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Kobus van der Merwe

Taste the platteland

The eateries acclaimed in the annual competition of the restaurant guide *EatOut* are almost always in the Boland, in Cape Town and sometimes in the City of Gold – but for *Platteland*'s two biggest favourites you would have to head out to the platteland. Naturally!

Start saving today and book a table at Kobus van der Merwe's internationally renowned Wolfgat in Paternoster, where you will taste the essence of the West Coast in astounding combinations on your plate. Wolfgat was named Restaurant of the Year at the World Restaurant Awards 2019, and ranks fourth on *EatOut*'s list of best South African restaurants.

In ninth place is Chantel Dartnall's Restaurant Mosaic at The Orient hotel deep in the thickets of the Francolin Conservancy in Elandsfontein. Here, your tongue is sent on an unforgettable flight of fancy where Mother Nature inspires every dish. Months after our visit in November 2019 we are still dreaming about every course and those *mosbolletjie* fingers that you dip into a creamy cheese sauce...

And unlike at so many other top restaurants, you'll find both these chefs hard at work in the kitchen – and you can really taste the difference. Booking, preferably online, is essential at both restaurants.

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