



THE DRINKS LIST

Many years ago, I was a waitress here at The Felin Fach Griffin, then a chef in the kitchen team that re-opened The Gurnard's Head. Reporting to my husband. Time moves in mysterious ways?

Nonsense, time is not cryptic or even passive, time moves as straight as an arrow, at an exhilarating pace and we must all work furiously hard to keep up, or else we get left behind, which no one wants.

So, 20 years on from first working for Charles and Edmund, here I am again writing the introduction to this list. As tasks go, this is an excellent one. In tandem with cookery writing from my kitchen in Bristol, compiling this wine list involves many things I love most about food and wine and hospitality.

Wine is fascinating. And romantic, enormous and thrilling. Never ever dull. The stories we hear from the importers we use to build this list are of growers working tirelessly with single-minded vision, of wine-making dynasties, generations of (often) fathers and their revisionist children, family hubris at stake. We learn about crazy weather patterns, of how winemakers are at the forefront of responding to climate change, making vital decisions that impact their own livelihoods and the economy at large.

This wine list is fairly short and we change it often, because nothing in wine and also in life stays the same for very long. Sit back, drink up and please raise your hand if we can help you in any way.

Claire Thomson, February 2025

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From Danbury Ridge, Essex

Climate and geology have somehow coincided in the heart of Essex to create exceptional wine-making conditions. English wine at its very best.

Chardonnay 2020 Octagon Block £75

Pinot Noir 2021 £65

UP FRONT

GINS

Brecon Special Reserve (Penderyn)	4.00	Chase Pink Grapefruit & Pomelo (H'ford)	4.50
Rockfield Lemon (Hereford)	5.60	Wild Knapp (Bredwardine)	5.20
Penrhos Apple & Elderflower (Kington)	5.00	A la Madame, Il Professore (Italy)	4.80

MIXERS FROM FEVER TREE

TONIC - LIGHT TONIC - MEDITERRANEAN - AROMATIC - ELDERFLOWER

SHERRY, MADEIRA, A SNEAKY PORT AND A CRACKER OF A PORTUGUESE SWEET WINE

Fino (dry), Innocente	4.50	Madeira (med. Dry), Atlantic, Barbeito	9.00
Manzanilla (dry), Alegría	4.50	White Port, Ramos Pinto (dry)	5.70
Amontillado, (med dry), Tio Diego	6.75	Carcavelos Oeiras 7 year old	9.75

NO ALCOHOL? NO PROBLEM £7

No Alcohol Riesling, Allendorf (125ml)

Griffin Virgin Mary	<i>Tomato juice, lovage, spices, pepper, lemon</i>
Ceders Crisp	<i>Ceders Crisp, Indian tonic</i>
No-Jito	<i>Fitzpatrick's mint & cucumber, lemon, soda water, fresh mint</i>
Rhubarb & Almond Fizz	<i>Fitzpatrick's rhubarb, almond orgeat syrup, soda</i>
Ginger Switchel	<i>Mother Root Ginger Switchel, soda, lime, rosemary</i>
Coastal Spritz	<i>Pentire coastal, Indian tonic, bay</i>
Spicy Margarita	<i>Pentire adrift, lime, agave, chipotle</i>
Pina Colada	<i>Dark & stormy, pineapple, coconut milk</i>

CLASSIC COCKTAILS £12

Negroni	<i>Brecon Gin, Martini Rosso, Campari</i>
Margarita	<i>Tequila, Cointreau, lime, salt</i>
Amaretto Sour	<i>Amaretto, bourbon, lemon</i>
Griffin Bloody Mary	<i>Gattertop Vodka, lovage salt, tomato juice, the usual</i>
Woodford Old Fashioned	<i>Woodford Reserve, bitters, maple syrup</i>
Dark & Stormy	<i>Kraken spiced rum, ginger beer, lime</i>
Gattertop Royale	<i>House Fizz of the Day, Gattertop Damson No. 12</i>

BOTTLES

Farmhouse Pilsner (44cl), <i>Sobremesa</i> - 4.7%	7.50
Farmers Pale Ale (44cl, <i>Sobremesa</i> - 4.9%	7.50
Dry/Med Cider, <i>Oldfields</i> (50cl), - 4.8%	5.50
Session Pale Ale, <i>Antur Brew</i> (33cl) - 4.8%	5.50
New Alt Ale, <i>Antur Brew</i> (33cl) - 5.0%	5.50
Pixley Berries Cider, <i>Two Farmers</i> (33cl) - 3.4%	6.00

LOW-ALCOHOL

Apple & ACV Kombucha, <i>Willy's</i>	4.50
Blackcurrant & ACV Kombucha, <i>Willy's</i>	4.50
Galactic Milk Stout, (33cl) <i>Big Drop</i> (0.5%)	4.75
Unfiltered Lager, <i>Lucky Saint</i> (0.5%) (on tap)	5.50
Med-Dry Cider, <i>Two Farmers</i> (0.0%)	6.00
Alcohol Free Cider, <i>Two Farmers</i> (0.0%)	6.00



BY THE GLASS, PINK AND FIZZ

FIZZ AND PET NAT

Nb. method used: **Traditional** (as per champagne) or in **Tank**.

The Pefriog, Ancre Hill Estate, Wales	TRADITIONAL	12.0%	12.00	60.00
Alsace 2020, Soif!, <i>Les Funambules</i> (Pet. Nat.)	APPLES & GRAPES	9.0%		37.50
Cava NV, Bocchoris, Spain	TANK	11.5%		45.00
Champagne Brut Millésime 2014, Guy de Forez	TRADITIONAL	12.0%		57.50
Franciacorta Pas Dosé 2015, Majolini	TRADITIONAL	12.5%		58.50
Crémant de Bourgogne NV, Domaine Deliance, France	TRADITIONAL	12.0%		55.00
Champagne Brut NV, Billecart-Salmon	TRADITIONAL	12.0%		70.00
Champagne Rosé NV, Billecart-Salmon	TRADITIONAL	12.0%		95.00
Blanc de Noirs 2014, Wiston Estate, West Sussex	TRADITIONAL	12.5%		75.00

WHITE

125ML **750ML**

1 Viognier 2022, <i>Domaine Puech Berthier</i> , Languedoc <i>Rockstar grape, Lady Gaga of the wine world, sublime.</i>	13.5%	6.20	32.00
2 Langhe Bianco 2023, <i>Sfusobuono</i> , Italy * <i>From Piedmont & bursting with texture, grapefruit & fennel.</i>	13.5%	7.50	38.50
3 Pinot Blanc 2023, <i>La Cabane</i> , <i>Domaine Léon Boesch</i> , Alsace <i>Trailblazers for Alsace, Matthieu & Marie Boesch can't put a foot wrong.</i>	11.5%	8.75	47.50
4 Filas Branco 2023, <i>Quinta do Montalto</i> , Portugal * <i>Well done Portugal, you're absolutely nailing it with Bag-in-Box.</i>	12.0%	5.90	30.00
5 Klima 2024, <i>Karavitakis</i> , Crete <i>Vidiano? Fingers on buzzers. An ancient grape, now hugely in demand</i>	13.0%	7.40	38.50

ROSÉ & SKIN CONTACT

7 Midi Rosé 2024, <i>Christophe Muret</i> , Languedoc <i>Hello, Provence look-a-like. Cue summertime, chin-chin.</i>	13.0%	6.50	34.00
63 Vinho Palhete 2022, <i>Do Tareco</i> , Portugal	12.0%	-	49.50
64 Rosé de Xinomavro 2020, <i>Thymiopolous</i> , Greece	13.5%	-	38.00
66 Skin Contact Macération 2023, <i>Fabien Jouves</i> , SW France	12.0%	-	49.50

RED

9 Little Prince Red 2023, <i>Nikos Karavitakis</i> , Greece <i>Dark, plummy fruit, the vanguard for new wave Cretan wine.</i>	12.5%	6.95	36.00
10 Pinot Nero 2023, <i>Sfusobuono</i> , Piedmont * <i>Dangerous this: pure, juicy Pinot from the rolling hills of NW Italy.</i>	12.5%	6.95	36.00
11 Nero di Troia 2023, <i>Moraninsi</i> , Puglia * <i>I bet Garibaldi drank this; brisk, bracing and (fearsomely) authentic.</i>	13.0%	5.70	28.50
12 Lou Canoun 2023, <i>Mas Costeplane</i> , Languedoc, France <i>Bursting with morello cherry, so called 'glug-glug wine' by its maker.</i>	13.0%	6.95	36.00
13 Dão Tinto 2021, <i>Quinta do Correio</i> , Portugal <i>We've loved this Portuguese blend since the beginning of time.</i>	13.0%	7.50	40.00

Our default is to pour to an imaginary 125ml line. Do ask if you'd prefer a 175ml glass or a carafe (250ml or 375ml). * indicates our Bag in Box wines. Great value, well made wine with 21st Century packaging.



BY THE BOTTLE

WHITE

WINES WE LOVE *and long have loved*

20	Petit Chablis 2021, Domaine Pommier	Chablis	France	55.00
25	Albariño 2023, <i>Terras do Sur</i> , Pepe Gil	Galicia	Spain	52.00
27	Greco di Tufo 2023, Cantine di Marzo	Campania	Italy	42.00
29	Sauvignon Blanc 2022, <i>Eolienne</i> , Domaine Puech Berthier	Languedoc	France	36.00
30	Formigo 2022, Manuel Formigo	Ribeiro	Spain	35.00
32	Dão Branco 2022, Quinta das Maias	Dão	Portugal	38.00

WINES MAKING THE NEWS *with no fear of missing out!*

22	Grechetto 2023, <i>Fiordaliso</i> , Cantine Roccafiore	Umbria	Italy	36.50
23	Bordeaux Blanc 2022, Château du Champ des Treilles	Bordeaux	France	43.50
24	Chenin Blanc 2023, <i>Les Deux Parcelles</i> , Complices de Loire	Loire	France	39.50
33	Rioja Blanco 2022, Dominio de Carabo	Rioja	Spain	40.00
34	Muscadet 2023, <i>Mouton Noir</i> , Vincent Caillé	Loire	France	45.00
35	Chassagne Montrachet 2020, Domaine Bachey-Legros	Burgundy	France	85.00

WINES WE THINK YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT *from less familiar grapes or regions*

21	Erbaluce di Caluso 2023, Cantina della Serra	Piedmont	Italy	37.50
26	Vinho Branco 2023, <i>Vinhas Velhas</i> , Luis Pato	Bairrada	Portugal	47.50
28	Xarel-Lo 2022, <i>OT</i> , Vins el Cep	Penedès	Spain	36.50
31	Chenin/Colombard 2021, <i>die Wonderdraai</i> , Lowerland	Northern Cape	South Africa	42.50
36	Frei Gigante 2018, Co-operativa Ilha do Pico	Pico	Azores	52.00
37	Vin de Savoie 2022, <i>Abymes</i> , Domaine des 13 Lunes	Savoie	France	45.00

RED

WINES WE LOVE *and long have loved*

40	Ribeiro 2022, <i>Ollos</i> , Fazenda Augavelada	Ribeiro	Spain	54.00
42	Crozes Hermitage 2022, Laurent Habrard	Rhône	France	58.50
44	Nero di Troia 2022, <i>Motta di Lupo</i> , Paolo Petrilli	Puglia	Italy	39.50
49	Bourgeuil 2019, <i>Jour de Soif</i> , Domaine de Bel Air	Loire	France	36.00
53	Mercurey 2021, <i>Les Murgers</i> , Domaine l'Évêché	Burgundy	France	53.00
60	Valpolicella 2023, Vicentini	Veneto	Italy	42.00

WINES MAKING THE NEWS *with no fear of missing out!*

41	Côtes du Rhône 2022, Domaine des Romarins	Rhône	France	38.50
46	Margaux 2018, Château des Gravières	Bordeaux	France	75.00
50	Bierzo 2022, Viñas Viejas, José Antonio García	Bierzo	Spain	45.00
51	Nebbiolo Roero 2021, Gabriel Cordero	Piedmont	Italy	65.00
54	Beaujolais Villages 2022, Domaine de Marrans	Beaujolais	France	37.50
55	Syrah 2023, Domaine Lattard	Rhône	France	47.50

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43	Spätburgunder 2018, <i>Tröcken</i> , Kranz	Pfalz	Germany	65.00
45	Mavro Kalavrytino 2024, <i>Natur</i> , Tetramythos	Peloponnese	Greece	43.50
48	Vinho Tinto 2021, <i>Nativas</i> , Ramilo	Lisbon	Portugal	60.00
52	Piculit-Neri 2022, Emilio Bulfon	Friuli	Italy	45.00
59	Malbec 2022, <i>Les Escures</i> , Mas del Perié	Cahors	France	55.00
61	Le Jeu Rouge 2023, Julian Delrieu	Loire	France	49.50



AFTER SUPPER (OR LUNCH)

SHERRY, MADEIRA AND PORT

		70ML	BTL
Madeira (med. dry), Atlantic, Barbeito (37.5cl)	Madeira	7.50	42.50
Late Bottled Vintage (LBV), Ramos Pinto (75cl)	Douro	6.95	60.00
Amontillado, Tio Diego (75cl)	Jerez	6.75	57.50
White Port, Ramos Pinto (75cl)	Douro	5.70	50.00
Pedro Ximénez, Valdespino (75cl)	Jerez	6.25	52.00

PUDDING WINES

Alvarinho 9% Docil 2020, Soalheiro (75cl)	Minho	5.70	52.00
Nectar, Samos (50cl)	Greece	7.25	46.50
Riesling Aütlese 2019, Göttermann (50cl)	Nahe	9.75	55.00
Rasteau Vin Doux Naturel 2021, Domaine la Luminaille (50cl)	Rhône	7.50	48.00
Carcavelos Oeiras 7 year old (50cl)	Portugal	9.75	55.00

BRANDIES, WHISKIES AND RUMS

COGNAC

H by Hine VSOP	6.50
Ferrand, 10 Générations	8.50
GC 30yr, Hermitage Chez Richon	17.95

ARMAGNAC

Marquis de Montesquiou XO	12.50
Bas Armagnac, Sempé, VSOP	7.50

APPLE BRANDY

Somerset Cider Brandy 3yr	5.70
Somerset Cider Brandy 10yr	7.50
Calvados 15yr, Château de Breuil	9.50

STICKY LICKIES

Cointreau	4.00
Merlyn Welsh Cream	5.00
Drambuie	4.50
Gattertop, Damson No. 12	4.50

WHISKY

Arran 10yr (Islay)	7.80
Ardbeg 10yr (Islay)	8.00
Glenmorangie 12yr (Highland)	6.00
Penderyn Madeira (Wales)	6.80
Penderyn Portwood (Wales)	8.50
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Woodford Reserve (USA)	5.50
Rittenhouse Rye (USA)	7.00
Nikka From the Barrel (Japan)	8.50

RUM

Barti Ddu Spiced (Pembrokeshire)	4.80
Rhum Rhum (Guadeloupe)	6.50

TEQUILAS

Mezcal Verde	7.00
Tequila Reposado, Casamigos	6.95

