

Welcome

We would like to welcome you to the Winepress Restaurant at Donnington Valley Hotel.

We have put together a wine list with over 200 wines from around the world, some from the classic regions and few of the lesser known. We have a great range of styles of wine, so there is wine for everyone's palate.

If however, you need help in choosing that perfect bottle to go alongside the culinary creations of our kitchen team. we would be more than happy to help with your selection.

When asked what is my favourite wine, my reply is "I don't have a favourite wine, it depends who I am with, how I am feeling and the time of year. I just like wine". So please explore the list and have fun trying new wines.

So Enjoy

Wine is to be Enjoyed

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2015 - 18 Wine Spectator - Best of Award of Excellence

2008 - 14 Wine Spectator - Award of Excellence

2014 World of Fine wine, Worlds Best Wine Lists - 3 Stars

2013 Condé Nast Johansens Taittinger Wine List of the Year - Winner

2013 Condé Nast Johansens Taittinger Best selection wine by the glass - Winner

2009 Condé Nast Johansens Wine List Award - Hotels & Spas Category - Winner

2004 Condé Nast Johansens Taittinger Wine List of the Year - Finalist

2003 Condé Nast Johansens Taittinger Wine List of the Year - Winner

2010, 2012 & 2013 Imbibe Louis Roederer Wine list of the Year - Finalist

2006 - 25 AA Notable Wine List Award

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// BY THE GLASS & CARAFE //

			175ml	250ml	Carafe 500ml	Bottle 750ml
White Wine						
2023	Sacchetto, Pinot Grigio <i>Fresh, fruity and dry with nice weight and a hint of spice and lemon on the finish.</i>	Italy Veneto	£8.25	£11.75	£23.45	£35.00
2021	Cypress Vineyards, Chardonnay <i>Richly flavoured chardonnay with grapefruit and citrus flavours, paired with peach and even tropical fruit characters, refreshing acidity.</i>	USA California	£7.80	£11.10	£22.10	£33.00
2023	Koster Wolf, Riesling, Kabinett, Halbtrocken <i>Fresh and lively, with floral Riesling notes and delicate peach aromas. Juicy and fruit-forward, with ripe apricot flavours beautifully balanced by a refreshing palate through to a clean, off-dry finish.</i>	Germany Rheinhessen	£9.95	£14.15	£28.15	£42.00
2023	Bruce Jack Wines, Chenin Blanc <i>Mouthwatering notes of lush tropical fruits gracefully intermingle with floral hints and vibrant citrus undertones through to a crisp, refreshing finish.</i>	South Africa Western Cape	£9.45	£13.45	£26.80	£40.00
2022	Fault Line, Sauvignon Blanc <i>Typical Marlborough notes of peapods, gooseberry and asparagus with a fresh and herbaceous flavour.</i>	New Zealand Marlborough	£9.95	£14.45	£28.15	£42.00
2021	Château Campuet 1753, Viognier <i>Intense aromas of white flowers, honeysuckle, ripe pear, peach and sun-ripened citrus, lead to a crisp, lively and fruity palate, which is smooth and richly flavoured, with a persistent finish.</i>	France Languedoc-Roussillon	£10.40	£14.75	£29.45	£44.00
2020	Vina Kozlović, Malvazija <i>A crisp, zesty, mineral rich wine with a complex nose of ripe melon, citrus, juicy yellow fruits and floral notes. Dry and intense on the palate with the fruit characters from the nose echoed on the palate, combined with a savoury and mineral complexity.</i>	Croatia Istria	£11.55	£16.45	£32.80	£49.00

Wine is also available in 125ml Measures

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Red wine		175ml	250ml	Carafe 500ml	Bottle 750ml
2022 Tierra Antica, Merlot	Chile	£7.10	£10.05	£20.10	£30.00
<i>Smooth in texture and generous in flavour, with ripe black cherry, currant, plum and spice that linger on the soft finish.</i>	Limari Valley				
2022 Andeluna, 'Raicies' Malbec	Argentina	£9.00	£12.80	£25.50	£38.00
<i>Elegant mountain-fresh Malbec, with fresh floral and fruity aromas of plum & wild blueberries. The Soft palate offers great freshness and blance, with lovely concentration of ripe fruit.</i>	Uco Valley				
2019 Michael David Winery, Old Vine Zinfandel	USA	£9.45	£13.45	£26.80	£40.00
<i>Abundant, ripe berries and cherries give a core of ripe fruitiness to this likable, full-bodied and moderately tannic wine made from low-yielding vines and aged in mostly American oak barrels.</i>	Lodi				
2021 Chianti Riserva DOCG, Castellani	Italy	£10.85	£15.45	£30.80	£46.00
<i>A mass of red fruit, like a bowl filled with cherries, raspberries and blackberries, complemented by a perfume of flowers.</i>	Tuscany				
2018 Ondarre, Rioja Reserva	Spain	£10.40	£14.75	£29.45	£44.00
<i>Leather, vanilla and spice of traditionally made Rioja enveloped in a smooth and textured palate. Balanced, with ripe, wild strawbwrries and intergrated tannins through to a long, lingering finish</i>	Rioja				
2016 Château Lestrille, Bordeaux Supérieur	France	£11.55	£16.45	£32.80	£49.00
<i>A fresh, aromatic unoaked Claret, showing vibrant aromas of ripe, soft plum cherry. Beautifully structured, with round silky tannins through to a delicate hint of spice on the finish.</i>	Boredeaux				

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// BY THE GLASS //

Champagne

N.V.	Taittinger, Brut Réserve	France	Glass £14.50	Bottle £75.00
	<i>Fresh lively wine with delicate flavours of fresh fruit and honey, with aromas of peach and vanilla pods.</i>	Reims Champagne		

Sparkling

N.V.	Prosecco Extra Dry DOC, Gocce di Fávola	Italy	£8.50	£38.00
	<i>A dry crisp, fresh Prosecco with green apple aromas and a fruity clean palate.</i>	Veneto		

2014	All Angels, Classic Cuvée, Enborne	England	£13.00	£59.00
	<i>This wine is long aged on Lees which delivers sparkling hues, with crisp orchard fruit citrus and oven baked brioche on the palate. Vibrant, fine bubbles dance in the mouth, making way for the lasting finish of this drier, fresher style of Cuvee.</i>	Berkshire		

Rosé Wine - Champagne

N.V.	Taittinger, Brut Prestige	France	£16.50	£90.00
	<i>A velvety wine of fine balance and body, with subtle flavours of fresh fruit, which gives aromas of freshly crushed wild raspberry, cherry and blackcurrant.</i>	Reims Champagne		

Rosé Wine - Sparkling

2018	All Angels, Rose, Enborne	England	£14.00	£62.00
	<i>Bright copper coloured Rose, that delivers perfectly balanced acidity and flavours; juicy redcurrent, pink grapefruit and smoky armanac, with aromas of preserved citrus and subtle spice, all wrapped up in soft, long-lasting bubbles.</i>	Berkshire		

Rosé Wine - Still

2022	Saint Clair, Pinot Gris Rosé, Marlborough, New Zealand		175ml £9.70	250ml £13.80	Carafe 500ml £27.45
	<i>A fresh and luscious palate with bright sweet strawberries, watermelon and red cherry. Well balanced fresh acidity ensures a round elegant palate and a lingering finish.</i>				Bottle 750ml £41.00

Please note we do have a selection of half bottles at the end of the wine list, so if you are in the mood for a bit more than a glass of wine, but not a full bottle, please do have a look to see if you can be tempted.

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// PETER MICHAEL WINES - VINS DU PATRON //

In 1982 Sir Peter Michael established the Peter Michael Winery on a square mile of rocky volcanic ridges that form the western face of Mount St. Helena in Sonoma County. From the beginning, the wine growing philosophy was modelled on the French tradition infused with a few modern influences; One, the vineyard terroir would be the single most important feature. Two, the wines would be elegant rather than overstated. Three, there would be a hundred-year commitment to the development of a great estate.

White

1	2016 L'Après Midi, Sauvignon Blanc, Knights Valley, Sonoma County	£92.00
8	2004 Mon Plaisir, Chardonnay, Sonoma County	£119.00
5	2014 La Carrière, Chardonnay, Sonoma County	£130.00

Red

22	2014 Le Moulin Rouge, Pinot Noir, Pisoni Vineyard, Santa Lucia Highlands, Monterey	£155.00
26	2011 Le Caprice, Pinot Noir, Seaview Estate, Sonoma Coast	£175.00
29	2017 L'Esprit des Pavots, Bordeaux Blend, Knights Valley, Sonoma County	£180.00
30	2010 Les Pavots, Bordeaux Blend, Knights Valley, Sonoma County	£280.00
31	2009 Les Pavots, Bordeaux Blend, Knights Valley, Sonoma County	£250.00
18	2000 Les Pavots, Bordeaux Blend, Knights Valley, Sonoma County	£225.00
17	2014 Les Pavots, Bordeaux Blend, Knights Valley, Sonoma County	£340.00
923	2004 Les Pavots, Bordeaux Blend, Knights Valley, Sonoma County	Half £121.00

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Lord Byron

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// HOUSE CHAMPAGNE ~ TAITTINGER ~ THE WINES //

The origins of Champagne Taittinger date back to the original house founded in 1734 by Jacques Fournieux. However its links to the Taittinger family started in 1931 when it was purchased by the founder of today's company; Pierre Taittinger.

As a young cavalry officer in the 1st World War he spent much time in the Champagne area where he was stationed at Château de la Marquetterie in Pierry, near Epernay. The Chateau's name is thought to originate from the appearance of the vineyard as it resembled a huge XV111 century chessboard at the time of its naming with plantings of white Chardonnay grapes alongside black Pinot Grapes. Today it is planted to a more conventional layout but still produces top quality Chardonnay and Pinot Noir fruit.

He instantly fell in love with the property along with its fine vineyards and after the war in 1932, purchased it a year after he had bought the Fournieux Company. Today it remains owned and managed by the Taittinger family and is headed up by Pierre Emmanuel Taittinger.

The Taittinger headquarters are in Reims, situated above magnificent 4th Century Roman cellars which at one time belonged to the Benedictine monks of the abbey of St Nicaise. Its miles of tunnels and cellars are perfect for the slow but necessary ageing process involved in making this great Champagne.

The hallmark of the Taittinger blend is the high percentage of Chardonnay it contains, this gives the wines ultimate elegance, delicacy and finesse. This can be anything from 40% in the Brut Reserve NV to 100% in the prestigious Comtes de Champagne Blanc de Blancs and we know through research that it is enjoyed by 'independently minded' people.

In the UK this has led us to develop partnerships with like minded associations: Aston Martin Racing, Aston Martin Owner's Club, BAFTA - the British Academy of Film and Television Arts, Conde Nast Johansens, Highclere Thoroughbred Racing but to name a few.

The grapes are the key natural element, which contribute to the character of Champagne. There are only three varieties grown in Champagne. The Pinot Noir is the more noble of the two black grapes and lends the wine bouquet, depth, full body and complexity; the Pinot Meunier the more prolific variety, adds roundness and acidity. The white variety is the Chardonnay grape, the most fragile and costly of the three; it lends elegance, finesse and delicacy to the wine, lightening the fuller, richer, characteristics of the black grapes

The excellence of the wines in Champagne is due largely to its soils. The deep chalky subsoils, covered by a layer of siliceous clay below Jurassic formation named after the village of Kimmeridge in Dorset.

By virtue of its climate, the Champagne vineyard is a difficult mistress. The most northern of France's vineyards, it enjoys not only less sunshine but a greater threat of frost. Here more than elsewhere the vineyard's aspect is important: the most favourable situation is roughly one third up the slope, out of the valley fogs but not at an unprotected height, and facing south west, to gain maximum hours of afternoon sun

Taittinger owns 288 hectares of vineyards in the best localities of Champagne. The most famous of these are the vineyards surrounding Château de la Marquetterie

This ensures a regular supply of approximately 50% of Taittinger's annual needs significantly more than other well known Champagne houses. The remaining 50% come from carefully selected growers, some of whose links go back four generations. As quality is of paramount importance, Taittinger only uses grapes from the finest vineyards in Champagne.

All the Chardonnay grapes used in the Comtes de Champagne Blanc de Blancs come from the 100% rated vineyards of Avize, Cramant, Chouilly and Les-Mesnil-Sur-Oger in the Côte des Blancs.

All the vineyards are managed under the careful eye of Vincent Collard Champagne Taittinger's vineyard manager.

// HOUSE CHAMPAGNE ~ TAITTINGER ~ THE WINES //



CHAMPAGNE
TAITTINGER

Reims

Non-Vintage

37	N.V. Taittinger, Brut Réserve	£75.00
39	N.V. Taittinger, Prélude, Grand Crus	£105.00

Rosé

72	N.V. Taittinger, Brut Prestige Rosé	£90.00
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Magnum

38	N.V. Taittinger, Brut Réserve	£130.00
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Half Bottles

804	N.V. Taittinger, Brut Prestige Rosé	£47.00
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*If God forbade drinking, would He
have made wine so good.*

Cardinal Richeleu

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// CHAMPAGNE //

When it comes to this famous wine region, there aren't many different appellations to remember. In fact there is just one: Champagne. So what better way to start a great meal, with some champagne to get the taste buds ready for what they are about to receive. Have a look at our selection and give your senses a treat.

41	N.V. Pierre Morlet, Cuvée Suivie, Brut, Avenay-Val-D'or	£75.00
42	N.V. Louis Roederer, Brut, Reims	£80.00
40	N.V. Moët et Chandon, Brut Impérial, Reims	£85.00
46	N.V. Bollinger, Special Cuvée, Ay	£100.00
Rosé		
73	N.V. Moët et Chandon, Rosé, Reims	£95.00
70	N.V. Laurent-Perrier, Cuvée Rosé	£150.00

// SPARKLING WINES //

Sparkling wine in most cases is made in the same way as Champagne but cannot be called this if it does not come from the Champagne region in France. So this means you can still have very good quality sparkling wine but at a lower cost than Champagne, such as the All Angels wines from England or the J Vineyards from California.

Non Vintage

82	N.V. Prosecco Extra Dry DOC, Gocce di Fávola, Veneto, Italy	£38.00
80	N.V. Bodegas Pinord, "+&+" Cava, Brut, Catalonia, Spain	£39.00
83	N.V. Goring, Family Release, Rosé, West Sussex, England	£70.00
86	N.V. Coates & Seely, Brut Reserve, Hampshire, England	£72.00
85	N.V. J.Vineyards, Cuvée 20, Brut, California, USA	£59.00
87	N.V. Hosmer Estate Winery, Finger Lakes, New York, USA	£60.00

Vintage

93	2015 Sugrue Pierre, Brut, South Downs, West Sussex, England	£105.00
92	2014 All Angels, Classic Cuvée, "Long Aged On Lees", Enborne, Berkshire	£62.00

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// ROSÉ WINES //

Over last few years Rosé wine has become more popular, so below is a small collection for you to try.

Sparkling

81	N.V. Ackerman, X Rosé, Brut, France	£39.00
83	N.V. Goring, Family Release, Rosé, West Sussex, England	£70.00
84	2018 All Angels, Rose, Enborne, Berkshire	£63.00
88	N.V. Coates & Seely, Rosé, Hampshire, England	£75.00

Still

754	2023 Saint Clair, Pinot Gris Rosé, Marlborough, New Zealand	£41.00
753	2020 Groot Constantia, Rosé, Western Cape, South Africa	£39.00
757	2020 Château de Campuget, '1753', Languedoc, France	£46.00
758	2022 Michael David, Rosé, Lodi, California, USA	£47.00

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// WHITE //

California

This is the best known wine producing State in the US. With a tradition going back to the early 19th century California has some of the oldest vineyards in the country. The well known Napa and Sonoma Valleys are just two of the many growing regions around the state. In our selection we have the traditional Chardonnay, but we also have a few of the lesser know grapes varieties, such as Roussanne and Marsanne.

108	2021 Cypress Vineyard, Chardonnay	Central Coast	£33.00
103	2021 J.Lohr, Flume Crossing Sauvignon Blanc, Arroyo Seco	Monterey County	£39.00
113	2021 Michael David, Freakshow, Chardonnay	Lodi	£40.00
106	2022 Honig, Sauvignon Blanc	Napa Valley	£48.00
110	2021 J Vineyards, Pinot Gris	Russian River Valley	£43.00
109	2018 MacMurry Estate Vineyards, Pinot Gris	Russian River Valley	£39.00
105	2021 Jayson, Pahlmeyer, Sauvignon Blanc	Napa Valley	£75.00
123	2020 Melville, Estate Chardonnay, Sta Rita Hills	Santa Barbara County	£77.00
124	2020 Jayson, Pahlmeyer, Chardonnay	Napa Valley	£115.00
121	2017 Far Niente, Chardonnay	Napa Valley	£120.00
125	2019 Donelan, Chardonnay, Nancie	Sonoma Coast	£120.00
127	2017 Knights Bridge, Chardonnay, East Block	Knights Valley	£120.00
128	2015 Morlet Family Vineyards, Chardonnay, Ma Douce	Sonoma Coast	£163.00

Oregon

Oregon is best known for it's production of Pinot Noir, but as you can see from below they do produce a small amount of other wines.

112	2018 Alexana, Terroir Series, Pinot Gris	Willamette Valley	£38.00
115	2018 Alexana, Terroir Series, Chardonnay	Willamette Valley	£42.00
116	2018 Alexana, Revana Estate Vineyard, Riesling, Dundee Hills	Willamette Valley	£38.00

New York

New York State's wine production began in the 17th century with Dutch and Huguenot plantings in the Hudson Valley region. Commercial production did not begin until the 19th century.

129	2019 Hosmer Estate Winery, Chardonnay, Cayuga Lake	Finger Lakes	£41.00
130	2020 Hosmer Estate Winery, Sauvignon Blanc, Cayuga lake	Finger Lakes	£39.00
117	2018 Hosmer Estate Winery, Patrician Verona, Riesling, Cayuga Lake	Finger Lakes	£40.00
114	2020 Hosmer Estate Winery, Gruner Veltliner, Cayuga Lake	Finger Lakes	£50.00

Washington

100	2020 Seven Hills Winery, Sauvignon Blanc	Columbia Valley	£38.00
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France

In our selection of French white wines we have put together a small amount of wines from each of the main regions. In these selections we have the classic grape varieties, such as Sauvignon Blanc from the Loire, Chardonnay from Burgundy and not forgetting Gewürztraminer and Riesling from Alsace to mention just a few.

131	2020 Muscadet de Sèvre et Maine sur lie, Château de Chasseloir	Loire Valley	£39.00
151	2022 Château Campuget 1753, Viognier	Languedoc-Roussillon	£44.00
181	2020 Château Lestrille, Entre-deux-Mers	Bordeaux	£47.00
147	2022 Dopff au Moulin, Pinot Blanc, Sur Lie	Alsace	£55.00
145	2019 Trimbach, Riesling	Alsace	£63.00
156	2020 Domaine de la Belouse, Mâcon-Milly-Lamartine	Burgundy	£54.00
180	2018 Domaine de Champ-Long, Ventous Blanc 'Les Gressannes'	Rhône Valley	£55.00
154	2020 Domaine Grand Roche, Chablis	Burgundy	£67.00
157	2015 Château de Chamilly, Montagny 1er Cru, Les Burnins	Burgundy	£72.00
161	2022 Yvon & Pascal Taboret, Pouilly-Fume	Loire Valley	£82.00
163	2022 Château de Sancerre, Sancerre	Loire Valley	£80.00
159	2020 Domaine Ferret, Pouilly-Fuisse	Burgundy	£85.00

England

101	2019 New Hall, Bacchus Reserve	Essex	£35.00
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Italy

Italy is a country which has a large range of styles of wine, this is due to the different climates they have. Alongside this they have the most amount of different national varietal grapes in the world.

223	2023 Sacchetto, Pinot Grigio	Veneto	£35.00
230	2021 Carminucci, 'Belato', Offida, Pecorino	Marche	£46.00
231	2019 Bertani, Soave Classico	Veneto	£68.00
237	2022 Gavi di Gavi, Ascheri	Piedmont	£60.00

Croatia

Believe it or not wine from Croatia has a long, long history. It was the Greek settlers who first introduced vineyards to the Croatian coast in the 5th century BC and wine production has flourished ever since.

267	2020 Kozlović Vina, Malvasia	West Istria	£49.00
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Germany

What is there to say about German white wine? It gets overlooked by a lot of people which is a great shame as they produce great wine. Riesling being the best in my eyes with the classic oily character.

241	2023 Koster Wolf, Riesling, Kabinett, Halbtrocken	Rheinhessen	£42.00
244	2013 Villa Huesgen, Weibburguner	Mosel	£36.00

Austria

Austria is fast becoming the must have wine, it has very much recovered from the scandal in the 80's. They now produce outstanding wines at a very high quality. Grüner Veltliner and Riesling are the main grape varieties grown in the regions of Wachau, Kremstal and Kamptal.

250	2021 Weingut Rabl, Grüner Veltliner "Löss"	Kamptal	£39.00
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Portugal

The white wines of Portugal are being made with the more common grapes varieties such as Chardonnay but they still produce wine from their native grapes like Vinhos Verde. Long are gone the days where we only associate Portugal with Mateus Ros é, they are now recognised for producing very high quality wines.

282	2020 Crasto, Quinta do Crasto	Douro	£46.00
283	2021 Herdade do Rocim, Alentejano, 'Mariana'	Alentejo	£36.00
285	2021 Leme, Vinho Verde, loureiro Alvarinho	Baião	£39.00

Spain

A lot of people are surprised to see Spanish white wine, they only associate Spain with red Rioja. But believe me, Spain produces some fantastic white wines as well. If my memory serves me right, I think one of my first encounters with a white wine was with a white Rioja.

286	2018 Bodegas Moraza, La Tasuguers	Rioja	£63.00
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Greece

A lot of people only associate Greece wine with Retsina but there is so much more.

252	2022 Akriotou, 'Orivatis' Old Vine Savatiano	Sterea Ellada	£43.00
254	2022 Ktima Gerovassiliou, Chardonnay	Epanomi	£61.00

Chile

Chile has been making wine for centuries and is the only country in the world to have not been affected by phylloxera. This is mainly due to the Andes which runs down all its eastern borders and the Pacific Ocean to the west. The white especially the Sauvignon is dry, full of acidity finishing with a great freshness.

292	2023 Tierra Antica, Sauvignon Blanc	Limari Valley	£30.00
296	2019 Viña Ventolera, Sauvignon Blanc, 'Litoral'	Leyda Valley	£45.00

South Africa

The wines of South Africa are nearly all from the Cape area. Most quality wines are produced in the Coastal and Breede River Valley wine regions.

271	2023 Bruce Jack Wines, "Off The Charts", Chenin Blanc	Western Cape	£40.00
270	2022 Lomond, SSV <i>Blend of Sauvignon Blanc 77%, Semillon 19%, Viognier 4%</i>	Cape Agulhas	£41.00
273	2022 Lomond, Sauvignon Blanc	Cape Agulhas	£40.00
275	2022 Olifantsberg, Roussanne	Breedekloof	£59.00
274	2020 Lismore Estate Vineyards, Barrel Fermented Sauvignon Blanc	Western Cape	£72.00
277	2021 Lismore Estate Vineyards, "The Age of Grace", Viognier	Western Cape	£72.00

New Zealand

Our love affair with New Zealand's Sauvignon Blanc shows no signs of going away, but we must not over look all the other great white wine they produce. Such as Riesling, Pinot Gris and Chardonnay all of which have that great fresh New Zealand character.

302	2022 Fault Line, Sauvignon Blanc	Marlborough	£42.00
304	2017 Saint Clair, Barrique Sauvignon Blanc	Marlborough	£61.00

Australia

For a long time we associated Australian white wine the Chardonnay grape, but as you can see and now are producing a wide range of interesting and fresh fruity wines.

325	2021 The Stump Chardonnay, d'Arenberg, McLaren Vale	New South Wales	£42.00
326	2018 Weemala, Pinot Gris	New South Wales	£30.00
332	2020 Larry Cherubino 'Ad Hoc Hen and Chicken', Chardonnay	Pemberton	£41.00
330	2020 Not Your Grandma's Riesling, Chaffey Bros Wine Co.	Eden Valley	£46.00
334	2021 Yerring Station, 'Village' Chardonnay	Yarra Valley	£54.00

Argentina

Argentina is best know for Malbec but they do produce a lot of other classic grape varieties, including blended wines.

288	2019 Corazan del Sol, Luminoso - RMVG, Rhone Blend <i>Blend of Viognier, Grenache Blanc, Roussanne & Marsanne (Vegan)</i>	Uco Valley	£46.00
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// RED WINE //

Bordeaux

Bordeaux has a world wide reputation for producing quality wine and it has a Classification system which has been going for almost 150 years. This helps to produce the classic Bordeaux wine. The main grapes used to make up Bordeaux are Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc and Merlot.

348	2020 Château Saint Romans		£35.00
350	2016 Château Lestrille, Bordeaux Supérieur		£49.00
349	2016 Château La Fleur Grands-Landes, Montagne	<i>Saint-Émilion</i>	£46.00
356	2018 Château Cissac, Cru Bourgeois	<i>Haut-Médoc</i>	£56.00
352	2018 Château du Gravillon	<i>Saint-Émilion</i>	£57.00
364	2009 Château Puy Guilhem	<i>Fronsac</i>	£65.00
353	2002 Château Brown, Pessac-Léognan	<i>Graves</i>	£70.00

Rhone Valley

The Rhône valley takes its name from the Rhône river which flows through this region. The main grapes varieties grown in the Rhône valley are Syrah in the north and Grenache in the south to produce its famous full bodied spicy rich wines.

520	2021 Côtes du Rhône, Domaine de la Solitude		£45.00
522	2021 Crozes Hermitage 'Inspiration', Domaine la Ville Rouge		£67.00
467	2022 Châteauneuf du Pape, Les Vallons de le Solitude		£88.00

Languedoc

513	2021 Château de Campuget 'Le Campuget', Syrah, Viognier		£31.00
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Alsace

466	2021 Dopff Au Moulin, Pinot Noir, 'Rouge des 2 Cerfs'		£56.00
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Spain

Talking say of Spanish red, people will immediately think of Rioja, but they do produce red wine in other parts of Spain as well. The main grape Variety is the Tempranillo.

543	2020 Tempranillo 'Mesta', Organic, Uclés	Central Castile	£32.00
540	2020 Dominio de Fontana, Tempranillo & Syrah, Roble, Uclés	Central Castile	£31.00
545	2019 Ondarre, Reserva	Rioja	£44.00
546	2018 Ondarre, Grand Reserva	Rioja	£52.00

Portugal

Before going on a winery tour with the "Douro Boys" I had not tried any Portuguese wines apart from port and I ashamed to say Mateus Rosé. The Visit opened by eyes and palate to some great wines. So please try some for yourself.

561	2020 Quinta do Crasto, Crasto	Douro	£45.00
564	2018 Quinta do Crasto, Superior	Douro	£61.00
565	2020 Quinta do Crasto, Superior, Syrah	Douro	£77.00
560	2015 Quinta do Crasto, Tinta Roriz	Douro	£105.00

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California

Californian red wine conjures up in peoples mind Napa Valley, but California is far more than just Napa Valley with its full bodied wines, for example you have Sonoma with its cooler climate which produces some outstanding Pinot Noirs.

587	2021 Cypress Vineyards, Cabernet Sauvignon	Central Coast	£31.00
583	2022 J. Lohr, Wildflower, Valdigue	Monterey County	£35.00
585	2019 J. Lohr, Southern Ridge, Syrah	Paso Robles	£39.00
572	2018 J. Lohr, Merlot, Los Osos	Paso Robles	£38.00
574	2019 Michael David, Old Vine Zinfandel	Lodi	£40.00
591	2021 Michael David, Petite Petit <i>Blend of 85% Petite Sirah and 15% Petit Verdot</i>	Lodi	£48.00
586	2022 J. Lohr, Falcon's Perch, Pinot Noir		£44.00
592	2019 J. Lohr, Seven Oaks, Cabernet Sauvignon	Paso Robles	£45.00
573	2020 Louis M Martini, Cabernet Sauvignon	Sonoma County	£51.00
594	2017 Louis M Martini, Cabernet Sauvignon	Alexander Valley	£67.00
722	2007 Tor Rock, Grenache, Hommage Allan	Sonoma County	£72.00
577	2020 Melville Estate, Pinot Noir, Sta Rita Hills	Santa Barbara County	£77.00
593	2020 Michael David, Inkblot, Cabernet Franc	Lodi	£78.00
596	2006 Pax, Syrah, Sonoma Hillside	Russian River	£79.00
570	2015 Honig, Cabernet Sauvignon	Napa Valley	£80.00
580	2018 Louis M Martini, Cabernet Sauvignon	Napa Valley	£82.00
595	2019 Michael David, Inkblot, Petit Verdot	Lodi	£82.00
597	2020 Michael David, Inkblot, Petite Sirah	Lodi	£82.00
579	2016 Donelan, Moriah, Rhone Blend	Sonoma County	£110.00
606	2008 Worlds End, Wavelength, Syrah, Cabernet Franc	Napa Valley	£115.00
600	2014 Donelan, Two Brothers, Pinot Noir	Sonoma County	£115.00
603	2018 Louis M Martini, Zinfandel	Monte Rosso	£120.00
604	2012 Morlet Family Vineyards, Côteaux Nobles, Pinot Noir	Sonoma Coast	£120.00
602	2005 Notre Vin, Cabernet Sauvignon, Cuvée L'Étrier	Napa Valley	£120.00
608	2013 Grieve Family Winery, Double Eagle, Bordeaux Blend	Napa Valley	£129.00
589	2020 Jayson, Pahlmeyer, Blend <i>Blend of Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Cabernet Franc & Malbec</i>	Napa Valley	£132.00
605	2006 Notre Vin, Cabernet Sauvignon, Howel Moutain	Napa Valley	£140.00
609	2020 Jayson, Pahlmeyer, Cabernet Sauvignon	Napa Valley	£170.00
611	2005 Arietta, H Block, Cabernet Franc, Merlot, Hudson Vineyards	Napa Valley	£200.00
614	2011 Morlet Family Vineyards, Coeur de Vallée, Cabernet Sauvignon	Napa Valley	£250.00

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New York

New York State's wine production began in the 17th century with Dutch and Huguenot plantings in the Hudson Valley region. Commercial production did not begin until the 19th century.

615	2020 Hosmer Estate Winery, Lemberger, Cayuga Lake	Finger Lakes	£48.00
617	2021 Hosmer Estate Winery, Cabernet Franc, Cayuga Lake	Finger Lakes	£53.00

Washington

Washington ranks second in the United States (behind California) in the production of wine. The first people who were definitely known to produce wine were German and Italian immigrants who planted their wine grapes in Washington during the 1860s and 1870s

620	2018 Seven Hills Winery, Cabernet Sauvignon	Walla Walla Valley	£59.00
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Oregon

Oregon is best known for its production of Pinot Noir, but as you can see from below they do produce a small amount of other wines.

576	2014 Alexana, GSM Grand Rouge, Rhone Red Blend	Columbia Valley	£49.00
578	2021 Alexana, Terroir Series, Pinot Noir	Willamette Valley	£65.00

California ~ Half Bottles

925	2019 J. Lohr, Merlot, Los Osos	Paso Robles	£22.00
927	2019 J. Lohr, Seven Oaks, Cabernet Sauvignon	Paso Robles	£24.00
929	2019 J. Lohr, Hilltop, Cabernet Sauvignon	Paso Robles	£36.00

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Italy

As the same with the white Italian, the reds of Italy are produced all over Italy. So there is a wide range of styles from the lighter Sangiovese to the rich Brunello. The Italian wine industry seems to change on a regular basis, so if you can't keep up, don't worry you are not the only one! Just enjoy the wine and leave the rest to others.

629	2021 Chianti Riserva DOCG, Castellani	Tuscany	£46.00
631	2021 Nero d'Avola, 'Kore', Colomba Bianca	Sicily	£43.00
628	2020 Michele Chiarlo 'Palás', Barbera d'Asti	Piedmont	£47.00

South Africa

The wines of South Africa are nearly all from the Cape area. Most quality wines are produced in the Coastal and Breede River Valley wine regions.

651	2021 Swartland Winery, Bush Vine, Syrah	Swartland	£40.00
650	2019 Olifansberg, Pinotage	Breedekloof	£55.00
738	2008 Iona, One Man Band <i>Blend of Syrah, Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Petit Verdot, Mourvedre & Viognier</i>	Elgin	£68.00
655	2018 Groot Constantia, Governors Reserve <i>Blend of Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Cabernet Franc & Petit Verdot</i>	Constantia	£90.00
653	2020 Lismore Estate Vineyards, Pinot Noir	Cape South Coast	£91.00
656	2020 Lismore Estate Vineyards, Syrah	Cape South Coast	£92.00

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Australia

When you think Australian red wine, most will think Shiraz. As you can see by our selection it does play a big part in the wine making, but by no means is the sole grape variety used. The red wines of Australia I have chosen are big, full of fruit but at the same time have a well balanced structure.

657	2018 The Stump Jump GSM, d'Arenberg <i>Blend of Grenache, Shiraz & Mourvedre ~ GSM</i>	South Australia	£42.00
658	2019 Larry Cherubino 'Pedestal', Cabernet Sauvignon	Margaret River	£60.00
659	2017 The Galvo Garage, Cabernet Blend, d'Arenberg <i>Blend of Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Petit Verdot & Cabernet Franc</i>	South Australia	£65.00
661	2020 Fowels Wines, Ladies Who Shoot Their Lunch, Shiraz	Victoria	£79.00
663	2019 Larry Cherubino 'Cherubino', Cabernet Sauvignon	Margaret River	£123.00

New Zealand

When you ask most people about New Zealand wine they would talk about just one grape variety, that being Sauvignon Blanc. It is true New Zealand is most recognised for this grape, it is not the only one they grow. Pinot Noir being one of the many others.

671	2020 Saint Clair, Merlot	Hawkes Bay	£47.00
673	2021 Rockburn, Pinot Noir, 'Devil's Staircase'	Central Otago	£62.00

Chile

Chile has a long history of wine making using of all the classic grapes varieties. Until recently a lot of what they thought was Merlot was actually Carmenère, a scarcely planted variety of Bordeaux. Chile as I said before has never been effected by phylloxera.

618	2022 Tierra Antica, Merlot	Limari Valley	£30.00
683	2022 Viña Edmara, Pinot Noir	Central Valley	£35.00
685	2019 Viña Perez Cruz 'Limited Edition', Syrah	Maipo Andes	£56.00

Argentina

As you can see by our selection the classic grape varieties are grown, but I would say that the Malbec plays a big role in the wine production of Argentina. As with the whites, the vines are planted at a altitude to take advantage of the cooler temperatures.

706	2022 Andeluna, "Raices", Malbec	Uco Valley	£38.00
705	2020 Piattelli Vineyards, Malbec, Grand Cru	Mendoza	£59.00
708	2019 Corazon del Sol, Block 13 Granache	Uco Valley	£58.00
707	2017 Corazon del Sol, Magma, Bordeaux Blend <i>Blend of Malbec, Cabernet Franc, Merlot & Cabernet Franc</i>	Uco Valley	£62.00
709	2015 Corazon del Sol, Luminoso, Mourvedre, Syrah, Grenache	Uco Valley	£66.00
712	2017 Corazon del Sol, Malbec, Gran Reserva, Revana Vineyard	Uco Valley	£105.00
714	2015 Corazon del Sol, Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc	Uco Valley	£105.00

// HALF BOTTLES ~ WHITE //

If you wish to have a bit more than a glass, but not a full bottle you can.

Alsace

846	2010 Gewürztraminer, F. E. Trimbach	£28.00
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From wine what sudden friendship springs!

John Gay

// HALF BOTTLES ~ RED //

If you wish to have a bit more than a glass, but not a full bottle you can.

California

923	2004 Peter Michael Winery, Les Pavots, Cabernet Sauvignon, Knights Valley	£121.00
925	2019 J. Lohr, Merlot, Los Osos, Paso Robles	£22.00
927	2019 J. Lohr, Seven Oaks, Cabernet Sauvignon, Paso Robles	£24.00
929	2019 J. Lohr, Hilltop, Cabernet Sauvignon, Paso Robles	£36.00

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// PORTS //

What ends that perfect meal more than a glass of port to go with cheese.

Port

950	2017 Quinta do Crasto, Late Bottle Vintage, Portugal	100ml	£9.00	£65.00
	<i>This late bottled Vintage shows brooding black cherry fruit with a huge cedary core. A simple wine with a fine dark colour, ripe and mouth filling and rounded off by sweet finish.</i>			
951	10yrs Taylors, Tawny, Portugal	100ml	£13.50	£98.00
	<i>Mellow and elegant, combining delicate wood notes with rich aromas of mature fruit. If you you looking for a lighter style port to go with your cheese, this is the one for you.</i>			
952	2015 Quinta do Crasto, Vintage, Portugal			£94.00
	<i>Aromas of very ripe and fresh red forest fruits, wild berries, figs and blueberry. A very elegant palate with very round and intense tannins that lead to a firm structure. Finishes very elegant with a aromatic explosion of wild berries fruit. The result is a complex, persistent and fresh wine.</i>			

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// DESSERT WINE //

At the end of a meal there is no better way to end it with a glass of dessert wine. A lot of you may have tried one before and not liked it and now don't drink any, thinking that all dessert wines taste the same, which is not the case at all. To help you choose the right one for you I have written a brief description about the wine.

France

		Glass		Bottle
957	2012 Château du Juge, Cadillac, Bordeaux	£10.50	Half	£38.00
	<i>Shows great versatility with concentrated apricot, honeycomb and floral aromas, a palate oozing with peaches and honey with refreshing acidity. A good all round dessert wine that's great value for the money and almost identical in style to its neighbours in Sauternes and Barsac.</i>			

Italy

				Bottle
972	N.V. Brachetto D'Acqui, Molina, DOCG, Brachetto, Malgra, Piedmont			£30.00
	<i>A beautiful sweet aromatic and slightly sparkling red wine that is low in alcohol. A unique wine that is elegant and very well balanced. Peaches and strawberries. Perfect to drink at any time on its own or with food. Ladies love it!</i>			
975	N.V. Brachetto, Vino Spumante dolce, Malgra, Piedmont			£30.00
	<i>A lovely sweet, aromatic sparkling red wine with 6% alcohol. Ripe peaches and strawberries with a refreshing finish. Try as an aperitif or with many different desserts, such as light chocolate and fruit cake.</i>			
976	2015 Recioto Della Valpolicella, Bertani, Valpantena, Veneto		500ml	£36.00
	<i>Classical notes of plum, cherry and raspberries. Accompanied by spices, vanilla, hay and cocoa. In the mouth it's intense, full, ripe and smooth with a nice balance between sweetness and acidity.</i>			

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// DESSERT WINE //

California

			Glass		Bottle
992	2021	Andrew Quady, Essensia Orange Muscat, Madera	£11.50	Half	£42.00

Quady's Essensia is lightly fortified to 15% alcohol and aged in barrel for about 3 months. This wine's balanced acidity and orange aroma provides more of a fresh fruit feel rather than the traditional sticky dessert wine many are accustomed to. This wine goes particularly well with desserts containing almonds, peaches, apples or apricots.

			Glass		
993	2022	Andrew Quady, Elysium Black Muscat, Madera	£10.65	Half	£39.00

This dessert wine's fermentation was arrested with neutral grape brandy. This arrested fermentation preserves the delicate aroma of fresh, ripe grapes. Also giving a rich berry flavour and a crystalline aroma of rose petals and lychees. This goes really well with desserts made from red fruits and made from dark chocolate. Again this dessert wine is clean and fresh, so if you don't usually have dessert wine, please give this one a try. I call it 'Grown Up's Riberina'

New Zealand

998	2009	Saint Clair, Awatere Valley Reserve, Noble Riesling, Marlborough		Half	£41.00
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A delicate and clean wine that shows luscious pear and stone fruit with a hint of beeswax and a long lingering honey and lemon zest finish.

Chile

997	2017	Echeverria, Late Harvest, Sauvignon Blanc, Curico Valley	£9.10	Half	£33.00
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Complex nose with clear overtones of mature peaches, apricots and honey, with a delicate background of botrytis. Marked notes of quince jam and creamy honeyed flavours are enlivened by a good level of acidity. Rich, intense and full bodied, with a long and elegant finish where fruits and botrytis express their identity in full harmony.

Thailand

990	2018	Monsoon Valley, Late Harvest, Chenin Blanc, Hua Hin Hills	£8.80	Half	£32.00
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A delicate dessert wine, with flavours of green apples, melon and white peach combined with good acidity. This combination leads to a fresh clean finish.

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Bin Ends

A wine list is always changing with new vintages and new wines. So we are often left with just one or two bottles of a particular wine.

That being the case I have created a part of the list with those wines, which have been reduced in price. Giving you an opportunity to maybe have a wine you would not normally have.

Please be aware that there will not be large quantities of these wines, so the wine could possibly be out of stock at short notice.

If you acquire larger amounts, please see the full list. Also you can ask a member of staff, who will be more than happy to help.

Chris Neeves - Sommelier

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Bin Ends
// WHITE //

USA

111 2016 Columbia Winery, Chardonnay, Columbia Valley, Wasington State £30.00

France

153 2020 Leduc, Viognier, Pays D'OC, Languedoc £20.00
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Australia

331 2015 Opal Ridge, Gewürztraminer, Verdelho, South East £24.00

333 2016 Fox Gordon, Princess, Fiano, Adelaide Hills £40.00

// RED WINE //

Macedonia

710 2018 Tikveš, Kratosija £25.00

Chile

684 2021 Echeverria, Grand Reserva, Pinot Noir, Valle de Casablanca £35.00

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