

WINE LIST



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AT DUNLUCE LODGE



POURING WINES

		CHAMPAGNE / SPARKLING		
		Glass	Bottle	Bottle
1-2	BOLLINGER SPECIAL CUVÉE N.V. <i>Champagne, France</i>	125ml £18.50	375ml £60	750ml £110
	On the nose this has beautiful aromatic complexity, ripe fruit and spicy aromas, hints of roasted apples, apple compote and peaches.			
15	DELLA VITE PROSECCO SUPERIORE DOCG N.V. <i>Veneto, Italy</i>		£9.50	£55
	Rich and extra-dry with a highly mineral palate that lingers, this Prosecco Superiore DOCG is characterised by hints of crostini and chamomile. (V)			
		WHITE		
		175ml	250ml	Bottle
21	DOMAINE JEAN-MARC BROCARD 'ST. CLAIRE' CHABLIS 2022 <i>Burgundy, France</i>	£16.50	£22	£64
	One of the leading producers in the region, producing a first class example of true Chablis. Notes of lemon and white peach on the nose lead onto a palate that is clean and rounded, dry and expressive. (V)			
51	PEKADO MORTAL ALBARIÑO 2022 <i>Rías Baixas, Spain</i>	£13.50	£18	£52
	This Albariño, true to its varietal character, combines freshness and complexity thanks to an ageing process on the lees. A wine with a lot of personality that will accompany your appetiser to lead you to a meal full of experiences. (V)			
60	DEMARIE ROERO ARNEIS DOCG 2023 <i>Piedmont, Italy</i>	£11	£14.50	£42
	Full-bodied, robust and intense, composite and delicate. Floral as well as fruity nuances of camomile, peach and apricot. Fresh and persistent with a slightly almond aftertaste. (V)			
66	PETH WETZ UNFILTERED RIESLING 2022 <i>Rheinhessen, Germany</i>	£12	£15.50	£45
	On the nose, it exudes an enticing medley of fruit aromas, including green apple, peach, and citrus. The palate is lively, rich, and textured, offering flavours of ripe stone fruit, tangy lime, and a hint of minerality. (V)			
81	GREYWACKE SAUVIGNON BLANC 2023 <i>Marlborough, New Zealand</i>	£16.50	£22	£65
	Classic passionfruit aromas are the first to emerge, followed by a little white peach and crisp pear. The palate is generous yet refreshing, layered with elderflower and hints of citrus blossom. Beautiful!			
86	PROTEA CHENIN BLANC 2024 <i>Western Cape, South Africa</i>	£10	£13	£38
	Ripeness of rich fruits – nectarine, apricot and Golden Delicious apple – is tempered by a bright tang of citrus peel and fresh acidity. Rounded and full with good body and length.			

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ROSÉ

		175ml	250ml	Bottle
90	TORMARESCA CALAFURIA ROSÉ <i>Salento, Italy</i>	£15.50	£20.50	£60
	Peach petal pink in colour, this wine shows intense yet delicate fragrances of strawberry, pink grapefruit, peaches and violets. The flavour is fresh and balanced with savoury notes and excellent aromatic persistence.			

RED

		175ml	250ml	Bottle
100	CHÂTEAU LA FLEUR PENIN ST ÉMILION GRAND CRU 2021 <i>St Émilion France</i>	£16.50	£22	£65
	The nose is fruity, racy and offers a fine complexity. On the palate this wine expresses notes of cassis, juicy blackberry and touches of raspberry. Good length and persistence.			
173	ALPHA ZETA VALPOLICELLA CLASSICO SUPERIORE RIPASSO DOC 2021 <i>Veneto, Italy</i>	£13	£17	£50
	Deep ruby red in colour, the nose is of cherries, plums, liquorice, pepper and cinnamon. The palate is dry and full with good fruit and well balanced with soft tannins. A powerful but elegant wine.			
190	1890 FINCA MANZANOS RESERVA 2018 <i>Rioja, Spain</i>	£11	£14.50	£42
	Clear, bright cherry-red colour with sparkles of ruby. Aromas of vanilla and sweet almonds with hints of leather in fine combination with the wood. The attack is generous and pleasant with intense spicy nuances.			
210	NORTON ALTURA MALBEC 2019 <i>Mendoza, Argentina</i>	£15.50	£20.50	£60
	The Altura Malbec displays a remarkable intensity of fruit, combining flavours of damsons and mulberries, offset by complex mineral and earthy notes. Aged in second use French oak barrels, the wine is rounded with soft, velvety tannins.			
221	SOUMAH OF THE YARRA 'HEXHAM' PINOT NOIR 2021 <i>Yarra Valley, Australia</i>	£19	£25.50	£75
	An enticing autumnal aroma lures you in, followed up by savoury cherry and wild plums. These remain soft and supple on the palate, along with sweet baking spices and more creamy red fruit, backed by grippy fruit tannins.			
230	ANTHONIJ RUPERT OPTIMA 2020 <i>Franschhoek Valley, South Africa</i>	£13	£17	£50
	Opulent but genteel and tempting, violet-tinged with soft black fruit abundant on the nose. The palate is all about texture: silky, velvety, smooth and simultaneously plush. Ripe plums, hedgerow fruit, cocoa, cedar and spice, cigar box flavours makes for an enveloping mouthful. Lingering and harmonious with not a single element out of place.			

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SWEET

		70ml	Bottle
240	LA FLEUR D'OR SAUTERNES 2019 (375ml) <i>Bordeaux, France</i>	£8	£36
	Lovely honeyed grapefruit with some gentle candied lemon on the nose. Very intense on the palate with some good natural fruit sweetness and vibrant acidity.		
241	OLIVER ZETER 'SWEETHEART' SAUVIGNON BLANC 2022 (500ml) <i>Pfalz, Germany</i>	£8	£50
	Perfect balance of sweetness, aromas of pink grapefruit, orange blossom; matched with the acidity from the grapes.		

PORT

		70ml	Bottle
250	CHURCHILLS LATE BOTTLED VINTAGE PORT 2018 (750ml) <i>Douro Valley, Portugal</i>	£7	£68
	On the nose expect exuberant aromas of fresh herbs and blackberries. On the palate it shows layers of flavours of black fruits and dark chocolate, with plenty of depth and serious structure.		
251	CHURCHILLS WHITE PORT 2018 (750ml) <i>Douro Valley, Portugal</i>	£8	£75
	The long ageing period gives it a balance and smoothness that is in a class of its own. Vibrant golden colour with grated nutmeg and eucalyptus on the nose. On the palate this wine is fresh and complex with a long peppery finish.		
253	CHURCHILLS 20YR TAWNY PORT (750ml) <i>Douro Valley, Portugal</i>	£11	£105
	Pale red tawny in colour it has a delicate nose of almonds and red Morello cherries. Savoury and rich on the palate.		
256	CHURCHILLS VINTAGE PORT 1997 (750ml) <i>Douro Valley, Portugal</i>	£17	£165
	With more than two decades under its belt, Churchill's 1997 is a classic fresh and evolving Vintage Port. Decant before serving and you'll discover a blackberry, cranberry, blueberry and red apple. Followed by smoke, fresh herbs and what Churchill's call a "steel girder" – strong tannins that demonstrate that this Port is in for the long haul.		

CHAMPAGNE

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1-4 BOLLINGER SPECIAL CUVÉE N.V.	375ml	£60
On the nose this has beautiful aromatic complexity, ripe fruit and spicy aromas, hints of roasted apples, apple compote and peaches. The palate a subtle combination of structure, length and vivacity; bubbles like velvet; pear, brioche and notes of fresh walnut.	750ml	£110
	Magnum	£230
	Jeroboam	£460

VINTAGE CHAMPAGNE

5 AYALA BLANC DE BLANCS 2018		£160
Ayala Blanc de Blancs 2018 is produced in very small quantities and only in exceptional years. This wine is aged on the lees in Ayala's cellars for 6 years before disgorgement and during this time, develops incredibly complex and intense characters on both the nose and palate. Aromatic and pure, this is the perfect Champagne to enjoy both as an aperitif or with a variety of delicious dishes.		
6 BOLLINGER LA GRANDE ANNEÉ 2015		£325
Initial scents are full of small stone fruits, with notes of Pomme Gris, plum and Mirabelle plum, layered with a touch of honey. Aromas of blackberry, blackcurrant, cherry, and raspberry follow; a medley of red fruits dances with notes of almond. Exotic touches of mango follow, dissolving into tertiary scents of vanilla and a delicate woody aroma. On the palate the wine is plump, generous and enticing. Texture and richness define the tasting experience. The finish blends notes of chocolate and citrus fruits, bringing a touch of acidity, lengthened further by hints of schist. A hugely generous wine!		
7 BOLLINGER R.D. 2008		£480
Enticing aromas of marzipan, stewed apricots, honey and breadcrumbs accompany fresh notes of bergamot. A rich, precise mousse. Citrus notes are followed by flavours of Mirabelle plums and vine peaches. A very vivacious wine which unfolds to reveal exceptional complexity. Notes of fresh hazelnuts and salinity combine to create an intense, everlasting finish.		
8 DOM PÉRIGNON 2013		£420
A cacophony of scents: smoke, spices, saffron, sweet yellow pepper, mustard seed and rainwater. Very impressive that it should be so vibrant at such a young age. The palate is creamy and dense, yet fresh and precise, with a composed, smooth mousse. The finish is majestic, with earthy, Meursault-like flavours, mineral and charcoal. This is stunning.		
9 POL ROGER SIR WINSTON CHURCHILL 2015		£480
The nose opens with notes of spices and pepper. A good intensity of black fruit follows, showing the fine concentration and density of the wine. The complexity is obvious: a bouquet of dried fruit and hazelnut overlaid with notes of exotic fruits. On the palate, candied fruit notes accompany hints of pastries, brioche and cocoa, broad and mouth-filling. Full bodied and generous, the wine culminates with terrific length.		

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| 10 | LOUIS ROEDERER CRISTAL 2006 | £500 |
| | <p>From the warm 2006 vintage, this has a rich bouquet with hints of zesty fruit, lilies and light toasted hazelnuts. As it develops in the glass the fruit aromas become more intense and complex. The palate confirms the delicate fruit with a deep, ripe flavour and silky texture, finishing crisply with a pure, mineral balance. As a young wine this is already deliciously balanced and charming, and promises to be a magnificent Champagne in full maturity.</p> | |

ROSÉ CHAMPAGNE

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| 11-12 | BOLLINGER SPECIAL CUVÉE ROSÉ N.V. | 750ml | £130 |
| | <p>This highly polished rosé combines notes of plum, patisserie, cinnamon and spice. With structure and weight and harmony of vibrant flavours right across the palate.</p> | | Magnum |
| | | | £260 |
| 13 | LAURENT-PERRIER CUVÉE ROSÉ N.V. | | £150 |
| | <p>Precise and very crisp with a lasting impression of freshness and hints of soft red fruits. Intensely fruity flavours, it has a long length and is rounded and supple on the finish.</p> | | |

SPARKLING

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| 14 | LANGLOIS CHATEAU CREMANT DE LOIRE N.V.
<i>Loire, France</i> | £55 |
| | <p>Here Chenin Blanc, a mainstay variety of the Loire Valley, is the dominant variety used in the blend along with about 20% each of Chardonnay and Cabernet Franc. It has a delicate mousse and a complex nose mixing different fruits such as quince, peach and grapefruit which lead to a lovely honeyed palate and a fresh and delicate finish. (V)</p> | |
| 15 | DELLA VITE PROSECCO SUPERIORE DOCG N.V.
<i>Veneto, Italy</i> | £55 |
| | <p>Rich and extra-dry with a highly mineral palate that lingers, this Prosecco Superiore DOCG is characterised by hints of crostini and chamomile. (V)</p> | |
| 16 | HENNER'S VINTAGE 2018
<i>East Sussex, England</i> | £90 |
| | <p>A concentrated nose with frangipane, green apple and pear with subtle bready characteristics. The palate is zesty with crisp apple and lime fruit with a fine and persistent mousse. The finish is long and very elegant with beautifully poised acidity. An elegant aperitif wine - or fantastic accompaniment to celebrations. (V)</p> | |

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FRANCE - BURGUNDY

- 20 GENETIE 'ILLUMINE' BOURGOGNE CHARDONNAY 2023** £55
Mâconnais
- Floral and stone fruit on the nose, followed by some creamy textural notes on the palate reveal the discreet presence of oak, whilst on the finish there is some underlying minerality and a hint of citrus zestiness. (V)
- 21 DOMAINE JEAN-MARC BROCARD 'ST. CLAIRE' CHABLIS 2022** £64
Chablis
- One of the leading producers in the region, producing a first class example of true Chablis. Notes of lemon and white peach on the nose lead onto a palate that is clean and rounded, dry and expressive. (V)
- 22 DOMAINE DES DEUX ROCHES POUILLY-FUISSÉ 1ER CRU 2022** £78
Mâconnais
- Featuring aromas of white-flesh fruits, toasted bread, honey, and hints of vanilla. With a round, rich and unctuous mouthfeel, the wine is balanced by a nice acidity, and a fresh, persistent finish with the flavour of hazelnut. (V)
- 23 DOMAINE GÉNOT BOULANGER 'CLOS DU CROMIN' MEURSAULT 2021** £165
Côtes du Beaune
- An engaging salty, savoury quality on the nose. This is concentrated at its core with fleshy lemon notes and enough salt and acidity to keep it tonic. Energising Meursault. Saline and full of white fruit and citrus pulp. There's plenty of plump fruit, but its firm core keeps it feeling focussed. A vineyard that works particularly well in warm, dry vintages because of the clay content in the soil, and then after about 40cm you hit the mother rock, adding a balancing sense of complexity to the naturally full, open-knit fruit that characterises this wine.
- 24 DOMAINE BURGEOT PULIGNY MONTRACHET 'LES MEIX' 2021** £190
Côtes du Beaune
- An elegant wine which stands out for its finesse and freshness. On the nose it offers aromas of white-fleshed fruit such as apple and pear, enriched by floral and citrus notes, with nuances of hazelnut and vanilla. On the palate it is balanced and silky, with a lively acidity that provides freshness, and a long mineral persistence that reflects the character of the terroir.
- 26 DAVID MORET MEURSAULT-PERRIÈRES 1ER CRU 2021** £340
Côtes du Beaune
- A pale golden colour, accompanied by a rich and complex aroma of white flowers, mineral, and citrus fruits. On the palate, the wine is full-bodied, with a perfect balance of acidity and fruitiness, and a long, satisfying finish. This wine is a true masterpiece of French winemaking, showcasing the exceptional quality and taste of Burgundy wines.

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FRANCE - LOIRE

30 DOMAINE ROBLIN SANCERRE TERRES BLANCHES 2022 £65

Vibrant aromas of green apple and citrus. The palate is complex with ripe citrus and grapefruit notes and an appealing stony edge to the long finish. The grapes were picked early to maintain their freshness. (V)

31 DOMAINE BOUCHIÉ-CHATELLIER POUILLY-FUMÉ PREMIER MILLÉSIME 2021 £75

A top drawer Pouilly-Fumé, elegant and full-flavoured! The top cuvée from Bouchié-Chatellier sourced from selected grapes grown on an outcrop of silex soil. Ripe, herbaceous aromas, nettle and dill, balanced by concentrated green fruit and crisp citrus acidity and some richness and structure afforded by extended skin contact.

FRANCE - BORDEAUX

36 CHÂTEAU PENIN CABANES BORDEAUX BLANC 2022 £42

A blend of Sauvignon Blanc 60% Sauvignon Gris & 20% Sémillon 20%. The wines are kept for 6 months on their fine lees. The regular stirring of the lees gives the wine more overall structure and fatness. During ageing, the aroma becomes more jammy, with notes of dry fruits such as: apricot, fig and mandarin. Toasted notes are brought by the oak barrels. Even after some years it will keep its charm and richness. (V)

37 CHÂTEAU LAMOTHE-BOUSCAT BLANC 2020 £83
Pessac-Léognan

Bright yellow in colour. On the nose, there are aromas of ripe candied grapefruit, orange zest, ripe apricots and peach with undertones of vanilla. The oak is subtle and well-integrated, giving the wine good body and texture. This is complemented by fresh fruit and floral notes, which carry on to a long, mineral finish.

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FRANCE - RHÔNE

- 40 BOUTINOT 'ARGILLES BLANCHES' CARIANNE BLANC 2022** £55
- Fresh aromas of fruit and flower aromatics mingle with the spicy and smokey notes from the barrels. On the palate it feels plump fresh and mineral, with spicy, smokey fruit. A versatile wine that works as an aperitif, with summer salads and lighter fish and chicken dishes. Equally happy however, being paired with richer poultry and fish dishes that feature roasted fruit or fruit-based sauces. (V)
- 41 DOMAINE DU MONTEILLET CONDRIEU LES GRANDS CHAILLÉES 2022** £100
- This Condrieu from Domaine du Monteillet displays the alluring paradox that has made Viognier so compelling. Aromatically, it bursts with sun-drenched apricots and a heady whiff of honeysuckle. On the palate, an unexpected minerality arrives, like a cool river stone tucked within a peach. Rich, yes, but not at all cloying. There's a delightful tension between opulence and a fine, chiseled freshness. An echo of marzipan lingers on the finish.

FRANCE - LANGUEDOC-ROUSILLION

- 42 VILLA NORIA PICPOUL DE PINET 2023** £40
- Languedoc-Rousillon*
- There's almost a whiff of the Etang de Thau itself in this wine, a seawater-and-sunlight richness, while the palate is rich, full, penetrating, zesty and long: a worthy standard-bearer for the region. (V)

SPAIN

- 50 RIPPA DORII VERDEJO 2023** £40
- Rueda*
- Grapes are sourced from organically-cultivated Verdejo vineyards at higher altitudes across different parts of the Rueda appellation, where poor, gravelly soils and outcrops of limestone dominate. Aromas of stone fruit backed by fennel and mountain herbs. The palate is complex with ripe citrus and white peach notes, bright balancing acidity, and a broad, textured mouthfeel - long and lightly saline on the finish. (V) (Org)
- 51 PEKADO MORTAL ALBARIÑO 2022** £52
- Rias Baixas*
- This Albariño, true to its varietal character, combines freshness and complexity thanks to an ageing process on the lees. A wine with a lot of personality that will accompany your appetiser to lead you to a meal full of experiences. Enjoy fish, seafood, creamy cheeses and everything you can imagine. (V)
- 52 ATTIS NANA ALBARIÑO 2022** £80
- Rias Baixas*
- Very intense, deep and complex nose. Plenty of ripe fruits (apricot, Williams pear and vineyard peach), toasted hints of nuts and spices, mineral and savoury notes. Very dense and intense on the palate. Its power is reinforced by its magnificent acidity and its great aromatic persistence. Great personality and great potential. (V)

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PORTUGAL

- 53 VILLA NOVA ALVARINHO 2023** £40
Vinho Verde
- Bright citrus aromas with hints of mandarin. Fresh and lively on the palate with citrus characters, textural stone fruit and appealing minerality on the finish. (V)
- 54 CHURCHILL'S GRANITE BRANCO 2022** £41
Douro Valley
- It has a bright lemony-lime colour. On the nose, this estates white wine has delicate citrus and mineral aromas. Excellent finesse and balance on the palate, combining lemon notes with a hint of butterscotch from the well integrated oak. (V)

ITALY

- 60 DEMARIE ROERO ARNEIS DOCG 2023** £42
Piedmont
- Full-bodied, robust and intense, composite and delicate. Floral as well as fruity nuances of broom, chamomile, peach and apricot. On the pallet it is dry, palatable and pleasantly balanced. Fresh and persistent with a slightly almond aftertaste. (V)
- 61 RULENDIS PINOT GRIGIO SUPERIORE 2022** £60
Trentino
- Cavit's most prized Pinot Grigio is a fine, linear style, the result of a selection of their best quality low-yielding fruit from selected high altitude vineyards. A fresh, lifted nose with aromas of stone fruit and citrus and honeyed, lightly spicy notes. The palate is taut and linear with lime, citrus characters balanced by minerality, structure and length. Fine and complex on the finish with the potential to age for 5 years or more. (V)
- 62 MARCHESE ANTINORI CASTELLO DELLA SALA BRAMITO CHARDONNAY 2022** £75
Umbria
- The baby brother of the iconic Cervaro della Sala is an exceptional wine in its own right. The grapes are from younger Chardonnay vines on the estate, sitting on soils rich in fossil deposits with veins of clay that give this wine minerality and elegance. Notes of white flower blossoms and hints of chamomile dominate the nose accompanied by notes of golden apples and hints of vanilla. The palate is fresh, extremely pleasant and fully expresses Chardonnay's varietal character.

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GERMANY

- 66 PETH WETZ UNFILTERED RIESLING 2022** £45
Rheinhessen
- On the nose, it exudes an enticing medley of fruit aromas, including green apple, peach, and citrus. The palate is lively, rich, and textured, offering flavours of ripe stone fruit, tangy lime, and a hint of minerality. The wine's finish is clean and crisp, leaving a lasting impression. (V)
- 67 OLIVIER ZETER SAUVIGNON BLANC FUMÉ 2023** £64
Pfalz
- 'A very serious Sauvignon with some honeysuckle and weight but quite enough freshness. Green grassy aromas before the richness imbued by the winemaking kicks in. Very appetising. When Germany produces a really interesting, well-balanced Sauvignon, you know the wine world is truly changing and we all have to run to keep up. A hint of reduction is encouraged.' Jancis Robinson. (V)

NORTH AMERICA

- 70 DOMAINE DROUHIN 'ROSEROCK' CHARDONNAY 2020** £90
Oregon
- A confident expression of the excellent vintage. On the nose and the palate, the wine is inviting, engaging, and intriguing – in short, the kind of experience one hopes for in a wine. The aromatics range from classic white flowers to tart lemon meringue. At its core, there is texture and energy, buoyed by bright acidity and well-integrated oak.
- 71 STAG'S LEAP AVETA SAUVIGNON BLANC 2022** £110
Napa Valley
- The palate is rich, creamy, and round with notes of Meyer lemon, green apple, lime pith, cassis bud and lychee. There is a zippy, racing acidity throughout, creating a mouthwatering texture and lively backbone that carries all the way through to the lip-smacking, crisp, finish.
- 72 RADIO-COTEAU SAVOY VINEYARD CHARDONNAY 2022** £180
Anderson Valley
- Radio-Coteau's Savoy Vineyard Chardonnay is a meticulously crafted wine with an unmistakable Burgundian elegance. The grapes for this wine are sourced from the cool, rocky slopes of the Savoy Vineyard, nestled in the remote Anderson Valley of California. The wine is crafted using traditional winemaking techniques, including whole-cluster pressing, native yeast fermentation, and ageing in French oak barrels. The result is a wine that exudes complex aromas of citrus, stone fruit, and minerality, balanced by a rich, creamy texture and a bright, lively acidity. (V)

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NEW ZEALAND

- 80 FRAMINGHAM PINOT GRIS 2020** £59
Marlborough
- Fruit was selected from the Wairau Valley from the Framingham estate vineyard and the King & Dry Hills estate vineyard. This wine has mellow aromatics of pear, apple, quince, with a touch of wood smoke. On the palate, it has generous flavours of stone fruit and pastry with a balanced acidity.
- 81 GREYWACKE SAUVIGNON BLANC 2023** £65
Marlborough
- Named after the region's greywacke river stones, this is elegant, restrained and beautifully textured Sauvignon Blanc. Classic passionfruit aromas are the first to emerge, followed by a little white peach and crisp pear. The palate is generous yet refreshing, layered with elderflower and hints of citrus blossom. Beautiful!

AUSTRALIA

- 82 XANADU ESTATE CHARDONNAY 2021** £57
Margaret River
- Dr John Lagan originally from Omagh, Northern Ireland, created the winery here in 1977. Their classic Chardonnay perfectly captures the essence of the estate's unique terroir thanks to the dedication of head winemaker Glenn Goodall who believes in letting the grapes speak for themselves rather than 'beating them into submission'. Each batch is then individually aged on the lees for 9 months before the final blend is put together towards the end of the year. Bright apples, pears and vibrant citrus dominate on the nose while the palate offers a mouthwatering freshness balanced by a rich, creamy texture. (V) (Org)
- 83 SHAW & SMITH M3 CHARDONNAY 2022** £80
Adelaide Hills
- A contemporary and elegant Chardonnay from one of the Adelaide Hills' most exciting producers. White flowers, citrus, and nectarines on the nose, alongside smoky notes from perfectly integrated oak. This wine opens with intense aromas of white flowers and lemon blossom. Typically, the 'M3' shows citrus and nectarine notes. Aiming for elegance, restraint and the ability to age, the acidity is bright and there is generosity of flavour. (V)
- 84 GROSSET 'POLISH HILL' RIESLING 2023** £100
Clare Valley
- The Grosset Polish Hill Clare Valley Riesling is a wine that exemplifies the best of Australia's Riesling grape variety. The wine is made from carefully selected grapes, grown in the cool climate of the Clare Valley region, known for its unique terroir and ideal growing conditions for this grape variety. The wine has enticing aromas of crisp green apple, lemon zest, and hints of slate minerality. On the palate, the wine is fresh and vibrant with notes of lime and grapefruit that lead to a long, clean finish. (V)

WHITE

SOUTH AFRICA

- 86** **PROTEA CHENIN BLANC 2024** £38
Western Cape
- Ripeness of rich fruits – nectarine, apricot and Golden Delicious apple – is tempered by a bright tang of citrus peel and fresh acidity. Adding dimension and depth is an exciting light chalky grip and evidence of time on lees. Rounded and full with good body and length.
- 87** **CAPE OF GOOD HOPE SÉMILLON 2023** £42
Citrusdal Mountains
- Complex aromas of waxy lemon with a creamy nutty edge and subtle hint of dusty gravel track. The palate is bright, taut, lively, fresh and crisp. There is the anticipated lemon wax breadth which fleshes out the mid-palate but the zippy and vital acidity which retains focus and keeps everything poised. The finish is long with a gentle creaminess.
- 88** **ATARAXIA SAUVIGNON BLANC 2022** £60
Walker Bay
- Handcrafted from grapes grown on ancient Table Mountain sandstone soils and as such represents perfectly the unique qualities of its terroir. Seamlessly incorporating the very best that the Old and New World styles have to offer, favouring salinity, brininess and minerality ahead of pure, pungent fruit, it is a wine of substantial poise, length, and charm. (V)

RED

FRANCE - BORDEAUX RIGHT BANK

- 100 CHÂTEAU LA FLEUR PENIN ST ÉMILION GRAND CRU 2021** £65
St Émilion
- The nose is fruity, racy and offers a fine complexity. It reveals notes of wild cassis, blackberry, touches of crushed raspberry, small crushed berries, liquorice as well as very discreet hints of sweet spices and a subtle hint of pepper. On the palate this wine expresses notes of juicy cassis, juicy blackberry and touches of raspberry. Good length and persistence.
- 101 CHÂTEAU LA MADELEINE 1ER GRAND CRU CLASSÉ 2020** £160
St Émilion
- You really feel the quality of the limestone terroir. Blue and black fruit merge with flowers and graphite. There's plenty of concentration and detail on the mid-palate; waves of dark fruit, mingled with liqueur cherries and chocolate box notes, then plush tannins coated with luxuriant fruits on the lingering finish. It's so moreish, you want to drink it now. A wonderfully seductive 100% Merlot cuvée.
- 103 CHÂTEAU ANGÉLUS, 1ER GRAND CRU CLASSÉ 2008** £565
St Émilion
- 52% Merlot, 48% Cabernet Franc. Hubert de Bouard continues to drive the quality at Angelus ever upwards. The 2008 offers high toned, perfumed fruit, flowers as well as a smoky, savoury notes. The palate is very intense, very pure, with a sweet core of dark and red berry fruits. Full bodied with lovely structure. An iron fist in a velvet glove. Very impressive.
- 104 CHÂTEAU CHEVAL BLANC, 1ER GRAND CRU CLASSÉ 2014** £960
St Émilion
- Recent vintages display laser like precision. The flavours are so fine and detailed and the tannins have this wonderful velour texture. This is such an assured, confident Cheval. There is certainly a lot of substance and some glorious fruit and floral character, however, it never comes across as a fruit bomb. Plush, svelte, mineral with sumptuous mouth coating tannins, this is a very grown up and serious Cheval Blanc. 55% Merlot and 45% Cabernet Franc.
- 105 CHÂTEAU BELLEGRAVE 2011** £115
Pomerol
- Château Bellegrave Pomerol has a discreet nose with notes of delicate toast, ripe cherry, sweet spices and a touch of bitter almond. Fine, ripe and elegant tannins. Of medium persistence on the finish while retaining a nice freshness.

RED

FRANCE - BORDEAUX LEFT BANK

- 110 CHÂTEAU DEVISE D'ARDILLEY CRU BOURGEOIS 2018** £65
Haut-Médoc
- The nose is perfumed with violets and pencil graphite, with a fresh plum and berry crunch behind. The palate is textured, polished and seamless, with a velvety weight to it through the middle. It feels silky and perfectly knit together, the substance supported by vigorous acidity as well as a firm and nicely grained body of tannins.
- 111 CHÂTEAU TRONQUOY-LALANDE 2014** £120
St Estèphe
- 'This is classic St Estèphe, there is punch and depth to the black fruits, acidities are fresher than you would find in neighbour appellations such as Pauillac, with everything well held together. Cassis, blackberry, lashings of black pepper and cocoa bean spice. Open and ready to drink but still with structure and life ahead. Enjoyable, classic, a little old school but thoroughly charming with appellation character.' Jane Anson (October 2022)
- 112 CHÂTEAU BATAILLEY, 5ÈME CRU CLASSÉ 2016** £145
Pauillac
- The 2016 Batailley has an attractive, meaty bouquet with more red fruit than black, unlike many of its peers. With aeration it appears to gain more floral notes and lift. The palate is medium-bodied with fine tannins, linear and focused, offering pencil lead, cedar and light spicy notes toward the conservative, controlled finish. A mocha-tinged aftertaste emanates from the oak.
- 113 CHÂTEAU GRAND PUY LACOSTE, 5ÈME CRU CLASSÉ 2009** £235
Pauillac
- 'The 2009 Grand Puy Lacoste is one of the great vintages from this estate in the modern era. It storms from the glass with scents of blackberry, undergrowth, cedar and mint, retaining the classicism of GPL. The palate is medium-bodied with supple tannin, a fine bead of acidity. Very harmonious with a gorgeous, lithe, graphite infused finish that lingers in the mouth. Bon vin.' Neal Martin (March 2019)
- 115 CHÂTEAU PICHON LONGUEVILLE BARON, 2ÈME CRU CLASSÉ 2000** £615
Pauillac
- 'This remains powerful at 21 years old, a lovely slice of well-aged Pauillac at an excellent moment to begin drinking. Soft curls of tobacco and liquorice, tannins remain muscular but softening into an embrace of the cassis and bilberry fruit. This is extremely well balanced, the finesse of fully aged Cabernet Sauvignon. Perhaps a little more evolved than many top Pauillac's from this vintage, with hints of the heat of the summer in the fig fruit character and the soft russet edging to the plum colour, but succulent and enticing.' Jane Anson (December 2021)
- 116 CHÂTEAU LEOVILLE-BARTON 2ÈME CRU CLASSÉ 2014** £210
Saint Julien
- The 2014 Léoville Barton has a seductive and beautifully composed bouquet with ample brambly red fruit, sous-bois, and light pencil shavings scents. This has real finesse. The palate is well balanced with fine tannins, a keen line of acidity and more salinity than its peers. What feels like top-quality new oak smooths the finish but does not impose itself. This is a classy Saint-Julien from the Barton family.

RED

FRANCE - BORDEAUX LEFT BANK

- 117 CHÂTEAU DEYREM VALENTIN CRU BOURGEOIS 2020** £85
Margaux
- Dark ruby, opaque core, purple reflections, brightening on the rim. Sweet noble wood nuances including hints of vanilla, ripe black cherry under, discreet herbal spiciness in the background. Juicy red berries, fresh, ripe tannins, silky-mineral texture; open and accessible.
- 118 CHÂTEAU PALMER, 3ÈME CRU CLASSÉ 2008** £500
Margaux
- 'A stunning success for the vintage, and possibly the Margaux of the year, this wine, which achieved 13.5% natural alcohol, is a blend of 51% Merlot, 41% Cabernet Sauvignon and 8% Petit Verdot. Loads of barbecue smoke, liquorice, incense, blackberry, new saddle leather and forest floor notes jump from the glass of this dense, purple-coloured wine. Extraordinarily intense and full-bodied, with plenty of tannin. This is going to be one of the longest-lived wines of 2008. It is full, rich, layered, and should be reasonably approachable with 3-4 years of bottle age, and will also keep for 30+ years.' Robert Parker (May 2011)
- 120 CHÂTEAU SMITH HAUT LAFITTE GRAND CRU CLASSÉ 2014** £240
Pessac-Léognan
- Plush black and red berries frame the entry with black cherry, plum and mulberry flavours adding nuance. A little age has softened the tannins beautifully, they are now svelte and mellow but with just enough bite to work gracefully with an assortment of food. A hint of sous bois, damp earth and leather are starting to develop, but this is still primal and sumptuous. A lovely floral lilt provided by the Petit Verdot melds with a gentle Christmas spice character.
- 121 CHÂTEAU HAUT-BRION, 1ÈME CRU CLASSÉ 2004** £850
Pessac-Léognan
- Winemaker/administrator Jean Delmas considers this to be his best wine since 2000. Only 55% of the production - a blend of 61% Merlot, 20% Cabernet Sauvignon and 19% Cabernet Franc - has gone into the hedonistic Grand Vin. Enticing aromas of ripe, spicy plums and raisins with nuances of tobacco, minerals and vanilla entice you to take a sip. It is completely delicious, with notes of Swiss chocolate, sweet fruit, toast and cinnamon spice and fine tannins. An exceptionally pure, round and extremely polished wine.

RED

FRANCE - BURGUNDY

- 130** **DOMAINE CHANSON, MERCUREY 2022** £90
Côtes du Beaune
- Pale bright ruby colour. Fragrances of rose petal mixed with aromas of ripe strawberry and strawberry jam on a hint of vanilla. Well-balanced and complex with a dense and crunchy texture. Well-crafted tannins. Long and generous finish.
- 131** **DOMAINE CHANSON, BEAUNE TEURONS, 1ER CRU 2020** £135
Côtes du Beaune
- Beaune 1er cru Teurons du Domaine Chanson is an exceptional wine that embodies all the know-how and passion of this prestigious Burgundy house. This vintage offers a unique taste experience, combining the richness of the Beaune terroir and the expertise of Maison Chanson. On the nose, it reveals a seductive aromatic bouquet, with notes of ripe red fruits, spices, undergrowth, and leather, which evolve harmoniously over the tasting. On the palate, this wine reveals all its personality with a powerful structure, supported by firm and elegant tannins; full and generous.
- 133** **HENRI DE VILLAMONT GEVREY-CHAMBERTIN 2017** £145
Côtes du Beaune
- This is a very stylish red Burgundy made with four top parcels of Pinot Noir, blended carefully by Benjamin Leroux, a rising star in Burgundy. With a minimalistic approach to create a wine that subtly expresses the delicate and pure red fruit that Burgundian Pinot Noir is so famous for. It will age well over time and develop wonderful earthy aromas, but it's when it's in its younger years that this bright and primary fruit leaps from the glass. Stunning!
- 134** **DOMAINE HUBERT LIGNIER, LES DIDIERS, NUITS ST GEORGES, 1ER CRU 2018** £340
Côtes du Nuits
- A fragrant bouquet with vibrant red cherries and crushed strawberry fruit, very pure with touches of mandarin and truffle. The palate is well balanced with supple tannins, black and red fruit intermixed, quite briny towards the finish and moreish.
- 135** **JOSEPH DROUHIN, CLOS DU VOUGEOT, GRAND CRU 2017** £535
Côtes du Beaune
- The 2017 Clos Vougeot Grand Cru has a well-defined, quite floral bouquet of redcurrant, cranberry and light stony aromas, displaying pleasing transparency despite a very small reduction. The palate is medium-bodied with fine tannins, fleshy and nicely poised, with a finessed, detailed, precise finish. Understated, yet there is intensity here. Excellent. Tasted blind at the Burgfest 2017 tasting. Neal Martin
- 137** **DOMAINE DUJAC, CHARMES-CHAMBERTIN, GRAND CRU 2013** £1450
Côtes du Nuits
- Dujac's 2013 Charmes-Chambertin boasts serious intensity in its fruit backed up by equally imposing tannins. The flavours tend toward the darker end of the spectrum, while the overall structural feel suggests this is a Burgundy for the cellar. Overall, this is a tremendous showing from the Charmes. Dujac's Charmes is a blend of fruit from Charmes and Mazoyeres.

RED

FRANCE - BEAUJOLAIS

- 145** **DOMAINE BERNARD MÉTRAT FLEURIE, LA ROILETTE, VIEILLES VIGNES 2021** £60
Beaujolais
- From the parcel's oldest vines, this is invariably more concentrated than the standard (non-Vieilles Vignes) Roilette. There's an attractive savoury note to the nose, as well as the ethereal aromas of flowers and violets synonymous with the best wines of Fleurie. On the palate, expect fresh acidity and fine, chalky tannins. A delight.

FRANCE - RHÔNE

- 151** **JEAN LUC COLOMBO CORNAS TERRES BRÛLÈES 2019** £130
Northern Rhône
- Terres Brûlées Cornas is an elegant Syrah with notes of ripe blackcurrant and raspberry fruit, spicy hints of liquorice and coffee. Very rich with powerful yet balanced tannins and great length. (V)
- 152** **BOUTINOT 'LA CÔTE SAUVAGE' CAIRANNE 2019** £55
Southern Rhône
- A serious, opulent and complex example of cru Cairanne. This is rich, intense and drenched in dark red fruits. With morello cherry and a touch of cinnamon spice on the nose, soft dark plummy fruit, liquorice, chocolate, a hint of black tea on the palate. This wine is full flavoured and smooth with supple tannins. A rich, savoury satisfying mouthful that shows greater elegance with air. (V)
- 153** **FERRATON CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE, LE PARVIS 2019** £105
Southern Rhône
- A Grenache-dominated red wine with a small percentage of Syrah and Mourvèdre added into the final blend. Matured in a combination of oak barrels and vats for 12 to 15 months Le Parvis displays complex aromas of morello cherries and plums, with hints of roasted coffee and cinnamon. The palate displays fine, smooth tannins, fleshy fruit character with highlights of spice and leather. (V)

RED

GERMANY / AUSTRIA

- 160 PETH WETZ UNFILTERED PINOT NOIR 2022** £60
Rheinhessen, Germany

Notes of bright red cherry, blueberry, clove, black tea leaf and cinnamon are consistent from the nose to the palate where they are met by crisp acidity and round tannins. The complexity of this wine will continue to evolve over time. (V)

- 161 ZERO-G ZWEIGELT** £39
Wagram, Austria

Light in body yet intensely flavoured, this Zweigelt offers a great blend of spice and berry fruit. The cherry succulence on the palate is offset by a lick of black pepper, while the texture is gentle yet refreshing.

ITALY - PIEDMONT

- 170 DEMARIE ROERO VALMAGGIORE RISERVA DOCG 2020** £85
Piedmont

Roero is a small paradise made up of sandy dunes in yellow ochre clay tones covered with green vineyards, all of which combine to create a magical and enchanted landscape. The nose is ethereal and intense with hints of violet, raspberries and blackberries, tinged with elegant touches of spice. The palate is full-bodied, harmonious, warm and powerful. Sensations of violet and red fruits with an undertone of the pleasantly spiced fragrances of liquorice and cocoa.

- 171 PRUNOTTO BAROLO DOCG 2019** £105
Piedmont

The style is modern without being exaggerated: freshness of aroma and approachability of structure. Complex nose with notes of rose, strawberry and forest fruits. Delicately floral, perfumed yet persistent on the palate, this is Barolo at its best.

- 172 DEMARIE BAROLO RISERVA DOCG 2010** £205
Piedmont

Barolo has been defined more times the king of the wines; noble and generous known in Italy and to the foreign countries for his austerity, wealth of tastes and of aromas. This Barolo Riserva offers flavours of blackberry preserve, sweet pastry and white pepper, supported by notes of old leather, and balsamic vinegar. The wine has a velvety texture, and a long finish with notes of dried forest berries and sweet pipe tobacco. Fully mature and ready to drink.

RED

ITALY - VENETO

- 173 ALPHA ZETA VALPOLICELLA CLASSICO SUPERIORE RIPASSO DOC 2021** £50
Veneto

Deep ruby red in colour, the nose is of cherries, plums, liquorice, pepper and cinnamon. The palate is dry and full with good fruit and well balanced with soft tannins. A powerful but elegant wine.

- 174 ALPHA ZETA, AMARONE DELLA VALPOLICELLA DOCG 2020** £85
Veneto

Selected grapes were picked in mid-September and left to dry in specially ventilated rooms until the end of January. During this time the grapes lost about 40% of their natural weight, concentrating the sugars and flavours - key in producing Amarone's full-bodied, explosive style. Deep and intense with dried cherries and blueberries, complemented by spiced autumn fruit compote and savoury cherry fruit character. (V)

ITALY - TUSCANY

- 175 ANTINORI CHIANTI CLASSICO RISERVA DOCG 2021** £75
Tuscany

The nose shows notes of ripe red fruit, wild cherries and sensations of dried wild flowers along with spicy aromas of cinnamon and a pleasurable balsamic finish. The palate is balanced, savoury and vibrant with a long and persistent aftertaste which brings back the wine's ample spicy aromas and flavours.

- 177 GRATTAMACCO, BOLGHERI SUPERIORE 2018** £190
Tuscany

The 2018 Grattamacco is the most elegant, refined and satisfying wine I have ever tasted from Grattamacco. There is a level of finesse here that is simply unreal. Bright and translucent, with tons of detail, the 2018 oozes with pedigree. Lavender, spice, mint, tobacco and dried flowers add an attractive upper register. Antonio Galloni (July 2022)

- 178 TENUTA ANTINORI, TIGNANELLO 2020** £280
Tuscany

This is an elegant and extremely polished wine made with mostly Sangiovese and smaller parts Cabernet Sauvignon and Cabernet Franc. Here too, the small blending element of Cabernet Franc has been slowly increasing in recent years. The 2020 vintage was born with a good amount of power and tannic structure, and maceration times were slightly reduced as a result. This less extractive approach shapes a polished and elegant wine with plenty of bright berry fruit, cherry, dried mint, blue flower, blood orange and rusty earth. The palate is more compact and streamlined. It shows beautiful grace. Monica Lerner (June 2022)

- 179 TENUTA SAN GUIDO, SASSICAIA, BOLGHERI 2015** £540
Tuscany

This is a confident and proud red wine from Tuscany. Starting with the primary material at hand, you sense the quality of fruit thanks to the wine's beautifully dark appearance and the rich texture it offers to the palate. The bouquet is amplified both in terms of volume and length. Its playlist includes dark berry fruit, spice, leather, liquorice and roasted coffee bean. Yet, the mouthfeel is extremely graceful and silky.

RED

SPAIN

- 190 1890 FINCA MANZANOS RESERVA 2018** £42
Rioja
- Clear, bright cherry-red colour with sparkles of ruby. Aromas of vanilla and sweet almonds with hints of leather in fine combination with the wood. The attack is generous and pleasant with intense spicy nuances. Round and an intense finish.
- 191 ONTAÑÓN GRAN RESERVA 2011** £80
Rioja
- A beautifully developed Rioja with aromas of dark fruit, red cherry, spice, tobacco and mocha. The palate shows complexity and structure with layers of black fruit, spice, toasty oak and gentle resolved tannins, to give a long and elegant finish.
- 192 RODA I RESERVA 2016** £125
Rioja
- Bodegas Roda is one of Rioja's forward-thinking producers. They began just over 30 years ago and aim to show the modern face of the region. As a result, they're quickly gaining plenty of fans. They age this Reserva in French, as opposed to American, oak. This gives a much more subtle oak influence to the wine. Think well-integrated chocolate and tobacco that join hints of black fruit and plum.

RED

PORTUGAL

- 195 CHURCHILLS GRAFITE GRANDE RESERVA 2019** £68
Douro Valley

The name Grafite acknowledges the winemakers' artistic signature in these hand-crafted wines. Grafite Grande Reserva is sourced from the old vineyards on our Douro estates. A robust and complex wine with dark fruit flavours, supported by firm tannins and well-integrated wood ageing notes. This wine has a distinctive backbone with excellent ageing potential.

- 196 QUINTA COLINAS PRINCIPAL GRANDE RESERVA 2012** £225
Bairrada

Dry-farmed clay and limestone soils with high percentage of limestone are the key to this Cabernet Sauvignon, Touriga Nacional blend from Bairrada, Portugal. The nose shows dense black fruit and a hint of red bell pepper. Sweet and smooth tannins lie under jammy stewed fruit. Strong and powerful structure, oaky and dense, red and black fruits linger on the long aftertaste.

GREECE

- 197 THYMIPOULOS XINOMAVRO 2021** £50
Naoussa

Belying the pale colour, this wine packs in plenty of character, offering dark fruit, tobacco and black olive flavours alongside a bracing acidity and a bold tannic structure. Utterly compelling.

LEBANON

- 198 DOMAINE DES TOURELLES MARQUES DE BEYS SYRAH CABERNET 2018** £75
Bekaa Valley

This premium selection from Lebanon exudes style and sophistication, showcasing the remarkable potential of its terroir. Crafted with the finest Syrah and Cabernet Sauvignon grapes from selected parcels, it offers a captivatingly dark garnet hue and an enticing aroma of brambly fruits and spice. Its sumptuous flavours of blackcurrants and chocolate, along with its firm core, make it a delectably moreish experience. Fine tannins add a freshness that is difficult to resist.

- 199 CHÂTEAU MUSAR 2018** £110
Bekaa Valley

Equal parts Cabernet Sauvignon, Cinsault and Carignan were blended to craft this offering from one of the world's most historic and unique wine estates, the Lebanese cult classic of Château Musar. These three varietals were blended after having spent a year in untoasted French barrels. It is a deep, rich garnet colour with aromas of raisins, cedar, prunes and cinnamon. The 2018 is a frankly superb wine, a beautiful deep garnet in the glass and packed with rich and concentrated flavours.

RED

NORTH AMERICA

- 200** **DOMAINE DROUHIN 'LAURÈNE' PINOT NOIR 2019** £155
Oregon
- A luxurious red wine that hails from the Willamette Valley in Oregon. It is characterised by its intense and complex aromas of dark cherries, blackberry, and subtle earthy notes. On the palate, this wine is rich and full-bodied, with velvety tannins and a long and elegant finish. The wine is aged for 21 months in French oak barrels, which lends the wine additional flavours of vanilla, spice, and subtle smokiness.
- 201** **RADIO-COTEAU SAVOY VINEYARD PINOT NOIR 2020** £180
California, Anderson Valley
- "Radio-Coteau" are two conjoined words derived from the northern Rhône region of France. The colloquial meaning is "word of mouth" but the literal translation is "broadcasting from the hillside." This is a special site, organically farmed, and hand-harvested at night to maintain berry integrity. Rich and voluptuous on the palate and endowed with striking mid-palate resonance and texture. Crushed flowers, spices, red cherries and plums flesh out in an expressive, perfumed finish supported by silky, suave tannins. (V) (Org)
- 203** **BUENA VISTA CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2018** £165
California, Anderson Valley
- This Californian tippie delights with its robust complexity. The bouquet is a symphony of blackcurrant and cherry, underpinned by earthy notes and hints of spicy oak. Marvel at tastes of ripe, juicy black fruit followed by a pleasantly long finish featuring smooth tannins. Savour this full-bodied wine, with a perfectly weighty mouthfeel that is agreeably intense. Its harmonious balance pays tribute to its sun-drenched Napa Valley origins, effortlessly marrying elegance and bold flavours into an exemplary bottle of wine.
- 205** **OPUS ONE 2018** £825
California, Napa Valley
- Power and concentration from the start but with a lovely vein of cool blue fruits and an invigoratingly fresh core. Dark chocolate, coffee, blueberries and pomegranate combine to give a seductive nose and follow through on the palate with an immediate burst of juicy acidity and plush tannins. Layered and nuanced, the texture is striking, elegant and precise with juice that hits the side of the mouth supported by oak spice that gently frames the overall feeling giving balance. Abundant in a sense but also reigned in making you want another glass straight away.

RED

ARGENTINA

- 210 NORTON ALTURA MALBEC 2019** £60
Mendoza
- Named Altura (height) to reflect the unique high altitude growing conditions that allow the grapes to ripen to perfection while retaining fresh acidity. The Altura Malbec displays a remarkable intensity of fruit, combining flavours of damsons and mulberries, offset by complex mineral and earthy notes. Aged in second use French oak barrels, the wine is rounded with soft, velvety tannins and delicate spicy notes on the finish.
- 211 PULENTA ESTATE X GRAN MALBEC 2019** £110
Mendoza
- Combining both intensity and freshness with aplomb, the Gran Malbec is redolent with bright cherry fruit and floral complexity on the nose, followed by ripe plums, vanilla and toasty oak on the palate. The silky tannins unfold through the mid-palate, leading to a bold and lengthy finish.

AUSTRALIA

- 220 XANADU VINEWORKS SHIRAZ 2019** £45
Margaret River
- Deep red with purple hues. Dark boysenberry and violet floral notes spiced with hints of red confectionary/ liquorice strap and subtle toasty oak influences. A medium to full-bodied wine, offering ample depth with plenty of inky ripe forest fruits; blackberries, redcurrants, and spice. The juicy fruit and approachable tannins combine to produce a generous wine with a supple structure and a lovely persistence of flavour. (V)
- 221 SOUMAH OF THE YARRA 'HEXHAM' PINOT NOIR 2021** £75
Yarra Valley
- An enticing autumnal aroma lures you in, followed up by savoury cherry and wild plums. These remain on the soft and supple palate, along with sweet baking spices and more creamy red fruit, backed by grippy fruit tannins. Very moreish.
- 222 HENSCHKE, CYRIL HENSCHKE, EDEN VALLEY, CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2015** £195
Eden Valley
- Aged for 18 months in 20% new oak wine, has a knockout bouquet that does not hold back with its irresistible, pure black cherries, menthol, cassis and just a very slight touch of boot polish, all beautifully defined. The medium-bodied palate offers white pepper and bay-leaf-tinged red fruit, lithe tannins and a fine bead of acidity. Compared to the nose, it feels quite understated, but it delivers an engaging pepperiness toward the finish. (V)

RED

NEW ZEALAND

- 225 AKITU A1 PINOT NOIR 2020** £105
Central Otago

Plummy red fruit with a plush, silky tannins and bright but supporting acidity give vitality and energy. The uniqueness of the vineyard marks the wine with a powerful core of juicy fruit that holds things in a fine balance between richness and lightness. Savoury exit with length.

SOUTH AFRICA

- 230 ANTHONJI RUPERT OPTIMA 2020** £50
Franschhoek Valley

OPTIMA pays homage to the late Anthonij Rupert, whose dream it was to make a Cape wine which could compete with the finest in the world. A carefully selected blend of the finest Cabernet Sauvignon (36%), Cabernet Franc (32%), Merlot (30%) and Petit Verdot (2%) grapes. Opulent but genteel and tempting violet-tinged soft black fruit abundance on the nose. The palate is all about texture: silky, velvety, smooth and simultaneously plush. Ripe plums, hedgerow fruit, cocoa, cedar and spice, cigar box flavours makes for an enveloping mouthful. Complex, elegant and beautifully integrated, the oak is seamlessly balanced with the fruit. Lingering and harmonious with not a single element out of place.

- 231 ANTHONJI RUPERT BLEND 2017** £100
Franschhoek Valley

A blend of 50 % Cabernet Sauvignon, 35% Cabernet Franc, 15% Merlot. Compote of red and black berry fruit dusted with baking spice on the nose. Lovely interplay of ripe, yet lively hedgerow and dark fruit with spice, bright succulence and a deeper, earthier cocoa note. Rounded, plush and rich, the wine is elegant, polished and statuesque. Seamless integration of fruit and sympathetic oak adds to the overall impression of harmony. Focused and long with a rewarding finish.

- 232 HAMILTON RUSSELL PINOT NOIR 2022** £100
Hemel-en-Aarde

The Pinot Noir plots give Burgundian subtlety, texture and length, which is down to the identification of the shale/gravel soils on which the vines now grow. According to the experts at Wine Advocate, the team at Hamilton Russell "create the best Pinot Noir in South Africa bar none." This wine proves that.

ROSE

- 90 TORMARESCA CALAFURIA ROSÉ 2023** £60
Salento, Italy
- Calafuria is a rosé wine made from the Negroamaro grape by Tormaresca in Masseria Maime Estate, which is located in one of the most beautiful areas of Upper Salento. The wine was first released in 2008 and in just over a decade it has become the most loved rosé in Italy. Peach petal pink in colour, this wine shows intense yet delicate fragrances of strawberry, pink grapefruit, peaches and violets. The flavour is fresh and balanced with savoury notes and excellent aromatic persistence.
- 91 CHÂTEAU D'ESCLANS WHISPERING ANGEL ROSÉ 2023** £75
Côtes de Provence, France,
- One of the jewels of the region, Whispering Angel's reputation precedes it, renowned for its freshness, fruit concentration and magnificent rose-coloured hue. Every bottle will transport you to the picturesque hills of the Var in the heart of Provence, where Château d'Esclans sits. Aromas of small berries, red currants, and salt. It's medium-bodied, succulent, fresh, and playful, with a caressing texture and a vivid, saline finish.

ORANGE

- 95 HERRENHOFF SAND & LIME RESERVE PINOT GRIS 2020** £75
Styria, Austria
- 'I want craftsmanship perfection in wine, without additives, in the spirit of natural wine. As it used to be – real, but with modern understanding and without esoteric swirling; Only this is wine from Herrenhoff. Delicately orange/pink in colour, tangerine peel on the nose with light grapefruit notes on the palate. Oak is used to give the wine texture rather than imparting any toasty notes. As Gottfried says; "fine and elegant, not opulent." (V)

SWEET

- 240 LA FLEUR D'OR SAUTERNES 2019 (375ml)** £45
Bordeaux, France
- Lovely honeyed grapefruit with some gentle candied lemon on the nose. Very intense on the palate with some good natural fruit sweetness and vibrant acidity.
- 241 OLIVER ZETER 'SWEETHEART' SAUVIGNON BLANC 2022 (500ml)** £50
Pfalz, Germany
- Sweetheart is a bold sweet wine made from late harvested and very ripe Sauvignon Blanc grapes – fermented spontaneously before they were exposed to the cold January "open air". Perfect balance of sweetness, aromas of pink grapefruit, orange blossom; matched with the acidity from the grapes.

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| 250 | CHURCHILLS LATE BOTTLED VINTAGE PORT 2018 (750ml)
<i>Douro Valley, Portugal</i> | £68 |
| | Sourced from the same grade "A" vineyards that produce Churchill's Vintages, Churchill's LBV is a premium quality port that has aged in wood for 4 years. On the nose it offers exuberant aromas of fresh herbs and blackberries. On the palate it shows layers of flavours of black fruits and dark chocolate, with plenty of depth and serious structure. | |
| 251 | CHURCHILLS WHITE PORT 2018 (750ml)
<i>Douro Valley, Portugal</i> | £75 |
| | Churchill's Dry White Port is an emblematic product for Churchill's and unique in its style. The long ageing period gives it a balance and smoothness that is in a class of its own. Vibrant golden colour with grated nutmeg and eucalyptus on the nose. On the palate this wine is fresh and complex with a long peppery finish. | |
| 253 | CHURCHILLS 20YR TAWNY PORT (750ml)
<i>Douro Valley, Portugal</i> | £105 |
| | After fermentation, the wine goes through an ageing period in seasoned oak casks for an average of 20 years. The wines are then blended to the characteristic house style of Churchill's before being bottled. Pale red tawny in colour it has a delicate nose of almonds and red Moreno cherries. Savoury and rich on the palate. | |
| 256 | CHURCHILLS VINTAGE PORT 1997 (750ml)
<i>Douro Valley, Portugal</i> | £165 |
| | With more than two decades under its belt, Churchill's 1997 is a classic fresh and evolving Vintage Port. Decant before serving and you'll discover blackberry, cranberry, blueberry red apple skins, smoke fresh herbs and what Churchill's call a "steel girder" – strong tannins that demonstrate that this Port is in for the long haul. | |

ALCOHOL FREE

- 260 EDENVALE THE EXPEDITION SERIES SPARKLING CUVÉE** £20
Spain
A crisp and classic Spanish sparkling wine with fresh citrus and apricot aromas, with a refreshing tingle of acidity on the finish.
- 261 EDENVALE THE EXPEDITION SERIES VERDEJO SAUVIGNON BLANC** £20
Spain
With a light, bright colour and hints of fennel and grapefruit aromatics, the addition of Sauvignon Blanc adds richness and aromatic tropical notes.
- 262 EDENVALE THE EXPEDITION SERIES TEMPRANILLO CABERNET SAUVIGNON** £20
Spain
Cherry and vanilla aromas and notes of blackberry bramble and fig. The addition of Cabernet Sauvignon enriches the fruit flavours and adds structure to the full, rich and spicy finish.

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