

DANIËL VAN TONDER

MOTOR MECHANIC

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PERSONAL STATEMENT

I am a motivated and adaptable professional with a unique career path that began in the wine industry. I made the decision to pursue my long-standing interest in automotive mechanics, after I did a few harvest internships while I was studying at the University of Stellenbosch. Having completed my training in automotive mechanics, I am excited to bring my new technical expertise and hands-on experience to the automotive industry.

My time in the wine industry has provided me with transferable skills such as effective communication, time management, and a customer-focused approach—skills I now apply to building trust and delivering high-quality results in my mechanical work. With a deep commitment to continuous learning and a strong desire to grow within the field, I am eager to contribute my diverse skill set to the motor industry.

I thrive in environments that require both problem-solving and communication, and I am equally excited about the prospect of working as a mechanic or applying my skills in the sales side of the automotive industry.

ACADEMIC BACKGROUND

National Certificate in Motor Mechanics (Petrol) - Red Seal - 2024

Industries Education & Training Institute, Cape Town

WSET Level 2 - 2019

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HTS Drostdy, Worcester

CAREER HISTORY

Motor Mechanic Intern

Noordboland Meganiese Dienste, Worcester | January 2022 - December 2024

- Assisted senior mechanics in the maintenance and repair of various vehicle models
- Diagnosed mechanical issues and performed routine services including oil changes, brake repairs, and suspension work
- Hands-on experience in rebuilding of engines, disassembly, inspection and reassembly
- Gained practical experience in vehicle diagnostics and customer interaction
- Ensured a high level of cleanliness and organization in the workshop, adhering to safety standards

Harvest Intern

De Wet Wine Cellar, Worcester | February 2021 - May 2021

- Contributed to the vineyard harvest process and learned about the wine production cycle
- Gained strong attention to detail and teamwork skills
- Assisted with equipment maintenance, ensuring machinery was operational and ready for use throughout the harvest
- Conducted detailed laboratory research in a cellar environment, utilizing advanced equipment to analyze samples, maintain precise records, and ensure optimal conditions for experimental accuracy and safety.

Harvest Intern

Brandvlei Cellar, Worcester | February 2020 - June 2020

- Contributed to the vineyard harvest process and learned about the wine production cycle
- Gained strong attention to detail and teamwork skills
- Assisted with equipment maintenance, ensuring machinery was operational and ready for use throughout the harvest
- Conducted detailed laboratory research in a cellar environment, utilizing advanced equipment to analyze samples, maintain precise records, and ensure optimal conditions for experimental accuracy and safety.

Waiter and Bartender

Spicy Apples Catering Services, Worcester | Part time from 2018

Developed strong communication and customer service skills

CORE SKILLS

- Motor Mechanics: Engine diagnostics, maintenance, repair, and servicing
- Problem-Solving: Strong troubleshooting abilities for mechanical issues
- **Customer Service:** Skilled in interacting with customers, understanding their needs, and providing solutions
- Teamwork: Collaborative approach in both technical and customer-facing roles
- Time Management: Efficient in handling multiple tasks and working to deadlines

ADDITIONAL SKILLS

• **Computer Skills:** Proficient in Microsoft Office, Excel, basic knowledge of automotive diagnostic software

• Languages: Afrikaans and English

• Driving License: Code A and Code B

WORK REFERENCES

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