



## THE OLD BRIDGE AT HUNTINGDON RESTAURANT WINE LIST

We have been given the **AA 2010 Guide's "Wine Award" for the best restaurant wine list in the United Kingdom**. We were the first to win this award, 10 years ago, and we are the first to win it twice. I hope this encourages you to choose with confidence.

Every wine on this list is also available in our wine shop at retail prices. Because we operate a 'flat' profit margin (taking a much lower percentage on the more expensive wines), the difference between shop and restaurant price is never that much. For the cheaper wines it is around £8 difference, then it gently rises to £15. And you can be sure that our shop prices are competitive – many are cheaper than Oddbins, Majestic etc.

We don't have a formal 'sommelier' in the restaurant but some of the team, especially the wine shop managers, are well informed about the list. If you want to discuss your choice just ask and they will come and talk to you. You can also taste a selection of wines in the shop – so please come and see us before or after your meal.

John Hoskins, Master of Wine and Proprietor of The Old Bridge

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"Bin ends": walk into the shop – all can be served in the restaurant ('corkage' of £10)



## HOUSE WINES BY THE GLASS

A selection of affordable bottles, preserved under vacuum, served from the bar.

ALSO see monthly selection of 24 more wines by the glass on following pages.

### FIZZ

		Glass	Bottle
20	PROSECCO, Spumante, Ca Morlin. Conegliano e Valdobbiadene, Italy 11%	£5.00	£23.00
24	TALTARNI BRUT TACHÉ (ROSÉ) 2008. Victoria/Tasmania, Australia 13%	£5.25	£24.00
35	BILLECART SALMON, Brut Réserve. Champagne 12%	£8.95	£45.00
40	LOUIS ROEDERER, Brut Premier. Champagne 12%	£9.95	£49.50
	KIR ROYAL made with Sparkling wine and Briottet's superb Crème de Cassis	£5.95	
	Or made with Champagne instead of fizz	£9.95	
	Alternatively try Crème de Framboise or Crème de Mûre		

### WHITE

		125ml	175ml	250ml	Bottle
70	2009 GARGANEGA, Alpha Zeta. Veneto, Italy 12.5%	£2.95	£4.20	£5.95	£14.95
77	2009 PICPOUL DE PINET, Félines-Jourdan. South France 13.5%	£3.60	£4.95	£7.00	£17.95
86	2008 EINS-ZWEI-DRY, Riesling, Leitz. Rheingau, Germany 12%	£3.95	£5.50	£7.95	£19.75
131	2009 GEWURZTRAMINER, Yealands. Marlborough, N.Z. 13.5%	£4.00	£5.60	£8.00	£19.95
90	2009 SAUVIGNON BLANC, Tinpot Hut. Marlborough, N.Z. 13%	£4.50	£6.25	£8.75	£22.00
273	2008 SAINT VÉРАН, Terres Noires, Domaine Deux Roches 13%	£5.30	£7.40	£9.95	£26.50

### ROSÉ

344	2009 VINA CHOCALAN ROSÉ. Chile 13%	£3.60	£4.95	£7.00	£17.95
348	2009 CHÂTEAU MOUTÈTE. Côte de Provence, France 13%	£3.80	£5.35	£7.60	£18.95

### RED - 372, 379 and 509 are all served cool

360	2009 BORSAO, Garnacha. Campo de Borja, Spain 13.5%	£2.95	£4.20	£5.95	£14.95
437	2008 THE BEAK, Magpie Estate. South Australia 14.5%	£3.60	£4.95	£7.00	£17.95
439	2009 MALBEC, Altos Las Hormigas. Mendoza, Argentina 14%	£3.95	£5.50	£7.95	£19.75
372	2009 BEAUJOLAIS VILLAGES, Gry Sablon. France 12.5%	£4.00	£5.60	£8.00	£19.95
379	2009 PINOT NOIR The Edge. Martinborough, NZ 14.5%	£4.40	£6.20	£8.80	£22.00
509	2006 'LA GROLA', Allegrini. Valpolicella, Veneto, Italy 13.5%	£5.95	£8.40	£11.95	£29.95

### SHERRY (more bottles and halves on page 25)

		75ml glass
941	PUERTO FINO, Lustau 15.5% <i>Crisp and fresh with a salty tang. Brilliant aperitif</i>	£3.00
947	OLOROSO "Pata de Gallina", Lustau. Sherry 20% <i>Dry but broad, nutty, complex and spicy. And works well with many foods.</i>	£4.50
949	EAST INDIA, Lustau. Sherry 20% <i>Medium to sweet - luscious richness with a savoury intensity.</i>	£3.50



## Monthly selection of wines by the glass July 2010

As well as the house wines served from the bar, we also offer these 24 more 'by the glass'. These bottles are kept in the wines shop on our "Enomatic" system. Do call in to have a browse and to see how you can have an informal help-yourself wine tasting at any time.

John Hoskins, Master of Wine / proprietor

### Great value whites from South Africa

		125ml	175ml
68	2009 SAUVIGNON BLANC, False Bay. South Africa 13% <i>Typical elderflower aroma, zesty and lively. Tremendous value.</i>	£3.25	£4.55
190	2009 CHARDONNAY, False Bay. South Africa 13.5% <i>Really good value Chardonnay – soft but fresh, just a hint of creamy oak.</i>	£3.25	£4.55
199	2009 GRENACHE BLANC, The Foundry. Paadeberg, South Africa 13.5% <i>Chris Williams is the winemaker at 'Meerlust' and makes a few cases of Rhône style wines under his own label 'The Foundry'. This is Grenache Blanc with 10% Viognier. Richly textured but delicate and lively.</i>	£3.75	£5.25
212	2008 TMV WHITE, Tulbagh Mountain Vineyards. Coastal Region, S.A. 13.5% <i>Old vine Chenin with small amount of Clairette and Viognier. Subtle richness. <a href="#">Organic</a></i>	£4.75	£6.65

### Unusual and exciting French whites

77	2009 PICPOUL DE PINET, Félines-Jourdan. Languedoc, South France 13.5% <i>The best of modern France – crisp, lively and utterly delicious.</i>	£3.50	£4.90
126	2008 COSTIÈRES DE NIMES, Chapelle Paul Blanc. South of France 13.5% <i>Roussanne-Marsanne blend. Dry and light but aromatic and characterful. Great value.</i>	£3.50	£4.90
146	2008 CÔTES DU RHÔNE, Les Gendrines, Pierre Gaillard. Rhône 13.5% <i>100% Viognier. Wonderful peach and apricot aromas; full but delicate; very long.</i>	£5.75	£8.00
213	2008 COLLIOURE, 'Tremadoc', Domaine Madeloc. South East France 14% <i>Intriguing, richly flavoured, spicy southern white from coastal area near Perpignan. Grenache and Vermentino, made like white Burgundy but with no new oak.</i>	£5.00	£7.00

**P.T.O. for reds**

# Monthly selection of wine by the glass – red

## Great value from Spain and Portugal

		125ml	175ml
360	2009 BORSALO, Garnacha. Campo de Borja, Spain 13.5% <i>Garnacha with 5% Tempranillo and 10% Cabernet from area south east of Rioja. Soft, round and oh-so-friendly. The Old Bridge house red</i>	£2.95	£4.20
389	2007 VISTA TR, Tinta Roriz. Beiras, Portugal 13.5% <i>Ripe, spicy, robust. Fantastic value from Beiras on the Spanish border.</i>	£3.25	£4.55
410	2007 RIVOLA, Abadia Retuerta. Sardon de Duero, Spain 13% <i>The best of modern Spain – ripe and intense; powerful but without hard edges; oaked but not too oaky. 60% Tempranillo, 40% Cabernet Sauvignon.</i>	£4.50	£6.30
383	2004 VINA AMEZOLA, Crianza. Rioja, Spain 13.5% . <i>Classic oak-aged Rioja – creamy vanilla and sweet, gentle fruit.</i>	£4.75	£6.65

## Top quality from Spain and Portugal

421	2007 TRES PICOS, Bodegas Borsao. Campo de Borja, Spain 15% <i>Old vine Garnacha. The ripeness and richness of a top-quality Aussie Shiraz.</i>	£5.50	£7.70
451	2005 PASSAGEM, Quinta das Bandeiras. Douro, Portugal 13.5% <i>Brilliant illustration of the modern face of Portugal. Touriga Nacional grapes from the upper Douro, near Spain. Rich and intense with lovely freshness and balance.</i>	£6.00	£8.40
454	2006 CERVOLES. Costers del Segre, Catalonia, Spain 14.5% <i>Tempranillo with Grenache, Cabernet and Merlot, aged for 14 months in French oak. Mediterranean aromatics (herbs and spice); full-bodied, ripe and elegant.</i>	£7.00	£9.80
457	2005 PRIORAT, Ferrer Bobet. Priorat, Spain 14.5% <i>A new winery in the trendiest area in Spain. Using 100 year old Carignan and Grenache. Can be cellared or enjoyed now for its juicy, luscious charms. <a href="#">Organic</a></i>	£8.75	£12.25

## Serious South African reds

443	2005 SYRAH, Jordan. Stellenbosch, South Africa 14.5% <i>Closer to a Rhône style than an Aussie Shiraz. Powerful and dense, but fresh, lively and not over-blown, despite the apparently high alcohol</i>	£4.75	£6.65
444	2006 PINOTAGE, Kaapzicht Estate. Stellenbosch, South Africa 14%	£4.00	£5.60
445	2007 GREYWACKE PINOTAGE, Cape Chamonix. Franschhoek, SA 14.5% <i>Pinotage is not the world's greatest grape. All the more surprising how good these are. 444 is chocolatey rich, very impressive for the price. A small percentage of 445 is dried before fermentation, Amarone style. The result is fresh and fruity, but with lovely texture and intensity. And none of the earthiness that ruins its peers.</i>	£5.00	£7.00
692	2007 ENGELBRECHT ELS, Proprietor's Blend. South Africa 15% <i>Golfer Ernie Els and winemaker Jean Engelbrecht are producing a very fine Bordeaux blend, aged for 18 months in oak. Powerful but also sleek and elegant.</i>	£7.75	£10.85

## Aussie Shiraz

424	2009 IRONBARK SHIRAZ. South East Australia 13% <i>Soft, round, good value Aussie Shiraz. At this price many examples are thin and weedy.</i>	£3.00	£4.20
442	2008 'PASSION HAS RED LIPS', Some Young Punks. Clare Valley 14% <i>As unashamedly flamboyant and lively as the concept and the packaging.</i>	£4.50	£6.30
606	2006 PLEXUS, John Duval. Barossa Valley, South Australia 14.5% <i>Shiraz, Grenache and Mourvedre. Powerful peppery fruit so typical of the Barossa. A new solo venture for Duval, the winemaker of Grange Hermitage for many years.</i>	£6.00	£8.40
621	2008 THE BOXER, Mollydooker. South Australia 17% <i>100% Shiraz. This is a cult winery in Australia and the USA, where there's quite a fight for an allocation. High alcohol, ultra intense, full throttle, no compromise.</i>	£7.75	£10.85

# FIZZ

20	PROSECCO, Spumante, Ca'Morlin. Conegliano e Valdobbiadene, Italy 11% <i>Fully sparkling version of this soft, light north Italian classic.</i>	£23.00
22	TALTARNI BRUT 2007. Victoria/Tasmania, Australia 13% <i>Cool climate origins; Chardonnay and Pinot Noir; ripe but lemony fresh; classy stuff.</i>	£24.00
24	TALTARNI BRUT TACHÉ (ROSÉ) 2008. Victoria/Tasmania, Australia 13% <i>A pale pink rosé (Taché means stained), made with Chardonnay and Pinot Noir, giving colour and fruit with a dash of Shiraz. Soft, creamy, delicious.</i>	£24.00
26	CAPE CHAMONIX 2005, Cap Classique. Franschhoek, South Africa 12% <i>Pure Chardonnay, aged 3.5 years with the lees, disgorged by hand. Complex.</i>	£26.50
27	CRÉMANT D'ALSACE, Domaine Pfister. Alsace 12.5% <i>Lemony-fresh, delicate, elegant. Excellent, light, zingy aperitif.</i>	£28.50
28	VOUVRAY PÉTILLANT, Domaine Huet, 2005. Loire 12% <u>Organic</u> <i>Lightly sparkling. Fully mature Chenin Blanc – waxy, nutty, honeyed flavours.</i>	£36.00
29	QUARTET, Roederer Estate. Anderson Valley, California 12% <i>Made by Champagne Roederer in a cool climate northern area. Crisply fresh, elegant, fine fizz – hard to tell it's not "the real thing".</i>	£35.00
30	GREMILLET, Brut Selection. Champagne 12% <i>The Gremillet family in the Aube Valley make clean, light, lively Champagne.</i>	£35.00
31	2005 NYETIMBER, Classic Cuvée. West Sussex, England 12% <i>England's best fizz. Chardonnay-Pinot blend of remarkable Champagne-like quality.</i>	£39.50
32	MONTAUDON GRANDE ROSÉ. Champagne 12% <i>Small producer in the town of Reims. Pale pink; dry but fruity; great value.</i>	£45.00
34	LE MESNIL, Blanc de Blancs, Grand Cru. Champagne 12% <i>Le Mesnil is a village producing only (excellent) Chardonnay – light, delicate style.</i>	£42.50
35	BILLECART SALMON, Brut Réserve. Champagne 12% <i>Family-owned house. Very dry and elegant; fine and long; Chablis-esque flavours.</i>	£45.00
36	BILLECART SALMON, Demi Sec. Champagne 12%	£45.00
37	AGRAPART, Les 7 Crus, Blanc de Blancs. Champagne 12% <i>Blend of 7 Premier and Grand Cru sites. Lively and crisp; perfect aperitif. <u>Organic</u></i>	£42.50
40	LOUIS ROEDERER, Brut Premier 12% <i>Consistently brilliant Grande Marque. Properly matured, rich and intense.</i>	£49.50
43	BILLECART SALMON ROSÉ. Champagne 12% <i>Pale pink, very dry, under-stated. Always raises a smile.</i>	£69.50
44	2004 BILLECART SALMON, Vintage Brut. Champagne 12% <i>70% Pinot Noir, 30% Chardonnay. Much richer and creamier than the Brut Reserve.</i>	£72.50
45	POL ROGER, 1998 Vintage Brut. Champagne 12% <i>The extra depth of Vintage Champagne. Bread and hazelnuts, toast and butter.</i>	£72.50
46	LOUIS ROEDERER, 2003 Brut Vintage. Champagne 12%	£74.50
47	BILLECART SALMON, 1998 Cuvée NF. Champagne 12% <i>1998 was an excellent year. Powerful, dense, serious. One for food.</i>	£79.50
49	LOUIS ROEDERER CRISTAL 2002. Champagne 12% <i>Something of a cult, but at least it's a great wine too. And our price is exceptional.</i>	£180.00

## MAGNUMS OF FIZZ

51	<u>MAGNUM:</u> BILLECART SALMON, Brut Réserve. Champagne 12%	£89.50
52	<u>MAGNUM:</u> BILLECART SALMON ROSÉ. Champagne 12%	£139.00
55	<u>MAGNUM:</u> LE MESNIL, 2000 Blanc de Blancs. Champagne 12%	£99.50
56	<u>MAGNUM:</u> POL ROGER, 1998 Brut Vintage. Champagne 12%	£138.00
57	<u>MAGNUM:</u> LANSON, 1996 Brut Vintage. Champagne 12.5%	£138.00

## FRESH, DRY WHITES - Sauvignon Blanc, Pinot Grigio & Co.

70	2009 GARGANEGA, Alpha Zeta. Veneto, Italy 12.5% <i>Ideal 'house white' – crisp and fresh, but no hard edges.</i>	£14.95
72	2009 CÔTES DE GASCOGNE, Domaine Sainte Lannes. Vin de Pays 12% <i>Colombard with Gros Manseng from Gascony; bone-dry but soft and aromatic.</i>	£16.75
73	2009 GAVI, La Battistina. Piedmont, Italy 12.5% <i>Local, grape variety, Cortese, making classically style Italian white – light and appetizing.</i>	£16.95
76	2009 SAUVIGNON BLANC, Casas del Bosque. Casablanca, Chile 13.5% <i>Cool climate Casablanca Valley is producing aromatic and intense Sauvignon.</i>	£17.95
77	2009 PICPOUL DE PINET, Félines-Jourdan. Languedoc. South of France 13.5% <i>The best of modern France – crisp, lively and utterly delicious.</i>	£17.95
78	2009 SAUVIGNON BLANC, JC Mandard. Touraine, Loire, France 13% <i>Classically French in style – bone-dry, grassy, edgy. A mini Sancerre.</i>	£18.95
80	2008 RUEDA, K-Naia. Spain 13% <i>The Verdejo grape has Sauvignon-like aromas and bright, crisp flavours.</i>	£18.95
86	2008 EINS-ZWEI-DRY, Riesling Trocken, Leitz. Rheingau, Germany 12% <i>Fresh, delicate, dry Riesling – really charming. Germany is fighting back.</i>	£19.75
89	2009 SAUVIGNON BLANC, Paul Cluver. Elgin, South Africa 13.5% <i>Half way between French style (Sancerre) and New Zealand. Fine quality for the price.</i>	£21.00
90	2009 SAUVIGNON BLANC, Tinpot Hut. Marlborough, New Zealand 13% <i>Benchmark example of the style – elderflower and gooseberries.</i>	£22.00
92	2009 GRUNER VELTLINER, Kies, Kurt Angerer. Austria 12.5% <i>Green apple zestiness with a hint of white pepper and smoke. Be brave.</i>	£22.00
93	2009 SAUVIGNON BLANC, Sea Level. Awatere, Marlborough, N Zealand 13% <i>Predictable exuberance of Marlborough SB, allied to unexpected salty, zesty complexity.</i>	£22.50
100	2009 SAUVIGNON BLANC, Shaw and Smith. Adelaide Hills, S Australia 13% <i>Cool area producing Aus's best Sauvignons. Elegant, under-stated style.</i>	£22.50
102	2008 PECORINO, Contesa. Abruzzo, Italy 13% <i>A grape (as opposed to a cheese) with intensity and character rarely seen in Italian whites.</i>	£23.00
103	2007 RIESLING, Amisfield. Central Otago, New Zealand 12% <i>Clean and classy Riesling from trendy Central Otago – crisp, lively and intense.</i>	£25.50
104	2009 GIUNCO, Cantina Mesa. Sardinia, Italy 11.5% <i>100% Vermentino from a swish new estate in western Sardinia. Classy, zesty dry white.</i>	£25.95
105	2008 POUILLY FUMÉ, Villa Paulus, Masson Blondelet. Loire 13% <i>French Sauvignon in classic mode – flinty dry; grass and apple; good length.</i>	£27.50
110	2008 SANCERRE, Terre de Maimbray, Reverdy. Loire 13% <i>This is expensive but classic. Ripeness and austerity combined.</i>	£27.50
112	2008 ALBARINO, Pazo de Senorans. Galicia, Spain 12% <i>Delicate, aromatic example of Spain's best white grape, from the cool north west.</i>	£27.50
114	2008 SPRINGVALE RIESLING, Grosset. Clare Valley, South Australia 13% <i>Aus's finest Riesling producer. Zesty lime and green apple crunch.</i>	£29.50
115	2008 FRIULANO, Livio Felluga. Friuli, Italy 13.5% <i>Top quality native north Italian grape variety. Ripe but very fine – truly delicious.</i>	£29.50
116	2004 RUDESHEIMER BERG SCHLOSSBERG DRY, Leitz. Rheingau, Germany 12% <i>A fine, elegant dry Riesling. Classic mineral / oil aromas; intricate flavours.</i>	£29.95
117	2005 RIESLING, Grand Cru Engelberg, Domaine Pfister. Alsace, France 13% <i>Another classic dry Riesling – lively minerality with creamy delicacy overlaid.</i>	£36.00
118	2004 RIESLING, Steiner Hund Reserve, Nikolaihof. Wachau, Austria 12.5% <i>97/100 from Robert Parker. I don't normally mention such thing but Riesling needs a spotlight. Incredibly fresh and racey. <a href="#">Bio-dynamic</a>.</i>	£51.50
119	1984 VOUVRAY, Le Haut Lieu, Sec, Huet. Loire 12% <a href="#">Organic</a> <i>With age dry Chenin Blancs become honeyed and waxy, without losing any freshness.</i>	£37.00

# FRUITY / AROMATIC WHITES

## FRUITY BUT DRY

120	2009 GOATS DO ROAM. South Africa 14%	£16.25
	<i>Viognier based blend. Floral and aromatic but remaining dry and fresh.</i>	
122	2009 TORRONTES, 'Urban', O Fournier. Salta, Argentina 13.5%	£16.95
	<i>Argentina's native variety – Muscat-like bouquet; dry, lively and appetizing</i>	
124	2008 PINOT GRIS, Villa Wolf. Pfalz, Germany 12.5%	£17.50
	<i>From southern Germany, dry but soft and honeyed wine of easy-going charm.</i>	
126	2008 COSTIÈRES DE NIMES, Chapelle Paul Blanc. South of France 13.5%	£17.95
	<i>Roussanne-Marsanne blend. Dry and light but ripe and characterful. Great value.</i>	
129	2009 VIOGNIER, Terres Rousses. Vin de Pays D'Oc 13.5%	£17.95
	<i>Viognier has Chardonnay richness with added perfume. A light, charming example.</i>	
130	2009 PINOT GRIS, Willunga 100. Adelaide Hills, South Australia 13.5%	£18.95
	<i>Ripe, round but delicate – excellent, lighter alternative to Chardonnay.</i>	
131	2009 GEWURZTRAMINER, Yealands Estate. Marlborough, New Zealand 13.5%	£19.95
	<i>Clean and very quaffable example of this most exotic and perfumed variety. <a href="#">Carbon-neutral!</a></i>	
135	2008 PINOT GRIS, Escarpment. Martinborough, New Zealand 13.5%	£21.00
	<i>Perfumed and rich, but without heaviness. This is very classy for the price.</i>	
140	2008 PINOT GRIS, Karl Johner. Baden, Germany 13%	£23.50
	<i>From one of German's superstars – ripe but refined. Extremely classy wine.</i>	
142	2008 MALVASIA, Birichino. Monterey, California 13%	£24.00
	<i>Heady perfume; dry but aromatic (Muscat-like). From the brilliant Randall Graham.</i>	
145	2007 MUSCAT, Claudy Clavien. Valais, Switzerland 11.5%	£26.50
	<i>Unique and enticing Muscat perfume; a crisp, fresh, appetizing mouthful. Yes, it's expensive (it's Swiss after all) but if money's no object this is the perfect aperitif.</i>	
146	2008 COTES DU RHONE, Les Gendrines, Pierre Gaillard. Rhône 13.5%	£28.00
	<i>100% Viognier; wonderful peach and apricot aromas; full but delicate; very long.</i>	
149	2007 CONDRIEU, Le Grand Vallon, Villard. Rhône 13.5%	£54.50
	<i>Top producer in the home of Viognier. Dry, but hedonistically ripe.</i>	

## OFF-DRY

154	2008 FRANCONIA, Hofkeller Cellars. Wurzburg, Germany 11.5%	£19.95
	<i>Fruity but very fresh; dry-ish, very delicious example of modern Germany.</i>	
155	2009 FRITZ'S RIESLING, Gunderloch. Rheinhessen, Germany 11%	£18.50
	<i>Absolutely brilliant, modern example of off-dry, fruity, charming, delicate Riesling.</i>	
158	2007 GRAACHER DOMPROBST KABINETT, Willi Schaefer. Mosel, Germany 8%	£24.00
	<i>Classic Mosel Riesling from a perfect vintage – delicacy personified.</i>	
164	2007 GEWURZTRAMINER, Rolly Gassmann. Alsace 13%	£28.50
	<i>Irrepressible spicy Gewurz, with some sweetness too – great with cheese.</i>	
166	2000 VOUVRAY, Le Mont, Demi Sec, Huet. Loire 12% <a href="#">Organic</a>	£29.50
	<i>Chenin Blanc. Not particularly aromatic, but off-dry, honeyed and very complex.</i>	
168	2004 RUDESHEIMER BERG SCHLOSSBERG SPATLESE, Leitz. Rheingau 7%	£29.50
	<i>Classic mature Riesling – creamy but delicate; incredibly fine.</i>	
172	1996 PINOT GRIS, Rottleibel, Vendange Tardive, Rolly Gassmann. Alsace 12.5%	£39.95
	<i>Lusciously ripe, hedonistic, medium-sweet style. Brilliant with foie gras or cheese.</i>	
175	1989 RIESLING, Vendange Tardive, Frederic Emile, Trimbach. Alsace 12.5%	£54.00
180	1983 RIESLING, Vendange Tardive, Frederic Emile, Trimbach. Alsace 12.5%	£54.00
	<i>2 late harvest wines, from 2 great vintages. Work with spiced or even creamy dishes.</i>	
(186)	2001 SANCERRE, Cuvée Paul, Domaine Cotat. Loire 12% <a href="#">NEW</a>	£63.00
	<i>Very rare, late harvest Sauvignon from one of the most revered estates in France.</i>	
(188)	1971 VOUVRAY, Haut Lieu, Demi Sec. Huet. Loire 12%	£95.00
	<i>Chenin Blanc can age for ever. This is softly mature, yet feels eternally fresh.</i>	

# Chardonnay + other full-bodied whites

White Burgundy, also made from Chardonnay, is on pages 9-10.

206, 208, 213, 214, 216, 220, 228 and 230 are of particular interest, none of them being made of Chardonnay but all having richness of texture.

196	2008 CHARDONNAY-VIOGNIER, The Ruins. South Africa 13% <a href="#">Organic</a>	£16.00
	<i>Light, easy-drinking Chardonnay; 25% Viognier giving gentle aromatic interest.</i>	
198	2009 UN-OAKED CHARDONNAY, Brampton. South Africa 14.5%	£16.50
	<i>Fresh and charming - to prove that Chardonnay is not always fat and heavy.</i>	
199	2009 GRENACHE BLANC, The Foundry. Paadeberg, South Africa 13.5%	£18.75
	<i>Grenache with 10% Viognier. Richly textured but delicate and lively.</i>	
200	2007 CHARDONNAY, Pulenta Estate. Mendoza, Argentina 13%	£18.75
	<i>Full-bodied style, fermented in oak. Rich, intense Chardonnay but with lovely freshness to balance the intensity. Astonishing value for the quality.</i>	
202	2008 CHARDONNAY, Rockbare. McLaren Vale, Australia 13.5%	£19.50
	<i>No oak, the accent on lively fruit and youthful vivacity.</i>	
204	2007 SPECIAL RESERVE CHARDONNAY, Tabali. Limari Valley, Chile 14%	£19.50
	<i>Ripe fruit and buttery oak. Traditional style, but lovely balance and fantastic value.</i>	
206	2009 LES VIGNES D'ALEXANDRE, Domaine Chante Cigale 13%	£19.50
	<i>Vin de Pays de Méditerranée, S. France. Young Roussanne and Clairette vines from a great estate in Châteauneuf du Pape. Ripe and broad, but no oak. A bargain</i>	
207	2008 CHARDONNAY, Ferngrove. Frankland River, Western Australia 13.5%	£19.95
	<i>Only partly barrel fermented; this is brilliant, fresh, modern style Chardonnay.</i>	
208	2004 CHENIN BLANC, Tierhook. Piekenierskloof, South Africa 12.5%	£20.00
	<i>High altitude vineyard and six years' maturity, resulting in spicy intensity and real Complexity. Chenin's high acidity ensures freshness. Note the low alcohol too.</i>	
210	2008 CHARDONNAY, Jordan. Stellenbosch, South Africa 14%	£22.00
	<i>Serious, ambitious Chardonnay, aiming for Meursault rather than Chablis. Creamy softness, but there's restraint and balance too; and impressive length.</i>	
212	2008 TMV WHITE, Tulbagh Mountain Vineyards. Coastal Region, South Africa 13.5%	£23.50
	<i>Old vine Chenin with small amount of Clairette and Viognier. Subtle richness. <a href="#">Organic</a></i>	
213	2008 COLLIOURE, 'Tremadoc', Domaine Madeloc. South East France 14%	£25.50
	<i>Intriguing, richly flavoured, spicy southern white from coastal area near Perpignan. Grenache and Vermentino, made like white Burgundy but with no new oak.</i>	
214	2008 CAPE CREST, Sauvignon Blanc, Te Mata. Hawkes Bay, New Zealand 13.5%	£25.50
	<i>Sauvignon Blanc aged in oak – not normally a successful combination. This, however, is beautifully balanced – creamy fullness and citric freshness.</i>	
216	2008 SEQUILLO, Eben Sadie. Swartland, South Africa 14%	£28.00
	<i>Old vine Chenin Blanc, Grenache Blanc, Viognier and Roussanne aged in old wood for a year. Full-bodied but delicate; intense but fresh. Really top class.</i>	
217	2008 CHARDONNAY, Hamilton Russell. Walker Bay, South Africa 13%	£29.50
	<i>South Africa's finest Chardonnay - cool and elegant style.</i>	
218	2008 CHARDONNAY, M3 Vineyard, Shaw and Smith. Adelaide Hills, Australia 13.5%	£31.00
	<i>This is from a cool climate area too. Made in a European style (subtle oak, no overt fruitiness). Somehow gets the complexity but without losing all sense of fun.</i>	
222	2007 LA ROCCA, Pieropan. Veneto, Italy 13%	£36.50
	<i>Oak-aged Garganega from rare limestone soils in Soave country. Fermented and aged in large oak barrels. Fresh but rounded; one of Italy's few profound whites.</i>	
224	2007 CRAIGHALL CHARDONNAY, Ata Rangī. Martinborough, New Zealand 13.5%	£38.50
	<i>Classic Chardonnay richness tempered by cool climate origin – very fine example.</i>	
225	1989 TONDONIA RESERVA, Lopez de Heredia. Rioja, Spain 12.5%	£39.00
	<i>Traditional style of white Rioja, rarely seen nowadays. This is aged in oak for 5 years. Creamy richness and sherry-ish tang.</i>	

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# Chardonnay + other full bodied whites

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(numbers in brackets are kept in the cellar – just allow 10 minutes to chill to temperature)

- 228 2007 SAVENNIERES, Domaine FL. Loire 14% £39.95  
*Just north of Vouvray, an area producing the world's most concentrated and serious examples of dry Chenin Blanc. Fermented in oak – ripe, intense, firm.*
- 229 2007 GRUNER VELTLINER, Alte Reben, Brundlmayer. Kamptal, Austria 13.5% £39.95  
*Old vines giving Chardonnay-like richness allied to the pepper and spice that typifies this grape variety. No oak, however, so remains fresh and food-friendly.*
- 230 2007 CHATEAUNEUF DU PAPE (WHITE), Domaine des Sénéchaux. Rhône 14% £40.50  
*Grenache Blanc, Clairette and Roussane, only the latter aged in oak. Broad, rounded, obviously southern in style, but retaining balance and charm.*
- 232 2006 CHARDONNAY, David Ramey. Russian River, Sonoma, California 14.5% £41.50  
*David Ramey is as thoughtful and sophisticated as his wine. This really does compare with serious white Burgundy, if somewhat more hedonistic.*
- 233 2007 RAM'S HILL, Sauvignon Blanc, Mt Nelson. Marlborough, New Zealand 13.5% £43.00  
*Owned by Lodovico Antinori (who makes the brilliant Tuscan red bin 699), this is a Sauvignon Blanc aged in oak in the style of a top white Bordeaux. A wine of great intensity but wonderful delicacy; the best new world Sauvignon I have ever tried.*
- 235 2006 CHARDONNAY, 'Kevin John', Cullen. Margaret River, W Australia [Organic](#) £48.00
- 236 2005 CHARDONNAY, Cullen. Margaret River, W Australia 14% [Organic](#) £48.00  
*Vanya Cullen is now fully bio-dynamic and uses wild yeasts, not too much new oak and anything she can to make multi-layered, complex (and very expensive) wine.*
- 241 2000 CHARDONNAY, Art Series, Leeuwin Estate. Margaret River, W. Australia 14% £79.00  
*Australia's most famous Chardonnay and the estate that made Margaret River's quality reputation. Opulent and impressive, without undue heaviness.*
- 242 2004 CHARDONNAY, Giaconda. Beechworth, Victoria, Australia 14.5% £79.50
- (243)** 2002 CHARDONNAY, Giaconda. Beechworth, Victoria, Australia 15% £84.00
- (244)** 2001 CHARDONNAY, Giaconda. Beechworth, Victoria, Australia 14.5% £84.00
- (245)** 2000 CHARDONNAY, Giaconda. Beechworth, Victoria, Australia 14% £84.00  
*Giaconda are the country's "cult" producer. The wines are rich and luscious, more top California than Burgundy, but perfectly balanced. You pay partly for the rarity, but £125-£180 is the standard price in London (and Cambridge).*
- 250 2005 CHARDONNAY, Noisetiers, Kistler. Sonoma Coast, California 14.5% £72.00
- (252)** 2002 CHARDONNAY, Noisetiers, Kistler. Sonoma Coast, California 14.1% £74.00
- (253)** 2000 CHARDONNAY, Noisetiers, Kistler. Russian River, California 14.5% £74.00
- (254)** 1998 CHARDONNAY, Kistler. Sonoma Coast, California 14.1% £69.00
- (256)** 2002 CHARDONNAY, 'Vine Hill'. Russian River Valley, California 14.5% £84.00
- (257)** 2001 CHARDONNAY, 'Vine Hill', Russian River Valley. California 14.1% £99.00
- (258)** 1997 CHARDONNAY, 'McCrea Vineyard'. Sonoma Mountain, California 14.1% £130.00
- (259)** 2002 CHARDONNAY 'Kistler Vineyard'. Sonoma Valley, California 14.1% £135.00  
*Kistler are the most sought after producer of Chardonnay outside Burgundy. Their wines sell out by mail-order on release. We imported these ourselves as they were released.. The first four are the winery's "normal" blend, the others are all single vineyard wines. The consistency is extraordinary, even though the prices are certainly eye-watering. (But you would pay over £250 for any of the single vineyard wines in the few top restaurants that have any).*
- (260)** 2000 HERMITAGE (white), Chave. Rhône 13% £95.00
- (261)** 1995 HERMITAGE (white), Chave. Rhône 13% £114.00  
*Absurdly expensive; the Rhône's most prestigious (and serious) white.*

# White Burgundy

*The spiritual home of Chardonnay. While New World Chardonnay may benefit from chilling, white Burgundy improves given air and warmth. Do give them time in the glass.*

262	2007 CHABLIS, Vrignaud 12.5%	£24.00
263	2008 CHABLIS, 'St Martin', Domaine Laroche 13%	£29.95
264	2006 CHABLIS, 1er Cru Vaillons, Billaud-Simon 13%	£36.00
265	2007 CHABLIS, Vincent Dauvissat 13%	£39.50
267	2001 CHABLIS Grand Cru Vaudesir, Droin 13%	£54.00
268	2000 CHABLIS Grand Cru Les Grenouilles, Louis Jadot 13.5%	£64.50
269	2001 CHABLIS Grand Cru Les Clos, Dauvissat 13%	£105.00
272	1996 CHABLIS Grand Cru Les Clos, R&V Dauvissat 13%	£109.00

*Chablis is a cool, northern area. Despite commercial popularity the wines are not "easy". Initially they seem light and innocuous, with searing, razor-sharp acidity. Give them air, and allow the palate a minute to adjust, for the subtle intensity and complexity to become evident. 262 is fresh, relatively light and charming; the others all show the sappy, mineral, complex and unique flavours that Chablis gets with maturity. An acquired taste perhaps, but addictive once acquired.*

273	2008 SAINT VÉРАН, Terres Noires, Domaine des Deux Roches 13%	£23.50
274	2008 MACON SOLUTRÉ, Moulin du Pont, Auvigie 13%	£21.00
275	2008 MACON VERZÉ, Nicolas Maillet 13% <a href="#">Organic</a>	£24.00
276	2006 MÂCON VINZELLES, Le Clos de Grand Père, Bret Brothers 12% <a href="#">Organic</a>	£25.00

*Mâcon is further south and the wines have more richness and easy charm. 274 and 5 are typically juicy, easy-drinking, un-oaked examples, perfect for all occasions. 273 is a much richer wine, aged in wood but without being at all 'oaky'. 276 is from a parcel of 50 year old vines – giving real intensity and complexity.*

278	2007 POUILLY FUISSÉ, Vieilles Vignes, Domaine Soufrandise, Melin 13.5%	£33.00
279	2006 POUILLY FUISSÉ, Hors Classé, Les Menetrieres, Domaine Ferret 14%	£55.00

*Pouilly Fuissé produces the richest wines of the Mâconnais, perhaps of all white Burgundy. 278 is a quintessential example – solid and impressive. 279 is ripe and powerful but really well balanced – the finest wine I have tried from southern Burgundy.*

281	2007 SANTENAY, Les Hates, Vincent et Sophie Morey 13%	£39.50
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*Village right next to Chassagne Montrachet and from a Domaine based in Chassagne. This is a fine, delicately rich wine; the creamy texture of perfectly judged oak maturation.*

282	2006 NUITS ST GEORGES, 1er Cru Terres Blanches, Michele et Patrice Rion 13.5%	£49.50
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*Very unusual to see WHITE Nuits St Georges. This is a discreetly rich, fine, elegant wine. And (unusually for Burgundy) bottled in screwcap to preserve freshness.*

284	2006 PERNAND VERGELESSES, Vallet Freres 13%	£33.00
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*Lesser-known village, beneath the famous hill of Corton on the Côte de Beaune. Vallet make a rich, intense style – already impressive despite its youth.*

**(More Burgundy on next page - and Magnums on page 23)**

# More white Burgundy

(Numbers in brackets are kept in the cellar – allow 15 minutes to reach temperature)

285	2005 PULIGNY MONTRACHET, Carillon 13.5%	£54.00
286	2004 PULIGNY MONTRACHET, Carillon 13.5%	£50.00
289	2002 PULIGNY MONTRACHET, 1er Cru Referts, Louis Jadot 13.5%	£64.50
<b>(290)</b>	1996 PULIGNY MONTRACHET, Enseigneres, Coche Dury 12.5%	£190.00
	<i>The village of Puligny produces the most elegant, under-stated white Burgundy. 286 is an excellent, early-drinking vintage, very typical Puligny. 285 is from a year of long-lived, powerful wines – needs air to show at its best. 288 and 289 are riper and softer – Perrieres and Referts are both great single vineyards, close to Meursault.</i>	
294	2006 CHASSAGNE MONTRACHET, Philippe Colin 13%	£45.00
	<i>Colin makes immediately enjoyable, rounded Burgundy. 2006's are lively and elegant.</i>	
295	2006 CHASSAGNE MONTRACHET, 1er Cru Les Chaumées, Philippe Colin 13.5%	£55.00
	<i>A great Premier Cru vineyard and a top vintage. Lovely, rounded texture.</i>	
297	2002 CHASSAGNE MONTRACHET, 1er Cru Romanée, Morey Coffinet 13.5%	£59.50
	<i>Surprisingly luscious, almost more in the style of a classic, full-flavoured Meursault</i>	
306	2004 MEURSAULT, Tessons, Michel Bouzereau 13%	£44.50
	<i>Bouzereau is the arch exponent of deliciously rich, easy-to-enjoy Meursault. 2004 is a light vintage but has the advantage of early maturity.</i>	
308	2006 MEURSAULT, Les Clousots, Patrick Javillier 13.5%	£49.50
309	2005 MEURSAULT, Cuvée Tête de Murger, Patrick Javillier 13%	£64.50
310	2002 MEURSAULT, Cuvée Tête de Murger, Patrick Javillier 13%	£64.50
	<i>Patrick Javillier makes rich and succulent Meursault. The 2006 Les Clousots is soft, gentle and charming. The 2002 is more serious – intense and powerful wine.</i>	
312	2003 MEURSAULT, Comtes Lafon 13% <a href="#">Organic</a>	£80.00
<b>(314)</b>	2000 MEURSAULT, Comtes Lafon 13%	£85.00
315	1998 MEURSAULT, Comtes Lafon 13.5%	£80.00
<b>(317)</b>	1997 MEURSAULT, Comtes Lafon 13.5%	£80.00
<b>(318)</b>	1996 MEURSAULT, Comtes Lafon 13.5%	£80.00
<b>(319)</b>	2001 MEURSAULT, Clos de la Barre, Comtes Lafon 13%	£99.00
<b>(320)</b>	2000 MEURSAULT, Clos de la Barre, Comtes Lafon 13%	£109.00
<b>(321)</b>	1999 MEURSAULT, Clos de la Barre, Comtes Lafon 13%	£109.00
	<i>At this level white Burgundy really improves with air and as the temperature rises. So do let the wine breathe in a glass or decanter once open. Dominique Lafon's organic vineyards produce full-bodied, opulent, quintessential Meursault. Expect gold colour, smoky, spicy nose; spicy, biscuity, powerful flavours. Bin 314 is £220 at Le Manoir Aux Quat Saisons.</i>	
<b>(325)</b>	1997 MEURSAULT, JF Coche Dury 12.5%	£114.00
<b>(327)</b>	1996 MEURSAULT, 1er Cru, Les Caillerets, JF Coche Dury 13%	£250.00
<b>(328)</b>	1994 MEURSAULT, JF Coche Dury 12.5%	£114.00
<b>(329)</b>	1994 MEURSAULT, Les Rougeots, JF Coche Dury 12.5%	£190.00
<b>(330)</b>	1993 MEURSAULT, Les Rougeots, JF Coche Dury 12.5%	£125.00
<b>(332)</b>	1992 MEURSAULT, Les Rougeots, JF Coche Dury 12.5%	£235.00
<b>(333)</b>	1990 MEURSAULT, 1er Cru Perrières, JF Coche Dury 13%	£395.00
	<i>Coche Dury's tiny production is in massive world-wide demand, hence the prices. Berry Bro's have sold 333 at £650 per bottle in the past. You would not pay less than £250 for the rest in any London restaurant – if you could find them at all. The Coche style is rich, but fiercely, almost aggressively, nutty and toasty.</i>	

# ROSÉ

- 338 2009 DOMAINE ROMAN, Grenache Gris. Vin de Pays D'Oc 13% £14.95  
*Pale in colour, dry, soft and ripe; ideal rosé for those who dislike too much fruit.*
- 339 2009 PINOT NOIR ROSÉ, Villa Wolf. Pfalz, Germany 12.5% £16.50  
*Off dry rosé of lightness and charm, made by the brilliant Ernst Loosen on his estate in southern Germany.*
- 340 2009 CORBIÈRES ROSÉ. Château Fontarèche. South of France 13.5% £16.50  
*Picpoul Noir, Grenache and Syrah from the hills south of Carcassonne. This is outstanding value – fresh and dry but plenty of soft, ripe fruit.*
- 341 2009 CAPE CORAL, Circumstance. South Africa 13.5% £16.95  
*A serious imitation of fine Provence Rosé. 100% Mourvèdre (the grape used for Bandol). Very pale, with delicacy and real elegance.*
- 343 2009 MALBEC ROSÉ, La Flor, Pulenta Estate. Argentina 13.5% £18.50  
*Aromatic, overtly fruity, but retaining lightness and balance.*
- 344 2009 VINA CHOCALAN ROSÉ, Syrah-Petit Verdot. Maipo, Chile 13% £17.95  
*Soft, round, charming, typically New World style - without being over-the-top.*
- 345 2009 CÔTES DU VENTOUX, 'L'Instant', Domaine de Fondrèche 12% £18.50  
*Cinsault with Syrah and Grenache from the Ventoux – east of the Rhône. Very pale, delicate and fresh. Light enough to be drunk through the afternoon. [Organic](#)*
- 348 2009 CHÂTEAU MOUTÈTE, Grande Reserve. Côte de Provence, France 13% £18.95  
*Pale, delicate, fresh and dry. Very classy rosé for the price.*
- 352 2007 TAVEL ROSÉ, Château d'Aqueria. Rhône 14% £19.75  
*Grenache and Cinsault grapes; from France's most celebrated rosé village. Full-bodied, intensely flavoured but beautifully balanced. Stands up to food.*
- 354 2008 PINOT NOIR ROSÉ, Loica Vineyard, Vina Leyda. Chile 13.5% £19.95  
*Cool climate area producing excellent red Pinot and now this delicate, scented, under-stated rosé. The only five star wine in Decanter Magazine's tasting of dry rosés, 2009 September issue*
- 355 2009 ROSA DEI FRATI. Riviera del Garda Bresciano, Veneto, Italy 12.5% £23.95  
*From Lugana, on the edge of Lake Garda. Dry and elegant style; intense but under-stated; good with or without food.*
- 357 2008 ROSE OF VIRGINIA, Charles Melton. Barossa Valley, Australia 13% £24.50  
*Grenache, Shiraz, Cabernet and a touch of Pinot Meunier, all picked early to retain freshness; pressed gently and fermented together. Typical of the warm Barossa, there's so much fruit it's almost a light red. Great with anything!*

ALSO SEE various rosé Champagnes on Page 3, including BILLECART SALMON ROSÉ in halves and magnums.

## LIGHT and MEDIUM-BODIED REDS

All our reds are served at about 18 centigrade. If you would like yours warmer we can easily raise the temperature by decanting your bottle. Some of these lighter reds are also enjoyable 'cellar cool' – just ask if you would like a cool bottle of any of them.

360	2009 BORSAO, Campo de Borja, Spain 13.5% <i>Garnacha with 5% Tempranillo and 10% Cabernet from area south east of Rioja. Soft, round and oh-so-friendly.</i>	£14.95
361	2009 CABERNET FRANC, Domaine Mas Barrau, VdP Gard, S. France 13.5% <i>Quite rich, but lively and juicy - like a charming example of Chinon or Saumur.</i>	£16.50
362	2009 THE RUINS PINOTAGE, Robertson, South Africa 14.5% <a href="#">Organic</a> <i>Unusually for Pinotage, this is gentle, soft and fruity. Can be drunk slightly cool.</i>	£17.50
364	2006 GRENACHE, Willunga 100, McLaren Vale, South Australia 14.5% <i>Old vine Grenache aged in French oak. Soft, smooth, mellow. Not light in body, but disarmingly easy to drink.</i>	£17.95
365	2008 REFOSCO, Ponte del Diavolo, Grave del Friuli, Italy 12.5% <i>The fresh liveliness of a Beaujolais, but more fruit and intensity. Great new find.</i>	£18.50
366	2007 Château FONTARÈCHE, Vieilles Vignes, Corbieres, S. France 13% <i>On the fuller side of medium, but there's a generous, supple softness here.</i>	£17.95
368	2009 VALPOLICELLA, Allegrini, Veneto, Italy 13% <i>Allegrini are the leaders in the area. This is as juicy as Beaujolais but more lively. Morello cherry, a hint of aniseed. Brilliant for lunch and improved by an ice bucket.</i>	£19.95
370	2008 LA VENDIMIA, Palacios Remondo, Rioja, Spain 14% <i>The best of modern Spain – bright, ripe, open and charming. Very different to traditionally styled Rioja, with little oak maturation.</i>	£19.95
372	2009 BEAUJOLAIS VILLAGES, Domaine de Gry Sablon, Beaujolais 12.5% <i>2009 is a fantastic year for Beaujolais. Perfect example of bright, lively Gamay.</i>	£19.95
374	2009 PINOT NOIR, Innocent Bystander, Yarra Valley, Victoria, Australia 14% <i>Medium-bodied, soft, easy-drinking Pinot at a very sensible price.</i>	£21.00
376	2007 DOLCETTO-LAGREIN, Heartland, Langhorne Creek, Australia 14.5% <i>Blend of two north Italian grapes. Vibrant cherry fruit typical of Italy, with the extra ripeness of an Aussie climate. The most user-friendly wine on the page.</i>	£21.00
379	2009 PINOT NOIR "The Edge", Escarpment, Martinborough, New Zealand 14.5% <i>More serious than most other Pinots at this price. Intense, savoury and subtle.</i>	£22.00
380	2009 GAMAY NOIR, Woodthorpe Vineyard, Te Mata Estate, Hawkes Bay, N.Z. 13% <i>Gamay, the Beaujolais grape – the juiciest, easy-drinking red you could imagine.</i>	£23.00
381	2008 PINOT NOIR "Las Brisas", Vina Leyda, Leyda Valley, Chile 14.5% <i>Leyda Valley is a new cool-climate area – producing surprisingly complex wine. This has savoury, spicy aromas and really interesting, subtle flavours.</i>	£24.00
382	2008 ST NICOLAS DE BOURGUEIL, Les Rouilleres, Mabileau 12.5% <i>Cabernet Franc with bright, floral aromatics and enough ripeness to balance the characteristically fresh, dry body. Good lunch time wine; note the alcohol. <a href="#">Organic</a></i>	£24.00
383	2004 VINA AMEZOLA, Crianza, Rioja, Spain 13.5% <i>Classic oak-aged Rioja – creamy vanilla and sweet, gentle fruit.</i>	£24.00
384	2007 PINOT NOIR, Kaiserstuhl, Karl H Johner, Baden, Germany 13.5% <i>From southern Germany, a Pinot Noir of Burgundian complexity and delicacy.</i>	£24.00
385	2008 FLEURIE, La Roilette, Vieilles Vignes, Domaine Métrat, Beaujolais 13% <i>Strawberry perfume, medium-bodied, fresh and crunchy – absolutely classic Beaujolais; wine not to sip but to drink (in quantity).</i>	£26.00
386	2007 SYRAH, Tinpot Hut, Hawkes Bay, New Zealand 13% <i>Very much Syrah not Shiraz – so the accent is on clean, fresh, spicy fruit not weight and alcohol. A refreshing New World style, great with food.</i>	£26.00
387	2008 PINOT NOIR, Gladstone Vineyard, Wairarapa, New Zealand 14% <i>Wairarapa is an area near Wellington on north island, specializing in Pinot. This is fabulous Pinot for the price. Rich but spicy; complex but thirst-quenching.</i>	£27.00

## POWERFUL REDS – ‘Old World’

All our reds are served at around 18 centigrade. If you would like yours warmer we can easily raise the temperature by decanting your bottle.

390	2008 CABERNET SAUVIGNON, Domaine Bahourat. Vin de Pays Gard, France 13.5%	£16.50
	<i>The famous Bordeaux grape but from further east, on the Mediterranean side. The result combines the seriousness of Cabernet and the generosity of the deep south.</i>	
394	2009 SYRAH MERLOT, Promessa. Puglia, Italy 13.5%	£17.95
	<i>Juicy, easy-drinking style with masses of tarry, black fruit. Great value and <a href="#">Organic</a></i>	
395	2008 SALICE SALENTINO, Masseria Pietrosa. Puglia, Italy 13%	£17.95
	<i>Full-bodied but soft and rounded. Extremely classy example of a modern style of southern Italian red, using local Negoramaro grape variety.</i>	
396	2008 COSTIÈRES DE NIMES, Mas Carlot. South of France 13.5%	£17.95
	<i>Syrah-Grenache blend from edge of the southern Rhône. Earthy, quite funky nose and a ripe, warm, peppery mouthful. Idiosyncratic and characterful.</i>	
402	2008 CHIANTI, Leonardo. Tuscany, Italy 13%	£17.95
	<i>Simple but gutsy Chianti – in many ways the perfect “food wine”. 10% Merlot gives a rounded, flattering sheen to the bitter cherry core.</i>	
405	2008 CÔTES DU RHÔNE, 'La Gerbaude', Alary. Rhône 13.5%	£19.95
	<i>A single vineyard in the village of Cairanne; dominated by Grenache. An unusually powerful example of 'mere' Côtes du Rhône – concentrated, complex, impressive.</i>	
410	2007 RIVOLA, Abadia Retuerta. Sardon de Duero, Spain 13%	£23.00
	<i>The best of modern Spain – ripe and intense; powerful but without hard edges; oaked but not too oaky. A Tempranillo-Cabernet blend.</i>	
412	2007 BARCO REALE, Capezzana. Tuscany, Italy 13.5%	£23.00
	<i>From Carmignano, just west of Florence. Sangiovese (the Chianti grape) with 20% Cabernet. Like most Italian reds, a wine for food – ripe, intense, spicy.</i>	
414	2008 CHIANTI RUFINA, Selvapiana. Tuscany, Italy 13.5%	£24.00
	<i>Rufina is the coolest Chianti area, to the east of Florence. Selvapiana's style is medium-bodied, fresh, savoury and long-lived. Not a blockbuster, but brilliant with pasta and lighter meat dishes.</i>	
415	2007 CÔTES DU RHÔNE, Terre de Galets, Domaine Richaud. Rhône 14.5%	£24.00
	<i>From the excellent village of Cairanne. 'Naturally made' - perhaps as a result this has striking vivacity – as well as richness reminiscent of the new world. <a href="#">Organic and low-sulphur.</a></i>	
416	2005 SAINT CHINIAN, Hecht & Bannier. South of France 13.5%	£25.50
	<i>Deep, ripe and succulent with lovely complexity and spice. Very classy Syrah, with some Grenache and Mourvèdre - and a subtle sheen of oak.</i>	
417	2008 BUIO, Cantine Mesa. Carignano del Sulcis, Sardinia, Italy 13.5%	£25.50
	<i>High quality old vine Carignan. Juicy cherry fruit with a very 'southern', savoury spicy element. Modern winemaking, but without losing local character.</i>	
418	2007 BARBERA D'ALBA, Pio Cesare. Piedmont 14%	£26.50
	<i>From a famous old Barolo producer. This has full body, fresh acidity, vibrant fruit, plenty of tannin. Inimitably Italian, perfect match with venison/pigeon.</i>	
420	2006 Château CROIX DE RAMBEAU. Lussac St Emilion, Bordeaux 13.5%	£26.50
	<i>90% Merlot, 10% Cabernet Franc; gold medal winner at Paris Concours. Mouth-filling richness – rare to find such concentration in an inexpensive claret.</i>	
421	2007 TRES PICOS, Bodegas Borsao. Campo de Borja, Spain 15%	£27.00
	<i>Old vine Garnacha from an area just below Rioja. The ripeness and richness of a top-quality Aussie Shiraz. Brilliant wine at the price.</i>	

# POWERFUL REDS – New World

All our reds are served at about 18 centigrade. If you would like yours warmer we can easily raise the temperature by decanting your bottle.

425	2008 ADOBE CABERNET SAUVIGNON, Chile 13.5% <a href="#">Organic</a>	£16.50
	<i>Juicy and ripe; cassis and cedar; proper Cabernet at an affordable level.</i>	
426	2008 TEMPRANILLO, 'Urban', Fournier. Uco, Argentina 14.5%	£17.50
	<i>The classic Spanish grape, grown in the foothill of the Andes. Luscious, blackberry compote fruit; chewy tannins too. Like most Argentinian reds, crying out for red meat.</i>	
433	2006 SYRAH, The Ruins, Bon Cap Estate. South Africa 14.5% <a href="#">Organic</a>	£17.95
	<i>Pure Syrah from organic farm on the Breede River in Robertson. Rich, ripe, spicy fruit; but the backbone and character to go with food.</i>	
435	2007 CARMENERE / CABERNET, Novas. Central Valley, Chile 14.5% <a href="#">Organic</a>	£17.95
	<i>Mouth-filling blueberry fruit; tannins more than matched by ripeness and creamy texture. Chile has really moved on from the green, weedy reds of a few years back.</i>	
436	2006 SHIRAZ-VIOGNIER, Willunga 100. McLaren Vale, South Australia 14.5%	£18.50
	<i>Viognier adds aroma and elegance to the big, luscious Shiraz. Great value.</i>	
437	2008 THE BEAK, Magpie Estate. South Australia 14.5%	£17.95
	<i>Shiraz-Grenache, made by Veritas Estate in the Barossa. For many years, our biggest selling red. It delivers richness, personality and heart; at a very sensible price.</i>	
438	2007 CABERNET SAUVIGNON, Tomero. Argentina 14.5%	£18.95
	<i>From high (1150m) vineyards in Alto Valle de Uco. Generous blackcurrant fruit with warm, soft spiciness. You won't find better in the world at this price.</i>	
439	2009 MALBEC, Altos Las Hormigas. Mendoza, Argentina 14%	£19.75
	<i>Very typical example of Arge' Malbec – chunky, solid wine with bright, lively fruit.</i>	
440	2007 SYRAH RESERVA, Tabali. Limari Valley, Chile 14.5%	£19.95
	<i>Classic Syrah nose – earth and spice. Ripe, spicy and intense, softly textured.</i>	
441	2008 JESTER CABERNET SAUVIGNON, Mitolo. McLaren Vale, South Australia 14.5%	£22.00
	<i>A small proportion of the grapes were partially dried before fermentation (as they were with wine 445 below). The result in both cases is a deep purple colour, lots of sweet ripe fruit and a silky texture. Classic blackcurrant Cabernet flavours.</i>	
442	2008 'PASSION HAS RED LIPS', Some Young Punks. Clare, South Australia 14%	£22.00
	<i>As unashamedly flamboyant and lively as the concept and the packaging.</i>	
443	2005 SYRAH, Jordan. Stellenbosch, South Africa 14.5%	£23.50
	<i>Closer to a Rhône style than an Aussie Shiraz. Powerful and dense, but fresh, lively and not over-blown, despite the apparently high alcohol</i>	
444	2006 PINOTAGE, Kaapzicht Estate. Stellenbosch, South Africa 14%	£19.95
445	2007 GREYWACKE PINOTAGE, Cape Chamonix. Franschhoek, South Africa 14%	£24.50
	<i>Pinotage is not the world's greatest grape. All the more surprising how good these are. 444 is chocolatey rich, very impressive for the price. A small percentage of 445 is dried before fermentation, Amarone style. The result is fresh and fruity, but with lovely texture and intensity. And none of the earthiness that ruins its peers.</i>	
446	2006 CORTE B, Vistalba. Lujan de Cuyo, Mendoza, Argentina 15%	£24.95
	<i>Malbec, Cabernet Sauvignon, Bonarda and Merlot, aged in new oak for a year. Probably the richest Bordeaux style red on the page. Black fruits and chocolate.</i>	
447	2008 WALLACE SHIRAZ-GRENACHE, Ben Glaetzer. Barossa Valley, Australia 15.5%	£26.50
	<i>Old vine Shiraz gives intense ripeness. This is Australian red as it was originally meant to be – full-bodied, juicy, no-nonsense stuff. For those who like plenty of wine in their wine.</i>	
449	2005 CABERNET-MERLOT, 'Awatea', Te Mata. Hawkes Bay, New Zealand 13.5%	£26.50
	<i>Bordeaux blend from NZ's most consistent producer of the style. The alcohol level, concentration and freshness of the old world – a restrained, finer style than most new world Cab – dry and elegant with a hint of the cigar box.</i>	

## FINE REDS – Portugal and Spain

- 451 2005 PASSAGEM, Quinta das Bandeiras. Douro, Portugal 13.5% £29.50  
*Brilliant illustration of the modern face of Portugal. Touriga Nacional grapes from the upper Douro, near Spain. Rich and intense with lovely freshness and balance.*
- 452 2004 MARQUÉS DE MURRIETA, Reserva. Rioja, Spain 14% £29.50  
*Traditional style – aged for 2 years in American oak. Soft, gentle, charming.*
- 453 2006 TABERNER, Huerta de Albala. Cadiz, Spain 15% £31.00  
*From down south in sherry country comes this astonishing, dense, lush red of real depth and intensity. Predominantly Syrah. An emphatically modern style.*
- 454 2006 CERVOLES. Costers del Segre, Catalonia, Spain 14.5% £35.00  
*Tempranillo with Grenache, Cabernet and Merlot, aged for 14 months in French oak. Mediterranean aromatics (herbs and spice); full-bodied, ripe and elegant.*
- 455 2005 PROPIEDAD, Palacios Remondo. Rioja, Spain 14% £36.00  
*Modern, bright, ripe style, aged in French oak. Unusual elegance for Rioja.*
- 456 2005 POEIRA, Jorge Moreira. Douro, Portugal 13.5% £43.50  
*A bigger, more powerful version of 451. Decant in advance and drink with venison.*
- 457 2005 PRIORAT, Ferrer Bobet. Priorat, Spain 14.5% £44.00  
*A new winery in the trendiest area in Spain. Using 100 year old Carignan and Grenache. Ideally for keeping but can be enjoyed now for its juicy, luscious charms. [Organic](#)*
- 458 2005 ALION, Vega Sicilia. Ribera Del Duero, Spain 14.5% £65.00  
*Pure Tinto Fino (Tempranillo) aged in French oak. A powerful and serious style, but with fresh, lively fruit, designed to be drinkable when young.*
- (460)** 2003 VALBUENA, Vega Sicilia. Ribera Del Duero, Spain 13.5% £105.00  
*The “second wine” of the revered Vega Sicilia, the “Château Latour” of Spain. Tinta Fino with a little Cabernet and Malbec, aged in wood for 5 years. Monumental.*

## FINE REDS – Italian varieties

### BARBERA AND NEBBIOLO (the great Piedmontese grape varieties)

- 463 2006 BARBERA, Seghesio. Sonoma, California 15% £37.50  
*An Italian family specializing in Zinfandel and Italian varieties. This has Italian spice and ‘attitude’, with luscious New World fruit to support it.*
- 464 2006 BARBERA D’ALBA, ‘Gisep’, Massolino. Piedmont 14.5% £39.50  
*Aged in new French oak; vanilla sweetness with a crisp brightness at the core.*
- 466 1997 PIN, La Spinetta, Giorgio Rivetti. Piedmont 13% £54.50  
*A Nebbiolo-Barbera-Cabernet blend; aged in new oak. International style.*
- 467 2003 IL FAVOT, Aldo Conterno. Piedmont 14.5% £49.50  
*Favot is Nebbiolo aged in French oak; modern take from a great Barolo estate. In 2003 Conterno produced no Barolo so all his best Nebbiolo is in Favot. Intense and powerful, but with less teeth-gripping tannin than the norm.*
- 468 2005 LESSONA, Proprieta Sperino. Piedmont 12.5% £54.50  
*Little-known northern area, re-discovered by Paolo from Isole e Olena in Tuscany. Nebbiolo with 5% Vespolina – delicate, aromatic, ethereal, almost Burgundian.*
- 469 2003 BAROLO, Bricco del Viole, Vajra. Piedmont 14.5% £54.50  
*Classic Nebbiolo aromas – tar and violets – and a dense, powerful but nicely rounded structure. A warm year produced Barolos which can be drunk young.*
- 470 2001 BAROLO, Vigna Rionda Reserva, Massolino. Piedmont 14% £67.50  
*Massolino’s top vineyard in the village of Serralunga D’Alba, made in traditional style, aged in Slovenian oak for 3.5 years. Dry, serious, classic – decant in advance.*
- 471 1998 BARBARESCO, ‘Rabaja’, Bruno Rocca. Piedmont 14.5% £79.00  
*Bruno Rocca makes unusually deep-coloured and powerful Barbaresco. Tannic and intense, like all Nebbiolo, but overlaid with glossy, silky ripeness.*
- (473)** 1996 BARBARESCO, Gallina, La Spinetta, Rivetti. Piedmont 13.5% £110.00  
*Another modernist producer. Aged in new French oak. Deep, serious and powerful.*
- (473 is kept at cellar temperature; please allow 15 minutes to prepare.)**

## FINE REDS – Italian grape varieties (continued from page before)

### SANGIOVESE (The great Tuscan grape variety; Cabernets are in the 'Bordeaux-style' section)

- 476 2007 ROSSO DI MONTALCINO, Poggio San Polo. Tuscany 14% £27.00  
*The warmer, open country far south of Chianti gives broad, chunky wines. This is a modern version - sweet oak and ripe fruit in evidence.*
- 478 2007 CHIANTI CLASSICO, Fontodi. Tuscany 14% **Organic** £28.95  
*Savoury, lively, cherry-edged Sangiovese with modern ripeness and elegance.*
- 482 2005 CARMIGNANO, Villa di Capezzana. Tuscany 14% £32.00  
*80% Sangiovese, 20% Cabernet from an historic estate west of Florence. Full-bodied and rich; the Cabernet subtly adding, rather than taking over.*
- 483 2006 VINO NOBILE DI MONTEPULCIANO, Avignonesi. Tuscany 13% £33.00  
*This has weight and intensity, but without undue tannins. Great with game.*
- 484 1999 BUCERCHIALE, Chianti Riserva, Selvapiana. Tuscany 14.5% £40.00
- 485 1990 BUCERCHIALE, Chianti Riserva, Selvapiana. Tuscany 13.5% £44.50  
*A single vineyard in Rufina, due east of Florence. Medium-bodied but tightly structured, a wine that lasts for ever. 1999 was an excellent year and has the fruit to be drunk young. The 1990 is still a baby – decant in advance.*
- 487 2001 FONTALLORO, Felsina Berardenga. Tuscany 13.5% £48.00
- 488 1999 CHIANTI CLASSICO RISERVA, "Rancia", Felsina Berardenga. Tuscany 13.5% £49.50  
*Felsina is on the southern border of Classico area, east of Siena. The style is broader than other Chianti estates, with ripe, savoury, smoky flavours. Fontalloro is aged in French oak and impresses easily, the Rancia is traditionally made: savoury and complex.*
- 492 2001 CEPPARELLO, Isole e Olena. Tuscany 13.5% £60.00
- 493 1999 CEPPARELLO, Isole e Olena. Tuscany 14% £60.00
- 494 1990 CEPPARELLO, Isole e Olena. Tuscany 13.5% £74.00
- (495)** 1997 CEPPARELLO, Isole e Olena. Tuscany 13.5% **(kept at cellar temperature)** £94.00  
*Paolo di Marchi's top wine from his best vineyards of Sangiovese (the key grape in Chianti). His wines are graceful and elegant, neither too modern (sweet and oaky) nor too traditional (hard and mean). The problem is that they do need keeping for ages. We have several rare vintages. 2001 and 1997 were the warmer, riper years.*
- 498 1999 FLACCIANELLO, Fontodi. Vino da Tavola, Tuscany 14% £64.00
- 500 2001 FLACCIANELLO, Fontodi. Vino da Tavola, Tuscany 14% £70.00  
*Perhaps the greatest wine from Tuscany (assuming you want Tuscan wine not Cabernet) and, again, some rare mature vintages. Pure Sangiovese, aged in French oak. Lovely balance of power and finesse. Both vintages classic.*
- 502 2003 BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO, Lisini. Tuscany 13.5% £53.00  
*The warm 2003 vintage has produced a sumptuously rich and intense wine*

### OTHERS FROM THE SOUTH

- 506 2005 SALICE SALENTINO, "Pezzo Morgana", Li Veli. Puglia 13.5% £29.95
- 507 2006 EDIZIONE, Cinque Autoctoni, Farnese. Italy 14.5% £35.00
- 508 2007 BUIO BUIO, Cantine Mesa. Isola dei Nuraghi, Sardinia, Italy 14% £39.95  
*Three wines using indigenous grapes in a modern way. 506 is old bush-trained Negroamaro, given 12 months in French oak. Expensive for a Salice, but rich, plummy and characterfull. 507 is a blend of Montepulciano and Sangiovese from Abruzzo; Primitivo, Negroamaro, Malvasia Nera from Puglia, aged in new oak. A big personality in a gi-normous bottle. 508 is old vine Carignano from south west Sardinia; very ripe but balanced and elegant.*

### OTHERS FROM THE NORTH

- 509 2006 'LA GROLA', Allegrini. Valpolicella, Veneto 13.5% £29.95
- 510 2005 AMARONE, Allegrini. Valpolicella, Veneto 15% £59.00  
*509 is turbo-charged Valpol – ripe, juicy, simply delicious. 510 is from partially dried Grapes, giving a dry but very powerful style. Allegrini's is the benchmark of the style.*

# FINE REDS - NEW WORLD PINOT NOIR

*The great Burgundy grape, grown outside Burgundy. The best examples have much of the complexity of the classic French style, whilst being more approachable when young.*

- 516 2007 DE LOACH PINOT NOIR. Russian River Valley, California 14.5% £28.00  
*Luscious and delicious. New World Pinot at its most charming. By fancy-California standards this is good value!*
- 517 2007 PINOT NOIR, 'Hatter's Hill', Delta Vineyard. Marlborough, New Zealand 13.5% £28.50  
*Matt Thomson's selection of the very best vines on his estate. This is very exciting Pinot for the price. Rich but elegant.*
- 518 2008 PINOT NOIR, Escarpment. Martinborough, New Zealand 13.5% £29.95  
*Made by NZ Pinot Noir guru Larry McKenna, this is serious, complex, Burgundian style Pinot – very different to the two above. Drinkable now, but will age for 10 years..*
- 519 2007 PINOT NOIR 'EQ', Matetich. San Antonio, Chile 14.5% Organic £32.00  
*Relatively new cool climate area (near the coast, south west of Santiago). Chile could soon match NZ for Pinot – this is ripe and luscious.*
- 520 2007 AU BON CLIMAT PINOT NOIR. Santa Maria, California 13.5% £32.00  
*Really intense, complex aromas with richness but also good balance. For juicy fruit, go for the De Loach. For funky complexity, stick here.*
- 522 2006 PEREGRINE PINOT NOIR. Central Otago, New Zealand 13.5% £32.00
- 523 2006 CARRICK PINOT NOIR. Central Otago, New Zealand 14% £37.50  
*Central Otago wines are dark and intense, impressive (and expensive) but sometimes lacking elegance. The Peregrine has unusual restraint and subtlety. The Carrick is richer – a hedonistic style of Pinot Noir.*
- 524 2007 KOOYONG ESTATE PINOT NOIR. Mornington Peninsula, Australia 13% £38.95  
*Deep in colour and rich in fruit – but has a spicy complexity and freshness rare in Aus.*
- 525 2007 HAMILTON RUSSELL PINOT NOIR. Walker Bay, South Africa 13.5% £39.95  
*For many years the leader for SA Pinot – a fine, elegant, genuinely Burgundian style.*
- 528 2005 CLAYVIN VINEYARD PINOT NOIR, Fromm. Marlborough, New Zealand 14% £46.00  
*Marlborough tends to make fruity, 'easy' Pinot. This, by contrast, is dark and serious – the most Burgundian of all the NZ wines. Give it 5 minutes air to open up.*
- 529 2006 CUMBERLAND PINOT NOIR, Bergstrom. Oregon, USA 14.2% £46.50  
*Oregon Pinot is never cheap – estates are small, winemaking is difficult (it's wet, like Burgundy) and the demand on the (rich) west coast is huge. However the quality is increasingly impressive. Rich and hedonistic but supple and charming too.*
- 530 2006 'LAURÈNE', Domaine Drouhin. Oregon, USA 14% £48.00  
*Famous Burgundy family making seriously fine wine in the cool, northern Oregon climate. This is youthful and surprisingly powerful – best decanted in advance.*
- 531 2007 ATA RANGI PINOT NOIR. Martinborough, New Zealand 13.5% £49.50  
*The first NZ area to make 'proper' Pinot Noir. Ata Rangi make unashamedly luscious wine – sweet, juicy fruit beautifully balanced by crisp freshness.*
- 533 2008 GIPPSLAND PINOT NOIR, William Downie. Victoria, Australia 14.5% £52.00  
*William Downie makes only Pinot Noir, having worked in Burgundy for several years. This is a serious style – impressively intense. Can be drunk now or aged for 5 years.*
- (535)** 2006 GIACONDA PINOT NOIR, Nantua Vineyard. Victoria, Australia 13.5% £68.00  
*A tiny, cool vineyard east of Melbourne. Australia's Burgundy specialists.*
- (537)** 2003 KISTLER PINOT NOIR. Sonoma Coast, California 14.1% £89.00
- (538)** 2004 KISTLER VINEYARD PINOT NOIR. Russian River Valley, California 14.1% £99.00  
*And this is the cult producer of California Pinot; small quantities of deep-coloured and explosively rich Pinot Noir. Crazy money, of course, but we had to buy these by mail order on release and were allowed less than a case of each a year. I don't think you will find them elsewhere in the UK.*

**Numbers in brackets are kept in the cellar – please allow 15 minutes to reach temperature**

## FINE REDS – BURGUNDY (and one red Loire)

550	2007 GIVRY, 1er Cru, Danjean Berthoux 13% <i>From the Châlonnais area in southern Burgundy, this is bright, fresh and lively. Pale and delicate – but has charming fruit despite the weakness of the vintage.</i>	£26.50
551	2006 SANCERRE, 'A Nicolas', Pascal et Nicolas Reverdy. Loire 13.5% <i>Unusually powerful for a Loire Pinot Noir. Brightly coloured, firm backbone, lots of spice and intensity. Best with full-flavoured dishes. Will age well</i>	£36.50
552	2006 BEAUNE, 1er Cru Epenottes, Jean-Marc Boillot 13% <i>Unusual ripeness and intensity for a Beaune; youthful, robust and impressive.</i>	£42.50
553	2004 GEVREY CHAMBERTIN, 1er Cru Au Closeau, Domaine Drouhin-Laroze 13% <i>Yes, young. But vigorous and ripe enough to be approachable, given air.</i>	£45.00
554	2001 CHAMBOLLE MUSIGNY, Les Cras, Michele et Patrice Rion 13% <i>A light vintage. Typical Burgundian pallid colour, and high acidity with good perfume and a delicate frame. Excellent with chicken or guinea fowl.</i>	£45.00
555	2005 FIXIN, 1er Cru Clos Chapitre, Meo Camuzet 13% <i>Lesser known village, but made by a great estate. Aromatic, powerful, fresh and bright.</i>	£49.95
556	2006 MOREY ST DENIS, 1er Cru Monts Luisants, Boisset 13% <i>Relatively full-bodied style; rounded and spicy. Decant before drinking.</i>	£49.95
557	1996 VOSNE ROMANÉE, Domaine René Engel 12.5% <i>Only just reaching maturity. Tight and intense. Decant and drink with game.</i>	£51.00
558	1996 CHAMBOLLE MUSIGNY, Domaine G Roumier 13% <i>1996 was a 'firm' vintage, the wines needed time. This has the under-stated elegance typical of Chambolle Musigny, as well as the earthy, complex aromas of mature Pinot.</i>	£59.00
559	2004 VOSNE ROMANÉE, Domaine Meo Camuzet 13.5% <i>A lean vintage, but Meo makes wines of depth and intensity. Best to decant.</i>	£60.00
561	2002 VOSNE ROMANÉE, 1er Cru Les Petits Monts, Louis Jadot 13.5% <i>Jadot's style is full-bodied and serious; attributes tempered nicely by the delicacy of the vintage. Perhaps the most revered village in the winemaking world.</i>	£64.00
562	2000 NUIITS ST GEORGES, Domaine Meo Camuzet 13% <i>Meo Camuzet's style is rich and forward. Expensive but impressive.</i>	£64.00
563	2004 BONNES MARES, Grand Cru, Domaine Drouhin-Laroze 13% <i>Young of course, but this already has enticing, earthy aromas and a broad, rounded texture. Decant and drink with venison or similarly strong-flavoured red meat.</i>	£69.50
565	1999 NUIITS ST GEORGES, 1er Cru Les Boudots, Louis Jadot 13.5% <i>1999s are firm and serious wines. Even at 10 years old, this needs time in a decanter.</i>	£74.00
568	1998 GEVREY CHAMBERTIN, 1er Cru Clos St Jacques, Louis Jadot 13.5% <i>Great vineyard, better than many Grand Cru. 1998 is a under-valued vintage.</i>	£84.00
570	2000 MOREY ST DENIS, 1er Cru, Domaine Dujac 13% <i>Domaine Dujac's wines are pale in colour and may seem light initially. Given air, the subtle, spicy, complexity becomes evident.</i>	£84.00
572	2000 BONNES MARES, Grand Cru, Louis Jadot 13.5% <i>Great vineyard above Chambolle Musigny. Sumptuous, rich and impressive.</i>	£89.00
574	2000 ÉCHEZEAUX, Grand Cru, Domaine René Engel 13.5% <i>Pale in colour, sparse in structure – and yet there's exotic spice and richness.</i>	£89.00
576	2000 ÉCHEZEAUX, Grand Cru, Vieilles Vignes, Mongeard Mugeneret 13.5% <i>An interesting comparison with the wine from Engel. Mongeard's is the more intense.</i>	£104.00
577	1997 CHARMES CHAMBERTIN, Grand Cru, Domaine Armand Rousseau 13% <i>Intense perfume, sweet but delicate succulence.</i>	£115.00

**Reds are served at around 18 centigrade. If you would like yours warmer we can easily raise the temperature by decanting your bottle.**

## FINE REDS: RHÔNE STYLE – from the New World

604	2007 SHIRAZ, Shaw and Smith. Adelaide Hills, South Australia 14.5% <i>Cool area making Shiraz that combines luscious fruit with lively acidity. A modern style of Australian wine – food-friendly and elegant.</i>	£29.00
606	2006 PLEXUS, John Duval. Barossa Valley, South Australia 14.5% <i>Powerful peppery fruit so typical of the Barossa. This is a new solo venture for Duval, winemaker of Grange Hermitage for many years.</i>	£29.50
610	2004 SYRAH, The Foundry. South Africa 14.5% <i>Chris Williams's day-job is winemaker at Meerlust. The Foundry is his tiny solo venture. More northern Rhône than New World. Decant and drink with red meat.</i>	£29.75
611	2008 ZINFANDEL, Seghesio. Sonoma, California 15.5% <i>The reputation for Zin has been unfairly trashed by gallons of sweet pink stuff. Made properly it is a rival for great Shiraz – spicy richness with zesty freshness.</i>	£29.95
612	2007 SYRAH, Matetic. San Antonio, Chile 14% <a href="#">Organic</a> <i>The most interesting Syrah to have come out of South America. Cool climate pepperiness and complexity, whilst obviously New World in its generous fruit.</i>	£32.00
614	2005 BIEN NACIDO SYRAH, Qupe. Santa Maria Valley, California 14.5% <i>Coastal vineyard north of L.A. Qupe share a winery with Pinot specialists Au Bon Climat and this has an aromatic finesse and supple elegance comparable to Pinot.</i>	£32.00
615	2002 SHIRAZ, Brokenwood. McLaren / Padthaway / Beechworth, Australia 14% <i>Rare, mature example of classic Shiraz from a top-class producer.</i>	£35.00
616	2007 BULLNOSE SYRAH, Te Mata Estate. Hawkes Bay, New Zealand 13.5% <i>Pure white pepper on the nose; fresh black pepper on the palate. Delicious.</i>	£37.50
619	2006 GAM SHIRAZ, Mitolo. McLaren Vale, South Australia 14.5% <i>McLaren Vale produces the juiciest, ripest, most hedonistic style of Shiraz.</i>	£37.50
621	2008 THE BOXER, Mollydooker. South Australia 17% <i>100% Shiraz. This is a cult winery in Australia and the USA, where everyone has to fight for an allocation. High alcohol, ultra intense, full throttle, no compromise.</i>	£38.00
623	2006 NINE POPES, Charles Melton. Barossa Valley, Australia 14.5% <i>Youthful Grenache-based blend. Grape choice and name are both in homage to Châteauneuf du Pape. Style is classic Barossa – exuberant ripeness and spice.</i>	£41.00
624	2006 LYTTON SPRINGS, (Zinfandel blend), Ridge. California 14.5% <i>80% Zinfandel, 16% Petite Sirah, 4% Carignan; 13 months in American oak. Ridge have set the benchmark for top quality Zin – which is not an oxymoron. This is from a vineyard of old bush vines in Dry Creek Valley, Sonoma.</i>	£42.00
626	2008 ECLIPSE, (Shiraz-Grenache) Drew Noon. McLaren Vale, S Australia 15.5% <i>Grenache and Shiraz with 10% Cabernet and a touch of Graciano. Drew Noon MW uses only old low-yielding bush vines. Less than 1,000 cases made. A luscious, ultra-ripe style – quintessentially Australian.</i>	£49.50
634	2004 GRAVEYARD SHIRAZ, Brokenwood. Hunter Valley, Australia 14% <i>One of Aus's "icon wines", a 25 acre vineyard producing long-lived bottles of uncompromising power and intensity. This is very young, but still, it's amazing...</i>	£59.00
638	2001 SHIRAZ, Warner Vineyard, Giaconda. Victoria, Australia 14.5% <i>By contrast with most Aussie Shiraz, this is from a cool area and has a restrained, more European feel. The price, sadly, reflects the cult status of the winery.</i>	£59.00
640	2007 LABELS, Sine Qua Non. California 15.5% <i>89% Syrah, 9.5% Grenache, 1.5% Viognier from 'cult' winery in Ventura (north of LA). Black, intense, impressive but young – decant well in advance. 95-97 points Parker.</i>	£165.00

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# FINE REDS: RHÔNE and SOUTH OF FRANCE

(and a couple of other European reds made with Syrah)

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| 642          | 2006 SYRAH, La Rosine. Ogier, Côtes du Rhône 12.5%   | £28.50  |
|              | <i>Extraordinarily expensive for a mere CDR, but this is from a great estate in Côte Rôtie. Pure Syrah perfume, medium body, elegant and restrained style</i>  |         |
| 643          | 2006 CROZES HERMITAGE, Albéric Bouvet, Gilles Robin. Rhône 13.5%   | £29.50  |
|              | <i>Old vine cuvée from an excellent Domaine. Pure Syrah, this is aromatic and direct. Ripe, open fruit but enough structure to age for 5+ years.</i>   |         |
| 644          | 2005 FAUGÈRES, Les Bastides, Jean Michel Alquier. Languedoc, S. France 14.5%   | £29.50  |
|              | <i>Inland from Beziers; Syrah and Grenache; aged in oak, one third new. Flavours of the Med - black fruit and wild herbs; savoury and complex.</i>   |         |
| 647          | 2005 COLLIOURE, 'Magenca', Domaine Madeloc. South East France 14%  | £29.95  |
|              | <i>Grenache, Mourvedre, Syrah and Carignan grown on steep slopes by the sea, near Perpignan. This is powerful and impressive wine – spicy and complex. <a href="#">Organic but not certified</a></i>   |         |
| 648          | 2007 INSOGLIO DEL CINGHIALE, Tentuta di Biserno. Tuscany, Italy 14.5%  | £35.00  |
|              | <i>A Syrah-Cabernet-Merlot blend from Lodovico Antinori's new estate on the coast. Very Italian (serious, lively, food-friendly) but in modern, accessible mode.</i>   |         |
| 649          | 2006 GIGONDAS, Cuvée Ventabren, Moulin de la Gardette. Rhône 14.5%   | £37.50  |
|              | <i>70% old vine Grenache, 20% Syrah, 10% Cinsault, aged in wood for 18 months. Broad, ripe, muscular – excellent quality, not over-priced.</i>   |         |
| 650          | 2007 CROZES HERMITAGE, Alain Graillot. Rhône 13%   | £37.50  |
|              | <i>The most sought-after producer in the area. Aromatic, crisp, lively style.</i>  |         |
| 651          | 2006 ST JOSEPH, Cuvée du Papy, Domaine du Montillet. Rhône 13%   | £39.50  |
|              | <i>Pure Syrah from the northern Rhône. Un-compromisingly intense and aromatic.</i>   |         |
| 654          | 2005 CHÂTEAUNEUF DU PAPE, Château de Vaudieu. Rhône 15%  | £41.00  |
|              | <i>Serious and intense example. Broad, ripe and rich – but give it time to breathe in the glass. 80% Grenache, aged in vat for 18 months, 20% Syrah and Mourvèdre, aged in barrel. Essentially traditional, but drinkable young. Next door to the great Rayas.</i> |         |
| 656          | 2006 CÔTE RÔTIE, "Cordeloux", Marie et Paul Benetière 12.5%  | £48.00  |
|              | <i>Top wine in Fine Wine Magazine's 2010 Northern Rhône tasting. And approachable now.</i>   |         |
| 658          | 2004 SYRAH, Isole e Olena. Tuscany, Italy 13.5%  | £48.00  |
|              | <i>From a great Chianti estate. More in common with the wine above than new-world Shiraz. Velvet texture, firm tannins on the finish.</i>  |         |
| 659          | 2006 CHÂTEAUNEUF DU PAPE, Domaine Marcoux. Rhône 15% <a href="#">Organic</a>   | £50.00  |
|              | <i>An estate run by two sisters and Biodynamically farmed. Unusually elegant and fine style for the south, despite the hefty alcohol.</i>  |         |
| 660          | 2006 SCHWARZ, Zweigelt. Austria 14.5%  | £54.00  |
|              | <i>Yes, this is an oddity. Austria's most important red variety (Zweigelt) aged in new French oak. Impressive ripeness and structure. Needs decanting an hour in advance!</i>  |         |
| 663          | 2000 CHÂTEAUNEUF DU PAPE, Le Vieux Donjon 13.5%  | £60.00  |
|              | <i>With age Châteauneuf develops spice and complexity. Perfect with game.</i>  |         |
| 664          | 2006 CÔTE RÔTIE, Michel et Stephane Ogier 13%  | £49.00  |
|              | <i>Young, of course, but this was the star performer in our recent northern Rhône tasting.</i>   |         |
| 665          | 1995 CÔTE RÔTIE, La Viallière, Joel Champet 12.5%  | £64.50  |
| 667          | 1998 CÔTE RÔTIE, Robert et Patrick Jasmin 12.5%  | £80.00  |
|              | <i>Rare, mature vintages of the finest area in the Rhône. Delicacy and power combined.</i>   |         |
| <b>(672)</b> | 2000 HERMITAGE, JL Chave. Rhône 13%  | £160.00 |
|              | <i>The ultimate example (invariably better than more renowned neighbours) of one of France's legendary appellations. Young, of course, but 2000 is for early-drinking.</i>   |         |
| <b>(676)</b> | 1995 CÔTE RÔTIE, La Turque, Guigal. Rhône 13%  | £275.00 |
| <b>(678)</b> | 1985 CÔTE RÔTIE, La Mouline, Guigal. Rhône 13%   | £495.00 |
|              | <i>Côte Rôtie is a tiny appellation, in high demand. Marcel Guigal shot to fame after the 1985 vintage when US writer Robert Parker gave 678 100/100. Prices have since reached £650+. (It's £755 at 'Clos Maggiore' in London).</i>                               |         |

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## FINE REDS: BORDEAUX-STYLE

*Wines using the Bordeaux grapes - Cabernet(s), Merlot, Malbec and Petit Verdot*

686	2006 GRAN CORTE, Pulenta Estate. Mendoza, Argentina 15% <i>Malbec, Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Petit Verdot and Tannat; aged for 12 months in new French oak. Sweet and ripe but with class and character.</i>	£29.50
688	2004 FALESCO, Montiano. Lazio, Italy 13.5% <i>100% Merlot, aged in French oak for a year. Generous New World fruit, but not without Italian character – damson and cherry; spice and complexity.</i>	£34.50
689	2005 COBBLER'S HILL, Jordan. Stellenbosch, S. Africa 15% <i>43% Cabernet Sauvignon, 42% Merlot, 15% Cabernet Franc, aged for 2 years in French oak. Gary Jordan is aiming for elegance rather than sheer power.</i>	£34.50
690	2006 MERLOT, Joe Cafaro. Napa Valley, California 13.8% <i>Napa Merlot became a bit of a cliché in the 1980's. But there was a quality concept in there somewhere. This is a winning example of the breed – lush but charming.</i>	£36.00
691	2007 ENAMORE, Allegrini and Renacer. Mendoza, Argentina 14.5% <i>Amarone style. 50% Malbec, 25% Syrah, 22% Bonarda and 3% Cabernet Franc. The grapes are dried after picking until they have lost a third of their weight. The result is intensely rich, with a succulence and warmth comparable to Port.</i>	£36.00
692	2007 ENGELBRECHT ELS, Proprietor's Blend. South Africa 15% <i>Golfer Ernie Els and winemaker Jean Engelbrecht are producing a very fine Bordeaux blend, aged for 18 months in oak. Powerful but also sleek and elegant.</i>	£37.95
693	2003 ALFA CRUX, Fournier. Valle de Uco, Mendoza, Argentina 14.5% <i>Although based on Tempranillo (with Malbec and Merlot), this is very much 'Bordeaux-style', just a lot riper, softer and more hedonistic. One of Argentina's finest red wines.</i>	£39.95
695	2005 PETER BARLOW, Rustenberg. Stellenbosch, South Africa 14.5% <i>Pure Cabernet Sauvignon from one of SA's top estates. Dense and powerful, built to last but approachable now, if you like your wine monumental (Latour-like).</i>	£42.00
696	2001 MAGARI, Ca'Marcanda, Gaja. Bolgheri, Tuscany 14% (Merlot, Cabernet) <i>Gaja (king of Piedmont) moves into Sassicaia country – impressive debut.</i>	£44.50
699	2006 IL PINO DI BISERNO. Bibbona, Tuscany, Italy 14.5% <i>Blend of the Bordeaux varieties (with Cabernet Franc the most, unusually) from Lodovico Antinori's new venture on the Tuscan coast. Really elegant style.</i>	£54.00
702	1997 CABERNET SAUVIGNON, Laurel Glen. Sonoma Mountain, California 14.1% <i>Mountainside vineyard providing power and elegance. Have it decanted.</i>	£65.00
706	2000 SOLENGO, Argiano. Tuscany, Italy 14% <i>An estate in Montalcino, blending Cabernet, Merlot and Syrah. Gritty individuality with modern winemaking. Only the Italians....</i>	£64.00
708	2000 SAFFREDI, Le Pupille. Tuscany, Italy 14% <i>Another fancy Tuscan blend - Cabernet, Merlot and Alicante, from Morellino which is south of Montalcino. Looks very pricy, but compared to the big names (Sassicaia and Ornellaia) it's not ridiculous. And the quality is high, sumptuously so.</i>	£64.00
710	1997 CABERNET SAUVIGNON, Spottswoode. Napa, California 13% <i>Another "boutique" Napa estate making perfectly poised wine for deep pockets.</i>	£72.50
716	1998 VIADER. Napa Valley, California 13.94% <i>40% (unusually high) Cabernet Franc. Jancis Robinson's note: 'Aromatic, mineral-laden – you can almost smell the stones. Neither too thick nor too alcoholic. Very lively, racy and dancing. Complete and neat. Very long'.</i>	£74.00
718	1999 CABERNET SAUVIGNON, Isole e Olena. Tuscany 13.5% <i>The cassis and elegance of Cabernet; the spice and grit of Chianti.</i>	£80.00
720	2005 MONTEBELLO, Ridge. California 13% <i>Very expensive, for sure, but this single vineyard in the Santa Cruz mountains, south of San Francisco, has proved its quality over decades. 'Old World' style.</i>	£115.00

**Reds are served at about 18 centigrade. If you would like yours warmer, just ask**

## FINE REDS – BORDEAUX

721	2002 Château BERNADOTTE. Haut Médoc, Bordeaux 13% <i>Serious, dry, firm but elegant claret at a bargain price.</i>	£25.00
722	2004 Château FONTESTEAU, Cru Bourgeois. Haut Médoc 13% <i>60% Cab Sauv, 27% Merlot, 13% Cab Franc. Serious, classic claret, from a good vintage, at a sensible price. Decant and drink with a roast.</i>	£28.50
725	2003 REIGNAC – by Château de Reignac. Bordeaux Supérieur 13.5% <i>Modern style – luscious richness – plenty to balance the oak. Impressive stuff.</i>	£34.50
727	2004 Château GLORIA. St Julien 13% <i>Gloria is always amongst the best value in St Julien. And 2004 is a hugely under-rated vintage. This is already delicious.</i>	£44.50
728	2001 ROC DE CAMBES. Côtes de Bourg 13.5% <i>2001 is another year that no-one talked (or talks) about. This is a mini version of a 'cult winery'. Côtes de Bourg clarets are normally simple and rustic. This is from old vines, 75% Merlot, 20% Cabernet, 5% Malbec. Rich and impressive.</i>	£44.50
729	2004 Château DE PEZ. St Estèphe 13% <i>Young, but ripe and harmonious. Has the earthy gutsiness typical of the St Estèphe appellation. For those who like a bit of 'attitude' in their claret. 45% Cabernet Sauvignon, 44% Merlot, 8% Cabernet Franc, 3% Petit Verdot.</i>	£48.00
730	2000 Château LABEGORCE, Margaux 13% <i>Great vintage of a lesser-known Château. Shows typical Margaux elegance and finesse.</i>	£48.00
733	2001 Château HAUT BERGEY, Cru Classé. Pessac-Léognan 13% <i>Cabernet Franc and Merlot in modern style – ripe and sumptuous.</i>	£49.00
734	2004 DOMAINE DE CHEVALIER. Pessac-Léognan 13% <i>A great Château (but, unusually, called a Domaine) from the southern Graves. The 2004 is a very sophisticated wine for the price. Medium-bodied, under-stated, yet oozing classy oak and just the right level of ripeness. Rich without being blousy.</i>	£54.00
735	2001 Château BARDE-HAUT, Grand Cru. St Emilion 13.5% <i>80% Merlot, 20% Cabernet Franc, made by Michel Rolland. Rich and impressive.</i>	£62.50
736	2003 Château PRIEURÉ-LICHINE. Margaux 13%	£59.00
737	2000 Château PRIEURÉ-LICHINE. Margaux 13% <i>Prieuré Lichine is classic Margaux. Although predominantly Cabernet Sauvignon, the emphasis is on fragrance and elegance, not power. The 2003 is the richer of the pair.</i>	£64.50
738	2000 Château BEAUREGARD. Pomerol 13% <i>An appealing little group of 2000's – the ideal recent vintage for current drinking; the wines were ripe and relatively open from the start, without being at all over-the-top.</i>	£72.50
739	2004 Château LANGOA BARTON, 3me Cru. St Julien 13%	£55.00
740	1988 Château LANGOA BARTON, 3me Cru. St Julien 12% <i>A great Château in two good vintages; both are medium-bodied and elegant. The 2004 is forward, surprisingly open. The 1988 is still bright and fresh, can even be kept longer.</i>	£70.00
<b>(741)</b>	2001 Château PAVIE. 1er Grand Cru. St Emilion 13.5% <i>70% Merlot, 20% Cabernet Franc; 10% Cabernet Sauvignon; 2 years in new oak. Pavie has changed recently and is now a standard-bearer for the new, opulent style.</i>	£110.00
<b>(742)</b>	2004 Château PICHON LALANDE, 2me Cru. Pauillac 13% <i>Young, of course, but Pichon's style is always seductive and open – helped by a High percentage of Merlot and the elegant, under-stated style of the 2004 vintage.</i>	£110.00
<b>(745)</b>	1988 Château L'ANGELUS, 1er Grand Cru. St Emilion 12.5% <i>Top-class 'right bank' claret. Merlot of rare finesse and length.</i>	£130.00
<b>(750)</b>	1988 Château HAUT BRION, 1er Cru. Pessac (Graves) 12.5% <i>Vintage of serious, long-lived wines. This has just reached its apex.</i>	£265.00
<b>(753)</b>	1978 Château MARGAUX, 1er Cru. Margaux 12.5% <i>First great vintage for Margaux after a long period of decline. Now gentle &amp; fragrant.</i>	£265.00

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# HALF BOTTLES

## CHAMPAGNE HALVES

- 760 BILLECART SALMON, Brut Réserve. Champagne 12% £24.50  
761 BILLECART SALMON ROSÉ. Champagne 12% £32.50

## WHITE HALVES

- 766 2008 SOAVE, Pieropan. Veneto, Italy 12% £11.50  
767 2008 BERNKASTELER LAY KABINETT, Dr Loosen. Mosel, Germany £12.95  
768 2008 GAVI DI GAVI, Lugarara, La Giustiniana. Piedmont, Italy 12% £13.95  
*Crisp and lively. Quintessential Italian dry white.*  
770 2007 POUILLY FUMÉ, Villa Paulus, Masson Blondelet. Loire 12.5% £14.95  
772 2008 SANCERRE, Terre de Maimbray, Reverdy. Loire 12.5% £14.95  
*Classic Loire Sauvignons – aromatic and flinty dry.*  
780 2005 BOURGOGNE, Les Forgets, Patrick Javillier. Burgundy 13% £15.95  
781 2008 CHABLIS, 1er Cru Montmains, Denis Race. Burgundy 12.5% £16.95  
776 2006 CROZES HERMITAGE, 'Mule Blanche', Jaboulet. Rhône 13% £19.75  
783 2006 MEURSAULT, Les Tillets, Patrick Javillier. Burgundy 13.5% £27.00  
*Excellent vintage and vineyard – enticing perfume, creamy texture.*  
785 2004 ERDENER PRALAT AUSLESE, Dr Loosen. Mosel, Germany 7.5% £28.00

## RED HALVES

- 788 2007 CHIANTI, Leonardo. Tuscany, Italy 12.5% (See 402 for note) £9.95  
790 2008 VALPOLICELLA, Allegrini. Veneto, Italy 13% (See 368 for note) £11.00  
792 2005 MORGON, Côte du Py, Gaget. Beaujolais 13% £11.00  
796 2007 BARCO REALE, Capezzana. Tuscany, Italy 13.5% (See 412 for note) £13.50  
797 2005 SYRAH 'LE POUSSEUR', Bonny Doon. California 13% £12.50  
798 2006 SYRAH, Qupe. Central Coast, California 13.5% £15.95  
799 2006 SYRAH, 'Bien Nacido', Qupe. Central Coast, California 14.5% £16.50  
*Three bright, ripe, charming Syrahs from quality area between L.A. and San Fran.*  
800 2006 CHIANTI CLASSICO, Fontodi. Tuscany, Italy 14% (See 478 for note) £18.00  
802 2005 VINO NOBILE DI MONTEPULCIANO, Avignonesi. Tuscany 13% (See 482) £18.00  
803 2007 PINOT NOIR, Isabel. Marlborough, New Zealand 13.5% £18.00  
*Soft, open, charming Pinot Noir – New Zealand has mastered this style.*  
804 2005 ZINFANDEL, Seghesio. Sonoma, California 15% (See 611 for note) £19.75  
806 2005 Château HAUT BEAUSÉJOUR, Cru Bourgeois. St Estèphe, Bordeaux 13% £19.95  
808 2007 PINOT NOIR, "La Bauge Au-dessus", Au Bon Climat. California 13.5% £23.00  
*A single block from the famed Bien Nacido vineyard. Toasty, smokey nose and luscious but tight-knit, spicy, complex flavours. High class by any standards*  
814 2003 CHATEAUNEUF DU PAPE, Vaudieu. Rhône 14% (See 654 for note) £23.00  
818 2005 G.A.M. SHIRAZ, Mitolo. McLaren Vale, S Australia 14.5% £25.00  
*Epitome of full-on, luscious style of McLaren Vale Shiraz.*  
820 2006 LYTTON SPRINGS, Ridge. California 14.5% £25.00  
*Ridge set the benchmark for top quality Zin – which is not an oxymoron.*  
824 2003 RÉSERVE DE LEOVILLE BARTON. St Julien, Bordeaux 13% £25.00  
*Second wine from a great Château and a warm vintage. Approachable already.*  
827 2003 BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO, Costanti. Tuscany, Italy 13.5% £29.75  
*Early-drinking vintage – spicy aroma and complex, intense flavours.*  
828 2004 AMARONE, Allegrini. Valpolicella. Veneto, Italy 15% £35.00  
*Expensive, but a little goes a long way. A very powerful style.*  
830 1989 BONNES MARES, Dujac. Burgundy 13% £59.00  
*Dujac's wines are pale, delicate and supremely fine.*  
832 1995 MONTEBELLO, Ridge. California 12.5% £65.00  
*A great single vineyard just south of San.Fran. Bordeaux blend of highest class.*

# MAGNUMS (Champagnes on page 2)

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## WHITE MAGNUMS

- (841) 1992 TOKAY PINOT GRIS, Grand Cru Rangen, Zind Humbrecht. Alsace 13.8% £97.50
- (842) 1989 TOKAY PINOT GRIS, Vieilles Vignes, Zind Humbrecht. Alsace 13% £85.00  
*Exotically rich wines; extraordinary and individual – drink with blue or strong cheese.*
- (845) 2007 CHARDONNAY, M3 Vineyard, Shaw and Smith. Adelaide Hills, Australia 13% £75.00  
*From a cool climate area and made in a European style (subtle oak, no overt fruitiness). Somehow gets the complexity but without losing all sense of fun.*
- (846) 2005 SANCERRE, Le Chêne Marchand, Thierry Merlin-cherrier. Loire 12.5% £59.00
- (848) 1995 POUILLY FUISSÉ, Château Fuissé, Vincent. Burgundy 13.5% £79.00  
*Golden hued; fully mature; soft, ripe and gentle.*
- (851) 2000 CHASSAGNE MONTRACHET 1er Cru En Remilly, Colin-Deléger. Burgundy £110.00  
*Vineyard on the border of Puligny, next to Chevalier Montrachet. Serious stuff. 13.5%*

## RED MAGNUMS

- 856 2004 MARQUES DE MURRIETA. Rioja Reserva (in wooden box) 14% £69.00
- 857 2007 CHIANTI, Leonardo. Tuscany, Italy 12.5% £36.00  
*Simple but gutsy Chianti – in many ways the perfect “food wine”.*
- (859) 1997 FLACCIANELLO, Fontodi. Tuscany, Italy 13.5% £175.00  
*‘Super Tuscan’ in a super year. Now an absolute rarity.*
- (860) 2001 BAROLO, Bricco del Viole, Aldo Vajra. Piedmont, Italy 13.5% £129.00  
*2001 was an excellent year – unusual ripeness for Nebbiolo.*
- 861 2003 PINOT NOIR, Isabel. Marlborough, New Zealand 14% £75.00  
*Isabel Pinot is pure, decadent pleasure – soft, spicy and delicious.*
- (862) 1999 SANTENAY, 1er Cru Grand Clos Rousseau, Bernard Morey. Burgundy 13.5% £99.00  
*The best vineyard in Santenay. Ripe but delicate – classic Côte de Beaune.*
- 863 1996 SAVIGNY LES BEAUNE, 1er Cru Dominode, Pavelot. Burgundy 13% £89.00  
*Best vineyard in Savigny and a year of intense wines. Serious and powerful*
- (865) 1997 VOSNE ROMANÉE, Champs Perdrix, Bruno Clair. Burgundy 13% £105.00  
*1997s are soft, charming and ready to drink now.*
- 866 2004 BONNES MARES, Grand Cru, Domaine Drouhin-Laroze 13% (see 563 for comment) £149.50
- 870 2006 SHIRAZ, Shaw and Smith. Adelaide Hills, S. Australia 14% £59.00  
*Shiraz of freshness and elegance to balance the ripe, luscious fruit.*
- 871 2007 SYRAH ‘RESERVA ESPECIAL’, Tabali. Limari Valley, Chile 14.5% £49.95  
*Succulent richness but no lack of backbone. No questioning the value here.*
- 872 2004 GEYSERVILLE, (Zinfandel blend) Ridge. California 14.5% £85.00  
*Ridge turn Zinfandel into complex, intense, spicy Rhône-style wine of real class.*
- 878 2001 Château GRAND RENOUIL. Canon Fronsac, Bordeaux 13.5% £55.00  
*Great value property from ‘right bank’ appellation near St Emilion. Merlot-dominant.*
- 880 2005 Château HAUT BEAUSÉJOUR, Cru Bourgeois, St Estephe, Bordeaux 13% £75.00  
*Also Merlot-dominant, and a great year. Decent 20 minutes in advance.*
- 881 2000 Château BEAUSÉJOUR DUFFAU LAGAROSSE, St Emilion, Bordeaux 13% £118.00  
*Ripe vintage, already at its best. Typical gentleness of St Emilion.*
- 882 2003 Château HAUT BATAILLEY, 5me Cru. Pauillac, Bordeaux 13% £90.00  
*Lovely example of ripe, forward ‘03 vintage. Pretty good value for claret.*
- (883) 2004 Château SMITH HAUT LAFITTE. Pessac Leognan, Bordeaux 13% £125.00  
*2004’s are fine and elegant. This is excellent and not over-priced.*
- (884) 1994 Château PICHON LALANDE, 2me Cru. Pauillac, Bordeaux 12.5% £149.00  
*High merlot content makes for a supple, open style, despite light vintage.*
- (885) 1983 Château TALBOT, 4me Cru. St Julien, Bordeaux 12.5% £205.00
- (886) 1981 Château LATOUR, 1er Cru. Pauillac, Bordeaux £310.00
- (888) 1999 BAROLO, Gran Bussia, Aldo Conterno. Piedmont, Italy 14.5% £480.00
- (891) JEROBOAM: 1997 CHATEAUNEUF DU PAPE, Beaucastel. Rhône 13.5% £180.00

# SWEET WINES (see menu for those available by the glass)

## LIGHT and LIVELY

- 902 2009 PINK MOSCATO, Innocent Bystander. Victoria, Australia 5.5% £9.95– half bottle
- 903 2009 MOSCATO D'ASTI, Aldo Vajra. Piedmont, Italy 5.5% £22.00 – full bottle  
*Moscato is always light, delicate and fun. Forget any prejudices.....*
- 904 2005 COTEAUX DU LAYON, 'Chaume', Domaine Forges. Loire 13% £14.50– half bottle  
*Late harvest Chenin Blanc – light and fresh, with gentle, creamy richness.*
- 907 2009 CORDON CUT, Mt Horrocks. Clare Valley, Australia 11.5% £27.95 – half bottle  
*Elegant sweet Riesling – lusciousness & freshness finely balanced.*
- 909 2008 VINE-DRIED SAUVIGNON BLANC, Quoin Rock. South Africa 12.5% £29.95 – 50cl bottle  
*Very sweet (220 g/l of residual sugar), yet crisply fresh and elegant.*
- 910 2006 RIESLING BEERENAUSLESE, Dr Loosen. Mosel 7% £16.50 – quarter bottle
- 911 2006 NACKENHEIM ROTHENBERG AUSLESE, Gunderloch. Rheinhessen £29.95 - half bottle  
*Look at the alcohol of these fine German Rieslings – delicacy personified.*

## MEDIUM WEIGHT (Numbers in brackets are kept in the cellar – allow 15 minutes)

- 912 2006 LE COLOMBARE, Pieropan. Recioto di Soave, Italy 13% £28.50 – 50cl bottle  
*Orange and lemon freshness, honeyed sweetness, top quality.*
- 913 2005 DOMAINE DE NOBLE. Loupiac, Bordeaux 13.5% £15.95 – half bottle  
*Little known region just across the river from Sauternes. Softly honeyed, light and delicate.*
- 914 2005 MONBAZILLAC, Domaine de Grange Neuve. SW France 13% £18.50 – 50cl bottle  
*Semillon with Sauvignon and Muscadelle; very much in Sauternes style.*
- 917 1997 Château SUDUIRAUT. Sauternes, Bordeaux 14% £60.00 – full bottle  
*Excellent Château and excellent year.*
- (920)** 1998 Château D'YQUEM. Sauternes, Bordeaux £214.00 – full bottle  
*The finest sweet wine in the world, in a good vintage.*
- (921)** 1997 RIESLING EISWEIN, Tesch. Nahe, Germany 9.5% £35.00 – half bottle  
*Perfect Eiswein – exotic richness but delicately framed.*
- (922)** 2005 PINOT GRIS, Heimbourg, Selection de Grains Nobles, Zind Humbrecht 10% £65.00 – half bottle  
*Late harvest 'botrytised' grapes from a great vineyard. Hugely intense. [Organic/Bio-dynamic](#)*
- 923 2008 EISWEIN CUVÉE, Alois Kracher. Austria 6% £33.00 – half bottle
- 924 1995 SCHEUREBE, Zwischen den Seen, No 14, Tba, Kracher. Austria 6% £44.00 – half bottle  
*Kracher's wines are intensely rich but zingily fresh at the same time. 924 is golden and mature; not expensive for the intensity.*
- 926 2006 TOKAJI NOBLE LATE HARVEST, Oremus. Hungary 13% £24.50 – half bottle  
*Also sweet but tangy – exotic richness and a fresh, lively finish*

## RICH and INTENSE

- 927 2003 VIN SANTO, Capezzana. Tuscany, Italy 15.5% £37.50 – half bottle  
*Expensive but outstanding. Honeyed, powerful, spicy.*
- 930 TOKAJI, Cuvée Illona, Kiralyudvar. Hungary 11.5% £49.95 – 50cl bottle  
*A massive 190 g/l residual sugar. Ultra sweet and unctuous.*
- 955 10 year old MALMSEY, Broadbent Selections. Madeira 19% £45.00 – full bottle  
*Aged in oak for the full 10 years. Sumptuous intensity.*
- 931 RUTHERGLEN MUSCAT, Stanton and Killeen. Australia 17.5% £19.00 – half bottle  
*Dark and rich – toffee & fudge - brilliant with chocolate.*
- 932 2004 OLIVARES 'DULCE'. Jumilla, Spain £25.00 – 50cl bottle  
*Ancient Monastrell vines, late-harvested. Fascinating sweet red wine.*
- 949 EAST INDIA, Lustau. Sherry 20% £29.00 – full bottle  
*Proper "cream" sherry – luscious richness, salty tang.*
- 952 ALVEAR, Pedro Ximenez Solera 1927. Montilla 16% £29.00 – 50cl bottle  
*A 'solera' started in 1927. From the unfashionable but occasionally brilliant region of Montilla. Mid brown colour; nutty, savoury aromas.*
- 953 PEDRO XIMENEZ, San Emilio, Lustau. Sherry 17% £18.50 – half bottle  
*And this is liquid raisins. Amazing value for the concentration.*

## SHERRY and Montilla

- 941 PUERTO FINO, Lustau. Sherry 15.5% £12.50 – half bottle  
*Crisp and fresh with a salty tang. Brilliant aperitif*
- 943 MANZANILLA PAPIRUSA, Lustau. Sherry 15.5% £12.50 – half bottle  
*From Sanlucar on the coast – lighter, more delicate version of Fino.*
- 945 PALO CORTADO “Vides”, Lustau. Sherry 19% £18.95 – half bottle  
*Dry, delicate, savoury. For serious sherry buffs.*
- 947 OLOROSO “Pata de Gallina”, Lustau. Sherry 20% £18.95 – half bottle  
*Dry but broad, nutty, complex and spicy. And works well with many foods.*
- 949 EAST INDIA, Lustau. Sherry 20% £29.00 – full bottle  
*Medium to sweet - luscious richness with a savoury intensity.*
- 952 ALVEAR, Pedro Ximenez Solera 1927. Montilla 16% £29.00 – 50cl bottle  
*A ‘solera’ started in 1927. From the unfashionable but occasionally brilliant region of Montilla. Very sweet indeed – but lots of lively acidity.*
- 953 PEDRO XIMENEZ, San Emilio, Lustau. Sherry 17.5% £18.50 – half bottle  
*And this is liquid raisins. Amazing value for the concentration.*

## MADEIRA

- 955 10 year old MALMSEY, Broadbent Selections. Madeira 19% £42.50 – full bottle  
*Expensive but outstanding. Honeyed, powerful, spicy.*

## PORT – see sweet menu for the by-the-glass selection.

- 960 AXE HILL ‘PORT’, 2003. Calitzdorp, South Africa 20.5% £27.00 – 50cl bottle  
*A blend of the two classic Port varieties of Touriga Nacional and Tinta Barocca. The grapes are all foot trodden and matured for a year in 500 litre ‘pipes’. Five Star Rating in S.A.’s prestigious John Platter Guide*
- 964 ‘FINEST RESERVE’, Quinta de la Rosa 20% £24.50  
*Small, family-owned house, making Port that is so, so much better than the equivalent from the big houses. Ripe and rich, but soft and gentle too.*
- 966 2005 QUINTA DO PASSADOURO, Late Bottled Vintage 20% £39.95  
*A new estate making modern style Port – outstanding ripeness and intensity.*
- 969 10 YR OLD TAWNY, Ramos Pinto 19.5% £27.00 – 50cl bottle
- 970 20 YR OLD TAWNY, Ramos Pinto 19.5% £39.50 – 50cl bottle  
*Grapes from single estate – Quinta de Erveira and Quinta do Bom Retiro. Both are blends of cask-aged wines, giving pale, gentle, under-stated styles.*
- 972 COLHEITA 1997, Quinta de la Rosa 20% £42.50  
*Tawny Port from a single vintage – aged for many years in wood, so fully mature when released. Soft, gentle, creamy; guaranteed hedonism*
- 974 1991 VINTAGE PORT, Ramos Pinto, Vintage 20% £59.00  
*At about 15 years, this Vintage Port really blossomed. Not a famous year, but this is now simply delicious – delicately sweet*
- 976 1985 VINTAGE PORT, Martinez 20% £69.50  
*Another lesser known house. Classic vintage, now ready for drinking.*
- 977 1983 VINTAGE PORT, Dow 20% £70.00
- 978 1983 VINTAGE PORT, Warre 20% £75.00  
*Two of the famous old houses, Dow and Warre make great Vintage wines for ageing. Both are still quite deep in colour, tea-leaf aroma, spice and fruit, perfect balance.*
- (980)** 1977 VINTAGE PORT, Warre 20% £95.00  
*One of the great vintages, acclaimed since release.*