

# CORK & BOTTLE

WINE BAR



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# WINE TASTINGS

With years of experience, Cork & Bottle Wine Tasting events have become a 'must attend' for many of our regulars and newcomers.

Every month we host one or two bespoke wine tasting events presented by winemakers and wine industry experts where you can pick up tasting tips and food matching ideas.

They are fun, interactive and social evenings; a great choice for a date or a novel gift idea.

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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

<b>CASAS DEL BOSQUE SAUVIGNON BLANC 2022</b>	<i>CASABLANCA, CHILE</i>	38.00
From the Casablanca valley, an aromatic, soft style with heaps of tangy passionfruit and grapefruit flavours. 13.5%ABV		
<b>BOECKEL RIESLING 2018</b>	<i>ALSACE, FRANCE</i> <b>O, V</b>	40.00
Another aromatic, bone-dry white - as opposed to most German Rieslings. Subtle nuances. 13%ABV		
<b>JORDAN CHARDONNAY 2022</b>	<i>STELLENBOSCH, SOUTH AFRICA</i> <b>VE, O</b>	49.00
Generous and bold aromas, graceful mouthfeel with fragrances of lemon biscuit, ripe peach and nectarine with a never-ending buttery, creamy finish. 13%ABV		
<b>WARWICK OLD VINES CHENIN BLANC 2021</b>	<i>STELLENBOSCH, SOUTH AFRICA</i>	55.00
Baked apple, cinnamon, and ripe stone fruits on the nose. Quince, peach & toasted vanilla on the palate. Great texture & refreshing minerality. 13.5%ABV		
<b>ELSTON CHARDONNAY 2019</b>	<i>HAWKE'S BAY, NEW ZEALAND</i>	62.00
A marvellous concentration of lime and apple flavours with great finesse. "It is without doubt the best New Zealand Chardonnay," 13.5%ABV		

## SPARKLING

<b>CHATEAU RADYNĚ EXTRA BRUT, BOHEMIA SEKT 2021</b>	<i>MORAVIA, CZECH REP.</i>	45.00
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

<b>BOURGUEIL LES GALICHETS, DOM DE LA CHEVALERIE '14</b>	<i>LOIRE, FRANCE</i> <b>O, BIO</b>	41.00
100% Cab-Franc, red plums and berries aromas with subtle earthiness, the palate is round and rich, tannins are velvety and soft. The best of the Loire! 12.5%ABV		
<b>COTEAUX DE MONTAGNE CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2020</b>	<i>WESTERN CAPE, SA</i>	44.00
Mint, tomato leaves & tobacco alongside ripe blackcurrant and berries aromas. Well-integrated ripe tannins and a maturation in French oak give a smooth mouthfeel and a wine extremely harmonious. 13.5%ABV		
<b>LA CREMA SONOMA COAST PINOT NOIR 2021</b>	<i>SONOMA COAST, CALIFORNIA</i>	80.00
Glorious ripe fruit; black cherries & blueberries galore. Not a fruit bomb, simply sophisticated elegance! 13.5%ABV		
<b>MAS LA PLANA CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2018</b>	<i>PENEDÈS, SPAIN</i> <b>VE</b>	105.00
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		

# FRANCE BEAUJOLAIS

**BEAUJOLAIS VILLAGES 2021** *JEAN-MARC LAFOREST* 37.00

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* 39.00

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 2021** *JEAN-MARC LAFOREST* 39.00

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

**JULIÉNAS 2019** *DOMAINE LE COTOYON* 41.00

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 2020** *DOMAINE LE COTOYON* 42.00

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 2021** *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 2018** *BOECKEL* o,v 40.00

Another aromatic, bone-dry white - as opposed to most German Rieslings. Subtle nuances. 13%ABV

**PINOT GRIS 2018** *BOECKEL* o,v 40.00

The Boeckel family have been flaunting it since 1853! A beautifully aromatic and fulsome wine with weight and a delicate finish. 13%ABV

**GEWÜRZTRAMINER 2018** *BOECKEL* o,v 45.00

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 62.00

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>	39.00
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 2020</u> <i>DOMAINE DU PUY RIGAUT</i>	42.00
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> <b>O, BIO</b>	48.00
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>	52.00
Classic stuff! The ultimate Sauvignon Blanc. 13%ABV	
<u>SANCERRE ROSÉ 2021</u>	55.00
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>	54.00
Tangy, robust, gamey cherry flavours with soft depth and lingering finish. 12.5%ABV	

# BURGUNDY WHITES

MACON VILLAGES 2018 *DOMAINE NORMAND* 40.00  
Gentle, aromatic Chardonnay fruit with a lovely soft finish. Easy drinking. 12.5%ABV

SAINT VERAN 'LES SABLES' 2021 *DOMAINE GAËL MARTIN* 45.00  
"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 2021 *DOMAINE DE VAUROY* **VE** 50.00  
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 VAUROY* **VE** 65.00  
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' 2016 *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 2021** *NUITON BEAUNOY, COTE DE BEAUNE* 48.50

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 2015** *DOMAINE CHANSON* 58.00

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* 68.00

Neighbouring with Monthelie and Meursault this new upcomer, Auxey-Duresses 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 2018** *DOMAINE BOUCHARD PERE & FILS* 72.00

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* 82.00

Right next-door to Aloxe-Corton but without the price tag! Juicy summer fruits complimented by fragrant violets. Drinking beautifully now! 13%ABV

**NUITS ST GEORGES 2019** *DOMAINE BOUCHARD PERE & FILS* 105.00

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

**VOLNAY 1er CRU 'CLOS DES CHENES' 2017** *DOMAINE RENE MONNIER* 115.00

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** 150.00

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* 38.00  
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* 39.00  
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* 40.00  
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

70.00

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 2014 HAUT-MEDOC CRU BOURGEOIS

67.50

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

69.00

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

72.00

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 2014 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

75.00

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

85.00

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* 125.00

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 2016 *MARGAUX, 5TH GROWTH* 150.00

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* 150.00

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 LANGOA BARTON 2008/09 *THIRD GROWTH ST JULIEN* 160.00

Arguably our favourite Cru Classé wine of the past 40 years. Pure blackcurrants with a lengthy, robust, ethereal finish. 13%ABV

CHATEAU GRAND PUY LACOSTE 2009 *PAUILLAC 5TH GROWTH* 235.00

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

## MAGNUMS

CHATEAU FRANC LE MAINE 2015 *SAINT EMILION GRAND CRU* 140.00

Cabernet Franc, Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot freshness on the nose due to high amount of Cab. Franc, this wine is energetic and expressive with velvety tannins, red fruity with spicy aromas and hint of tobacco with an amazing length! 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 2017/19 *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

GUGAL CONDRIEU 2021 **VE** 110.00

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 2018/19 *DOMAINE DU GRAND MONTMIRAIL* 42.00

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* 50.00

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* 52.00

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* 60.00

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* 89.00

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. GUGAL* **VE** 115.00

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. GUGAL* **VE** 135.00

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 2021 *LES MARQUETS*

41.50

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*

40.00

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**

42.00

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**

42.00

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**

48.00

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**

41.00

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**

45.00

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 2021/22 *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 2020 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 2017 '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

BODEGAS LUZON MONASTRELL COLECCIÓN 2022 JUMILLA 39.00

Deep cherry colour with a garnet rim. Aromas of strawberry, cherry & black plum. Lush and fruit packed, yet with freshness and balance. 14.5%ABV

RIOJA DE ALTO AMO RESERVA 2018 RIOJA V 48.00

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

RIOJA BERONIA GRAN RESERVA 2015 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 Penedès 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 45.00

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 2020 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 Penedès VE 105.00

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 20XX 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

PINOT GRIGIO VENEZIE 'SACCHETTO' 2021 *VENETO* **VE** 36.00

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

LUGANA ARGILLAIA FABIANO 2021 *VENETO* 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

GAVI LA SMILLA DEL COMUNE DI GAVI DOCG 2022 *PIEMONTE* **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

## REDS

PRIMITIVO TERRE DE MONTELUSA 2021 *PUGLIA* **VE** 38.00

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

ITYNERA MONTEPULCIANO D'ABRUZZO 2021 *ABRUZZO* **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

CHIANTI CLASSICO PIEVE DI CAMPOLI 2019 *TUSCANY* **VE** 49.00

Spiced red fruits dominates the palate with dried herbs, balsamic notes, cedar and smoky oak, good present tannins and voluptuous body, soft and long finish. Definitely food wine! 14.5%ABV

BARBERA D'ALBA CASCINA BALLARIN 2021 *PIEMONTE* 49.00

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 DOCG 2019 *FABIANO* **VE** 95.00

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

CUMARO RISERVA, UMANI RONCHI 2019 *MARCHE* 98.00

Deep ruby colour, this Montepulciano, shows an intense bouquet opening with lovely ripe plum, blackcurrant & morello cherry notes, followed with spicy, black pepper, vanilla and tobacco aromas. Smooth tannins, elegant and dry finish. 14%ABV

# SWEETS & STICKIES

- OFTEN AVAILABLE BY THE GLASS -

MUSCAT BEAUMES DEVENISE 2012 DOMAINE DE COYEUX, RHONEVALLEY **VE** HALF BOTTLE 38.00

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

BOB BERTON BOTRYTISED SEMILLON 2019 AUSTRALIA HALF BOTTLE 39.00

Hand selected botrytised semillion bunches produced heavenly flavours

of apricots and honey, full sweet without being cloying. 11.5%ABV

QUADY'S ORANGE MUSCAT 'ESSENSIA' 2021 CALIFORNIA **V** HALF BOTTLE 39.00

Outrageous orange zest flavours. Delicious with our chocolate desserts. 15%ABV

QUADY'S ELYSIUM BLACK MUSCAT 2021 CALIFORNIA **V** HALF BOTTLE 39.00

Rich & full flavoured. The perfect accompaniment to blue cheese. 15%ABV

DISZNÓKŐ TOKAJI 1413 EDES SZAMORODNI 2018 HUNGARY **V** HALF BOTTLE 50.00

Deep yellow-gold colour. Spicy, fruity nose with blood-orange, tangerine, honey and

santal tree aromas. The palate is rich, mouth filling and well structured. 15%ABV

## THE GROWN UP STUFF

TIO PEPE PALOMINO FINO HALF BOTTLE **VE** 25.00

Dry, crisp and smooth with mineral notes. Ideal as an aperitif or with

our salads, cheese and charcuterie. 15% ABV

BARBADILLO LA CILLA PEDRO XIMENEZ HALF BOTTLE 40.00

An ultra-sweet wine with a treacly texture and flavor.

Best matched with our Hokie Pokie ice cream! 17.5% ABV

SOLERA 1847 SWEET OLOROSO **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

GONZALEZ BYASS LEONOR PALO CORTADO 47.00

Nutty aromas of toasted almonds and hazelnuts. Perfect with cheese. 20%ABV

BLANDY'S HARVEST MALMSEY MADEIRA 500ml BOTTLE 54.00

Rich & rounded with delicate toffee flavours. Great stuff. 19%ABV

GRAHAM'S QUINTA DOS MALVEDOS 2010 HALF BOTTLE 40.00

Expressive floral characteristics and opulent blackberry fruit flavours. 20%ABV

SMITH WOODHOUSE 10 YEAR OLD TAWNY PORT 60.00

Lovely dried fruit flavours with caramel, spice and a long, luscious finish. 20%ABV

SMITH WOODHOUSE QUINTA MADELENA 2013 VINTAGE PORT 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** 45.00

A zippy style with citrus and lemon flavours...and only 11% ABV! Ideal for any party or as a light "aperitivo."

CREMANT DE LOIRE BLANC *LOIRE - FRANCE* 48.00

Methode traditionnelle. Extroverted style with heaps of ripe Chardonnay fruit; complex nose of white flowers and apple. 12.5%ABV

CREMANT DE LOIRE ROSÉ *LOIRE - FRANCE* 48.00

Methode traditionnelle. A whoosh of raspberries and strawberries from inot Noir fruit in a delicate fragrant style. 12.5%ABV

CHATEAU RADYNĚ EXTRA BRUT, BOHEMIA SEKT 2021 *MORAVIA, PÁLAVA - CZECH REP.* 48.00

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

JANSZ PREMIUM CUVÉE *TASMANIA - AUSTRALIA* 50.00

Méthode traditionnelle. Honeysuckle and citrus with slight aromas of nougat, roasted nuts and a sniff of strawberry from the Pinot Noir. 12%ABV

HERBERT HALL BRUT *KENT - ENGLAND* **O** 75.00

Methode traditionnelle. Fine bubbles, apple and pear fruit notes - classic Brut style, organically farmed from the "Garden of England". 12%ABV



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# CHAMPAGNE

## HOUSE

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

### DON HEWITSON CUVÉE VE

Classic structure. Mellow Pinot flavours with a delicious splash of top class Chardonnay. 70.00

Half Bottle 40.00

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. 75.00 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

## GRANDES MARQUES

### G.H. MUMM CORDON ROUGE VE

Elegant, soft and creamy. Never tasted better!

87.50 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!

100.00 12%ABV



## 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. 375.00 12%ABV

### DOM PERIGNON 2012 VE

350.00 12.5%ABV

### LOUIS ROEDERER 'CRISTAL' 2014

375.00 12%ABV

## BOLLINGER

### BOLLINGER SPECIAL CUVÉE

'The aristocrat' of non-vintages. 105.00 12%ABV

### BOLLINGER ROSÉ

Like Premier Cru Burgundy... with bubbles! Gloriously rich Pinot Noir with a splash of Chardonnay! 125.00 12%ABV

### BOLLINGER 2007 GRANDE ANNÉE

Gloriously rich, classic structure with a beautiful balance of honeyed fruit & a pain grille finish. 60% Pinot Noir, 35% Chardonnay. 225.00 12%ABV

## CASTELNAU

### CASTELNAU - BRUT RESERVE NV VE

Mature and complexed with depth of rich, creamy flavours. 85.00 12%ABV

### CASTELNAU VINTAGE 2003 VE

Toasty, intense with apricot, grapefruit and finishing touches of the classic creaminess of the house style. 110.00 12%ABV

## POL ROGER

### POL ROGER WHITE FOIL VE

Vibrant & mature - a beautiful, soft style. 100.00 12.5%ABV

### POL ROGER VINTAGE 2015 VE

Glorious array of the finest Chardonnay fruit with remarkable length. 160.00 12%ABV

# CALIFORNIA

## REDS

WENTE 'SANDSTONE' MERLOT 2020 *LIVERMORE VALLEY* **VE** 47.00  
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** 47.00  
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 2021 *SONOMA COAST* 80.00  
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 *NAPA VALLEY* **VE** 98.00  
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* 105.00  
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

<u>WENTE 'MORNING FOG' CHARDONNAY 2021</u> <i>LIVERMORE VALLEY</i> <b>VE</b>	46.00
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	
<u>GNARLY HEAD UNOAKED VIOGNIER 2021</u> <i>LODI</i>	48.00
A superb rich white blockbuster with a panoply of exotic flavours: dried apricots, peaches, orange blossom & honeysuckle, to name a few. 13.5%ABV	
<u>LA CREMA SONOMA COAST CHARDONNAY 2021</u> <i>SONOMA COUNTY</i>	75.00
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	
<u>TREANA WHITE BLEND 2018</u> <i>CENTRAL COAST</i>	78.00
A glorious blend of Marsanne-Roussanne-Viognier. Aromatic with citrus peel, orange blossom and dried apricots notes, this wine really makes the most of the Rhone varieties! 14.5%ABV	



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# SOUTH AMERICA

## ARGENTINA

**FABRE MONTMAYOU TORRONTES 2022** *MENDOZA* **VE** 38.00  
 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** 46.00  
 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* 38.00  
 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** 40.00  
 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** 43.00  
 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

<u>BUITENVERWACHTING SAUV BLANC 2022</u> <small>CONSTANTIA</small> <b>VE</b>	42.00
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	
<u>JORDAN CHARDONNAY 2022</u> <small>STELLENBOSCH</small> <b>VE, O</b>	49.00
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	
<u>WARWICK ESTATE 'OLD VINE' CHENIN BLANC 2021</u> <small>STELLENBOSCH</small> <b>VE</b>	60.00
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

<u>FRANSCHHOEK CELLARS 'THE OLD MUSEUM' MERLOT 2020</u> <small>WESTERN CAPE</small>	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	
<u>LA MOTTE 'MILLENNIUM' 2018</u> <small>WESTERN CAPE</small>	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	
<u>BOSCHENDAL PINOTAGE 'SOMMELIER SELECTION' 2017</u> <small>FRANSCHHOEK</small> <b>V</b>	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	
<u>COTEAUX DE MONTAGNE CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2020</u> <small>WESTERN CAPE</small>	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 2021 **78.00**  
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 **V 85.00**  
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

## SOUTH AUSTRALIA

**BOB BERTON WINEMAKERS RESERVE 'BLACK' SHIRAZ 2020** *S.E AUSTRALIA* **VE** 38.00

Bob is a good friend and a very skillful winemaker. Here he makes a big, brooding South Australian monster with huge, unrestrained flavours. 14.5%ABV

**SIMON HACKETT 'BIG RIVERS' GRENACHE 2020** *McLAREN VALE* 40.00

Another McLaren Vale beauty! Vines with an average age of 50 years don't produce high yields, but they offer a vibrant amalgam of juicy, sleek red fruit flavours which linger... and linger. 12.5%ABV

**SIMON HACKETT CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2020** *McLAREN VALE* 42.00

Luscious McLaren Vale fruit, with a soft, vibrant, red berry fruit finish. Rewarding stuff! 13.5%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 2019** *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 2020** *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

Wirra Wirra sources fruit from a combination of owned vineyards and premium McLaren Vale growers. The blend of individual vineyard and sub-regional characteristics is the key to the resulting style. Pronounced aromas of blackcurrant, smoky bacon, thyme, green pepper, cigar, dark fruit and warm spice. Full bodied, beautifully balanced powerful flavours of still developing dark berries and blackcurrant, coffee, cocoa, fine tannins and hints of cedar complimenting the fruits. 13.5%ABV

## CORRYTON BURGE

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 & Amela, (siblings,) who carry on the proud family tradition in a modern world.

**RIESLING 2022** EDEN VALLEY VE 37.00

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

**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

**BAROSSA SHIRAZ 2019** 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 65.00

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 2021** 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

## YALUMBA

Australia's oldest and largest family winery.

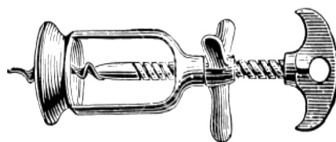
Our mate, Rob Hill-Smith, runs this family operation with an incredibly dedicated management team. No short-termism demanded by shareholders. No bean counters demanding costs to be cut. No 'work experience' marketing misanthropes changing tack every year.

### 'Y' RIESLING 2021      **VE** 39.00

Much Barossa Riesling is grown on the hot climate flat. Not Yalumba. This vivacious, crisp beauty is grown on higher slopes. Lovely citrus fruit with a soft finish. Dry... but not arid. 11.5%ABV

### 'Y' VIOGNIER 2021      **VE** 40.00

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 SHIRAZ CAB. SAUVIGNON 2018 **VE** 48.00

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** 68.00

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** 78.00

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 2016      **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 2021

45.00

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

### THE COVER DRIVE CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2020

47.00

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

### JIM BARRY 'THE BARRY BROS' SHIRAZ-CABERNET 2019    v

50.00

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

97.00

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

### THE ARMAGH 2013/17    v

375.00

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

# 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 65.00

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

## COOPERS CREEK, HUAPAI

This west Auckland winery was established by our mate Andrew Hendry way back in 1980. It is one of the few family owned major players, with vineyards in all major Kiwi wine regions. If you like zippy, full frontal fragrances then look no further.

MARLBOROUGH SAUVIGNON BLANC 2022 v 44.00

Aromatic, herbaceous tropical fruits. All the goodies. 13%ABV

MARLBOROUGH PINOT NOIR 2020 v 52.00

From a single vineyard in the middle of the Wairau Plains. Delicate black plums and cherries with gentle spice and delicate oak. A more European style than many other Kiwi Pinots. 13%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

### A VERY DIFFERENT MARLBOROUGH SAUVIGNON BLANC

SAINT CLAIR SAUVIGNON BLANC "THE PIONEER BLOCK 3" 2021 VE 60.00  
Dillon's Point, Lower Wairau Valley. Superstar winemaker Matt Thomson describes his classic as "an intense concentration of blackcurrant, passionfruit and citrus with a mineral note." 13%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 42.00  
A marvellously floral yet sophisticated style with great tropical fruit zest and a touch of lychees. 12.5%ABV

PINOT NOIR 2019 VE, O 46.00  
A restrained soft Burgundian style with delicate raspberries and a chocolatey finish on the palate. Definitely not one of the New World Pinot fruits bombs! 13%ABV

# VASH & JULIA'S PAGES

Julia has joined Vash on the search for new wines and as always, they come up with some 'left field' selections.

## WHITES

ORVIETO CLASSICO DOC, CAMPOGRANDE 2021 UMBRIA, ITALY 37.00

Castello della Sala is the Antinori family's magnificent Umbrian outpost. Here they make Orvieto Campogrande, an elegant, slightly nutty dry white with a gentle hint of honey. 12%ABV

AVANTIS HISTORIA WHITE 2021 EVIA, GREECE VE 42.00

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

BACCHUS, LYME BAY 2021 DEVON, ENGLAND 48.00

100% Bacchus, perfect with seafood, is an intense, aromatic wine with tropicality, minerality, and characteristic English hedgerow. Aromas of peach, elderflower and guava. The crispness adds excellent structure to the palate and lifts the light tropical and citrus character. Perfect lunch time wine. 11.5%ABV

CHÂTEAU DE MANISSY LIRAC BLANC 2017 RHÔNE VALLEY, FRANCE o,v 48.00

The highlight of Vash & Julia's new wine hunting! Intense aromas combine with elegance and finesse in this blend of Grenache Blanc, Viognier, Roussane & Clairette. Great character, a good as a white Chateaufneuf du Pape without the need to contact your mortgage broker... 13%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** 36.00

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 2020 *SICILY, ITALY* **VE** 39.00

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

AGLIANICO BENEVENTANO MASSERIA FRATTASI 2021 *CAMPANIA, ITALY* 42.00

This 100% Aglianico from a producer located southwest of Benevento displays gorgeous aromas of spiced red plum, ripe cherry, dark berries, smoke, milk chocolate, and vanilla. 14%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 FERMENTED 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

CHATEAU KSARA 'RESERVE DU COUVENT' 2020 *LEBANON* **VE** 48.00

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

PISANO 'FAMILY RESERVE' TANNAT 2018 *PROGRESSO, URUGUAY* **VE** 58.00

A big bold red wine, from Uruguay's most prestigious vineyards, with concentrated and complex aromas of ripe dark plum and spiced wood. Robust jammy wild fruits meet cocoa, nutmeg and cinnamon in this handcrafted beauty! 14%ABV



## HOUSE WINES

FRANC BEAUSEJOUR SAUV. BLANC - SEMILLON 2021 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 LANGUEDOC FRANCE 30.00  
Carignan and Syrah blend, vibrant raspberry and strawberry flavours, hint of spice. 14%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](http://www.thecorkandbottle.co.uk)** and click on Wine Shop