



WINE LIST





# White Varieties



## Sauvignon Blanc

Sauvignon Blanc's greatest attribute is its fabulous array of aromatic qualities, which vary according to growing location and its treatment in the cellar. From the Loire Valley the style is reminiscent of cut-grass, gooseberry, flint and nettles. In the New World, particularly New Zealand it produces a stunning array of pungently assertive characters, from the green grass, green bean, tinned pea and asparagus flavours to the more tropical, ripe spectrum of grapefruit, guava, passion fruit and mango.



## Chenin Blanc

A classic grape variety from the Loire where it exhibits floral and honeyed aromas, apple and quince flavours and zippy acidity. Think Vouvray. From the New World it can be quite 'pear dropy', becoming more peachy in some of the fuller wines, sometimes a hint of fruit salad. It's the most widely planted South African white varietal, they call it 'Steen'.



## Chardonnay

The most popular of all white grape varieties! As the grape of white burgundy it produces a variety of flavours, from minerally unoaked Chablis, to complex, nutty dry whites of Meursault, Chassagne and Puligny.

In the New World, and warmer climes of Europe it produces opulently and exotically flavoured whites.

Chardonnay varies from the melon, apple and grapefruit cool climate styles to more tropical fruit styles with flavours of peach, mango lime and pineapple. With oak aging, you get a buttery roundness as well as smoky, toasty, and nutty features. Interestingly, where you get Pinot Noir successfully planted you also tend to get Chardonnay!

# Prosecco

Prosecco is an Italian white sparkling wine. Prosecco DOC can be Spumante, Frizzante, or Tranquillo, depending on the perlage. It is made from Glera grapes, formerly known also as Prosecco, but other grape varieties may be included.



# Red Varieties



## Pinot Noir

Pinot Noir is the red grape of Burgundy. It is a very difficult variety to cultivate and is susceptible to numerous viticultural hazards. Perhaps this is why many wine makers consider it the 'holy grail', and want to make it. Remember it is brick red in colour, a good indicator in 'blind tastings'. It produces red fruit aromas of cherries, raspberries and strawberries. It then can produce those 'barn yard' characteristics. Vanilla clove, licorice, mushroom, tobacco, sometimes 'sweaty leather'!



## Malbec

Responsible for the so-called 'black wine of Cahors' in South-West France. Malbec is also a minor partner among the five red varieties that make up the Bordeaux blend. In France it can be harsh and rustically tannic.

However it is the red grape par excellence in Argentina, where it makes a softer, juicier style of red, with raspberries, mulberry blackberry allied to tar and game-like undertones. We are also seeing Malbec in Chile, Australia and California.



## Merlot

For long considered the junior partner in the great Bordeaux duo of grape varieties, it has almost achieved 'cult status' thanks to certain Merlot based Pomerols and St Emilions in Bordeaux, as well as lusciously plummy styles from California and Chile. It is soft textured, producing plummy fruit, and mellow tannins. From the cooler climates you might get grass and bell pepper as it develops then blackcurrant, blackberry, blueberry chocolate and spice characteristics when fully ripe.

# Rosé

When rosé wine is the primary product, it is produced with the skin contact method. Black-skinned grapes are crushed and the skins are allowed to remain in contact with the juice for a short period, typically one to three days. The must is then pressed, and the skins are discarded rather than left in contact throughout fermentation (as with red wine making). The longer that the skins are left in contact, the more intense the colour of the final wine.

# THE White Wines

	125ML	175ML	250ML	CARAFE	BOTTLE
<b>1 Bianco (Grecanico/Inzolia), Pieno Sud Sicilia IGT, Italy</b> This delicately perfumed blend of native Sicilian grape varieties offers ripe pear and red apple fruit, a hint of spice, and lemony crispness on the finish.	£4.05	£5.10	£6.70	£13.00	£18.70
<b>2 Sauvignon Blanc, Etnia, Mancura Central Valley, Chile</b> An elegant yellow colour with vibrant greenish hues. The nose offers tantalising tropical fruit aromas and white flowers. The palate is clean, and fresh, balanced and with a refreshing finish.	£4.05	£5.10	£7.15	£14.10	£19.95
<b>3 Pinot Grigio, Terre del Noce Vigneti delle Dolomiti IGT, Italy</b> Elegant, dry Pinot Grigio with apple and banana fruit aromas, floral lift in the mouth, and a clean, crisp finish.	£4.70	£6.10	£7.90	£15.60	£22.80
<b>4 Chardonnay, Deakin Estate Victoria, Australia</b> This Chardonnay shows aromas of ripe pear, nectarine and apple. The palate is ripe and smooth with delicious fruit character without being over the top.	£4.65	£6.20	£8.75	£17.35	£26.25
<b>5 Picpoul de Pinet Beauvignac Languedoc Roussillon, France</b> Elegant aromas of citrus, pear and white flowers, and a crisp, mineral palate ideally suited to seafood.	£4.65	£6.30	£8.80	£17.45	£26.35
<b>6 Gruner Veltliner, Zero-G Wagram, Austria</b> Light in body yet intensely flavoured, this Grüner Veltliner offers the typical white pepper and crisp green fruit aromas of the variety, allied to a creamy texture particular to the Wagram region. The balance is really satisfying, the wine refreshing from start to finish!	£4.80	£6.55	£9.25	£18.30	£27.15
<b>7 Verdicchio, Villa Bianchi, Umani Ronchi Marche, Italy</b> Fresh and fruity, with a typical combination of green apple fruit and a hint of bitter almonds. Bright and aromatic, lifted by a clean streak of acidity on the finish.	£4.95	£6.75	£9.60	£19.20	£28.50
<b>8 Sauvignon Blanc, Mahi Marlborough, New Zealand</b> Musky aromas and flavours of citrus, pepper and herbs. Plush and broad with harmonious spicy, grapefruit notes. Fresh but fully ripe and nicely tactile, even plush, and long on the aftertaste.	£5.45	£7.40	£10.35	£20.00	£29.95
<b>9 Albariño, Serra Da Estrela Rias Baixas, Spain</b> From the coolest part of Rias Bixas, this wine bursts with juicy Albariño character: pear, citrus fruit, musky perfume, with hints of mineral and spice. Clean and intense.	£5.55	£7.50	£10.45	£20.25	£30.50
<b>10 Mâcon-Villages, Domaine Les Chenevieres Burgundy, France</b> Beautiful honeysuckle aromas on the nose and a soft, rounded palate with notes of red apple.	.	.	.	.	£35.50

# THE Red Wines

	125ML	175ML	250ML	CARAFE	BOTTLE
<b>11 Tempranillo, Valdemoreda</b> <b>Spain</b> Impressive concentration, loaded with lush rhubarb and strawberry fruit, velvety soft tannins.	£4.05	£5.10	£6.70	£13.00	£18.70
<b>12 Shiraz, First Fleet</b> <b>South-Eastern Australia</b> Mulberry and plum fruit mixes with spice on the smooth-textured palate, making this a versatile accompaniment to food.	£4.25	£5.20	£6.90	£13.75	£19.95
<b>13 Pinot Noir, 'The Swooper'</b> <b>South-Eastern Australia</b> Full of ripe juicy red berry fruit with soft, smooth tannins, giving a wine that is both delicious and easy drinking.	£4.35	£5.15	£6.95	£15.10	£20.50
<b>14 Garnacha, Finca El Paso</b> <b>Aragon, Spain</b> On the nose, the wine is floral with notes of fresh berries and ground black pepper. The palate begins with a rush of juicy fruit, followed by a rounded mouth feel and a refreshing finish.	£4.95	£5.45	£7.50	£14.95	£22.95
<b>15 Merlot, d'Alamel by Lapostolle</b> <b>Central Valley, Chile</b> A round, voluptuous Merlot with plum and cherry aromas, a juicy feel in the mouth and a long, smooth finish.	£4.45	£5.95	£8.50	£16.50	£24.00
<b>16 Malbec, Porteño, Norton</b> <b>Mendoza, Argentina</b> This luscious Malbec has aromas of violets, strawberries and black cherries, leading to a smooth, full-bodied palate with a hint of peppery spice.	£4.95	£6.75	£8.95	£17.45	£25.25
<b>17 Côtes-du-Rhône, Mazets de Saint Victor</b> <b>Rhône Valley, France</b> Rich, hearty berry fruit aromas lead to a beautifully balanced, medium bodied palate, with the exuberant fruit lifted but some peppery spice. Delicious!	£4.75	£6.45	£9.10	£18.10	£26.95
<b>18 Rioja Crianza, Promesa</b> <b>Rioja, Spain</b> A classic, with berry and rhubarb fruit flavours taking on vanilla and cocoa smoothness during 12 months in oak barrels.	£5.45	£7.75	£10.60	£20.65	£30.50
<b>19 Fleurie, 'Clos des Quatre Vents'</b> <b>Burgundy, France</b> Full-bodied with plenty of oomph to match the floral character, and complex nuances, both savoury and fruity, on the palate.	£6.30	£8.55	£12.00	£23.70	£34.95
<b>20 Bourgogne Pinot Noir, Prestige, Henri de Villamont</b> <b>Burgundy, France</b> Henri de Villamont's 'junior' red burgundy is a rather sophisticated affair, showing real depth of fruit and silky texture. A perfect balance between berry-floral flavour, medium-bodied structure and oak.	.	.	.	.	£41.95

# THE Rosé Wines

	125ML	175ML	250ML	CARAFE	BOTTLE
21 <b>Zinfandel Rosé, Beringer</b> <b>California, United States</b> Fruity aromas and flavours of ripe strawberries and some spicy clove notes. Soft, well-rounded palate, in a medium style.	£4.25	£5.75	£7.65	£15.00	£22.20
22 <b>Pinot Grigio Rosé, Poggio Alto</b> <b>Veneto, Italy</b> With a delicate pale pink colour and an elegant nose of acacia flowers, this light-bodied dry rosé is delightfully refreshing.	£4.25	£5.75	£7.40	£14.50	£21.95
23 <b>Côtes de Provence Rosé, 'M' De Minuty</b> <b>Provence, France</b> A beautiful pale pink colour, with aromas of redcurrants giving way to a fresh, yet well-rounded palate offering delicate flavours of peaches and candied orange peel.	£5.40	£7.70	£10.50	£20.50	£29.95 MAGNUM £69.50

# Sparkling Wine & Champagne

	125ML	BOTTLE
24 <b>Prosecco Extra Dry, Ca' del Console</b> <b>Veneto, Italy</b> A classic Prosecco with aromas of white peach, pear and flowers. The palate is fresh and clean as a whistle all the way through to the sparkling finish.	£4.60	£25.00
25 <b>Champagne Drappier Brut Premier Cru</b> <b>France</b>	£8.25	£44.95
26 <b>Champagne Bollinger Special Cuvée</b> <b>France</b>	.	£69.75
27 <b>Champagne Laurent-Perrier Rosé</b> <b>France</b>	.	£85.95



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