Groote Post cellar is also open for wine tasting seven days a week including on Sundays from 11h00 to 16h00 which allows guests to enjoy a wine tasting either before or after lunch.

Bistro 7

The Bistro restaurant hours are as follows:

Dinner from 6pm Mon to Sat/Lunch from 12 to 3:30 on Sundays/Closed all day Tuesday

Our new smokers bar (The Bistro Bar) and garden will be open from 4pm - Mon to Friday; Sat from 11am till closing; Sun from 11am till 4pm. The bar will be open on Tuesdays serving drinks and snack baskets.

Café Mosaic

This family orientated rendezvous in the Main Road of Darling is open daily from 8 until late. Cafe Mosaic is a South African mix of the French Cafe de la Rue, the Dutch Coffee Bar, the German Strasse Kaffe and the English Pub. Special home cooked meals are served on Tuesday evenings and Thursday night is Pizza Night. Contact 022 492 2307 for bookings.

Darling Olives

Darling Olives is a great place to start your education about how olives are grown, pressed and cured.

Experience a traditional approach to olives on a working farm where cattle are still herded by horse and a flock of sheep might cross your path.

Located just 3 km out of Darling towards Yzerfontein, this olive farm offers tasting & sales of their extensive product range.

Open: Mon to Fri: 09:00-16:00 / Sat: 09:00- 13:00

Tel: 022 492 3171 or Email:roleenbasson@mweb.co.za

Lelieblom Farm and Venue: A Family Affair – A Real Farm Experience.

Open daily for lunch and dinner – bookings essential – Lelieblom serves hearty traditional South African Cuisine. They also cater for small functions, birthday parties, family gatherings, any special event!
Advance bookings essential Contact Karen on 082 573 7736 for bookings or visit www.lelieblom.co.za

Evita se Perron

The Theatre/Restaurant/Bar, Boerassic Park & Evita's A en C (arts & crafts) are open Tues to Sun from 10h00 to 16h00.

To find out what's on the programme during January, please visit www.evita.co.za or contact Beryl on (022) 492 3930 for enquiries/bookings or e-mail bookings@evita.co.za

Please note: Some of these events are subject to change – to avoid disappointment please enquire/make a booking with the contact person above before making arrangements to attend an event