

# Welcome to JB Parker's Bar & Cellar

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## Wine & Drinks List

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Dear guests,

J B Parker's has one of the most beautiful wine cellars in all of Guernsey. We wanted to create a wine list that would reflect that. The wines selected offer a good cross-section of familiar favourites, quirky off-piste wines, and iconic wines from some of the greatest vintages. A lot of our wines are sourced in small parcels, some we only have 1 bottle of, for that one lucky table. We have written personalised descriptions for each of the wines, to aide in your selection for the evening, but for the extra curious, our talented staff is always on hand to offer more information and beautiful food & wine recommendations.

If you have trouble deciding, ask for a visit to our cellar and you can choose your wines from the displays, where all our wines are stored perfectly at 17 degrees Celsius to maintain maximum freshness and humidity.

While every effort is made to keep the wine list as current as possible, there will be times where a wine changes vintage or availability is an issue. We want to assure you; all wines are tasted before listing and we would never list an inferior wine. If you are not happy with the new vintage, please let our staff members know before they open the wine, and we will do our best to recommend a suitable alternative.

We hope you enjoy your evening,  
J B Parker's Team

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# House wines

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<b>Sparkling</b>	150ml	Bottle	<b>Rosé</b>	175ml	250ml	Bottle	
<b>Castelnau Brut</b> Champagne, France	£10.00	£45.00	<b>Pierre de Taille</b> Provence, France	£6.00	£8.50	£24.00	
<b>Castelnau Rosé</b> Champagne, France	£12.00	£45.00	<b>Sauvion</b> Anjou, France	£6.00	£8.50	£24.00	
<b>Prosecco</b> Veneto, Italy	£6.00	£30.00					
<b>White</b>	175ml	250ml	Bottle	<b>Red</b>	175ml	250ml	Bottle
<b>Chardonnay</b> New Zealand	£6.00	£8.50	£24.00	<b>Malbec Reserva</b> Mendoza, Argentina	£6.00	£8.50	£24.00
<b>Pinot Grigio</b> Italy	£6.00	£8.50	£24.00	<b>Pinot Noir</b> Provence, France	£6.00	£8.50	£24.00
<b>Sauvignon Blanc</b> Chile	£6.00	£8.50	£24.00	<b>Tempranillo</b> Rioja, France	£6.00	£8.50	£24.00

## JB's specialty

### **Nat Cool, Primata, Douro, Portugal, 1000ml**

£6.00 (175ml), £8.50 (250ml), £30.00 (Bottle)

Nat Cool, naturally cool and funky, is an innovative concept created by Dirk Niepoort with the aim of bringing together various different producers to produce light, easy-drinking wines. Half of the grapes for the Primata Natcool are harvested from a Touriga Nacional vineyard while 50% come from old vines, with all fruit stemming from the Tabuaço region of the Cima Corgo. Whole bunches were lightly foot-trodden so as to extract some juice without damaging the grape skins. They were then left to spontaneously ferment and macerate in lagars (stone trough) before being pressed into stainless steel tanks where the wine completed malolactic fermentation, aged for 6 months and also naturally stabilised during the winter. **Served chilled!** Naturally cool!

# Sommelier selection by the glass

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<b>White &amp; Rosé</b>	175ml	<b>Red</b>	175ml
<b>Marchesi di Gresy, Chardonnay</b> <i>Wonderful Chardonnay, from a unique place in Piedmont.</i>	£10.00	<b>Channing Daughters, Blaufrankisch</b> <i>Intriguing wine from Long Island in New York, medium-bodied and dry.</i>	£10.00
<b>Roberto Sarotto, Arneis</b> <i>Almost extinct variety, making a superb comeback. Floral and fresh.</i>	£10.00	<b>Gasper, Cabernet Franc</b> <i>A wonderful wine from the hills of Slovenia. Structured, yet elegant.</i>	£10.00
<b>Granbazan, Etiquets Albarino</b> <i>Exciting Albarino from Rias Baixas, wonderful with sea food.</i>	£10.00	<b>Zorah, Areni</b> <i>An incredible wine from Armenia, the birthplace of wine. This bottle is full of grace.</i>	£10.00
<b>Remhoogte, Honeybunch Chenin</b> <i>Aromatic Chenin from South Africa. Fruit-forward, laced with honey.</i>	£10.00	<b>Quail's gate, Pinot Noir</b> <i>Canada makes incredible Pinot in the dry desert of British Columbia.</i>	£10.00
<b>Molmenti &amp; Celot, Friulano</b> <i>Refreshing white from the North of Italy, with lemon &amp; lime on the nose.</i>	£10.00	<b>Chateau Mazeyeres, Pomerol</b> <i>Charming Pomerol, with quite a substantial backbone.</i>	£10.00
<b>Pandora, Verdejo</b> <i>Verdejo has a big future and it all starts with wines like this.</i>	£10.00	<b>Double Canyon, Cabernet Sauvignon</b> <i>Washington has some of the driest lands, perfect for big bold wines.</i>	£10.00
<b>Kikelet, Harslevelu, Tokaji</b> <i>Hungarian dry wine, one of our favourites for the last 2 years.</i>	£10.00	<b>Badia a Passignano, Tuscany</b> <i>Iconic wine, from the wonderful Antinori family.</i>	£10.00
<b>"A" Rosé, Tuscany</b> <i>Exciting, floral, rosé from the beaches of Tuscany.</i>	£10.00	<b>Condado do Haza, Ribera del Duero</b> <i>Rioja copycat, incredible Ribera based on Tempranillo.</i>	£10.00

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# Champagne & sparkling wine

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- 806 | Castelnau, Brut, Champagne, France, 375ml, NV** £24  
Sometimes a bottle of Champagne is a bit too much, so here is the exact same wine as our House Champagne, served in elegant half bottles. Perfect to start the meal.
- 100 | Rouxvale, Chardonnay Brut, Robertson, South Africa, NV** £35  
South Africa produces many sparkling wines based on their Methode Cap Classique. This phrase was first used in 1992, with the worldwide ban on the word Champagne. It describes the same technique and produces beautiful results of light, floral bubbly.
- 101 | Vitteau Alberti, Cremant de Bourgogne, Burgundy, France, NV** £39  
Burgundy might not have the chalky notes you get in the prestigious region of Champagne, but the benefits of warmer weather can be found in the richness and body of this sparkler. Wonderful for food pairings, especially rustic French cuisine and awkward vegetable dishes.
- 010 | Champagne Castelnau, Brut Reserve, Champagne, France, NV** £45  
Aged for 5 years on the creamy lees, the wine is smooth and fresh with notes of fresh apricots, yellow apples, and succulent pears.
- 102 | Vina Eden, Brut Nature, Maldonado, Uruguay, NV** £52  
Uruguay is becoming a proper Mecca for sparkling wine, with the mountainous, oceanside vineyards producing wines of excellent quality. The brut nature is bone-dry with crisp minerality and delicate green pear notes.
- 010 | Champagne Castelnau, Rosé, Champagne, France, NV** £52  
Beautiful Rosé aged and matured in the cellars of Castelnau. Beautifully floral and aromatic, with soft and creamy mousse.
- 103 | Tickerage, Classic Cuvée Brut, East Sussex, England, 2013** £65  
Only 6000 bottles of this fantastic sparkling wine were ever made. We only have our hands on a handful, and they are glorious. It had plenty of time to mature and is showing delicate honeyed aromas and rich damson plums, but it still retains its freshness and elegance.
- 104 | Castelnau, Blanc de Blancs, Champagne, France, 2006** £83  
Blanc de Blancs is a style that has been favoured by drinkers for its floral notes that come with using only white grapes in Champagne making. Vintage brings out a bolder, riper style of wine.

# Champagne & sparkling wine

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- 105 | Billecart-Salmon, Rosé, Champagne, France, NV** £103  
The famous salmon orange makes this one of the prettiest rosés in the world. Beautiful and complex, but still approachable and refreshing.
- 106 | Pol Roger, Blanc de Blancs, Champagne, France, 2015** £114  
Pol Roger came to prominence when the late great Sir Winston Churchill declared it his favourite Champagne. In return, the Champagne House honoured him with naming their tete de cuvée Sir Winston Churchill. Sourced from Grand Cru villages only, this Blanc de Blancs is soft and creamy, with an incredibly fine mousse. You can find aromas of butter caramel, hazelnuts, and toasty brioche.
- 107 | Laurent Perrier, Rose, Champagne, France, NV** £116  
Famously blended with 3 separate vintages. One to provide the fruit, one the freshness and the last one the delicacy, Laurent-Perrier is a titan of rosé Champagne.
- 108 | Taittinger, Comtes de Champagne, Champagne, France, 2005** £185  
2005 is one of the most wonderful vintages of the last 30 years, with rich, powerful expression and lovely toasted brioche notes. Taittinger really nailed it with this one.
- 807 | Castelnau, 1995, Champagne, France, 1500ml, 1995** £233  
A rare opportunity to try Champagne with a bit of age and aged correctly. Champagne should always age in magnums, as it retains bubbles better, but also lets in tiny amounts of air, to evolve the wine.
- 109 | Dom Perignon, Brut, Champagne, France, 2010** £235  
The famous monk Dom Perignon perfected the way we make white wine out of red grapes and the Domaine pays homage to that with each and every vintage. Beautiful wine.
- 110 | Louis Roederer, Cristal, Champagne, France, 2012** £285  
Cristal is one of the most perfect expressions of Champagne. It was popularized by hip hop artists in the 90s, which didn't suit Roederer and led to an ongoing beef with Jay-Z who called for a boycott of the brand. Unfortunately, it didn't work, or this beauty could be available at much, much lower prices.
- 111 | Krug, Grand Cuvée, Champagne, France, NV** £295  
Arguably, one of the best Champagnes in the world. The attention to detail, the amount of dedication and hard work that goes into making a bottle of this wine is unrivalled. It is said, due to Krug's obsession of perfection, more grapes end up on the ground, than actually harvested and vinified.

# Rosé

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- 201 | Barbebelle, Rose, Provence, France, 2021** £29  
The bearded chap on the label speaks to the modernicity of this Provençal gem. Lychee, cranberry, and flowering strawberries, make this pink one of our favourite summer pours.
- 202 | Mirabeau, Pure Rose, Provence, France, 2021** £34  
The Pure is Mirabeau's best wine, with beautiful fresh berry and floral notes. It reminds us of a beautiful May afternoon and the smell you get from the blooming bushes in Spring.
- 203 | Panoramico, Clarete Rosé, Rioja, Spain, 2019** £40  
Unique rosé made traditionally by fermenting both white and red grapes together. This is incredibly quaffable and enjoyable. Goes beautifully with charcuterie and with pretty much any weather.
- 204 | Chateau d'Esclans, Whispering Angel, Provence, France, 2021** £49  
Everyone has heard of Whispering Angel. Owned by the prestigious LVMH conglomerate, the wine has been one of the most popular wines of the last decade, with stocks increasingly difficult to get.
- 205 | Fattoria Aldobrandesca, A, Rosé, Tuscany, Italy, 2020** £61  
Antinori make this beautiful rosé from an ancient grape variety called Aleatico still growing in the area since the Etruscan times. Incredibly elegant, with remarkable freshness brought to us by the black volcanic soils under the vineyards.
- 206 | Domaine Ott, Clos Mireille, Provence, France, 2019** £72  
Ott's fantastic single vineyard Clos Mireille has been consistently awarded medals for best wines (not just rosé), received some of the highest scores by wine judges and is a staple of any good wine list for a reason. Delicate with flavours of fragrant raspberries and strawberry cheesecake.
- 207 | Chateau d'Esclans, Garrus, Provence, France, 2020** £157  
Arguably one of the greatest wines ever produced. And yes, we mean wines, not just rosé. There is something Burgundian about this wine, the sublime elegance and complexity. This is the top wine of the Chateau that also created the fan favourite Whispering Angel.



## Magnums & half bottles

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- 801 | Barbebelle, Rose, Provence, France, 1500ml, 2018** £45  
This beautiful Magnum is perfect for a summer's afternoon, when all you really want to do is destroy a bottle of rosé. Wines in magnums taste better. That is a fact. Rose bush, rose hip and rose colour are all perfect in this cheerful Provence rosé.
- 802 | Louis Latour, Montagny, Burgundy, France, 1500ml, 2016** £75  
Latour's beautiful Montagny is served in a magnum here. The slow ageing in this large bottle is emphasizing the stewed apples, soft cinnamon and vanilla and apple strudel notes.
- 803 | Moulin-a-Vent, Beaujolais, France, 1500ml, 2012** £75  
Cheerful Beaujolais from the most floral Cru, Moulin-a-Vent - the Windmill. Age adds complexity to these wines, with dried rose petals starting to come to life, the cherries are turning towards flowering cherry trees and the strawberries are gaining ripeness.
- 804 | Chateau Cantin, St.Emilion, Bordeaux, France, 1500ml, 2018** £87  
Lovely Bordeaux from the right bank. Based on Merlot with a heavy proportion of Cabernet Franc, the wine is perfect with sharing meat platters or even cheese. Why not have a steak board for the table and a nice magnum of red.
- 808 | Chateau de Miniere, Old vine Cabernet Franc, Loire, France, 1500ml, 2009** £129  
These 100-year-old vines have produced an immense Cab Franc. An absolute stunner of a wine with luscious aromas of blackberries, delicious blueberries, and a green vivacious aroma characteristic of the Cabernet grapes.
- 810 | Chateau Haut-Bages-Libéral, Pauillac, Bordeaux, France, 2000** £284  
Situated next to Chateau Latour, this 5<sup>th</sup> Grand Cru Classée is an impressive out of the box thinking sort of wine. Claire Villars-Lurton runs the cellar and plays with some crazy looking amphorae made from Limoges porcelain. Her creativity has made this estate a force to be reckoned with and the 2000 was her first vintage, so enjoy this little piece of history!

# White wine

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## Argentina

- 301 | Inacayal, Torrontes, Mendoza, 2019** £29
- Torrontes is a fantastic grape variety mainly grown in Argentina. One of its' parents is the aromatic Muscat de Alexandria, and it shows. The wine is full of aromatic stone fruit and refreshing acidity.

## Australia

- 302 | Peter Lehmann, Riesling, Eden Valley, 2015** £46
- Bone-dry Riesling is one of the most quaffable wines on the planet, and no-one does it better than the surfers in South Australia. Eden Valley is much colder than most of Australia delivering these crisp delicious wines.

## Austria

- 303 | Stephan Pratsch, Gruner Veltliner Reserve, Weinviertel, 2018** £49
- Gruner is the main white grape in the underrated Austrian vineyards. Fresh, but bold, with spicy white pepper and floral notes. This Reserve is highly concentrated, with a great mineral expression.

## Greece

- 322 | Vassaltis, Assyrtiko, Santorini, 2018** £55
- The wine that gives you the ability to teleport. When tasting this succulent, tropical and citrusy wine, we can almost taste the fresh salty air on the beautiful island of Santorini. Assyrtiko is the native grape variety. They often train the vines into a little protective bush to protect them from the harsh winds blowing in the hills, which means they are always hand-picked. And it shows.

## Hungary

- 323 | Kikelet, Kassai Harslevelu, Tokaji, 2018** £45
- This unpronounceable grape variety has been overshadowed by its slightly easier to say brother Furmint. We were incredibly lucky to get acquainted with this beautiful single vineyard wine, which put Harslevelu back on the map for us and every time we get to open one, we get a blissful smile.

# White wine

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## Germany

**320 | Dr. Loosen, Bernkasteler Lay, Riesling Kabinett, Mosel, 2019** £39

Riesling is a fantastic grape variety, incredibly versatile. This Kabinett example is slightly off-dry, perfect with spicier dishes, and those requiring refreshing acidity and tons of delectable fruit notes.

**321 | Dr. Loosen, Wehlener Sohnnur, G.G. Riesling, Mosel, 2018** £79

Grosses Gewachs is the German equivalent to Grand Cru. Only the best vineyards get this classification, and they must be vinified dry. The result is immensely complex dry Riesling with incredible aromatic character and supreme mineral backbone.

## Slovenia

**353 | Urban Petric, Pinela, Goriska Brda, 2019** £36

The super rare Pinela grape variety is planted in less than 50ha of vineyards in the World. After originally growing mainly in Italy, it has been adopted as a Slovenian grape variety. The wine itself is fresh and light, but full of flavour. Floral, with gentle citrus notes.

**338 | Gasper, Rebula, Goriska Brda, 2018** £45

Outstanding Rebula or more famously called Ribolla Gialla, from the rolling hills of Brda. Succulent, mineral, with round ripe stone fruit aromas and delicate citrus. Perfect with Charcuterie.

## Portugal

**335 | Portal de Calcada, Reserva, Vinho Verde, 2020** £26

These young wines offer fantastic spritzy freshness and crisp green apple, pear, and lime aromas. Main wine of choice, when choosing partners for oysters, crab salad or to sip on its own.

**336 | Howards Folly, Sonador, Alentejo, 2018** £35

Incredible wine from Portugal's first urban winery. The state-of-the-art facility was created inside a heritage building in the town of Estremoz. Fantastic field blend of unique grape varieties and unique flavours.

**337 | Vulcao, Ameixabar, Azores Islands, 2019** £54

In the middle of the Atlantic, there lie the Azores Islands. Their long history of winemaking is completely forgotten and brushed off. But times are changing. We are very excited to showcase this 8<sup>th</sup> wonder of the World, this blend of Arinto and Terrantez de Pico. Bone dry, supremely complex with a rich palate and a finish that lasts forever.

# White wine

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## South Africa

- 339 | Remhoogte, Honeybunch Chenin Blanc, Stellenbosch, 2019** £43  
A bunch of honey is exactly what this wine smells like, with notes of acacia, lemon candy and silk. The skins were left in the wine for just a bit, to add depth and character to this beautiful Chenin.
- 340 | Creation, Chardonnay, Hermanus, 2019** £49  
From the Hemel-en-Aarde, the Heaven and Earth mountains. The high altitude and cool ocean air, allow Chardonnay to develop an elegant, restrained style, helped of course by the French-trained, Swiss winemaker Jean-Claude "JC" Martyn.
- 355 | Ken Forrester, The FMC, Stellenbosch, 2018** £58  
The f\*\*\*\*\* magnificent Chenin as it is 'affectionately' called, this is Ken Foresters masterpiece. The wine that shot him into world fame, the wine is silky smooth, with decadent apple and pear notes, a touch of lemon drop, and surprising richness.

## New Zealand

- 332 | Dog Point, Sauvignon Blanc, Marlborough, 2020** £32  
Dog point is a classic Kiwi Sauvignon with notes of elderflower, gooseberry, and soft freshly mowed grass. This epitomizes what Kiwis are all about.
- 333 | Mt. Difficulty, Riesling, Central Otago, 2017** £36  
Mt. Difficulty, named after a mountain in Central Otago, has been an impressive player with their Burgundian grape varieties, but for the past few years they have been producing wonderful aromatic wines with Pinot Gris and of course this wonderful Riesling. Apricots and tangerines lace this lovely crisp wine with just a touch of sweetness, to balance it all out.
- 334 | Wairau River, Reserve Sauvignon Blanc, Marlborough, 2019** £41  
A more complex, food-friendly Kiwi SB, made from stand-out plots in the vineyard. The wine was fermented in oak barrels to give it breadth and longevity. A bit fruitier, rather than grassy.
- 352 | Cloudy Bay, Sauvignon Blanc, Marlborough, 2022** £55  
Cloudy Bay is an iconic winery in New Zealand. David Hohnen, an Ozzie, first pioneered winemaking in Western Australia with Cape Mentelle, and after seeing potential in Marlborough, started Cloudy Bay in 1985, and a revolution that made New Zealand – The Sauvignon country.

# White wine

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## Spain

- 341 | Pandora, Pandra Verdejo, Rueda, 2020** £27  
Verdejo should have a much better reputation that it currently has. We've found this Ruedan beauty to help it in that manner. Straw colour with zesty citrus flavours and white grapefruit.
- 342 | Domingo Martin, Albarino, Rias Baixas, 2019** £30  
A classic Rias Baixas Albarino with grapefruit flower, white peach, and sweet green pears. Classic pairings with Paella and other Atlantic dishes.
- 357 | Adegas Terrae Agoreira, Godello, Valdeoras** £35  
Godello, a grape variety in full revival mode, has been rediscovered as a high-quality grape variety, after decades of mismanagement. It is great for us, as the prices are still low, so now is a great time to jump aboard the Godello train, this wonderfully mineral wine, with aromas of quince and grapefruit.
- 343 | Granbazan, Etiquets Ambar, Albarino, Rias Baixas, 2020** £41  
An outrageous value for money with this Albarino. Hand-picked, with very slow fermentation on the soft creamy lees, give this wine extra character. Not just a simple wine, this has some serious texture and profound, aromatic profile.
- 356 | Raul Perez, sketch, Albarino, Rias Baixas, 2020** £127  
One of Worlds' rarest wines, this epitome of Albarino is produced in less than two barrels. Incredible length and complexity make this wine compete against the greatest white wines in the World. Raul named the wine in honour of his favourite London restaurant, the famed 3 Michelin starred "sketch".

## USA

- 344 | The Federalist, Chardonnay, California, 2017** £40  
The Federalist project is a tribute to Alexander Hamilton, one of USAs most important politicians, so it had to be done well. Most of the fruit comes from the cooler Mendocino, making this a more restrained American Chardy.
- 345 | Au Bon Climat, Wild Boy Chardonnay, Santa Barbara, 2018** £47  
We lost the legendary Jim Clendenen recently, but the legacy of his wines carries on. Arguably one of his greatest creations, the ultra-delicious Wild Boy Chardonnay is everything you want from an American Chardy and more. Soft, round, and opulent, with loads of sweet spice, vanilla, and stewed apples.

# White wine

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**346 | HJ Wiemer, Dry Riesling Reserve, Finger Lakes, NY, 2019** £48

The Finger Lakes are incredibly cold and are famed for their production of sweet Rieslings and ice wine. This is something very different, with no residual sugar, the wine is bolder, but retains Riesling's signature freshness and aromatic character.

**347 | Big Table Farm, Wild Bee Chardonnay, Oregon, 2019** £52

This homestead in Oregon is home to many animals and they each give their name to the best wines they produce. The Wild Bees pollinating these Chardonnay vines, also touch some of the local flowers and you can feel the presence of camomile, acacia trees and even a touch of pine sap, that feels beautifully refreshing. The wine is bold and characteristic for Oregon.

**354 | Channing Daughters, Ribolla Gialla, Long Island, NY, 2015** £57

Not quite an 'orange' wine, but very close to it. The wine has been macerated with the skins for about three weeks, to add texture and richness. A period of oak ageing adds even more breadth to this interesting wine from the cool Long Island.

**348 | Spell Estate, Sonoma Chardonnay, California, 2019** £62

Russian River Valley is the coolest Chardonnay growing area in California, so the wines from this area tend to be the most polished and delicate. But they still hold true to the American style, with plenty of power and muscle. This can easily take on a steak or some nicely prepared barbecue meat.

## Italy

**324 | Roberto Sarotto, Gavi di Gavi, Piedmont, 2020** £28

'A piedi di monte' - at the foot of the mountains lies one of Italy's finest wine regions. Piedmont makes fantastic, reds, whites, fizzes, and sweets. Gavi is a village in the southern part where they make wonderful floral wines from the local Cortese grape variety.

**325 | Molmenti & Celot, Friulano, Friuli, 2020** £28

Friulano used to be called Tocai, then Tocai Friulano, until they finally landed on Friulano to avoid any confusion with the Hungarian wine region. This dry wine is grown in the Collio on the border with Slovenia and it is a rare example of the Slovenian style imposing itself on the Italians. Almonds, honey, and blossoming flowers are particular highlights in a wine like this.

**326 | Villa Raiano, Fiano di Avellino, Campania, 2020** £32

It is more common to find great white wines in the North of Italy, but Fiano proves it can be done in the South as well. Gently crushed grapes to avoid bruising, the wine is soft, round and extremely quaffable. Often called the greatest white grape variety in Italy.

# White wine

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**328 | Le Strette, Nas-cetta, Piedmont, 2020** **£37**

Similar to the Arneis, local white grape varieties around Alba nearly disappeared in the 1950s. We have only a few passionate winemakers to thank for the resurgence of these grape varieties. Acacia, grapefruit, and honey make these wines stand out as there aren't any other wines that come close to it.

**329 | Roberto Sarotto, Arneis, Piedmont, 2020** **£41**

A lost grape variety that found a second wind after the Vietti and Giacosa families kept it alive. Planted on sandy Roero soils, it is one of the most unique tasting white wines we've tried.

**330 | Cantina Sorres, Su Bicu Vermentino, Sardinia, 2019** **£42**

Laura and Delia, the 2 sisters (Sorres) in charge of this tiny project are as Sardinian as it gets. Loud and direct. The wine matches that philosophy, with this Vermentino showing a very clean palate, with aromatic white pears, juicy yellow apples, and a touch of salinity.

**327 | Pieropan, La Rocca, Soave, Veneto, 2019** **£49**

Iconic Italian producers Pieropan were one of the first to label their Garganega based wine as Soave as early as 1930s. They have gone from strength to strength in mastering this variety, helping it showcase its true grit. Rich and zesty, with white florals on the nose.

**331 | Marchesi di Grésy, Langhe Chardonnay, Piedmont, 2018** **£55**

A great Burgundy - not Burgundy! This beautiful Chardonnay from the clay soils in Barbaresco makes for a great alternative to ever pricier Cru Burgundies. Softly integrated oak, showing with those fantastic Piedmontese hazelnuts and honeyed aromas of soft apple.

## Loire Valley, France

**314 | Chateau du Cleray, Muscadet-Sur-Lie, 2021** **£26**

Muscadet borders the Atlantic Ocean, making this a perfect wine for delicate fruits of the sea. Oysters and Muscadet are phenomenal together.

**315 | Château de Suronde, La Creation, Anjou, 2018** **£30**

What a beautiful Chenin this is. Silky smooth, with beautiful pear and lemon drop aromas paired with lovely acidity. The estate is completely Biodynamic making these wines even more expressive and full of life.

# White wine

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**316 | Domaine Ducroux, Sancerre, 2020** **£38**  
Fantastic Sancerre whites are produced with the native Sauvignon Blanc. The mixture of soils on which it lies, makes these wines completely unique. The steely minerality is evident.

**317 | Chateau de Tracy, Pouilly Fumé, 2019** **£45**  
The Fumé stands for 'smoke' which is a characteristic of these wines with a strong gunpowder note, you can taste on these beautiful refreshing wines across the river from Sancerre.

## Other France

**318 | Domaine Laougue, Pacherenc 19.92, Southwest, 2018** **£32**  
We are big fans of the Manseng brothers. Petit and Gros Manseng are two contrasting grapes, with one providing yield and softer fruitier aromas and the other freshness, jasmine, and floral notes.

**349 | Schlumberger, Les Princes Abbéses, Pinot Gris. 2017** **£34**  
Pinot Gris is of course the same grape variety as Pinot Grigio, but the styles couldn't be more different. This is rich and opulent, thanks to the Vosges mountains that keep Alsace dry. The dry climate helps produce broader, richer wines.

**319 | Chateau Talbot, Caillou Blanc, Bordeaux, 2016** **£69**  
Why don't we drink more of white Bordeaux? Semillon and Sauvignon Blanc in perfect unison combining for delicacy and beautiful aromatics, this wine was kept back for a few years to let it develop into a fantastic white wine.

**360 | Domaine de la Pigeade, Vacqueyras Blanc, Rhone Valley, 2019** **£75**  
On our recent trip to Provence and the Rhone valley, we stumbled upon this jewel. Wonderful serious white wine, with exquisite length and character. Soft candied fruit notes, paired beautifully with subtle nutty and sweet spice aromas.

**351 | Maison Les Alexandrins, Condrieu, Rhone Valley, 2019** **£81**  
Condrieu is one of worlds' most picturesque regions. Steep hills on the banks of the Rhone River, these Viogniers are full bodied and full of flavour. Peaches, apricots, and soft, velvety texture.



# White wine

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## Burgundy, France

- 304 | Albert Bichot, Macon Lugny, 2020** £32  
With the classic regions in Central Burgundy becoming more and more expensive, the Maconnais is getting more recognition and Macon-Lugny with its' riper style of Chardonnay is the fastest growing appellation in all of France.
- 305 | Bourcier-Martinot, Viré-Clessé, 2019** £39  
Pouilly-Fuisse is quickly becoming the Prince of the Maconnais, which makes it more and more expensive. In search of great value Burgundy, we've come across this beauty from the village of Viré-Clessé and we couldn't be happier with it. Fantastically ripe and concentrated.
- 306 | Pascal Bouchard, Chablis Vieilles Vignes, 2021** £42  
Everybody loves Chablis for its freshness and mineral crispness. Vieille Vignes is a term describing old vines, with roots sunk deep in the sub-soil extracting every little piece of flavour for this beautiful, deeply concentrated wine.
- 350 | Mommessin, Les Terroirs, Pouilly-Fuisse, 2017** £51  
A great Chardonnay, from one of the producers on the rise. Mommessin have changed their approach in recent years, and their wines are becoming better and better with each vintage.
- 307 | Simonnet-Febvre, Chablis 1er Cru Les Vaillons, 2018** £60  
1er Cru Chablis is a serious upgrade to the classic village level, with a touch of old oak used to soften the wines and introduce an extra layer of complexity. If you want a clean, mineral wine, but with a richer dish, this is the perfect wine for you.
- 358 | Georges Deschamps, Chablis 1er Cru Fourchame, 2019** £68  
Fourchame is the flagship 1er Cru in Chablis. With its unusual exposure, it is drenched in sun throughout the day, helping Chardonnay ripen much faster. The wines are more intense and complex, with more similarities to their southern counterparts, than the rest of Chablis.
- 308 | Domaine Mazilly, Meursault, 2020** £78  
The smokiness of Meursault makes it stand out of the crowd. Even when lightly oaked, the unique soil patterns make the wine shine with chargrilled peaches and pears. Accompanied with the classic Burgundy elegance, this is a beautiful entry way in to why the region is the most respected wine region in the world.

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- 310 | Domaine Jean Pascal et Fils, Puligny-Montrachet, 2020** **£86**  
Alexandra and Yann, wonderful husband & wife team produce these wines, with Yann running the business side and Alexandra meticulously making the wines from vines that average more than 45 years of age. The complexity of these old vines brings out layers of aromas in the wine paired perfectly with gentle use of oak.
- 311 | Domaine Pierre Burée, Chassagne-Montrachet, 2017** **£95**  
Pierre Burée started this winery in the 19th Century and his descendants have been taking great care not only of his name, but of the vines as well. Extremely traditional and connected to the nature, the family refuses the use of any mechanical equipment in the vineyards. They still use horses for cultivation, only use manure for fertilization and no pesticides. This all results in beautiful wines, showcasing what Chassagne is all about.
- 359 | Georges Deschamps, Chablis Grand Cru, Blanchots, 2018** **£111**  
The intensity of Grand Cru Chablis exhibits impressive length and balance with this fully organic wine. The estate has been family owned for more than 4 generations and organic all this time. Their soils are in terrific shape, and it shows in these wonderful wines.
- 309 | Domaine Laroche, Chablis Grand Cru, Blanchots, 2012** **£125**  
Blanchots is the corner part of Chablis Grand Cru, with a touch less sunshine than the other parts. Wines from this tiny vineyard are impossible to find. Completely different from the other Grand Cru parts, the wine has bold texture, but even more freshness, giving it incredible longevity. Best with 10+ years under its belt.
- 312 | Maison Latour, Corton-Charlemagne, 2009** **£212**  
The hill of Corton is one of the most impressive places to grow fantastic vines. The Charlemagne Grand Cru was named after the iconic Holy Roman Emperor, after one of his wives hated the red beard, he got from drinking reds. So, he had no choice, but to re-plant the hill with the white Chardonnay, to please his betrothed.
- 313 | Lucien Le Moine, Corton-Charlemagne, 2014** **£340**  
Lucien le Moine is a unique project, as is our only bottle. They don't own vineyards, they don't help ferment the wines. Their magic comes from their innovative approach to sourcing the wines they need, the barrels they want to use, the minimal use of SO2, and a bunch of other details that make no sense to us, but the wine makes all the sense in the world. It's genuinely like tasting magic.

# Red wine

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## Armenia

**651 | Zorah, Karasi, Vayotz Dzor, 2020** **£59**

Areni noir, the original grape? It's possible! Fossilised pips of the grape have been found in the oldest winery (Areni-1) dating to over 6000 years before our time. This is a wonderful, exotic wine, with dark, inky aromas and both immense body and wonderful freshness, owing to the high altitude these vineyards are planted at. Superb wine.

## Austria

**615 | Nittnaus, Joiser Altenberg, Blaufrankisch, Burgenland, 2017** **£48**

Exceptional Blaufrankisch from the "old mountain". Gravelly soils give the wine a wider body, strength, and class. The wine is full of life, with playful blue fruit aromatics, dried violets, and a touch of blackberry cream.

## Canada

**656 | Quail's Gate, Pinot Noir, Okanagan Valley, B.C., 2020** **£50**

British Columbia is warmer and drier than California in spite of being 1000 miles further North. The curving valleys hidden from the cool influences of the Pacific allow for this to happen and makes winemakers there very happy. It allows them to produce some incredibly delicious wines, from Chardonnay and Pinot Noir.

## Croatia

**652 | Matosevic, Grimalda Red, Istra, 2018** **£51**

Matosevic, one of Croatia's best winemakers brings us a beautiful blend of Merlot and Refosco. Crunchy tannins with smooth acidity and terrific black berry and black fruit aromas. There is a touch of Cabernet Sauvignon added to the blend at the very end, to bring out more bass and a sturdy backbone.

## Georgia

**654 | Tbilvino, Saperavi, Kakheti, 2020** **£35**

Along with Armenia, Georgia has one of the longest winemaking histories of anyone. A lot of their winemaking is still very traditional, with the use of clay amphorae – kvevri. This Saperavi is a more modern iteration, with fruit forward character and a much smoother finish, mainly due to subtle oak ageing this wine goes under. Incredible value for money, considering this was all hand-crafted.

# Red wine

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## Germany

**655 | Kopp, Spatburgunder, Baden, 2016** **£46**

Spatburgunder is the German word for Pinot Noir and there is more and more planted in German wine regions. Baden makes the most of it and the Pinots from the area gain a beautiful mineral aroma, sometimes reminiscent of graphite. Still packed full of delicate flowers and autumnal fruit, this is a bargain for what we pay for Pinot Noir these days.

## Greece

**575 | Thymiopoulos, Xinomavro, Naoussa, 2019** **£45**

Xinomavro is one of the main Greek varieties and is responsible for some of its most impressive wines. The name comes from the words for "sour" and "black", which is how the berries taste at time of harvest. Once bottled, wines from Naoussa can often be likened to those of Nebbiolo in the villages of Barolo and Barbaresco in Italy. It is bold and structured with superb acidity and freshness and goes great with flavourful meats.

## Slovenia

**606 | Gasper, Cabernet Franc, Goriska Brda, 2018** **£55**

The best wine produced by Gasper, consistently winning award after award for this beautiful Cabernet Franc. Vivacious and lively, it sits somewhere between a green Loire Valley Cabernet and something riper, like an Argentinian Cabernet Franc. Beautiful wine with pork, lamb and even steak.

## Uruguay

**626 | Vina Eden, Tannat Cemento, Maldonado, 2017** **£39**

Tannat has often been dubbed one of the healthiest grape varieties, due to its high tannin content. The wines are rich and inky, with powerful fruit aromas. The Cemento has been fermented in concrete eggs instead of oak, which allow the wine to showcase itself, not flavours of oak. This is a gorgeous wine, that will most definitely surprise the drinker, but beware. This needs a piece of steak.

## Portugal

**604 | Howards Folly, Sonadhor Tinto, Alentejo, 2016** **£35**

Beautiful field blend of Alicante Bouschet, Syrah, Touriga Nacional and Aragones. The granite soils in combination with the high-altitude vineyards give this wine incredible nose and aromatic character.

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**605 | Casa Ferreirinha, Quinta do Leda, Douro, 2017** **£77**

Casa Ferreirinha is a legend in the Douro. The first winery to completely focus on dry still wines rather than Port, they revolutionised premium still wines of the Douro. The superbly intense Quinta do Leda is based on the border with Spain in Douro Superior region and it is a beautiful blend of Touriga Nacional, Tinta Cao, Tinta Roriz and of course Touriga Franca.

## Lebanon

**596 | Chateau Musar, Bekkaa Valley, 2015** **£59**

There is definitely something special about Chateau Musar. Their stubbornness to stick with what the vintage gives them and practice a hands-off approach in their winemaking is hard to understand for those of us that like to have everything in control. However, they relinquish it to produce some of the most mesmerizing wines in the best vintages,

**597 | Chateau Musar, Bekaa Valley, 1998** **£68**

Musar is not only famous for their winemaking, but also for being a beacon of hope. They have famously produced wines at the estates every year since 1930s apart from '76 and '84. '76 being the first year of the Civil war and in '84 they tried their best, but ultimately their grape trucks were held hostage by both sides of the conflict, ultimately spoiling the fruit.

**598 | Chateau Musar, Bekaa Valley, 2000** **£68**

A "fun" legend about Musar comes from 1983 where Serge Hochar, the winemaker, had to be smuggled to the vineyards via boat to make the wine. Which he did. In 1989 they even received direct fire from the tanks and the castle was used as a bomb shelter for the local Bedouins during harvest time.

## New Zealand

**599 | Spy Valley, Pinot Noir, Marlborough, 2019** **£35**

Pinot Noir is gaining some ground in New Zealand. The richer, fuller styles can be found in the South in Central Otago, but here in Marlborough the wine is much more approachable and softer. Sour cherries dominate the palate and there's a hint of floral character on this.

**600 | Syrah, Elephant Hill, Hawke's Bay, 2016** **£44**

Hawke's Bay is a fantastic area for wine, particularly around the Gimblett Gravels, where some of the best international varieties grow. We love Syrah from the area, because it is as close as it gets to the finest French examples without actually being in France.

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**601 | Hawkshead, Pinot Noir, Bannockburn, Central Otago, 2015** **£60**

Central Otago is the premier spot for premium high-quality Pinot Noir in New Zealand. This orange dessert land surrounded by snowy mountain peaks produces rich, yet still elegant Pinot Noir.

**602 | Ata Rangi, Pinot Noir, Martinborough, 2010** **£135**

Ata Rangi is famously New Zealand's most renowned Pinot Noir in spite not being in its most renowned region. Martinborough was a bit of a sleeping giant, but the owner Clive Paton saw greatness in the region, namely as it was the area with the least amount of rain in the North Island.

### Chile

**516 | Caliterra, Petreo, Carmenere, Colchagua Valley, 2020** **£32**

Carmenere is originally from Bordeaux but has never made it as its own variety over there. It has always been a blending partner for the more prestigious brothers in Bordeaux. Chile however found a way to give it new life. What Malbec is to Argentina, Carmenere is to Chile.

**517 | Errazuriz, Aconcagua Syrah, Aconcagua, 2017** **£41**

A contender for most underrated wine, Chilean Syrah. The class of Rhone, the affordability of Chile. When looking for a steak partner, the spicy Syrah should always be at the top of everyone's choices.

**518 | Don Melchor, Alto Maipo, 2012** **£65**

This classic Bordeaux blend is based on Cabernet Sauvignon from a massive 127-hectare vineyard. If this makes you think it is a bulk wine, you are dead wrong. The vineyard is divided into 7 unique parcels, which are further divided into micro-parcels. This allows them to blend the wine perfectly as they seem fit and anything not good enough to make it into the wine gets sold elsewhere.

**519 | Errazuriz, Don Maximiano, Aconcagua, 2007** **£68**

A founder's reserve Bordeaux blend with a touch of Syrah added to the blend to give a proper Chilean twist on the wine. The wine is rustic and aged perfectly, ready to drink now. The fruit is still lively, but the power has been restrained by the age and delicacy has become the word to describe it these days.

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**520 | Cousino Macul, Lota, Maipo, 2006** **£74**

Lota was originally created to mark the 150th anniversary of the winery, but after its great success they kept the project alive. It is only bottled in the best possible years, where the weather was kind enough to deliver elegant juice for this masterpiece.

## South Africa

**607 | Rouxvale, Syrah-Viognier, Robertson, 2019** **£26**

Delicious wine from Robertson based on the great wines of Cote-Rotie. The Syrah benefits from the floral character of Viognier. Loads of blackberries, vanilla, and liquorice with a gently peppered surface.

**608 | Painted Wolf, Guillermo Pinotage, 2018** **£38**

These days there are more and more great examples of the grape, and the Painted Wolf is one of them. The grape itself is a crossing between Pinot Noir and Cinsault, but the wine is different to both. Chocolatey with lovely cherry aromas.

**610 | Creation, Pinot Noir, Hermanus, 2018** **£58**

JC Martyn built his estate on the philosophies of Burgundy. Both his Chardonnay and Pinot Noir are outstanding, mainly because of the climate. The mountains above Hermanus provide the cool and dry air these grape varieties need to flourish. This is a fantastic Pinot, and it can be drunk on its own or with food.

**609 | Thelema, Cabernet Sauvignon, Stellenbosch. 2018** **£66**

Thelema is based in the Simonsberg mountain in Stellenbosch, which unlike the lower laying wineries helps bring out wines with more elegance and freshness. This is quite reminiscent of a wonderful Bordeaux, but still characteristically New World with ripe fruits that stop just short of jammy.

**611 | Rickety Bridge, The Bridge, Franschoek, 2016** **£88**

The famous Platters guide to South African wine gave The Bridge 4.5 stars, which is an incredible achievement. This pure Cabernet is the top wine of the estate, showcasing all they can do. Aged for 24 months before release, the wine is harmonious with all components dancing together in unison.

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## Australia

- 508 | Oliver's Taranga, Shiraz, McLaren Vale, 2019** £38  
Oliver's Taranga is still family owned, for over 180 years, making it one of the longest-lived estates in the World not only Australia. This continuity helps them learn and create wines that have been consistently great. Their Shiraz is classic, with blackberry jam, freshly ground black pepper and that indescribable scent of barbecue scores on a piece of steak.
- 509 | Alpha Box & Dice, Blood of Jupiter, McLaren Vale, 2019** £46  
Despite the ominous name, this is one delicious wine. Sangiovese and a touch of Cabernet are the grapes used in this wine and since Sangiovese was named "The blood of the Jupiter" (lat. *sanguis Jovis*), they choose it for the wine. Juicy red fruit flavours and just a touch of eucalyptus to add some freshness. Gorgeous.
- 510 | Yalumba, Cigar, Cabernet Sauvignon, Coonawarra, 2017** £50  
The Cigar refers to the shape of the Terra Rossa in Coonawarra, a strip of land that changes everyone's perspective of Australian Cabernet. Where most places can make it a bit lush, and sickly, the eucalyptus trees surrounding the vineyards bring freshness to these wines. Wonderful aromas of chocolate, blackberries, and cassis shine. Great wine!
- 511 | Savaterre, Frere Cadet, Pinot Noir, Beechworth, Victoria, 2017** £51  
These biodynamic wines are somewhat unique in Australia, but the respect for the land makes these wines all the more interesting. This Pinot is lively and vivacious, not dull like some of its Ozzie brothers. The fruit is polished, the structure is elegant, and the tannins are firm, but well integrated. A serious Pinot, perfect for food pairing, particularly game meats.
- 512 | Balnaves, Cabernet Sauvignon, Coonawarra, 2016** £79  
Balnaves has been one of the wines that defines Coonawarra. Their first vintage was fermented in a summer pool! How quintessential Australian is that? They've modernized since then of course and are lauded for being one of the outstanding wines of Coonawarra for over 30 years. Eucalyptus, classic Coonawarra flavour laces the dark berry, black cherry, and vanilla notes.
- 513 | Two Hands, Ares, Shiraz, Barossa Valley, 2012** £168  
Two Hands is a fairly new winery, only founded in 1999, but their reasoning was brilliant. They wanted to create a wine that shies away from the classic, over-powered Shiraz, Australia became famous for. They believed the Barossa can create better more polished examples. The Ares is just that. The God of War, you can definitely feel its presence, but with a European tactical patience.



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**514 | Two Hands, Aphrodite, Barossa Valley, 2010** **£171**

Barossa has been playing with other grape varieties, not just Shiraz. You can find many Italian grape varieties that seem to thrive, but in following their company principle, Two Hands wanted to polish a classic. The Aphrodite is a beautiful Cabernet Sauvignon, with beautiful character yet firm and grippy structure.

## Argentina

**501 | Kaiken, Cabernet Sauvignon, 2019** **£31**

Cabernet Sauvignon is the King of reds, and while originating from France, its renown is so great, it made its way into every corner of the World, including Argentina where this soft example comes from. It doesn't have the harsh tannins of the French and the fruit is rounder, but it still goes beautifully with steak and rich succulent meats.

**502 | Catena, San Carlos, Cabernet Franc, Mendoza, 2018** **£35**

Argentina is famous for their delicious Malbecs, but there are some other grape varieties that are producing incredible high-quality wines, most notably - Cabernet Franc. Vista Flores is a cool village in the south of Mendoza, producing wines with blueberry shortcake, green plum and dark chocolate notes.

**503 | Pulentia Estate, Malbec, Mendoza, 2019** **£39**

The Pulentas along with the Catenas are arguably the most important wine families in Argentina. Their Estate Malbec is their flagship wine, with everything you expect from a Malbec, but with a touch more wood to the wine.

**640 | Terrazas de los Andes, Malbec, Mendoza, 2018** **£44**

The winery is based in Luyan de Cujo, just a few miles South of Mendoza City and is where many of the great Argentine wineries are based. The estate is owned by LVMH, which means they get hefty financial backing and more importantly French winemaking expertise. The wine is gorgeous!

**504 | Colomé, Estate Malbec, Salta, 2019** **£52**

Most grape varieties grow at maximum 800masl, with Argentina pushing it in many places to go to 1500masl. Colomé has been topping even that, with one of the highest vineyards in the World at 2700masl. The scorching Salta needs this high altitude to give these wines their remarkable freshness. One of the best Malbecs from Argentina.

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**505 | Amancaya, Mendoza, 2018** **£45**

Amancaya is a New World-Old World project between Catena family and the Rothschilds of Bordeaux. The ambition is to create wines with the deliciousness of New World and expertise of the finest French winemakers.

**506 | Escorihuela Gascon, MEG, Mendoza, 2018** **£72**

The MEG is a beautiful wine from the cold areas of Uco Valley in the South of Mendoza. The estate is owned by the legendary Catena winery, who throw all their might and research behind it, to propel it to the fantastic winery it is today. The blend for this one is that of Malbec and Cabernet Sauvignon, producing a grand wine, capable of challenging many of Bordeaux finest wines.

**507 | Cheval des Andes, Mendoza, 2013** **£134**

Cheval Blanc is one of World's most famous and expensive wines. The 1947 is often argued as the best wine ever created. Terrazas de Los Andes is a modern winery in Luyan de Cuyo. The two wineries banded together to create a winery in the old Polo club in Luyan and created what is one of the most sought-after Argentine wines. Outstanding!

## Spain

**613 | Finca Museum, Vinea Crianza, Cigales, 2019** **£33**

Cigales is a wine region just North of Madrid around the city of Valladolid. One of the most beautiful Spanish cities, primarily focused on religious and historical tourism. To support his, Cigales was established to supply the region with fantastic wines. This example is a pure Tempranillo, similar to wines you can find in Rioja.

**612 | Condado de Haza, Crianza, Ribera del Duero, 2017** **£38**

Ribera del Duero hides many of its best wines from us, because the locals love it so much. This is probably the best bargain in our wine list. Fantastic, juicy, plump, round, integrated, but still firm - letting you know it's there. Great with grilled meats.

**614 | Cune, Gran Reserva, Rioja, 2015** **£40**

A Gran Reserva designation in Rioja requires the wine to age for a minimum of 5 years, of which 2 years must be in barrel and 2 in bottle. What this means for us drinkers; the wine is better integrated and harmonised. In other words, it is ready to drink, no unnecessary cellaring and waiting for the wine to come to term.

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- 615 | Raul Perez, La Clave, Mencia, Bierzo, 2018** £43  
Mencia is one of the funkiest grape varieties in the World. It has a similar character to Pinot Noir; it tastes of red fruit and has a soft texture and is kind of medium bodied. Where it differs to Pinot is, it can age much better. The tannins are slightly firmer, providing more longevity, and when it's made by a legend like Raul, the wine is sure to be delicious.
- 616 | Carmelo Peña Santana, Bien de Altura, Ikewen, Gran Canaria, 2019** £45  
Canary Islands produce excellent wines both in Gran Canaria and Tenerife. Ikewen is a wine sourced from super old vines (80 years plus) and growing at high altitude. The wine is made with minimal intervention, foot trodden, barely any SO2, with just beautiful bright red fruits and fresh acidity.
- 617 | Expressio del Priorat, Priorat, 2018** £46  
Carthusian monks have been looking after the vineyards in this Catalanian region since the 12th century and wherever there were monks, the quality of wine is almost higher than elsewhere. It comes as no surprise Priorat is the only DOQ along with Rioja, meaning it produces high quality wines. The grape used in this wine is mainly Garnacha and the wine is rich and powerful with black fruit aromas.
- 618 | Marques de Caceres, Gran Reserva, Rioja, 2014** £52  
Fantastic Rioja made entirely out of Tempranillo grapes. They are very careful only to label this wine in the best vintages, where the growing season was perfect from start until finish. Being a Gran Reserva, it had to be aged for at least 5 years, but this is the current release, and it was aged for a few extra years for an extra layer of complexity.
- 619 | Panoramico, Caracuesta Vinas Viejas Grenache, Rioja, 2016** £55  
Panoramico is a great project that focuses on old methods, old vineyards, yet it is all run by two young guns. Caracuesta is made from superb 85-year-old vines of Grenache. No Tempranillo at all, making this a very unusual Rioja for recent trends, but as a wine, this is absolutely beautiful. Plum, aniseed, fresh mint, with a superb, long finish.
- 620 | Marques de Caceres, Gaudium, Rioja, 2014** £79  
The older the vines, the more impressive, more concentrated the wine is. Gaudium is rarely produced, but when it is, the grapes are taken from the oldest vineyards in the estate with the oldest vineyard carrying 120-year-old vines. They take their time making this wine, with slow maceration and plenty of time soaking in the skins. Great wine and it will only get better.

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**621 | Numantia, Toro, 2013** **£83**

The Toro appellation in Western Spain is somewhat unique. It is a desolate area, a desert really. The climate is harsh with extremely cold winters and extremely hot summers. The people and the soil are tough, which allowed them to survive and thrive in difficult times. This Tinta del Toro wine is deep, punchy, superbly layered, and concentrated.

**622 | Numantia, Toro, 2012** **£85**

Numantia name comes from the Roman times, as the area was called Numancia back in those days. Romans never penetrated the walls however as the tough residents repelled all attacks. Tinta del Toro, the grape for this wine is in fact an ancient clone of Tempranillo, that has mutated to survive in the arid land of Toro.

**623 | Alvaro Palacios, Finca Dofi, Priorat, 2015** **£135**

Alvaro Palacios settled in Priorat in 1989 after spending a few years honing his craft at Chateau Petrus. He brought modern winemaking techniques to Spain and focused on low-yielding vines, to expose the depth of character his wines could have. Finca Dofi is primarily Garnacha grape, with a bit of the local Samsó added to the blend. It is an elegant monster, it feels clean, but powerful and layered with both primary and secondary aromas.

**624 | Termanthia, Toro, 2011** **£209**

Painstakingly hand-crafted wine. No machine ever touches any of these vines, they even use foot-crushing to have greater control over the wine. Intense wine, with an incredible perfume and long finish. This is a wine that needs a lot of time to open up and it needs rich dishes to complement it.

**625 | Termanthia, Toro, 2009** **£237**

2009 was a wonderful vintage for Termanthia, it delivered a touch more freshness than others around it, making this wine even more suited for longer ageing. The tannins are now softer, and the wine is much less intimidating. The complexity is evident for all to see.

## Other, USA

**628 | Double Canyon, Cabernet Sauvignon, Washington, 2015** **£50**

Washington is a fantastic area for beautiful Cabernet Sauvignon. The hot area, cooled by the Columbia River is perfect for the grape variety that likes its feet dry. Powerful wines, with immense concentration and aromas of blackberry, black cherry, roasted coffee, and dried tobacco leaves. Soft finish and well-integrated tannins.

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**629 | Channing Daughters, Blaufrankisch, Long Island, NY, 2017** **£53**

East Coast is not where people first look for American wines, but it is about time they start to. Long Island is producing exceptional quality of wines, and some really unique grape varieties are being grown here, such as this beautiful Blaufrankisch. Expressive and vibrant, this wine is perfect with roasts.

**633 | Big Table Farm, Pigs! Pinot Noir, Wilamette, Oregon, 2016** **£72**

Pigs! is exactly what Willamette Valley represents when it comes to top-class Pinot. It is succulent and creamy, with rich jammy notes, but still impressively elegant and soft. There is a touch of red rose petals and violet flowers that you can pick up on the finish. Beautiful wine with a nice fillet steak.

**634 | Big Table Farm, The Funk Syrah, Walla Walla, Oregon, 2017** **£78**

The wine didn't get its name from the music style or the smell. It is named after Richard Funk, a Walla Walla pioneer, who decided to plant Syrah grapes in the area on rocky soils, thus allowing them to cool the vines, so they don't overheat. This makes 'The Funk' superbly fresh and aromatic. Deep violet colour and concentration, fantastic Syrah!

## California, USA

**643 | Cycles Gladiator, Pinot Noir, 2020** **£29**

The art nouveau label has attracted much attention, particularly in Alabama, where it is banned. It seems the bicycle riding naked nymph was a bit too much to handle. We are not as sensitive, especially when the juice is as good as this.

**627 | Lieu Dit, Cabernet Franc, Santa Ynez, 2019** **£47**

Lieu Dit is a very different project to what we are used to in the States. This Cabernet Franc is brilliant, you can feel that it was supposed to come from Loire Valley in France, but what is so special about this one is the lack of SO2 added to the wine, hence the phrase 'Sans Soufre' on the label.

**630 | Baxter, Old-vine Carignan, Anderson Valley, 2014** **£56**

Some of Baxter's vines are thought to be over 75 years old delivering Carignan that exudes concentration. This wine is packed with red fruit, bright acidity and medium tannins that makes for very pleasant drinking.

**631 | Joy Fantastic, Pinot Noir, Sta. Rita Hills, 2017** **£58**

One wife, one husband, one dog and one friend are all you really need to start a winery. Which is what Pete & Amy did when they started Joy Fantastic. Boutique estate in Sta. Rita Hills produces some of the most delightful and impressive Pinot Noirs

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- 632 | Hahn, SLH Pinot Noir, Santa Lucia Highlands, 2018** £63  
Santa Lucia Highlands are located half-way between Santa Barbara and Napa Valley, close to Monterey. The area is cool enough to produce wonderful Pinot Noirs, but hot enough to produce them with great power.
- 635 | Ridge, Geyserville, Alexander Valley, 2016** £98  
Ridge is located in the Santa Cruz Mountains just above Silicon Valley. It was incredibly difficult to gain access to the land, so everyone called them crazy when they purchased the vineyards atop the mountain. But they proved them wrong, with outstanding wines produced year in year out. This particular wine is actually made further North in Sonoma, where the cool temperature bring freshness to it.
- 636 | Inglenook, 1882 Cabernet Sauvignon, Napa Valley, 2012** £125  
Inglenook is owned by the famous Godfather director Francis Ford Coppola. One of the first 'celebrity' owned wine estates, Coppola's love for the wine has made Inglenook one of the most respected wineries in the world.
- 647 | Au Bon Climat, Isabelle, Pinot Noir, 2018** £133  
A terrific Pinot, from California pioneer Jim Clendenen. In one of his last vintages, the wine is intense and deep, brooding with confidence. It is not shy to go against heavier meats, but still delivers the elegance, complexity, and freshness only Jim knew how to extract. This wine made him so proud, he named it after his daughter Isabelle.
- 637 | Ridge, East Bench Zinfandel, Dry Creek Valley, Sonoma, 2017** £138  
Slightly younger Zin from Ridge, but still absolutely fantastic. Some Zinfandels can be jammy and sweet, but Ridge has always managed to make them elegant. Zinfandel acts a bit like a spoiled brat, but Ridge is able to tame the grape, almost putting a leash on the variety and teaching it to behave to its full potential.
- 638 | Quintessa, Napa Valley, 2014** £243  
A very rare thing to see, a biodynamic Cabernet from Napa. Every single plot is managed and vinified separately. This allows them flexibility to adapt and blend the wine based on the needs of the vintage. It is mainly Cabernet, but they have Merlot, Petit Verdot, Cabernet Franc and Carmenere planted as well for even greater flexibility in difficult vintages.
- 639 | Opus One, Napa Valley, 2012** £378  
Opus One is the most ambitious wine project ever attempted. A collaboration between two iconic wine legends, the Robert Mondavi Winery and Baron Philippe Rothschild. American fruit, made with French savoir-faire. The unique grass-covered winery is hidden in the landscape, to avoid influencing the surrounding vineyards.
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## Piedmont, Italy

**583 | Musso, Pora, Barbaresco, Piedmont, 2017** **£60**

Barbaresco and Barolo are both villages in the North of Italy. While Barolo is royalty, Barbaresco is the underrated neighbour. They both produce fantastic wines made from the difficult Nebbiolo grape, with Barolo producing a more austere style to the fruitier more approachable Barbaresco.

**584 | Giacomo Asheri, Barolo, Piedmont, 2017** **£68**

Since 1880, the Asheris have been producing wines in the commune of Serralunga d'Alba which sits just East of the town of Barolo. This is a classic Barolo with black orange skin coming through, flavours of violets and cherries. The mouth-watering acidity and classic Barolo tannins are also evident in this beauty.

**585 | Le Strette, Corini Palaretta, Barolo, Piedmont, 2016** **£73**

Le Strette are based in Novello and is a fairly new project born in 1997. The two brothers Mauro and Savio inherited vineyards from their parents, but wine was never produced here before. They are both oenologists and their wines are clean and precise, the elegance of the clay Barolo soils is evident in this beautiful wine.

## Tuscany, Italy

**576 | Tenuta Lenzini, Merlot, Tuscany, 2020** **£31**

A Merlot with freshness we never knew we needed. Tenuta Lenzini practices only biodynamic farming, and it shows. This is only their entry-level wine, but it has an incredible open aroma and firm structure to boot.

**577 | Le Volte dell'Ornellaia, Tuscany, 2019** **£59**

Tenuta dell'Ornellaia is one of Tuscany's finest estates. Nestled on the outskirts of the historic town of Bolgheri, only a few miles of the Tuscan coast among the pines, they create some of world's most expensive wines Ornellaia and Masseto. This is their Le Volte, the flagship everyday wine, but made with the same passion, same expertise and most importantly, same vines as their big brothers. Fantastic wine.

**578 | Badia a Passignano, Chianti Classico, Tuscany, 2018** **£75**

Badia a Passignano is one of the oldest monasteries in the World, with some records suggesting it could have been built as early as 390 AD. It was home to Benedictine monks before it made its way into the Antinori family who have been making fantastic Chianti at the estate, after completely refurbishing the area.

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**579 | Tenuta San Guido, Guidalberto, Tuscany, 2018** **£84**

Tenuta San Guido is responsible for the creation of one of the legendary wines that not only made the World take Italian wine seriously, but also changed how Italy views itself. The winery created a wine called Sassicaia, which was the first Italian wine ever to receive a 100-point rating in 1985. It spurred a movement which is now known as the Super Tuscans, where Tuscan wineries create Bordeaux blends in the hot sun. This wine is Guidalberto and unlike Sassicaia it is entirely based on Merlot.

**580 | Donatella Colombini, Brunello di Montalcino, Tuscany, 2015** **£79**

Donatella Colombini is not only a fantastic winemaker, but she is a fantastic human as well. She has changed the landscape for female Italian winemakers, is one of the leaders of the League of businesswomen and kicks ass with her wines as well. Slowly converting to organic farming, her Brunello is fantastic. Full of smoke, cigars, chewy cherry jam and grated cocoa.

**581 | Gaja, Brunello di Montalcino, Tuscany, 2013** **£110**

Angelo Gaja and now his daughter Gaia Gaja (ha-ha), are two of the most stubborn people in all of Piedmont. They are based in the town of Barbaresco where their winery is in fact a castle and their wines are uncompromising. A few years ago, they started a project in Tuscany, playing around with Sangiovese grape and they immediately produced outstanding Brunello. Legends.

**582 | Antinori, Tignanello, Tuscany, 2017** **£164**

Tignanello is another iconic wine that changed how Italians look at wine. They are set in their ways, and it takes a lot to move them from tradition. The region of Chianti used to demand 85% Sangiovese and 15% of the white Malvasia grape to be used in the blend. Tignanello risked everything by leaving the appellation and created a "table wine" with Cabernet instead of Malvasia, forever changing the region, which now allows the same.

## Other, Italy

**586 | Visconti della Rocca, Primitivo, Puglia, 2021** **£27**

Primitivo is anything but primitive, with its joyful nature and character the wine is loved in Southern Italy and served with every meal including breakfast. The wine is delightfully fruity, and it has enough body for strong dishes.

**587 | Ducale, Salice Salentino, Puglia, 2017** **£27**

Salice Salentino is a fairly new geographical designation that covers the area around the tiny village of Salice. Wines are mainly made from Negroamaro and Aleatico, two grape varieties native to the South of Italy. Approachable wines, in a way similar to Primitivo, but drier and more earthy.



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- 591 | Molmenti & Celot, Refosco, Friuli, 2020** £30  
Refosco is a delightful grape variety native to the North of Italy and Southwest Slovenia. The wines that come from it are very easy to drink, smooth with flavours of sour cherries, rosehip, and hawthorn.
- 588 | Tenuta Serranova, Susumaniello, Puglia, 2017** £30  
This outstanding grape variety has been one of sommeliers favourites for years. Incredibly versatile, with spicy notes of, bakes plums, toffee, and coffee. Fantastic with roasted and grilled meats.
- 592 | Kaltern, Leuchtenberg Schiava, Alto Adige, 2021** £35  
Schiava is an Italian grape that is most commonly grown in Alto Adige and South Tyrol. It is light and fresh, with fruit aromas beaming through its piercing acidity. This is a perfect wine for your light dishes, including sea food.
- 589 | Cantina Sorres, Pensamentu Cannonau, Sardinia, 2018** £42  
This beautiful Cannonau from the province of Sassari, is a perfect representation of what Sardinia can offer. Cannonau is Sardinian for Grenache. The wine has beautiful flavours of ripe strawberry.
- 593 | Pieropan, Valpolicella, Veneto, 2017** £46  
Pieropan are famous for their whites, but they have always made outstanding Valpolicella. Such a juicy and approachable wine, with sweet and sour cherries, and playful raspberries.
- 590 | Girolamo Russo, Rosso 'a Rina, Sicily, 2018** £53  
Sicily is getting more and more hype for their wines, as winemakers have realised planting the vines high up in the mountains on volcanic soils makes fantastic wines. Girolamo Russo created 'a Rina with the native grape variety Nerello Mascalese, which is beautifully light.
- 594 | Villa Calicantus, Avresir, Veneto, 2017** £61  
Avresir read backwards stands for Riserva, which is what the wine is. Aged for 2 years in barrel, before spending another 2 years in bottle, the wine explodes in the glass with fresh cranberry, blood orange and sour cherry. Mouth-watering wine that is incredibly food friendly.
- 595 | Bottega, Amarone della Valpolicella, Veneto, 2016** £65  
Amarone della Valpolicella is incredibly difficult to make well. A portion of the grapes are dried off in the attics until they are raisins and only then are they pressed to make this deep powerful tannic wine. It is both bitter and sweet with notes of black fruit and world's finest cocoa.

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## Other, France

**572 | Domaine Laogue, Camy Madiran, South West, 2019** **£32**

Madiran has often been called an area of the healthiest vines. This is due to the fact that at least 60% of all vineyards must be planted with Tannat, one of the worlds healthiest grapes. Its tannic structure full of antioxidants make these wines great for our heart, but that's not why we listed it. It's because it's delicious.

**573 | Ch. de Miniere, Vieilles Vignes, Bourgeuil, Loire Valley, 2017** **£40**

These 100-year-old vines bring out something special in this fantastic Cabernet Franc. The concentration you get out of it is incredible, aided by the biodynamic approach to farming, this is one of the most expressive wines we currently list with that wonderful green bell pepper freshness.

**574 | Domaine Tempier, Cuvée Classique, Bandol, Provence, 2014** **£107**

Domaine Tempier is rarely challenged as the best producer of Bandol wines. Their powerful, deep, and tannic Mourvèdre based wines have a cult following in the wine world and the respect for the estate is evident all over Provence. They make beautiful white and rose as well, but their Cuvée Classique is the flagship.

**657 | Mas de Daumas, Gassac Rouge, Languedoc, 2005** **£107**

One of the most iconic wineries in all of Languedoc. The unique micro-climate, unlike any others in the region, somehow produces both power and freshness, which is not the case for the rest of the area. Now iconic Gassac Rouge, with the 2005 as one of their standout vintages, is composed of 80% Cabernet Sauvignon and 20 rare grape varieties which makes this wine both weird and wonderful.

## Rhone Valley, France

**565 | Chateau des Tresques, Cotes du Rhone, 2021** **£28**

Classic Rhone blend of Syrah, Grenache, Cinsault, Mourvèdre and many more. Each of the blending partners has its own role to fulfil, to make these wines perfect for both regular drinking and their suitability for food pairing.

**566 | Fontaine du Clos, Castillon, Vacqueyras, 2018** **£42**

A bit unorthodox these days, but this is a wine that makes us think of a cigar on a terrace overlooking the sunset. Only two grape varieties are used in this wine, Grenache, and Syrah, which adds to the complexity of the wine. Grenache gives delicious fruit aromas, and Syrah the freshness, body, and spice.

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- 641 | M. Chapoutier, Petite Roche, Crozes-Hermitage, 2017** £46  
Michel Chapoutier created a fantastic winery focused on biodynamic farming and sustainability. This is a fantastic Syrah with smoked meat, Provençal herbs and a soft blackberry aroma.
- 567 | Maison Les Alexandrins, Crozes-Hermitage, 2016** £61  
Crozes-Hermitage are the flatlands behind the iconic hill of Hermitage overlooking the sweeping Rhone River. The reds are made exclusively from Syrah and along with the likes of St. Joseph offer great value compared to the high prices demanded by Hermitage or Cote-Rotie.
- 568 | La Bastide Saint Dominique, Chateauneuf-du-Pape, 2019** £73  
The famous village got its name in the 14th century, when the then pope Clement V, decided to move the seat of the papal throne to France. The name literally translates to "New castle of the Pope". Obviously, he was a big fan of the wine, and so are we. Currently 18 different grape varieties are allowed in the production of this village wine, but only 4 in this wine.
- 569 | Domaine les Alexandrins, Cote-Rotie, 2018** £111  
Cote-Rotie, the roasted mountains, where the sun bakes the Syrah grapes makes some of the most delectable wines in the world. They will often blend a bit of the white grape of the
- 570 | Jean Louis Chave, Farconnet, Hermitage, 2008** £115  
The iconic JL Chave is the hermit of Hermitage. The iconic hill overlooking Rhone River got its name from a legend about a Crusader knight, who stayed in the chapel on top of the hill. Jean Louis is 16<sup>th</sup> generation of Chave's cultivating this prime real estate in the Rhone and crafts iconic wines.
- 571 | Chateau de Beaucastel, Chateauneuf-du-Pape, 2013** £128  
Beaucastel's unique terroir, sand and limestone covered soil and the famous Mistral winds have made these wines somewhat of a legend in Rhone valley. Family Perrin are known throughout the World as exceptional vineyard managers, capable of listening to the vines and extracting the best out of them, wherever they may be.
- 646 | Rene Rostaing, Cote Blonde, Cote-Rotie, 2009** £187  
The tinkerer of Cote-Rotie, René Rostaing, was rewarded with the magical 2009 vintage. This is a powerful vintage, with most winemakers overcooking the fruit. Not René, as there is incredible freshness still in this absolute beauty of a wine. Smoked meat, oregano, and spices, with fresh fruit.

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## Burgundy & Beaujolais, France

- 563 | Chateau du Pierreux, Brouilly, Beaujolais, 2020** £27  
Brouilly is one of the more powerful crus in Beaujolais. Under the mountain of Brouilly, the vineyards tend to be exposed to the sun for just a touch longer, giving them more structure than your classic youthful Beaujolais.
- 557 | Maison Louis Latour, Les Pierres Dorees, 2018** £33  
A classic red Burgundy with approachable fruit notes of raspberries, cherries, cranberries with a touch of red apple as well. Excellent with lighter dishes and less demanding meats, we would steer clear of steaks with this one.
- 558 | Franck Lamargue, Les Gamets, Monthelie, 2019** £46  
Monthelie along with Volnay are two of the villages producing the lightest premium Burgundy wines. They focus on integration, delicacy, and floral character, instead of the rustic gamey reds you can find further North. We love these wines on their own or even with nice spicy chicken dishes.
- 650 | Domaine Jean-Claude Boisset, Savigny-les-Beaune, 2013** £65  
Savigny-les-Beaune lies in the "white" wine district of Burgundy, but people often forget that less than 50 years ago, the area was mostly red wines. The demand for white has been cutting into the reds of Savigny, which means eventually it will run out. Get it while you still can!
- 660 | Paul Pillot, Vieilles Vignes, Santenay, 2020** £73  
Paul Pillot is a legend of Beaune among sommeliers. His wines are friendly and delightful and the prices do not rise constantly, which makes it a wonderful addition to any wine lists as the prices and quality are so consistent.
- 559 | Albert Bichot, Clos Frontin, Vosne-Romanée, 2013** £84  
There are no pesticides or spraying of any kind used in making Albert Bichot wines. Fully organic, they make their own compost, plough between the vines, and promote wildlife in and around their vineyards in the Cotes du Nuits. The wine is elegant, approachable. It kind of reminds us of a warm year Beaujolais.
- 561 | Domaine de la Vougeraie, Pommard, 2015** £92  
Volnay, Monthelie and Pommard are the three villages just South of Beaune, which are mainly red wine producers. Volnay and Monthelie tend to be softer, and more floral, but Pommard is a more serious, structured wine.

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**649 | Domaine Amiot Sevelle, Chambolle-Musigny, 2014** **£107**

The wines from the village of Chambolle, are among the most impressive in all of Burgundy, yet they are fairly unbeknownst to most. While still pricey for most standards, in terms of Burgundy this is impressive value for the quality and experience it will deliver. The wine is both mature and youthful, complex, and approachable. Simply gorgeous!

**659 | Tortochot, Charmes, Morey-St.Denis 1er Cru, 2019** **£144**

Wines of Morey-St.Denis are among the more powerful and expressive wines of the North. There is plenty of perfume, giving these wines an extra layer of enjoyment. Tortochot makes wines with more structure and tannin, so this is a Pinot for lovers of strength not delicacy.

**642 | Domaine Rapet, Corton Grand Cru, 2019** **£165**

We were delighted to encounter this wonderful Grand Cru Pinot at such an “affordable” price. Grand Cru Burgundy just does not show up at these prices any more. The wine is majestic, but age would definitely help it show more of that classic Corton rustic character still missing in 2022. End of '23 until '30 would be an optimum drinking window.

**562 | Domaine de la Vougeraie, Clos de Vougeot Grand Cru, 2015** **£288**

The spectacular Grand Cru - Clos de Vougeot is the famous walled off vineyard bordering the village of Chambolle-Musigny. The vineyard was first planted in 12th century by the Cistercian monks who realised that this massive area produces some of the greatest wines in all of Burgundy.

### Right bank Bordeaux, France

**545 | Chateau Lucas, Lussac - St.Emilion, 2015** **£35**

Lussac - St. Emilion is one of our favourite St. Emilion satellites. That's how the villages mimicking the great UNESCO protected village are called. The wines are based on Merlot, but with a heavy portion of Cabernet Franc as well which adds more body and deeper, more violet colour.

**546 | Vieux Chateau des Combes, St.Emilion, 2018** **£42**

A fantastic St. Emilion, with Merlot holding its own, and Cabernet Franc lacing the wine with green notes. The wine makes us think of slow cooked stews, Coq au vin and classic French bistro cuisine in general. Absolutely lovely!

**548 | Chateau Cantin, St.Emilion Grand Cru, 2019** **£45**

Chateau Cantin is a St. Emilion Grand Cru, placing it into the elite wineries that consistently produce high quality wines that speak to what St. Emilion is all about. The status is revised every 10 years, which keeps the Chateaux under constant pressure to deliver great wines.

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- 549 | Chateau Mazeyres, Pomerol, 2017** £57  
A wonderful biodynamic winery in the heart of Pomerol. Managed by the talented Alain Moueix since 1992. He transformed what was once a simple wine for restaurants by the glass section, is now a standout wine with Merlot and a large portion of Cabernet Franc added as well.
- 550 | Chateau La Croix du Casse, Pomerol, 2014** £72  
A beautiful blend of only Merlot and Cabernet Franc. The clay soils of Pomerol keep the Merlot well fed with nutrients and plenty of water. Aggressive pruning at La Croix du Casse, means the wines are deeply concentrated and layered with aromas.
- 550 | Chateau Laroque, St.Emilion, 2010** £75  
The largest wine estate in St. Emilion, this winery is producing exceptional wines and getting better each year. Fully organic, 2010 was absolutely incredible for their Merlot, making this wine perfect to open today. Aromas of sweet plums, and dried cranberries are laced with a gentle perfume of truffles.
- 551 | Chateau Beauregard, Pomerol, 2005** £84  
The fantastic Chateau Beauregard is modernizing every year and moving away from the classic style we can still find in this wine. In the future, Cabernet Sauvignon is being added to the vineyards and vines will be planted at high density. But here, we have the marvellous, powerful '05 in its original iteration. One of the last bottles!
- 552 | Chateau Guillot-Clauzel, Pomerol, 2010** £86  
2010 allowed Pomerol to create some of the best wines of the past 3 decades. Much more consistent in the vintage to their neighbours in St. Emilion, Pomerol in '10 had some incredible power and potential for longevity.
- 553 | Chateau Clos de Sarpe, St.Emilion, 2005** £130  
Very old-school style of winemaking. They don't believe in over-oaking the wines, instead they focus on minerality. The terroir should show the wine, man's influence and oak will only cover that up. 2005 was legendary in all of Bordeaux, but with Clos de Sarpe it shows even greater.
- 554 | Chateau Feytit Clinet, Pomerol, 2011** £130  
The wines of Feytit Clinet pride themselves on richness, but never over-extraction. The wines are gently pumped over, never punched down during fermentation, helping the wine stay elegant and removing any roughness from it.

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**644 | Chateau Gazin, Pomerol, 2014** **£147**

Gazin is a great estate with vineyards sandwiched between those of Chateau Pétrus and Chateau L'Evangile, the undisputed heroes of Pomerol. Rich lime and clay soils mature the Merlot grapes beautifully, delivering a wonderfully complex wine even at a fairly young age.

**555 | Chateau Pavie Macquin, St.Emilion, 2010** **£196**

Pavie Macquin has been fully organic and then biodynamic since the 90s and this helped reinvigorate the estate. In the late 80s the wines felt tired, as if the soil had nothing to give, but once they started looking after it the estate has been going full steam ahead. The last 15 years or so the wines have been easily competing with the very best Chateaux in St. Emilion and Pomerol.

**556 | Chateau Pavie Macquin, St.Emilion, 1996** **£197**

The first biodynamic vintage of Pavie Macquin after slowly converting in the years before. Ploughed vines, home-made compost, increased biodiversity, and many other tiny improvements have reinvigorated the estate to give it new life. This was the first truly great wine of the Chateau.

**556 | Chateau Lafleur, Pensées de Lafleur, Pomerol, 1996** **£307**

The tiny Chateau Lafleur produces some of Pomerol's greatest and most unique wines, with an even distribution of Merlot and Cabernet Franc, which is rare for the area. The small size of the vineyards allows for extreme selection and meticulous approach both in the vineyard and cellar, with only 500 cases of this wine produced annually. It is in its perfect drinking window, with perfumed fruit and vivacious body courtesy of Cabernet Franc.

### Left bank Bordeaux, France

**521 | Chateau Le Monge, Médoc, 2017** **£29**

Médoc is situated on the Left Bank of Bordeaux and the wine stays true to the classic blending patterns of the area. The gravelly soils benefit Cabernet Sauvignon the most, with Cabernet Franc supplementing most of the remaining blend to add a bit of freshness to the wine. Great value wine.

**522 | Chateau Lamothe, Haut-Medoc, 2017** **£39**

Made in the town of Cissac in the Northern part of Bordeaux left bank, the wine is surprisingly heavy in Merlot, making this wine approachable at a very young age. No need to wait years and years to enjoy it, but it works especially well with saltier savoury dishes that really bring those dark plum notes out to play.

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- 523 | Chateau Patache d'Aux, Médoc, 2009** **£60**  
The legendary 2009 vintage produced some of the most incredible wines in Bordeaux ever. Apart from a bit of hail at the end of April, the year had perfect growing conditions for wines to develop aromatic profile, structure, acidity and still remain reasonable in terms of alcohol level. Patache d'Aux is always good value for money, but here it lets us taste the incredible 2009 at what seems like a ridiculous offer.
- 524 | Les Fiefs de Lagrange, St.Julien, 2013** **£62**  
Wines from St. Julien tend to show a lot of power and this one is no different. Blackberry notes, cassis and strong menthol freshness stand up to that power beautifully. As it ages, dark chocolate and roasted coffee is starting to show and the berries are starting to dry out, more plum character is evident.
- 525 | Chateau Pedesclaux, Pauillac, 2016** **£70**  
Fantastic organic Pauillac, with immense power on the nose and on the palate. The tannins are firm and savoury, with a tonne of juicy blueberries, wild strawberry jam, and creme de cassis.
- 527 | Chateau Gloria, St.Julien, 2017** **£91**  
We love Chateau Gloria, because of its approachability. It is remarkably affordable for what it offers, and it is always ready to drink, the moment it leaves the estate. Yes, time would improve it, but it's rare to get the feeling of completeness in a wine so early. Gloria delivers that, in every vintage.
- 528 | La Croix Ducru-Beaualieu, St.Julien, 2010** **£94**  
Why people overlook St. Julien is beyond us. Of all the Left bank communes, this is by far the greatest value for money village with wines famous for their deep, powerful character. Strong black fruits are classic for the region and in 2010 the fruit is there on display for all to see.
- 529 | Chateau Gloria, St.Julien, 2014** **£94**  
Gloria with a few extra years under her belt, 2014 can often be an overlooked vintage, because many say it does not have the ageing potential of 2010 or even 09. Who cares? We want to drink it now anyway!
- 531 | Chateau Pedesclaux, Pauillac, 2010** **£103**  
Basically, if we find a 2010 Bordeaux, we list it. It is so rare to see them pop up on the market and the quality of that year truly was remarkable. We are fans of Chateau Pedesclaux, due to their fruit-forward approach and organic farming, even more so in great years like this one.



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- 530 | Chateau Desmirail, Margaux, 2010** **£115**  
A unique 3rd growth, with history spanning to the start of the 17th century. Unique, because unlike most of the classified growths, Desmirail chooses to use equal proportions of Cabernet and Merlot, which they can achieve thanks to a clay plateau, perfect from growing high quality Merlot grapes. Wonderful texture of the wine with aromas of dried fruit and herbs, sweet prunes and cassis.
- 532 | Chateau Priure Lichine, Margaux, 2016** **£123**  
This 4eme Grand Cru Classée is a bit of a jewel of the Cantenac appellation within Margaux. Born out of two estates Ch Le Priure and Ch Priure-Cantenac, it had lost its way for a while, but has been coming back in a big way. Luckily for us, the price hasn't caught up to its full potential yet. The wine is beautiful, red fruits dominate the aromas, with candied red apples, sweet cherries and creme de framboise.
- 533 | Chateau d'Issan, Margaux, 2009** **£135**  
A 3eme Grand Cru Classée, Chateau d'Issan is one of those rare Chateaux that was placed in the right category in the 1855 Grand Cru Classification and remained consistent for over 200 years. Some wineries were put into a higher category than they deserved, some into a lower, but Issan, seems to be perfect, where it is. It is very classic Margaux, with red fruit dominating and this is particularly evident in such a strong vintage as 2009 was.
- 534 | Clos du Marquis, St.Julien, 2012** **£149**  
Made by Chateau Leoville-Les Cases, the idea behind Clos de Maquis was to showcase the subtle difference between the terroir of Les Cases and what Clos de Marquis vineyards are planted on. The unique difference is that Clos de Maquis vineyards used to be a forest, meaning the organic matter in the soil has fed it nutrients which created a completely different wine.
- 535 | Chateau Leoville-Barton, St.Julien, 2012** **£155**  
Chateau Leoville-Barton is not a Chateau at all. The wine is produced at Chateau Langoa-Barton, but the vineyards are still planted where the ancient Chateaux was situated. The Barton family has owned the estates for over 200 years and have been making remarkable wines from this 2eme Grand Cru Classée.
- 658 | Chateau Durfort-Vivens, Margaux, 2017** **£162**  
A consistent underperformer among the 2<sup>nd</sup> growths, Durfort-Vivens is coming back in a strong way thanks to the leadership of Gonzague Lurton. The famous Lurtons have owned the estate since 1961, They use the most Cabernet Sauvignon of anyone in South Médoc sometimes reaching 85%.

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- 536 | Chateau Branaire-Ducru, St.Julien, 2009** £171  
We've always found Branaire-Ducru to be overperforming its' 4eme Grand Cru Classée status. It delivers so much more, and it has a unique character making it very easy to spot in a line-up of St. Juliens. Uniqueness is what makes good wines truly great.
- 537 | Chateau Lascombes, Margaux, 2005** £182  
2005 was fantastic for Pauillac everyone says. The already powerful wines had even more power. Somehow Margaux did not get the same plaudits. When we were privileged to try an '05 Lascombes we were baffled as to why.
- 538 | Chateau Brane Cantenac, Margaux, 2010** £195  
Owned by the famous Bordeaux family Lurton, this 2eme Grand Cru Classée is one of those wines that was wavering a bit in the 70s and 80s. It underperformed, but since Henri Lurton took over the reins in the 90s, the quality is back where it belongs and that is even more evident in the glorious 2010 vintage.
- 539 | Chateau Pichon Baron, Pauillac, 2012** £207  
2012 is the most disrespected vintage of the last 20 years. It's not its fault to be fair. It was surrounded by the amazing '09, '10 and '11 and expectations were high. It did fall short, but it is still a good year. Instead of ageing the wines for 40+ years, this will be at its peak from '22 to '26. And for Chateaux like the great Pichon Baron, they don't know how to make a bad wine anyway.
- 540 | Chateau Montrose, St.Estephe, 2008** £233  
Montrose is made for age. Another 2eme Grand Cru Classée that is single-handedly carrying their commune on its back. The epitome of St. Estephe, Chateau Montrose wines are macerated for a long period of time to ensure depth of colour, super-extraction of tannins and seriousness. Wines can easily deal with 50 years, but we like 2008 as an early-drinking vintage.
- 541 | Chateau Cos d'Estournel, St.Estephe, 2005** £245  
Cos d'Estournel may be in St. Estephe, but it does not act like one. A unique style of the wine with a super high percentage of Merlot and bordering the Pauillac region is not what you would expect from a St. Estephe. Regardless, this is one of the most iconic wines in all of Bordeaux and in great vintages like the '05 it is one of the rare that can be uttered in the same breath as the 1er Grand Cru Classées.

# Red wine

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## 542 | Chateau Lynch-Bages, Pauillac, 2008

£275

By far the most expensive 5eme Grand Cru Classée, Lynch-Bages have a Benjamin button-like quality of almost ageing backwards. They are soft and approachable when young but become stronger and more powerful as they age. The '08 is already showing signs of tobacco leaf, the 'capa' of the cigar and a woody note.

## 543 | Chateau Lynch-Bages, Pauillac, 2009

£285

Very different to 2008, much more youthful and vibrant. The primary flavours are greatly overpowering any signs of tiredness or age. Yes, you can wait for this one for another 10 years, but do you really want to miss out on all the fruit?

## 544 | Chateau Palmer, Margaux, 2005

£419

Chateau Palmer makes spectacular wines that are rated as high as some of the 1ere Grand Cru Classées. Always rubbing elbows with biodynamic farming, because they believed the land will only give you what you give to it, they have converted to 100% biodynamic in the late '00s. The '05 was almost there, but not certified just yet. You can feel this approach brings out more life in the wines, more vivacity, and more complexity. It's remarkable.

# Gins

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## **Aviation, 25ml, £6.00**

Wonderful gin backed by Deadpool star Ryan Reynolds with notes of French lavender, anise, sarsaparilla, and orange peel

## **Blue Bottle, 25ml, £6.00**

Locally made gin with refreshing botanicals and a touch of cubeb pepper

## **Blue Bottle Pink, 25ml, £6.00**

Lovely fruity pink gin with exotic notes of citrus, mainly wonderful pink grapefruit

## **Brockman's, 25ml, £6.00**

Non-traditional gin, with wild fruit notes of blackberries and blueberries along with refreshing citrus

## **Few American, 25ml, £6.00**

Unique gin made with unoaked Bourbon as the base spirit instead of neutral spirit. A gentle vanilla aroma works well with other botanicals

## **Gin Mare, 25ml, £6.00**

Refreshing Mediterranean gin with aromatic herbs from the dried coastlands. Rosemary, basil, and thyme

## **Ki No Bi Kyoto, 25ml, £6.00**

Intriguing gin from Japan with notes of yuzu, bamboo and gyokuro tea for a truly inspiring drink

## **Monkey 47, 25ml, £8.00**

From Schwartzwald in Germany this artisanal creation always surprises with their botanical choices. Oswego tea, bergamot, and a touch of spice

## **Ophir Oriental, 25ml, £5.00**

London dry gin with oriental spices of cardamom, coriander and Tell cherry black pepper from India

## **Wheadon's, 25ml, £6.00**

Locally made gin based on grapefruit and local samphire picked from the shores of Guernsey

# Draught & Bottle brews

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**Cruzcampo Lager, pint, £5.00**

Andalusia, Spain – Malty, pilsner

**Birra Moretti Lager, pint, £5.00**

Udine, Italy – Full-bodied, rustic

**Asahi Super Dry Lager, pint, £5.60**

Osaka, Japan – Dry and crisp

**Beavertown Neck Oil IPA, pint, £5.80**

London, UK – Refreshing Session IPA

**Camden Pale Ale, pint, £5.00**

London, UK – Citrusy, tropical

**Betty Amber Ale, pint, £5.00**

Guernsey – Round and bitter

**Guinness Stout, pint, £5.00**

Dublin, Ireland – Rich and creamy

**Rocquettes Cider, pint, £5.00**

Guernsey – Aromatic and crisp

**Peroni Lager, 330ml, £4.60**

Vigevano, Italy – Delicate and fruity

**Peroni Gluten Free, 330ml, £4.60**

Vigevano, Italy – Citrusy and bitter

**Corona Extra Lager, 330ml, £4.40**

Mexico City, Mexico – Light and hoppy

**Heineken 0.0%, 330ml, £3.50**

Amsterdam, Netherlands – Malty and fruity

**Old Mout Ciders, 500ml, £5.30**

Moutere Valley, New Zealand – Sweet and refreshing

# Cocktails

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## **Aphrodite's melon £12.50**

Champagne Brut | Watermelon | Elderflower liqueur

Delicious cocktail to start the night. Champagne and elderflower are perfectly matched, while fresh watermelon purée elevates the whole drink to another level.

## **Goosfraba £11.00**

Ki no bi Gin | Star-anise & matcha syrup | Lime

The wonderful Japanese gin, Ki no bi has notes of green tea and matcha. By infusing it with star-anise this cocktail is delicate and intense at the same time.

## **El Pistolero £11.00**

Havana 7yo | Blackberry Liqueur | Raspberry Liqueur  
Soda water | Lime

A South American inspired cocktail based on one of the best rums and premium liqueurs around.

## **Buller's Club £9.50**

Gin | Vermouth | Strawberry jam

We also add a bit of rhubarb bitters to this dashing local cocktail. Lovely sweetness, perfect for after dinner cravings.

## **Sinful Goat £10.50**

Frangelico | Amaretto | Espresso

Espresso martinis are good, sure. But this is better. Chocolate shavings, the nutty Frangelico and delicious amaretto, have elevated a classic into an icon.

## **Lolita's kiss £13.50**

Champagne Rosé | Crème de Rhubarbe | Lemon

Unique cocktail with elevated aromas of Rhubarb and a gentle bitterness from very rare Rhubarb bitters. Wonderfully complemented by our wonderful Castelnau Rosé Champagne.

## **Earl de Pollet £10.00**

Earl grey infused gin | Agave | Rosemary

It is a challenge to get the right amount of infusion into the gin, but boy does it work well in our cocktail. Dedicated to Le Pollet, the street where JB's resides.

## **Indecent proposal £10.50**

Salted Caramel vodka | Crème de cacao | Cream  
Bailey's Salted caramel liqueur

A dangerous cocktail when you are craving something sweet after dinner. Finished off with a cinnamon dusting.

## **The Dazzler £11.00**

Grand Marnier | Rum | Crème de Peche  
Ginger beer

Apricots and stone fruit dominate this cocktail but there is a lovely freshness coming from the ginger beer.

## **Clockwork Orange £15.00**

Armagnac | Grand Marnier | Amaretto Cream

Delectable and rich cocktail based on premium Armagnac and two of our favourite after dinner liqueurs.

# Old Fashioned selection

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## **Classic Old Fashioned £10.50**

Maker's Mark | Angostura bitters

The classic bourbon based old fashioned made with a softer, sweeter bourbon.

## **Buffalo Bill's Midnight tonic £14.00**

Pecan infused Zacapa 23yo Rum | Peach bitters

After infusing this remarkable rum with pecans and peaches, the slow stir over bitters and a touch of pecan sugar syrup the brings this mildly sweet cocktail to life.

## **Deadwood bandit £15.00**

Illegal Anejo Mezcal | Honey | Grapefruit

The smokiness of the Mezcal is not for everyone, but if this delectable drink floats your boat, you will be keen to give this twist of ours a go. The old-fashioned style cocktail is laced with tarragon and rosemary to emphasize the herbal nature of the mezcal.

## **Roebuck £11.50**

Havana 7yo | Overproof rum | Chocolate

A chocolatey old fashioned, based on three types of rum and chocolate bitters. Perfect instead of dessert.

## **Butch's Revenge £13.50**

Popcorn infused bourbon | Whisky bitters

Infusing bourbon with popcorn is a nightmare, but the results are fantastic. The process elevates the sweetcorn flavours bourbon is made with, delivering a beautifully textured old fashioned style cocktail.

## **Durango Royal £13.00**

Remy Martin VSOP | Walnut bitters

Can't beat a Cognac at the end of the night. The introduction of walnut bitters and a touch of maple syrup makes this a perfect cocktail to round off your dinner.

## Mocktails

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### **Lemon cup £6.50**

Lemonade | Summer fruits | Rosemary syrup

A mocktail version of the classic British Pimm's cup. The delightfully refreshing cocktail is perfect on a hot summer day or when you just wish it was!

### **Le Polletan £5.50**

Cranberry juice | Lemon juice | Fragrant orange oil

A twist on the Cosmopolitan and a nod to the street JB Parker's is located on – Le Pollet. Refreshing pre-dinner drink.

### **Passion of the Parker £8.00**

Passion fruit & mango juice | Passion fruit sorbet

Wonderfully texture mocktail for lovers of tropical fruits. The texture from the sorbet gives this drink frozen margarita vibes, the passion fruit gives it freshness and sweetness and we add a touch of lemon for a bit of zing.

### **Hugo No-Go £7.50**

Sparkling grape juice | Elderflower cordial | Mint

Hugo was widely popularized in Northern Italy as an alternative to the bitter Aperol spritz. Hugo is more floral and slightly sweeter, thanks to elderflower. This is our virgin version of the cocktail with our award-winning sparkling grape juice.

## Soft drinks

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Coca Cola & Diet Coke, 330ml, £2.40

Coca Cola & Diet Coke, 200ml, £1.90

Fevertree range, 200ml, £1.90

Pineapple juice, 200ml, £2.40

Tomato juice, 200ml, £2.40

Orange juice, 200ml, £2.40

J20, different flavours, 275ml, £3.00

Appletiser, 275ml, £2.60

Babylonstoren, Sparkling grape juice, 150ml, £4.50

Babylonstoren, Sparkling grape juice, 750ml, £20.00



# Tequila

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## **Jose Cuervo, 1800 Silver, 25ml, £5.00**

The original hand-crafted tequila from unaged agave and citrus notes

## **Don Julio Blanco, 25ml, £6.00**

The original hand-crafted tequila from unaged agave and citrus notes

## **Herradura Anejo, 25ml, £8.00**

A smooth, aged Tequila. It rests in white oak barrels for 25 months, with notes of cooked agave, toasted oak, and dried fruit

## **Ilegal Anejo Mezcal, 25ml, £11.00**

A gorgeous, smoky, sipping Mezcal from villages in Oaxaca. It was originally bootlegged and smuggled to Guatemala, where the popularity forced it into becoming a real business

# Rum

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## **Diplomatico Reserva Exclusiva, 25ml, £7.00**

A blend of rums aged for up to 12 years delivers a tonne of complexity and notes of orange peel, toffee, and liquorice

## **Havana Club 3yo, 25ml, £4.50**

Made for cocktails the 3yo is a must-have with your Mojitos and Daiquiris

## **Havana Club 7yo, 25ml, £6.00**

The flagship Cuban rum that can be sipped, served on the rocks, or beef up a serious cocktail

## **Havana Club 15yo, 25ml, £21.00**

Aged for at least 15yo, this sipping rum is a blend of highest quality of rums to deliver excellent aromas and a very dry finish

## **Ron Zacapa Solera 23yo, 25ml, £9.00**

Solera is a system of ageing that ensures perfect blend every year. With rums up to 23yo this is a wonderful sipping rum for the connoisseurs

## **Plantation Overproof, 25ml, £5.00**

A dangerous rum with alcohol levels of 69%. Mainly used to boost strong cocktails, but can be sipped if you are brave

# Brandy

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## **Cles des Ducs \*\*\* VS, Armagnac, 25ml, £5.00**

Very little ageing happens in flavourful smoky old barrels, making this eau-de-vie very gentle and smooth.

## **Puysegur 1968, Armagnac, 25ml, £13.00**

Wonderful single-vintage Armagnac, with very well developed rancio of toasty nuts and subtle dried fruit.

## **Puysegur 1979, Armagnac, 25ml, £10.00**

1979 was wonderful for Ugni Blanc, the grape used for this Armagnac, where the yield was unusually small, but quality was terrific.

## **Pere Magloire XO, Calvados, 25ml, £8.00**

This XO (Extra-Old) Calvados is made with eau-de-vies that are at least 6 years old and gently aged in barrels.

## **Lemorton 15yo, Calvados, 25ml, £11.00**

Made with more pears than apples, the evidence of fruit is clear with this complex aromatic Calvados.

## **Hennessy VS, Cognac, 25ml, £5.00**

Matured in new-oak barrels this is the most approachable style of Cognac early on, before moving to more complex styles.

## **Remy Martin VSOP, Cognac, 25ml, £7.00**

This is a Fine Champagne Cognac, from the chalky soils that bring minerality and freshness to the style and soft fruity, and floral aromas.

## **Remy Martin XO, Cognac, 25ml, £18.00**

A blend of up to 400 different spirits, this opulent Cognac can be enjoyed in several ways, but it is arguably most intriguing when paired with food.

# Whisky

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Our ever-changing single malt selection covers all Scottish regions and a few gems from around the world. **Ask our staff or see the shelves for our latest selection.**

## Highlands

Largest whisky region in Scotland with varying styles. Lighter and fruitier whiskies in the East and South, slightly smokier in the West, and full-bodied, rich styles in the North.

Notable distilleries: Aberfeldy, Dalmore, Dalwhinnie, Glendronach, Glenmorangie, Oban, Singleton

## Speyside

With over 60 distilleries, this is where most of World's single malt is produced. The style is soft with hardly any peaty flavours and is a perfect style for entering the World of whisky for the first time.

Notable distilleries: Aberlour, Balvenie, Benromach, Cardhu, Craigellachie, Glenfarclas, Glenfiddich, Glenlivet, Macallan, Mortlach,

## Lowlands

Very gentle whiskies with more herbal, grassy notes, and no peaty smokiness. Less than 10 distilleries are currently in operation in this Southern area.

Notable distilleries: Auchentoshan, Glenkinchie

## Campbeltown

This peninsula is hometown some of the most distinct distilleries with a very unique tasting profile. Salty, smoky, and dry styles.

Notable distilleries: Glen Scotia, Springbank

## Islay

The smallest region in size, but arguably the most famous with its classically full-bodied smoky whiskies. According to legend, whisky made it into Scotland via Islay, making this its historical birthplace.

Notable distilleries: Ardbeg, Bowmore, Bruichladdich, Caol Ila, Lagavulin, Laphroaig

## Islands

Populated islands surrounding the mainland all have their own distilleries with each producing a different style, but most commonly you can find flavours of smoke, brine, and spice.

Notable distilleries: Arran, Jura, Highland Park, Scapa, Talisker