## **JUDGES COUNTRY HOUSE HOTEL**

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### PLEASE NOTE:

## WINES AVAILABLE BY THE GLASS

By way of introduction to our main list, we are pleased to offer the following wines which we feel offer excellent value for everyday drinking.

Bin No.		175ml Glass	Bottle	
CHA	AMPAGNE			
	Judges House Champagne Brut NV Crisp and elegant, great with food or simply the best aperitif.	£10.50	£49.50	
WH	ITE WINES			
118	Sauvignon Blanc, Le Charme, Vin de Pays (France) A pure, clean dry wine full of cut-grass aromas, kiwi fruit and gooseberries balanced by a delicious citrus tang.	£7.15	£28.50	
129	Chardonnay 2013, Principe de Viana, Navarra (Spain) Gold medal winning wine, fermented in American oak, with a further three months resting period on its lees. Intense and complex.	£7.95	£31.50	
140	Chenin Blanc 2013, Avondale Estate, Paarl (South Africa) ORGANIC The finest South African Chenin we've tasted for years. Open and peachy, ultra youthful with a delicious tropical lemony tang. Extra zest is given by an addition of 13% Sauvignon Blanc.		£34.50	
136	Sauvignon Blanc 2013, Kuki, Marlborough (New Zealand) Typical gooseberry, passion-fruit and redcurrant aromas with nettley, herbaceous elements. The palate is crisp and dry with an explosive tropical finish. Winner of the Gold Medal at both the International Wine Challenge and the New Zealand Wine Fair.		£39.00	
104	St. Véran 2011, Vers le Mont, Domaine Roger Luquet (France) Classic unoaked Chardonnay from an excellent vintage.	£12.00	£48.00	
ROS	SÉ WINE			
202	Bush Vine Blush, Richelieu, IGP Pays du Gers (France) This Rosé is beautifully made with subtle pure fruit flavours balanced by steely acidity.	£6.00	£24.00	
200	Sancerre Rosé 2013, Domaine Sylvain Bailly, Loire (France) Attractive full flavoured wine with strawberry and raspberry flavours.	£13.00	£52.00	
REI	RED WINE			
348	Merlot 2014, Turi Estate, Central Valley Vineyards (Chile) It is a fruit driven style of wine, with dark and red fruit, such as plums and cherries with hints of chocolate.	£7.15	£28.50	
321	Grenache Shiraz 2013, L'Aristocrate (France)  This award winning wine is excellent value - elegant and complex, a savoury spicy palate with lovely forward raspberry fruit and a seamless long finish.	£7.50	£30.00	
330	Rioja Vega Crianza 2011, Bodegas Muerza (Spain) Magnificent concentration of ripe, moreish fruits, sturdy structure and beautifully weaved tannins.	£9.25	£37.50	
340	Pitch Fork Shiraz 2013, Chalk Hill, Barossa (Australia) Bright deep garnet with brick red hue. Aromas of blackcurrant, cassis and mulberry.	£8.75	£34.50	
354	Lunta Malbec 2012, Mendel, Mendoza (Argentina)  Another superb wine from this excellent estate, deeply coloured with a nose of ripe, intense damson fruit, a rich palate and a lingering spicy finish.  125ml measure of all of these wines is available on request	£11.25	£45.00	

## **CHAMPAGNE**

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Champagne should be enjoyed at all times, not only for special occasions, but the final word should be left to Madame Lily Bollinger, head of the Champagne House, who, when asked by the Daily Mail in 1961, 'how she enjoyed drinking Champagne?' replied. I drink it when I'm happy and when I'm sad. Sometimes I drink it when I'm alone, when I have company, I consider it obligatory. I trifle with it if I'm not hungry and drink it when I am. Otherwise I never touch it - unless I'm thirsty.' Enough said!

Bottle

Bın No.		Bottle
Non-V	<u>Vintage</u>	
1	Baron de Beaupré Brut NV Refined in style, light refreshing and an ideal match for food, or simply the best aperitif.	£49.50
2	Moët et Chandon Brut Imperial It was Napoleon's favourite tipple, and he conferred the title 'Imperial' on the brand.	£77.00
3	Bollinger Special Cuvée NV 'Bolly' is known for it's masculine black grape cépage - richly flavoured.	£90.00
4	Veuve Clicquot White Label Demi-Sec Luxurious expression of the grape, beautifully contained in a light creamy textured finish.	£92.00
5	Veuve Clicquot Yellow Label Brut Hands off style of wine making, produces a deliciously rich Champagne - great elegance.	£79.00
6	Mumm Cordon Rouge Toast and dried fruits mix in this very harmonious, dry champagne.	£80.00
7	<b>Taittinger Brut Reserve</b> High Chardonnay content – elegant and very stylish.	£80.00
11	Mumm Cordon Rouge Elegant, long in flavour with a pristine finish	£75.00
Rosé		
8	Charles Gardet Brut Premier Cru Rosé 2006  One of the few Rosé Champagnes made in the Saignée method where the colour of the wine emerges during the first fermentation of the Pinot Noir grapes. Most Rosé Champagne achieves the rose colour by addition of red wine during the production process. This wine is simply outstanding – fine and elegant with mouth-watering fruit. Delicious!	£97.00
9	Moët et Chandon Brut Rosé NV Lovely wine, a palate redolent of fresh summer fruits with delicate, crisp acidity.	£89.00
10	<b>Laurent-Perrier Brut Rosé Reserve NV</b> This is the world's best selling Rosé Champagne – elegant and fine.	£95.00
12	Moët Rosé 2000 This stunning vintage has produced a wine of sublime summer fruits - simply superb!	£130.00
23	<b>Krug Rosé</b> Fresh, elegant and silky smooth with delicious hints of wild red berries, quince, spice, ginger and pepper.	£345.00

### **CHAMPAGNE**

#### Dom Perignon Oenothèque

Dom Perignon vintages are only released after seven years of ageing. A small portion of each vintage is kept on the lees even longer, to continue the evolution and magnify its natural qualities. As the wines age they move through significant stages of development. The effervescence of youth gradually gives way over the years to a mellow richness, which allows lovely complex and diverse flavours to emerge. We are delighted to offer our guests the opportunity to experience each of the three levels of maturity.

### 25 Dom Perignon Oenothèque 1996

£410.00

The summer of '96 was changeable, however the spells of hot weather prevailed over the limited rainfall in the run up to the harvest, which started on the 16<sup>th</sup> of September. The '96 is displaying lovely aromas of citrus fruits and dried figs. The initial attack of vibrant fruit is followed by a rich, assertive palate, which lingers long in the memory.

### 26 Dom Perignon Oenothèque 1993

£290.00

'93 was an early flowering vintage with a summer remarkable for the amount of sunshine and drought conditions that lasted until the harvest in early September. The herby aromas on the nose give way to lovely notes of candied grapefruit and cinnamon. The palate has superb balance of intense fruit and creamy acidity.

### 27 Dom Perignon Oenothèque 1966

£905.00

Despite early frosts, flowering of the vines was excellent in '66', very hot in June and despite a cold snap in August, fine weather preceded the vintage on the 22nd September with an excellent quality crop. The bouquet reveals roasted peaty notes leading to aromas of dried apricots, fresh almonds and orange blossom. The palate is delightful, smooth herbaceous flavours flowing into a long and surprisingly sharp, fruity finish.

#### 28 Dom Perignon Oenothèque 1971

£975.00

Early summer in 1971, was stormy, the weather, however improved markedly in August and harvest began on the 18th September. This wine has now attained the third level of it's maturity and development. The bouquet is intense and complex. Lovely fruit notes merge with toasted spicy elements. The palate is remarkably fresh, structured, full and powerful - full of vigour with nuances of smoked wood and peppery vanilla.

#### 29 Dom Perignon Oenothèque 1975

£1,145.00

A cold spring in '75 resulted in a late bud break, but flowering took place in near perfect conditions. Good summer weather preceded a superb harvest on the 29th of September. The bouquet of this '75 vintage has lovely notes of grapefruit with flowery honey and toasted hazelnuts. These aromas flow onto the palate and complement the complex fruit and delicate acidic balance.

### **CHAMPAGNE**

#### Vintage / Prestige Cuvées

### 13 Moët et Chandon Grande Vintage 2003

£110.00

"This is an extraordinary wine of an insolent vitality. It offers from the very first encounter all round pleasure that is completely seductive - splendidly free, tremendously assertive - spirited and mischievous". Benoit Gouez, Chef de Cave - we agree!

### 14 Veuve Clicquot Reserve 2002

£130.00

Ideal for those who enjoy the classic Pinot dominated style of Champagne - full and distinctly toasty.

### 15 Pol Roger Blanc de Blancs 2000

£123.00

A great Grand Cru wine – lovely fragrance, elegance and finesse.

#### 16 Dom Perignon 2004

£185.00

The 2004 vintage leaves its mark on the history of Dom Perignon for its ease and generosity. On the nose, aromas of almond and powdered cocoa develop gradually into white fruit with hints of dried flowers. Classic toasted notes give a rounded finish and denote a fully realized maturity. On the palate, the wine instantly traces an astoundingly fine line between density and weightlessness. Its precision is extreme, tactile, dark and chiselled. The full taste lingers with the utmost elegance on a sappy, spicy note.

#### 17 Laurent-Perrier 2004

£98.00

Winemaker Alain Terrier has produced an elegant and rich Champagne.

### 24 Krug Grande Cuvée

£188.00

Huge lemony oak aromas with rich, exotic fruit.

### **SPARKLING WINE**

#### 18 Asti Spumante Ca'Solare (Italy)

£28.00

Excellent example of Italy's most famous sparkler, superb with pistachio ice cream.

#### 19 Castell d'Olerdola Brut Reserva Cava (Spain)

£32.50

Two years fermentation, second in the bottle, followed by 12 months on it's lees prior to disgorging and two years cellarage. Deliciously crisp, richly fruity, yet elegant in style, favourite sparkler of the Spanish Royal Family.

#### 20 Castell d'Olerdola Brut Rosado, Cava (Spain)

£32.50

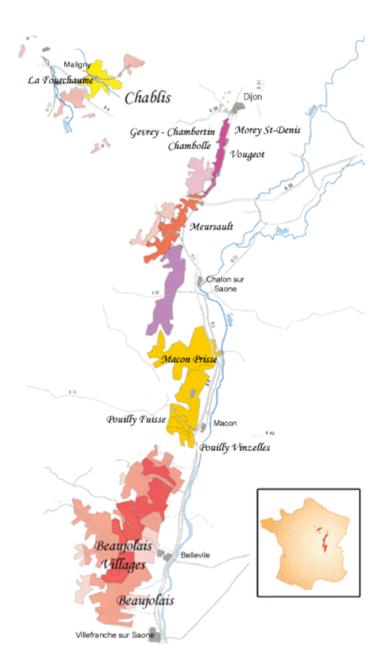
A blend of Garnacha and Monistrell. This is elegant, light and floral with a lovely strawberry fruit.

#### 21 Pure Prosecco, Spumante (Italy)

£33.50

Lovely notes of May blossom wash onto the palate. Crisp, dry and richly fruity.

### **BURGUNDY**



Say Burgundy and most people think of the famous wines of the Côte de Nuits and Côte de Beaune, but Burgundy stretches from Chablis in the North (close to the Aube vineyards of Champagne) down to Beaujolais in the South (close to the Rhone Valley).

Burgundy still produces the world's greatest Chardonnay and Pinot Noir wines and the only Gamay wines ever to achieve classic status. However it has been debased in recent years by a growing number of lacklustre wines that rely solely on the reputation of the famous Burgundian names, which their producers choose to sell low quality wines at high prices. Therefore 'caveat emptor' applies, buyers would be best advised to seek out the genuinely talented and skilled winemakers such as Etienne Sauzet, Francois Mestre of Michelot, Roger Luquet, Pierre Morey of Domaine Leflaive and Philippe Testut in Chablis.

## WHITE BURGUNDY

### 100 Bourgogne Chardonnay 2007, Etienne Sauzet

£55.00

Gerald Boudet, son in law to the late Etienne Sauzet, is the one of the star wine makers of Burgundy. This small 8 hectare estate produced wines of great definition and style. 10 months ageing on it's lees has given this wine delicate complexity.

## 101 Bourgogne Chardonnay 2008, Domaine Michelot

£54.00

Situated on the edge of the village of Meursault, this domaine is now run by Bernard Michelot's son in law, François Mestre. He has brought a more refined style to complement the traditional rich butteriness of previous years. This wine has a superb, tight acidity giving a razor sharp freshness that will delight.

#### **Côte Chalonnaise**

### 102 Rully 1er Cru 'Les Margotes' 2010, Domaine Jean-Claude Brelière

£60.00

Undoubtedly the finest grower in this appellation - this small 7ha domaine produces excellent fruit. While the wine is fermented in oak, only 10% is new. A superb steely structure holds together a lovely array of ripe fruit aromas. Unfiltered to maintain the fantastic depth of flavours.

### The Maconnais

#### 103 Mâcon La Roche Vineuse 2012, Olivier Merlin

£40.00

Olivier Merlin is one of the rising stars of Macon, set just north of the village of Fuissé in La Roche Vineuse, his vineyards are ideally sited to produce classic Chardonnay - rich and full flavoured.

### 104 St. Véran 2011, Vers le Mont, Domaine Roger Luquet

£48.00

Classic unoaked Chardonnay from an excellent vintage.

#### 105 Pouilly Fuissé Vieilles Vignes 2006, Château Fuissé

£99.50

This is a rich, complex Chardonnay, whose structure and underlying lemony fruit belies its Maconnais origin. Full bodied with rich oaky texture

### WHITE BURGUNDY

#### Côte de Beaune

#### 107 Meursault 2010, Domaine Bernard Michelot

£95.00

This famous 22 hectare domaine is now under the watchful eye of Jean François Mestre, the son in law of the irrepressible Bernard Michelot. Sumptuous, concentrated and fleshy with a delicious minerally character, notes of nuts and honey with all round balance and complexity.

#### 108 St. Aubin 1er Cru 2007, Clos du Meix, Domaine Hubert Lamy

£92.00

Not the sexiest of names, but this domaine is producing outstanding wines that better many Meursault from more renowned growers. This '07 is now drinking beautifully - rich and flavoursome.

#### 109 Meursault 1er Cru 2000 Les Bouchères, Domaine Pierre Morey

£150.00

Pierre Morey is the winemaker at the world famous Domaine Leflaive, and this wine is from his private domaine. Beautifully crafted, with great depth and concentration.

### 110 Puligny Montrachet 2011 'Les Houilères' Domaine Machard de Gramont

£83.00

This is a great value wine from one of Burgundy's best vintages - full bodied, fine and steely.

### 111 Puligny Montrachet 2008 1er Cru les Perrières Domaine Etienne Sauzet

£180.00

Gerard Boudet, son in law of the late Etienne Sauzet, is one of the star wine makers of this appellation. This small 8 hectare domaine produces wines of great definition and style. The wines are left on their lees for ten months, this and a careful use of new oak, delivers a wine of great elegance.

#### **Chablis**

#### 112 Bourgogne Aligote 2012, Domaine Brocard

£34.00

Particulary very drinkable, with freshness, without excess of liveliness and an exceptional aromatic wealth, the aligotés of Saint Bris and Chitry, the two villages situated a few kilometres away from Chablis, are the most considered in Burgundy. The nose is fresh with citrus notes accompanied with mineral touches. On the palate, a lively wine, lemony, spicy, delicately fruity and thirst-quenching wine.

#### 113 Chablis 2014, Domaine Testut

£44.00

Domaine Testut is considered to be one of the truly great winemaking domaines of the region, and their wines are de rigeur in all French Michelin Star restaurants. Pure Chardonnay fruit balanced by mineral acidity - a classic wine.

### 114 Chablis 1er Cru 'Montmains' 2011, Domaine des Marronniers

£57.00

Produced from vineyards located on Kimmerdgian soils formed millions of years ago. Intense, rich grapefruit character with a delicious pure, light balancing acidity.

#### 115 Chablis Grand Cru 'Grenouille' 2012, Domaine Philippe Testut

£118.00

A magnificent wine from a master producer. Richly complex with a long, satisfying, yet elegant, racy and aromatic style.

## **REST OF FRANCE**

116	Colombard/Ugni Blanc, Richelieu, IGP Pays du Gers This wine is fermented at a cool temperature in stainless steel vats, capturing the delicate aromas of the fruit. Bottled young to protect the cuvées freshness and delicate appley aromas.	
117	Le Charme Chardonnay - IGP Pays du Gers Soft, easy drinking dry white with rounded tropical fruit and no oak.	£29.50
118	Sauvignon Blanc, Le Charme, VdP du Comte Tolosan Produced from selected cool climate vineyards in south west France. Low yields of only 40 hl/ha give a delicious, pungent concentration of fruit. A pure, clean dry wine full of cut-grass aromas, kiwi fruit and gooseberries, balanced by a delicious citrus tang.	£28.50
119	Viognier 2013, L'Aristocrate Full of delicate aromas of white blossom and ripe tropical fruits.	£31.00
120	Pinot Blanc 2012, Cave de Pfaffenheim, Alsace A fresh, crisp wine to be savoured on its own or as an apéritif. Alsace excels at this style. The cooperative at Pfaffenheim, just to the south of Colmar, is an excellent source of pure, fruity, dry whites.	£34.00
121	Quincy 2013, Sylvain Bailly, Loire Superb value. Jacques Bailly has vineyards in Sancerre and five hectares in Quincy, which is 60 miles from Sancerre on the banks of the river Cher. Limestone soil and a superb south facing aspect, deliver a bone dry wine, full bodied with a purity of Sauvignon fruits - it's a real delight.	£36.00
122	Gewürztraminer 2012, Cave de Pfaffenheim, Alsace Luscious, pure lychee and geranium fruit perfectly balanced by a taut acidity. This wine was recently voted 'Wine of the Month', by Decanter magazine.	£36.00
123	Pouilly Fumé "Fines Caillottes" 2013, Jean Pabiot, Loire Just what you would expect. Lovely grassy and gooseberry flavours with a hint of gun-flint.	£44.00
124	Sancerre Le Pierrier 2013, Domaine Thomas, Loire Emphasis on purity of fruit, with only natural yeasts used, to enhance the complexity. Clean, fresh-cut grass bouquet, overt and expansive palate with ripe gooseberries giving added weight.	£49.00

## **REST OF EUROPE**

### 125 Pure Pinot Grigio, Veneto, Italy

£29.50

Zing! A delightful expressive, dry wine with refreshing apple and citrus flavours. Produced from vineyards situated in the foothills of the Alps, the days are not too hot and the nights are cool – perfect for producing this fashionable variety.

### 126 Pinot Grigio, IGT 2013, Villa Sandi, Veneto, Italy

£32.50

Very bright straw yellow. Predominately of ripe exotic fruit and flowery fragrances reminiscent of the countryside in summer at haymaking time. Dry, round and flavoursome taste, well-structured with a fruity, warm and well-balanced finish.

### 127 Verdicchio dei Castelli di Jesi, 2012 Pontemagno, Marche, Italy

£31.50

A light, dry wine with pear-skin flavours and a touch of citrus.

### 128 Kreuznacher Kronenberg, Riesling Kabinett 2013, Lieblich, Nahe, Germany

£31.00

Floral, grapey bouquet, full and well integrated in its famous blue bottle.

### 129 Chardonnay 2013, Principe de Viana, Navarra, Spain

£31.50

Gold medal winning wine, fermented in American oak with a further three months resting period on it's lees. Intense and complex.

### 130 Basa 2013, Telmo Rodriguez, Rueda, Spain

£37.00

This wine is simply superb, a lovely blend of 70% Sauvignon Blanc and 30% Verdejo. Fresh and clean on the palate, a perfect compliment for any fish / shellfish dish. This wine was selected by El Bulli, the 3 star Michelin Restaurant, as their House Wine. El Bulli, now sadly closed, was voted 'Best Restaurant in the World', two years running.

### 131 Estate Riesling 2012, Dr. Loosen, Mosel, Germany

£38.50

This is a classic Riesling from the Mosel, characterised by a fragrant nose with a hint of honey and green apricot fruit. A blast of fruit on the initial palate gives way to intense minerality and crisp acidity.

### 132 Gavi 'I' Risi 2013, Mario Giribaldi, Piedmont, Italy

£40.00

This lovely soft textured wine has become very popular of late and it has developed notes of honey on the palate as it develops bottle age.

# Ruppertsberger Honeberg Riesling P.C. 2002, Dr. Burklin Wolf, Germany (Limited Stock)

£44.00

This is one of the few outstanding wine estates in the Pfalz. Now run by the descendant of Bernard Bürklin who founded this estate in 1597, Bethina von Gurdaze and husband Christian have produced this sensational wine, full of citrus and grapefruit character and weighty tropical fruits. This vineyard is enclosed and protected giving a cooler micro-climate. It has lovely citrus notes, a weighty palate of tropical fruits and appley finish.

### **NEW WORLD**

#### Sauvignon Blanc

# 135 Sauvignon Blanc 2014, Turi Estate, Central Valley Vineyards, Chile A delightful wine of crisp gooseberry fruit flavours with a delicious lemony finish.

£28.50

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£39.00

Typical gooseberry, passion-fruit and redcurrant aromas with nettley, herbaceous elements. The palate is crisp and dry with an explosive tropical finish. Winner of the Gold Medal at both the International Wine Challenge and the New Zealand Wine Fair.

#### 137 Sauvignon Blanc 2014, Cloudy Bay, Marlborough, New Zealand

£68.00

Three separate pickings at different stages of the grape's ripening process, each fermented separately and then blended together prior to bottling. This provides multi-layered complexity of intense herbaceous fruit flavours, that are the hallmark of Cloudy Bay.

#### Chardonnay

### 138 Chardonnay 2013, Los Villos, Chile

£28.50

The addition of a small amount of Sauvignon Blanc is well-judged and ensures that this Chardonnay is perfectly balanced and a delight to drink. Grown in ideal soils in the warm climes of Chile's Central Valley the grape varieties reveal their full character.

#### 139 Chardonnay Reserve 2008 Avondale Estate, Paarl, South Africa ORGANIC

£38.00

50% barrel fermented with the remainder in stainless steel. Only 20% of this wine went through its malolactic fermentation. 5 months oak ageing with the lees stirred every week gives this wine a character of nuts and limes with a typical butteriness clearly evident.

### Other Varieties/Blends

#### 140 Chenin Blanc 2013, Avondale Estate, Paarl, South Africa ORGANIC

£34.50

The finest South African Chenin we've tasted for years. Open and peachy, ultra youthful with a delicious tropical lemony tang. An extra zest is given by an addition of 13% Sauvignon Blanc.

### 141 Growers Semillon 2009, Mitchell, Clare Valley, Australia

£38.00

A delightful balance of tropical fruits and lemon, creamy with hints of French oak and a lovely tangy finish.

#### 142 Pinot Gris 2006, Cristom Vineyards, Willamette, Oregon, USA (Limited Stock) £52.00

Utilising Old World winemaking techniques, Cristom handcrafts wines that are smooth, elegant and subtle. The Willamette Valley offers a long growing season, mild climate, warm winds and ancient volcanic soils - these factors are ideal for the production of Pinot Gris. This is a superb wine, immensely rich and with an explosive palate of ripe white fruits, perfectly balanced by razor sharp acidity.

### **ROSE WINES**

#### 200 Sancerre Rose 2013, Domaine Sylvain Bailly, Loire, France

Attractive full flavoured wine with strawberry and raspberry flavours.

#### 201 Pinot Grigio Rosé 2013, Ca' Solare, Piedmont, Italy

£32.00

£52.00

The skins of the Pinot Grigio grape acquire a lovely rose hue in the warm autumnal sunshine. Coppery pink with an overtly delicious and refreshing tang.

#### 202 Bush Vine Blush, Richelieu, IGP Pays du Gers, France

£28.50

This delicious Rosé is produced from hand harvested grapes in the heart of Gascogne. Rich soft fruit flavours are perfectly balanced by crisp acidity. Gold Medal winner at the Paris Wine Fair.

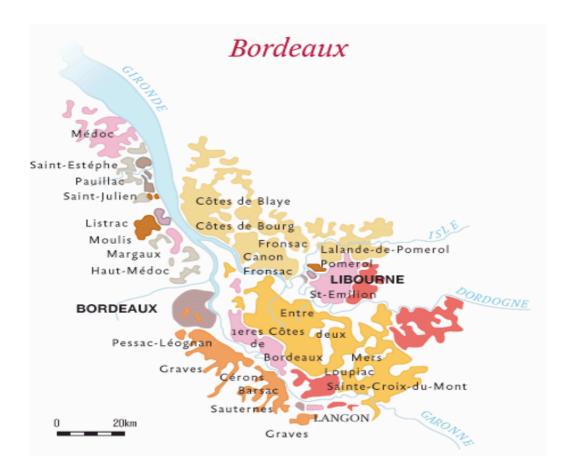
#### 203 White Zinfandel 2012, Angel's Flight, California, USA

£33.00

Named after the Los Angeles Incline Railway, this Rose is deliciously fruity, redolent of soft ripe summer fruits with a lovely honeyed finish that lingers long on the palate.



### **BORDEAUX**



Bordeaux is an area of almost perfect viticultural situation on the west cost of France and benefits from the ultimate marketing tool – a châteaux based classification system, that was invented almost 150 years ago. Bordeaux is the largest source of quality wine in the world, with 7000 châteaux and domaines, producing over 44 million cases of wine a year.

Recent developments in Bordeaux have had a major impact on wine selection in three ways:-

- 1. During the 1980's, 'Second wines' of the finest estates became fashionable because they offer an insight to the delights of the main wines at a fraction of their cost. We have featured a number of such wines in our list.
- 2. Green harvesting is a process of culling immature bunches of grapes in mid season, thereby allowing the remaining bunches to flourish and produce a higher quality crop.
- 3. From 1994 estates began to pick grapes at harvest on the basis of tannin ripeness, as well as sugar content etc. Unfortunately unripe tannins never hydrorise (absorb into the wine) and not only affect the pleasure of the taste, but take years to fall out of the wine, as sediment. So this change has produced forward drinking wines whose fruit, and not tannin, dominates the taste.

### **BORDEAUX**

#### Petit Château

#### 300 Château Gasquerie 2010, Côtes de Castillon

£30.00

A 17ha vineyard on a clay and chalk plateau with deep rocky sub-soil near Puisseguin. 90% Merlot and 10%, Cabernet Franc aged for 12 months in 20% new oak, this is modern Bordeaux winemaking at its best. Deep purple, a bouquet of black fruits with toasted coffee notes, ripe and round cassis flavours and warm finish.

#### St. Emilion

#### 301 Château Corbin 2010, Montagne/St Emilion

£45.00

One of the oldest properties in Montagne, this château produces a stunningly fruity wine from 80% Merlot and 20% Cabernet Sauvignon.

#### 302 Château Jean Fagouet 2010, Grand Cru St Emilion

£55.00

The 2009 Chateau Jean Voisin "Fagouet" is a Merlot-based cuvee that includes a significant dollop of Cab Franc. Crafted by Pierre Chassagnoux's granddaughter, Laurence, it is the delicious result of great attention to the grapevines and tender, loving care in the cellar — practices that have been in place now for nearly 60 years.

### 303 Château Tour de Yon 2009, Grand Cru St Emilion

£64.00

The wine has a lovely bouquet of ripe berries, the palate is velvety and fruity with all the elegance and finesse one expects in a Saint-Emilion.

### 304 Château Clocher 2009, Pomerol

£120.00

Wine writer Tom Stevenson believes this is one of the most undervalued Pomerols. Aged in new and one year old casks, this wine is medium to full bodied with bags of plump, ripe fruit, a supple structure, intriguing vanilla undertones, and plenty of finesse.

#### Medoc

#### 305 Château Ramafort 2001, Cru Bourgeois

£120.00

Profound ruby red in colour, Château Ramafort is already displaying fine complexity on the nose in which red-berried fruits predominate with whiffs of lime blossom and honeysuckle. The same harmony is found on the chewy, elegant palate and in the fine tannins which support the clean, frank, fruity aromas.

#### Margaux

### 307 Château d'Angludet 2010

£91.50

Owned by Peter Sichel of the star performing Château Palmer. It is matured in wood for 12 months with up to 1/3 new oak. Medium to full bodied with excellent fruit, finesse and finish. Classic Margaux.

### 306 Alter Ego Château Palmer 2000

£290.00

From the colour, the vintage divulges its secrets: garnet-coloured with a deep garnet edge. As the curtain opens, a rich aromatic palate seduces: beginning with jammy, black fruits followed closely by spices, bright tobacco, leather, mocha, moss and subtle traces of truffle. An explosion of perfectly ripe fruit supported by a silky set of tannins and lovely freshness.

### **BORDEAUX**

#### St. Estèphe

### 377 Château Cos d'Estournel 1985, 2ème Cru (Limited Stock)

£415.00

Across the street from Medoc giant Lafite-Rothschild, Chateau Cos d'Estournel stands up well to its famous neighbour. The winery dates back to 1810, when Louis Gaspard d'Estournel christened the site and began producing wine. He expanded his business as far as India and became known as 'The Maharaja of St. Estephe'. Eventually, however, debt would catch up to him and he would have to sell his property. Through the ages the vineyard has passed through numerous hands, now belonging to Michel Reybier. 60% Cabernet Sauvignon,40% Merlot aged in 100% new oak

At the peak of its power now, with The Wine Advocate rating the wine 93/100 upon release saying; "Fabulously scented bouquet of concentrated red cherries and black fruit (especially black cherries). It is rich and lush, long and medium to full bodied".

### 378 Château Montrose 1982, 2ème Cru (Limited Stock)

£525.00

Chateau Montrose is one of the leading wine properties of St.Estephe, and produces some of the longest-lived wines in the Medoc. Montrose had been owned by Jean-Louis Charmolue from 1962 until 2006, when it was sold to Martin and Olivier Bouygues, owner of the eponymously named construction firm Bouygues, is located in the east of the appellation, just north of the hamlet of Marbuzet, on a gravel knoll only 800 metres from the Gironde estuary. The proximity of the estuary ensures a microclimate that protects against frost, and the vines, which lie on deep clay-gravel soils, benefit from a south-easterly aspect. 65% Cabernet Sauvignon 25% Merlot 10% Cabernet Franc matured in oak barriques (30% new) for 18 months.

Intense aromas of kirsch, currant and spice follow through to a full-bodied palate, with round, velvety tannins and a long, long finish. This is complex, changing on the nose and palate. Layered and structured. Will still improve for many years to come.

#### St. Julien

### 308 Château Langoa-Barton 2001, 3ème Cru

£155.00

Cepage of 70% Cabernet Sauvignon, 7% Cabernet Franc, 15% Merlot and 8% Petit Verdot. Attractive, easy drinking wine with a lovely, rich fruit.

#### 309 Château Léoville-Barton 2001, 2ème Cru

£215.00

A 39 hectare estate run by Anthony Barton and his daughter, Lilian. Renowned for it's perfumed and powerful flavours made more complex by it's ageing in 1/3 new oak for two years.

#### 373 Château Ducru-Beaucaillou 1998, (Limited Stock)

£250.00

Château Ducru-Beaucaillou's 1998 is drinking beautifully right now, with plenty of promise still in bottle too - a great effort from a tricky Bordeaux vintage. Ducru-Beaucaillou is right at the top of the ladder in Saint-Julien, and it is known as a 'Super Second' - a second growth producing wines equal or superior to the illustrious first growths. The Château is named after the beautiful stones (*beaux cailloux*) found in its unique wine-growing soils, and is managed by the affable and welcoming Bruno-Eugene Borie, whose family has owned the estate for over 60 years.

#### BURGUNDY

#### Côte de Beaune

### 310 Bourgogne Pinot Noir, 2012, Domaine Paul Pillot

£64.00

From vineyards in Chasagne Montrachet and a few kilometres south in Chagny. A notably ripe and expressive nose of dark berries, earth and softly spiced plum. There is a textured mouth feel to the admirably well-concentrated middle weight flavours that possess equally ripe supporting tannins, all wrapped in a balanced, lingering and only mildly rustic finish.

### 311 Beaune 2011, 1er Cru Aux Coucherias, Machard de Gramont

£67.00

Nose of black fruits, cherry and a touch of leather. Fleshy and fat with good tannins. Notes of blackberry and spices on the finish.

### 312 Santenay 2010 Vieilles Vignes, Domaine Paul Pillot

£72.00

This is the most southerly village appellation of the Cote d'Or. The wine is fresh, displaying the classic characteristics of Pinot Noir, underpinned by the vanilla notes from careful ageing in oak.

### 313 Pommard 2009 1er Cru 'Les Epenots' Domaine Voillot

£150.00

Regarded as one of the finest Premier Crus in this famous old appellation. Gone are the old dark soupy, alcoholic wines of the past. Deep and voluptuous flavours, yet elegant in style with a long lingering finish.

#### 314 Volnay 2009 1er Cru 'Les Fremiets, Domaine Voillot

£125.00

Superb 10 hectare estate, now with the fifth generation of the same family. Velvety, silky and sexy style - the epitome of a great Volnay.

#### Cote de Nuits

#### 315 Vosne-Romanée 2009, Domaine Robert Arnoux

£140.00

Family owned for five generations, a combination of 40-year-old vines in some of Burgundy's finest vineyards. Low yields and long fermentation delivers a wine of immense richness.

### **BEAUJOLAIS**

#### 316 Beaujolais Villages 2013 Domaine de Gry-Sablon

£31.00

Ripe and fruity bouquet, full of quenching fruit on the palate.

#### 317 Fleurie 2013, Domaine Pardon

£38.00

This tiny property of 6 ha boasts vines that are 80 years old. The fruit that they produce is intense, concentrated and complex. Lovely rich dark berry fruits, warm succulent tannins, oozing fresh spicy flavours.

# RHONE / SOUTH FRANCE

318	Grenache/Cinsault/Merlot, Richelieu, IGP Pays d'Oc This delicious blend of Southern Rhone grape varieties is softly fruity with lovely plummy overtones.  Merlot, Le Charme, VdP d'Oc Another medal winning wine - really excellent value with a mouthful of rich plummy fruit. After careful oak treatment, the wine is bottled unfiltered ensuring a quality rarely seen at this price level.	
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320	Cabernet Sauvignon 2011, Domaine de la Citadelle, Vaucluse The private domaine of Yves Rousset-Rouard, Mayor of Menèrbes, where Peter Mayle wrote his book 'A Year in Provence'. Big investment in the winery has resulted in a beautifully intense, rich wine full of sweet fruits with a touch of liquorice and a lively round finish.	£30.50
321	Grenache Shiraz 2013, L' Aristocrate  This award winning wine is excellent value - elegant and complex, a savoury spicy palate with lovely forward raspberry fruit, and a seamless long finish.	
322	Lirac "Les Queyrades" 2005, Domaine Andre Mejan, Rhone An excellent but underrated appellation between Tavel and Chateauneuf-du-Pape. It has a typical dusty, spicy fruit side of Chateauneuf, without the power and a slightly fruitier and more elegant aftertaste.	
323	Crozes Hermitage 2012, Domaine Pochon This vintage has produced a full bodied wine with a rustic raspberry flavour and undertones of spicy blackcurrant.	£52.00
324	Gigondas 2011, Domaine Les Pallières 80% Grenache and 10% Syrah and Cinsault (planted in the same vineyard), 5% Mourvedre and 5% white grapes (Ugni, Bourboulenc and Clairette). 50% fermented in open top foudres with the remaining 50% in cement tanks. This domaine is owned by the Brunier family who produce an earthy, smokey rich wine, full of ripe cherry fruit.	
325	Châteauneuf du Pape 2012 'Télégramme', Domaine du Vieux Télégraphe The second wine of Domaine du Vieux Télégraphe. This wine has a high percentage of Grenache and it therefore matures much earlier than the parent wine. This silky smooth wine offers great value.	£78.00
326	Châteauneuf du Pape 2003, Domaine du Vieux Télégraphe Owned by the Brunier family, this 70 ha. domaine produces some of the greatest wines of Châteauneuf -du-Pape. Gravity is used, as opposed to the use of pumps with 60% of the grapes de-stemmed. Grenache is the central cépage to the blend, vinified in concrete tanks and transferred to large oak foudres after one year. The wines of this domaine should be drunk very young (a pity!) or after 8–10 years.	£140.00

San Martino 2003, Villa Cafaggio, Tuscany, Italy

plummy, silky smooth fruit, liquorice and spicy undertones.

£115.00

Produced in the Greve commune of Panzano from two different clonal selections of the Sangiovese grape. Ageing in 225lt barriques for 18 months, this wine has fantastic depth and individuality. The grapes are left on the vine until mid October to obtain perfect ripeness.

This excellent small estate has produced an excellent wine from 40/50 year old vines. Aged and matured in a combination of French and American oak, this superb vintage has now matured to reveal rich notes of

#### 381 Finca de Oro 2013, Rioja, Spain

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£25.50

A complex combination of youthful plum and blackberry fruit overlain with savoury spice and oak aromas. The mid-bodied palate is refines, the tannins being soft and the acidity low to mid.

## **AUSTRALIA / NEW ZEALAND**

340	Pitch Fork Shiraz 2013, Chalk Hill Estate, McLaren Vale, Australia Deep colour with a spicy black pepper nose and a blackcurrant undertone to the round and subtle palate.	
341	<b>Dry Grown Grenache-Shiraz 2011, Hugo Wines, McLaren Vale, Australia</b> A blend of 70% Grenache and 30% Shiraz. Exotic spicy fragrance, forward raspberry fruit with lashings of attractive black pepper.	£44.50
342	Pinot Noir 2012, Kura, Martinborough, New Zealand A fresh cherry strawberry bouquet is followed by a rich, velvety smooth Pinot palate with a long finish. Winemaker Kate Ratburnd is without doubt one of the finest winemakers in New Zealand as this wine ably demonstrates.	£40.00
343	Springhill Merlot 2012, Irvine Wines, Eden Valley, Barossa, Australia A really well made, fruity structured wine. Jim Irvine has produced as good a Merlot as you'll find anywhere in the world. Full of concentrated plummy fruit with a powerful finish.	£44.00
344	Cabernet Merlot Malbec 2010, Hawkes Bay Estate, New Zealand A warm fermentation and 14 months maturation in barriques has produced a rich, soft mouthfilling wine – sweet berry fruit flavours, soft tannins with spicy overtones.	£45.00
345	Cabernet Merlot 2012, Cape Mentelle, Margaret River, Australia The Cabernet Merlot blend takes inspiration from the classic red wines of Bordeaux. The palate displays juicy blackberry fruit, with a restrained mid-palate and subtle well integrated mocha oak. The wine finishes long and clean with ripe tannin influences.	£55.00
346	Shiraz 2008, Hugo Wines, McLaren Vale, Barossa, Australia Aussie Shiraz as you would expect. Red loam soils over a subsoil of clay produces very concentrated fruit. The touch of sweetness is due to 15 months ageing in American barrels.	£48.00
347	Cabernet Sauvignon 2005, Zema Estate, Coonawarra, Australia Fabulous depth and concentration, medium to full bodied, great balance and texture - a complete wine.	£63.00
375	Brookman Merlot 1999, Clarendon Hills, Australia Fermented in open stainless steel tanks followed by 18 months maturation in Burgundian barriques. Bottled without filtration.	£91.00
376	Kangarilla Grenache 1999, Clarendon Hills Produced from 86 year vines with 18 months ageing in French oak. A seamless and voluptuous wine full of raspberry fruit.	£96.00

## USA / SOUTH AMERICA / SOUTH AFRICA/LEBANON

348	Merlot 2014, Turi Estate, Central Valley Vineyards, Chile Produced from ungrafted vines. Medium bodied with a lovely sweet plum fruit and a mellow, soothing finish.	
349	Cabernet Sauvignon 2013, Turi Estate, Central Valley Vineyards, Chile This wine, from Chile's oldest and arguably finest estate, is richly fruity, full of delicious blackcurrant/cassis flavours which combine beautifully with the soft ripe tannins.	
350	<b>Zinfandel, Angel's Flight, Monterey, California, USA</b> Produced by the Indelicato family, one of California's oldest winemaking estates. A lovely bouquet of cherries and blackberry flavours. Voluptuous on the palate with a little spice on the velvety finish.	£30.00
351	Syrah 2009, Avondale Estate, Paarl, South Africa Bold and full flavoured Shiraz made from organically grown grapes which shows a lot of complexity at this price. The flavours are of dark plum jam, wild herbs and there is a typical South African smoky note on the finish.	
352	Pinotage 2013, Avondale Estate, Paarl, South Africa ORGANIC Big and rustic, softened by 20% oak ageing in American wood.	£32.00
353	Pinot Noir 2013, Gougenheim, Mendoza, Argentina  The palate is lifted with a distinct cranberry note and the finish is soft and supple with good length and acidity. Really gives Burgundy a run for its money.	£34.00
354	Lunta Malbec 2013, Mendel, Mendoza, Argentina  Another superb wine from this excellent estate, deeply coloured with a perfumed nose of ripe, intense damson fruit, a rich palate and a lingering spicy finish.	
355	Cabernet Sauvignon Reserve 2005, Avondale Estate, Paarl, South Africa ORGANIC 100% de-stemming, the wine was fermented 60% in French and American oak and 40% in tanks. A further 13 months ageing was given to the wine in 73% new French oak and 27% American oak. A mélange of sweet mulberries and dark cherry fruits.	£44.50
380	Rio Sol Cabernet Syrah 2011, Vale do São Francisco, Brazil A pronounced and complex nose: figs, damsons and oak. Fullish-bodied with juicy, dark fruit, some fleshy tannins and good length on the finish.	£31.00
382	Château Massaya Classic Red 2011, Bekaa Valley, Lebanon A powerful, mid to full-bodied red that is rich and warm on the palate despite having a good grip of tannin. The nose is dominated by ripe berry fruit.	£40.00

# HALF BOTTLE SELECTION

## Champagne

22	Moët et Chandon Brut Imperial NV	
Whit	e Wines	
143	Muscadet de Sèvre et Maine 2012, Fief de la Brie 'Sur Lie' Bonhomme, Loire, France	£15.00
144	Gewürztraminer 2011, Cave de Pfaffenheim, Alsace, France	£19.00
145	Sauvignon Blanc 2013, CJ Pask, Omahu Road, New Zealand	£19.00
146	Macon Chardonnay 2012, Domaine Paul Talmard, Burgundy, France	£20.00
147	Chablis 2013, Domaine des Marroniers, Burgundy, France	£27.00
148	Pouilly Fuisse 2008, Clos du Bourg, Domaine Roger Luquet, Burgundy, France	£29.00
Red Y	<u>Wines</u>	
366	Cabernet Sauvignon, Vina Leyda, 2007 Chile	£21.00
367	Rioja Lorinon Crianza 2011, Bodegas Muerza, Spain	£20.50
368	Bourgogne Pinot Noir "LaForet" Drouhin 2006, France	£23.50
369	Château Moulin de Mallet 2011, AOC Bordeaux, France	£18.00
370	Fleurie 2012, Domaine Pardon, Burgundy, France	£22.50
371	Crozes-Hermitage 2011, Domaine Pochon, Rhone, France	£24.00
372	Chateauneuf du Pape 2000, Domaine du Vieux Telegraphe, Rhone, France	£61.00

Bin No.		100ml Glass	½ Bottle		
DES	DESSERT WINES				
149	Essencia Orange Muscat 2010, Andrew Quady (California) Lovely marmalade and candied orange peel nose with a sweet preserved orange flavour on the palate and good zippy acidity on the finish.	£9.95	£37.00		
150	Elysium Black Muscat 2012, Andrew Quady (California) Lovely ripe blackberry and bilberry fruit, vibrant and fresh clean fruit palate.	£8.95	£33.00		
151	Black Noble de Bortoli (Australia) One of the finest, most unusual dessert wines we have ever tried. A small parcel of Botrytis Semillon is set aside each vintage, fortified and matured in oak casks, topped up each year like a solera system. It is then blended with a cask of Pedro Ximenez made in 1972. A truly unique wine that we can only describe as 'liquid Christmas pudding with brandy sauce'.	£15.25	£76.00		
152	Petit Guiraud, Château Guiraud 2011, Sauternes (France) The second wine of Château Guiraud has the perfect balance of extremely refined sweetness with extra freshness given by high proportion of Sauvignon.	£12.95	£49.00		
POF	PORTS				
Bin No.		100ml Glass	Bottle		
<b>Late</b>	Bottle Vintage				
353	Taylor's LBV 2008 Excellent concentration of moreish fruit.	£6.95	£55.00		
354	<b>Dow's 2001</b> One of the world's finest wines, produced only in exceptional years, when ideal weather patterns bring grapes to a state of perfect maturity. A lovely rich sweet palate of caramel flavours held up with a sumptuous raisiny richness	£17.95	£84.00		
Vintage					
1960 1963 1963 1966 1970 1970	FONSECA DOW TAYLOR TAYLOR GRAHAM'S TAYLOR FONSECA		£190.00 £190.00 £225.00 £180.00 £160.00 £200.00		