

Gilbey's

WINE LIST

I have always been known for specialising exclusively in French wines, importing direct from passionate individual growers. On account of its significantly varying climate from North to South and the different grape varieties used, France is able to cover almost all the wine styles you are looking for.

That was before Brexit though! The euro has got much stronger against the pound and there is no way of knowing, yet, what might happen to import tariffs in years to come. I need to get my skates on and look further afield and I am gradually introducing new wines from elsewhere in the world. Some of you will be saying about time too!

OUR WINE PRICING POLICY

Last year I introduced a new wine pricing policy. For wines over £30 per bottle we now add the same cash mark up for each wine. This means that the higher you go in price the better value you receive because our profit margin decreases.

If you are kind enough to eat in our restaurants we don't think it is fair to penalise you for drinking higher-end wines. We want you to leave with smiles on your faces!

Michael

BIN ENDS

Occasionally we have wines which are very low in stock; so low that they no longer have a place on the list. Any such wines are then offered at reduced prices to make way for new wines.

WHITE WINES

SANTENAY Blanc, Sous la Roche 2015, Domaine Bachey-Legros, Burgundy

47.00

Chardonnay 13.5%

NOW 40.00

Showing typical vanilla Burgundian character

Fine, delicately rich, perfectly judged oak maturation. We bought every bottle we could of this wine ... and that was not many. The vineyard is sited quite high up on the gentle slopes above Santenay. It borders Chassagne-Montrachet. Delicious with fish, obviously, but excellent with ripe cheeses too. The stony soil reflects heat back into the grape bunches, which helps to produce ripe grapes that give the wine such good 'mouth-feel', accentuating the distinct minerality of this wine.

RED WINES

BOURGOGNE Pinot Noir 2015, Domaine Dupré, Burgundy

37.00

Pinot Noir 12.5%

NOW 32.00

Chewy red fruits, gamey character

We are well aware that there are some fabulous Pinot Noirs being produced around the world now, particular favourites coming from New Zealand and California. Burgundy still remains the traditional home of Pinot Noir though ... and has always been the most terroir-conscious of wine-growing areas. We cannot do them all. This is just one man's introduction to perhaps the most mercurial of all grapes: Jean-Christophe Dupré produces a wine of some complexity and personality.



WHITE WINES | SPARKLING WINE BY THE GLASS / CARAFE

	125ml	175ml	500ml	Bottle
LA BASTILLE 2017, Vin de France, France Ugni Blanc, Colombar 11% Lovely peach aromas, crisp refreshing green apple flavours	3.50	4.90	13.00	19.50
MUSCADET de Sèvre et Maine 'sur lie' 2017, Dom de la Vinconnière, L. Perraud, Loire Melon de Bourgogne 12% Fine, dry, refreshing	4.75	6.65	17.65	26.50
TOURAINE SAUVIGNON 2017, Dom Desloges, Loire Sauvignon 13% Zippy, citrus fruit flavours	5.55	7.75	20.65	31.00
BOURGOGNE CHARDONNAY 2017, Domaine Bernard Moreau, Burgundy Chardonnay 13% Dry, fine, light	6.90	9.60	25.70	38.50
PROSECCO Extra Dry, Guerrieri Rizzardi, Veneto, Italy Glera 11% Piercing clarity of fruit, stirringly fresh	6.00			32.50

WHITE WINES BY THE BOTTLE

with Michael's tasting notes

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BOEKENHOUTSKLOOF WOLFTRAP WHITE 2016, Franschoek, South Africa Viognier, Chenin Blanc, Grenache Blanc 13.5% Peach and yellow apple fruit The rich yet lively nose shows white peach, apricot and apple blossom aromas. The palate is packed with juicy fruit flavours : peach and yellow apple follow-through with hints of nettle, lemon grass and lime. The wine is generously textured with slight oak nuances, a weighty mid-palate, balanced, integrated acidity and a lingering stone fruit finish.	24.50
MUSCADET de Sèvre et Maine 'sur lie' 2017, Domaine de la Vinconnière, L. Perraud, Loire Melon de Bourgogne 12% Fine, dry, refreshing 'Sur lie' are the key words here: this means that the wine stays in contact with the lees (dead yeast cells left over from fermentation) right through until bottling (usually March). The wine must be bottled directly off its lees and not go through any filtration process either. This gives the wine a really creamy 'mouth-feel' which together with its fresh fruity flavours makes this one of the all-time greats with seafood. Do not confuse this with gallons of cheap acidic mouthwash that also masquerade as Muscadet!	26.50
ANJOU Blanc 2016, Domaine de la Treille, Gabriel Taillée, Loire Chenin 11% Medium dry; a hint of sweetness Situated South of Anjou, where the clay and sand soils seem to work so well with the highly versatile Chenin Blanc grape, this wine has distinct white flower and peach characteristics. Softer in style than the Muscadet above, not quite as uncompromisingly dry, but the grape's natural acidity ensures a clean crisp mineral finish. There is a soft unctuous element on the palate that will appeal to those who like their whites 'off-dry'.	27.00

DOMAINE GAYDA CHARDONNAY 2017, IDP Pays d'Oc, South West France **29.50**

Chardonnay 13%

Citrus, creamy, tropical fruit flavours.

Domaine Gayda is situated South-West of Carcassonne in some of the best Languedoc vine-growing country. The vineyard is completely organic and follows biodynamic principles very closely - modern grape growing at its best. The wine is appealingly floral and fruity on the nose and has fresh, clean character. In the mouth there is good citrus and tropical fruit with a creamy texture, which comes from some expert oak handling

TOURAINE SAUVIGNON 2017, Domaine Desloges, Loire **31.00**

Sauvignon 13%

Zippy, citrus fruit flavours

Typically aromatic with a quite complex note of hawthorn, elderflower and boxwood. Its crispy herbal texture and sheer refreshment value make it a bit of a crowd-pleaser. Always delicious as an apéritif and a good match for lighter fish and poultry dishes. It cannot match the steely gooseberry grip of a great Sancerre ... but, for the price it does get pretty close! It definitely zings.

COUSINOL MACUL ISIDORA RIESLING 2015, Maipo Valley, Chile **32.50**

Riesling 14%

Green apple, jasmine and pineapple fruit-driven flavours, medium acidity.

A true Riesling from Chile's oldest wine-producing region ... and from a winery that is still 100% in the hands of the original founding family. It is crisp and fruity on the palate with steely mineral tones giving citrus and melon flavours with a long finish, which even features a hint of ginger. This is a particularly good food wine which works brilliantly with traditional pork or seafood dishes.

SOAVE CLASSICO 2016, Guerrieri Rizzardi, Veneto, Italy **34.50**

Garganega, Chardonnay, Trebbiano di Soave 12%

Cool citrus and pear flavours

The wine is a blend of grapes from two of Soave's Cru vineyards, Costeggiola and Ferra. This gives fresh, cool climate fruit on the nose, leading into a palate which is light in body but with good density of fruit with a refreshing mineral character. A good classic Soave for seafood. There is lots to enjoy here.

FERRUM ALBARIÑO 2016, Bodegas As Laxas, Rias Baixas, Spain **35.00**

Albariño 12.5%

Clear, brilliant, straw yellow-coloured with green nuances.

This wine has that freshness on the palate, so typical of Albariño, and coming from the coast of Galicia in the Rias Baixas region of Northern Spain it cries out for seafood dishes. It has that salty tang which is so reminiscent of another wine from the other end of Spain, Manzanilla. The nose is quite intense with fruity and floral notes, especially apple and stoned fruit ... but most of all it makes me want to go fishing!

REYNEKE SAUVIGNON BLANC 2017, Stellenbosch, South Africa **36.00**

Sauvignon 13.5%

Bursting with vibrancy, concentration and a fresh flinty minerality

Biodynamic. The nose shows fresh lime peel, pineapple citrus zest with tropical fruit and a hint of perfumed spice. The palate shows a lovely brightness and firm acidity with a long lingering finish. I have often been impressed by South African sauvignons, but this one is exceptional. Rüdiger Gretschel, the winemaker, is passionate about his craft and fascinating to talk to. A vibrant wine, yes, but it has tight dry restraint too.

FUNARO PINZERI 2016, Sicily **37.00**

Grillo, 14%

Soft citrus blossom and peach flavours. Organic.

Here is something completely different: a really delicious white made with the Grillo grape which thrives in Sicily's bakingly hot summers. Sometimes comparisons are helpful: whereas many sauvignons are a little like diving into a cool pool on a hot summer's day, ie, quite bracing, this wine is more akin to diving into a pretty warm pool, ie. not as bracing, but luxurious nevertheless. Helpful? Probably not! It is certainly elegant and flowery with a long finish.

BOURGOGNE CHARDONNAY 2017, Domaine Bernard Moreau, Burgundy **38.50**

Chardonnay 13%

Dry, fine, light

So much white Burgundy is feverishly expensive, so a 'simple' Bourgogne Chardonnay in the hands of a skilful grower like Moreau can often be a very good choice. The 'nose' releases subtle, fine, lightly oaked aromas of vanilla and hazelnuts - very Burgundian already. Easily full-flavoured enough to have with chicken, as well as creamy fish dishes. Classic chardonnay character that punches above its weight.

SANCERRE Les Beaux Regards 2017, M.Girauld, Loire**39.00****Sauvignon 13%****Dry, gooseberry and nettle flavours**

Sancerre is such a well-known wine, but its not always as good as you might expect. So much depends on the skill of the grower and it is very important to pick the grapes at the right time: too early and the wine will be unpleasantly acidic, a little too late and the grapes might ripen too much and produce a rather flabby wine. Get it right and you have a wine like this which we have only recently imported: it is very delicious indeed!

POUILLY- FUMÉ 2017, Domaine du Bouchot, Loire**39.50****Sauvignon 13%****Dry, perfumed, whiff of gunflint**

Pascal and Rachel Kerbiquet work on a 10 hectare vineyard in the commune of Saint Andelain ... and are exactly the type of growers we like to deal with. They are completely passionate about every facet of the production of this very delicious Loire Sauvignon. The hard calcareous and flint soils ensure good minerality and liveliness as well as that famous gun-flint aroma which smells exactly as though two flints are being rubbed together. Pouilly Fumé is made just across the bridge from Sancerre, but has a typically 'fatter' style.

CHABLIS 2016, Lavantureux Frères**42.00****Chardonnay 12.5%****Uniquely steely, dry, cool climate grip**

A first-rate example from a strictly family concern. When we taste Chablis we are not looking for a 'fat' fruity style, so reminiscent of Chardonnays grown in warmer climates. Chablis is in France's most northerly wine-making climate and the Lavantureux brothers practise cold wine-making techniques in order to retain the freshness, subtlety and essential acidity that give good Chablis its green lip-smacking qualities.

RULLY Blanc 2015, Michel Briday, Burgundy**44.50****Chardonnay 13%****Dry, a fatter, buttery, yet still vibrant chardonnay**

Stéphane Briday makes a perfectly balanced wine showing lots of fruit and complexity. He believes that the delicacy of the aroma of the wine is essential and the use of oak has to be carefully judged to ensure it is the freshness that dominates. You expect some buttery and vanilla depth from a white Burgundy, in this instance from the Cote Chalonnaise, but it must still refresh ... and this wine does just that. Exciting new find.

MEURSAULT 2015, 'Cuvée Saint Jean', Vincent Latour, Burgundy**57.00****Chardonnay 13%****Very fine with excellent richness and minerality**

This is definitely one of Burgundy's most celebrated white wines. In almost all instances I like these wines to have a bit of nervosity, so I do like them still to be quite young. It is important to choose a good winemaker too because white Burgundies are about the most variable of all. The use of oak has to be judged perfectly; it should not mask the fruit or conceal the essential acidity. Vincent Latour has really excelled here: very delicious indeed and worth the money. Expect to pay at least £25 more per bottle in most other restaurants!

ROSÉ WINES

	125ml	175ml	500ml	Bottle
BOEKENHOUTSKLOOF WOLFTRAP Rosé 2018, Franschoek, South Africa				
Cinsault, Syrah, Grenache Noir 13.5%	4.35	6.10	16.50	24.50
Inviting floral notes with fresh red berry fruit in abundance.				

CHINON Rosé 2017, Domaine des Clos Godeaux, France**30.00****Cabernet Franc 13%****Fleshy redcurrant fruit with balancing acidity**

Deliciously dry cool climate Loire rosé –this is a rosé to be enjoyed throughout the year.



RED WINES BY THE GLASS / CARAFE

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LA BASTILLE 2016/17, Vin de France Carignan, Merlot 12.00% Ripe fruit delivers a soft, yet flavour-packed Southern French red	3.50	4.90	13.00	19.50
BOEKENHOUTSKLOOF WOLFTRAP RED 2017, Franschhoek, S. Africa Syrah, Mourvedre, Viognier 14% Dark berry fruit, spicy tannins, silky texture	4.35	6.10	16.50	24.50
GAMAY DE TOURAINE 2015, Domaine Desloges, Loire Gamay 12.5% Crunchy refreshing fruit	5.35	7.50	20.00	30.00
THE FOXMOTH MERLOT 2014, Alpha Domus, Hawkes Bay, New Zealand Merlot 14% Dark plums, chocolate and spice	6.70	9.40	25.00	37.50

RED WINES BY THE BOTTLE

with Michael's tasting notes

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BOEKENHOUTSKLOOF WOLFTRAP RED 2017, Franschhoek, South Africa Syrah, Mourvedre, Viognier 14% Dark berry fruit, spicy tannins, silky texture Alcoholic fermentation takes place in stainless steel, but with partial French oak maturation for nine months. Dark berry fruit follows through onto a juicy, vibrant and mid-palate with svelte tannins and a silky texture. The wine shows exceptional balance with fresh, integrated acidity. Plummy fruit and spice lingers on the finish. This mouth-filling wine is likely to become a very popular all-rounder.	24.50
CHÂTEAU PINENC 2013, Minervois, Languedoc Syrah, Carignan, Grenache 13% Blackberry, red cherry and strawberry fruit flavours; medium body Located east of the medieval town of Carcassonne, the château is situated on the limestone-clay terraces at the heart of the Minervois appellation. The vines flourish in a landscape of pines, rosemary and juniper bushes which give the fresh eucalyptus notes. Little wonder that we are really quite enthusiastic about so many of the wines from this South Western corner of France.	25.50
ANJOU ROUGE 2016, Domaine de la Treille, Gabriel Taillée, Loire Cabernet Franc 12.5% Fairly light, very easy drinking This wine seems to appeal instantly. The Cabernet Franc grape gives very fresh red fruit flavours on the nose. It is soft and elegant rather than attacking and has an earthy, smoky finish. The green and vegetal flavours, again so typical of Cabernet Franc, add crispness and raciness. The wine feels very genuine, un-mucked-about-with, natural, unforced ... charmingly uncomplicated.	27.00

LA VIGIE 2012, Corbières Cru Boutenac, Languedoc 30.00

Grenache, Syrah, Mourvedre, Carignan 14%

Distinctly rich and herb-scented

Corbières-Boutenac, created in 2005, is a new red wine appellation of the Languedoc region in Southern France. It covers ten communities clustered round an elevated ridge of limestone about 20m from the Mediterranean Coast. The land is Provençal in character and the soils are poor in nutrition ... excellent; the less fertile the soil the deeper the roots of the vines have to go for water and nutrients. This breeds character and real 'goût de terroir'.

GAMAY DE TOURAINE 2016, Domaine Desloges, Loire 30.00

Gamay 12.5%

Crunchy refreshing fruit

Every Wine List should feature the vibrant gamay grape. This is the sort of wine you want in your picnic basket on a cycling trip down the Loire Valley: uncomplicated but packed with juicy flavour, this is a good choice as a lunch time red to accompany one of our delicious set lunches, with a bit of sunshine thrown in as well hopefully. Goes with almost any dish, including fish. Light on its feet and light on your head.

CÔTES du RHÔNE 2016, Cuvée des Princes D'Orange, Christian Bonfils, Southern Rhône 30.50

Grenache, Syrah, Mourvèdre 14%

Not too heavy ; Southern heat but good fruit too

Domaine de Boissan is way above normal Côtes du Rhône quality. There are Burgundian influences at work because Christian and Cathy (who is from Burgundy originally) like to preserve the wine's delicacy; they therefore avoid overripe fruit and excessive alcohol at all costs. This was never designed to be a blockbuster Southern Rhône; it is a wine that expresses the delicacy of the fruit and the Southern hot character of the land.

CASA MONTES AMPAKAMA MALBEC 2017, San-Juan, Argentina 32.00

Malbec 13%

Mouth-filling; packed with flavour

Malbec is a grape that originates from South West France, most notably Cahors, but it is now perhaps better known as the iconic grape of Argentina. Violets are typical on the nose, it then typically expresses deep earthy flavours, black fruit depth and hints of liquorice with chewy tannins. San-Juan has a very hot climate which helps to give depth to the wine, but cool nights help to retain freshness. Smooth, fresh, gripping mouth-feel.

BOURGUEIL 2016, Domaine des Mailloches, Cuvée Vieilles Vignes, Loire 34.00

Cabernet Franc 12.5%

Quite light in character, typically vegetal flavours

The Loire, being in the Northern half of France and therefore a cooler climate, is never going to produce blockbuster reds, but this Bourgueil nevertheless has quite rich tannins, very distinct cassis fruit flavours with mushroom and cracked pepper aromas. Do remember though that tasting notes are very subjective and you might find quite different flavours! I can tell you that this wine does have some pedigree coming from vines of 100 years old or more and that red Loires are quite 'on-trend' at the moment.

SAINT-AMOUR 2015, Domaine des Pins, Cru Beaujolais 37.00

Gamay 13%

Deft lightness of touch, delightful, the very opposite to a winter blockbuster

Saint-Amour is one of the ten Beaujolais Crus located in the Northern hillier part of the Beaujolais just to the south of the Maconnais. Domaine des Pins displays spiced red berry fruits which are full in the mouth and the wine finishes with a marked minerality. Crus Beaujolais are still mentioned in the same breath as Beaujolais Nouveau and sales have suffered because of this. Not fair ... this is a wonderful wine.

CHÂTEAU DES DEMOISELLES 2015, Castillon, Côtes de Bordeaux 37.00

Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon 14%

Big, weighty and unashamedly wood-dominated

This wine packs quite a punch. At its prime now and coming from an excellent vintage, this wine has some power and the finish is long and rounded. The name dates back to the Middle Ages when this property was managed by a congregation of nuns – small historical note – you get it all here! This wine does open up well in the glass and is very much an all-rounder in term of food matches.

THE FOXMOTH MERLOT 2014, Alpha Domus, Hawkes Bay, New Zealand **37.50**

Merlot 14%

Dark plums, chocolate and spice

Complex bouquet with a combination of earthy stony soils, toasty oak and dark red fruits. Appealing, rich and mouth-filling. The Alpha Domus winery was established by two generations of the Ham family in 1990 and all their wines are single vineyard, estate grown and vinified in their purpose-built winery. I have never been a great enthusiast for merlot on its own, but this wine stopped me in my tracks.

BOURGOGNE PINOT NOIR 2017, Domaine Bernard Moreau, Burgundy **38.50**

Pinot Noir 12.5%

Raspberry, plum, strawberry, raspberry and mushroom!

The emphasis is on hands-off wine-making, letting the terroir express itself as naturally as possible. Only organic fertilisers are used and pesticides are forbidden. The wine is light on its feet with plenty of cherry and blackberry notes that are equally as intense as the earthiness of the wine. Restricted yields benefit the wine's concentration. Sensual, opulent, utterly delicious really.

GIGONDAS Vieilles Vignes 2015, Domaine de Boissan, Southern Rhône **38.50**

Grenache, Syrah 14.5%

Southern sun means more alcohol, means more depth

The vineyards have vines that are 40 - 50 years old. The quantity of grapes per hectare harvested is therefore quite low but the quality and depth of this wine is exaggerated. A heady nose is followed by very distinct black fruit flavours. This is certainly a 'big' wine, but, as with their Côtes du Rhône, complexity and delicacy are retained too. A Gigondas of this quality is nearly a Châteauneuf du Pape.

AUNTSFIELD Estate Single Vineyard Pinot Noir 2015, Marlborough, New Zealand **40.00**

Pinot Noir 14%

Ripe cherry and spicy tannins

Very good. This wine has pronounced aromatics, silky mouthfeel with pure pinot noir fruit, ripe tannins and balanced oak. Briary black raspberry, wild herbs, a distinct whiff of mint on the nose. Juicy and spicy. It finishes with a firm spine of chewy tannins and a lightly savoury quality. The Cowley family are passionate about their pinot noir and unusually for New Zealand are better-known for this: their sauvignon.

CHÂTEAU LACOMBE NOAILLAC 2014, Médoc, Bordeaux **41.00**

Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc 13%

Mellow, mild and smooth

This vineyard was completely replanted in the 1980s, so the vines are now 25-35 years old, which give wine of fine depth and concentration. This wine is vinified for fairly early drinking: it is already velvety on the palate, full-bodied yet with smooth tannins with a well-balanced acidity. The wine has delicious, open, plummy fruit. Quite restrained and subtle without blockbuster pretensions – cool choice.

CROZES-HERMITAGE Signature 2015, Domaine Michelas St. Jemms, Northern Rhône **42.00**

Syrah 14%

Long rich style

I keep being asked for food matches: poultry, game, goat's cheese are three for this wine. This is 100% syrah from the Northern Rhône, which has a continental climate, so the wines tend to be 'tighter' than their sun-blessed Mediterranean cousins in the Southern Rhône. Spicy blackberry nose, blueberries and plums on the palate, lively attack, mint and pepper on the aftertaste. The vineyard is run organically; horses are even being used in place of machinery in certain parts of the domaine. Genuine, family run ... rather like our restaurants!

ROSSO DI MONTALCINO DOC 2016, Castello Tricerchi, Italy **42.00**

Sangiovese 14%

Fresh cracked pepper

The Castello Tricerchi estate is situated a little to the north of Montalcino, right in the heart of Tuscany. This wine is the junior partner of the famous Brunello but tends to be much more approachable in its comparative youth. Barrel-aged for ten months in small oak barrels, the wine is really herbaceous on the nose and then shows excellent black cherry and wild berry fruit flavours. An excellent all-rounder for hearty meat dishes. Long finish.

MERCUREY 2015, Domaine du Meix-Foulot, Côte Chalonnaise, Burgundy 42.00

Pinot Noir 13%

Silky, earthy pinot noir flavours; lightness of touch

The Meix-Foulot estate, now run by Agnès Dewé de Launay, has been in the same family's ownership for 200 years. Here there is a very real sense of terroir, the essence of which is soil, climate and grape variety. This wine really expresses the pure fruit characteristics of Pinot Noir, but the wine has a very clear sense of place too. It's not just a French Pinot Noir; it comes from one of the best placed and most important domaines in Mercurey, certainly one of the most picturesque of Burgundian domaines too. Feel the pedigree.

VIEUX CHÂTEAU GAUBERT 2000/10, Graves Rouge, Bordeaux 45.00

Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Cabernet Franc, Petit Verdot 12.5%

Well aged; big and bold

This is among some of the Graves region's most concentrated wines and has a fine track record for ageing, most vintages taking a minimum of a decade to get near their peak. It has a deep intense red colour, complex aromas and flavours, especially rich, ripe cassis flavours and a persistent long finish; excellent structure and vitality.

SANTENAY 1er Cru La Comme 2015, Vieilles Vignes, Bachey-Legros, Burgundy 49.00

Pinot Noir 13.5%

Fine truffley depth, subtle gamey pinot noir flavours

Low-yielding vines, deeply-anchored roots, obvious wine-making skill and family passion ... all these elements help to produce a really elegant wine from the Southern end of Burgundy's Côte de Beaune. This is a wine of some power with intense cherry and liquorice flavours with distinct toasted elements in the mouth. So Burgundian in character: soft, earthy red fruit flavours, powerful and yet silky, with the old vines helping to produce extra complexity.

CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE 2015, Domaine Bosquet des Papes, Southern Rhône 50.00

Grenache, Syrah, Mourvèdre 14%

Big, bold, long, delicious depth

Yum, wow, yes please ... what a big beautiful boy. Juicy and layered, with raspberry, plum and blackberry fruit flavours, also a polished and persistent grip through a spice-laden finish. Rich yet lively in style. Fabulous floral and herb nuances too. Is it worth £50? Frankly yes, especially as any other restaurant will charge you upwards of £90. All the grapes are hand-picked; well of course, you would not entrust a picking machine to these little beauties.

CHÂTEAU DE FIEUZAL 2010, Pessac Léognan, Bordeaux 67.00

Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon 14.5%

Softer and enveloping as opposed to more aggressively mouth-filling

This is a keeper, for two decades or more, but the fleshy, silky finish ensures that it is already very approachable. The depths of taste ... liquorice, black cherries, earth, smoke and spicy aromatics ... make this a polished, soft textured yet persistent wine ... with well integrated vanilla oak flavours. A great accompaniment to classic meat dishes.

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SPARKLING WINE | CHAMPAGNE

PROSECCO EXTRA DRY, Guerrieri Rizzardi, Veneto, Italy	6.00	32.50
Glera 11%	125 glass	
Piercing clarity of fruit, stirringly fresh		
Identifiable against other Proseccos for its piercing clarity of fruit, white peach and ripe pear abound on the nose and the palate is stirringly fresh with its lively acidity. The finish is long and refreshingly dry.		
JENKYN PLACE BRUT CUVÉE 2013		48.00
Chardonnay, Pinot noir, Pinot Meunier 12%		
English Sparkling Wine from Hampshire, replacing our own Pheasants Ridge Brut which is finally all sold. It is quite a wine too: the freshness and precision of flavour is enhanced by a beautiful balancing acidity.		
CHAMPAGNE JANISSON BRUT TRADITION		52.50
70% Pinot Noir, 30% Chardonnay 12.5%	half bottle	30.00
Champagne Janisson in the Grand Cru village of Verzenay has one of the most prestigious terroirs in the Champagne region. This champagne shows great class. It is the perfect apéritif: crisp and fresh with flavours of marshmallows and almonds.		
CHAMPAGNE JANISSON BRUT ROSÉ		55.00
70% Pinot Noir, 30% Chardonnay 12.5%		
A brilliant rose, strawberry and spice on the nose, a soft creamy palate and an explosive redcurrant finish. A wonderful apéritif, but very good with food too.		
CHAMPAGNE LAURENT PERRIER NV BRUT		65.00
Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Pinot Meunier 12%		

PUDDING WINES BY THE GLASS 100ml

CHÂTEAU SIMON 2014, Sauternes 375ml bottle	7.50	30.00
France 13.5%		
Fairly dense nose, honey and acacia flowers. Full-bodied, generous, well-balance palate, with a clean sweet finish.		
CHÂTEAU TIRECUL LA GRAVIÈRE 'Les Pins' 2015 500ml bottle	8.00	40.00
Monbazillac, France 13.5%		
Distinctly silken texture with multiple flavours, from apricots, to mango, to honey and so on! Monbazillac ... the classic of all pudding wines.		
VON BUHL UNGEHEUER RESERVE, Auslese, Pfalz 2013 375ml bottle	16.00	60.00
Germany 7%		
Pale yellow in colour, elderflower on the nose, sugared candied lemon on the palate. Good acidity, well-balanced floral ending.		
ANTIQUE PEDRO XIMINÉZ, Fernando de Castilla 500ml bottle	13.50	67.50
Jerez, Spain 15%		
These PX grapes are dried on straw in the sun and then pressed. The wine is unbelievably sweet having spent three decades in sherry casks. Aromas and flavours which are truly unique.		

DRINKS LIST

LAGER ALE CIDER

abv		LAGERS – 330ml
5.4	4.50	Estrella Damm
0.5	3.75	Veltins alcohol-free German Lager
		WINDSOR & ETON BREWERY
4.8	5.95	Republika, British Craft Lager – 330ml
3.8	6.25	Knight of the Garter, Golden Ale – 500ml
4.2	6.25	Guardsman, Best Bitter – 500ml
5.5	6.70	Uprising White Riot, White Pale Ale – 330ml
		CIDER
5.5	4.95	Aspall Draught Suffolk Cyder, dry – 330ml
3.8	6.80	Aspall Isabel's Berry Suffolk Cyder – 500ml with redcurrant & raspberry juice

SPIRITS

Sold in 25ml measure

abv		GIN
40.0	5.00	Bombay Sapphire
20.0	5.00	Edinburgh Raspberry Gin Liqueur
26.0	4.50	Plymouth Sloe Gin
40.0	6.00	Martin Miller's
42.0	6.00	Campfire London Dry
43.0	6.00	Campfire Cask Aged
41.4	6.50	Hendrick's
40.0	7.00	Williams Chase Seville Orange
00.0	4.00	Seedlip Garden (non-alcoholic spirit)
00.0	4.00	Seedlip Spice 94 (non-alcoholic spirit)
		VODKA
40.0	4.00	Smirnoff, Red Label
40.0	6.50	Grey Goose
		WHISKEY WHISKY BOURBON
40.0	4.00	Scotch, Bell's
40.0	4.00	Irish, Jameson
40.0	4.00	Tennessee, Jack Daniel's
40.0	6.00	Bourbon, Woodford Reserve Premium
40.0	6.50	Scotch, Single, The Macallan
40.0	7.50	Scotch, 16 Year Old Single Malt, Lagavulin
		RUM
37.5	3.50	Rum, Bacardi
40.0	4.00	Rum, Captain Morgan
		SHERRY – 100ml
15.0	6.50	Tio Pepé, Gonzalez Byass
15.0	13.5	Antique Pedro Ximénez, Fernando de Castilla
		VERMOUTH – 50ml
15.0	4.00	Martini Extra Dry
15.0	4.00	Martini Rosso
15.0	4.00	Campari
25.0	3.60	Pimms No 1

SOFT DRINKS

		LUSCOMBE FARM – 240ml
3.95		Apple & Elderflower Juice
		Organic Orange Juice
		LUSCOMBE FARM – 270ml
3.95		Sicilian Lemonade
		LUSCOMBE FARM – 320ml
3.95		Cool Ginger Beer
		St. Clements
		Wild Elderflower Bubbly
		PAGO JUICES – 200ml
3.25		Cranberry
		Tomato
		Pineapple
		SOFT DRINKS – 330ml
3.50		Coca Cola / Diet Coke
		FEVER TREE – 200ml
2.50		Indian Tonic / Naturally Light Tonic
		Lemonade
		Soda Water
		WATER
3.10		Belu Sparkling / Belu Still – 750ml
1.90		Belu Sparkling / Belu Still – 330ml

DIGESTIFS LIQUEURS

Sold in 25ml measure

abv		COGNAC – 25ml
40.0	5.50	Hennessy 3 Star
40.0	17.5	Hennessy XO
40.0	5.50	Armagnac, Janneau VSOP
40.0	5.50	Calvados, Boulard VSOP
		PORT – 100ml
20.5	9.00	Quinta de Val Da Fuguiera 10yr [bottle 60.00]
		LIQUEURS – 25ml
28.0	5.50	Amaretto
17.0	5.50	Baileys Irish Cream - 50ml
28.0	5.50	Cointreau
40.0	5.50	Frangelico
40.0	5.50	Grappa
32.0	5.50	Limoncello
40.0	5.50	Sambucca
40.0	5.50	Tequila
40.0	5.50	Tia Maria