

# English's wine list

## Autumn 2017

So Autumn is here and so is another small wine list revision – mostly vintages. Alas with the value of Sterling continuing to be “challenging” there have been a few price increases but not too many with most of our suppliers being sensible. Following our major wine list revamp last year there are not so many changes but we are always on the lookout for new and interesting wines and we are sure to add a few as the months roll on.

Laurent-Perrier has released their first “new” wine since the early 1980’s! La Cuvée replaces their Brut NV and is not merely a rebranding as the amount of Chardonnay has increased and it spends an extra year on the lees as well as other changes. La Cuvée has now replaced the Brut NV as our house Champagne.

Speaking of sparkling wine, making a welcome return by the glass and offering great value for money is Sensus Laxas – the unusual but very tasty sparkling Albariño brought over from Galicia in Spain by our good friend Xaime Quiroga. Other newcomers include Mas des Dames Blanc from Lauguedoc-Roussillon, France and something a bit special from the Jura – Philippe Bonard’s Chardonnay Gaudrettes. On the red side there are some “Second” wines from well-known Bordeaux Châteaux and a beautiful Barolo and a Barbera from the respected Cascina Dardi.

We hope you enjoy your visit to English’s and of course the wines – SLJ October 2017

## Contents:

Bin ends	Page 2
Wine by the glass & carafe	Page 3
Champagne & Sparkling Wines	
Laurent-Perrier & other Grande Marques	Page 4
Independent Champagne Houses	Page 5
Sparkling wine	Page 6 & 7
White wine	
France	Page 7 - 10
England	Page 10
Italy	Page 10 - 11
Spain	Page 11
Portugal, Hungary, Austria & Germany	Page 12
Australia, New Zealand, Argentina and Brazil	Page 13
Chile & USA	Page 14
South Africa	Page 15
Rosé wine	
France, Italy, Portugal & USA	Page 15 & 16
Red wine	
France	Page 16 - 18
Italy, Portugal, Germany & USA	Page 19
Chile & Argentina	Page 19 - 20
Dessert wine	
France, Portugal, USA & New Zealand	Page 20 & 21

## Bin ends

### White Wine

#### France

Chablis Premier Cru Fourchaume 2015, Jean Defaix	Bottle (75 cl):	£50.00
Sancerre Clos Paradis 2015, Domaine Foussier	Bottle (75 cl):	£45.00

#### USA

“Moobuzz” Chardonnay 2014, Monterey, California	Bottle (75 cl):	£45.00
---	-----------------	--------

### Red wine

#### Italy

Fiore Rosso 2013 Villa Merighi IGT Rosso Del Veneto	Bottle (75 cl):	£33.75
---	-----------------	--------

#### Argentina

Temporada Malbec Reserve	Bottle (75 cl):	£36.00
--------------------------	-----------------	--------

### Dessert wines

#### France

Chateau de Juge 2010, Cadillac, Bordeaux	Half bottle (37.5 cl):	£23.00
Castelnau de Suduiraut 2008, Sauternes, Bordeaux	Half bottle (37.5 cl):	£36.00

#### Italy

Baccodoro Passito NV, Fondo Antico, Trapani, Sicily	Half bottle (37.5 cl):	£36.00
Nivole Moscato d`Asti 2013, Michel Chiarlo, Piemonte	Half bottle (37.5 cl):	£17.00

## Wine by the glass and carafe

### Sparkling wine and Champagne

Laurent-Perrier Brut NV (12.0% abv)	Glass (12.5 cl):	£11.95
	Bottle (75 cl):	£49.50
Sensum Laxas Espumoso de Albariño NV, (Sparkling Albariño)	Glass (12.5cl):	£8.95
	Bottle (75 cl):	£37.95
Belstar Cuvée Rosé NV, Bisol, Veneto, Italy (11.0% abv)	Glass (12.5 cl):	£8.25
	Bottle (75 cl):	£33.65

### White wine

Patterson Private Reserve Chardonnay 2016, South Australia (Our House White Wine)	Glass (17.5cl):	£5.95
	Carafe (50cl):	£14.95
	Bottle (75cl):	£19.95
Leira Seca 2016, Fernando da Rosa, Vinho Verde Vinho Regional Minho, Minho, Portugal	Glass (17.5 cl):	£6.95
	Carafe (50 cl):	£17.85
	Bottle (75 cl):	£23.75
Picpoul de Pinet 2016, Terre de 13 Vents 2015, Domaine des Lauriers, Languedoc, France (13.0% abv)	Glass (17.5 cl):	£7.50
	Carafe (50 cl):	£19.95
	Bottle (75 cl):	£26.65
Sauvignon Blanc 2016, Spy Valley, Marlborough, New Zealand (13.0% abv)	Glass (17.5 cl):	£8.45
	Carafe (50 cl):	£22.50
	Bottle (75 cl):	£29.95
Grüner Veltliner Kremstal "Weitgasse" 2016, Mantlerhof, Krems Land, Austria (12.0% abv) Organic	Glass (17.5 cl):	£10.95
	Carafe (50 cl):	£29.25
	Bottle (75 cl):	£38.95
Pouilly Fumé 2015, Domaine de Bouchot, Loire Valley, (13.0% abv) Organic	Glass (17.5 cl):	£12.35
	Carafe (50 cl):	£32.95
	Bottle (75 cl):	£43.95
Viré-Clessé le Mont Chatelaine 2015, Jean Rijckaert, Burgundy, France (13.0% abv)	Glass (17.5 cl):	£11.25
	Carafe (50 cl):	£29.95
	Bottle (75 cl):	£39.95
Lyme Bay Bacchus Block 2015, Devon, England (11.0% abv)	Glass (17.5 cl):	£11.75
	Carafe (50 cl):	£31.50
	Bottle (75 cl):	£41.95

### Rose wine

"M" de Minuty Rosé 2016, AC Côtes de Provence, Provence, (12.5% abv)	Glass (17.5 cl):	£9.00
	Carafe (50 cl):	£23.75
	Bottle (75 cl):	£31.50

### Red wine

La Troubadour Rouge 2016, Carignan Grenache, Languedoc, France (Our House red Wine)	Glass (17.5cl):	£5.95
	Carafe (50 cl):	£14.95
	Bottle (75 cl):	£19.95
Temporada Malbec 2016, Domaine Vistalba, Mendoza, Argentina	Glass (17.5cl):	£7.45
	Carafe (50cl):	£19.45
	Bottle (75 cl):	£25.95
Bourgogne Rouge La Taupe 2015, Domaine Chavy-Chouet, Burgundy, France	Glass (17.5 cl):	£12.35
	Carafe (50 cl):	£32.85
	Bottle (75 cl):	£43.75

## Champagne

### Laurent-Perrier

Founded in 1812 Laurent-Perrier is still family owned and produces a comparative small amount of Champagne compared to some of the other Grande Marques. As recently as the late 1940's they produced as few as 80,000 bottles a year but nowadays annual production is nearer 100 times that figure - but that's still a fraction of the likes of Moët who make around 30 million bottles per year! Laurent-Perrier are based in Tours-sur-Marne, ideally situated at the crossroads of the three main wine growing areas of the Marne département: the Montagne de Reims, the Vallée de la Marne and the Côte des Blancs. It is also one of the 17 Champagne villages ranked in the prestigious Grand Cru area.

#### Laurent-Perrier La Cuvée Brut NV (12.0% abv)

Brand new this year La Cuvée replaces Laurent-Perrier NV Brut as our house Champagne. More than just a rebranding, L-P have sort to increase the quality. There is a higher proportion of Chardonnay and less dosage than before, creating a wine of freshness, lightness and elegance.

Glass (12.5 cl):	£11.95
Bottle (75cl):	£49.50

#### Laurent Perrier Ultra Brut NV (12.0% abv)

The perfect accompaniment to oysters, almost Chablis like in its minerality, yet balanced with soft, white stone fruit flavours, this possesses an elegance that is Laurent-Perrier's trademark".

Bottle (75cl):	£85.00
----------------	--------

#### Laurent Perrier Cuvée Rosé NV (12.0% abv)

Unusual, for Rose Champagnes, in being made by maceration (saignée), which gives it its fabulous flavour, Cuvée Rosé combines real structure with freshness and a soft, vinous character.

Bottle (75cl):	£96.00
----------------	--------

#### Grande Siècle (12.0% abv)

Launched in 1959, Grand Siècle is Laurent-Perrier's Prestige Cuvée, the prime example of the House's exacting standards and know-how. Its unique style combining finesse, power and balance is the outcome of blending the very best grapes from the most prestigious crus in wines from the best Laurent-Perrier vintage years.

Bottle (75cl):	£150.00
----------------	---------

## Grande Marques Champagne

Veuve Clicquot Yellow Label NV (12% abv)	Bottle (75cl):	£83.50
Louis Roederer Brut Premier NV (12% abv)	Bottle (75 cl):	£70.00
Bollinger Special Cuvée Brut NV (12% abv)	Bottle (75cl):	£81.50
R de Ruinart Brut NV (12% abv)	Bottle (75 cl):	£81.00
Taittinger Brut Reserve NV (12% abv)	Bottle (75 cl):	£80.00
Billecart-Salmon Brut Rosé NV (12.5% abv)	Bottle (75 cl):	£89.00
Dom Pérignon Vintage 2006 (12.5% abv)	Bottle (75 cl):	£175.00
Krug Grande Cuvée NV (12% abv)	Bottle (75 cl):	£170.00

## Independent Champagne Houses

### Joseph Perrier Champagne

Founded in 1825, Joseph Perrier are still family owned (fifth generation). Based in Chalons-en-Champagne, they have Roman cellars over two miles long. There are 21 hectares of vineyards in the villages of Cumières, Damery, Hautvillers and Verneuil, and these are planted with the three traditional grape varieties: Pinot Noir, Pinot Meunier and Chardonnay. The grapes are harvested by hand and Joseph Perrier ages its wines for around 3 years to ensure the round, enjoyable house style. Joseph Perrier also buys in grapes from a further 20 vineyards based nearby to their own.

#### Joseph Perrier Cuvée Royale Brut, NV (12.0% abv)

Elegant, fresh, light, well-balanced with good length, this is the perfect celebration champagne. The blend is 35% Chardonnay, 35% Pinot Noir and 30% Pinot Meunier.

Bottle (75 cl): £50.75

#### Joseph Perrier Cuvée Royale Brut Rosé, NV (12.0% abv)

With both red and black fruits and notes of wild violet on the nose. "There is ripeness and breeding on the palate, with hints of sweet red fruits. There is energy and elegance together here with a long finish with just a touch of menthol". Blended from 25% Chardonnay and 75% Pinot Noir and Pinot Meunier, of which around 12% is AOC Cumières Rouge.

Bottle (75 cl): £70.00

### Champagne Dosnon

A very young Champagne House having only released its first wine made from their 2007 vintage, Dosnon immediately getting the attention of savvy wine buyers. Five hectares of vines are farmed organically and production is a mere 50,000 bottles a year. Davy Dosnon, trained in Burgundy before returning to Champagne and working with Moutard and Serge Mathieu.

#### Dosnon Recolte Brut, NV (12.0% abv) Organic

Balanced, precise and delicate, this gorgeously fruity Champagne will have you refilling your glass more than once. A light golden yellow colour with a delicate bead of bubbles. This Champagne has a mature, floral nose of hawthorn fruit and notes of cherry plums. It is straightforward and fresh in the mouth and really silky smooth. The full richness of the Pinot Noir shows through beautifully. Full and well balanced with a good length. Ideal as an aperitif.

Bottle (75 cl): £51.00

### Champagne Piollot Pere & Fils

Roland Piollot is the fifth generation to farm his domain. Together with his wife, Dominique Moreau they practice biodynamics techniques, although the Cuvée de Réserve Brut we are offering was produced prior to certification. The vineyards are planted with 62% Pinot Noir, 20% Chardonnay, 11% Pinot Blanc, 6% Pinot Meunier and 1% Arbane and more than half the vines are over 40 years old. Roland and Dominique try to preserve the older local vines whilst most of Champagne have replanted with modern clones.

#### Piollot Cuvée de Réserve Brut, NV (12.0% abv) Organic

Balanced, precise and delicate, this gorgeously fruity Champagne will have you refilling your glass more than once. A light golden yellow colour with a delicate bead of bubbles. This Champagne has a mature, floral nose of hawthorn fruit and notes of cherry plums. It is straightforward and fresh in the mouth and really silky smooth. The full richness of the Pinot Noir shows through beautifully. Full and well balanced with a good length. Ideal as an aperitif.

Bottle (75 cl): £47.25

## Sparkling wine

### English Sparkling Wine

#### Nyetimber Classic Cuvée, West Chiltington, West Sussex

Nyetimber were the pioneers of English sparkling wine and Classic Cuvée is a blend of Chardonnay, Pinot Noir and Pinot Meunier grapes picked from their own South facing vineyards in West Sussex and Hampshire. Aged at least 3 years on its lees, the wine has tiny bubbles, vanilla and bread aromas alongside its vibrant fresh fruit character. Melon, citrus and hints of stoned fruit all spring to mind!

Nyetimber Classic Cuvée, Multi Vintage, (12.0% abv)      Bottle (75 cl):      £48.95

### Spanish Sparkling Wine

#### Bodegas As Laxas, Arbo, Pontevedra, Galicia, Spain

A new find by our good friend Xaime Quiroga, a beautiful fresh sparkling wine from Galicia. Made in the traditional way it is elegant and biscuity with small fine bubbles. Great value and well worth a glass or two!

Sensum Laxas Espumoso de Albariño NV,      Glass (12.5 cl):      £7.95  
(Sparkling Albariño) (12.5% abv)      Bottle (75 cl):      £37.95

### Italian Sparkling Wine

#### La Montina Franciacorta

La Montina was founded as recently as 1987 by the three brothers of the Bozza family. Franciacorta, is the Italian equivalent of Champagne, made using a similar method known as “Metodo Classico” in Italian. Franciacorta wines are made under some of the strictest rules in the world to guarantee the quality of the wine.

#### Franciacorta, la Montina Brut NV (12.0 % abv)

Made from 95% Chardonnay and 5% Pinot Noir, the wine is left on its lees for a minimum of 2 years. The generous mousse, the acidity, the lovely aromas of fresh fruit and floral notes makes this wine a superb aperitif and an excellent accompaniment to the first course and fish dishes. La Montina describe it as “a wine for all occasions” - we agree—good stuff and great value.

Bottle (75 cl):      £43.95

#### Azienda Agricola Malibrán

Situated at the foot of the Alps in the province of Treviso, the Favrel family have produced first class wines here for three generations. The vineyards are mainly worked by hand but the wine is produced in a brand new winery. The “Sottoriva” Prosecco, sur lie, NV is extraordinary. Unlike other most other proseccos it is fermented in the bottle not under pressure in large tanks. This produces a light, fresh and dry (zero sugar) wine, which is naturally cloudy. Great with richer dishes like the Scallops St Jacques.

Prosecco Sottoriva Valdobbiadene IGT NV (11% abv) (Cloudy & Dry!)      Bottle (75 cl):      £36.25

#### Nani Rizzi

Nani Rizzi, is a family-run Azienda Agricola in Valdobbiadene and has been cultivating and producing high quality Prosecco since 1887. The wine is produced from 85% Glera, 10% Bianchetta and 5% Perera grapes grown in the hills of Guia (Valdobbiadene) and they are harvested strictly by hand, winemaking is carried out observing traditional techniques while making use of modern technology. Denis Spagnol now runs the family firm started by his Grandfather Giovanni, who was known as “Nani Rizzi”.

Nani Rizzi Prosecco Superiore Millesimato Dry 2014, Veneto (11.5% abv)      Bottle (75 cl):      £35.50

## Italian Sparkling Wine - continued

### Bisol

With a history stretching back to 1542, Bisol know a thing or two about Prosecco. The company is currently run by Antonio Bisol and the family owns 177 hectares of vineyards spread out over 35 plots –some are less than a hectare in size. The Cuvée Rosé harks back to the good old days of 'Bel Star' a term meaning "a good place to stay in the local dialect", typical of the 1950's.

#### Belstar Cuvée Rosé NV, Veneto (11.0% abv)

Made from Merlot, Pinot Nero and Sauvignon this is great value pink fizz, delicious fruity and not too sweet. The perfect accompaniment for a summer lunch on the terrace.

Glass (12.5 cl)	£8.25
Bottle (75 cl):	£33.65

## White wines

### France

#### Sauvignon Blanc 2016, Vin de Pays d'Oc, Domaine Bergon, Southern France (xx.x% abv)

Domaine Bergon dates back as far as 400AD. This independent, 1200 acre property is based in the coastal village of Vias, Southern France. Flowers and ripe white fruits on the nose. Refreshing, well rounded in the mouth. Flavours of green apple and citrus fruits. Dry with a long finish.

Bottle (75 cl):	£22.95
-----------------	--------

#### "Les Granges" 2015/16, Domaine De Belle Mare, Mèze, Languedoc-Roussillon (xx.x% abv)

Domaine de Belle Mare is situated on the edge of the Bassin de Thau, a stunning, tranquil saltwater lake where much of France's shellfish is produced. Environmentally very delicate, the estate is run on sympathetic and sustainable grounds, using many organic techniques to bolster the health of the vines. Les Granges is an interesting blend of Piquepoul, Sauvignon Blanc and Vermentino. Pale yellow and green hues, a fresh nose of white flowers and fruits with fresh peaches, melons and tropical fruit on the palate. Freshness, texture and delicious persistency of flavour. By the way neither the vintage nor the grape varieties are shown on the label!

Bottle (75 cl):	£22.95
-----------------	--------

#### Muscadet 2016, Coteaux de la Loire AC sur lie, Jacques Guindon, Loire (12.0% abv)

Pierre Guindon is the wine maker for this crisp, dry Muscadet with refreshing lemon & mineral flavours. Jacques Guindon has 32 hectares of Melon de Bourgogne vines on the northern bank of the Loire. An excellent Muscadet, an ideal accompaniment for our shellfish.

Bottle (75 cl):	£26.50
-----------------	--------

#### Picpoul de Pinet, Terre de 13 Vents 2016, Domaine des Lauriers, Languedoc (13.0% abv)

A very quality conscious producer who practises 'lutte raisonnee' in the vineyard to produce a wine which beautifully crisp and steely acidity. A grape variety growing in popularity it is ideal to accompany oysters or shell fish of any sort.

Glass (17.5 cl):	£7.50
Carafe (50 cl):	£19.95
Bottle (75 cl):	£26.65

#### Viré-Clessé le Mont Chatelaine 2015, Jean Rijckaert, Burgundy (13.0% abv)

Having only been created as an appellation in 1999 the villages of Vire & Clessé previously sold their wines as Macon-Viré & Macon-Clessé. Jean Rijckaert has quite a reputation in Jura as well as Macon. This wine is fresh and dry and a fabulous example of this smaller appellation. It's one of our favourites.

Glass (17.5 cl):	£11.25
Carafe (50 cl):	£29.95
Bottle (75 cl):	£39.95

## White wines

### France

#### Mas des Dames Blanc 2015, Languedoc-Roussillon, France

This beautiful Domaine, located to the North of Béziers is at the forefront of the surge in quality from this region of France. Madame Lidewij van Wilgen, from Holland, owns Mas des Dames and is also the winemaker. Made organically with exceptional attention to detail during every step of the process, this beautiful white is a real labour of love! In 2009 Mas des Dames was named as the 'Number 1 New and Upcoming Domaine' in Tom Stevenson's Wine Report.

Bottle (75 cl): £41.85

#### Sancerre Blanc Le Manoir 2016, Andre Neveu, Loire Valley (12.5% abv)

Andre Neveu has been crafting fine Sancerre for over fifty years blending traditional methods with the best modern equipment. Wine maker Thomas Dezat has created a rich elegant Sancerre, with an almost tropical fruit flavour combined with a zingy minerality and freshness.

Bottle (75 cl): £42.95

#### Pouilly Fumé 2016, Domaine Claude Michot, Loire Valley (12.5% abv)

A small grower with a real passion for his terroir, Claude Michot produces a wine that is very typical of St Andelain - a hamlet made famous by the late, great Didier Dagueneau - in that it has a flinty, almost 'capgun' smoke scented nose and racy acidity. Claude is a pretty busy man though as he does it all on his own - this allows him to be completely uncompromising in his pursuit of excellence and consistency.

Bottle (75 cl): £42.95

#### London Cru Chardonnay 2014, Grapes: Roussillon France, Produced in Earls Court London!

London Cru is central London's first winery. Winemaker Gavin manages all aspects from winery design, grape sourcing and overseeing the harvests through to processing, fermenting, ageing and bottling. The winery is run using methods proven by some of the world's best winemakers. London Cru's philosophy is simple: "we use the best grapes we can find from across Europe to craft wines with a minimum of intervention that will provide maximum enjoyment." The 2014 Chardonnay is made from grapes grown at Château de Corneilla, who's Muscat de Rivesaltes is in our dessert wine section. "Toast, citrus & stone fruit on the nose, good texture with a complex finish and fresh acidity" There you go!

Bottle (75 cl): £42.95

#### Pouilly Fumé 2015, Domaine de Bouchot, Loire Valley, (13.0% abv) Organic

This is a beautiful example of this classic genre. It has all the racy crisp freshness and fruitiness of a 100% Sauvignon. It does have a little weight that makes it different from its neighbour Sancerre. There are tastes and aromas of gooseberry and guavas. A very easy to drink wine that has minimal sulphites meaning its light on you too.

Glass (17.5 cl): £12.35

Carafe (50 cl): £32.95

Bottle (75 cl): £43.95

#### Domaine Mittnacht Riesling 2016, Riquewihr, Alsace, (12.5% abv) Biodynamic

The delightful Domaine Mittnacht is organically run by Christophe and his cousin Marc, whom grow fruit from great vineyards between Hunawehr and Ribeauvillé. This wine actually goes one further than organic, being biodynamic in the methods of its production. Dry, fresh and racy sum it up with plenty of fruit on the palate too.

Bottle (75 cl): £43.95

#### Chablis 2015, Domaine Jean Defaix, Burgundy (12.5% abv)

A delicious, clean, pure Chablis with bright steely acidity and impeccable balance. Jean Defaix is the fourth generation of his family running the Domaine and has built an enviable reputation for top quality Chablis. The estate is now run by his son-in-law Daniel Dampet.

Bottle (75 cl): £45.95



## White wines

### France

#### Chardonnay Gaudrettes 2015, Philippe Bonard. Cotes du Jura

Jura is the smallest but maybe the most fashionable, wine region in France – located between Burgundy and Switzerland. Interestingly only about 5% of the wines from Jura are exported! Philippe Bonard farms around six hectares of vines around the village of Pupillin and has become one of the region's most exciting producers. "This fresh tasting yet complex Chardonnay is simply superb".

Bottle (75 cl): £49.95

#### Rully Clos des Mollepierres 2013, Domaine Saint-Abel, Burgundy (13% abv)

Perhaps not so well known as its neighbours in Burgundy this wine has finesse and boasts a floral nose and deliciously ripe fruit flavours. Aged in oak for six-seven months, wine maker Matthieu Roux combines age-old traditions with today's most advanced techniques. Rully is located in the Côte Chalonnaise, about 10 km South of Chassagne-Montrachet - Great value!

Bottle (75 cl): £50.00

#### Pouilly-Fuissé 2014, Les Crays, Domaine Nadine & Maurice Guerrin, Burgundy (xx.x% abv)

Nestled high in the Vergisson hills, Maurice created the domaine in 1984 and today it stands at 35 parcels spread across 14 ha in Macon-Vergisson, St-Veran and Pouilly-Fuissé. In the vineyard, they follow the practice of lutte raisonnée and the approach to vinification is largely traditional. Aged in barrels for 12 months (15% new oak) this is nice and rich with passion fruit flavours and beautiful mineral expression on the palate.

Bottle (75 cl): £52.75

#### Chablis Premiere Cru, Les Butteaux 2014/15, Edouard & Elani Vocoret, Burgundy (xx.x% abv)

The Vocoret family have been a famous producer of perfectly serviceable Chablis for generations, however the difference with this generation is solely focused on small production, quality and terroir. Their 5ha of vines have been reclaimed from the family estate, but they are not interested in taking on much more – the idea is to put their heart, soul and energy into mastering what they have. Grapefruit, lemons, apple fruit, spicy notes, a rich and fresh finish.

Bottle (75 cl): £66.00

#### Chassagne Montrachet 1er Cru "Macherelles" 2014, Burgundy, Thomas Morey

The Morey family have lived in the commune of Chassagne-Montrachet since 1643. Thomas worked for his Grandfather Albert and then his father Bernard before he and his brother Vincent split their share of the estate, leaving Thomas with nine hectares of vines, mostly in Chassagne. Thomas' wines are characterised by precision and genuine terroir definition, whilst retaining the weight and presence typical of the appellation. Les Macherelles is a large premier Cru vineyard just north of the village and makes a wine with greater acidity than some Chassagne-Montrachet.

Bottle (75 cl): £70.00

#### Meursault 2013, Henri Boillot, Burgundy (xx.x% abv)

Henri Boillot is undoubtedly one of the most highly respected names in modern Burgundian winemaking. He has combined the difficulty of maintaining and improving the reputation of a family domaine that has been present in the Côte de Beaune since 1855, with a business head required to consistently turn out wines considered to be among Burgundy's very best. Henri is an absolute perfectionist who will stop at nothing to produce wines that combine hedonism with elegance. The fruit passes the sorting table twice on arrival at the winery to ensure only the best bunches make it through before they are crushed at low pressure to avoid the extraction of any bitter tannins.

Bottle (75 cl): £70.00

## White wines

### France

#### Puligny Montrachet "Les Noyers-Bret" 2014, Domaine Jean-Marc Pillot, Burgundy (x.xx% abv)

Justifiably considered amongst the foremost growers in the village of Chassagne-Montrachet, Jean-Marc Pillot has been in charge of this fourth generation family domaine since the early 90s, taking over from his father Jean. Most famous for his white wines, but also producing a number of reds, Jean-Marc seems able in his winemaking to combine typical Chassagne richness and power with delicate, silky structure and fine, nervy acidity. Truly great expressions of Burgundy.

Bottle (75 cl): £80.00

#### Meursault "Navaux" 2015, Domaine Chavy-Chouet, Burgundy - Half Bottle (13.0% abv)

A great Meursault from this respected Burgundy producer, full rich and fresh - half bottle only!

Half Bottle (37.5 cl): £45.00

#### Puligny Montrachet 1er Cru, Les Enseignerres, 2015, Domaine Chavy-Chouet, Burgundy - Half-Bottle (xx.x% abv)

Fabulous Puligny in a half bottle!

Half Bottle (37.5 cl): £42.00

### England (still)

#### Lyme Bay Bacchus Block 2015, Devon, (11.45% abv)

Better known for its country and fruit wines Lyme Bay is a relative newcomer in the English's wine stakes. 26,000 vines were planted in 2010 and 2014 was the first vintage. Located in East Devon, the grapes are handpicked and particular care is taken during the production process. Clean, intense and powerful grapefruit freshness, broad tropical-fruit notes and herbal undertones. Aromatic dry white in style, A long, citrus-dominated finish with a good mouth and great length. Just 2,784 bottles of the 2015 vintage were produced.

Glass (17.5 cl): £11.75

Carafe (50 cl): £31.50

Bottle (75 cl): £41.95

### Italy

#### Legato Grillo 2015, Sicily (13.0% abv)

Grillo is an indigenous grape variety of Sicily, it thrives in the hot, dry climate of the island. Abundantly aromatic with lush notes of apricot, lemons and herbs. This Legato is the result of a partnership between a family of winemakers from Lombardia and another family of vineyard owners from Marsala in Sicily.

Bottle (75 cl): £22.50

#### "Bianca" Barbera Op Pavese IGT Castello di Cigognola, Pavese, 2014, Lombardia

The Castello di Cigognola stands among the hills of the Oltrepò Pavese, in the area once known as "Old Piedmont". Owners Gian Marco and Letizia Moratti, together with oenologist Riccardo Cotarella produce wonderful balanced wines. Bianca is soft pale yellow, very delicate but intense with a floral hint. Beautifully balanced with a spicy hint. Great stuff!

Bottle (75 cl): £33.95

#### Verdicchio dei Castelli di Jesi 2014/15 Classico Superiore "Conscio",

Castellaro de San Quirico, Marche (13.0% abv)

Founded in 1983 by Angelo Accadia, this winery makes only Verdicchio and has a yield much lower than is normal in the area. Grapes are harvested by hand, followed by a soft pressing. The tasting notes: "Seductive notes of lychee, honey-suckle, peach, almonds and spearmint fill the nose. Medium bodied, the wine has fresh acidity, with a pleasing, caressing mouth feel" - wow! Apart from all that it tastes great, it's fresh not too dry and scored highly when we first tasted it.

Bottle (75 cl): £33.95

## White wines

### Italy

#### Falaghina “Caulino” 2014, Campania IGT, Fattoria Alois, Campania (13.0% abv)

The Alois family is probably better known for their fabrics which hang in the Louvre and the White House but Michele Alois makes superb wines on the slopes of the Caiatini Hills on the outskirts of Caserta, just North of Napoli. The vineyards are planted in volcanic soil and have their own micro climate being fairly close to the sea and the river Vulturno. The wine is yellow straw in colour, has a delicate nose and is dry fresh and smooth. It scored a 9/10 in our tasting!

Bottle (75 cl): £37.95

#### “Tropie” Vernaccia di San Gimignano DOCG Il Lebbio, San Gimignano, 2015, Toscana,

Vernaccia di San Gimignano is a DOCG centered around the medieval hilltop town of San Gimignano, South of Florence. Vernaccia di San Gimignano was the first DOC in Italy, having received that status in 1966, being elevated to a DOCG in 1996. Up to 10% of Chardonnay may be added to the Vernaccia and “Tropie” is dry, golden, medium bodied and aromatic.

Bottle (75 cl): £40.00

### Spain

#### Bioca Godello 2016, Bodegas Maria Teresa Nuñez Vega, Valdeorras, Galicia (13.5% abv)

Another one of Xamie Quiroga’s finds from Galicia and it won a silver medal at the 2014 Sommelier Awards back in May 2014—good stuff—we all really enjoyed this one when we tasted recently. Fragrant and minerally, this has a fresh, vibrant and youthful approach, with stone fruits, green apples, citrus zest and some almond notes on the nose. Well balanced and good value, with a fruity, refreshing finish.

Bottle (75 cl): £26.95

#### Albariño 2015, Quinta de la Erre, O Rosal, Rias Baixas, Galicia, (12.5% abv)

Yet another one of Xaime’s. This single vineyard albariño is made by Jose Santiago from handpicked grapes grown in 50 separate plots, the first of which were planted over 40 years ago. Jose uses a blend of modern and traditional practices and is an advocate of minimum intervention - i.e. chemicals are used sparingly if at all. The wine has notes of citrus, lime, lemon, herbs and aromatic white flowers. It is well balanced with fine acidity.

Bottle (75 cl): £30.95

#### Navaherreros 2015 Blanco de Bernabeleva, Bodegas Bernabeleva, Castilla y Leon, (14.0% abv) uncertified Organic

Made from 60% Albillo and 40% Macabeo grapes, by wine maker Marc Isart this wine is a rich golden yellow colour, with a ripe stone fruit bouquet. It is powerful and very complex on the palate with peachy fruit, superb minerality and great balance. The wine is aged sur lie in French oak barrels and is neither stabilized nor filtered. Although not certified officially Bodegas Bernabeleva follow organic production practices. It’s gorgeous, something really special - just try it - fab!

Bottle (75 cl): £39.95

#### Issué “2014” Ribeiro, Galicia, Organic

Issue comes from 3 vineyard plots in Remoíño, Arnoia, Ourense which total just over 2 hectares of clay, sand and granite soils. Issue is made from three almost forgotten grape varieties: Lado, Silveriña and Verdello. The plots go beyond normal organics and in addition to no chemical use at all, Bernardo Estévez follows the natural agricultural principles founded by Masanobu Fukuoka in Japan – completely natural, ‘hands off’ farming in order to impart the most natural re-creation of the soils in to his wines. The wine remains in oak for 10 months before being transferred to bottle for a minimum of 12 months. “Green notes such as fennel, juniper and tips of ripe white fruit on the nose. The palate is a cluster of sensations that are distributed in a balanced way across the palate, where especially the creaminess, flavour and acidity are the protagonists”.

Bottle (75 cl): £42.50

## White wines

### Portugal

#### Leira Seca 2016, Fernando da Rosa, Vinho Regional Minho Vinho Verde, Minho

Made from Alvarinho and Trajadura grapes, Fernando da Rosa farms on a low input, environmentally friendly basis. Together with winemaker Fernando Moura, Fernando follows a classical white wine vilification with little intervention. The result is a Vinho Verde with a fruity character, robust but elegant and a crisp freshness that prolongs its aftertaste. Great fresh vinho!

Glass (17.5 cl):	£6.95
Carafe (50 cl):	£17.95
Bottle (75 cl):	£23.95

### Hungary

#### The Oddity Dry Furmint 2014, Royal Tokaji Company, (14.0% abv)

From the Royal Tokaji Company, founded in 1990 by Hugh Johnson - a great example of the Furmint grape. Pale green in colour, very fresh and clean, showing hints of fennel and mineral characters with a long flowery finish. Two things, 1- you probably haven't tried a Dry Furmint before and 2 - you will not be disappointed. This is well worth a try, excellent with any of our fish dishes.

Bottle (75 cl):	£32.95
-----------------	--------

### Austria

#### Grüner Veltliner Kremstal "Weitgasse" 2016, Mantlerhof, Krems Land (12.0% abv) Organic

Josep "Seppy" Mantler and his wife Margite, own this winery in Geldersdorf with parcels of vines scattered over the terraces perched over the Danube. Weitgasse is a joy to drink; fresh, floral and very engaging with wonderful life-giving acidity. Despite negligible sulphites it keeps for long time, both in the bottle but also once opened.

Glass (17.5 cl)	£10.95
Carafe (50 cl):	£29.25
Bottle (75 cl):	£38.95

### Germany

#### Wehlener Klosterberg Kabinett Riesling 2012, Markus Molitor, Mosel, Germany (11.5% abv) Organic

Markus Molitor took over his father's winery at the age of 20(!) in 1984 and since then he has grown it from 4 to 40 hectares. Despite being one of the largest family owned vineyards in the region all the wines are organic – and many vines are over a hundred years old! Aromas of grapefruit, green apple, star fruit and white peach. On the palate smooth acidity, notes of flint stone, juiciness, stimulating but light. Mineral finish.

Bottle (75 cl):	£44.00
-----------------	--------

### Australia

#### Patterson Private Reserve Chardonnay 2016, South Australia (Our House White Wine)

Something a bit different for our new house wine – it's not French! 'Renowned Aussie wine experts help source the fruit in this - partly from premium Coonawarra vineyards - and it's produced in a fresh and aromatic style with a small amount of well-balanced oak influence. Natural fruit notes typical of Chardonnay come through resulting in a clean and crisp wine with amazing fruit and acidity'. It's bottled in the UK, just like many Australian wines these days but it won over six other wines in our taste off – really rather good!

Glass (17.5 cl):	£5.95
Carafe (50 cl):	£14.95
Bottle (75 cl):	£19.95

## White wines

### Australia

#### Crooked Mick Viognier 2016, Spee'wah Estate, Murray River, (13.5% abv) - Gold medal Sommelier Awards 2013

Among Australia's oldest Viognier vineyards in the Murray Darling wine growing region. Fresh peachy varietal characteristics, taut fruit on the palate with sweet, ripe lychee flavours and a citrus twist on the finish. Crooked Mick is one of one of Australia's most popular mythical heroes, apparently! Wine maker Elizabeth Richardson has a trophy cabinet stuffed full of medals from her stint at Capel Vale in WA. A really good, tasty and fresh viognier.

Bottle (75 cl): £25.25

#### Chardonnay 2015, Battle of Bosworth, McLaren Vale (13.0% abv)

One of the most exciting producers in McLaren Vale, Joch Bosworth makes single vineyard, organically grown wines from the family vineyards. Expressive and delicious with citrus and tree-fruit flavours. Impressive fruit and well-integrated oak. A great alternative to a French Burgundy without being overly oaky.

Bottle (75 cl): £39.50

### New Zealand

#### Sauvignon Blanc 2016, Spy Valley, Marlborough (13.0% abv)

This winery was established in 1993 by Bryan and Jan Johnson and takes its name from the nearby satellite communications monitoring station! Spy valley has an ultra-modern winery situated right in the middle of the vineyards. Amongst the other varieties grown there are 57 acres of Sauvignon Blanc. Classic Marlborough aromas of grapefruit, elderflower and a fusion of tropical fruits. Crisp and fine with a silken mouth-feel and pure fruit flavours that persist through to a dry finish. Great value as well.

Glass (12.5 cl): £8.45

Carafe (50 cl): £22.50

Bottle (75 cl): £29.95

#### Huia Gewurztraminer 2015, Marlborough (14.0% abv) Organic

Grown on the clay soils of Winsome vineyard, Gewurztraminer vines are prolific growers through the season and managing the leaf growth can be a challenge. The vines are kept as small as possible with the inter-row close planting, leaf plucking and some bunch thinning. After Harvest, the settled juice is naturally fermented in tank or oak vat, through to a dry, aromatic wine. Rose petal, lychee and Turkish delight aromas abound. The luscious, ripe tropical fruit fills the palate through to a spicy, persistent, dry finish.

Bottle (75 cl): £39.95

### Argentina

#### Zohar Torrontes 2014, Susana Balbo, Salta

Susana Balbo was Argentina's first female oenologist graduating from Don Bosco University in Mendoza in 1981 and she is credited with being at the forefront of driving the quality of Argentinian wines around the world. Zohar is an untypical Torrontes. It's fresh and lively, very fruity but dry, crisp and refreshing.

Bottle (75 cl): £34.95

### Brazil

#### Alisios Pinot Grigio Riesling 2016, Seival Estate, Campanha (12.5% abv)

This region of Brazil has almost perfect natural climatic conditions and Portuguese winemaker Miguel Almeida has brought his expertise to the estate having previously made wine in the Douro, Alentejo & Rheinhessen. To quote our supplier Bibendum "An explosive Pinot Grigio with a delicious crisp mineral twist".

Bottle (75 cl): £27.95

## White wines

### Chile

#### Miraflores Sauvignon Blanc 2017, Central Chile (12.5% abv)

A good no nonsense Sauvignon Blanc from Chile's Central Valley producer Santa Carolina. An elegant bouquet with dry and crisp characters on the palate. Lots of zingy, citrus and tropical fruit flavours. As good on its own as it is matched with many seafood dishes. The aftertaste is clean and refreshingly grassy!

Bottle (75 cl): £20.95

### USA

#### “Kung Fu Girl” Riesling 2015, Charles Smith, Columbia Valley, Washington State (12.0% abv)

I'm quoting Bibendum here (!) “Winemaking is the new rock and roll. Or in Charles Smith's case it is the new Danish Thrash Metal. Charles spent a decade in Europe managing various bands you'll never have heard of (unless you misspent your youth in disused warehouses near the Copenhagen ring road) before seeing the light and heading to Washington State to plant vines.” Why is it called Kung Fu Girl? Charles Smith: “Because girls and Riesling kick a&\$e!” The label might not be to your taste but I'm sure the wine will be. Forget all that above this is fabulous Riesling, with bags of complexity, showing notes of white peach, and mineral notes. Zesty fresh with a really long finish.

Bottle (75 cl): £34.95

#### Lodi Viognier 2014, Peirano Estate Vineyards, Lodi, California

In 1992, Lance Randolph, the fourth generation of Peirano to farm the 300-acre estate, began making Peirano wine simply for himself and to prove Lodi could produce desirable wines. Previously the estate had only grown grapes for other wine makers. After considerable praise for his ability to make elegant wines, he decided to start bottling and selling Peirano wine using his estate grown grapes. Since then, Peirano has won numerous awards for producing top of the line wine using many of the old techniques valued by Giacomo Peirano. “Peaches, pineapple, and tropical fruit are complemented by the scent of lemons and ginger. Lush flavours of fresh ripe peaches so juicy they drip down your arm are balanced by flavours of apples, pears and orange marmalade. The balance of fruit and a touch of sunshine lead to a refreshing finish. This wine will remind you of a spring day on a mountainside.”

Bottle (75 cl): £38.95

#### Chardonnay 2014, Linda Vista Vineyard, Matthiasson, Napa Valley, California

Steve and Jill Klein Matthiasson farm seven vineyards in Napa and Sonoma. Linda Vista Vineyard is situated in one of the classic Chardonnay spots in the Napa Valley and the vines are around 25 years old. “Showing green and yellow apples, peaches, melon, and honey on the nose and through to the palate, the high acidity is balanced by pleasant fleshiness, finishing very clean with a hint of minerality. Refreshing and with moderate alcohol, this wine is all about pleasure, begging to be drunk up, with some oysters or a roast chicken and a big smile.”

Bottle (75 cl): £44.95

## White wines

### South Africa

#### Single Vineyard Chardonnay 2014, Journeys End Estate, Stellenbosch (14.0% abv)

The Gabb family took over and replanted Journeys End Estate in 1996. It is situated right in the heart of Stellenbosch which has one of the cape's most exciting terroirs. Both in the vineyard and cellar Journeys End have a philosophy of minimum intervention, which allows the quality of the fruit to shine through. Ripe and juicy on the nose with citrus and tropical aromas. Crisp lemony fruit, some peachy flavour with a toasty creamy edge from wine maker Leon Esterhuizen's sensitive use of oak.

Bottle (75 cl): £39.95

#### Chenin Blanc 2014, Barrel Fermented 50, Stellenrust, Stellenbosch (13.5% abv)

Stellenrust was established in 1928, and is still family owned. The estate consists of around 400 hectares of which about half is planted with vines and is split evenly between the Golden Triangle area of Stellenbosch and high up in the Bottelary Hills. Awarded 5 stars from the Platter's South African Wine Guide and made from 48 year old vines, this is definitely a wine made to be top of a class of one! The number on the label (the 2014 vintage is 50) refers to the age of the vines when the wine was made. Very rich and tropical, with intense flavours of pear-drop on the nose, carried on to a caramel creamy palate of well-judged oak - I didn't write that! Seriously worth trying.

Bottle (75 cl): £40.50

## Rosé wines

### France

#### Château de Lascaux Rosé, "Garrigues" 2015, Languedoc (x.xx% abv) Organic

Following thirteen generations of family ownership Jean-Benoît Cavalier took over Château de Lascaux in 1984 expanding the vineyards from 20 to 85 hectares. Jean-Benoît practices organic farming and wine making and this rosé is a blend of 40% Grenache, 30% Syrah, 20% Cinsault and 10% Mourvedre. The grapes are pressed directly and the wine is kept in cuves for 7 months before bottling. Very crisp and lively flavours on the tongue. Minerals, dry flavours and dried floral notes are all present.

Bottle (75 cl): £30.95

#### "M" de Minuty Rosé 2015, AC Côtes de Provence, Provence, (12.5% abv)

Château de Minuty is situated on the slopes between the villages of Gassin & Ramatuelle overlooking the bay at Saint-Tropez. , made from 50% Grenache ,15% Tibouren and 35% Cinsault grape varieties, which harvested by hand and then aged in small stainless steel tanks. This is a gorgeous example of this famous rose wine, dry, refreshing, elegant and with a delicate strawberry flavour that makes it utterly delicious.

Glass (17.5 cl): £9.25

Carafe (50 cl): £23.95

Bottle (75 cl): £31.95

#### Sancerre Rosé 2014, "Pynoz", Christian Dauny, Loire Valley (12.5% abv) Organic

Christian Dauny and his sons run this immaculate Domaine in the rolling hills to the west of the town Sancerre. Christian's father converted to organics back in the early '70's so the family are truly knowledgeable about how to get it right! An elegant pale pink colour, made from Pinot Noir grapes. It's full of class and finesse; light and refreshing yet has lovely hidden depth.

Bottle (75 cl): £39.95

## Rosé wines

### Italy

#### Lagrein Rosato 2014, Alois Lageder, Alto Adige (12.5% abv) Biodynamic

Alois Lageder wineries have been owned and managed by the Lageder family for five generations. Located in the German-speaking village of Magreid in the mountains of Alto Adige, Lageder runs his domaine on a completely sustainable basis. The vines (which have been farmed biodynamically since 2004) enjoy a long, sunny growing season with warm days and cool nights that help to preserve both the grapes' natural aromas and acidity. Grapes are picked and then immediately pressed and fermented in stainless steel tanks. The wine is aged in its lees for 4 months before bottling. A deep pink colour with plenty of juicy, morello cherry flavours. Almost a light red, it has a classic Italian bitter twist to the finish.

Bottle (75 cl): £37.95

### Portugal

#### Vinho Verde Rosé 2015, Conde Villar, (11.5% abv)

Made from 60% Espadeiro and 40% Touriga Nacional grapes in Northern Portugal, to the North West of Oporto. The grapes are handpicked a short distance from the winery and immediately destemmed and partially crushed. The juice is then allowed to ferment for a minimum of 12 hours to gain the colour. There is a secondary pressing followed by cold temperature fermentation. Clean, intense young red fruits and berries on the nose. It's dry with high acidity and is medium in body. "It has a pronounced –flavour intensity of fresh under ripe strawberries, some red cherries and hints of raspberries. It has a medium length with a refreshing patience". Great light, fresh Vinho Verde rosé.

Bottle (75cl): £24.95

### USA

#### Car Hop White Zinfandel 2015, California (11.0% abv)

Made from premium Lodi fruit Car Hop by Natalie Gagliardo. "Bright pink in colour, it bursts with juicy melon, raspberry and apple notes, held in check with a streak of lemon-lime acidity". Label's a bit bright but the wine is good easy drinking rose - perfect on a warm sunny day – if we ever get any!!!

Bottle (75cl): £22.95

## Red wines

### France

#### La Troubadour Rouge 2016, Carignan Grenache, Languedoc, France

This is our new house wine from the South of France. This wine comes from the South of France and is made with two grape varieties: Carignan and Grenache. It is soft and smooth wine, with flavours of plum and blackberries. This is all complemented with rounded vanilla hints and a refreshing acidity.

Glass (17.5 cl): £5.95

Carafe (50 cl): £14.95

Bottle (75 cl): £19.95

#### GSM 2015, Grand Noir, Vin de Pays d'Oc (13.5% abv)

Le Grand Noir is a project pioneered by three industry experts, flying wine-maker Hugh Ryman, renowned journalist Robert Joseph and label designer Kevin Shaw. The fruit for their wines comes from the Minervois region and Hugh has crafted blends that are fruit forward and unashamedly easy to drink. This is a blend of Grenache, Syrah, Mouvedre (GSM). It's made in a modern style, so a little fruit bomb with toasty hints and vanilla. The emphasis on ripe fruit and soft tannins to give a new world style of wine and with elegance.

Bottle (75 cl): £26.95



## Red wines

### France

#### Ventoux Rouge Terres de Truffes 2013, Cave Terraventoux, Rhone (14.0% abv)

Made in truffle country at the base of Mont Ventoux, one of the fiercest climbs in the Tour de France. Terraventoux is a modern producer and wine maker Richard Ohms has made a smooth, rich and stylish wine with intense black berry fruit and delicate liquorice notes. Cheese maybe?

Bottle (75 cl): £28.25

#### Macon Rouge 2014, Domaine Dupre, Burgundy (12.5 % abv)

Jean-Christophe Dupré took over the family business in the late 1980s, with his brother Vincent joining him a few years later. The estate now extends to some 18 hectares. A great value red Burgundy, this Macon rouge has freshing flavours of red cherry, strawberry and a touch of dark candied raspberry(!). It's a light-bodied wine is smooth with soft, elegant tannins.

Bottle (75 cl): £28.95

#### Gamay 2013, Cotes d' Auvergne, Caves Saint-Verny, Loire Valley

Produced in the village of Veyre-Monton to the north of the Languedoc and the west of the Rhone, Cave Saint-Verny has been crafting wines since 1950. Grown on volcanic soils, it almost has a smoky essence with a gravelly texture too. Easily comparable to many of the best Beaujolais 'Crus' – in particular a Morgon or Moulin-A-Vent style being smooth berry fruited with cherry fruit and an ever so slightly spicy, lighter weighted finish.

Bottle (75 cl): £30.95

#### Ségla, 2011, ("2nd wine" from Château Rauzen-Ségla), Margaux, Bordeaux – HALF BOTTLE ONLY!

Owned by Chanel, Château Rauzen-Ségla was one of fifteen Deuxièmes Crus (Second growths) in the original 1855 classification of Bordeaux Châteaux. Their "second wine" is marketed as Ségla and made from the properties younger vines, in the following proportion 60% Cabernet Sauvignon, 37% Merlot, 1.5% Petit Verdot and 1.5% Cabernet Franc. Quoting Decanter in 2012 "Well-expressed, almost crunchy, fruit, clear and refreshing flavours; a charmingly elegant Margaux. Drink 2015-2025".

Half Bottle (37.5 cl): £40.00

#### Bourgogne Rouge La Taupe 2015, Domaine Chavy-Chouet, Burgundy

Chavy-Chouet's Pinot Noir is classified as humble Bourgogne Rouge, but the fruit for it comes from an excellent single-vineyard site near Pommard. "La Taupe" Soft, red cherry fruit flavours, nice earthy character, good structure and balance.

Glass (17.5 cl): £12.50

Carafe (50 cl): £33.45

Bottle (75 cl): £44.50

#### Echo de Lynch Bages 2014, Pauillac, Bordeaux

Formerly known as Haut-Bages-Averous, Echo de Lynch Bages is made by the team at the legendary Château Lynch-Bages, (Fifth Growth) with the fruit from younger vines. It is a great Bordeaux at a really good price and "designed" to be drunk at an earlier age than its big brother. Upfront blackcurrant fruit with classic Bordeaux cedar wood character; medium-bodied, fine structure.

Bottle (75 cl): £67.70

## Red wines

### France

#### Château Batailley 2007, 5ème Grand Cru Classé, Pauillac Bordeaux

Owned by Denise and Emile Castèja of the famous negociants, Borie-Manoux, their son Philippe now runs the business. There are 55 hectares of vineyards planted with Cabernet Sauvignon (70%), Merlot (25%), with the remainder Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot. Batailley is an intensive typical Pauillac, with Cassis and very good structure. Very stable quality across the vintages due to the very old Wines. This is a younger vintage that is drinking particularly well.

Bottle (75 cl): £72.50

#### Clos du Marquis 2006 ("2nd wine" of Chateau Leoville las Cases), Saint-Julien, Bordeaux

One of the oldest Medoc estates, Leoville las Cases is controlled by the Delon family and is considered by many to be the leading Saint-Julien estate. The wine is made from 75% Cabernet Sauvignon, 24% Merlot and 3% Cabernet Franc. Rich and elegant with firm tannins, ready for drinking now.

Bottle (75 cl): £89.00

#### Château Langoa Barton, 2005, St. Julien Grand Cru Classé, Bordeaux

Langoa and its better known sister estate of Leoville Barton have been owned by the Barton family since 1821. This wine is a real mirror of its terroir, its refined aristocratic accent whispers of aromas fluttering in a whirlwind of sensations: freshly toasted bread, citrus, fruit stones ... The palate is rich and unctuous, seductively revealing, layer after layer, its volume, power, fullness and succulent sweet tannins.

Bottle (75 cl): £89.00

#### La Chapelle de La Mission Haut-Brion 2008, Bordeaux,

The little brother of the famous Chateau La Mission Haut-Brion, La Chapelle made from grapes grown in the same vineyard, it is raised in the same manner and benefits from the same level of care. Beautiful violet color. The nose is mature with traces of cherries. Right from the out start, the wine shows a great purity. Then, it evolves into a new structure of melded tannins. Finally. we are left with a distinct impression of freshness. It has great charm.

Bottle (75 cl): £97.00

#### Pavie Macquin 1998, St Emilion, Bordeaux

One of the three Pavies in St Emillion, Macquin was founded around the late 19th century by Frederick Bouffard, a Bordeaux négociant who owned numerous vineyards in St Emilion, as well as being part owner of Chateau Héritage-Haut-Brion, adjacent to Haut-Brion itself, in Graves. Today, there are 15 hectares at Pavie-Macquin, lying atop the limestone côte that characterises St Emilion, with typical clay and limestone soils. They are predominantly Merlot (70%), with 25% Cabernet Franc and 5% Cabernet Sauvignon, typical for the area. Since 1995 Nicolas Thienpoint has been hired to manage the estate and he has propelled it to the upper echelon of Cru Classe quality. The wines here are undoubtedly made in the modern style, and the fruit is certainly extracted fully during vinification but the balance is quite classic and they are a prizes addition to any St-Emillion lovers cellar.

Bottle (75 cl): £123.00

### Italy

#### "Moròpio" Amarone della Valpolicella DOCG Classico 2011, Antolini, Veneto (xx.x% abv)

The Antolini brothers have been farming 7.5 hectares of vineyards near the town of Marano di Valpolicella about 10 kilometres east of Lake Garda since 1992. Made mainly from Corvina, Corvinone and Rondinella grapes together with a small percentage of Molinara from the vineyard of Moròpio. Amarone is made from partially dried grapes, which lose between 25% and 45% of their weight during the drying process. Ruby red with an intense bouquet of dried flowers and black cherry, this wine is elegant, a little sweet, warm and smooth.

Bottle (75 cl): £67.00

## Red wines

### Italy

#### Alessandro & Gian Natale Fantino, Cascina Dardi

Two brothers, Alessandro and Gian Natale Fantino, run this family estate in Monforte d'Alba. Alessandro managed the vineyards and served as the enologist at Cantina Bartolo Mascarello for 20 years, from 1978 to 1997. Since 1998 he has dedicated himself to running his family estate alongside his brother full-time. The brothers farm eight hectares in the heart of the historic Bussia Cru north of Monforte, one of Barolo's most famous areas for producing wines of great longevity and finesse. The Fantino holdings are concentrated exclusively in the "Dardi" section of Bussia, a hillside with perfect southern and south-eastern exposure in the geographic center of Bussia. This gives them their "Cascina Dardi" name on the label of their Barbera and Baroli.

Fermented for 30 to 35 days in stainless steel tank, aged in large oak barrels for 5 years and aged in bottle for 12 months before release

The Fantino brothers produce an amazing Barbera d'Alba from these ancient vines in Dardi, and a "Rosso dei Dardi" from younger vine Nebbiolo planted on a west facing slope. The Barbera is loaded with lush fruit and smooth, silky texture, and a ravishing perfume.

Barolo 'Cascina Dardi' Bussia Riserva 2007	Bottle (75 cl):	£80.00
Barbera d'Alba 2015, Cascina Dardi,	Bottle (75 cl):	£45.00

### Portugal

#### Quinta de Sant'Ana Pinot Noir, 2015, Lisbon (12.0% abv)

Just 30 minutes North West of Lisbon, Quinta de Sant'Ana produces this Pinot Noir from the vines of four vineyards. The grapes are hand-picked and 70% of them are destemmed whilst the remainder are whole bunches. The wine spends 12 months in 4-year-old French oak barrels. Ruby colour with redcurrant and forest fruit aromas. Supple, juicy palate, fine body and freshness with good definition and lovely balance with a textural elegant finish.

Bottle (75 cl): £41.95

### Germany

#### Villa Wolf Pinot Noir, 2015, Pfalz (12.5% abv)

The Pfalz (aka 'Palatinate') region of Germany is in the Rhine river valley in southwest Germany, directly north of France's Alsace region, from whence come many a Pinot Noir. In the latter years of the 20th century, the estate of Villa Wolf languished, lacking a firm hand to guide its wine production. Ernst Loosen, of the Dr. Loosen estate, took over the vineyards in 1996, launching a dramatic turnaround in the estate's quality and reputation and since 2011, the estate has been managed by a talented and dedicated young couple who met while working at Dr. Loosen: Patrick Moellendorf and Sumi Gebauer. Decanter: "aromatic, fresh and dainty, with delicate, pure cherry fruit shining through both on the nose and the palate, which is polished off by a charmingly breezy finish".

Bottle (75 cl): £30.95

### USA

#### "Moobuzz" Pinot Noir 2013, Monterey County, California

Created to reflect the easy-going elegance of the California Coast, this delicious red is packed with red berry fruit flavours; medium to full-bodied with lovely freshness. Aged in French oak for ten months to add texture and depth. 90% Pinot Noir, 5% Syrah and 5% Petite Sirah from Monterey County. A taste of California sunshine!

Bottle (75 cl): £37.95

## Red wines

### Argentina

#### Temporada Malbec 2016, Domaine Vistalba, Mendoza

Hervé J. Fabre, born in Bordeaux, was one of the first foreigners to recognise the potential of Argentina and in 1992 he built the first winery in the Vistalba region of Lujan de Cuyo, Mendoza. His wines have received 24 awards since 2008 including trophies at the IWC and Decanter awards! Combining New World terroir with Old World know-how, this is a deliciously fruity Malbec!

Glass (17.5 cl):	£7.25
Carafe (50 cl):	£18.75
Bottle (75 cl):	£24.95

### Chile

#### Nostros Reserva Carmenère 2015, Maipo (13.5% abv)

The Carmenère grape originated in Bordeaux's Medoc area but has since found a home in Chile. Nostros Reserva is produced by the well-respected firm of Indomita in a modern winery cut into a hillside in the Casablanca Valley. Full bodied and fruity with plenty of hallmark Carmenère flavours and abundant dark fruits, mocha and spice!

Bottle (75cl):	£21.50
----------------	--------

## Dessert wines

### France

#### Vin Doux Naturel, Muscat de Rivesaltes 2015, Château de Corneilla, Roussillon

The Jonquères family can trace its history at Château de Corneilla back to 1485 and now 30-year-old William is making exciting wines at this estate situated just South of Perpignan. There are 40 Hectares of mainly Grenache, together with small amounts of Carignan, Syrah, Mourvèdre and Muscat which is harvested at night, ensuring that the wine delicate, bright, floral and sweet.

Glass (12.5 cl):	£7.85
Carafe (50.0 cl):	£24.35
Bottle (75.0 cl):	£32.45

#### Monbazillac 2011, Domaine de Grange Neuve, Dordogne

This elegantly luscious, marmalade scented wine is produced close to the town of Pomport near Bergerac. On the slopes of the valley of the Dordogne you'll find the vineyards that this wine originates from – specifically at altitudes between 50 and 180 metres. Lots of acidity ending up in a very fresh and clean style of dessert wine.

Bottle (50 cl):	£30.75
-----------------	--------

#### Château La Garenne 2010, Sauternes, Bordeaux Organic

Nicole Ferbos is in charge of this delightful 7 hectare organically farmed vineyard in the heart of France's finest and best known 'sticky' wine producing region. Semillon, Sauvignon and Mascadelle grapes are selected and picked by hand then gently pressed and cold fermented. The wine spends 6 months in barrel sufficient to mature and soften it and preserving the natural tropical fruit flavours and orange blossom aroma.

Half bottle (37.5 cl):	£36.95
------------------------	--------

#### Cypres de Climens 2011, Barsac

Cypres is the second wine of the famous Chateau Climens, which is owned by the famous Bordeaux Lurton wine family. Made from 100% Semillion, Very nice yellow amber luminous color. Aromatic nose, with vanilla hints, slight aromas of candied yellow fruits, apricot, honey. Mellow, very fleshy and fresh in the palate.

Half Bottle (37.5 cl):	£57.00
------------------------	--------

## Dessert wines

### France

#### Château Yquem 1998/9, Sauternes, Bordeaux (13.5% abv)

Possibly the most famous dessert wine? The vineyard (of 80% Sémillon and 20% Sauvignon Blanc) is situated between the villages of Sauternes and Fargues, and is about 113 hectares in size, although only around 100 hectares are in production at any one time. The site is particularly susceptible to Botrytis, “Noble Rot”\*, which makes Bordeaux’s famous sweet wines what they are. The 1998 vintage is described as ‘Pale yellow. Nose was very elegant with well-shaped noble rot, and had a lot of sweetness on the palate with mango, apricot and acacia honey. This was a wine with pure style, much finesse and long aftertaste, but at same time also “light-footed”’.

Half Bottle (37.5 cl)                      £120.00

\*Noble rot is the kinder form of the fungus, Botrytis cinerea, which affects wine grapes. It requires moist conditions and if the weather remains damp then the bad form, known as "grey rot," can destroy whole crops of grapes. Infected when they are ripe, if drier conditions then prevail they become slightly raisined and if picked at the prime time can produce elegant wines such as Yquem.

### Portugal

#### Moscatel Reserva 2004, Quinta do Portal, Douro (18.0% abv)

Quinta do Portal is a family owned winery that has been producing mainly Port for over a hundred years. The wine is made from 100% Moscatel Galego Branco grapes and these are hand-picked. The wine stays in oak barrels for 7 years. Winemaker Paulo Coutinho says: “With a beautiful pale amber colour, aromas of pear and green apples in a perfect balance with some caramel and honey hints. Some almond notes enrich the aroma due to the ageing in wood. The balance between the sugar and the acidity is excellent, leading us to fresh and citric sensations on one side and the complexity of wines that have aged in barrel on the other. The final is persistent, fresh and complex”.

Bottle (37.5 cl):                              £33.25

### USA

#### Elysium Black Muscat 2014, Quady Winery, California (15% abv)

One of California’s most colourful wine makers, Andy Quady made fireworks before turning his hand to wine and Elysium is a real cracker! With an aroma of roses and berry like taste, Elysium is rich and full flavoured. Excellent with many of our desserts or why not have with cheese?

Glass (12.5 cl):                                £16.95  
Half bottle (37.5 cl):                        £34.90

### New Zealand

#### Paritua Isabella Late Harvest Semillon 2012, Hawkes Bay (12.0% abv)

Paritua Isabella Late Harvest is produced only in outstanding vintages. Luscious and lingering sweet wine, with aromas of dried apricot, pawpaw and marmalade. The palate is soft with a gentle sweetness, encapsulating flavours of honeyed stone fruit and mandarin.

Half bottle (37.5 cl):                        £36.75