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PORT

<u>PORT</u>			
		glass 125 ml	bottle
903	CHURCHILL'S 2003 TRADITIONAL LATE BOTTLED PORT (LBV) An LBV is a single vintage wine matured in cask for at least four yethen bottle for immediate drinking, hence no need to decant. A full-bodied wood aged port with a rich smooth flavour. Classic sufruit and Christmas cake aromas.		39.00
902	TAYLOR'S 10 YEAR OLD TAWNY Served slightly chilled. Light delicate nutty flavour of medium weight and texture.	8.00	48.00
904	TAYLOR'S QUINTA DE VARGELLAS 2001 An increasingly popular style of Port, made in exactly the same way as Vintage Port but produced in years when the shipper has not declared it a vintage year. Vargellas has become recognised as one of the great wine estates of the world. Here the grapes are still trodden on by foot which is the backbone of Taylor's vintage port.	11.00	62.00
<u>VINTAGE PORT</u>			
905	COCKBURN 1994		68.00
908	DOWS 2000		89.00
907	TAYLOR'S 1977		118.00
906	WARRES 1963		165.00
<u>MADEIRA</u>			
901	BLANDY'S 10 YEAR OLD MALMSEY	9.00	50 cl 34.00

A FEW OF THE BEST AFTER DINNER STORIES FROM BOTH HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT

The Duke of Norfolk, CB, CBE, MC, DL

I have often found it hard to explain who I am when answering the telephone, and on one occasion, having said, on lifting up the receiver, "Duke of Norfolk", I got the spontaneous response: "What's that, a pub?"

Michael Jopling, PC, MP

A Member of Parliament was giving prizes away at a Girls' School's Speech Day. Afterwards the Head Mistress asked how much he wanted to cover his expenses, which he naturally refused. To this, the Head Mistress replied: "Oh! That is generous. It will allow us to put the money we had for your expenses into a special fund we have."

The MP did not like to ask what the special little fund was for but, in the end, his curiosity got the better of his good manners, and he did ask. The Head Mistress replied: "Oh! It is a special little fund so that we can afford a rather better speaker next year!"

The Earl of Waldegrave, KG, GCVO, TD, DL

- Q. Name a well known husband and wife in the Bible?
- A. Dan and Beersheba.
- Q. No.
- A. I forgot, Sir ... of course, they weren't properly married ... what about Sodom and Gomorrah?

Sir James Hanson, Kt

The difference between political beliefs:

SOCIALISM: You have two cows, and you give one to your neighbour.

COMMUNISM: You have two cows, the government takes both of them and gives you the milk.

BUREAUCRACY: You have two cows, the government takes both of them, shoots one of them, milks the other and pours the milk down the drain.

CAPITALISM: You have two cows, you sell one of them and buy a bull.

Tom Benyon. MP

A man went to stay at a hotel in Workington. On the second day he rang room service: "Please send me some tepid coffee, some soggy toast, a raw egg and some warm orange juice."

"Sir, I am afraid we don't provide that sort of breakfast, we are a 4-star hotel."

"Why not? You did yesterday!"

DIGESTIFS

We are delighted to offer the following selection of Cognac, Armagnac and Calvados, all 25ml measures.

ARMAGNAC

JANNEAU V.S.O.P.	3.15
CHATEAU DE PELLEHAUT 15 YR OLD	7.85

COGNAC

MARTELL V.S.	3.15
COURVOISIER V.S.	3.15
REMY MARTIN V.S.O.P.	3.75
FINE DE COGNAC HENNESSY	6.75
HENNESSEY X.O.	8.50
REMY MARTIN XO SPECIAL	8.75

CALVADOS

GRAND SOLAGE DE BOULARD

3.15

Using up to 120 different apple varieties in the production of this double distilled Calvados results in the sought after depth and richness.

LIQUEURS 3.50

Amaretto	Archers	Baileys	Benedictine
Cointreau	Crème de Menthe	Drambuie	Glayva
Grand Marnier	Kahlua	Kummel	Malibu
Sambucca	Sloe Gin	Southern Comfort	Tia Maria

LIQUEUR COFFEES 4.75

Irish (Whisky)	Royale (Brandy)
Calypso (Tia Maria)	Orange (Grand Marnier)
Jamaican (Dark Rum)	Caribbean (White Rum)
Normande (Calvados)	Monks (Benedictine)
Russian (Vodka)	Bella Casse (Sambucca)

WHISKY SELECTION

3.60 per 25ml

Malt Whisky

Single malt whisky has a precise definition. All of the whisky in the bottle was produced in the same distillery, exclusively from malted barley. It is infused with water, fermented with yeast and distilled in a pot still. The water is the key to giving each whisky its character. It is influenced by the rock in which it rises, hence descriptions such as minerally (from the rock), heathery, grassy, sweet (from the moor land), smoky (from the peat in the soil), salty/sea weedy (from coastal influences).

Single malts are defined by their area of origin.

The English Whisky Company St Georges Distillery, Roudham, Norfolk

Chapter 6

A rare single malt whisky.

We had the pleasure of visiting the English Whisky Company in Roudham, Norfolk. The tour was extremely interesting and we found it not only educational but it was delivered with passion by the team. The spirit is matured in barrels used only once in the production of Jim Bean whisky made by Ian Henderson and is the English Whisky Company's first single malt whisky.

Blended Whisky 2.50 per 25ml

Johnnie Walker Black Label: 12 year old blended whisky. Unique character with a smooth taste.

The Famous Grouse Bells 8 year old Canadian Club

BOURBONSIRISHSOUR MASHJim BeamJameson'sJack DanielsWild Turkey 8 Year oldBush Mills

THE HIGHLANDS

The Highlands are the biggest region and embrace the wildest variations of style which encompass light peatiness in the West, heathery, spicy tones in the North and fruit in the East and Mid-Highlands.

Macallan: 10 year old single malt

A rich, smooth, mellow flavour marrying aromas of autumn fruits with hints of spices including cinnamon and nutmeq.

Dalwhinnie: 15 year old Northern Highland malt

Firm and rich, very smooth, heathery, honey and malt sweetness with a long, delicate and heathery finish.

Glenfiddich: 10 year old single malt

Produced exclusively with pure water drawn from the crystal clear Robbie Dhen Springs. Dry, malty and mellow.

Glenlivet: 12 year old single malt

A light subtle bouquet and a mellow rounded flavour.

Glenmorangie: 10 year old single malt

A light sweet, flowery, spicy malt with hints of cream and butter.

Highland Park: 12 year old single malt

All the way from the Orkney Islands involving well peated malt. Succulent with smoky dryness and heather finish.

Oban: 14 year old Western Highland malt

Rich and smooth, smooth dry smoked, fruity undertones with a long, smooth aromatic finish.

Talisker: 10 year old Isle of Skye malt

Full and firm, smoky with peaty ruggedness with a long, lingering finish.

THE LOWLANDS

The Lowlands are a great place to start exploring malt whiskies as they are generally soft and delicate without any strong flavour influences.

Glenkinchie: 10 year old single malt

A delicate nose and a clean fresh aroma with lots of complexity. Aromatic, grassy and gentle warming.

ISLAY

This peaty, wind lashed island is only 25 miles long and has 8 distilleries. It is a very characteristic malt with tones of seaweed, iodine and salt.

Bunnahabhain: 10 year old single malt

Soft, mellow whisky of great character and distinction with a hint of peat. Nutty and refreshing.

Lagavulin: 16 year old malt

Firm and robust, dry, peaty smoky with salty undertones and a peaty, singular finish.

Laphroaig: 10 year old single malt

Malted barley is dried over a peat fire. The smoke from the peat, found only on this island, enriches the seaweedy flavour.

THE HOSTE ARMS COLLECTION OF PUDDING WINES

THE WILLI OPITZ SWEET WINE COLLECTION

AWARDED IN 1997 LATE HARVEST WINE MAKER OF THE YEAR

glass 125 ml

914 GOLDACKERL 2008 Willi Opitz

13.00 half 39.00

Beerenauslese, Austria

A beautiful rich dessert wine with flavours of peaches and honey. Made by Austria's finest wine maker.

920 GOLDACKERL 2000

half **58.00**

Trockenbeerenauslese

A wonderful intense rich and luscious dessert wine from one of Austria's premier wine makers. A blend of Welschriesling and Schruebe. These grapes were picked at the end of October and were 98% affected by the noble rot. Possibly one of the most beautiful dessert wines you may ever taste. Pure nectar.

919 PINOT GRIS 2006 Willi Opitz

half **63.00**

Trockenbeerenauslese, Austria

The most beautifully made sweet wine from grapes affected by the noble rot. Really sweet and rich on the palate. Akin to drinking silk stockings.

921 GEWURZTRAMINER 1998 Willi Opitz

half **68.00**

Trockenbeerenauslese

Honeyed, very aromatic, opulent, a wine of immense class and breeding. Near perfection as far as dessert wine making is concerned.

918 OPITZ ONE 2007 Vin de Paille

half **71.00**

Willis' masterpiece, a red sweet wine of truly outstanding quality. The grapes were picked in August, laid out on reed mats and pressed in the following March. A wine of such great character, it should be tasted at least once in every lifetime.

PUDDING WINES

glass 125ml

MUSCAT BEAUME de VENISE 2011 911 **Rhone, France**

7.00 half **21.00**

Muscat honeyed aromas of flowers and exotic fruit with flavours of mango, dried apricots, melon and peach abound on the palate. As an aperitif it can accompany foie gras, soft goats cheese and perfect with fruit driven puddings.

915 **RUTHERGLEN MUSCADELLE Chambers Rosewood Vineyard** 8.00 half 24.00 Victoria, Australia

After emigrating from Norfolk the first William Chambers established Vineyards in Rutherglen in 1858. Now the fifth generation Bill Chambers is the winemaker, and produces one of Australia's favourite sweet wines. Aromas of macerated raisons and candied peel tease the taste buds, which follows through with hints of citrus on the finish.

912 **ELYSIUM BLACK MUSCAT 2010 Quady Winery, California**

9.00 half 26.00

This classic black Muscat is a natural partner for blue cheeses and desserts which contain red fruits, vanilla or dark chocolate. The rose-like aroma led to the name Elysium - Greek for heaven. Lusciously delicious.

913 PETER LEHMANN, BOTRYTIS SEMILLON 2009 **Barossa Valley Australia**

9.00

half 27.00

This is made from the Semillon grapes which have been affected by noble rot, as in Sauternes. The result is a delicious dessert wine with fresh honeyed layers of citrus fruit and apricots. It is a perfect accompaniment to a creamy blue cheese or a warm winter pudding.

CHAMPAGNE DUVAL-LEROY LADY ROSÉ N.V. Demi-Sec **521**

half 33.00

This beautiful, deep salmon-pink Rosé is blended to meet the need for a Champagne suitable to accompany desserts. It has a delicate red fruits aroma and a medium dry finish with a good bottle age.

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RED BURGUNDY

615	BROUILLY 2011	175ml 8.00	250 ml 11.00	29.00
	Chateau de Bagnois, Beaujolais Sweet summer fruits and ripe cherries in abundance. The Gamay grais deeply fruity and aromatic with hints of spice on the finish.	аре		
614	FLEURIE 2010 HENRY FESSY To many, Fleurie is the tops when it comes to Cru Beaujolais and this example of how a good Fleurie should be. Words such as floral, vibra smooth and velvety are all valid in describing this very approachable	ant, fru		30.00
612	GIVRY ROUGE le Préféré du Roi Henri IV 2009 Remoissenet Pere et Fils Warm soft aromas of ripe red berry fruit – almost floral – with a gent spice that is echoed on the palate. Aromatic with a sleek mouthfeel.	le		31.00
618	COTES de BEAUNE VILLAGES 2008 Olivier Leflaive The Cotes de Beaune can certainly produce some extremely good rec Frank Grux the winemaker at Olivier Leflaive has certainly made a sue with this wine. The grapes come from the lovely sleepy village of St and beautiful Pinot Noir characteristics shows through in the glass.	ccess	5.	44.00
619	BEAUNE 2005 1er Cru Les Greves Domaine Guillemard-Pothien A very great year for red Burgundy. Pure flavours of Pinot Noir shine This Domaine produces really outstanding wines.	throu	gh.	57.00
623	NUITS ST GEORGES CUVÉE 2007 Le Petit Arlot The vines of Nuits St Georges are considered to be one of the richest powerful of the Cote de Nuits. The vines here produce complex, vibr fruited flavour wines with explosive bouquets and tastes that seem to	ant, so	oft	65.00
625	VOLNAY 2006 Louis Boillot and Fils A wine that has been produced with pure quality in mind. Elegant with fine Pinot Noir structure. A real food lovers wine.			66.00
620	CORTON DOMAINE GRAND CRU 2003 Louis Latour This wine is blended from different parcels across the Corton Vineyar balanced and powerful wine with fine tannins. A true expression of F			67.00
621	MOREY SAINT-DENIS 2007 Domaine Dujac This is a marvellous wine! Classic Pinot Noir. Intense and long in the tremendous refinement. This is Morey with a depth of colour and ge palate.			73.00

RED BURGUNDY

631 **CHARMES CHAMBERTAIN Grand Cru 2008** 87.00

Bertrand Maume

Situated in the heart of Cote de Nuits a superb Grand Cru from a worthy grower. Plenty of cherry and raspberry fruit with a lovely concentration and glorious Pinot finish.

632 **GEVREY CHAMBERTIN 1ER CRU 2006**

106.00

Domaine Rossignol-Trapet

The wines from Domaine Rossignol-Trapet are consistently superb. Lovely density of fruit with firm tannins and a powerful structure that has aged well and is now drinking at its best. A beautifully balanced wine with real finesse and a soft mellow finish.

634 LA TACHE DOMAINE DE LA ROMANEE CONTI 1976

705.00

On a visit to Burgundy we were amazed to discover that this small vineyard of seven hectares is the most expensive piece of land in the world. Yields are very low and at harvest time all the grapes are individually examined before winemaking begins. Clive Coates wrote 'The scariest, most expensive and frequently the best wine in the world ... if you can lay your hands on a case – and that is a big 'if".'

HALF BOTTLES

754 BEAUJOLAIS 2010 19.00 half

Domaine Chatelus de la Roche

A delicious Domaine bottled Beaujolais from the Chatelus family. Masses of fruit on the nose and palate – full and mouthfilling.

756 FLEURIE DOMAINE JEAN TETE 2009 21.00 half

La Bonne Dame

Domaine Robert Arnoux

Vivid in colour with aromas of raspberries and cherry stone elegance of flavour.

759 HAUTES COTES DE BEAUNE 2008 27.00 half

Clos de la Perrieres, Domaine Guillemard-Pothier

Striking redcurrant aromas, fresh and lively on the palate with good structured tannins and a broad round finish.

MAGNUMS

NUITS ST GEORGES 2006 743 99.00

An immediate impression of noticeable oak, but integration is sensitive. A real savoury note to it, fruit is well defined with a glorious heady fragrance.

The Hoste Arms are proud to offer a full listing of all the 1er Cru Classe Chateaux of 1855

The First Growths of Bordeaux are the greatest, most desirable and longest lived wines in the world. Four of the five marked out in the original 1855 classification with Mouton Rothschild joining in 1972. The Bordeaux first growths are unique as a set of wines. They are of the highest quality and subject to worldwide demand. Due to the massive interest and investment from the Far East and in particular China it has considerably pushed up the auction prices of these stunning wines, which sadly puts them out of reach of many diners. However, although the auction prices have gone up we are happy to list the following at cost price.

636 **CHATEAU LAFITE ROTHSCHILD 1995** 690.00 1er Cru Classe, Pauillac Deservedly a top first growth of famous elusive perfume and style, but never huge weight. This great vintage will keep for decades even though it is difficult to find as auction prices are spiralling out of control. Enjoy! **CHATEAU LATOUR 1989** 655 347.00 1er Cru Classe, Pauillac C A classic wine but still retaining great finesse. Its very deep colour accurately reflects the immense structure and hugely concentrated flavour of this wine. Magnificent spicy fruit flavours supported by creamy oak and ripe tannins, incomparable finesse. 656 **CHATEAU MARGAUX 1986** 490.00 C 1er Cru Classe Margaux Showing the full masculinity of the Margaux commune the 86 Margaux never ceases to amaze. Very spicy and oakey. A big fruity wine with a finish that seems to never end. **CHATEAU MOUTON ROTHSCHILD 1982 657** 1,250.00 C 1er Cru Classe **Pauillac** Mouton always makes excellent wines in poorer years, but in years like this you can see why it was promoted to first growth status in 1972. With power and depth beyond imagination it is truly awesome. **CHATEAU HAUT BRION 1998** 654 305.00 C 1er Cru Classe Pessac Leognan Most definitely outstanding value for a first growth wine. The only non Medoc wine to be classified in the 1855 classification. Haut Brion has a unique feel about it. On the palate a minerally hot-pebbley taste with a touch of gingery spice.

HALF AND MAGNUMS

760 CHATEAU BELGRAVE 2008 5th Cru Classe Haut Medoc Always a solid performer, this is a lovely cassis and sappy Cabernet nose with a soft mellow finish. 744 CHATEAU TRONQUOY-LALANDE 2007 Saint-Estephe half 34.00 magnum 88.00

Predominately Merlot with an attractive lush nose of blackberry, cherry and oaky aromas. Nicely rich and forward, ready to drink now, but no rush.

BORDEAUX

175 ml 250 ml **CHATEAU DE L'HOSTE 2009 VIEILLES VIGNES** 27.00 635 7.00 9.00 Bordeaux Superieur Won a Gold Medal in Paris 2010 We were thrilled to find this classic Bordeaux vintage and offer it as our 'house claret'. Predominately made from merlot 55% and 45% cabernet sauvignon and aged for 12 months in French oak barrels. Cassis, pepper and soft red fruit flavours abound on the palate which are nicely followed by a mellow smooth spicy finish. 630 **CHATEAU NICOT 2008** 27.00 Soft, blackcurrant fruit with a pleasing oaky finish. A classic smooth easy drinking claret. 637 **CHATEAU FLEUR DE LISSE 2007** 33.00 St Emilion This top vintage Merlot-Cabernet Franc blend is ready to drink now. The fruit has ripe black cherry aromas, medium bodied with a soft tannin finish. 175 ml 250 ml 633 2nd WINE of CHATEAU CANTENAC BROWN 2008 10.00 13.00 42.00 Margaux, Bordeaux This classic Margaux is the sumptuous second wine of this great Third Growth Chateau. Beautifully rich and concentrated, with lovely gentle aromatics of spicy cedar cassis. Enjoy classed growth quality and style without the cost. 642 **CHATEAU BATAILLEY 2006** 61.00 5th Cru Classe, Pauillac Named after a battle that took place on the property over 600 years ago between the French and English. An old style Pauillac with a deep colour and good blackcurrant fruit with a touch of cedar. 643 **CHATEAU DU DOMAINE d L'EGLISE 2004** 64.00 **Pomerol** The predominance of Merlot in this blend gives the wine a velvety texture, ripe, plummy fruit and smooth fine tannins. 659 **CHATEAU PETRUS 1983** 649.00 **Pomerol** C 95% Merlot with exceptional depth, suppleness and complexity from a great vintage which has aged superbly. Petrus is a relatively small vineyard, producing quite outstanding wines, this being a classic situation of supply and demand. For many, it is the world's greatest wine. 658 **CHATEAU PETRUS 1994** 687.00 C **Pomerol** Unquestionably the best of the 94's. Rich and succulent yet soft and smooth. The essence of Merlot.

AUSTRIA is Willi Opitz

Austria's reputation is in the ascendant. However, at the very top, they will find Willi Opitz is already there. He took over the family's vineyards in 1980 and has developed them into top world class wines and from only 14 hectares he produces dry wines with wonderful balance, freshness and fruit. He produces wines from single varieties such as Pinot Noir – which is sensational. He produces sweet wines which are Botrytis – noble rot – affected. He is an innovator and a sheer genius in his attention to detail which shows through in his superb range of wines.

Willi was awarded **'Late Harvest Winemaker of the Year'** in 1997. His sweet wines are legendary and listed on page 36. The Goldackeral 2007 Beerenauslese (by the glass) is well worth tasting – pure nectar.

We were proud to meet Willi and his delightful wife Maria at a gourmet wine dinner held recently in his honour to taste several of his very approachable and well-structured wines. We were just bowled over by their intensity of fruit and flavour and Willi's very individual style. Just amazing and quite different to anything else we've tasted for a long time.

So we can share this special 'find' with you, we had to snap up several cases before he sold out!

If we seem somewhat extravagant with our superlative, once you have tasted, you may just see why. Enjoy!

689 ST. LAURENT 2006 46.00

This grape variety is from the same family as Pinot Noir, but perhaps with a little more spice and acidity. Fine wine indeed.

691 PINOT NOIR 2008 bottle
 761 A gorgeous Pinot Noir from an area not normally half bottle
 34.00

associated with this fickle grape variety. Willi Opitz has produced here a beautiful, rich, opulent wine. A must to try.

FRENCH COUNTRY WINE

175 ml 250 ml

611 MERLOT 2011 TERRE DU SOLEIL 5.00 7.00 19.00

Southern France

Velvet texture with quite simple, yet classic, juicy Merlot fruit flavours to the fore. Lovely sweet berry fruit aromas are carried through to a soft plummy finish.

175 ml 250 ml

613 PINOT NOIR DOMAINE DE VALMOISSINE 2010 7.00 9.00 27.00

Louis Latour Burgundy

"This stunning wine is easily the greatest Vin de Pays Pinot Noir produced . . . its not cheap for a Vin de Pays, but it is better than many Burgundies twice its price" – New Sotherby's Wine Encyclopaedia, by Tom Stevenson

RHONE AND PROVENCE

667 COTES DU RHONE 2010 27.00

Camille Cayran

Mellow, soft spicy fruit with a classic peppery-Rhone character.

670 CHATEAUNEUF DU PAPE 2008 56.00

ANDRE BRUNEL

Traditionally considered to be the best reds in the Southern Rhone. Up to 13 grape varieties can be used though purists favour Grenache. This is made from 70% old Grenache vines, 10% Syrah and 20% Mouvedre, showing a rich and spice flavour followed through with mellow tannins.

671 COTIE ROTIE BRUNE ET BLONDE GUIGAL 2005 75.00

Translated is 'roasted slope'. There are two mains slopes, Cote Brune and Cote Blonde, the Brunes soil produces firm robust wine, while the lighter soil of Blondes make elegant and soft wine. Strong tannins predominate until the wine airs out and then you get the typical Syrah flavours of meat and olives with a touch of tar and leather. A real meaty wine.

HALF BOTTLES

751 COTES DU RHONE 2010 half 15.00

Domaine des Violettes

Red damson berry fruit which has hints of cracked black pepper and a fresh mid-palate.

FAMOUS DRINKING QUOTATIONS

What is the definition of a good wine? It should start and end with a smile.

William Sokolin

Let us have wine and women, mirth and laughter, Sermons and soda water the day after. **Lord Byron**

ITALY

23.00

MONTEPULCIANCO D'ABRUZZO 2010

	Fresh and herbaceous with sweet fruit on the palate. It is well balanced with good acidity and a soft rounded pleasing finish.	
676	REFOSCO ISONZO 'PUCINO' DOC 2010 – COLLAVINI Friuli Venezia Giulia The Refosco grape is unique to North West Italy. It is flavoursome and age worthy, medium bodied with a soft blackberry nose with a juicy plummy spicy mellow finish. A really unusually grape variety and well worth tasting.	28.00
677	CASTIGIONI CHIANTI DOCG 2010 Marchesi de' Frescobaldi, Tuscany A fine example from this famous wine region. Aromas of sweet tobacco and berries.	29.00
681	'GROSSO AGONTANO' ROSSO CONERO RISERVA DOC 2007 Delicious complex flavour of ripe red berries, aromas of cherries and delicate spicy vanilla tones of oak, mingle well together. Made from 100% Montepulciano grapes this wine is well structured with silky tannins and a lovely balanced finish.	35.00
679	BAROLO VIGNA LA ROSA DOCG FONTANAFREDDA 1996 From the Piedmont region, Italy's Pauillac. Sweet and smoky on the nose with supplementary scents of sweet liquorice, saddle leather, and kirsch, it is a warm, mouth filling example of Barolo – sizeable and intense, but balanced and round as we The power is kept well in check by the sweetness of the fruit and the polish of the tallocation.	

FAMOUS DRINKING QUOTATIONS

Alcohol may be man's worst enemy, but the bible says love your enemy. **Frank Sinatra**

The problem with the World is that everyone is a few drinks behind. **Humphrey Bogart**

In water one sees ones own face, But in wine one beholds the heart of another.

French Proverb

669

SPAIN

683 RIOJA Crianza Rivallana 2009

175ml 250 ml

Ondarre

6.00 8.00 22.00

THE classic red wine from Spain. A delicious palate of red berry fruit subtly oaked with an appealing mellow finish.

685 RIOJA RESERVA 2005

42.00

Marques de Murrieta

A tempranillo based classic. A beautiful bouquet of spice is married to a rapidly fruity and immensely appealing palate.

688 ARTADI Pagos Viejos Reserva 1999

80.00

Artadi is one of the most sought after estates in Rioja and all the wines are sold on allocation. It began life as a small co-operative in the mid 80s and then winemaker Juan Carlos completed a buyout of the company in the mid 90's. Since then the quality has improved so much that Robert Parker gave 95+ points for his top wines. The 1999 is a slightly lighter very graceful wine. A lovely multi layered palate of berry fruit and a touch of chocolate. Very good indeed.

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740 ONDARRE RESERVA Rioja 2005

56.00

A delicious palate of red fruit which is weighty yet not heavy, concentrated yet not extracted. A great find for this good vintage.

FAMOUS DRINKING QUOTATIONS

Wine makes a man more pleased with himself: I do not say that it makes him more pleasing to others. Samuel Johnson
An intelligent man is sometimes forced to be drunk to spend time with his fools. Ernest Hemingway
I have taken more out of alcohol than alcohol has taken out of me.

Bottle of mine, it's you I've always wanted! Bottle of mine, why was I ever decanted? Skies are blue inside of you The weather's always fine For There ain't no Bottle in all the World Like that dear little Bottle of mine. **Aldous Huxley** – British/American writer

Winston Churchill

AUSTRALIA

175 ml 250 ml 696 **SHIRAZ CABERNET MULLYGRUBBER 2010** 5.00 7.00 20.00 Warburn Estate, Australia Aromas of red and black fruit on the nose precede a soft palate flowing with blackberry and damson flavours with hints of spice. A Mullygrubber is Australian slang for an unplayable ball in cricket! 701 **LARRY CHERUBINO Shiraz 2010** 29.00 Ad Hoc Middle of Everywhere, Frankland River, Western Australia Voted the Australian Winery of the Year 2012 by James Halliday is an amazing achievement for this dynamic winemaker. His wines are very un-Australian and set a new style benchmark for this country. This cool-climate red is a WOW for this price and 100% Shiraz. Inviting, oaky nose as the palate offers a soft warm 'hug' of berry fruit with a smooth mellow finish. **THREE GARDENS 2010** 697 37.00 Shiraz Grenache Mourvedre Langmeil, Barossa Valley A really stunning blend of Chateauneuf du Pape grape varieties, rich, round and just so, so appealing. 698 **CAPE MENTELLE CABERNET-MERLOT 2007** 39.00 **Margaret River, Western Australia** Shows off cassis fruit from the Cabernet and plum and cherry from the Merlot. Fruit is supported by a touch of oak. Coming from the cooler climate of Western Australia it is reminiscent of a 'European' style red. 702 **TEN MINUTES BY TRACTOR 10X PINOT NOIR 2010** 44.00 **Mornington Peninsula** We were honoured to have the esteemed wine maker of 10X, Martin Spedding at The Hoste recently to taste the full range of his Chardonnays and Pinot Noirs. This Pinot Noir is characterised by an elegant combination of red berries, cherries and spice with enticing complicity. Given 5**** by James Halliday 'Outstanding Wines of Exemplary Quality and Typicity'. 700 **FIFTH WAVE GRENACHE 2007** 58.00 **Langmeil, Barossa Valley** A stunning wine, rich and concentrated. Vigorous fruit flavours, a compelling Grenache. **703 PENFOLDS 'GRANGE' SHIRAZ 2003** 232.00 Widely known as Australia's "First Growth" and Penfolds' 'flagship' wine. Typically aged for 19 months in new American oak, 'Grange' shows great concentration, balance and powerful berry-fruit aromas, with blueberry at the core. **NEW ZEALAND** 706 **CLOUDY BAY 2009 PINOT NOIR Marlborough** 43.00 This intensely varietal palate reveals layers of red fruits, dried herbs and cherry oak.

With a silky texture and savoury flavours this Pinot Noir is now firmly in the light, delicate camp and loses nothing for it. Think Beaune and you will get the idea –

pale hue and fine fragrance with fine-grained tannins.

THE AMERICAS CALIFORNIA

710 CALERA MOUNT HARLAN PINOT NOIR 2006 Mills Vinevard

68.00

The man with the studded jacket, Josh Jensen is a Californian wine legend. A confirmed Burgundy-phile, Josh scoured California in search of a limestone-rich, cool climate site to recreate the Cote d'Or. In 1974 he found Mount Harlan, 90 miles south of San Francisco and planted Pinot Noir. More than three decades on, Calena is recognised as one of California's very best producers, as Robert Parker says Calera is "one of the most compelling Pinot Noir specialists not only in the New World, but on Planet Earth that this property more than any other Californian property deserves to be recognised as Grand Cru."

711 OPUS ONE 2004

240.00

Robert Mondavi – Baron Philippe de Rothschild

Predominately Cabernet Sauvignon, Opus One is a wine of exceptional depth and vigour. Amazing soft bramble fruit, eucalyptus and ginger with a soft oaky finish. America's first cult wine.

CHILE

728 CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2010 ECHEVERRIA

21.00

Molina, Curico Vallev

From the same stable as the award winning Carmenere, this estate uses only its own grapes to ensure high and consistent quality. A deep ruby red with aromas of mulberries and cassis and subtle vanilla from gentle oak ageing with a delicious soft mellow finish.

729 CARMENERE 2010 ECHEVERRIA

23.00

Awarded Best Carmenere in The Chilian Wine Challenge.

An old Bordeaux varietal Carmenere until a few years ago was mistaken for Merlot. Displays silky, rich fruit with attractive aromas of mulberry, plum and soft spice.

730 ALMAVIVA 2007

109.00

This is the Tete de Cuvee from Chile and ranks as one of the finest Cabernet Sauvignons in the world. Established in 1996 by Baron Philippe de Rothschild of Chateau Rothschild, this is a blend of the classic Bordeaux varieties. Almaviva is the result of the triumphant union of Old World and New. Intense, succulent cassis fruit wrapped in ripe, finely grained tannins. A palate of pure class – charming, yet reserved aromas.

HALF BOTTLE

752 CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2010

18.00

Montes, Chile

A superb nose, packed with cassis fruit gives way to layers of beautiful rich fruit on the palate and a pleasing balance of tannins.

ARGENTINA

731 MALBEC 2011

21.00

Michel Torino, Salta

Now widely planted in Argentina, the Malbec grape produces plummy, silky-peppery wines with great depth of flavour. Michel Torino is one of the top producers and a leading light in the move towards organic wine in Argentina.

WARWICK ESTATE WINES STELLENBOSCH, SOUTH AFRICA

Trilogy has been the flagship of Warwick Estate for almost 20 years. A wine that has claimed more awards, accolades and recognition than most wines can ever hope for. Trilogy strikes a careful balance between early accessibility and classic ageing potential. The Ratcliffe family are justifiably proud of this bold and provocative wine – a South African classic.

721 'OLD BUSH VINES' PINOTAGE 2009 STELLENBOSCH

31.00

This wine has a plum garnet colour with a complexity of fruits on the nose. A lively Pinotage sweetness balanced by careful wood ageing, plenty of ripe fruit and a spicy finish. The wine is big, yet accessible.

722 THREE CAPE LADIES 2008 STELLENBOSCH

32.00

A blend of Cabernet Sauvignon, Pinotage and Merlot, the Cabernet nose is pleasantly dominant, the Pinotage is soft and sweet while the Merlot offers a subtle spiciness full on the palate with a sweetness on the finish. This blend brings the best of Pinotage to the classic French varieties. Rated by Wine Spectator as one of the top 25 best value wines in the world with 92 out of 100 points.

720 TRILOGY 2008 STELLENBOSCH

35.00

A blend of the three classic Bordeaux varietals – Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot and Cabernet Franc. Trilogy was recently rated as one of the top 10 wines in the UK by Tom Cannavan. Referred to as a 'blockbuster' by Robert Joseph in The Telegraph and also receiving an incredible 91 points from Wine Spectator – Trilogy will be sure to please even the most discerning pallet.

VILAFONTE

Michael Ratcliffe's amazing new project Vilafonte in the Paarl-Simonsberg region is a partnership with Zelma Long the wine maker and Philip Freese the wine grower who created Opus One in California. These two wines we feel are two of the greatest finds in the world outside France.

724 VILAFONTE SERIES M 2006 PAARL

50.00

39% Merlot, 16% Malbec, 41% Cabernet Sauvignon and 4% Cabernet Franc. Inviting and sensuous with a firm fruit finish. The tannins are firm in the finish balanced by the fruit and fruit sweetness.

725 VILAFONTE SERIES C 2007

61.00

5 Stars In John Platter Wine Guide 2009

Michael Ratcliffe's amazing new project Vilafonte in the Paarl-Simonsberg region is a partnership with Zelma Long the wine maker and Philip Freese the wine grower who created Opus One in California. 82% Cabernet Sauvignon, 9% Merlot, 7% Cabernet Franc and 2% Malbec. A refined and concentrated wine with strong fruit weight and rich tannins. Deep black fruit and complexity are hallmarks of this wine.

SOUTH AFRICA

712 **SPICE ROUTE CHAKALAKA Malmesbury 2009** 31.00 (Shiraz Mourvedre and Grenache) **5 Stars Decanter SA Red Rhone Varieties Tasting 2009** Elegant, bright, balanced dark autumn fruits. Ripe, forward and moreish. Incredibly well integrated fruit, oak, spice in harmony and balance. 716 **SOUTHERN RIGHT VINEYARDS PINOTAGE 2008** 31.00 Founded by Anthony Hamilton Russell in 1994, the vineyard is situated next to Hamilton-Russell in Walker Bay. Southern Right's aim is to produce a serious, ageworthy Pinotage combining the native distinctive flavours with this early ripening grape and cooler climate. Once best described as 'rustic', Pinotage (a cross between Pinot Noir and Cinsault grapes) is now seriously well made. Spicy, mellow ripe fruit with a plummy character. 717 **TOKARA CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2008** 32.00 **Stellenbosch** The nose is pure Cabernet fruit, with great depth of flavour. Plums, blackberries, and lead pencil to the fore, are nicely followed by aromas of dark chocolate. The wine is only now hitting its stride, with firm yet rounded tannins and a mellow finish. 732 **RUSTENBERG ESTATE JOHN X MERRIMAN 2008** 34.00 A blend of Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot with a hint of Cabernet Franc, the wine is matured in barriques for twenty months. Complex and multi-layered flavours of cracked pepper, chocolate covered cherry fruit followed by supple rounded tannins. 736 **MEERLUST ESTATE MERLOT 2007 Stellenbosch** 42.00 A classy Merlot, aromatic perfumed rose of soft berry fruits. Well balanced, plummy flavours set off with a hint of mint and gentle oak. Smooth, soft and mellow. 738 **BOEKENHOUTSKLOOF 2010 Franschoek The Chocolate Block** 47.00 A Hedonist's delight. This multi-layered sensory experience of Syrah grapes has aroma of red fruits, creamy vanilla oak and grated dark chocolate on the nose. The palate is medium bodied full of cherries and spice and ... Ahh that's where it gets its name from – finish is long and mocha like and gives the same sensation one gets after eating a high cocoa content (80% or more) dark chocolate! Superb quality to rival top Bordeaux.

SOUTH AFRICA

714	THELEMA – THE MINT CABERNET 2008 5 Stars John Platter Wine Guide 2009 On a visit to Thelema Vineyards we were knocked out by the range and diversity of wines made, but our favourite was this award winning Cabernet. Concentrated cassis, mocha and dark chocolate flavours springs to the fore, with a distinctive fresh mint character – absolutely perfect with roast lamb or roasted saddle of springbok!	41.00
737	MEERLUST ESTATE – RUBICON 2007 STELLENBOSCH A highly rated Bordeaux blend, akin to a red berry confit with smoky, spicy oak. Full bodied, mellow with subtle rounded tannins. It develops on the palate and leaves with a wonderfully satisfying melange of fruit and subtle oak flavours.	47.00
715	HAMILTON RUSSELL VINEYARDS PINOT NOIR 2009 The most southerly wine estate in Africa and closest to the sea is located in the cove, Maritime Walker Bay wine region. On a visit to the winery we tasted various vintages of Chardonnay and Pinot Noir and can see why the wines have a strong following around the world. The estate specialises in producing highly individual terroir driven Pinot Noir and Chardonnay which are widely regarded as the best in South Africa and rated highly in the New World. Full, well refined with a classy mineral tone, obvious oak, but integrated with excellent structure and balance.	47.00
726	Boschendal is an iconic South African wine estate with more than 300 years winemaking heritage to draw upon. We had the honour and pleasure of staying on the estate on our last visit in Cecil Rhodes cottage – which has been beautifully preserved with the original furniture and fittings – only the plumbing has been updated! Produced only in small quantities this is their flagship wine. A heady textured wine which is reminiscent of those southern Rhones. With aromas of sage, pepper, blackberries and liquorice. Complex yet elegant with balanced oak and soft tannins. A national treasure!	48.00
735	BOUCHARD FINLAYSON - GALPIN PEAK 2009, TETE DU CUVEE Pinot Noir Their flagship wine, Galpin Peak won a Gold Medal at the International Wine Challenge 2005. Easy to see why, seductive, with a creamy vanilla nose. Dripping with succulent berry fruit allied to juicy tannins. Drinking really well now.	54.00
733	RUSTENBURG PETER BARLOW CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2006 The Rustenberg flagship red wine named after Simon, the current owner's father. At a recent Decanter Magazine tasting of South African Cabernet Sauvignons this wine came fourth. It is a sensational wine with oodles of flavours covering cassis, mint, toasty coffee integrated with blackberries and herbal aromas.	57.00
727	ERNIE ELS 2010 Stellenbosch 5 Stars John Platter Wine Guide 2009 This Bordeaux blend is possibly the best leader in the field, skilfully put together to reflect the best of each vintage. Mellow flavours of dark fruited richness, of cigar box fine tannins and classy oak. Not over heavy but supple soft velvety texture. One bottle and you'll have a swing like him! From playing the international golf circuit to buying a wine farm, the 'Big Easy' takes it all in his wing. This wine is outstanding with a 93 point rating in US Wine Spectator.	71.00

MAGNUMS

740 ONDARRE RESERVA 2005 56.00

C Rioja

A delicious palate of red fruit which is weighty yet not heavy, concentrated yet not extracted. A great find for this good vintage.

744 CHATEAU TRONQUOY-LALANDE 2007 88.00 Saint-Estephe

Predominately Merlot with an attractive lush nose of blackberry, cherry and oaky aromas. Nicely rich and forward, ready to drink now, but no rush.

743 NUITS ST GEORGES 2006 99.00

Domaine Robert Arnoux

An immediate impression of noticeable oak, but integration is sensitive. A real savoury note to it, fruit is well defined with a glorious heady fragrance.

Johann Wolfgang Goethe, a famous German poet, once was asked which three things he would take to a desert island.

He stated "Poetry, a beautiful woman and enough bottles of the World's finest wines to survive this dry period!" Then he was asked what he would leave back first, if he was allowed to take only two things to the island. And he briefly replied: "The poetry!" Slightly surprised, the man asked the next question: "And Sir, what would you leave back if only one was allowed?" And Goethe thought for a couple of minutes and answered: "It depends on the vintage!"

I drank a bottle of wine for company. It was Chateau Margaux. It was pleasant to be drinking slowly and to be tasting the wine and to be drinking alone. A bottle of wine was good company.

Ernest Hemingway – American Author

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CHABLIS

175 ml 250 ml 410 **PETIT CHABLIS 2010** 8.00 11.00 32.00 **Domaine Jean Goulley & Fils** What a find! Jean Goulley produce consistently good wines each year with frequent awards. Fresh minerality and flavoursome without being too austere. A pleasing lift on the finish. Who says good Chablis has to be expensive? 405 **CHABLIS 2010** 35.00 **Domaine Bernard Defaix** This Chablis is beautifully made with fine racy freshness. The sublime mineral characteristics of Chardonnay is showing well with a steely, yet persistent richness of fruit. Perfect with oysters and all shell fish. WHITE BURGUNDY 412 **MACON LUGNY Les Genievres 2010** 27.00 **Louis Latour** From a highly regarded producer in Beaune est for over 200 years. This elegant Chardonnay has fine minerality, nicely balanced with a touch of gentle oak on the finish. **BOURGOGNE CHARDONNAY 2009** 416 30.00 **Domaine Rene Monnier** A real gem and a great find from Cote de Beaune as this is a de-classified Meursault. The Monnier family have built up one of the largest private domains in Burgundy, owning 17 hectares of vineyards in the best crus. It has all the honey on the nose you would expect from certain parts of Meursault – but without the price tag. Barrel fermentation adds to the rich and complex flavours. 411 **ST VERAN 2009** 38.00 **Georges Burrier** A fine example from the Maconnais region, this St Veran has immense concentration of lovely ripe fruit in the form of apricots and peaches and an elegant fine minerality. Has good length with a creamy smooth finish. 414 **MACON QUINTAINE 2009** 41.00 **Domaine Guillemot-Michel** – *Bio-dynamic* Having tasted this recently at a dinner, I immediately snapped it up. Produced in the tiny hamlet of Quintaine in the village of Clesse just north of Macon. Wonderful rich Chardonnay with great balance, a truly outstanding wine. This is a bio-dynamic wine and the grapes were picked at 4 am to retain

415 MEURSAULT 2005 Louis Latour

47.00

We were privileged to be guests of Louis Latour in Beaune and we were given a tour of the vineyards, a wine tasting in their 18th century cellars followed by lunch with Louis Fabrice Latour the current owner of the Estate. Meursault wines are traditionally the most charming and approachable of the Côtes de Beaune. Vinified in oak to produce a rich rounded wine with a delightful toasty vanilla finish.

their freshness. A favourite of all at The Hoste.

WHITE BURGUNDY

POUILLY FUISSE 2009 413 48.00 **Cuvee Boivin Domaine Georges Burrier** This cuvee from the very heart of the Pouilly Fuisse vineyards has all the character and elegance associated with this fine wine growing area. Toasty, floral and complex with a good depth of flavour. ST-AUBIN PREMIER CRU 2006 417 57.00 **Domaine Alain Chavy** These fine vineyards are just north of Chassagne-Montrachet. A glorious heady fragrance, full of ripe generous fruit, with soft vanilla oakiness on the finish. A classy fine Premier Cru. 420 **PULIGNY-MONTRACHET 2008** 78.00 **Olivier Leflaive** Regarded as one of the superstars of Burgundy. Olivier Leflaive is a negociant and proprietor based in the village of Puligny. A beautifully made wine, bursting with ripe, buttery fruit and nutty flavours with a honeyed-toasty finish, superbly balanced lingering finish. A very exciting wine. **NUITS ST GEORGES 2003 1er Cru** 422 100.00 Clos de L'Arlot Domaine de L'Arlot Only 3% of the production of Nuits St Georges is in white wine. This example from Domaine de L'Arlot is stunning. A wine of great balance and complexity. 423 **BATARD-MONTRACHET 2004** 182.00 **Grand Cru. Olivier Leflaive** One of the great Grand Cru vineyards of the Côtes de Beaune. Batard produces creamy rich Chardonnay with power and wonderful complexity. A truly great wine. **LE MONTRACHET 2005** 424 328.00 **Olivier Leflaive** From a top Burgundy producer this 2005 vintage is very aromatic with a rather spicy bouquet with notes of citrus fruit and apricot. Soft, yet full bodied, its smooth velvety texture will seduce your palate and linger for a deliciously long time. HALF BOTTLES OF WHITE BURGUNDY 496 **CHABLIS 1er Vau De Vey 2009** 32.00 half **Domaine Jean Durup** Jean Durup believes that Chablis should be the true expression of Chardonnay. Therefore no oak barrels are used during the wine making process. Hence producing deliciously dry flinty wines which are a joy to drink. 498 **MONTAGNY 1er Cru 2008** 36.00 half **Domaine Feuillat-Juillot** A small family owned vineyard, this wine is beautifully made;

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well balanced with a flinty minerally nose and a generous palate

of clean elegant creamy fruit and a generous finish.

FRENCH COUNTRY

402	SAUVIGNON BLANC 2011 TERRE DU SOLEIL 5.00 7.00 Southern France	19.00
	A youthful light single varietal Sauvignon Blanc. Very appealing as easy drinking with delicious flavours of citrus melon and herbs with a clean finish.	
451	CHARDONNAY de L'Ardeche 2010 Maison Louis Latour This delicious wine is from the renowned Louis Latour stable and displays lovely mineral characteristics under a blanket of sunshine!	24.00
	<u>LOIRE</u>	
434	MUSCADET DE SERVE ET MAINE SUR LIE 2010 Bernard Chereau A delicious dry crisp palate is followed with a fresh fruity finish. To preserve optimum freshness the wine is bottled at the chateau directly from its lees, resulting in more weight and complexity. Wonderful with oysters and shellfish.	24.00
435	SANCERRE 2010 Domaine Gerard Millet Classic Sauvignon. Classic Sancerre. Appealing steely, flinty aromas followed through with a delicious clean zesty finish. A wine with great fragrance and elegance; a beautifully made wine.	33.00
438	VOUVRAY Cuvee de Silex 2011 Domaine des Aubuisieres Bernard Fouquet is without question Vouvray's finest producer. Enticing aromas herald an array of fruit flavours that linger on the palate. A tremendously appealing wine, not demi-sec, but just off dry. Delicious.	34.00
436	POUILLY FUME 2007 CHATEAU de TRACY A really top class wine with a fine, crisp freshness backed up by a wealth of grassy gooseberry fruit. The beautiful family owned estate dates back to 1396 when vines were first planted there.	41.00
854	SANCERRE ROSÉ Domaine Serge Laloue 2009 A delicate salmon pink colour made exclusively with Pinot Noir, this Rosé is lightly aromatic with a juicy nose of strawberries and hints of crushed leaves.	35.00
	HALF BOTTLES	
490	MUSCADET de SEVRE et MAINE 2009 Sur Lie, Domaine la Roche Renard, Loire A superb quality Muscadet, light, elegant and very refreshing, perfect with seafood.	20.00
491	SANCERRE 2010 Domaine Gerard Millet Classic Sauvignon. Classic Sancerre. Appealing steely, flinty aromas followed through with a delicious clean zesty finish. A wine with great fragrance and elegance; a beautifully made wine.	25.00

BORDEAUX

175 ml 250 ml 419 **CHATEAU DE L'HOSTE** 6.00 8.00 24.00 **CLASSIQUE ENTRE-DEUX-MERS BLANC 2011** This classic blend of Semillon and Sauvignon Blanc from Bordeaux is perfect as an aperitif and it suits shellfish and white meats too. It thrills the senses with a fabulous aromatic nose and palate which is layered with flavours of white stone fruits and an elegant minerality finish. **ALSACE** 427 **PINOT BLANC 2008** 33.00 **Trimbach** The house of Trimbach is amongst the most well respected in Alsace and in fact the whole of France. This Pinot Blanc is a lovely clean and refreshing wine; an excellent introduction to the wines of Alsace. 428 **PINOT GRIS 2010** 38.00 **Eugene-Meyer** The Pinot Gris grape variety is one of Alsace's top performing wines. Full and rich on the palate with wonderful hints of ripe fruit. Perfect with first courses, white meats and cheese. A superb vintage. 431 **GEWURZTRAMINER RESERVE 2005** 43.00 **Trimbach** The essence of Gewurztraminer. This Reserve wine is pure text book. Made from the Traminer grape (Gewurz meaning 'spice' in German). Rich, spicy and with fabulous opulence. A perfect match with spicy or oriental food. An ideal wine with smoked salmon. Glorious. 432 **RIESLING, CUVEE FREDERIC EMILE 1996** 75.00 **Trimbach** We tasted this 1996 vintage recently with the top Australian Riesling wine maker, Andrew Wigan, and he was bowled over by its beautifully matured nose and pure depth of golden colour. A bright aroma of quince and honey that begs to be inhaled slowly. On the tongue flavours range from fresh lemon juice and honey to paraffin and nut shells which seem to last forever. A fantastic, distinctive wine. **HALF BOTTLES** 494 **GEWURZTRAMINER 2009** half 23.00 **Trimbach** Supreme growers in Alsace this Gewurztraminer (Gewurz meaning spice in German) has all the hallmarks of traditional spiciness, but with a vitality that is quite unexpected. It is off-dry with lovely flavours of exotic fruit and full lingering finish. Perfect with all smoked food and Asian dishes. **500 RIESLING 2003** 46.00 half

The essence of Riesling, one of the finest examples in the world. A wine with such purity and expression of this fine grape variety. Sensational quality.

Cuvee Frederic Emile, Trimbach

GREECE

Biblia Chora - Macedonia

This is one of the newest estates on the Greek scene and with old established hands at the tiller who are two of the best white wine makers in Greece today. They make cutting edge, world class wine and as the vineyards are situated in the cool north of Greece, they are excellent growing conditions as it is a short distance from the sea which brings a maritime influence to the vineyards. The grapes are hand picked and the estate is organic, therefore producing pure, clean fruit driven white wines.

Awarded - **Decanter World Wine Awards Gold Medal 2010**

Jancis Robinson MW rated this wine higher than Larrivet Haut Brion, which sells at more than treble the price!

468 **OVILOS WHITE 2009**

35.00

A funky super fruity Greek take on White Graves. This delicious blend of Semillon Blanc and the local Assyrtiko grape give enticing aromas of peach and ginger and minty basil with a burst of fresh grapefruit and minerals. Wonderful weight and added texture on the palate. A tropical version of a White Graves.

AUSTRIA is Willi Opitz

This is probably **THE** find of the year – in fact, not even probably.

Austria's reputation is in the ascendant. However, at the very top, they will find Willi Opitz is already there. He took over the family's vineyards in 1980 and has developed them into top world class wines and from only 14 hectares he produces dry wines with wonderful balance, freshness and fruit. He produces wines from single varieties such as Pinot Noir - which is sensational. He produces sweet wines which are Botrytis - noble rot - affected. He is an innovator and a sheer genius in his attention to detail which shows through in his superb range of wines.

Willi was awarded 'Late Harvest Winemaker of the Year' in 1997. His sweet wines are legendary and listed on page 36. The Goldackeral 2007 Beerenauslese (by the glass) is well worth tasting - pure nectar.

We were proud to meet Willi and his delightful wife Maria at a gourmet wine dinner held recently in his honour to taste several of his very approachable and well-structured wines. We were just bowled over by their intensity of fruit and flavour and Willi's very individual style. Just amazing and guite different to anything else we've tasted for a long time.

White

467 **PINOT BLANC 2008**

39.00

Spatlese Trocken

A beautifully made wine from Austria's finest producer Willi Opitz. Just off dry, a wine with an amazing perfume. A real must to try.

466 **GEWURZTRAMINER 2009**

45.00

Spatlese Trocken Willi Opitz

The pure essence of the Gewurztraminer grape (Gewurz means 'spice' in German), intense and powerful, but not overblown. A wonderful mouthful of sumptuous, spicy exotic fruit. Perfectly balanced and is a perfect match with chicken liver parfait, shellfish and white ripe soft cheeses.

ITALY

		glass 175ml	glass 250 ml	
442	PINOT GRIGIO 2011 Umbria	5.00		21.00
	Classically styled it is dry, yet fruity with a sound mineral tone and depth.			
452	VERMENTINO-COSTA DI NUGOLA-FRESCOBALDI 2010 Tuscany			26.00
	The luscious Vermentino grape produced here reflects the warm terri of Tuscany and the coolness of the sea. Aromas of citrus leaf and wh peachy fruit follow through with a sweet ripe roundness, and a crisp full bodied finish. Excellent with shellfish and seafood.			
441	GAVI DI COMMUNE DEL GAVI, DOCG 2011 San Silvestro, Piedmont	7.00	9.00	27.00
	Made from the Cortese grape from the eponymous town of Gavi in Piedmont, Northern Italy. Perfect summer drinking, gorgeously from herbaceous aroma with pleasing mineral notes.	esh,		
444	SERRA FIORESE VERDICCHIO Dei Castelli di Jesi DOC 2005 Garofoli, Marche			32.00
	At a recent tasting in London this was Andrew's favourite by far. Sup of the range Verdicchio with excellent length and concentration. A penose with a lovely structure followed by a subtle stylish oak palate. A Burgundy alternative. "We must list this" he exclaimed.	erfumed		
447	(A seriously 'grown up') PINOT GRIGIO from Jermann 2010	.II		39.00
	An intense straw yellow colour with a faint tinge of old rose. Beautifu pure, elegant, floral Pinot Grigio. The bouquet is full and fruity. A to almonds and vanilla, a hint of fruit and spice on the palate, a smooth full-bodied white.	uch of		
445	JERMANN VINTAGE TUNINA FRIULI-VENEZIA GUILIAS IGT 2		Di lit	62.00
	This is an amazing blend of Chardonnay, Sauvignon Bianco, Ribolla, Nathernose is elegant with scents of honey. Dry soft and well balanced The individual character of each vintage of Tunina is carefully balance grape variety. A truly unusual white wine.	l with a f	ull body	'.
	<u>SPAIN</u>			
450	BASA 2010 Telmo Rodriquez A great find as this is the house wine at El Bulli. Ripe peach fruit with	n a crean	nv tovti	26.00
	is followed by a crisp acidity and a harmonious long delicate finish.	i a cicali	iy cent	
448	ALBARINO Serra da Estrela 2010 The small DO of Pias Baiyas situated in Gailicia in the north-west of S	nain ic h	omo	32.00
	The small DO of Rias Baixas situated in Gailicia in the north-west of S to the variety of Albarino. This wine has a rounded mineral flavour was a small property of Albarino.			

citrus tones and a fresh, balanced acidity. Perfect with fish and seafood.

SOUTH AFRICA

483	RESERVE CHENIN BLANC 2010 – KEN FORRESTER Stellenbosch	27.00
	Some say Ken Forrester is the master of Chenin Blanc and this reserve is a worthy testament. Trademark melon and peach flavours with masterly gentle oaking are smoothly finished with a lively crisp palate.	
478	RIESLING 2009 Sutherland Estate, Thelema, Elgin	28.00
	Delicate floral nose with a hint of honey, a mid weight palate with pure flavours and crisp acidity. A classic South African Riesling.	
481	GLEN CARLOU CHARDONNAY 2010 PAARL	30.00
	Gold Medal in Decanter Magazine Delicious balanced fruit and acidity with layers of lemon, lime, spicy tropical fruit with a punchy toasty oak finish.	1
482	IONA VINEYARDS SAUVIGNON BLANC 2011 ELGIN	30.00
	Winner of I.W.C. South African Sauvignon Blanc and White Wine Trophy 2008	
	This wine has an amazing aromatic nose showing fine mineral notes. The palate is extremely well balanced with classic characters of gooseberry and grapefruit. Very stylish and a justified winner.	
474	RUSTENBERG, CHARDONNAY 2010 Stellenbosch	37.00
	Winner of Decanter Trophy for Best S A Chardonnay Complex oatmeal, smoke, toffee, honeysuckle and cream bouquet with an elegant balanced finish and a good acidity that cuts through the rich creamy mouth feel.	
464	TOKARA 2010 Stellenbosch	41.00
	5 Star John Platter Guide 2008 Sauvignon Blanc with a splash of Semillon. A sumptuous offering of Sauvignon Blanc assertive herbal tinges and lush floral notes of the Semillon are balanced beautifully. Flavours of vanilla spice, crisp citrus and delicately toasted almond brioche abound. A true star.	c's
465	JORDAN ESTATE 2009 Nine Yards Chardonnay Reserve	43.00
	Stellenbosch	
	5 Star John Platter Guide 2005/2009 A statement of beautifully made 'burgundy' styled Chardonnay. Classically made in a modern vein, richly oaked, dry, ultra creamy texture of butterscotch, spicy cloves and a rich mouth feel of subtly balanced toasty French oak. A worthy winner.	5

WINNER OF SOUTH AFRICA WHITE WINE OF THE YEAR 2009

705	SADIE FAMILY PALLADIUS 2008 Malmesbury Tasting this wine recently was simply quite exceptional as the nose burst forward with aromas of a great white Bordeaux. This is a stunning blend of grape characters, Chenin Blanc, Viognier, Grenache Blanc and Chardonnay. Overall, the colour is pale gold, the nose is honeyed butterscotch, citrus and tropical fruit come through with a touch of herbal notes. On tasting it shows great length and rich elegant mouthfeel. Frankly, it is one of the best white wines I've tasted in a long time.	70.00 me.
	WARWICK ESTATE WINES	
469	'PROFESSOR BLACK' SAUVIGNON BLANC 2010 Stellenbosch In The Times, wine writer Jane MacQuitty lists her top 25 wines of the year — she refers to this Sauvignon as 'a spookily Sancerresque Sauvignon Blanc. With so much seductive, steely, floral, nettly finesse with the Pizzazz you would expect from a New World white'. We could not have put it better ourselves.	30.00
470	CHARDONNAY 2009 Stellenbosch Straw yellow with a green tinge, this wine opens with a full bouquet of lime and lemon-dominated citrus aromas. The palate is full, round and demonstrates a rich mixture of vanilla and citrus characters.	32.00
	HAMILTON RUSSELL VINEYARDS, HERMANUS	
480	SOUTHERN RIGHT VINEYARDS – HERMANUS SAUVIGNON BLANC 2011 This figgy, green fruited Sauvignon is intense and weighty and shows the familiar zingy cool-climate tone of the area – owned by Hamilton Russell.	25.00
479	HAMILTON RUSSELL CHARDONNAY 2010 John Platter Guide 5 Stars Rated best South African White Wine, with a track record by experts in South Africa's Grape Magazine poll. Delicately complex, well structured and a stony minerality, ringing freshness – 100% barrel fermented.	38.00
	BOUCHARD FINLAYSON ESTATE, HERMANUS	
527	BOUCHARD FINLAYSON SANS BARRIQUE CHARDONNAY 2007 Fresh white and tropical fruit is admirably restrained, yet the finish lasts and lasts.	31.00
526	BOUCHARD FINLAYSON SAUVIGNON BLANC 2010 Walker Bay A fresh, zingy wine with aromas of grass and gooseberries and hints of minerality on the palate.	32.00
528	BOUCHARD FINLAYSON CROCODILES LAIR CHARDONNAY 2010 Rich mineral, lemon fruit and vanilla palate which is round, textured and boosted by gentle use of oak. Lovely length.	35.00

AUSTRALIA

459	RESERVE CHARDONNAY TOOMA RIVER 2011 Australia	175ml 6.00	250 ml 8.00	22.00
	A soft, gentle, easy going Aussie Chardonnay, which punches above its weight. A clean lean styled food-friendly wine with a ripe richness	of fruit.		
462	JULIUS RIESLING EDEN VALLEY HENSCHKE 2007 The stature of Henschke Rieslings has rocketed in recent years with the of this great vine variety. The success of Julius is assured with this da 2006 vintage that reveals gentle citrus fruit flavours and a trace of 'market and the company of the citrus fruit flavours and the citrus flavours and citrus flavours and the citrus flavours and citrus	zzling, c	lean cu	ıt
461	PETER LEHMANN 'MARGARET' RESERVE SEMILLON 2005 International Semillon Trophy winner - Wine Maker of the Yea Andrew Wigan has produced a real stunning Semillon. Lively, fresh cit of macadamia nut characters are beginnings of a light smokiness as a	rus note	es with	
463	TEN MINUTES BY TRACTOR ESTATE CHARDONNAY 2009 Mornington Peninsula We were honoured to have the esteemed wine maker of 10X, Martin S The Hoste recently to taste the full range of his Chardonnays and Pino This Chardonnay punches above its weight, the full rich, yet gentle spi are complemented by soft French oak ageing. James Haliday awards S 'Outstanding Wines of Exemplary Quality and Typicity'.	t Noirs. cy flavo	urs	40.00
460	LEEUWIN ESTATE ART SERIES CHARDONNAY 2006 Margaret River, Western Australia 'On a world scale this is as good as Chardonnay ever gets anywhere of Burgundy. It strikes the quintessential balance between control and copower and finesse. Margaret River produces Australia's most complex and this wine sits at the very top' by Matthew Jukes – Best Wines of 20	oncentra Chardo		73.00
	NEW ZEALAND			
454	SAUVIGNON BLANC 2011 Bishop's Leap, Marlborough A cracking typical styled New Zealand Sauvignon from the award winn St Clair Estate. Distinctively Marlborough, this wine shows classic goos passion fruit and honeysuckle characters with a vibrant 'grassy' finish.	_	250 ml 9.00	27.00
456	GEWURZTRAMINER 2008 Lawson's Dry Hills, Marlborough <i>Silver Medal Decanter Awards 2007</i> Wonderful, elegant fragrant spicy nose. Very good varietal characters tropical fruit, and a rich palate with high acidity and vibrant perfumed		s of	31.00
455	CLOUDY BAY 2008 CHARDONNAY, Marlborough Wonderful aromas of peaches, nectarines and aromatic herbs. The sto follows through nicely to an aromatic and mineral finish. Partially ferm French oak barrels the finish is a rounded mellow creaminess on the to	ented ii		40.00
457	CLOUDY BAY 2011 SAUVIGNON BLANC, Marlborough Intensely concentrated grassy gooseberry Sauvignon. This is New Zea after wine with a dedicated following, so much so, that it is purely solo			47.00 ught

CALIFORNIA, CHILE AND ARGENTINA

489	CHATEAU MONTELANA 2009 Napa Valley Established in 1882 this historic winery produces outstanding and which are reminiscent to top white Burgundies. Highly regarded i quintessential Chardonnay, rubbing shoulders with the likes of Me Montrachet! This is the wine that won the infamous 'Judgement of It was a contest with nine French judges, drawn from an oenophil wines being judged were four white Burgundies against six Califor When the ballots were cast, the top scoring wine was Chateau Montrachet.	n Napa a ursault a of Paris' t le's Who': nian Cha	s the nd Bataro asting in s Who.	d 1976. The
486	CHILE UNOAKED CHARDONNAY ECHEVERRIA 2011			21.00
	Molina, Chile A delicious, cool, fermented and unoaked wine packed with melor citrus flavours. Pure fruit aromas abound with a lovely balance be tropical fruit and freshness.			
488	CHARDONNAY-SAUVIGNON 2009			26.00
	CORNELLANA, Curico Valley Cornellana recently won a Silver Medal at the International Wine of this beautifully made wine. Dry with lovely, rich Chardonnay flavor		for	
453	ARGENTINA VIOGNIER RESERVA 2010			27.00
.55	Santa Ana, Mendoza, Argentina At the recent Argentinean wine tasting this was our favourite whit Fresh palate, the hints of vanilla oak marries well with the floral pand melon flavours. Ideal aperitif and an excellent food friendly was a second to the contract of the co	each		27100
	ROSÉ			
	100E	175 ml	250 ml	
850	BROKEN SHACKLE ROSÉ 2011 AUSTRALIA The palate shows generous sweet berry flavours which carry through to a soft and delicious finish made from a quirky blend of Sangiovese, Barbara and a touch of Shiraz grapes.	175 ml 5.00	250 ml	19.00
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The Hoste Arms are proud to list some of

THE GREAT CLASSIC AND ICONIC WINES OF THE WORLD

CHAMPAGI	NE	T .: N .	
		Tasting Notes	
514	2004 LOUIS ROEDERER Cristal	P.6	220.00
513 524	2002 DOM PERIGNON Brut N.V. KRUG ROSÉ	P.6 P.6	165.00 244.00
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ROSÉ			
849	2009 DOMAINE OTT CHATEAU DE SALLE ROSÉ	P.16	61.00
BURGUND	Y		
634	1976 LA TACHE Domaine de la Romanee Conti	P.20	705.00
424 WHITE	2005 LE-MONTRACHET Olivier Leflaive	P.8	328.00
BORDEAUX	<		
636	1995 CHATEAU LAFITE ROTHSCHILD 1er Cru Classe Pauillac	P.21	690.00
655	1989 CHATEAU LATOUR 1er Cru Classe Pauillac	P.21	347.00
656	1986 CHATEAU MARGAUX 1er Cru Classe Margaux	P.21	490.00
657 654	1982 CHATEAU MOUTON ROTHSCHILD 1er Cru Classe Pauillac 1998 CHATEAU HAUT BRION 1er Cru Classe Pessac Leognan	P.21 P.21	1,250.00 305.00
659	1983 CHATEAU PETRUS Pomerol	P.21 P.22	649.00
658	1994 CHATEAU PETRUS Pomerol	P.22	687.00
RHONE			
	2005 COTIE DOTIE Prupo et Planda Cuigal	D 24	75.00
671	2005 COTIE ROTIE Brune et Blonde Guigal	P.24	75.00
ALSACE			
432	1996 TRIMBACH Riesling Frederic Emile	P.10	75.00
AUSTRIA			
467	2008 WILLI OPITZ PINOT BLANC Spatlese Trocken	P.11	38.00
691	2008 WILLI OPITZ PINOT NOIR	P.23	57.00

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ITALY		Tasting Notes	
679 447 445	1996 BAROLO Vigna la Rosa DOCG Fontanafredda 2010 (A seriously 'grown up') PINOT GRIGIO Jermann 2007 JERMANN VINTAGE TUNINA, Friuli-Venezia Guilia IGT	Tasting Notes P.26 P.12 P.12	95.00 39.00 62.00
113	(Chardonnay, Sauvignon Bianco, Ribolla, Malvasia, Picolit)	1.12	02.00
SPAIN			
688	1999 ARTADI Pagos Viejos - Reserva	P.26	80.00
SOUTH AF	RICA		
705 715	2008 SADIE FAMILY PALLADIUS (S.A. WHITE WINE OF THE YEAR) 2008 HAMILTON RUSSELL VINEYARDS Pinot Noir	P.14 P.31	70.00 47.00
715 725	2007 WARWICK ESTATE VILAFONTE SERIES C	P.33	61.00
NEW ZEAL	AND		
457	2011 CLOUDY BAY SAUVIGNON BLANC, Marlborough	P.15	47.00
AUSTRALIA	A		
460 703	2006 LEEUWIN ESTATE Art Series Chardonnay Margaret River, WA 2003 'GRANGE' SHIRAZ Penfolds	P.15 P.28	73.00 232.00
CALIFORN		1.20	232.00
		D 20	60.00
710 489	2006 CALERA MOUNT HARLAN Pinot Noir, Mills Vineyard 2009 CHATEAU MONTELANA, Napa Valley Chardonnay	P.29 P.16	68.00 77.00
711	2004 OPUS ONE	P.29	240.00
CHILE			
730	2007 ALMAVIVA	P.29	109.00
SWEET WI	NES (Half Bottles)		
914	2008 WILLI OPITZ GOLDACKERL Beerenauslese, Austria	P.36	40.00
918	2007 OPITZ ONE	P.36	71.00
919 920	1998 PINOT GRIS Willi Opitz 2000 GOLDACKERL Trockenbeerenauslese	P.36 P.36	63.00 58.00
921	1998 GEWURZTRAMINER Willi Opitz Trockenbeerenauslese	P.36	68.00
VINTAGE P	PORT		
905	1994 COCKBURNS		68.00
908	2000 DOWS		89.00
906	1963 WARRES		115.00
907	1997 TAYLORS		118.00

CHAMPAGNE

	<u>CHAMPAGNE</u>	405	
501 502	MOUTARD Cuvee Brut Prestige NV This cuvee is 50% Pinot Noir and 50% Chardonnay, has fine mousse and biscuity with yeasty characters with a long and elegant finish.	125ml glas 8.00 half bottle	42.00 26.00
503 504	BILLECART SALMON Brut Reserve NV Winner of the Champagne of the Millennium, judged in 1999 for the '59 and '61 vintages. Exquisite flesh-flavoured palate of classic biscuity notes with a rich mouth-filling texture.	half bottle	49.00 32.00
506	POL ROGER BRUT RESERVE NV The perfect aperitif champagne – 'My tastes are simple; I am easily satisfied with the best' - Sir Winston Churchill on his favourite champagne.		57.00
508	VEUVE CLICQUOT NV Elegant nose with tiny bubbles and a pleasing aroma of white fruits, vanilla and mid palate of brioche. Dry with a delicious toasty aftertaste.	10.00	60.00
	PRESTIGE CHAMPAGNE		
509	KRUG Grande Cuvee NV Barrel fermented wines contribute towards the unique style of this magnificent opulent champagne. It has a rich complex palate and a long creamy textured	•	163.00
513	DOM PERIGNON Brut 2002 On a recent visit to Dom Perignon we were treated to a vertical tutored tasting their vintages including 2002, '99, '98, '96. '95 and the 1969. It was fascinating to taste the different styles as each vintage has its own character and unique. The 2002 is intense and lingers longingly with overtures of vanilla honeyed rice and tasty brioche flavours. A classic DP vintage which will last another twenty	ng blending. hness	165.00
514	LOUIS ROEDERER – Cristal – 2004 Some would say the best champagne in the world!		220.00
	ROSÉ CHAMPAGNE		
507	MOUTARD ROSÉ NV An elegant classic style with initial aromas of fresh red berry fruits of strawberry and raspberry, leading to a beautiful refreshing finish.		47.00
518 519	BILLECART SALMON Brut Rosé NV A splendid pale pink colour that is adorned with warm glints of gold and its delicate, slowly rising bubbles give it a persistent mousse. Quite possibly the finest N.V. Rosé on the market today.	half bottle	65.00 39.00
524	KRUG ROSÉ NV Arguably the best Rosé champagne in the world, using grapes only from the top 100% rated vineyards. Delicate, yet full, creamy and mature.		244.00
	<u>SPARKLING</u>		
522	PROSECCO Tenute, Brut, Italy Fresh and fruity with delicate hints of apples and citrus fruits. This light easy going glass of fizz is perfect for summer drinking.	5.00	30.00

Matching Wine With Your Food

Pairing great wine with good food seems a daunting task, but the rules are not as strict as one would expect. The key to successful food and wine pairing, is seeking to achieve a balance in *your* personal tastes.

The useful quide below will also help:

- Fruity wines go with fruity food
- Vinaigrette and high acidic wines eg Sauvignon Blanc cancel each other out
- High acidic wine and salty food (shellfish) complement each other
- · High acidic red wine and oily food (roast duck) complement each other
- Strong flavours (steak) will dominate, require spicy, peppery warming reds
- Earthy (mushroom or truffles) goes with earthy (Pinot Noir and Burgundy)
- Herbal (vegetables, herbs, salads) goes with full-flavoured, herbaceous and fruit driven wines
- Cheese tricky, as there is an enormous difference in flavours and textures. Hopefully this guide will help:-

Very mild flavoured cheeses eg cream cheese, Mozzarella, Ricotta goes with fresh light dry whites - Pinot Grigio, Muscadet.

Semi-soft cheeses eg Brie, Camembert, Chaume go well with juicy, fruit-driven ripe wines – Semillion, Viognier, unoaked Chablis and oaked reds – eg Shiraz, Bordeaux.

Hard cheeses eg Cheddar, Parmasan go with Bordeaux and New World Cabernet Sauvignon.

Creamy blue cheeses eg Cambozola demand good Burgundy

Stilton - Port or late Harvest sweet wines.

Adding salt to your food will help tone down the bitterness and astringency of certain wines.

Wines enjoyed with foods that are high in acidity will make the wine seem richer and mellower. Sweetness in food will enhance the flavour of bitterness in the wine, making it seem drier.

Savoury flavours will heighten the tannin in the wine, so simply adding salt to food that is spicy will cancel this effect on the wine, making it more enjoyable.

White wines with high acidity include: Sauvignon Blanc, Riesling, almost all sparkling wines, Muscadet.

Red wines with some acidity and earthiness include: Pinot Noir, Sangiovese (including Chiantis) and Gamay. These wines are usually very good pairings with grilled seafood and with most red sauces (tomato based).

White wines that have an amount of sweetness include: Alsace wines, Vouvray, Chenin Blanc and many Rieslings. Good pairings with asparagus, goats cheese, salad, Thai, Chinese.

Red wines with tannins include: Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Bordeaux, Shiraz, Syrah and Rhone. These wines usually pair with grilled meat, game and rich casseroles.

White wines with full-flavour include: White Burgundy and New World Chardonnay. Good pairing to chicken, butter/cream based sauces, eg Carbonara, deep sea fish eg monkfish, swordfish, tuna.

Do not treat any of this advice as gospel – use it instead as a launch pad for your own food and wine experiments.

Bon Appetit

CHAMPAGNE AND SPARKLING BY THE GLASS

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522	PROSECCO Tenute, Brut, Italy Fresh and fruity with delicate hints of apples and citrus fruits. This light easy going glass of Frizzante is a perfect aperitif with an off dry finish.	5.00	25.00
	WHITE WINES BY THE GLASS		
419	CHATEAU DE L'HOSTE CLASSIQUE ENTRE-DEUX-MERS BLANC 2011 This classic blend of Semillon and Sauvignon Blanc from Bordeaux is perfect as an aperitif and it suits shellfish and white meats too. It thrills the senses with a fabulous aromatic nose and palate which is layered with flavours of white stone fruits and an elegant minerality finish.	175ml 6.00	250ml 8.00
402	SAUVIGNON BLANC 2011 TERRE DU SOLEIL Southern France A youthful light single varietal Sauvignon Blanc. Very appealing as easy drinking with delicious flavours of citrus melon and herbs with a clean finish.	5.00	7.00
442	PINOT GRIGIO 2011 Umbria, Italy Classically styled it is dry, yet fruity with a sound mineral tone and depth.	5.00	7.00
459	RESERVE CHARDONNAY 2011 TOOMA RIVER Australia A soft, gentle, easy going Aussie Chardonnay, which punches above its weight. A clean lean styled food-friendly wine with a ripe richness of fruit.	6.00	8.00
454	SAUVIGNON BLANC 2011 Bishop's Leap, Marlborough, New Zealand A cracking typical styled New Zealand Sauvignon from the award winning St Clair Estate. Distinctively Marlborough, this wine shows classic gooseberry, passion fruit and honeysuckle characters with a vibrant 'grassy' finish.	7.00	9.00
441	GAVI DEL COMMUNE DI GAVI, DOCG 'Fossilli' 2011, Italy Made from the Cortese grape from the eponymous town of Gavi in Piedmont Northern Italy. Perfect summer drinking, gorgeously fresh, herbaceous aroma with pleasing mineral notes.	7.00	9.00
410	PETIT CHABLIS 2010 Domaine Jean Goulley & Fils What a find! Jean Goulley produce consistently good wines each year with frequent awards. Fresh minerality and flavoursome without being too austere. A pleasing lift on the finish. Who says good Chablis has to be expensive?	8.00	11.00

These wines are available in 175 ml Please see overleaf for a good selection of wines in half bottles.

ROSÉ WINES BY THE GLASS BROKEN SHACKLE ROSÉ 2011 AUSTRALIA 850 This rosé is full of inviting aromas of raspberry and cherry. The palate show generous sweet berry flavours which carry through to a soft and delicious f made from a quirky blend of Sangiovese, Barbara and a touch of Shiraz gra

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PINOT GRIGIO BLUSH 2010 IGP 853

Umbria, Italy A light easy-drinking summer rosé, off dry, crisp with a magical pink glow.

851 **COTES DE PROVENCE 2011 Comte de Rouberlas, Southern France**

A lovely fresh tasting rosé with hints of strawberries on the nose, with note of pink blossom and floral flavours.

RED WINES BY THE GLASS

635 **CHATEAU DE L'HOSTE 2009 VIEILLES VIGNES Bordeaux Superieur** Won a Gold Medal in Paris 2010

We were thrilled to find this classic Bordeaux vintage and offer it as our 'house claret'. Predominately made from merlot 55% and 45% cabernet sauvignon and aged for 12 months in French oak barrels. Cassis, pepper and soft red fruit flavours abound on the palate which are nicely followed by a mellow smooth spicy finish.

611 **MERLOT 2011 TERRE DU SOLEIL**

Southern France

Velvet texture with guite simple, yet classic, juicy Merlot fruit flavours to th fore. Lovely sweet berry fruit aromas are carried through to a soft plummy

696 **SHIRAZ CABERNET MULLYGRUBBER 2010** Warburn Estate, Australia

Aromas of red and black fruit on the nose precede a soft palate flowing with blackberry and damson flavours with hints of spice. A Mullygrubber is Australian slang for an unplayable ball in cricket!

683 **RIOJA Crianza Rivallana 2009** Ondarre

THE classic red wine from Spain. A delicious palate of red berry fruit subtly oaked with an appealing mellow finish.

613 **PINOT NOIR DOMAINE DE VALMOISSINE 2010 Louis Latour Burgundy**

"This stunning wine is easily the greatest Vin de Pays Pinot Noir produced its not cheap for a Vin de Pays, but it is better than many Burgundies twice its price" – New Sotherby's Wine Encyclopaedia, by Tom Stevenson

615 **BROUILLY 2011**

Chateau de Bagnois, Beaujolais Sweet summer fruits and ripe cherries in abundance. The Gamay grape is deeply fruity and aromatic with hints of spice on the finish.

633 **2nd WINE OF CHATEAU CANTENAC BROWN 2008** Margaux, Bordeaux

This classic Margaux is the sumptuous second wine of this great Third Growth Chateau. Beautifully rich and concentrated, with lovely gentle aromatics of spicy cedar cassis. Enjoy classed growth quality and style without the cost.

WHITE WINES IN HALF BOTTLES

490	MUSCADET de SEVRE et MAINE 2009 Sur Lie, Domaine la Roche Renard, Loire A superb quality Muscadet, light, elegant and very refreshing, perfect with seafood.	half	19.00
494	GEWURZTRAMINER 2009 Trimbach Supreme growers in Alsace this Gewurztraminer (Gewurz meaning spice in German) has all the hallmarks of traditional spiciness, but with a vitality that is quite unexpected. It is off-dry with lovely flavours of exotic fruit and lingering finish. Perfect with all smoked food and Asian dishes.	half I full	23.00
491	SANCERRE 2010 Domaine Gerard Millet Classic Sauvignon. Classic Sancerre. Appealing steely, flinty aromas followed through with a delicious clean zesty finish. A wine with great fragrance and elegance; a beautifully made wine.	half	25.00
497	MENETOU-SALON 2009 Clos des Blanchais, Domaine Henri Pelle, Loire The brother to Sancerre as grown on the opposite bank. Fine, elegant Sauvignon produced from a small vineyard in the village of Morogues.	half	28.00
496	CHABLIS 1er Vau De Vey 2009 Domaine Jean Durup Jean Durup is an owner of many hectares of prime Chablis vineyards. He believes that Chablis should be the true expression of Chardonnay, therefore no oak barrels are used during the winemaking process. Jean produces delicious, dry, clean wines, which are a joy to drink.	half	32.00
498	MONTAGNY 1er Cru 2008 Domaine Feuillat-Juillot A small family-owned vineyard, this wine is beautifully made and well balanced with a flinty minerally nose and a generous palate of clean elegant creamy fruit and a generous finish.	half	36.00
500	RIESLING 2003 Cuvee Frederic Emile, Trimbach, Alsace The essence of Riesling, one of the finest examples in the world. A wine with such purity and expression of this fine grape variety. Sensational quality.	half	46.00

RED WINES IN HALF BOTTLES

751	COTES DU RHONE 2010 Domaine des Violettes Red damson berry fruit which has hints of cracked black pepper and a fresh mid-palate.	half	15.00
752	CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2010 Montes, Chile A superb nose, packed with cassis fruit gives way to layers of beautiful rich fruit on the palate and a pleasing balance of tannins.	half	18.00
754	BEAUJOLAIS 2010 Domaine Chatelus de la Roche A delicious Domaine bottled Beaujolais from the Chatelus family. Masses of fruit on the nose and palate – full and mouthfilling.	half	19.00
756	FLEURIE DOMAINE JEAN TETE 2010 La Bonne Dame Vivid in colour with aromas of raspberries and cherry stone elegance of flavour.	half	21.00
759	HAUTES COTES DE BEAUNE 2008 Clos de la Perrieres, Domaine Guillemard-Pothier Striking redcurrant aromas, fresh and lively on the palate with good structured tannins and a broad round finish.	half	27.00
761	PINOT NOIR 2008 Willi Opitz, Austria A gorgeous Pinot Noir from an area not normally associated with this fickle grape variety. Willi Opitz has produced here a beautiful, rich, opulent wine. A must to try.	half	34.00
760	CHATEAU BELGRAVE 2008 5th Cru Classe Haut Medoc Always a solid performer, this is a lovely cassis and sappy Cabernet nose with a soft mellow finish.	half	34.00

We make every effort to ensure that vintages and growers listed are correct. However sometimes we will offer the next vintage when necessary.