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Wine List

2024



Wines By The Glass

White	125ml	175ml	250ml
Pasos de la Capula, Virua, Spain	5	7	9
Pinot Grigio, DOC, Italy	5.5	7.5	10.5
Viognier, Les Argelieres, France	6.5	8.5	12
Picpoul de Pinet, Domaine De Cantagrils, France, 2021	7	9.5	13
Albarino, Bodegas Albanico, Rias Baixas, Spain	8	11	15.5
Yealands Single Block Organic, Sauvignon Blanc, New Zealand	8	10.5	15

Red	125ml	175ml	250ml
Pasos de la Capula, Tempranillo, Spain	5	7	9
Native Vieilles Vignes, Carignan, France	6.5	8.5	12
Brampton, Cabernet Sauvignon, Stellenbosch, South Africa	7.5	10	14
Maison Sichel 1883 Merlot, France	8	11	16
Luigi Bosca, Malbec, Argentina	9	12.5	17.5

Rosé	125ml	175ml	250ml
Amie, Languedoc, France	6.5	9	12
Ultimate Provence, Provence, France 2021	8.5	12	17

Sparkling	125ml
Prosecco, Italy	6
Fitz Pink Brut, West Sussex	10
Bergere Brut, Champagne, France, NV	12
Kingwood Estate Cuvee Brut English Sparkling, Wyfold Meadows, Henley-on-Thames 2018	14

Coravin wines by the glass

We are able to offer a selection of our top wines by the glass using a Coravin, a nifty gadget that allows us to pour wine without removing the cork and compromising the rest of the bottle.

White 125ml Glass	125ml Glass
Pouilly Fume, Gitton Pere & Fils Bonnes Anguilles, 2020	14
Black Stallion Chardonnay, Oak Knoll District Napa Valley, USA 2019	15.5
Saint-Romain, Sous le Château, Domaine Sébastien Magnien 2018	16.5
Condrieu, St Cosme, Northern Rhône, France 2016	18

Red 125ml Glass	125ml Glass
Black Stallion, Cabernet Sauvignon, Oak Knoll District Napa Valley, USA, 2018	19.5
Château Batailley, Pauillac, Grand Cru, 2015	21.5
Brunello di Montalcino, Mastro Janni, Italy 2016	20
Chateau Calon-Segur, Saint Estephe, France, 2008	42

Orange 125ml Glass	125ml Glass
a Laranja Mecanica Fitapreta, Alentejo Portugal 2019	12

Sparkling

Prosecco, Italy	32.5
Fitz, Sparkling Pink, Charmat Method	54
amie Sparkling: crémant de Limoux (Vegan)	56
Bergere Brut, Champagne, France, NV	65
Kingwood Estate Cuvee Brut English Sparkling, Wyfold Meadows, Henley-on-Thames 2018	78
Laurent Perrier Rosé, France NV	120
Pierre Moncuit Grand Cru Millésime Brut, France 2006	155
Bollinger Special Cuvee, France NV	170
Pol Roger Blanc de Blanc, France 2012	230
Dom Perignon Vintage 2013	250

Rosé

amie, Languedoc, France 36

An easy drinking rose which reveals the true terroir giving way to a light pink rose with orange hints. A fresh and aromatic nose of raspberries and strawberries. This is well balanced wine with a fresh palate and a lingering mouthful of red fruits.

Ultimate Provence Rosé, Provence, 2022 45

Delicate but vibrant pale pink with a unique scent combination of raspberry, blood orange and fresh violets which pairs beautifully with our charcuterie and vegetable boards.

amie X, Languedoc, France (Organic) 46

Magnum 96

X, a premium rose that is beautifully crisp and shows off the great terroir and sustainable methods of wine production, using organic methods to create harmony between the vine, soil and immediate environment. A pale pink colour, the bouquet is intense with citrus, strawberry and peach characteristics.

Sancerre Rosé, Les Romaines, Loire, France, 2018 58

The wine shows a full, deep flavour with perfectly balanced acidity and minerality, fruity notes and a harmonious finish

Whispering Angel, Provence, France 60

Magnum 120

This delicious salmon pink Provence Rosé has a scent of crushed strawberries, peach, rose-water and orange blossom. On the palate, it is wonderfully dry and crisp with delicate summer berry fruits balanced by citrus zest acidity and a deliciously creamy finish

Orange

Unwritten Poem, Sunset Haze, Tiwari House, Hungary 54

Experience the marvel of nature that is this unique, spontaneously fermented, unfiltered orange wine. Bask in warm, honey-hued tones and indulge in the aromas of orange peel, perfumed amber, and subtle minerals. Juicy grapefruit notes with a gentle bitterness are balanced by firm acidity and an oily texture, leaving a very long and smooth aftertaste that lingers like the final rays of the sun.

Laranja Mecanica Fitapreta, Alentejo Portugal 2019 60

Textured, spicy, herbal - this is an orange wine in more than just colour - it delivers buckets full of flavour too! Quince, satsuma, a scented squeeze of peel and a hint of something herbal, almost rosemary. But what we love most is that deliciously textured palate - just the right amount of grip and lick of acidity for balance.

White Wine

France

- Muscadet Sur Lie l' Aubiniere Loire, France, 2021** 30
Aromas and flavours of apples, pears, peaches and figs. Delicate spritz texture and long finish.
- Viognier, Les Argelieres, Marilyn Lasserre, France** 34
Bright yellow with green hues, apricot and mango aromas mixed up with a whiff of rose petals and almonds. A lovely juicy palate with herbal hints and a lingering finish.
- Picpoul de Pinet, France,** 34
Picpoul de Pinet is the uniquely Languedoc white grape with stern minerality and zippy clean acidity. Here, one finds a classically austere style, a deceptively golden color and light, clean minerality.
- Chateau Haut-Rien, Bordeaux 2021** 34
This dry Bordeaux Blanc from the Entre Deux Mers is made from 65% Sémillon and 35% Sauvignon Blanc. One third of the dry white blend is given a partial macération pelliculaire (a brief macération on the skins) and the juice is cold settled and racked and simply fermented at low temperature in stainless steel. The Blanc Sec is packed with rich flavours and lush fruit, which develops with a little age as the Semillon kicks in.
- amie White, Sauvignon Blanc: (Vegan)** 43
A light and refreshing white wine, produced in the Côtes de Gascogne. Made from Sauvignon Blanc, with a touch of Gros Manseng, amie Sauvignon Blanc is clean and aromatic with green and tropical fruit flavours, and mouth-watering acidity. This wine is perfect with salty snacks, seafood, spicy and fried food.
- Mâcon-Davayé, Domaine De La Croix Senaillet, Burgundy, 2021** 50
Really approachable, soft unoaked Chardonnay, hints of melon and pineapple with a lovely acacia honey finish. Produced organically this is Maconnais at its very best. Lovely ripe apple fruit with a spicy note and crisp acidity.
- Sancerre Gitton Pere & Fils, Les Fredins, 2021** 54
Medium bodied with high acidity. Intense aromas of butter, green apple and gooseberry.
- Pouilly Fume, Gitton Pere & Fils Bonnes Anguilles, 2020** 60
Great Pouilly-Fumé from upper Loire Valley. Very smooth, very elegant. Guava, apple, and honey on the nose. Crisp and acidic, full body, citrus aftertaste
- Chablis, Domaine du Colombier, France** 60
Classic left bank Serein river Chablis. Golden yellow with light aromas of dried and ripe fruits. Great concentration and richness that turns it in to a very elegant wine.
- Chablis, Domaine de Vauroux Premier Cru Montmains, France 2018** 82
Classic left bank Serein river Chablis. Golden yellow with light aromas of dried and ripe fruits. Great concentration and richness that turns it in to a very elegant wine.
- Coindrieu, St. Cosme, Northern Rhone, France 2019** 90
The leading estate of Gigondas and produces the benchmark wines of the appellation. Now a biodynamic estate, the wines are showing classic aromas and flavours of dried apricot, peach and orange blossom with fennel, anise and elderflower.
- Saint-Romain, Sous le Château, Domaine Sébastien Magnien France 2018** 100
Saint Romain's cooler vineyards, just to the west of Auxey-Duresses, produce very racy whites which retain their freshness in warm vintages. From an exceptional terroir, this is an energetic and intense wine with vivacious notes of citrus peel and lime ending on a long mineral finish.
- Meursault, Les Grands Cherrons, Sebastien Magnien, Burgundy 2020** 130
Meursault Les Grands Cherrons comes from a single parcel located near the start of the slope. Mouthwatering apple and yellow fruit flavours are balanced by a pithy grapefruit and lemon zest character. Very charming and contained.

Europe

- Pinot Grigio, DOC, Italy** 27
Cold-ferment techniques used add dimensions to the already quality led wine making from this team in Friuli. Bright almost tropical fruit on the nose and palate, with a touch of spice, all kept in check by a lovely vein of crisp juicy acidity
- Quinto Arrio Tempranillo Blanco, Bodegas Navarrsotillo 2020** 38
Made using organically certified Tempranillo Blanco grapes, this Quinto Arrio is fermented at very low temperatures to maintain the Mediterranean and tropical fruits which are in abundance. Despite bursting with citric sensations there is a smooth and rounded mouthfeel on the palate.
- Diluvio Albarino, Bodegas Albanico, Rias Baixas, Spain, 2022** 40
Albariño is a relatively thick-skinned variety which at its best, as it is here, is rich, full of colour and gently spicy. This wine shows great varietal typicity with an intensely aromatic nose of white flowers and white peach fruit. The palate is soft with the trademark Galician refreshing acidity and complex minerality.
- Gavi del Comune di Gavi, Cascina delle Monache, Italy** 44
Straw yellow in colour with subtle green reflections. A delicately aromatic and soft nose precedes a crisp and floral palate with peachy undertones and well-balanced structure.
- Louro do Bolo, Godello, Valdeorres, Rafael Palacios, Valdeorras, Spain 2017** 52
The nose is full of peach, crunchy pear and soft minerality, while the palate is taut and saline. There's a citrus and mineral intensity, with real palate weight which creates a textured mouth-feel
- Terrassen Grüner Veltliner, Bründlmayer Kamptal, Austria 2021 (Organic and Vegan)** 54
Appealing nose of apples, fresh citrus and mild flowery aromas, as well as rosewood, green peas and asparagus, fresh and crisp. Sappy fruit on the palate followed by a hint of minerals and spice in the finish
- Erse, Etna Bianco, Tenuta di Fessina, Sicily** 54
Up on the side of the Etna (the still active volcano), around 1km high, the winemakers at Fessina craft fascinating wines- the Bianco is made up of 90% Carricante with 10% Minnella- not everyday grape varieties. Herbs, white flowers and lemon peel on the nose, the palate is flinty, sapid and herbaceous with a saline finish. an outstanding Sicilian white.
- Vermentino di Gallura, Branu, Vigne Surrau, 2020** 56
Vigne Surrau practices a traditional philosophy with a modern innovative approach to winemaking- in this case, the Vermentino grapes are partially dried before pressing. The result is a wine that has an Intense aroma with fruity, mineral notes, long and persistent, rich on the palate. A proper Italian food wine.
- Rioja Blanco, Finca Allende, Spain, 2018** 62
Yellow golden colour, absolute limpidity. Elegant and subtle nose with citrus fruits notes (grapefruit) and fruits with stone (peach and greengage plum), balsamic notes. Plush mouth feeling with a great lightness, enormous persistent aftertaste.
- Edi Simcic Chardonnay, Slovenia, 2018** 64
It offers the nose some buttery, mineral notes and finely integrated spices from maturation in wood. The mouth feel is full, firm, massive and at the same time balanced with a firm structure.
- Zeltinger Schlossberg Reisling Auslee, Feinherb, Selbach-Oster, Germany, 2007** 110
Citrus, apple, pear with a touch of kitchen herbs this wine is well balanced with pronounced fruit characteristics on the nose and a structure to build long and pure finish.
- Attis Mar, Albarino, Rias Biexas, Spain** 160
This delightfully fresh Albariño shows the classic characters yet with a twist from spending time below the sea. It has clean and intense straw-yellow colour on appearance, and a bright acidity with a full and textured body. This elegant and complex palate has notes of grapefruit and stone fruits complemented by creamy buttery flavours and a salty finish. The unique method of ageing under the sea retains the freshness by avoiding oxidation and allowing potential to age for a long time.

New World

- Marras Los Tros, Chenin Blanc, Swartland, South Africa, 2022** 38
The grapes are handpicked and treated to both tank and barrel fermentation. This is followed by 6 months ageing on the lees, making a very drinkable pear and stone-fruited wine. The flavours are complemented by crisp freshness and a round mouthfeel with a refreshing finish
- Bob Short for Kate, Sauvignon Blanc, Marlborough, New Zealand (Organic).** 40
This organic single block vines are nestled between the winery and the coast, producing expressive Sauvignon Blanc with heady notes of guava, pink grapefruit, green herbs and passionfruit. The palate is mineral driven with lingering passionfruit and pineapple.
- Hartenberg Reisling, Stellenbosch, South Africa, 2021** 42
Winsome aromas of quince, ripe melon, roses and frangipani on the nose. The palate displays layers upon layers of citrus, peaches and honey balanced by a flinty, crisp acidity that lingers.
- AA Badenhorst Secateurs Chenin Blanc, South Africa, 2021** 48
Greengages and fresh green herbs on the nose, with scents of sweet meadow flowers that carry through to the palate which is ample and fuller than the 2020 - think sun-kissed apricots, orange blossom and a gentle mineral note from the granite soils the vines are rooted. Just gorgeous and persistent in its length, with a lemon drizzle finish and hint of white pepper.
- Paulette Riesling, Polish Hill River, Clare Valley, Australia 2021** 48
The Clare Valley yields one of the world's great styles of Riesling. This youthful, aromatic, dry wine has intense mineral and floral aromas on the nose. These aromas follow through on the palate leading to flavours of lime, citrus and white blossom. Tropical fruits and citrus dominate the fresh, racy acidity and a distinct minerality comes through on the palate leaving a fantastic, clean finish.
- BLANK bottle, Kortpad Kaaptoe, Swartland, South Africa 2021** 56
100% Fernao Pires. Ripe pineapple, tangerine, stem ginger and spice with a pithy, lightly grippy palate from brief skin contact, and slivers of bitter sweet orange peel, apricot and long stoney finish. Great acidity keeps it all in check.
- Brokenwood, Semillion, Hunter Valley, 2022** 56
A ovely pale yellow with green tints, appropriate for a young Semillon that is destined to bottle age for a decade or more. Fragrant apple blossom and lemon grass aromas typical of Hunter Semillon at an early age. These characters continue onto the palate with a zesty, citrus note. A perfect acid structure keeps the flavour lingering.
- Gnarly Head, Viognier, California, USA 2021** 58
A superb rich white blockbuster with a panoply of exotic flavours: dried apricots, peaches, orange blossom & honeysuckle, to name a few.
- BLANK bottle, Moment of Silence, Wellington, South Africa 2021** 60
Incorporating fruit from old vine block of Chenin, the Viognier component really comes through on the nose here with stunning fruit - crystallised stone fruit, apricots and more exotic fruits too. 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.
- BLANKbottle, Jimmy, Voor-Paardeberg, South Africa 2020** 65
100% Verdelho from the Voor Paardeberg. It's rich, it's ripe, it's opulent, but so well-balanced. Keylime pie, mango and hints of cardamon, with the most lovely lushness to the palate. It goes exceptionally well with spicy food. If you like your whites bold and big, this is for you - slightly later picked, but very fresh and high acidity.
- Ataraxia Chardonnay, South Africa, 2022** 72
Unapologetically wooded white mirrors the terroir in which the Chardonnay vines are grown. Stony, clay rich, salinity brininess and minerality.
- Black Stallion Chardonnay, Oak Knoll District Napa Valley, USA 2020** 74
Opens with aromas of yellow pear, crème Brûlée and hints of apricot, apple and oak. The flavours are tantalizing notes of citrus, dried apricot, and pineapple. The Chardonnay from Los Carneros provides the bright acidity, citrus notes, and lean backbone of the wine, and the Chardonnay from the warmer growing regions contributes riper, fuller-bodied character.

Au Bon Climat WILD BOY Chardonnay, Santa Barbara County, California, USA 2018 **80**

Jim Clendenen, is a legendary character in Californian wine making, who sadly passed away in 2021. His Wild Boy wine has been in production for 20 years or more and is one of the most recognisable wines from the ABC range.

Despite it's wacky label, this is a very classy wine, with a stylistic nod to Burgundian Chardonnay with its freshness and minerality.

Au Bon Climat, Chardonnay, Santa Barbara County, California, USA 2019 **92**

The palate is focused and pure, with ripe lemon citrus coming through alongside fresh apricot. The texture is glossy but still fresh and fine, finishing with a touch of white almond.

ILR Reserve Semillon, Brokenwood, Hunter Valley, Australia 2017 **120**

At 6 years of age on release, the colour is just starting to show some development with yellow tints complimenting the green edges. Lifted lemon curd and floral notes heading to bees wax, brioche and toast. Lively Tahitian lime juice characters are backed by a superb, zesty acidity. The magic of Hunter Valley semillon on display with texture, fruit weight and great length from a wine that sees no oak. The ILR Reserve Semillon is released only from the best years and the 2017 is a beauty.

Red Wine

France

- Native Vieilles Vignes, Carignan, France, 2021** 28
This wine has a wonderful lightness, but is nonetheless packed with flavour - a result of being the product of 30-year-old grape vines. Brambly fruit, black cherry and blackcurrant abound, and at only 12.5% abv there's no excuse not to have a second glass!
- Maison Sichel 1883, Merlot, France** 34
This independent, 1200 acre property is based in the coastal village of Vias, Southern France. The Merlot has a deep purple colour and plenty of fruit on the nose. The palate is soft and plummy. Match with red meat dishes or enjoy on its own.
- Beaujolais, Domaine Andre Cologne et Fils , France, 2021** 42
It's juicy and expressive, as you'd expect given the warmth of the vintage, yet there's refreshing acidity. The finish has real grip, owing to a wonderful combination of old vines and a terroir of thin sandy soil and granite bedrock.
- Cotes du Rhone, Domaine Fond Croze, France, 2022 (Organic)** 48
Gloriously fruity, unoaked Cotes du Rhone. Baked plums dusted with cinnamon and brown sugar, violets, hints of plums, lavender and a fine chalkiness too. There's an almost chocolatey element to it on the palate, yet so fresh with it, like the very best dark milk chocolate from Cocoa Runners, with dried orange zest too. The palate is fruit packed, very fine, and so bright, finishing long and very moreish-ly, with pepper and more orange notes.
- Donjon de la Marque, Haut Medoc, 2016** 50
Donjon de Lamarque 2015 has a bright and deep red color. The nose is intense and offers toasted notes with red fruits aromas. On the palate, the attack is fresh with cherry touch. The wine is well-balanced, structured with beautiful fruits
- Fleurie, Domaine de la Madone, France, 2022** 52
Elegant Fleurie from very old vines. Notes of red cherries, cranberries and violets. Medium to full bodied.
- Domaine Michel Juillot Bourgogne Pinot Noir, France, 2021** 65
Bright red with a cheery red hue. On the nose it is pure reminds of Pinot Noir with aromas of plum and bay leaf. Red fruit, acidity and ripe tannins on the palate.
- Châteauneuf-du-Pape Les Safres, Le Clos Du Caillou (Organic) 2020** 96
This Châteauneuf-du-Pape is beautifully dark in colour, with purple reflections. On the nose it shows nice levels of oak and aged tobacco. As well as great levels of dark fruit. The palate is balanced, rich and round. Very long finish of fruit paste and sweet spice
- Marsannay Rouge, Domaine Joseph Roty, Grand Vin de Bourgogne, 2018** 100
The 2018 Marsannay opens in the glass with notes of spiced plums, cherries and dark chocolate. Medium to full-bodied, layered and fleshy, with powdery tannins and a lively, charming profile.
- Ségla, Château Rauzan-Ségla, Margaux, 2014** 100
This is the second wine of Château Rauzan-Ségla, an estate currently producing some of the best wines of Margaux. An intense and seductive bouquet combines perfumed rose petal, spice and cedar aromas leading to a complex palate rich with flavours of sweet cherry, red currant and mineral. Silky balance between tannins and acidity.
- Château Siran, Margaux, 2017** 106
This Margaux wine reveals the typicity of the grape varieties by displaying a complex and full profile. Fine yet opulent, this Château Siran 2017 offers an alluring balance between bright fruit, a beautiful acidity and delicate tannins.

- Château Batailley, Pauillac, Grand Cru, 2016** 125
The toasty, ripe plum and cedar nose is extremely welcome and is followed by the freshness which has become a hallmark of the 2015 vintage. The purity of fruit is beguiling, with grippy acidity and tannins. There is some sweetness, but it is allied to a purity which works very well indeed. This is a great example of Claret and Pauillac. Another very enjoyable wine from this estate.
 Blend: 77% Cabernet Sauvignon, 20% Merlot, 3% Petit Verdot
- Chateau Bellegrave, Pomerol, 2011** 125
This Pomerol has a discreet nose with notes of delicate roast, ripe cherry, sweet spices and a touch of bitter almond. Fine, ripe and a elegant tannins of medium persistence on the finish while retaining a nice freshness.
- Vosne-Romanée, Domaine Robert Sirugue, Grand Vin de Bourgogne, 2019** 145
A spectacular Bourgogne rouge wine with a pure bouquet of cassis and blackberry fruits, showing wonderful clarity of bright red fruits on the palate. From three 'climats' in Vosne-Romanée, Flagey-Échezeaux and Gilly-lès-Cîteaux, this is a very lovely and elegant Bourgogne Rouge.
- Domaine Alain Michelot Nuits-St-Georges Vieilles Vignes 2018** 155
The Domaine Alain Michelot Nuits-Saint-Georges Vieilles Vignes displays all the richness garnered from 45 year old vines. Powerful, aromatic and with wonderful texture this wine offers complex flavours of blackberry, blackcurrant and smoke leading on to a long, elegant and flavoursome finish.
- Gevrey-Chambertin La Perrière, Premier Cru, Domaine Heresztyn-Mazzini, 2018** 175
The palate is very well balanced with a fine bead of acidity. Good midpalate depth here, and a grippy finish, where white pepper, clove and spicy notes infuse the black fruit.
- Volnay 1er Cru Les Fremiets, Domaine Henri Boillot, 2019** 180
This Volnay is showing beautifully, unfurling in the glass with aromas of cherries, rose petals, cassis and violets. On the palate, it's medium to full-bodied, with an ample chassis of powdery tannins, fine concentration and succulent acids. From a parcel of 58-year-old vines, this is a quintessentially elegant Volnay.
- Château Talbot, St Julien, Bordeaux, (Vintage on request)** 210
The 2010 Ch. Talbot is a favourite with many, and with good reason. It does provide is great focus, a depth of crunchy bright fruit which builds on the palate and serious structure. This is a very generous wine with superb length on a fresh and uplifting finish, perhaps the best since the great 1986?
- Télégramme, Famille Brunier, Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Rhône Valley, France, 2019** **Magnum** 215
Lovely soft fruit with spice, plums, herbs and a touch of leather behind. Quite forward in the mouth with soft, ripe tannins, great length and a luscious finish. This is the second wine of Domaine du Vieux Télégraphe. (Please ask for availability)
- Château Duhart-Milon, Pauillac, Grand Cru, Bordeaux, (2009, 2018)** **POA**
The 2018 Duhart-Milon is composed of 65% Cabernet Sauvignon and 35% Merlot, with the Cabernet Sauvignon harvested September 25 to October 4 and the Merlot harvested September 17-25, and it has 14% alcohol. Deep garnet-purple coloured, it leaps from the glass with exuberant notes of Black Forest cake, plum preserves and creme de cassis with hints of spice cake, woodsmoke, potpourri and eucalyptus. Full-bodied, rich and laden with layers of black fruit preserves and spices, it has a velvety texture and just enough freshness, finishing long. Very impressive the densest, most opulent Duhart we have tasted!
- Château Calon-Segur, Saint-Estèphe, Grand Cru Classe, (1998, 2008)** **POA**
The 2008 has a perfumed, floral bouquet that is wonderfully detailed, raspberry and cranberry fruit flanked by rose petal and subtle iris aromas. Medium bodied on the palate with fine tannin and a crisp line of acidity
- Château Siran, Margaux, France, 1994, Double Magnum** **POA**
Produced from a sandy, gravelly soil, Siran's wines are typical Margaux grands crus. Powerful and refined, they strike a balance between tannins, fruit and acidity. The grape varieties are fairly distinctive for the appellation: 46% Merlot, 40% Cabernet Sauvignon, 13% Petit Verdot and 1% Cabernet Franc.

Europe

- Pasos de la Capula, Tempranillo, Castilla La Mancha, Spain, 2023 (Vegan, Organic)** 25
This Tempranillo from Pasos de la Capula is nothing short of a treat. It is so approachable, soft yet rich and ripe with deep concentration of soft berry fruit flavours and gentle tannins with a touch of spice. A very quaffable wine indeed
- Pedra A Pedra Tinto, Quinta Da Pedra, Douro, Portugal, 2019** 44
*Pedra a Pedra Tinto is an approachable, fruit-driven, structured Douro red, made from a blend of indigenous grape varieties grown on the schist soils of Quinta Da Pedras terraced vineyards.
Full flavoured, red and blue fruited wine, with good structure, balanced acidity and a long finish.*
- Privado Anada, Valsardo, Spain 1999** 48
From a reserve of old wines from Valsardo, this is a delicious and spectacular value way to enjoy fully mature Tempranillo. Still holding good fruit, there's a real tobacco and leathery character, such a delight and good fun.
- Christoph Bauer Zweigelt, Niederösterreich, Austria 2019** 55
Zweigelt is the most widely planted red variety in Austria, and is well worth investigating. Intense and inky in colour, the nose is all blueberry and mulberry, followed by some deep blackberry flavours, edged with soft spice. Appealing and approachable.
- Reserva, Quinta Da Pedra Alta, Douro, Portugal, 2019** 65
*Quinta da Pedra Alta Reserva Tinto is a complex, rich, oak matured Douro Red, made from a blend of selected parcels from the best sites on the Quinta.
Aromas of red, blue and black fruits with spicy notes. This is a rich, luscious, fruit-laden wine with a long textured palate and balanced acidity.*
- Du Riva Dolcetto d'Ovada Superiore, Azienda Vitivinicola, Luigi Tacchino Italy, 2015.** 68
Aromas of ripe red fruits - cherries & damson. A dry wine that has sweet juicy fruits with fresh herbs and liquorice, subtle tannins - a deliciously elegant wine. Allow a little breathing time before drinking for the full range of flavours to open up. A traditional style Dolcetto.
- Rioja Tinto, Finca Allende, Spain, 2014** 70
The Rioja Tinto Nature is an intense cherry colour with a predominance of fruit aromas (such as blackberry, cranberry and wild forest fruits) over the smooth notes of oak, reminiscent of vanilla and tobacco. A serious and lively with Rioja with great balance.
- Edi Simcic Duet, Slovenia, 2020** 80
Duet is blend of 80% Merlot and 10% each of Cabernet Franc and Cabernet Sauvignon. Intense nose of ripe red fruit, sour cherry, blackberry and blueberry, with gentle earthy notes of undergrowth. Dry, medium to full-bodied with good tannins for ageing, yet still fresh and lively leaving a long clear-cut finish.
- Tenuta dei Sette Cieli "Indaco" IGT, Tuscany, Italy 2016 (Vegan)** 100
From the Italian for "Indigo" comes the inky super-Tuscan equal parts blend of Malbec, Merlot and Cabernet Sauvignon. 18 months in French oak give this wine the best of both Bordeaux and Tuscan traits – spicy, structured and silk smooth whilst retaining opulence and integrity.
- Brunello di Montalcino, Mastro Janni, Italy, 2016** 130
Fresh style with high acidity and medium body. Delicate and delicious. Heavy red cherry, cinnamon spice nutmeg and sour cherry. Smooth tannin a clean medium bodied wine.
- Amarone della Valpolicella, La Giaretta, Italy, 2017** 135
Blackberry cassis dark fruits almost jam like taste. Leather truffle and mushroom undertones. Tobacco oak and vanilla hints. Big body one of the best Amarone!!
- Barbaresco, Santo Stefana Riserva, Castello Di Neive, Italy, 2015** 165
Powerful, bright, dark garnet. Opens with notes of leather and saffron, then pickled cherries, some sealing wax and hints of dried mushrooms. Gripping on the palate, lots of ripe plum fruit, hearty tannins with plenty of bite, earthy notes on the finish.

Barolo Vignarionda, Cantina Luigi Pira, Italy, 2015

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Intense garnet red colour. The nose is complex, elegant, with hues that range from wild berries to sweet tobacco and to deep and enticing balsamic notes. In the mouth this wine is rich, balanced and with an extraordinary persistence.

New World

- Las Manitos Malbec Shiraz, D.O. Valle Central, Chile 2023** 30
Deep ruby red, with strong aromas of plums and black pepper. A chunky yet soft style of Malbec that displays the classic black fruits and touch of spice this variety is famous for.
- Protea Merlot, Anthonij Rupert, Western Cape, South Africa, 2021** 34
The aroma boasts flavors of ripe cherry, vanilla, and subtle spices, with a slight touch of oak. On the palate, this wine delivers flavors of plum, blackberry and dark chocolate tannins that exude richness and balance. Its finish is smooth and elegant, making it a perfect pairing for grilled meats, roasted vegetables, and hearty pasta dishes.
- Luigi Bosca Malbec DOC, Mendoza, Argentina 2021** 50
This Malbec was one of the first Argentine wines with a Designation of Origin. A deep and bright red violet wine with balanced aromas and red fruit and sweet spice notes. It is refreshing and voluptuous in the mouth, with fine and gentle tannins, while it is clean and expressive in the palate, with a strong character, typicity and a deep finish with soft smoked hues because of its ageing in oak barrels. It is a great exponent of the variety and the terroir, with good ageing potential.
- Luigi Bosca Pinot Noir, Mendoza, Argentina 2021** 52
From 45 year old vines in Maipú in Mendoza, this is a truly refined example of Pinot Noir with a fresh fruit-driven character. Notes of strawberry, violet and chocolate complement the intense and velvety palate making this a very attractive wine.
- Distant Noises Syrah, Yarra-Valley Australia 2019** 54
Such brightness and perfume here. Blueberry fruit, blackberry cordial, blackcurrant fruit gummies, white pepper and baking spice on the nose. The palate is elegant and silken, with the sweet and savoury elements gently sparring for attention. Impeccably balanced, with fresh, lifted acidity. Certainly a Syrah rather than Shiraz, and distinctly cool climate as befits a wine from the Yarra.
- Hartenberg, Cabernet Sauvignon, Stellenbosch, South Africa** 54
This is a masterpiece from the renowned Stellenbosch region. It showcases a deep garnet-red colour and a rich, complex aroma of blackcurrant, dark cherry and subtle oak. On the palate, it offers a luxurious blend of black fruit flavours, silky tannins and a harmonious finish. It's a true gem that expertly marries fruit and oak, making it a standout choice for wine enthusiasts seeking a taste of South African winemaking excellence.
- Cederberg Private Cellar Shiraz, South Africa** 62
This Shiraz is a huge spicy and warming wine, and with a rare steak and good company you will be well rewarded. This is a complex Shiraz filled with intense red fruit, mulberry and cherries on the nose. It spends 15 months in oak showing hints of sweet spice and vanilla. Red berries follow through on the palate and finish off with a smooth lingering sensation.
- BLANKbottle, The Spaniard, Swartland, South Africa 2021** 68
The 2021 rendition is pure Mourvedre, and big on the spice! Red currants, Christmas cake, grated dark chocolate, almost even a fudgy note with a distinct nod to its Spanish relatives. For all its bold warmth, there's a prettiness too among all that riotous spiced fruit. Smooth and finishing long, with with a liquorice and mineral-accented finish.
- Ataraxia, Pinot Noir, South Africa 2018** 80
The Ataraxia Pinot Noir is a classy, captivating and svelte example of what can be achieved in the Cape. In South Africa, experience and research has shown the Hemel en-Aarde Valley to be unequivocally the most exciting and promising area for quality Pinot Noir production, easily on a par with and often exceeding the quality attained in other New World Pinot Noir producing regions. Matured in French oak barrels for 11 months this Pinot Noir offers up a fine blend of aromas, including red cherries, pomegranate, delicate forest floor and a hint of spice and new oak. On the palate the wine is sensual and embracing, with a captivating mid-palate depth, lovely transparency and excellent focus on the suavely-tannic finish.
- BLANKbottle, Confession of a White Glove Chaser, Western-Cape South Africa 2019** 85
60% Cabernet franc with 40% Cabernet Sauvignon - all from the Helderberg. It's a remarkable wine - graceful yet with terrific concentration, velvety with a savoury, earthy touch making it very complex. For us this is reminiscent of a New World St Estephe.

- Au Bon Climat Pinot Noir, Santa Maria Valley, California, USA, 2019** 100
Scent of strawberry, Pinot Noir aromatics. Autumnal and summery both at once. Generous on the nose, complex, with lots of wood smoke, a smudge of mulberry, tart cherries and a structure that promises a long future.
- Black Stallion, Cabernet Sauvignon, Oak Knoll District Napa Valley, USA, 2018** 100
Stunning aromas of blackberry, black cherry and toasty scents; the palate is concentrated with bold, velvety flavours of cassis, plum and blackberry. Intense, and concentrated with integrated tannins and an elegant finish.
- Coolart Road Pinot Noir, Ten Minutes By Tractor, Mornington Peninsula, 2021** 135
This Pinot Noir embodies the essence of the region's cool maritime climate. The nose exudes aromas of raspberry, cherry and spice, while the flavors are rich yet delicate, with vibrant red fruit notes and a hint of earthiness. The tannins are firm yet velvety, providing a smooth and balanced finish.
- Gravel Hill Shiraz, Hartenberg, Stellenbosch, South Africa 2015** 160
The Hartenberg gravel hill shiraz is a delicious red wine that hails from South Africa. It has a beautiful deep purple hue and offers aromas of blackberry, plum, and spice. The palate is medium-bodied and well-balanced, with smooth tannins and a lingering finish. This is a great wine to enjoy with food, and it pairs especially well with grilled meats or hearty stews.
- 'Henley', Shiraz , Geoff Merrill, McLaren Vale, 2007** 205
There is a real freshness upon opening, which becomes more and more sophisticated with every minute in the glass. Black pepper, herbs, cloves and stewed plums come forward, then they make way for the complex characters that only come with age. Dark soy, leather, chocolate and roast beef gravy. The palate is tight, fresh and sprightly. It shows spice, developed berry fruits, chocolate and savoury meats with hints of earth and coffee.
- Chateau Montelena Estate, Cabernet Sauvignon, Calistoga Napa Valley, USA, 2016** 210
The 2016 Montelena Estate is dark, ample and totally seductive. Very floral and opulent, notes of cherry and raspberry. It's buttressed by rich notes of cocoa, hazelnuts and Earl Grey.