

CORK & BOTTLE

WINE BAR



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THE PAST & THE PRESENT

In 1972, when Don moved to London and took over the Cork & Bottle the wine list was rubbish. Those days were before EU rules had to be obeyed and the UK bottled wines, mainly from the brewers, didn't have to observe the niceties of appellation contrôlée laws. Tankers of foul North African stuff was brought into Blighty and labelled with the great names. Bogus Beaujolais; Nuits St Georges which owed more to nights in Tunisia; malicious Meursault and Moroccan powered glutinous Côtes du Rhone. Anyway, he chucked all the wines out and only purchased genuine stuff. It took a while to sort everything out - he opened "Shampers" which allowed him the economies of scale to ship wines direct from suppliers, therefore guaranteeing a certain degree of authenticity. In 1978 he had lunch at the long gone Australian Wine Centre in Soho. The director Stuart Faulds showed him just how much the wines had improved since his NZ days - It was a revelation! He didn't just think of wine and food. Cricket is involved and that winter England was touring Australia. . .so, off he went. He visited wineries in the Barossa Valley and Adelaide, Grant Burge and a few others and shipped some wines. What a financial disaster! Central London wasn't ready for a couple of hundred dozen Australian reds and whites; he was the first independent wine merchant to ship direct so there had been no publicity. But things changed a few years' later. He wrote his first book "Enjoying Wine" in 1985 & dedicated a considerable chapter to Australia. Rob Hill Smith was one of the first to realise the possibilities of the British market and he was able to buy his wines in only the quantities he needed for current sales...and it was all a spectacular success for the Cork & Bottle.

"Do you fancy buying the Cork & Bottle wine bar?"

It was April 2010 and I had known about this little oasis beneath Leicester Square for less than 48 hours, but this conversation started one of the most exciting journeys of my life. Although I'd had great success running and owning pubs, restaurants and cafés all over the world from London to Melbourne, this place was something else. I had never taken on anything as specialised as the Cork & Bottle, a wine institution for nearly 40 years. The celebrations, meetings, parties, friendships, marriages (and divorces), not to mention the hangovers that this place has been responsible for are too many to even begin to recount. Everyone I meet has a favourite story involving the Cork & Bottle. The first time I met the Don was in Aix-en-Provence. As far as I was concerned the deal to buy the wine bar had been done, a price agreed and all we had to do was shake hands ...oh boy, was I wrong! It didn't take long for me to realise that Don was hardly going to sell the crown jewel in his empire to "any little sh**" - Don was not one to mince his words! After a few aperitifs, we were walking to a restaurant for lunch and it dawned on me I was being interviewed. Don asked me "You die tomorrow, which two bottles, one red and one white are you taking with you?" We soon found we shared a mutual love of good food, drink and wine, but probably most importantly, cricket. I must have said something right, as he eventually (and thankfully) agreed to sell up and pass on the reins.

One of the things that attracted me to this business was the wine buying philosophy. We still don't do business with suits who descend on the wine bar with samples trying to flog us their wares. We buy much of our wine by going out to the vineyards and tasting the wines in situ. Our suppliers have become great friends over the last few years, my travels have taken me throughout Europe, to California, and back to Australia and New Zealand. Our list is diverse and has been described as a wine bible or as I prefer "the list of desire." The notes are not designed to tell you what to drink but to aid you in finding what you already like and occasionally help provoke you into trying something new. Don worked with us right up until the end - taking numerous wine trips together to visit existing suppliers and to find new ones. He was a legend, a friend and my true wine jedi. He taught us all so much and we have not finished learning. That is one of the beauties of wine - just when you think you have a grasp of it, something else comes along to take you by surprise. Glory in a glass. Thank you Don.

Salut, Will

THIS SEASON'S SPECIALS

V: VEGETARIAN VE: VEGAN O: ORGANIC

WHITES

- PICPOUL DE PINET ORNEZON 2022 *LANGUEDOC* 42.00
A fashionable yet palatable alternative to Sauvignon and Chardonnay. Light, floral and fresh! 13%ABV
- BOECKEL PINOT GRIS 2018 *BOECKEL* **o,v** 42.00
The Boeckel family have been flaunting it since 1853! A beautifully aromatic and fulsome wine with weight and a delicate finish. 13%ABV
- LODGE HILL RIESLING 2022 43.00
A South Australian classic. An ethereal blend of dryness with silk, mineral & gently spicy citrus flavours. Try a bottle - you won't be disappointed. 12%ABV
- ALLRAM GRÜNER VELTLINER 'STRASS' 2022 *KAMPTAL, AUSTRIA* **VE** 47.00
Fresh, fruity and herbal characters balanced with delicate white blossoms and minerality. 12.5%ABV
- 'AMY' BARREL FERMENATED CHARDONNAY 2020 *GRAPES GROWN IN LOMBARDI, ITALY* 50.00
Beautifully balance Chardonnay giving richness and complexity. Creamy texture, smoked vanilla notes and baking spice from the oak ageing leading triumphantly into the long, lean finish. 13%ABV

SPARKLING

- CHATEAU RADYNĚ EXTRA BRUT, BOHEMIA SEKT 2021 *MORAVIA, CZECH REP.* 50.00
A blend of Welschriesling and Grüner Veltliner grapes with a very low dosage makes this wonderfully sparkling wine lively and deliciously fresh. A great start to the evening! Vash says "from Czech with love!" 13%ABV

REDS

- CHINON 2022 *DOMAINE DU PUY RIGAULT* 44.00
Opulent and punchy with its intense red fruit basket complimented by a charming herbeaceousness with tomato leaves, menthol and eucalyptus aromas. Well structured Cabernet Franc with grippy tannins and fruity finish. 12.5%ABV
- CLOS ANCESTRAL RED 2022 *PENEDÈS* **o** 45.00
This is true of Moneu, an ancestral variety indigenous to Penedès, which has been reintroduced with plantings in the vineyards of Castell de la Bleda. Opaque intense cherry red, delicate nose, violets & redcurrant jam notes. Just delicious... 14.%ABV
- 'GARY' PINOT NOIR 2021 *GRAPES GROWN IN OLTREPO PAVESE, ITALY* 52.00
Wild fermented, velvety medium bodied with soft tannins, lots of red wild strawberries, cherries fruit and some floral notes. This is definitely my kind of wine. 13%ABV
- 'THE BRIGADIER' CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2018 *BAROSSA* **VE** 68.00
Vibrant blackcurrant and herbaceous notes, layered with spices, leather and subtle oak influences. Powerful and refined with its creamy texture. Unmissable! 13.5%ABV

FRANCE BEAUJOLAIS

BEAUJOLAIS VILLAGES 2021 *JEAN-MARC LAFOREST* 39.00
Smashing, extroverted wine shrieking of the joys of light, fresh Gamay. No resemblance to most of the wines in the UK from this appellation. 13%ABV

REGNIE 2021 *JEAN-MARC LAFOREST* 40.00
Don met Jean-Marc when he was a juror at the "2000 Fêtes des Crus". His Regnie was unanimously awarded the Gold Medal... and has been winning trophies ever since! A whoosh of vibrant, intense raspberry fruit plus zippy elegance. 13%ABV

BROUILLY 2022 *JEAN-MARC LAFOREST* 40.00
Archetypal easy-going, early drinking Gamay from the master. Lovely depth of cassis & raspberry fruits balanced with a soft, unctuous finish. 13%ABV

JULIÉNAS 2020 *DOMAINE LE COTOYON* 43.00
Geoffray Bénat is a class act who also happens to be a great friend, one of our former staff, also now a successful wine bar owner. This wine has a lovely style with rich, luscious cherries. 13%ABV

SAINT AMOUR 2021 *DOMAINE LE COTOYON* 43.00
Packed with soft and silky, rounded plums and redcurrants. Stunning stuff! This is one of our favourites of the ten Beaujolais Cru. 13%ABV

CHIROUBLES 2022 *DOMAINE GAËL MARTIN* 45.00
This cru has vineyards at some of the highest altitudes among the Cru Beaujolais. Gaël Martin is a fast-rising young winemaker who makes wines that are balanced, not over-extracted, emphasising on aroma and flavour... Packed with juicy black and red berries and delicate perfumed violets; it will leave you craving more. 13%ABV

ALSACE

PINOT BLANC 'RESERVE' 2021 *BOECKEL* o,v 39.00
Aromatic, soft, flowery and bone dry with an easy-going finish. 12.5%ABV

RIESLING 2022 *BOECKEL* o,v 42.00
Another aromatic, bone-dry white - as opposed to most German Rieslings. Subtle nuances. 13%ABV

PINOT GRIS 2021 *BOECKEL* o,v 42.00
The Boeckel family have been flaunting it since 1853! A beautifully aromatic and fulsome wine with weight and a delicate finish. 13%ABV

GEWÜRZTRAMINER 2021 *BOECKEL* o,v 47.00
A one bottle example of the glories of this grape. Lychees and spice. Excellent with our chilli squid or tempura prawns. 13.5%ABV

RIESLING ZOTZENBERG GRAND CRU 2015 *BOECKEL* o,v 67.00
Don and I took one of our little trips and just had to go to Alsace and visit the Boeckel domaine. Top class stuff with brilliantly structured body, balanced with delightful finesse and minerality. 13%ABV

THE LOIRE

WHITES

<u>TOURAINE SAUVIGNON 2022</u> <i>DOMAINE FRANCOIS CARTIER</i>	40.00
The elegance of Loire Valley Sauvignon Blanc, with notes of green apples, fresh grassy aromas and lemony notes with licks of zesty lime. 12%ABV	
<u>MUSCADET SEVRE ET MAINE SUR LIE 2022</u> <i>DOMAINE GADAIS</i>	39.00
A unique style of bone dry, pure and racy tangy wine from the Melon de Bourgogne grape. A marvellous accompaniment to our seafood dishes. There is a lot of Muscadet around, some terrible, but there is also a wealth of delicious stuff. This is one of the very best! 12.5%ABV	
<u>CHAPEAU CHENIN BLANC 2021</u> <i>JÉRÉMIE HUCHET</i>	40.00
Gorgeous wine, this Chenin Blanc, stands out for its remarkable lush fruit, yet is intensely crisp and refreshing too. Offering notes of white peach, dried apricot and orange blossom. Delicious as an aperitif! 13%ABV	

REDS

<u>CHINON 2022</u> <i>DOMAINE DU PUY RIGAUT</i>	44.00
Opulent and punchy with its intense red fruit basket complimented by a charming herbeaceousness with tomato leaves, menthol and eucalyptus aromas. Well structured Cabernet Franc with grippy tannins and fruity finish. A typical style of the Loire. 12.5%ABV	
<u>BOURGUEIL LES GALICHETS 2017</u> <i>DOMAINE DE LA CHEVALERIE</i> O, BIO	53.00
100% Cab-Franc, complex ripe red plums and berries aromas, subtle earthiness, the palate is round and rich, tannins are velvety and soft. Aged in large oak barrels, perfectly balanced, the length is terrific with its minty freshness & mineral finish!! 12.5%ABV	

THREE CLASSIC SANCERRES FROM ALAIN GUENEAU

<u>SANCERRE BLANC 2019</u>	54.00
Classic stuff! The ultimate Sauvignon Blanc. 13%ABV	
<u>SANCERRE ROSÉ 2022</u>	57.00
Is this one of the world's great Rosés? Yes! Glorious ripe Pinot Noir fruit bursting with strawberries & raspberries. Like still pink champagne. 13.5%ABV	
<u>SANCERRE ROUGE 2019</u>	55.00
Tangy, robust, gamey cherry flavours with soft depth and lingering finish. 12.5%ABV	

BURGUNDY WHITES

MACON VILLAGES 2022 *DOMAINE NORMAND* 43.00
Gentle, aromatic Chardonnay fruit with a lovely soft finish. Easy drinking. 12.5%ABV

SAINT VERAN 'LES SABLES' 2022 *DOMAINE GAËL MARTIN* 46.00
“Posh Macon Blanc” really. 100% unoaked Chardonnay with heaps of supple, generous flavours - white peaches... Excellent on its own or with our salads. A marvellous, affordable white Burgundy. We love this appellation. 13%ABV

CHABLIS 2022 *DOMAINE DE VAUROUX* **VE** 52.00
This is graceful and elegant stuff, a fresh fruity nose complemented by a balance of citrus, green apples, pears, delicate honey and mineral notes. “Purity in a bottle”, says the Guide Hachette des Vins. 12.5%ABV

CHABLIS 1er CRU 'MONTMAINS' 2018 *DOMAINE DE VAUROUX* **VE** 67.00
A powerful bouquet of citrus fruits, accompanied by supple lemon and lime on the palate with Chablis’ distinctive flinty finish. “Once my wine has been bottled I don’t really have much more to say about it, rather I prefer to let it speak for itself” - Oliver Tricon, winemaker 13%ABV

POUILLY FUISSE 'LES CRAYS' 2022 *DOMAINE NORMAND* 75.00
Subtle on the nose with a blend of fruit, flowers, fresh butter, baked almonds as well as a slight touch of oak. This is a top class Burgundy Chardonnay with a delicate minerality and a long finish. 14.%ABV

PERNAND VERGELESSES LES CARADEUX 1ER CRU 2018 *DOMAINE CHANSON* **v** 100.00
The village of Pernand-Vergelesse is located just 3km from the Grand Cru hill of Aloxe-Corton, one of the best terroirs of Burgundy. A lovely blend of red apple, honey and juicy minerality all giving the wine delicacy and finesse. A vintage of a warm year which gives to the wines richness and opulence. One of the best-in-class that Burgundy produces. 13%ABV



REDS

BOURGOGNE PINOT NOIR 2022 *NUITON BEAUNOY, COTE DE BEAUNE* 54.00
This cherry-fruited Pinot Noir has a hint of garnet, excellent balance with dark red berry fruit helped along by some gentle spice and earthy sublayers. Supple, round and very drinkable, this is fantastic value. 11.5%ABV

COTES DE BEAUNE VILLAGE 2021 *DOMAINE CHANSON* 70.00
Rich, matured and intense, with vibrant raspberries, cherries, some liquorice and mushrooms. Medium bodied, fruit concentration with earthy nuances, noticeable grippy tannins, flavours of black cherries, black currant and undergrowth. 13%ABV

AUXEY-DURESSES 2018 *DOMAINE CHANSON* 80.00
Neighbouring with Monthelie and Meursault this new upcomer, Auxey-Duresse expresses aromas of ripe red berries mixed with spices and a hint of vanilla. Complex and well balanced, showing a concentrated fruit, soft & silky tannins and a terrific finish. 13%ABV

MONTHELIE 2019 *DOMAINE BOUCHARD PERE & FILS* 95.00
The neighbouring village to Volnay. Similar in style with heaps of perfumed, delicate, soft berry fruit flavours which hang in the mouth. The height of sophistication at a most reasonable price. 13%ABV

SAVIGNY-LES-BEAUNES 2019 *DOMAINE BOUCHARD PERE & FILS* 92.00
Right next-door to Aloxe-Corton but without the price tag! Juicy summer fruits complimented by fragrant violets. Drinking beautifully now! 13%ABV

<p><u>NUITS ST GEORGES 2019</u> <i>DOMAINE BOUCHARD PERE & FILS</i> 120.00 Subtle Pinot flavours where the violets & raspberries mellow into soft nuances of this glorious grape. You'll find many lesser Nuits at twice the price. 13%ABV</p>
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VOLNAY 1er CRU 'CLOS DES CHENES' 2019 *DOMAINE RENE MONNIER* 140.00
A 10th generation winemaker family, the Domaine owns vineyards in the best crus of the Côte de Beaune including this one. Deep, concentrated morello cherries with a harmonious silky style. 13.5%ABV

GEVREY CHAMBERTIN 'LES MARCHAIS' 2018 *DOMAINE PIERRE NAIGEONS* VE 190.00
A marvellous vintage in Burgundy. This Domaine produces some of the most refined elegant wines on the Côte de Nuits. A wonderful whoosh of cherries and raspberries with an enticing finish. It needed time and has come around beautifully. Enjoy! 13%ABV

BORDEAUX

In 1855 Emperor Napoleon III instituted a Cru Classe classification of the finest 62 Bordeaux estates based on reputation and prices received for their wine, the wines were divided into five growths (Cru Classe). They were all red, and with the notable exception of the Graves Chateau Haut Brion, they were all from the Medoc. In the 1930's a new category for wines just below these exalted few, Cru Bourgeois was announced. We have majored on these relatively affordable classics for 40 years... But, a word of warning – The Cru Bourgeois status is not 100% reliable. They range from the sublime (we have a number of these on this list) to the distinctly average. Enjoy the benefits of our experience. Bordeaux is not the Barossa. It has a maritime climate with erratic weather patterns providing vintages of vastly different styles and qualities. We buy these Chateaux at auction and on the open market. We do not follow estates as much as vintages. All these wines are from attractive years and perfect for current drinking.

Don Hewitson

WHITE

CHATEAU HAUT BESSAC BLANC 2020 *GRAVES DE VAYRES* 39.00
A lovely herbaceous nose followed by marvellous Sauvignon Blanc content with flamboyant gooseberries and asparagus, fleshed out with the breadth and depth of Semillon. Great with our seafood & salads, or on its own. 12.5%ABV

REDS

CHATEAU HAUT BESSAC 2019 *GRAVES DE VAYRES* 40.00
A smooth and gentle plum nose leads to big meaty Merlot flavours on the palate. 20% Cabernet Sauvignon brings cassis and black fruits to the party. A wine with pedigree at a modest price, crying for one of our steaks! 13%ABV

CHATEAU DE BERNON 2018 *CASTILLON-CÔTES DE BORDEAUX* 41.00
Soft, rounded and supple with a vibrant Merlot finish. A “classic lunchtime Claret” from the north bank of the Dordogne. 14%ABV

CHATEAU NOTRE DAME MONTAGNE 2018 *ST.EMILION* **VE** 55.00
Merlot & Cabernet Franc grapes grown in the finest hillsides of St-Emilion. Full-bodied, firm and grippy. The palate is round with juicy plums and redcurrant, hint of spice, earth and leather. An affordable taste of the finest of the Right Bank. 15%ABV

CHATEAU AME DE MUSSET 2012 *LALANDE-DE-POMEROL* **O** 65.00
Bold black fruits on the nose & a delightful combination of full frontal flavours with the lovely understated ‘Bordeaux elegance’. A great vintage drinking wonderfully now! 13%ABV

CHATEAU CHANTE ALOUETTE 2016 *SAINT EMILION GRAND CRU* 72.50
Do you like good ripe, luscious yet subtle Merlot fruit? Full marks to the D'Arfeuille family for flaunting the elegant character of this vintage! 14%ABV

CHATEAU DE BRAUDE 2016 *HAUT-MEDOC CRU BOURGEOIS* 69.00
70% Cabernet Sauvignon 30% Merlot. The perfect example of what Don and I were searching for; a gem outside the system. The estate is actually part of the vineyards of a renowned Margaux estate, but the vines are just outside the strictly drawn line. 13%ABV

CHATEAU MERVILLE 2012 *SAINT-ESTEPHE* 72.00
50% Merlot, 25% Cabernet Sauvignon, 22% Cabernet Franc, 3% Petit Verdot. Drinking at its peak. Complex, perfumed nose of exotic wild berry fruits with hints of tobacco and fresh leather complemented by integrated French oak and hints of roasted meats. A supple texture with soft, resolved tannins and great balance.

CHATEAU LA BRIDANE 2014 *SAINT JULIEN CRU BOURGEOIS* 75.00
St. Julien is arguably our favourite Medoc appellation with the highest proportion of Cru Classe vines. A good, attractive St. Julien at an accessible price! 12.5%ABV

CHATEAU LE COTEAU 2015 *MARGAUX CRU BOURGEOIS* 77.00
Eric Leglise masterminds one of the few remaining family estates in Margaux, and lo and behold - affordable! 65% Cabernet Sauvignon, 25% Merlot and all the vineyard is cultivated organically. 13%ABV

CHATEAU TOUR DES TERMES 2014 *SAINT ESTEPHE CRU BOURGEOIS* 79.00
An old favourite which continues to punch above its weight. 65% Cabernet Sauvignon, 30% Merlot. One of the finest St. Estephe Cru Bourgeois. 13.5%ABV

CHATEAU COUTELIN-MERVILLE 2006 *SAINT ESTEPHE* 88.00
46% Merlot, 27% Cabernet Franc, 22% Cabernet Sauvignon, 5% Petit Verdot, aged in oak barrels for 18 months, amazing garnet colour, deep and complex nose with leather, mushroom, cigar box and cedar aromas, signature of an aged Bordeaux! Powerful and concentrated flavours with dried red plums and black currant and smooth tannins. 14.5%ABV



CHATEAU FLEUR CARDINALE 2016 *SAINT EMILION GRAND CRU* 130.00
Dominique & Florence Decoster know how to make textured, complex, silky wines with extroverted, ripe black fruits all vying for your attention. This vintage offers smoky, ripe & juicy, opulent berry flavours, power & concentration. 14.5%ABV

CHATEAU DAUZAC 2017 *MARGAUX, 5TH GROWTH* 152.00
71% Cabernet Sauvignon and 29% Merlot. A lovely rounded wine with powerful elegance and concentrated blackcurrant fruits. Cigar box and cassis flavours abound. 92 points Parker. 13.5%ABV

CHATEAU MALARTIC LAGRAVIERE 2016 *GRAND CRU CLASSÉ, PESSAC LEOGNAN* 155.00
This is another impressive release from the bonny Bonnie family and do not be surprised if it eventually surpasses the outstanding 2015. Robust flavours which linger in the mouth. Great finesse, and a firm finish. 13.5% ABV

CHATEAU GRAND PUY LACOSTE 2009 *PAUILLAC 5TH GROWTH* 240.00
One of the great Bordeaux wines! 2009 produced wonderful classic wines - and this is one of the very best. Elegant, refined fruit with a structured finish. Arguably the finest wine from this renowned appellation. 13.5%ABV

CHATEAU LEOVILLE BARTON 2015 *ST. JULIEN 2ND GROWTH* 250.00
Do you fancy a bottle of mature 'classic claret' at its peak? Well, here is the one. Anthony Barton makes wines to last and this beauty has layer upon layer of sophisticated fruit. Just the wine to serve the Bank Manager (if you are lucky enough to have one these days!)... or the divorce lawyer! 12.5%ABV

MAGNUM

"A magnum is the perfect size for two gentlemen over lunch, especially if one of them isn't drinking." Sir Winston Churchill.

CHÂTEAU DU COURLAT CUVÉE JEAN-BAPTISTE 2016 *LUSSAC-ST. ÉMILION MAGNUM* 140.00
Cuvée Jean-Baptiste is a selection of the very best barrels of Merlot at the leading winery Château du Courlat in Lussac St. Emilion. A fabulously rich, soft red bursting with ripe dark, cherry, blackberry and cedar flavours and velvety tannins. 14.5%ABV

THE RHÔNE VALLEY

The media has suddenly jumped on the Rhône bandwagon as if the beauties of the Valley have only recently arrived on the scene. And yet, in the early 1980's these wines came of age. Suddenly a large number of estates raised their game with wonderful, luscious fruit flavours and oh so soft sexy finishes. We began shipping then and have never looked back. Now we offer marvellous value wines from great domaines.

WHITE

CROZES HERMITAGE BLANC 2019/20 *DOMAINE HAUTS DE MERCUROL* 50.00

A fascinating combination of Marsanne & Roussane. Heaps of character. Crisp lemon flavours with a hint of dried apricots. The perfect 'winter white'! 13.5%ABV

GUIGAL CONDRIEU 2016 **VE** 120.00

The ultimate Viognier from a tiny Northern Rhône appellation. This beauty is 'unabashed indulgence'. Musk, peaches, dried apricots and toasted almonds vie for attention like precocious teenagers. 14%ABV

REDS

CÔTES DU RHÔNE 2019 *DOMAINE DU GRAND MONTMIRAIL* 43.00

75% Grenache, 25% Syrah. Deliciously rounded, plummy flavours with lashings of prunes. A one-bottle intro to the glorious Rhône Valley! 14%ABV

CROZES HERMITAGE 2020 *DOMAINE MICHEL POINARD* 52.00

Delightfully subtle 100% Syrah; gorgeous, juicy, peppery and spicy with hints of both raspberries and plums and a gentle touch of star anise. 14%ABV

VACQUEYRAS 2020 *DOMAINE DU GRAND MONTMIRAIL* 55.00

65% Grenache, 25% Syrah & 10% Mourvèdre. A luscious mouthful of ripe fruit flavours with a solid backbone & gentle pepper spice. 14%ABV

GIGONDAS 2020 *CUVEE VIELLE VIGNES* 63.00

This estate is on glacial rocks, which act as storage heaters, producing gorgeously ripe, voluptuous Grenache, Mourvèdre and Syrah. 14.5%ABV

SAINT-JOSEPH ROUGE 2018 *DOMAINE CHRISTOPHE PICHON* 95.00

Juicy, round, bold, with a soft texture. Dark fruits and berries aromas, notes of black pepper, toast, cedar and liquorice, beautiful subtle tannins and an elegant finish. 13.5%ABV

CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE ROUGE 2018 *E. GUIGAL* **VE** 100.00

70% Vieux Grenache, 15% Mourvèdre, 10% Syrah 5% Autres. Showing an exciting concentration with black fruit, spice, leather and very well integrated tannins. 14.5%ABV

COTE ROTIE 'BRUNE ET BLONDE' 2019 *E. GUIGAL* **VE** 145.00

96% Syrah 4% Viognier. Rich, brooding flavours of black cherries, liquorice and spices - yet still soft and elegant. 82/100 Robert Parker. 13.5%ABV

SOUTH OF FRANCE

OPUS 'COTES DE PROVENCE' ROSÉ 2022 *LES MARQUETS* 42.00

Deliciously dry with heaps of luscious strawberry flavours married with expressive notes of blossom and rose petals. A bottle of this and you'll be in the harbour at St. Tropez! 13%ABV

PICPOUL DE PINET ORNEZON 2022 *LANGUEDOC* 42.00

A fashionable yet palatable alternative to Sauvignon and Chardonnay. Light, floral and fresh! 13%ABV

MONT ROCHER 'VIEILLES VIGNES' VIOGNIER 2022 *PAYS D'OC* **VE** 43.00

Cool fermentation ensures that those delicate flavours of white peach and lemon are very present. A refreshing find! 13%ABV

CORBIERES CHATEAU FABRE 2020/21 *LANGUEDOC* **VE, O** 43.00

Louis Fabre, continues the family tradition bringing his own talents to this blend of Carignan, Syrah, Grenache and Mourvèdre. A concentrated wine with wild herbs fragrance, dark berry fruits, subtle oaky spice, and soft ripe tannins. 14%ABV

TANNAT 'LES VIEILLES VIGNES' DOMAINE CAPMARTIN 2020 *MADIRAN* **O** 49.00

Inky in colour, a full-bodied beauty with very generous blackberry and blackcurrant fruit, followed by warming spice and toasted oak, and a lingering finish. Oh boy, this one won't come off your shirt! 13.5%ABV

GERMANY & AUSTRIA

RIESLING DR LOOSEN 'RED SLATE' 2021 *MOSEL* **VE** 43.00

Intense minerality that is warm and enveloping with a floral, spicy aroma of citrus blossom. 12%ABV

ALLRAM GRÜNER VELTLINER 'STRASS' 2022 *KAMPTAL, AUSTRIA* **VE** 47.00

From the heart of Europe, with long winemaking traditions, we finally gave in to Grüner Veltliner; fresh, fruity and herbal characters balanced with delicate white blossoms and minerality. 12.5%ABV

VILLA WOLF PINOT NOIR 2022 *PFALZ,* **VE** 39.00

A classic expression of a Pfalz Pinot Noir, which owes its gorgeous mineral traits to the ideal mountain and river setting. Soft red fruits on the surface, but with earthy tannins and a spicy bite underneath. 13%ABV

SPAIN

WHITES

RIOJA BLANCO FINCA MANZANOS 2022 RIOJA VE 39.00

The grapes are picked early, then fermented in oak casks. The result is a creamy style of white wine with hints of spice and vanilla overtones. 12.5%ABV

GEWÜRZTRAMINER VINAS DEL VERO 2021 SOMONTANO VE 39.00

Exuberant fruit and clove spice, this is a lush style with lots of delicate floral character, yet it still maintains the natural grape crispness. 13%ABV

BERONIA VERDEJO 2021 RUEDA VE 39.00

Crisp, refreshing, no nonsense wine with reminiscing pear drop aromas. Quaff it with seafood or salads... 13.5%ABV

ALBARIÑO 'PAZO DAS BRUXAS' 2022 RIAS BAIXAS VE 45.00

This varietal is Spain's answer to Viognier. A lovely amalgam of peaches, apricots & dried fruit. 13%ABV



REDS

GRACIANO FINCA CONSTANCIA 2018 'PARCELA 12' CASTILLA 39.00

Rare and perfumed Rioja grape which is difficult to grow but can yield mulberry scented wines of interest: intense black fruits, red cherries and red plums. 14%ABV

AGRICOLA DE CADALSO, GARNACHA 2021 SIERRA DE GREDOS 42.00

Blanded from young and old vines to achieve a beautiful balance. Pale ruby in colour, beautiful strawberry aromatics with liquorice on the finish, light-bodied, fresh and elegant. 14%ABV

RIOJA DE ALTO AMO RESERVA 2018 RIOJA V 49.00

A luscious, brooding beauty with layers of strawberries and raspberries balanced with vibrant oak. 14%ABV

RIOJA BERONIA GRAN RESERVA 2016 RIOJA VE 64.00

The best of Rioja Alta with intense prolonged aromas of black fruit, sweet spice and cocoa over a base of tobacco. Meaty, elegant and structured with a long finish. Ideal with red meat, game and cheese. 14.5%ABV

TORRES

RIOJA IBERICOS CRIANZA 2018 VE 41.00

The Torres family have diversified with a state of the art winery in Rioja Alavesa. This is a new take on the region - more vibrant up-front fruit no longer masked by excessive oak. Considerable depth and weight with a beautiful balance. 14%ABV

CLOS ANCESTRAL RED 2022 PENEDES O 45.00

Torres has committed to the recovery of ancestral varieties to help restore the viticultural heritage of Catalonia. This is true of Moneu, an ancestral variety indigenous to Penedès, which has been reintroduced with plantings in the vineyards of Castell de la Bleda. Opaque intense cherry red, delicate nose, violets & redcurrant jam notes. Just delicious... 14.%ABV

RIBERA DEL DUERO CELESTE CRIANZA 2020 V 46.00

Marvellous stuff from a new Bodega with high altitude (895 metres), cool climate vineyards. Alluringly spicy with a balanced oak finish. 14.5%ABV

PURGATORI 2021 COSTERS DEL SEGRE VE 55.00

A wine of legend first elaborated by the monks carrying out their penance at the Desterrats Estate. Strangely some enormous barrels were vanishing... Some said it was the angels taking them to heaven! A Grenache, Syrah and Carignan blend with rich ripe strawberries, seasoned with white pepper and a hint of oak. 14.5%ABV

MAS LA PLANA CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2018 PENEDES VE 120.00

This wine demolished Margaux, Lafite and other French ultra-expensive classics in the legendary 1976 Gault Millau Paris tasting. Voluptuous and powerful with touches of smoky oak and gentle spice. Hard to find! 14.5%ABV

PORTUGAL

VINHO VERDE CASA DO HOMEM BRANCO 2022 WHITE VE 38.00

Vibrant, vivacious and refreshing with apple, pear and melon flavour. 12%ABV

PEDRA CANCELA WINEMAKER'S SELECTION DAO TINTO 2019 DOURO VE, O 50.00

Blend of Touriga Nacional, Alfrocheiro & Tinta Roriz. Typical Portuguese style: rich, powerful with its concentrated dark fruits, spices, ripe & soft tannins. The one you want to pair with your Sunday Roast! 13.5%ABV

POST SCRIPTUM 'DE CHRYSEIA' RED 2021 DOURO 60.00

A superb achievement resulting from the union of Symington Port house and the expertise of Bordeaux's Cos D'Estournel. Concentrated cherries and prunes with hints of clove and spice; a cult classic of the future. 14%ABV

ITALY WHITES

<u>PINOT GRIGIO VENEZIE BIOLOGICO, CASA DEFRA 2023</u> <i>VENETO</i> VE	37.00
The 'Real Deal'. I love this varietal from the Veneto. It has lovely hints of pears, almonds and melons with a crisp finish. Great value! 12%ABV	
<u>LUGANA ARGILLAIA FABIANO 2021</u> <i>VENETO</i>	48.00
Tebbiano di Lugana and Chardonnay grown south of the Lake of Garda. Straw yellow, pleasantly perfumed with a light notes of fruits and lemon. 13%ABV	
<u>GAVI LA SMILLA DEL COMUNE DI GAVI DOCG 2022</u> <i>PIEMONTE</i> VE	47.00
100% Cortese, a very trendy white Italian varietal. A beautiful wine with the taste of tangy greengages, gentle spice and a crisp finish. 13%ABV	
<u>DONNA ELVIRA 'AEGIDIUS' GRECO DI TUFO 2019</u> <i>CAMPANIA</i>	49.00
This grape is thought to have been introduced to the region by the Pelasgians, an ancient people from Thessaly. Straw yellow colour and the aroma is very elegant, reminiscent of grapefruit, orange blossom, concentrated & savoury flavours. 14%ABV	

REDS

<u>PRIMITIVO TERRE DE MONTELUISA 2022</u> <i>PUGLIA</i> VE	39.00
A native varietal from the southern peninsula, this is better known as Zinfandel to you and me! Black fruits, prunes, black pepper, leather and gamey notes which linger on and on. This wine has power and terrific value! 13%ABV	
<u>ITYNERA MONTEPULCIANO D'ABRUZZO 2022</u> <i>ABRUZZO</i> VE	40.00
Near the Marche region border, adjacent to Tuscany. It offers easy drinking Montepulciano with ripe plums and a soft, lingering finish. 13.5%ABV	
<u>CHIANTI CLASSICO PIEVE DI CAMPOLI 2019</u> <i>TUSCANY</i> VE	49.00
Spiced red fruits dominates the palate with dried herbs, balsamic notes, cedar and smoky oak, voluptuous body, soft, long finish. Definitely food wine! 14.5%ABV	
<u>BARBERA D'ASTI, VILLA MONSIGNORE 2022</u> <i>PIEMONTE</i>	49.00
Hand harvested 100% Barbera. Vibrant cherries & blackcurrants with a savoury and opulent length this hearty red whisks you away to a warm Piedmont evening. 14.5%ABV	

TWO ITALIAN SUPERSTARS

AMARONE DELLA VALPOLICELLA CLASSICO, FABIANO 2019 *VENETO* **VE** 99.00
Produced only in the best vintages with only 6,000 bottles made. Earthy fragrances of tobacco leaf, plum, liquorice and raisin with an everlasting opulent palate of concentrated black cherry extract. 15.5%ABV

CASTELLO DI BROLIO, CHIANTI CLASSICO, GRAN SELEZIONE 2018 *TUSCANY* 120.00
This Tuscan super star produced by the historic winery of Ricasoli in the heart of the Chianti Classico is 100% Sangiovese grapes, sourced from the best vineyards. The wine is aged for 22 months in French oak giving complex notes of spice, vanilla to the rich fruit flavors of black cherry, plum, and blackberry. The result is an aristocratic wine with excellent structure, depth, and elegance. 14.5%ABV

SWEETS & STICKIES

- OFTEN AVAILABLE BY THE GLASS -

<u>MUSCAT BEAUMES DEVENISE</u> <small>DOMAINE DE COYEUX, RHONE VALLEY</small> VE HALF BOTTLE	35.00
This is the wine that started the sweet wine-by-the-glass craze. It has marvellous Muscat flavours which linger in the mouth. 15.5%ABV	
<u>BOB BERTON BOTRYTISED SEMILLON 2019</u> <small>AUSTRALIA</small> HALF BOTTLE	39.00
Hand selected botrytised semillon bunches produced heavenly flavours of apricots and honey, full sweet without being cloying. 11.5%ABV	
<u>QUADY'S ORANGE MUSCAT 'ESSENSIA' 2021</u> <small>CALIFORNIA</small> V HALF BOTTLE	40.00
Outrageous orange zest flavours. Delicious with our chocolate desserts. 15%ABV	
<u>LA FLEUR D'OR, SAUTERNES 2020</u> <small>BORDEAUX</small> VE HALF BOTTLE	49.00
Luscious Sauternes with rich peach and Victoria plum fruit accented by notes of honey, caramel and toast. Wonderful sweetness at the very start followed by a refreshing medium dry finish. 11%ABV	
<u>DISZNÓKÓ TOKAJI 1413 EDES SZAMORODNI 2019</u> <small>HUNGARY</small> V HALF BOTTLE	50.00
Deep yellow-gold colour. Spicy, fruity nose with blood-orange, tangerine, honey and	

THE GROWN UP STUFF

<u>TIO PEPE PALOMINO FINO</u> <small>HALF BOTTLE</small> VE	25.00
Dry, crisp and smooth with mineral notes. Ideal as an aperitif or with our salads, cheese and charcuterie. 15% ABV	
<u>BARBADILLO LA CILLA PEDRO XIMENEZ</u> <small>HALF BOTTLE</small>	42.00
An ultra-sweet wine with a treacly texture and flavor. Best matched with our Hokie Pokie ice cream! 17.5% ABV	
<u>SOLERA 1847 SWEET OLOROSO</u> V	42.00
Dark, intense mahogany color with aromas of raisins, vanilla and oak. Velvety smooth on the palate with figs, raisins, honey and caramel. 18% ABV	
<u>GONZALEZ BYASS LEONOR PALO CORTADO</u>	47.00
Nutty aromas of toasted almonds and hazelnuts. Perfect with cheese. 20%ABV	
<u>BLANDY'S HARVEST MALMSEY MADEIRA</u> <small>500ml BOTTLE</small>	55.00
Rich & rounded with delicate toffee flavours. Great stuff. 19%ABV	
<u>GRAHAM'S QUINTA DOS MALVEDOS 2012</u> <small>HALF BOTTLE</small>	45.00
Expressive floral characteristics and opulent blackberry fruit flavours. 20%ABV	
<u>SMITH WOODHOUSE 10 YEAR OLD TAWNY PORT</u>	65.00
Lovely dried fruit flavours with caramel, spice and a long, luscious finish. 20%ABV	
<u>SMITH WOODHOUSE QUINTA MADELENA 2013 VINTAGE PORT</u>	75.00
Opulent style, packed with berry fruit aromas and hints of chocolate and mint balanced by fine tannins. 20%ABV	

SPARKLING WINES

PROSECCO SESTIERE CASTELLO 4357 *TREVISO - ITALY* **VE** 48.00
A zippy style with citrus and lemon flavours...and only 11% ABV! Ideal for any party or as a light "aperitivo."

CHATEAU RADYNĚ EXTRA BRUT, BOHEMIA SEKT 2021 *MORAVIA, PÁLAVA - CZECHIA* 50.00
A blend of Welschriesling and Grüner Veltliner grapes with a very low dosage makes this wonderfully sparkling wine lively and deliciously fresh. A great start to the evening. Vash says "from Czech with love!" 13%ABV

CREMANT DE LOIRE BLANC, CARTE TUROUOISE NV *LOIRE - FRANCE* 55.00
Methode traditionnelle. Extroverted blend of Chenin Blanc and Cabernet Franc fruit; special old vine cuvée with depth and elegance. 12.5%ABV

CREMANT DE LOIRE, CARTE CORAIL ROSÉ NV *LOIRE - FRANCE* 55.00
A very fine, pale pink hue, delicious hints of strawberry and cream. Harmonious and polished, this beautifully crafted sparkling wine has a vibrant, lively mousse. 12.5%ABV

MAJELLA SPARKLING SHIRAZ *COONAWARRA - AUSTRALIA* 57.00
Love bubbles? Love red wine? You can have the best of both worlds in this sparkling red! It drinks well with it's self and they matches food very well – breakfast, lunch and dinner. The choice it's yours! This Shiraz is filled with vibrant aromas of oak, vanilla, plums and spice; luscious plum, cherry and raspberry fruit characters shining through and well balanced tannins. 12%ABV

LYME BAY, BRUT RESERVE SPARKLING – NV *KENT - ESSEX - ENGLAND* 75.00
The blend of 90% Seyval Blanc, Pinot Noir, Pinot Blanc, Chardonnay, Solaris and Reichensteiner... A dry, fruit-driven sparkling wine made in the Traditional Method. Clean, vibrant and bursting with lemon, green apples and freshly cut grass. Excellent depth of flavour with tantalising freshness and length. 12%ABV



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CHAMPAGNE

All quotes are from Don's book; "The Glory of Champagne".

HOUSE

DON HEWITSON CUVÉE VE

Classic structure. Mellow Pinot flavours with a delicious splash of top class Chardonnay. 72.50
Half Bottle 45.00
Magnum 135.00 12%ABV

DON HEWITSON 'PREMIER CRU'

BLANC DE NOIRS VE

This cuvee is 100% Pinot, made from only the finest grapes in Hautvillers - the integral source of much of Dom Perignon. 78.00 12%ABV

DON HEWITSON ROSÉ VE

Real Champagne Rosé - 100% Pinot Noir. Heaps of raspberry & strawberry flavours. Close your eyes & forget the bubbles... and you are in the heartlands of Burgundy. 80.00 12%ABV

TESTULAT BLANC DE BLANCS BRUT NV VE
100% Chardonnay from Marne Valley, near Épernay. Light and subtle, notes of apple and quince, crisp and well-balanced, with delicate bubbles. 95.00 12%ABV

GRANDES MARQUES

G.H. MUMM CORDON ROUGE VE

Elegant, soft and creamy. Never tasted better!
90.00 12%ABV

DEUTZ BRUT NV

Attractive fresh apple and brioche with good intensity and finesse.
95.00 12%ABV

PERRIER-JOUËT GRAND BRUT

Light & juicy with a lively frothy bead!
115.00 12%AB



EXOTICA

PERRIER-JOUËT BLASON ROSÉ NV VE

Elegant aromas of raspberries, wild strawberries and rose petals.
150.00 12%ABV

PERRIER-JOUËT 'BELLE EPOQUE' 2013 VE

Fruity power with luscious complex elegance. 350.00 12%ABV

DOM PERIGNON 2008 VE

375.00 12.5%ABV

LOUIS ROEDERER 'CRISTAL' 2013

375.00 12%ABV

BOLLINGER

BOLLINGER SPECIAL CUVÉE

'The aristocrat' of non-vintages. 120.00 12%ABV

BOLLINGER ROSÉ

Like Premier Cru Burgundy... with bubbles! Gloriously rich Pinot Noir with a splash of Chardonnay! 135.00 12%ABV

BOLLINGER 2014/15 GRANDE ANNÉE

Gloriously rich, classic structure with a beautiful balance of honeyed fruit & a pain grille finish. 60% Pinot Noir, 35% Chardonnay. 250.00 12%ABV

CASTELNAU

CASTELNAU - BRUT RESERVE NV VE

Mature and complexed with depth of rich, creamy flavours. 89.00 12%ABV

CASTELNAU VINTAGE 2003 VE

Toasty, intense with apricot, grapefruit and finishing touches of the classic creaminess of the house style.
115.00 12%ABV

POL ROGER

POL ROGER WHITE FOIL VE

Vibrant & mature - a beautiful, soft style.
125.00 12.5%ABV

POL ROGER VINTAGE 2016 VE

Glorious array of the finest Chardonnay fruit with remarkable length. 175.00 12%ABV

CALIFORNIA

REDS

WENTE 'SANDSTONE' MERLOT 2020 *LIVERMORE VALLEY* **VE** 48.00
Glorious mouthful of ultra-smooth, ripe plum and black cherry flavours, with a gentle toasted oak finish. 13.5%ABV

WENTE CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2019 *LIVERMORE VALLEY* **VE** 48.00
Seductive aromas with a gentle, easy going style redolent of blackcurrants, subtle oak and gentle spices. 13.5%ABV

FOUR VINES 'SKEPTIC' PETITE SIRAH 2021 *CENTRAL COAST* 48.00
Lush, complex with a lingering finish. Aromas of fig jam, toasted hazelnut, cinnamon, and wild dark fruit, backed by notes of cocoa and espresso. There is nothing to be sceptical about. 14.5%ABV

FOUR VINES 'LODI' OLD VINE ZINFANDEL 2020 *LODI* 55.00
A voluptuous beauty with layer upon layer of raspberries, cherries, tobacco flavours and a myriad of exotic spices. 14.5%ABV

PEDRONCELLI CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2015 *DRY CREEK VALLEY* 57.50
Deep and rich with layers of developed blackcurrant, blackberry, tobacco leaves and leather. Very soft, creamy mid-palate with a long and dry finish. A proper Californian Cab. Sauv! 14%ABV

LA CREMA SONOMA COAST PINOT NOIR 2022 *SONOMA COAST* 85.00
Don first tasted this on Celebrity Cruises, and when he came back to dry land he had to find some! Glorious ripe fruit; black cherries & blueberries galore. Not a fruit bomb, simply sophisticated elegance! 13.5%ABV

RUTHERFORD HILL MERLOT 2019/21 *NAPA VALLEY* **VE** 105.00
Lavish cherry fruit flavours backed by a rich, balanced structure for an intensely complex Merlot. Silky, full-flavored, firm, and built for today's enjoyment! 14.5%ABV

SANFORD PINOT NOIR 2020 *SANTA RITA HILLS* 110.00
Sanford Winery is a renowned pioneer of the Santa Rita Hills. The legendary Sanford & Benedict vineyard was planted in 1971 (when Cork & Bottle first opened) and from the very first vintages they produced highly acclaimed wines of great complexity. Gorgeous, bright aromas of fresh cherry, strawberries, spice, white pepper, and roses. 14.5%ABV

WHITES

WENTE 'MORNING FOG' CHARDONNAY 2022 LIVERMORE VALLEY VE 47.00

A creamy 'Stateside classic' from the San Francisco Bay area. This beauty hits the palate head on with lush tropical fruits and a sublime, sexy style with subtle oak, cinnamon and vanilla from careful barrel ageing. 13.5%ABV

GNARLY HEAD UNOAKED VIOGNIER 2021 LODI 49.00

A superb rich white blockbuster with a panoply of exotic flavours: dried apricots, peaches, orange blossom & honeysuckle, to name a few. 13.5%ABV

LA CREMA SONOMA COAST CHARDONNAY 2022 SONOMA COUNTY 77.00

Elegant with a rich, buttery style with lingering hints of limes, spiced apples and vanilla with subtle oak at the finish. 90/100 - Parker. 13.5%ABV

GRGICH HILLS ESTATE SAUVIGNON BLANC, FUMÉ BLANC 2019 NAPA VALLEY 89.00

Miljenko Mike Grgich got international recognition at the famous 1976 Paris tasting. But there is more to Napa, like this smoky Sauvignon. It opens with notes of green apple, lemongrass and snap peas with undertones of flint and minerals, mouth-watering freshness. A great complexity on the mid-palate with fresh and tangy fruit characteristics and it lingers forever... 13.5%ABV



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SOUTH AMERICA

ARGENTINA

FABRE MONTMAYOU TORRONTES 2022 MENDOZA **VE** 41.00

Complexity, freshness and elegance in a glass. Made from grapes grown at high altitude, the wines of Fabre Montmayou demonstrate the real purity of fruit. Typical Torrontes. 12.5%ABV

CHAKANA 'NUNA' ESTATE MALBEC 2021 MENDOZA **VE, O** 47.00

Selected parcels of finest Mendoza fruit. A delicious amalgam of game, leather, figs and juicy blackberry with a big finish. Organic. 14%ABV

BODEGA NORTON 'ALTURA' MALBEC 2020 VALLE DE UCO 57.00

Named Altura (height) to reflect the unique high-altitude conditions that allow the grapes to ripen to perfection while retaining fresh acidity. This wine displays a remarkable intensity of wild fruit, combining flavours of damsons and mulberries, offset by complex mineral and earthy notes. 14.5%ABV



CHILE

CASAS DEL BOSQUE SAUVIGNON BLANC 2022 CASABLANCA VALLEY 39.00

From the Casablanca valley, an aromatic, soft style with heaps of tangy passionfruit and grapefruit flavours. 13.5%ABV

SUTIL RESERVE CARMENERE 2020 COLCHAGUA VALLEY **O, VE** 43.00

Herbaceous nose alongside notes of plums, red cherries, blackberries. A touch of toast, coffee & mocha from the oak ageing. Great value. 13%ABV

ODFJEL ARMADOR MERLOT 2021 MAIPO VALLEY **O** 44.00

Organic wine. Concentrated and deep, with aromas of cherries, figs and violets and a touch of earthiness, this is extremely pleasing and very quaffable! 13%ABV

RITUAL PINOT NOIR 2019 CASABLANCA VALLEY **VE** 45.00

Generous fruity aromas of cherries and raspberries. A refreshing wine balanced with a silky, velvety finish. A true reflection of the Casablanca Valley. We love it! 14%ABV

PRIMUS CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2019 MAIPO VALLEY **VE** 46.00

Lively aromas of red currant, blueberry and dried cherry complemented by vanilla and cedar notes. A smooth silky texture and fine tannins add balance, providing a beautiful and lingering finish. 14% ABV

SOUTH AFRICA

WHITES

BUITENVERWACHTING SAUV BLANC 2023 *CONSTANTIA* **VE** 43.00
Not rated any South African Sauvignon Blancs yet? This is a revelation!
It's a glorious amalgam of extroverted gooseberries with melon, a splash of guava and a subtle finish. The only problem is the pronunciation! 14%ABV

JORDAN CHARDONNAY 2022 *STELLENBOSCH* **VE, O** 50.00
Generous and bold aromas, graceful mouthfeel with fragrances of lemon biscuit, ripe peach and nectarine with a never-ending buttery, creamy finish. A crowd pleaser for those who enjoy wooded Chardonnays. 13%ABV

WARWICK ESTATE 'OLD VINE' CHENIN BLANC 2021 *STELLENBOSCH* **VE** 65.00
Baked apple, cinnamon, and ripe stone fruits and flinty minerality on the nose. A rich and textured palate of quince, peach, and thatch, with a fine acidity. Long and lingering aftertaste with a creamy finish. 13.5%ABV

REDS

FRANSCHHOEK CELLARS 'THE OLD MUSEUM' MERLOT 2022 *WESTERN CAPE* 39.00
Bright ruby red with attractive plum and black cherry aromas tinged with herbal tea, liquorice and gentle oak spices. Soft, juicy & round mouthfeel, perfect alternative to Bordeaux! 13.5%ABV

LA MOTTE 'MILLENNIUM' 2018 *WESTERN CAPE* 43.00
56% Merlot, 28% Cabernet Franc, 10% Petit Verdot and 6% Malbec. Rustic on the nose with the earthiness of beetroot and leafy undergrowth, beautifully balanced with blueberry fruit, cinnamon, and a hint of toffee; almost Old World in style! 14%ABV

BOSCHENDAL PINOTAGE 'SOMMELIER SELECTION' 2018 *FRANSCHHOEK* **V** 43.50
Rich, ripe and vibrant red and black currants, spice and plums. Bold and powerful, this is a classic example of South Africa's very own grape variety. 14%ABV

COTEAUX DE MONTAGNE CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2022 *WESTERN CAPE* 44.00
Mint, tomato leaves & tobacco alongside ripe blackcurrant and berries aromas. Well-integrated ripe tannins and the maturation in French oak give a smooth mouthfeel and a wine extremely harmonious. 13.5%ABV

HAMILTON RUSSELL - HERMANUS

Eureka! These beauties are terribly rare, but after my complaints in the last list, our mate Anthony Hamilton Russell has upped our allocation.

HAMILTON RUSSELL CHARDONNAY 2022 82.00
Elegant subtle oak character, terrific mineral finish, a Burgundian style from the fresher climate of South Africa! "Classy and fine-edged. Three stars" - Hugh Johnson. 13%ABV

HAMILTON RUSSELL PINOT NOIR 2021/22 **V** 88.00
Rich, ripe red fruits, hint of tobacco and mushrooms. As good as the best Burgundy and just unmissable! "Small yields, French-inspired vinification, careful barrelling. Three Stars," Hugh Johnson, again. 13.5%ABV

AUSTRALIA

HAYES FAMILY WINES

Brett Hayes found himself stuck in his corporate career. We are pleased he followed his heart and passion for wine and bought the Stone Well Estate. With vineyards dating back to the 1870s and a belief in doing things naturally means a lot of hands-on work. They hand-prune and hand-harvest, managing all aspects in the vineyard with extreme care and attention to detail. Andrew Seppelt is the superstar winemaker who has helped develop a superb small-batch wine portfolio under the Hayes Family Wines umbrella, achieving a five star rating from the James Halliday Wine Companion since inception; an impressive endorsement from Australia's top taster. We were lucky to snag two small allocations of some of their fantastic Grenache.

PRAYER GARDEN GRENACHE 2022 BAROSSA VALLEY 82.50

All bush vines so the pickers have to get on their knees, as if praying, hence the "Prayer Garden." A divine wine, beautifully balanced with purple and blue fruits, delicate spice and a silky long finish. 14.5%ABV

KOONUNGA GRENACHE 2022 BAROSSA VALLEY 87.00

Intense dark cherry and mixed fruit, a powerful wine from 150 plus year old vines, has been highly recommended by Halliday 97 points. Bravo! 14.7%ABV

WIRRA WIRRA

The Cork & Bottle has been selling from this amazing operation since 1979. In those days it was masterminded by the late, great Greg Trott. Life was sweet – Don used to go and taste at the cellar door with Trotty, followed by a liquid lunch....then off to the cricket at the Adelaide Oval, and watch the Poms trounce the Aussies..... Bliss!

'CHURCH BLOCK' CABERNET-SHIRAZ-MERLOT 2020 McLAREN VALE **v** 45.00

About 50% of McLaren Vale's finest vibrant, succulent, spicy Cabernet fruit with bounteous quantities of plums and cherries plus a delightfully firm finish. We love this! 14.5%ABV

'CATAPULT' SHIRAZ 2021 McLAREN VALE **v, o** 44.00

Rich, opulent, brimming with intense fruit, a hint of spice and a dash of eucalyptus. Pretty much the essence of McLaren Vale shiraz as you are likely to find at this price! 14.5%ABV

'DEAD RINGER' CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2015 McLAREN VALE 90.00

Fruit from a combination of owned vineyards and premium McLaren Vale growers is the key to the resulting style. Pronounced aromas of dark fruit and warm spice. Full bodied, beautifully balanced powerful flavours of blackcurrant, coffee, cocoa and hints of cedar. 13.5%ABV

CORRYTON BURG

Grant & Helen were great friends and suppliers to Don and Noelene for decades. This family owned winery is situated in the rolling hills of the Barossa Valley, with Griffins at the gate to protect the worldly possessions within. It's now under the 6th generation of winemakers, Trent & Amelia, (siblings,) who carry on the proud family tradition in a modern world.

CHARDONNAY 2021 *SOUTH AUSTRALIA* **VE** 39.00

Unoaked, fresh style of Chardonnay boasting white nectarine, peach, pear, and green melon aromas. Well balanced & easy drinking, perfect to enjoy on its own or with any seafood. 13%ABV

RIESLING 2022 *EDEN VALLEY* **VE** 45.00

Fresh lime, lemon & green apple aromas alongside notes of white blossom and hints of spice. The chalky texture, signature of the Eden Valley terroir, balances the acidity giving a round & fruity palate. 12.5%ABV

BAROSSA SHIRAZ 2020 *BAROSSA* **VE** 47.50

Typical big and bold Barossa Shiraz with ripe black fruit, fresh raspberry, dark chocolate & sweet spices. Also shows some elegance due to a gentle extraction & its well-integrated cedar and toasty notes from the oak ageing. Elegant and long finish. 14.5%ABV

'THE BRIGADIER' CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2018 *BAROSSA* **VE** 68.00

Vibrant blackcurrant and herbaceous notes, layered with spices, leather and subtle oak influences. Powerful and refined with its creamy texture. Unmissable! 13.5%ABV



THE SUPERSTARS OF OZ

BROKENWOOD SHIRAZ 2019/21 *HUNTER VALLEY* 75.00

With fruits mostly drawn from Brokenwood's legendary 'Graveyard' vineyard, this Shiraz represents Australian craft at its finest. Supple mature flavours with heaps of blackberries, chocolate and black tea. 94 pts James Halliday. 13%ABV

ASHTON HILLS ESTATE PINOT NOIR 2017 *ADELAIDE HILLS* 85.00

Quite rich aromas of red cherries and berries are swathed in creamy baking spices with a sappy edge and some gently earthy notes. Smoothly built palate on layers of fine, long tannin and delivers a convincingly concentrated impression. Smooth, plush and packed with fresh red-cherry flavor. 14%ABV

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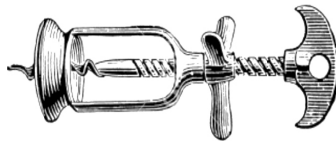
Our mate, Rob Hill-Smith, runs this family operation with an incredibly dedicated management team. No short-termism demanded by shareholders. No bean counters demanding costs to be cut. No 'work experience' marketing misanthropes changing tack every year.

'Y' VIOGNIER 2021 VE 42.00

An easy drinking delight with subtle apricot nuances. Yalumba were the first New World winery to tackle the vagaries of this fickle varietal, which requires heaps of patience. 13.5%ABV

SAMUEL'S COLLECTION ROUSSANNE 2020 EDEN VALLEY VE 48.00

Rich floral, honied aromas and it is silky yet defined flavours, with white fleshed peach and vanilla custard layered with grapefruit freshness and a fine almond texture with lingering hints of honeycomb. 13.5%ABV



SAMUEL'S COLLECTION SHIRAZ CAB. SAUVIGNON 2018 VE 49.00

A youthful embodiment of 'The Signature' which reflects the smooth, herbal and ripe fruits characters of the Shiraz-Cabernet blend underpinned by dark chocolate and spice. The wine of choice for Don's 70th birthday, best drunk in the old concrete tank at Yalumba for authenticity! 14.5%ABV

CIGAR CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2018 COONAWARRA VE 69.00

Named after the unique cigar-shaped strip of rich terra rossa soil that defines the famous Coonawarra wine region. Peppery, fresh, and alive with spicy notes cassis fruit, and sea mist. An all-time favourite! 14.5%ABV

HAND PICKED SHIRAZ-VIOGNIER 2016 BAROSSA VE 79.00

The 5% Viognier softens the riot of spicy, extroverted Barossa Shiraz flavours. Rob H-S says, "gloriously expressive." Exactement! 14.5%ABV

THE SIGNATURE CABERNET SHIRAZ 2018 BAROSSA VE 105.00

Beautifully mature Oz classic. Gloriously mellow spice and blackberry fruit flavours with a soft American oak finish. We will decant - enjoy a glass of Champagne while it breathes. 14%ABV

JIM BARRY CLARE VALLEY

The late, great Jim Barry planted his first vines in 1959. His son, Peter, ran the show with an outstanding palate for quality and consistency. He gets a lot of his humour from his 92 year old mother – she refuses people to come for coffee in the mornings, but instead tells them to come by at 11.30; “It has always been quicker to pop the cork on a bottle of champagne than to boil the kettle!” she says! We agree! The winery is now in the very safe hands of Tom, Sam and Olivia a real family business and the kind of folks we love dealing with.

LODGE HILL RIESLING 2022 43.00

A South Australian classic. An ethereal blend of dryness with silk, mineral & gently spicy citrus flavours. Try a bottle - you won't be disappointed. 12%ABV

<u>THE COVER DRIVE CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2020</u> 45.00

<p>A combination of wines from the vineyards in the Clare & Coonawarra. Soft, blackcurrant fruit flavours with lingering ripe cassis & eucalyptus flavours, plus gentle oak. The biggest selling premium wine on our list. 14%ABV</p>

JIM BARRY 'THE BARRY BROS' SHIRAZ-CABERNET 2020 v 47.00

Layers of spice, minerals, black pepper and sweet fruits with fine tannins and a clean structure. A contemporary expression of this traditional Australian style. 14%ABV

McRAE WOOD SHIRAZ 2015 v 95.00

Layers of spice, minerals, savoury black pepper and sweet fruits with fine tannins and a clean structure. Best decanted to allow the flavours to open. 14%ABV

JIM BARRY PB CABERNET-SHIRAZ 2014 99.00

Peter started making this particular blend in 2002 for himself... How privileged are we today to have grabbed hold of his stash! A cornucopia of mulberry, satsuma, plum and dark vine fruits to enjoy with good friends and loved ones. 14%ABV

<u>THE ARMAGH 2013/17</u> v 380.00

<p>A monster of a wine! Voluptuous plums, cherry and fruitcake over brooding cedar and sweet spices. Enjoy a glass of Champagne while it breathes! 97 points - Parker 2016 14.1%ABV</p>

NEW ZEALAND

TE MATA ESTATE, HAWKES BAY

Don & John Buck go back to 1965, so there is a bit of bias here!

“Although NZ is best known for its cool-climate wines it has been recognised for some time that Hawke’s Bay is particularly well suited to weightier reds, such as Bordeaux style blends. The development of the Gimblett Gravels put these wines on the map, but the Buck family focused on their style much before that” Decanter

ELSTON CHARDONNAY 2021 82.00

A marvellous concentration of lime and apple flavours with great finesse. “It is without doubt the best New Zealand Chardonnay,” says the iconic Australian wine writer, James Halliday. 13.5%ABV

AWATEA CABERNET-MERLOT 2019 v 80.00

Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot & Cabernet Franc, plus a splash of Petit Verdot. Lovely rounded, ripe fruit style with easy-going tendencies. New World meets the Old in style. 13%ABV

COLERAINE 2017 v 165.00

Cab Sauv, Merlot & Cab Franc. This is the business! Arguably NZ’s finest red. Marvellous brooding plethora of blackcurrants, chocolate with some liquorice in the background. 95/100 Parker. John likes to put it up blind against Mouton, Lafite et al, with amazing results. So, it’s great value! 14%ABV

MOUNT EDWARD, CENTRAL OTAGO

Maverick, revolutionary, dynamo, pioneer and avant-garde... These are just a few words that have been used to describe Duncan Forsyth, winemaker at Mount Edward wines.

MOUNT EDWARD TED PINOT NOIR 2020 CENTRAL OTAGO VE, O 68.00

Aromas reminiscent of the finest from the Côte de Beaune. Heaps of cherries and black fruits which linger around the mouth. OK not cheap - but it is a relative bargain! 13.5%ABV

MARLBOROUGH

TINDALL ESTATE

I visited and stayed with Terry and Lynley on a tour down under to celebrate Don’s 70th birthday in March 2015. A family-owned single vineyard winery processing fruit from only their own vines. The Sowman family first planted grapes in the Wairau valley in 1995, so the vines are mature now. “We are not fans of the overtly aggressive Sauvignon Blanc style,” says Terry Sowman. “We are proud to put our face behind the label. Small family producers such as us must survive to ensure the passion and romance associated with wine.”

SAUVIGNON BLANC 2022 VE, O 45.00

A marvellously floral yet sophisticated style with great tropical fruit zest and a touch of lychees. 12.5%ABV

MARLBOROUGH DOG POINT VINEYARD

Dog Point is one of the oldest privately established vineyards in Marlborough with first plantings in the late 1970s. Ivan and Margaret Sutherland were among the earliest wine industry pioneers. While working at Cloudy Bay Vineyards, Ivan met James Healy. Sharing the same aspirations, Ivan & Margaret and James & Wendy returned to a more 'hands-on' approach launching the Dog Point label. The next generation of the Sutherland family are now running the day to day operations. Don listed Dog Point in early 2005 and now this fantastic winery is back...

DOG POINT SAUVIGNON BLANC 2023 VE, O 50.00
Citrus core of flavours are juicy and intense with deliciously saline freshness. The wine calls for simple fresh seafood but can also be enjoyed as a pre-dinner aperitif. 13%ABV

DOG POINT CHARDONNAY 2021 VE, O 65.00
A pure, bright and youthful citrus driven chardonnay with complex smokey, flint, toast and biscuit notes derived from extended barrel aging on full solids. The hallmarks of Dog Point chardonnay are ever present here with pure saline and crisp palate structure. 14%ABV

DOG POINT PINOT NOIR 2021 VE, O 75.00
The fruit is supported by bright florals of rose and violets with crunchy red berry fruit and dried herb notes. The palate is succulent with alluring red cherry, brown spices and silky fine boned tannins. This wine has all the makings of a long lived Marlborough pinot noir and matches perfectly with duck, red meats (particularly venison and lamb), and mushroom dishes. 13.5%ABV

TIKI WINERY, WAIPARA

Tiki winery is a new and exciting venture founded by Royce & Sue McKean with vineyards through the premium grape growing regions of both Marlborough, Waipara and north of Christchurch. The Tiki brand pays homage to Royce's great-great grandfather, Tiki Tere Mihi, who was a Maori chief.

TIKI ESTATE PINOT GRIS 2022/23 WAIPARA VE 49.00
White blossoms, peaches and lychees in abundance preceding a clean, fresh finish with gentle spice. 12.5%ABV

TIKI ESTATE PINOT NOIR 2021 WAIPARA VE 55.00
An expressive Kiwi Pinot; definitely not European in style. Cherries and raspberries with a smokey finish which lingers. Easy going and good value! 14%ABV

VASH'S PAGES

Vash keeps searching for new wines and as always, he comes up with some 'left field' selections.

WHITES

AVANTIS HISTORIA WHITE 2021 *EVIA, GREECE* **VE** 39.00

Indigenous Assyrtiko blended with aromatic Viognier grown on the windy Greek island of Evia. Great balance, fresh and aromatic - this is a typical example of Greece's flagship style! Perfect with seafood or salad! 12.5%ABV

GRÜNER VELTLINER "HABANSKE SKLEPY" 2022 *MORAVIA, CZECHIA* 41.00

Light green colour, fruity yet buttery, flavours of stone fruit, light spicy, young, fresh & mineral finish. Easy drinking, perfect summer terrace wine! 12%ABV

CHÂTEAU DE MANISSY LIRAC BLANC 2022 *RHÔNE VALLEY, FRANCE* **O,V** 45.00

The highlight of Vash's new wine hunting! Intense aromas combine with elegance and finesse in this blend of Grenache Blanc, Viognier, Roussane & Clairette. Great character, as good as a white Chateaufeuf du Pape, with no need to contact your mortgage broker... 13%ABV

BACCHUS, LYME BAY 2021 *DEVON, ENGLAND* 49.00

100% Bacchus, perfect with seafood. An intense, aromatic wine with citrus, fruit, minerality. Aromas of peach, elderflower and guava. The crispness adds excellent structure to the palate. Perfect lunch time wine. 11.5%ABV



"I don't remember the name, but it had a taste that I liked."

REDS

SOLEVARI RESERVE, FETEASCA NEAGRA 2021 *VIILE TIMISULUI, ROMANIA* **VE** 38.00

A native variety with confidence and swagger but an easy-going nature.

A spicy nose of black pepper, black berry and red cherry. 13.5%ABV

NERO D'AVOLA FEUDO ARANCIO 2021 *SICILY, ITALY* **VE** 42.00

An intense bouquet with notes of wild strawberries and pomegranate. Light mediumbodied with soft tannins which gives it a balanced acidity. Pleasant but not punchy. 13%ABV

ST. LAURENT 2022, CASTLE VINERY BZENEC *MORAVIA, CZECHIA* 42.00

Vibrant red from the Czechia resembles Pinot Noir, with its lively mouth-filling fruit flavours of ripe red berries and plum, dash of spice and velvety tannins. 12%ABV

RENEGADE URBAN WINERY

A London urban winery may seem like a mad idea but just wait and... taste! They started making wines in 2016 and have put their own signature on winemaking. The UK doesn't have as much legislation as Europe, so they are not limited in terms of styles they can make. Another advantage is the fact that they can pick every year the best grapes from anywhere they like, so the best quality is always guaranteed. 50% European and 50% English grapes give them the vast variety of styles and here are some of them.

'AMY' BARREL FERMENATED CHARDONNAY 2020 *GRAPES GROWN IN LOMBARDI, ITALY* 50.00

Beautifully balance Chardonnay giving richness and complexity. Creamy texture, smoked vanilla notes and baking spice from the oak ageing leading triumphantly into the long, lean finish. 13%ABV

'GARY' PINOT NOIR 2021 *GRAPES GROWN IN OLTREPO PAVESE, ITALY* 52.00

Wild fermented destemmed grapes, 20 days on the skins and aged in 90% old french and 10% new American barrels for 8 months. Velvety medium bodied with soft tannins, lots of red wild strawberries, cherries fruit and some floral notes. This is definitely my kind of wine. 13%ABV

PLAN B! FRESPANOL SHIRAZ 2020 *FRANKLAND RIVER, AUSTRALIA* 45.00

Full-bodied Shiraz blend produced by the winemaker Bill Crappsley at the Plan B winery in Margaret River. Around 6% of Tempranillo completes the blend with Shiraz, making this wine rich and powerful with sweet, spiced blackberry and cassis. Hints of dried violets and wood toast, ripe, savoury tannins concludes the long lasting flavour. 14%ABV

CHATEAU KSARA 'RESERVE DU COUVENT' 2020 *LEBANON* **VE** 50.00

Lebanon's oldest winery. Organic cultivation without irrigation at 1,000 metres altitude produces an intensely fruity, meaty, robust blend of 55% Syrah, 25% Cabernet Franc, 20% Cabernet Sauvignon. 13.5%ABV

HOUSE WINES

FRANC BEAUSEJOUR SAUV. BLANC - SEMILLON 2022 BORDEAUX 30.00
Delightfully soft, zingy flavours. A great every day drinking wine. 13.5%ABV

CLAIRIÈRES MERLOT 2022 PAYS D'OC, FRANCE 30.00
An easy going fruity style with a touch of complexity with a rounded finish. A charming, easy going style. 13.5%ABV

SAINT LAURAND COLLECTION PRIVÉE ROSE 2022 LANGUEUEDOC FRANCE 30.00
Carignan and Syrah blend, vibrant raspberry and strawberry flavours, hint of spice. 14%ABV

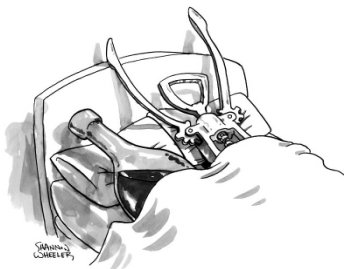
ALCOHOL-FREE WINES

“What a blasphemy!”

Don would disagree, but consumers demand is growing and vintners may finally have cracked the secret to delivering a sober but satisfying toast.

ZENO ALCOHOL LIBERATED WHITE - VIURA 2022 SPAIN 32.00
Fresh aromas of citrus, passionfruit and green apple and mouthfull of ripe mango, apple and zingy citrus with light herbaceous and elderflower notes. 0.27%ABV

ZENO ALCOHOL LIBERATED RED - TEMPRNILLO, CABERNET 2022 SPAIN 32.00
Red and black forest fruits merge with juicy plums and hints of crisp cherry. Spice, pepper and bright tannin add to the long finish. 0.28%ABV



CORK & BOTTLE WINE SHOP

Driven by regulars at the Cork & Bottle wanting access to our wines away from the venue; to enjoy at home or send as gifts, we opened our Wine Shop. If you have enjoyed your wine today, please browse our range of over 300 wines featured at the back of this menu, each hand-selected for you to enjoy. You can also purchase our wine at www.thecorkandbottle.co.uk and click on Wine Shop