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One night to paint the town red

WE haven't had a public holiday for about six weeks, so that upcoming long weekend is going to be most welcome. Get it off to a good beginning with the annual Taste The Helderberg festival at the NH The Lord Charles Hotel in Somerset West on Thursday, June 15, from 5pm till 9pm.

For one night only, wine farms and restaurants in the Helderberg region present a showcase of fine local fare.

"Taste The Helderberg has rapidly become one of the mainstays on the calendar of Western Cape wine events," says Stellenbosch Wine Routes manager Elmarie Rabe.

A highlight for wine-lovers in particular will be the opportunity to get an early-bird sampling of the region's latest wines, as well as tasters of icons that have put this Stellenbosch Wine Route sub-re-

gion on the map of international connoisseurs. Many wines will be also be available for purchase at special promotional rates that are also applicable to delivery.

Foodie pop-ups by the Helderberg's well-known eateries, the chance to learn more about wine-making from the winemakers and viticulturists themselves, and master classes on grape varieties with emphasis on the climatic and geographic reasons behind the exceptional quality that hails from this coastal area a shortish drive from the centre of Cape Town, will all be part of the night's activities.

Expect an evening of conviviality with a backdrop of live music, and visitors are invited to shed the winter blues by wearing something red.

● *Tickets R100 a person online at www.wineroute.co.za. If any*



Taste The Helderberg festival takes place in Somerset West on June 15.

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tickets remain, they'll be sold at the door. For more information go to www.wineroute.co.za or call 021 886 8275.