

# THE SUN INN

DEDHAM



## WINE LIST

**The 2006-2019 version of this list garnered the following recognition**

The Good Food Guide - Wine List of the Year 2015

The AA Wine List of the Year 2015-16 England & Overall UK

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‘My glass was filled with a light red wine poured from a pitcher, left on the table. I was relaxed, carefree and happy. Oh, how ruby bright that wine was; it gleamed in the sunlight. I remember clearly its enticing aroma – youthful but with a refinement that surprised me. The wine was sweetly exotic: lively on my tongue, perfectly balanced, and with a long glossy finish. It was the sort of wine that Omar Khayyam might have in mind for his desert tryst. The young woman who had poured it for me was amused when I asked what it was. It was, she said, vino rosso.’

**Remembrance of Wines Past – Gerald Asher**

## HELLO IMBIBERS

Our list is lovingly put together after considered whittling down of numerous samples tasted and slurped from around the world. We seek wine of distinct flavour, of its place and made with respect for the vine as well as the environment. We want to be excited by what we taste, discover nuances and subtleties rather than be whacked around the chops by fruit bombs or oak. We want you to continually swirl and sniff the liquid intriguingly. We hope you get as much enjoyment from these wines as we do.

We have 3 suppliers as well as buying direct from producers. Les Caves de Pyrene has garnered a reputation for wines of Southwest France and Italy from small producers. Alliance Wine have a beguiling ability to find the most interesting, best value and downright moreish wines I've come across from Spain and Australia. Swig Wines offer up some sumptuous South Africans as well English Sparkling Wine producer Digby Estate.

Our wine by the glass and carafe come by either 125ml glass or 375ml carafe. This gives you an opportunity to experiment through the list. The carafe of 375ml is an ideal size for just two people but also is a good way of having a white and a red with your meal if there are just two of you.

All our wines are available to drink in the comfort of your own home, let us know if you wish to place an order.

Each week we open a random bottle not normally available by the glass, to give you a chance to sample something different. Please ask if not offered.

Our list here has the addition of a Single Bottle Section – wine I buy from auction and bin ends that I'd rather people drink than stare longingly at. If you fancy having something from this section when you visit The White Hart Inn or Church Street Tavern, ping us an email the Tuesday before you visit, and we'll ensure it's on site when you visit.

We decant all bottles from our Single Bottle section but if you want anything else decanted, we can do that too.

Cin Cin!

Piers and Team Sun Inn

## THINGS THAT SPARKLE

English, Italian and of course, French

		750ML	125ML
101	<b>La Vita Sociale, Prosecco Spumante</b> DOC Veneto, Italy NV, 100% Glera Aromatic notes of pear, crisp and succulent, gently foamy, off dry.	32	5 <sup>50</sup>
103	<b>Vouvray Brut, Domaine Didier Champalou</b> Loire, France 100% Chenin Blanc Gorgeous, floral and creamy with refreshing acidity. A sun kissed heavenly delight of stunning value.	45	
104	<b>Brut Reserve NV , Digby Estate</b> Kent, England 35% Chardonnay, 40% Pinot Noir, 25% Pinot Meunier Vibrant yet understated, fabulous bread-y-yeasty flavours. Subtle, well-balanced with richness and mellowness.	62	10 <sup>70</sup>
105	<b>Rosé NV, Digby Estate</b> Kent, England 50% Pinot Noir, 35% Chardonnay, 15% Pinot Meunier Muddled berries folded into whipped cream, dried rose notes, blood orange.	62	10 <sup>70</sup>
106	<b>Brut Réserve, Billecart-Salmon</b> Champagne, France 40% Pinot Meunier, 30% Chardonnay, 30% Pinot Noir Finely tuned, complex, subtle, utterly delicious and the choice of those in the trade.	70	12
107	<b>Brut Rosé, Billecart-Salmon</b> Champagne, France 40% Chardonnay, 30% Pinot Meunier, 30% Pinot Noir Pale and bright pink, delicate slow rising bubbles, a persistent mousse, light, elegant, a fresh finish with a taste of raspberry. Exceptional.	85	
500	<b>The Trouble With Dreams, Sugrue</b> South Downs, England 2017, 60% Chardonnay, 40% Pinot Noir Wiston's former winemaker, Dermot Sugrue has fashioned a wonderful fine, complex sparkling wine that has distinct salinity with a sharp Chardonnay attack making the wine precise, pure and clean. Balanced biscuit and pastry gives the wine its complexity. Will only get better. Only a couple of bottles.	72	

## NOT WHITE BUT SHADES OF pink, orange (skin contact) & yellow (Sherry)

750ML 375ML 125ML

301	<b>Rosado, Gran Cerdo</b> Rioja, Spain 2021, Tempranillo blend with Garnacha Vibrant, bright pink, summer fruits & cherries. Juicy, fruity, and entirely gluggable with a refreshing finish.	27	13 <sup>50</sup>	4 <sup>70</sup>
302	<b>Palm Rosé, Château L'Escarelle</b> IGP Méditerranée, France 2022, 34% Grenache, 33% Cinsault, 33% Syrah Pale pink, delicate but still lively & fresh. Creamy, rounded, peachy and radiant.	32	16	5 <sup>50</sup>
303	<b>Rosé, Thorrington Mill</b> Colchester, Essex, England 2021, 100% Pinot Noir Just across the water at Brightlingsea, Mark & Polly have fashioned a delicious, exotic, aromatic rosé. Imagine early evening sunshine on an English summer evening.	35	17 <sup>50</sup>	6
304	<b>Enrosado, Bodega Altolandon</b> Manchuela, Spain 2021, 100% Garnacha Gris (skin contact, pale pink/copper) Just a gorgeous, soft, textural wine. Bright & elegant, with apricot, Citrus notes. Rounded but refreshing too.	35		
305	<b>Baglio Bianco IGP, Cielo</b> Sicily, Italy 2021, 100% Catarratto (skin contact, orange) Flavours of citrus peel, herbs and ginger with a well-rounded rich texture and long finish. Salty, refreshing, invigorating and perfect for oysters or seafood platter.	36		
306	<b>I Think Manzanilla En Rama, Equipo Navazos</b> DO Jerez, Spain 2022, 100% Palomino Fino Fine, powerfully aromatic. Fresh, with a salty tang, plenty of acidity together with very satisfying lemon twist to the finish. Plenty of weight and concentration. More oysters and seafood please.			7 <sup>50</sup>
307	<b>Cruz Del Mar Amontillado, Bodegas Florido</b> Chipiona, Spain NV, Palomino, Moscatel Incredible, decadent notes of vanilla and spices mingling with wood antique varnishes. Palate is smooth with a medium sweet finish. Great aperitivo with cured meats and other moreish bites.			7 <sup>50</sup>

## THERE IS NO HOUSE WHITE

we have lighter to fuller styles by the glass or carafe,  
as like religion, there is more than one house!

		750ML	375ML	125ML
201	<b>Madregale Bianco, Cantina Tollo</b> Terre di Chieti, Abruzzo, Italy 2022, Trebbiano and Chardonnay Blend Fresh and crisp, with some savoury notes, hint of honey. A great aperitif or with chicken, asparagus, or slice of Brie.	23	11 <sup>50</sup>	4
202	<b>Terras Lusas, Adega de Redondo</b> IGP Alentejo, Portugal 2021, 60% Roupeiro, 20% Ferão, 20% Arinto Beach sunshine in a glass. A lift of citrus, pure, bright with an elegant structure and harmonious finish. Salty almonds, olives, or garlicky prawns are a match.	27	13 <sup>50</sup>	4 <sup>70</sup>
203	<b>Alceo, Familia Bastida</b> La Mancha, Spain 2021, 100% Verdejo Distinctly 'rocky' – lime zest, wet stones, spring flowers, just ripe stone fruit. It is a bit savoury but so precise and refreshing too. There's a long sherbet finish. Great with scallops, spice, coriander.	32	16	5 <sup>50</sup>
204	<b>Bacchus, Thorrington Mill</b> Colchester, Essex, England 2021, 100% Bacchus Thirst quenching with oyster shell aromas. Intense and aromatic with spice, spring blossom and citrus zest. Have with oysters, seafood platter, clams or just sit back and enjoy the sea breeze.	35	17 <sup>50</sup>	6
205	<b>Samurai, Free Run Juice</b> South Australia, Australia 2022, 100% Organic Chardonnay (unoaked) Sunshine in a bottle. A fresh and lively wine with ripe peach and honeydew melon vibes, balanced by a solid acidity. This is a crowd-pleasing, fruit-forward wine that is just the ticket.	26	13	4 <sup>50</sup>
206	<b>Cuvée Marine, Domaine de Ménard</b> IGP Côtes de Gascogne, France 2021, Colombard, Gros Manseng, Sauvignon Blend Aromas of mango, pineapple, and citrus fruits. Ample and elegant, waxy, lengthy, and aromatic.	27	13 <sup>50</sup>	4 <sup>70</sup>
207	<b>Rioja Blanco Viñas Viejas, Bodegas Manzanos</b> Rioja, Spain 2021, 80% Viura, 20% Tempranillo Blanco A classy glass with generous weight. Notes of sweet peach then a creamy palate, spices from time in oak but no oakiness, okay! Grilled fish, garlic, squid, or creamy sauces is a good match.	34	17	5 <sup>90</sup>



## THERE IS NO HOUSE RED

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750ML 375ML 125ML

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| 401 | <b>Madregale Rosso, Cantina Tollo</b><br>Abruzzo, Italy<br>2021, 80% Montepulciano, 20% Sangiovese<br>This stout little wine is light and juicy, with a whiff of fresh herbs<br>and a palate of morello cherry and white pepper. Great with pasta.  | 23 | 11 <sup>50</sup> | 4               |
| 402 | <b>Solevari Reserve, Cramele Recas</b><br>Viile Timisului, Romania<br>2022, 96% Pinot Noir, 4% Merlot<br>An Englishman Philip Cox and his Romania wife Elvira produce wines<br>that over deliver. Floral sour cherry notes, light to medium in weight,<br>pleasant soft tannins, slight bitter, spicy finish. Have with mushrooms,<br>cured meat or cheese. | 26 | 13               | 4 <sup>50</sup> |
| 403 | <b>Tinto, Gran Cerdo</b><br>Rioja, Spain<br>2021, 100% Tempranillo<br>Clean, fresh, refreshing, extremely drinkable without food. Juicy with<br>nice red fruit, cassis and a bit of length. Roast meat, lamb.   | 27 | 13 <sup>50</sup> | 4 <sup>70</sup> |
| 404 | <b>Finca Garnacha, Bodega Manzanos</b><br>DOCa Rioja, Spain<br>2021, 100% Garnacha<br>This is a spicy style, warming with black fruit, a bit of chocolate from<br>some good oak use. Well structure, round but mellow too. Red meats,<br>game, things with red wine sauce.  | 29 | 14 <sup>50</sup> | 5               |
| 405 | <b>Apo Malbec, Belasco de Baquedano</b><br>Mendoza, Argentina, 2020<br>2020, 100% Malbec<br>High altitude means the fruit is lifted and bright rather than dull and<br>stewy. Glossy, warming and rounded with notes of blackberry, violets,<br>and berry coulis. Steak is an obvious match but so too pork because<br>of its brightness.                   | 34 | 17               | 5 <sup>90</sup> |
| 406 | <b>Armador Merlot, Odfjell</b><br>Maipo, Chile<br>2021, 100% Merlot<br>Complex medium to full bodied packed with pure fruit seduction and<br>charm. Soft ripe tannins, red berries and cherry, a fine finish.<br>Perfect for white meats, spice.  | 34 | 17               | 5 <sup>90</sup> |

## WHITE WINE

by the bottle.....

## HAVE WE ANY SAUVIGNON BLANC?

sure, here are five...of differing sorts.

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| 208 | <b>Sophie Te'Blanche, Iona</b><br>Elgin, South Africa<br>2022, 100% Sauvignon Blanc<br>Floral notes with a complex medley of tropical fruits, mingled with subtle lime and gooseberry undertones. Balanced and rich, showing cut green apples with great minerality and texture.  | 30 |
| 209 | <b>Signature Series, Ant Moore</b><br>Marlborough, New Zealand<br>2022, 100% Sauvignon Blanc<br>This elevates above average NZ SB because of its complexity and texture. Well rounded, intense lemon notes, cut grass rifts. Great richness, length, and weight and really intense on the finish. Not a food wine for me, but if I did, grilled oily mackerel.  | 35 |
| 210 | <b>Menetou-Salon Morogué, Henry Pelle</b><br>Loire, France<br>2022, 100% Sauvignon Blanc<br>This can only be Sauvignon Blanc due to the pungent, gooseberry aromatics, light body and high, sharp, tangy acidity. Precise. I love this kind of wine with creamy sauces with fish or chicken, mushrooms, asparagus too.  | 42 |
| 211 | <b>Salt River, Savage Wines</b><br>Stellenbosch & Walker Bay, South Africa<br>2022, 100% Sauvignon Blanc<br>More Pouilly Fumé in style, lush yellow plums, dried pineapple, intense tanginess. Terrific body, stunningly long, faintest hint of blackcurrant. A terrific wine exemplifying the new wave South African wine. Can take more robust food flavours with chili, herbs but still white meat, seafood or green vegetable based dishes. | 38 |
| 212 | <b>Missing Gate</b><br>Crouch Valley, Essex, England<br>2021, 100% Sauvignon Blanc<br>Classy cool climate Sauvignon from Essex. Punchy nose of spice and grapefruit leads to a well-balanced palate, richness from oak fermentation. Long finish, complex with notes of stone fruits and a mineral edge. Has a touch of Sancerre about it so pair with seafood particularly shellfish, oysters or BBQ prawns.                                   | 45 |

## MISS OUT ON THESE THREE?

by sticking to Sauvignon Blanc, as they have similar traits.

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| 213 | <b>Verdicchio di Matelica, Colle Stefano</b><br>Marche, Italy<br>2022, 100% Verdicchio<br>Sparkling crispness, a rich fruity allure. Notes of ginger and cardamom, fruity nose with unripe nectarine. Long-lasting and nuanced finish with a touch of ginger and sweet almond. Spicy chicken, even Tuscan style sausage, or aubergine dishes with mozzarella.    | 35 |
| 214 | <b>Il Forte, Produttori del Gavi</b><br>DOCG Gavi, Italy<br>2022, 100% Cortese<br>Fresh, sapid, easy-peasy with a mildly almond finish. Harmonious and well balanced, notes of pear, peach & yellow plum. Great thirst quencher or with fish and anything with chili.  | 34 |
| 215 | <b>Riesling D, Te Whare Ra</b><br>Marlborough, New Zealand<br>2019, 100% Riesling<br>Dry in style, NZ's best white wine style, for me! Gorgeous lifted notes of Kaffir lime, fresh lemon, jasmine even. It's fleshy and ripe with great weight and a lingering mineral structure. Sleek and sophisticated and I'll drink it all day long. Spicy food called for. | 39 |

## ANYTHING BUT CHARDONNAY?

alright, four other grapes to consider.

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| 216 | <b>Zin, Produttori Di Manduria</b><br>IGT Puglia, Italy<br>2022, 100% Fiano<br>Straw yellow, slight green notes. Intense, complex sweet apple and pear aroma. Dry, well-structured and a palate that reflects the delicious aroma. Drink with tomatoes, spicy chicken, or grilled fish.   | 34 |
| 217 | <b>Reverte Moribunda, Vinicola Corellana</b><br>Navara, Spain<br>2021, 100% Garnacha Blanco<br>From the Basque country, this is terrific. Fresh, crisp and crunchy with notes of stone fruit and citrus and a lovely minerality - perfect for scallops, mussels and other sea urchins!  | 30 |
| 218 | <b>Handcrafted Grüner Veltliner, MA Arndorfer</b><br>Kamptal, Austria<br>2022, 100% Grüner Veltliner<br>A well-loved wine for great texture and slight cloudiness with delicious, rounded grapey fruit, a fleshy palate, hints of herbs and white spice on the long finish. Spice and seafood or white meat.  | 36 |
| 219 | <b>Godello Blanco, Bodega Godeval</b><br>Valdeorras, North-west Spain<br>2021, 100% Godello<br>Think Atlantic waves crashing on sun bake boulders. Clear pale-lemon hue, subtle notes of citrus fruits, beeswax & wildflowers. Crisp, pronounced mineral backbone leading to a lively yet lengthy finish. Pickled anchovies, shellfish, mackerel will word wonders with it. | 38 |

## BUT WHO CAN RESIST A TRICE OF CHARDONNAYS?

and something similar to consider.

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| 220 | <b>The Great Escape, Thistledown</b><br>Adelaide Hills, South Australia, Australia<br>2022, 100% Chardonnay<br>Classy, citrusy, subtle oak influence and a bright yet creamy palate.<br>Far removed from what you think Aussie chardonnay might be like.<br>Pure and delicious. Creamy fish, white meat, melted cheese.  | 38 |
| 221 | <b>Chablis, Domaine Michaut Frères</b><br>Burgundy, France<br>2022, 100% Chardonnay<br>A classic, classy Chablis of mineral terroir, flinty stone, fleshy fruits and<br>piercing acidity. Nothing better than with roast Chicken on a Sunday or<br>luxury seafood dishes with a cream sauce.   | 45 |
| 222 | <b>Estate Chardonnay, Danbury Ridge Estate</b><br>Essex, England<br>2020-21, 100% Chardonnay<br>Game changing English Chardonnay, Burgundian style, from Essex<br>– no misprint! No trace of leanness/greenness. Just grown up. London clay,<br>warm estuary Essex, Liam Idzikowski has crafted ripeness, elegance, and<br>density, all harmoniously. White peach, mandarin, lime zest. Mouth-watering,<br>long. We have their Pinot Noir too! Turbot, brill, lobster with or without buttery,<br>creamy sauces. | 50 |
| 223 | <b>Heirloom White, Piekenierskloof</b><br>Swartland, South Africa<br>2022, 60% Chenin Blanc, 30% Grenache Blanc, 10% Viognier<br>Layers of flavour with great acidity, tropical stone fruit, white pears, peach.<br>Really elegant with a lingering finish. Seafood and creamy sauces.   | 36 |

## PONDER THESE THREE?

then take your time over them.

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| 224 | <b>Orbitofrontal Cortex, BLANKbottle</b>   | 48 |
|     | <p>Western Cape, South Africa<br/>2021, Clairette Blanche, Grenache Blanc, Semillon, Verdelho, Pinot Gris<br/>Make a conscious decision to drink this wine, you'll be rewarded.<br/>Rhône-esque - waxy, textured, sun kissed apricots. Good weight, aniseed, pepper spice and wet stone notes complemented by peach and creamy lees with well calculated acidity and a long finish. I find this is an excellent all round food wine with enough weight and texture for most white meat dishes, robust seafood and the difficult to pair artichoke or asparagus kind of vegetables.</p> |    |
| 225 | <b>Pinot Grigio Festival, Cantina Merano</b>   | 38 |
|     | <p>DOC Alto Adige, Italy<br/>2022, 100% Pinot Grigio<br/>An alluring style of PG, creamy and complex but with the distinctive refreshing fruit acidity you'd expect. Perfectly balanced with a fine finish. Alpine Pinot Grigio is a favourite as the mountain climate extracts so much more flavour from the fruit. I love this with creamy risottos or tagliatelle with walnut sauce, mushrooms with chicken or pork too.</p>  |    |
| 226 | <b>L d'Or de Luneau, Domaine Luneau-Papin</b>  | 52 |
|     | <p>Muscadet-Sèvre-et-Maine, Loire, France<br/>2013, 100% Melon de Bourgogne<br/>The nose seduces with smoke notes, citrus and ripe pear. The palate has good balance with pleasant flavours of dried fine herbs and spices such as white pepper and fennel seeds. There is good persistence, and the wine develops a very saline finish. Nothing better for oysters or shellfish.</p>  |    |

## SINGLE BOTTLES

limited stocks, unlimited pleasure

750ML

SPARKLING

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| 500 | <b>The Trouble With Dreams, Sugrue</b><br>South Downs, England<br>2017, 60% Chardonnay, 40% Pinot Noir<br>Wiston's winemaker, Dermot Sugrue has fashioned a wonderful fine, complex sparkling wine that has distinct salinity with a sharp Chardonnay attack making the wine precise, pure and clean. Balanced biscuit and pastry gives the wine its complexity. Will only get better. | 72 |
| 510 | <b>Estate Riesling, Pewsey Vale Vineyard</b><br>Eden Valley, Barossa, Australia<br>2021, Riesling<br>Always a joy, always slips down too easily. Intense, invigorating, inviting, soft natural acidity balances the flavour and minerality making it delicious.  | 47 |
| 511 | <b>Polish Hill Riesling, Grosset Wines</b><br>Clare Valley, Australia<br>2019, Riesling<br>From 'The King of Riesling' who produces restrained, steely, pure wines. Dry, crisp, complex, will get better each year.  | 68 |
| 512 | <b>Suilven, Thistledown</b><br>Adelaide Hills<br>2021, Single Vineyard Chardonnay<br>A dead ringer for Puligny Montrachet. Refreshing white fruits, hint of spice on the nose, zippy acidity, white & stone fruits with some minerality adding texture.  | 60 |
| 513 | <b>Ungeheuer Grosses Gewächs, Von Buhl</b><br>Pfalz, Germany<br>2015, Riesling<br>Slowly emerges with peachy and unctuous notes, chalky, fat texture giving way to juicy peaches and lemon curd. Wiry and tense with a impressive cool, long finish.   | 71 |
| 514 | <b>Octagon Block Chardonnay, Danbury Ridge</b><br>Essex, England<br>2018, Chardonnay<br>I've waxed lyrical about Danbury Ridge with their main entries on our list. This is a notch up on the entry level Chardonnay. Layers of zesty citrus aromas, honeysuckle, nougat; creaminess, full bodied with poised acidity, the oak well-integrated.  | 67 |
| 515 | <b>Pouilly-Fuisse 1<sup>er</sup> Cru, 'Sur La Roche', Maison Verget</b><br>Burgundy, France<br>2020, Chardonnay<br>Unwinds, craps stone fruit, buttery pastry, white flowers and fresh bread. Medium to full-bodied, glossy and seamless, with a layered core of fruit, bright acids and a long, saline finish.  | 81 |



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| 516    | <b>La Rocca, Pieropan</b><br>Soave Classico, Veneto, Italy<br>2012, Garganega<br>Peachy, creamy, opulent, almonds, orange flower, waxy but great acidity and finish that goes on a while.  | 61 |
| 519-21 | <b>Vernaccia di San Gimignano 'Tradizionale', Montenidoli</b><br>Tuscany, Italy<br>2019, 2020 or 2021, Vernaccia<br>Dry, medium-bodied with herbal and almond notes, rich flavours, lingering crispness, finishing with savoury spice and bitter almonds. A beautiful, grippy, textural wine.  | 45 |
| 522    | <b>Principia Mathematica, Alemany i Corrió</b><br>DO Penedès, Spain<br>2021, Xarel-lo<br>Crisp white fruit and apricot nose with a light nutty element butteriness similar to a Meursault. Opens up, becoming richer but still perfectly balanced. Dry, soft but fresh acidity. A lovely depth of mineral laced white fruit with hints of apricot and nuts.  | 45 |
| 523    | <b>Moment of Silence, BLANKbottle</b><br>Wellington, South Africa<br>2021, Chenin-Blanc, Grenache-Blanc, Sblankw21b01, Viognier<br>Crystallised stone fruit, apricots and more exotic fruits too - papaya and alphonso mango. The fruit simply shimmers across the palate with gorgeous white peaches and lightly saline, mineral backbone, with the finish loaded with comice pears. It's soft and voluptuous with the perfect amount of zip on the finish. | 45 |
| 524-5  | <b>Malvasia, Able Mendoza</b><br>DOCa Rioja, Spain<br>2019 & 2021, Malvasia<br>From old vine vineyards, high up in the Cantabrian mountains, this is fresh and complex. Apple, peach, quince and citrus nose. The mouth has a dense and structured entry with supple and sweet fruit and acidity combined with herbs and with a hint of vanilla.   | 45 |

## **RED WINE**

by the bottle....

## ANYTHING BUT ITALIAN?

No chance! Here's five of the best bang for buck.

750ML

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| 407 | <b>Dosset Vino Rosso, Principiano Ferdinando</b><br>Monteforte d'Alba, Piemonte, Italy<br>2021, 100% Dosset<br>Dosset is a grape similar to Dolcetto, so this has an intense cherry-red colour. Notes of violets and cherries with a hint of earth. Fresh and clean with a slightly spicy edge. Look out for flavours of almonds and liquorice. The tannins are balanced and the finish lingering. Cheese, cured meats, offal are all a match. | 34 |
| 408 | <b>Sangiovese, Di Majo Norante</b><br>Molise, Italy<br>2020, 100% Sangiovese<br>Smoothness and softness but supple fruit with notes of dried herbs and strawberries. A touch of earth after rain, herbal and enticing. Great with game, lamb or grilled vegetable dishes.  | 35 |
| 409 | <b>La Villa, Tenuta Olim Bauda</b><br>DOCG Piedmont, Italy<br>2021, 100% Barbera<br>Deep and bright ruby-red, a rich concentrated nose depicting cherry and berry fruit aromas. Generous, full-bodied with a long and enticing finish. A robust but smooth wine that pairs well with roast pork, venison or cheese.  | 36 |
| 410 | <b>Salice Salentino Rosso, Apollonio</b><br>Puglia, Italy<br>2020, 80% Negroamaro, 20% Malvasia<br>Robust and rugged but with a velvety harmonious balance. Notes of blackberries and plums, elegant with firm yet soft tannins. Chili, chicken, pork or robust vegetable dishes are a match.  | 37 |
| 411 | <b>Martedì', Vigneti Tardis</b><br>Campania, Italy<br>2020, 100% Aglianico<br>Juicy, racy and full of vibrant red fruit. Aromatic, fresh, low tannins, earthy finish. Just as good at cellar temperature as it is lightly chilled with a ragu.   | 40 |

## LOOKS CAN BE DECEIVING

light and shade

750ML

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| 412 | <b>Marcillac ‘Lo Sang del País’, Domaine de Cros</b><br>South West France<br>2021, 100% Fer Servadou<br>Bright and vivacious from a small, little known appellation on the edge of the Massif Central. Blood of the soil – it’s got instantly appealing note of raspberries, blackcurrant with flavours of soft red fruits, a touch of spice and clean, underlying minerality. Integrated tannins. Great with cheese, offal and game. | 35 |
| 413 | <b>Thorny Devil, Thistledown</b><br>Blewit Spring, McLaren Vale, South Australia, Australia<br>2022, 100% Grenache<br>While packing a punch, this delicately hued red is otherwise very elegant with vibrant wild strawberry, spice and silky texture. A beautiful moreish wine from the Grenache fanatic, Giles Cooke MW. A great wine for spice.  | 39 |
| 414 | <b>Corbières, Château de Durfort</b><br>Languedoc, France<br>2021, Grenache, Syrah Blend<br>Effortless exuberance, fruit propelled quaffability. Ripe blueberries, mulberries, a caressing juicy core, framed and neaten by a velvety grip of puckering edges. It’s the purity of fruit that provides that welcome streak of freshness. Game, grilled steak or lamb.  | 36 |
| 415 | <b>Syrah, Keermont Estate</b><br>Stellenbosch, South Africa<br>2017, 99% Syrah and a drop of Mourvèdre<br>An inky, dark colour suggests a beast. But it is surprisingly nimble with violets and mulberry then baking spice and pepper. It’s the fine refreshing finish with crunchy fruit that makes it such a delight. Roast or grilled lamb is a winner, so too steak or duck.  | 48 |

## COOL AS COOLIO!

fruitier, lighter reds that could be chilled or not.

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| 416 | <b>Moristel Joven, Bodegas Pirineos</b><br>Somontano, North-Central Spain<br>2022, 100% Moristel<br>Bright, ruby-red, scents of black cherry, cola. Smooth, pronounced acidity, youthful freshness, and vigour. Great with snacks like cured meat, lamb koftas, chorizo.  | 28 |
| 417 | <b>Raisins Gaulois, Domaine Lapierre</b><br>Beaujolais, France<br>2022, 100% Gamay<br>A juicy red, fresh with low tannins. Bright with notes of red cherries, cassis and lovely earthy notes. Light on its feet with summer red fruit and a silky finish. Roast cod, chicken, or sweet chili sauces.  | 36 |
| 418 | <b>Distant Noises</b><br>Yarra Valley, Australia<br>2021, 100% Pinot Noir<br>A high quality, classy and precise wine from cool climate Oz. Made by Yabby Lake's Tom Carson, it really is a beauty. Perfumed, a touch of spice and underlying French oak. Long, silky palate has real elegance, velvety texture, and a poised finish. Cheese, game, roast meaty fish are called for. | 39 |

## TASTE THE TERROIR

mountains, seas, soils and climatic influenced wine.

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| 419   | <b>Mil Historias, Bodegas Altolandon</b> MOUNTAINS<br>Manchuela, Spain<br>2020, 100% Bobal<br>Deep cherry, violet tints. Intense aromas of ripe berries, rosemary, a touch of black pepper. Spicy, juicy, well-rounded, fascinating crunchy-fruit mountain freshness.   | 34 |
| 420   | <b>Granitico Pais, Vinateros Bravos</b> SOILS<br>Itata Valley, Chile<br>2021, 100% Pais<br>Grown on pure granite soils forged hundreds of millions of years ago beneath the earth's surface a clear demonstration of how a soil can mark its wines. Delicate with a fresh nose, hints of red fruits and grass after a rainfall, mineral and a distinct saline taste which lingers on in the mouth. Fine grain tannins, delicate structure, concentrated, a long finish. | 40 |
| 421   | <b>Estate Pinot Noir, Danbury Ridge</b> SOILS<br>Essex, England<br>2021, Pinot Noir 100%<br>The first vines were planted by the Bunker family in 2014 and has been wowing the trade and critics since 2018 release. We're awaiting the new vintage but expect black cherry, plum, herbal then hints of woody spices, cedar; it's silky, the finish long. Ground-breaking is an understatement! We also list their Chardonnay.   | 50 |
| 422   | <b>Adam's Rib The Red, Julian Castagna</b> CLIMATE<br>Beechworth, Victoria, Australia<br>2019, Nebbiolo, Shiraz & a touch of Sangiovese<br>Nebbiolo is tension and structure, Shiraz roundness. Worn leather, freshly turned earth, some tar, rose petal, a hint of Chinese five spice. Glints of raspberry, cherry, anise. Floral hints. Compelling and utterly moreish.   | 52 |
| 430   | <b>Thistledown, South Australia</b> TERROIR   MAGNUMS £120  <br>A celebration of single site, high quality grenache, brilliantly grown and made.  |    |
| 431/2 | <b>This Charming Man</b> Clarendon, McLaren Vale, 2021<br>Bernard Smart's dry grown, bush fruit. Muscular yet elegantly silky, black fruits couple with deep, rich, warming spices, hints of violets, mineral and black cherry.   | 60 |
| 433/4 | <b>Sands of Time</b> Blewitt Springs, McLaren Vale, 2021<br>From Sue Trott's alluvium soils, a faithful expression of the site – beautiful, haunting aromatics, fine sandy tannins, complex flavours and wonderful memorable length.  | 60 |
| 435   | <b>Fool on the Hill</b> Eden Valley, Barossa, 2021<br>Joel Mattschoss high, dry grown fruit in ironstone & quartz. Lifted aromatics a bit more bite and sinew than the others. Textural, almost chewy but polished dark cherry, mineral, warm spice with incredible length.   | 60 |
| 436   | <b>The Distant Light</b> McLaren Vale & Barossa, 2020<br>A blend of Shiraz. Intoxicating, ethereal nose of sweet, spicy black cherry, cassis and balsam then unravels its silky textural beauty. Wild strawberry, spice, autumnal wood, hints of smoke, elegant length.   | 60 |

## PONDER THESE FOUR?

then take your time over them.

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| 423 | <b>Urbina Seleccion, Bodegas Urbina</b><br>Rioja, Spain<br>200, Tempranillo, Graciano, Mazuelo<br>Dark red, hint of orange around the rim. Mature aromas of berries, damsons, figs, floral notes, and a hint of vanilla-y oak. Medium weight. I love old Rioja with grilled lamb, game or mushrooms.   | 42 |
| 424 | <b>d'Iatra, Cal Batllet</b><br>DOQ Priorat, Catalunya, Spain<br>2017, Carignan 50%, Grenache 30%, Cabernet Sauvignon 20%<br>Round, balanced, ripe, still fresh, and full of fresh red berry fruit and minerals. Mouth filling but full brightness and balance. This is quite a brooding, big wine that calls for a rare grilled rib of beef.   | 45 |
| 425 | <b>Gigondas, Clos du Joncuas</b><br>Southern Rhône, France<br>2021, Grenache 80% with Mourvèdre, Cinsault and Syrah<br>Quite elegant, more Pinot in style. Notes of black cherry liqueur, liquorice, black olive and garrigue. Dense blackberry, a touch of wet earth with nice sappy length and firm acidity. Duck, lamb, beef stew all work. | 48 |
| 426 | <b>Main Road &amp; Dignity, Restless River</b><br>Hemel-en-Aarde, South Africa<br>2019, Cabernet Sauvignon<br>So pure, such beautiful blackcurrant, red currant, graphite, a hint of tar, minerality, complex notes of wood and fruit, some tobacco leaf and cedar. Impeccably fine tannins and a remarkably long, precise finish.             | 68 |

## SINGLE BOTTLE LIST

Limited stocks, unlimited pleasure.

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| 550 | <b>Château Les Cruzelles, Denis Durantou</b><br>Lalande Pomerol, Bordeaux, France<br>2016, Merlot 90%, Cabernet Franc 10%<br>A mouthful of red fruit with good bite, brambly, focused and refined.  | 69  |
| 551 | <b>Château Batailley</b><br>Pauillac, Bordeaux, France<br>1999, Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot<br>Alive, red fruit, leather, oak fully integrated, powerful still, but elegant, tannins gentle, high acidity, good length.  | 78  |
| 553 | <b>Château Langoa Barton</b><br>Saint-Julien, Bordeaux, France<br>2010, Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Cabernet Franc<br>Notes of dense blackberries, sappy and well-assorted on the palate, many layers, impressive structure and length. Sweet tannins and silky fruit.  | 96  |
| 554 | <b>Château Léoville Poyferré</b><br>Saint Julien, Bordeaux, France<br>1999, Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot<br>Dark, vigorous, peppery opening up to summer pudding berries. Quite serious.  | 120 |
| 555 | <b>Domaine de Chevalier</b> MAGNUM, ONLY 1<br>Pauillac, Bordeaux, France<br>2012, Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot<br>Voluptuous, sexy, massive tannins cloaked by hugely concentrated, ripe, cedary, brambly fruit, while the sweet, rich, toasty aromas add extra intrigue. | 168 |
| 556 | <b>Château Lynch-Bages</b><br>Pauillac, Bordeaux, France<br>2006, Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot<br>Voluptuous, sexy, massive tannins cloaked by hugely concentrated, ripe, cedary, brambly fruit, while the sweet, rich, toasty aromas add extra intrigue.                 | 162 |



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| 557 | <b>Nuits-Saint-Georges, Domaine Henri Gouges</b>   | 87 |
|     | Burgundy, France<br>2010, Pinot Noir<br>Long, precise, bursting with autumn fruit and mineral notes, earth, herb and spice with shimmers of rock salt. Great finesse and length.   |    |
| 558 | <b>Volnay, Domaine Michel Lafarge</b>  | 88 |
|     | Burgundy, France<br>2011, Pinot Noir<br>Very pretty with elegant, high-toned aromas of red pinot fruit along with floral, earth and spice hints. A hint of minerality, medium-bodied, restrained flavours, solid complex finish.               |    |
| 560 | <b>‘Cornaline’, Domaine Hauvette</b>   | 62 |
|     | Provence, France<br>2015, Cabernet Sauvignon, Syrah and Grenache<br>Wild cherries and strawberries kissed by lavender, rosemary and thyme. Dry, silky, fresh acidity, sweet black fruits, hints green olives and vanilla.                      |    |
| 561 | <b>Cuvée Prestige, Château Montus</b>  | 72 |
|     | Madiran, France<br>1994, Tannat<br>Elegant, restrained with length, interest and complexity. Pure red fruit, dissolved tannins but with some grip still in them, a few earthy and gamey notes. Balanced, smooth, elegant with medium finish.   |    |
| 562 | <b>Barbaresco Riserva Montefico, Produttori del Barbaresco</b>   | 72 |
|     | Piemonte, Italy<br>2015, Nebbiolo<br>The aroma is beguiling, beckoning you in. Soft edges, rounder yet shows the Montefico specificity. A complex palate - red fruited, fresh nuts, rose, dirt - some iron and decent acidity in here. Lovely. |    |
| 563 | <b>Barolo Castiglione, Vietti</b>  | 83 |
|     | Piemonte, Italy<br>2007, Nebbiolo<br>Warm, dense and full-bodied, flows effortlessly with generous fruit and balance. Quite meaty, packing plum and cherry flavours accented by tea and tobacco.   |    |

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| 564 | <b>Brunello di Montalcino, Tenuta Poggio San Polo</b>  | 75 |
|     | Tuscany, Italy<br>2010, Sangiovese<br>Great vintage, sensual, warm spice, balsamic, cedar, classy. Long, medium.   |    |
| 565 | <b>Chianti Classico Riserva 'Rancia', Felsina</b>  | 75 |
|     | Tuscany, Italy<br>2013, Sangiovese<br>A darker, broodier vintage, time will have been a friend to reveal seductiveness. Sweet, sour cherry and tobacco. Blackberry, black cherry and cedar, savoury notes  |    |
| 567 | <b>Montefalco DOC Riserva 'Pipparello', Paolo Bea</b>  | 92 |
|     | Umbria, Italy<br>2015, 60% Sangiovese, 25% Montepulciano, 15% Sagrantino<br>Red cherries, plums, notes of liquorice and earth. Intense, brooding, smooth texture, elegant acidity lingering like smoke on autumn air.  |    |
| 569 | <b>Viña Tondonia Reserva, Bodega R. López de Heredia</b>   | 69 |
|     | Rioja, Spain<br>2006, Tempranillo<br>Sweet strawberries and leather, bright, perfumed and vibrant. Wonderful complexity hints of vanilla and a warming, autumnal feel. Lip-smackingly fresh with fine acidity and tart raspberry fruit. Super-fine tannins, long finish. |    |
| 570 | <b>Roda I Reserva, Bodegas Roda</b>  | 78 |
|     | Rioja, Spain<br>2016, Tempranillo<br>So balanced and layered with a rich yet fresh feel. Warm, long, lingering spice.  |    |

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| 571 | <b>Nebbiolo, Giaconda</b>  | 89 |
|     | Beechworth, Victoria, Australia  |    |
|     | 2017, Nebbiolo   |    |
|     | Real Nebbiolo throwing up all the fragrance, intrigue, depth and length expected. Damp, dewy roses, hints of sandalwood, a whiff of tar, then freshly damp forest floor and well-worn polished leather notes. Tense, an army of fine tannins Intense and long, powerful yet elegant. |    |
| 572 | <b>Dry Red No 2. Yarra Yerring</b>   | 81 |
|     | Yarra Valley, Victoria, Australia  |    |
|     | 2005, Shiraz with a dollop of Marsanne & Viognier  |    |
|     | A splendid perfume of toasty oak, smoke, violets, pepper, blueberry, and blackberry liqueur. Velvety-textured and seamless on the palate, it brilliantly combines elegance and power. There is superior depth, great harmony, and a very long, pure finish.                          |    |
| 573 | <b>Doctor's Flat, Wild Irishman</b>  | 63 |
|     | Bannockburn, New Zealand   |    |
|     | 2021, Pinot Noir   |    |
|     | Layers of white pepper, bright cherries and a touch of wood smoke on the nose. The palate has ample structure with fine but full tannins framing a fleshy core of fruit. Grip and spice come together, enveloping succulent red and blue fruit tones.                                |    |

## DOES ANYONE STILL DRINK STICKIES?

you bet, and any port in a storm.

750ML 125ML

501	<b>Lions de Suduiraut, Château de Suduiraut</b> Bordeaux, France 2015 Semillon 95%, Sauvignon Blanc 5% Honey nuts and a peach liqueur aroma, moving to sweet, spicy pineapple and peach notes on the palate.	28	7 <sup>50</sup>
502	<b>Pedro Ximénez Bodegas Gutiérrez Colosia</b> Jerez, Spain NV Pedro Ximénez Naturally sweet and dark in colour with aromas of caramelised raisins and molasses, with an intense finish.	30	8
503	<b>Rutherglen Muscat, Stanton &amp; Killeen</b> Victoria, Australia NV Muscat Blanc, Petit Grains Sweet, luscious, strong raisin like flavours and plums, raisins, dates and oranges rolled into one.	28	7 <sup>50</sup>
505	<b>10-year-old Tawny Port, Smith Woodhouse</b> Porto, Portugal NV Touriga Nacional, and others A delicate “nutty” character, which marries beautifully with the delicious raisin flavours.	46	6 <sup>10</sup>
506	<b>Late Bottle Vintage Port, Niepoort</b> Porto, Portugal 2017 Touriga Nacional, and others Forest fruits, spice, dark chocolate. Fresh & seductive, smooth tannins, vinous finish.	25	6 <sup>70</sup>