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CHAMPAGNE & SPARKLING WINE *by the glass*

91798

Paul Déthune, Cuvée Prestige Princesse des Thunes, Grand Cru.....125ml glass £38.50

From a blend of equal parts of Ambonnay-grown Chardonnay and Pinot Noir, and including 30 per cent of reserve wines, this is complex, statuesque Champagne of both authority and finesse

Disgorged July 2018

91842

Zodo, Brut Nature, Dermot Sugrue, Sussex, England.....125ml glass £41.50

Leading winemaker Dermot Sugrue treads the 'zero dosage' high wire: nervy, lemony and piercing

93878

2014 Vin Mousseux de Qualité, Bulles Luisantes, Ponsot, Burgundy, France.....125ml glass £63.50

The ultimate geek wine: Domaine Ponsot is slowly replanting the Aligoté in its high-sited Morey Premier Cru Clos des Monts Luisants, and makes this sparkling wine with the young vine fruit

91999

sketch your own blend with Charles Heidsieck

Two 62.5ml engraved glasses.....£75

The latest in sketch's celebrated series of Champagne flights, 'sketch your own blend with Charles Heidsieck' features three specially engraved glasses, two amply poured and one deliberately empty. The first glass contains the 1989 Vintage from Charles Heidsieck, disgorged in 2019 and served from magnum; the second contains Charles Heidsieck's Brut Réserve, Mis en Cave 1990, a blend based on a core of wine from 1989, also served from magnum though disgorged in 1993. With the help of the sketch sommelier team and your own senses, you can explore the mature vintage character of 1989 through the optic of two different styles – then create a third blend: your own

1989 Charles Heidsieck, from magnum

Creamy and luscious, yet fresh in this recently disgorged magnum

Charles Heidsieck, Brut Réserve Mis en Cave 1990, from magnum

Based on the 1989 vintage and blended with other reserve wines, then given five years' ageing and further preserved by the magnum format

Charles Heidsieck, your cuvée blended in the glass @ sketch

Having tasted the raw materials, what will you create?

91275

Jacques Selosse, Exquise, Grand Cru, Blanc de Blancs, Sec, Champagne.....125ml glass £83.50

A brilliant Sec (off-dry) Champagne: lacy, scented and refreshing

91824

2007 Dom Ruinart, Blanc de Blancs, Champagne.....125ml glass £86.50

Only Grand Cru fruit, most of it from Chouilly, Avize and Le Mesnil but with 25% from Sillery and Verzenay: pure, fine-grained and dryer than the Ruinart norm (just 5 g/l dosage), yet with this house's creamy, voluptuous style, too

CHAMPAGNE ROSÉ *by the glass*

01662

Moussé Fils, Effusion, Brut Rosé.....125ml glass £29.50

A Champagne rarity: rosé made with Pinot Meunier balanced by a little Pinot Noir. Floral scents and expressive red fruits: "impossible not to love" says critic Antonio Galloni

Disgorged October 2017

91816

2004 Pommery, Cuvée Louise Rosé.....125ml glass £79.50

Pommery's Louise in characteristically seamless, fine-grained form

91598

Krug, Rosé, Brut (served from half bottle).....125ml glass £158

Pale salmon-pink, Krug's rosé is structured and uncompromising

APÉRITIF FORTIFIED WINES *by the glass*

Great sherry, made from the Palomino grape variety grown in the pure chalky soils around Jerez de la Frontera, is a deliciously palate-rousing apéritif

96026
Manzanilla Pasada, Pastrana, Hidalgo, Jerez, Spain.....100ml glass £8.50

Extra maturation makes this mouthwatering single-vineyard Manzanilla even more concentrated and pungent than usual

96028
Oloroso, Solera 1842, VOS, Valdespino, Jerez, Spain.....100ml glass £22

Dark, rich and luscious Oloroso sherry over 20 years old, packed with nuts and raisins

96040
Fino Viña AB, Gonzalez Byass, Jerez, Spain.....100ml glass £105

Ultra-rare sherry bottled in the 1930s but only recently released: intense, dramatic, bracing

96041
Amontillado, Sánchez Romate, Jerez, Spain.....100ml glass £105

A 1930s bottling of this fine and now time-sculpted, resonant Amontillado

ROSÉ WINES *by-the-glass WITH CORAVIN®*

92089
2014 The Robin, Reserve Rosé, Furnace Projects, Herefordshire, England.....175ml glass £13.50

A fascinating blend here: Pinot for purity, Bacchus for perfume and Seyval for sap. Deliciously soft-contoured, too

92040
2019 Vin de Pays du Vaucluse, Chêne Bleu, Southern Rhône Valley, France.....175ml glass £18
..... 100ml glass £10.50

Complex, finely crafted rosé from this immaculately run estate at the edge of Gigondas and Ventoux

92003
2019 Idylle d'Achinos, La Tour Melas, Macedonia, Greece.....175ml glass £21.50
..... 100ml glass £12.50

Hyper-elegant, Provence-style rosé made from Agiorgitiko grapes, aged on its lees for six months: soft, fleshy, peachy

92076
2008 Rioja, Gran Reserva Rosado, Viña Tondonia, La Rioja, Spain.....175ml glass £35.50
..... 100ml glass £20.50

The final frontier for rosé lovers: this grand old coppery-orange wine is only bottled after four years' barrel ageing. Time brings scents of orange zest, rose and sweet honey yet the palate remains clean and incisive

92027
2017 Palette, Ch Simone, Provence, France.....175ml glass £35.50
..... 100ml glass £20.50

Unapologetically deep, singular, characterful, almost tannic rosé wine made from old-vine plantings of at least eight different varieties: a taste of Provence's deepest past

92004
2016 Marsannay Rosé, Fleur de Pinot, Sylvain Pataille, Burgundy, France.....175ml glass £42
..... 100ml glass £24.50

Grand, gastronomic, copper-pink rosé designed to be drunk with a little age: structured, incisive, multi-layered

WHITE WINES *by-the-glass WITH CORAVIN®*

93670
 2016 Blackbird, Furnace Projects, Herefordshire, England.....175ml glass £13.50
100ml glass £11.50
Phoenix from great Herefordshire fruit country -- yet the structure and depth almost recall the Northern Rhône

93217
 2018 Pinot Blanc, Bsixtwelve, Lone Farm Vineyard, Hampshire, England.....175ml glass £19.50
100ml glass £11.50
Brilliantly pure, pristine Pinot Blanc from Spanish-Venezuelan Balbina Leeming, working in the magical Itchen Valley

93689
 2018 Bourgogne-Aligoté, Alice et Olivier de Moor, Burgundy, France.....175ml glass £20.50
100ml glass £11.50
As vivid, fresh and lively as this wine always is, but with a little extra density from this fine vintage

93462
 2017 Chardonnay, Kit's Coty Vineyard, Chapel Down, Kent, England.....175ml glass £24.50
100ml glass £14.50
*In addition to two brilliant sparkling wines, the Kit's Coty Chardonnay also creates a "finely sculpted, fine-dining still white"
 (Platinum Medal-winning citation, Decanter World Wine Awards 2019)*

93930
 2015 Reuilly, Pinot Gris, Toison d'Or, Les Poète, Guillaume Sorbe,
 Loire Valley, France.....175ml glass £26.50
100ml glass £15.50
Compared by Michel Bettane to the wines of Benjamin Dagoueneau, this is a Reuilly "of transcendent quality"

93781
 2018 The Septered Isle, Hush Heath, Kent, England.....175ml glass £27.50
100ml glass £16.50
*Made with all seven of the grape varieties permitted in Champagne (hence 'Septered'), this unique still wine has vivid
 orchard fruit, resonant acidity and textured depth*

93728
 2005 Jurançon Sec, Vitatge Vielh, Clos Lapeyre, South West France.....175ml glass £30.50
100ml glass £17.50
*Jean-Bernard Larrieu's Vitatge Vielh is the name of an ancient 1.8 ha vineyard planted in the 1940s, mingling 60% Gros
 Manseng with 30% Petit Manseng and 10% Courbu vines. The 2005 is still packed with almond, lemon, mango and guava
 notes: vivacious and characterful. Served from a magnum for optimal freshness*

93451
 2016 Penedès, Forcada, Torres, Catalonia, Spain.....175ml glass £31.50
100ml glass £18.50
*Fascinating white -- structured, fresh and aromatic -- made from one of the indigenous varieties painstakingly collected and
 propagated by the Torres family, Forcada*

93875
 2009 Cinqueterre, Azienda Agricola Campogrande, Liguria, Italy.....175ml glass £37
100ml glass £21.50
*Made from Elio Altare's holdings in this extraordinary vineyard zone, perched over the Mediterranean and accessible only by
 foot: quince and lemon*

WHITE WINES *by-the-glass WITH CORAVIN®*

93617
 2018 Sémillon, Rouge Gorge, L'Entremetteuse, Colchagua, Chile.....175ml glass £37.50
100ml glass £21.50
*Zero-sulphur Sémillon from 100-year-old ungrafted vines grown on granite soils over clay in quality hot-spot Apalta: floral,
 fresh yet full, with apricot and mango fruits*

93322
 2015 Tokaji Furmint-Hárslevelu, Nyúlászó, Orosz Gábor, Hungary.....175ml glass £38.50
100ml glass £22.50
*A barrel-fermented blend of 70% Furmint with the balance from Hárslevelu, this supple, full-bodied white has ample apple,
 quince and almond flavours*

93527
 LC10 Vin de France, Cuvée des Archevêques, Vignoble Guillaume,
 Franche-Comté, France.....175ml glass £40.50
100ml glass £23.50
*The ultimate curiosity: a 'vin jaune-style' Savagnin made with six years' ageing under a yeast film -- but in Franche-Comté,
 by one of the region's leading families of nurserymen. 'Vin de France' legislation at the time forbade mention of either a
 vintage or variety*

WHITE WINES *by-the-glass WITH CORAVIN®*

93529
 2014 Riesling, Grosses Gewächs, Rothenberg, Rheinhessen, Gunderloch, Germany.....175ml glass £46
100ml glass £27
Pristine, dramatic and concentrated, a virtuoso display of purity, juiciness and freshness, grown on distinctive red slate soils

93766
 2016 Coteaux Champenois, Le Léon, Marc Hébrart, Champagne, France.....175ml glass £51.50
100ml glass £29.50
Rich and voluptuous still Champagne Chardonnay from the legendarily warm vineyards of Mareuil, basking in reflected light from the Marne canal

93753
 2015 Chablis, Montmains, Les Butteaux, Domaine Pattes Loup, Thomas Pico, Burgundy, France.....175ml glass £53
100ml glass £30.50
Young star Thomas Pico creates remarkably unctuous, deep-flavoured, richly textured Premier Cru Butteaux, yet without sacrificing its diagnostic freshness and attack

93353
 2016 Les Champs Libres, Guinaudeau Family, Bordeaux, France.....175ml glass £60.50
100ml glass £34.50
Innovative, complex, multi-layered Sauvignon Blanc-based white from the Guinaudeau family of Lafleur in Pomerol

93793
 2007 Gavi dei Gavi, La Scolca D’Antan, Piedmont, Italy.....175ml glass £61.50
100ml glass £35.50
A rare chance to try one of Italy’s grandest whites at full maturity: these wines are deep in colour, harmoniously scented, with a long, structured flavour

93018
 2017 Chardonnay, Porter-Bass Vineyards, Ceritas, Sonoma Coast, California.....175ml glass £62
100ml glass £36
Outstanding cool-climate Chardonnay made using techniques learned from Roulot and Coche: “gracious, perfumed and very pretty ... subtle and understated” (Antonio Galloni)

93552
 2017 Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Pure Blanc, Domaine la Barroche, Southern Rhône Valley, France.....175ml glass £63.50
100ml glass £36.50
This pure Clairette wine from the cru of Pied Long, barrel-fermented in demi-muid casks, combines richness, stoniness and inner freshness: “one of the top white Châteauneufs” for critic Joe Czerwinski

93491
 2016 Chardonnay, Monte Bello, Ridge, Santa Cruz Mountains, California, USA.....175ml glass £69
100ml glass £39.50
In addition to its celebrated Cabernet, Monte Bello also produces tiny quantities of outstanding Chardonnay: “full-bodied, ample and succulent” for critic William Kelley (93-95), and “a wine of texture and resonance” for critic Antonio Galloni (95)

WHITE WINES *by-the-glass WITH CORAVIN®*

93166
 2000 Riesling, Vinothek, Nikolaihof, Wachau, Austria175ml glass £92.50
100ml glass £53.50
This special late bottling has been aged for 17 years in a large wooden cask: intense, fine-spun, mineral, still young

93035
 2017 Corton-Charlemagne, Poisot Père et Fils, Burgundy, France.....175ml glass £92.50
100ml glass £53.50
A typically vibrant, incisive Corton-Charlemagne, with notes of linden tea, orange and lemon zest. It comes from south-eastern-facing, 80-year-old vines above Corton’s red vineyards, not the cooler west-facing sector near Pernand

93724
 2006 Ch Grillet, Northern Rhône Valley, France.....175ml glass £168
100ml glass £120.50
One of only two single-property appellations in France outside Burgundy, this tiny, intricately terraced 3.5-ha vineyard lying within Condrieu produces uniquely intricate, haunting Viognier-based white wines

93441
 2010 Bâtard-Montrachet, Thierry Pillot, Burgundy, France.....175ml glass £211.50
100ml glass £121.50
Fine value for mature white burgundy with ample Grand Cru class: “big-bodied, powerful and tremendously complex” with “impeccable balance”, notes critic Allen Meadows

93916
 1972 Ch Musar, Cuvée Musar, Bekaa Valley, Lebanon.....175ml glass £233
100ml glass £133.50
The astonishing Ch Musar Blanc is blended from two indigenous Bekaa Valley grape varieties: Merwah and Obaideh. After barrel fermentation and long ageing, these are old-gold wines of great depth, exoticism and honeyed, cooked-fruit force

93796
 2007 Puligny-Montrachet, Les Pucelles, Leflaive, Burgundy, France.....175ml glass £249
100ml glass £142.50
Now mature, with honeysuckle and white flower scents and fresh yet textured flavours: “superb focus and outstanding length ... exceptionally fine,” for critic Allen Meadows in 2014. Library release (opened, checked, topped up and recorked using a Diam cork)

RED WINES *by-the-glass WITH CORAVIN®*

94029
2016 Bergerac, Boucicaud, Ch Tirecul la Gravière, South West France.....175ml glass £13
Merlot with a little Cabernet Franc grown on very pure limestones: smooth, charming fruits in expressive and graceful style

94233
2019 Børge Red, Dedham Vale Vineyard, Essex, England.....175ml glass £16
.....100ml glass £9.50
A Rondo/Dornfelder blend packed with fresh red fruits -- and just 10% abv

94545
2014 Cahors, Malbec, Un Jour sur Terre, Clos d'Un Jour, South West France.....175ml glass £24
.....100ml glass £14
Outstanding Malbec: low-yielding Cahors aged in small earthenware jars to intensify the wine's perfumed purity and floral enchantment

94143
2014 Rioja, Bodegas Exopto, La Rioja, Spain.....175ml glass £26.50
.....100ml glass £15.50
This is the 'Grand Vin' from talented Bordelais Tom Puyabert's old-vine Rioja Alta vineyards: a showcase for Graciano (60%) complemented by Tempranillo and Garnacha. Medium-bodied but high-focus, packed with spice and forest berries

94569
2015 Fleurie, Griffes du Marquis, Clos de la Roilette, Alain Coudert, Beaujolais, France.....175ml glass £29.50
.....100ml glass £17
From 80-year-old vines, and aged in used Burgundy barrels for extra finesse: as good as Fleurie gets... Served from a magnum

94161
2016 Monthélie, Les Champs-Fulliot, David & Guy Dubuet, Burgundy, France.....175ml glass £33.50
.....100ml glass £19.50
One of Monthélie's greatest sites: vivid, deep and resonant

94058
2014 Blaufränkisch, ErDELuftGRAsundrebEN, Claus Preisinger, Neusiedlersee, Austria.....175ml glass £40
.....100ml glass £23
Medium bodied, silky and refreshing, packed with cherry and forest berry fruits

RED WINES *by-the-glass WITH CORAVIN®*

94763
2007 Vin de Pays de Vaucluse, Abelard, Chêne Bleu, Southern Rhône Valley, France.....175ml glass £47.50
.....100ml glass £27.50
Outstanding red Vaucluse Grenache-Syrah blend: spicy and savoury

94114
2014 Clos Manou, Vignes Préphyloxériques 1850, Médoc, Bordeaux, France.....175ml glass £48
.....100ml glass £27.50
A tiny property, just north of St Estèphe - but vines of an age which no First Growth can match. This ungrafted, pure-Merlot parcel of just 2 ha was planted around 160 years ago, in the 1850s. This concentrated, grand wine is not produced every year, just when quality merits. It forms part of our 'Old Vine Bordeaux' collection

94614
1989 Bourgueil, Les Perrières, Catherine et Pierre Breton, Loire Valley, France.....175ml glass £52.50
.....100ml glass £30
A rare, fine-value chance to try mature, 30-year-old Bourgueil from a great vintage: brick-red, with the raspberries and cherries now mingling with undergrowth, pepper and tobacco

94098
2008 Brulhois, Royal Heritage 1780, Ch Labastide-Orliac, South West France.....175ml glass £52.50
.....100ml glass £30.50
Merlot, Tannat, the two Cabernets and Abouriou grown on clay, this is "one of the great terroir products of which France has the secret", says French critic Michel Bettane, suggesting it should be considered 'a little brother' to Lafleur, Rayas and Clos Rougeard

94202
2010 St Joseph, Vignes de l'Hospice, Guigal, Northern Rhône Valley, France.....175ml glass £56
.....100ml glass £32.50
This mature Northern Rhône classic is dark, tight-knit and finely balanced with classic smoky finesse

RED WINES *by-the-glass WITH CORAVIN®*

94597
 2002 Coteaux du Languedoc, Clos des Cistes, Domaine Peyre Rose,
 Languedoc, France.....175ml glass £62.50
100ml glass £36
Syrah-rich and invariably grandiose, given long ageing before release, this 17-year-old was “decadent, yet concentrated and classic” when tasted by critic Jeb Dunnuck in 2015

94645
 1999 Viader, Napa Valley, California, USA.....175ml glass £64
100ml glass £37
Pristine, elegant, beautifully aged Napa blend of 61% Cabernet Sauvignon with the balance from Cabernet Franc: plum, chocolate, tar and smoke flavours, expressed with great harmony and poise

94945
 2015 Amarone della Valpolicella Classico Riserva, Sergio Zenato, Veneto, Italy.....175ml glass £65.50
100ml glass £38
This Amarone, made from Oseleta and Croatina as well as Corvina and Rondinella, is exuberant, deep and multi-layered, with textured tannins and ample ripe fruit as well as the essential bitter notes

94159
 2010 Langhe, Barbera, Larigi, Altare, Piedmont, Italy.....175ml glass £72
100ml glass £42
One of the very finest of all Barbera wines, Altare’s Larigi “elevates Barbera to an entirely new level ... more than a passing resemblance to the Burgundies that are so adored at this small, family-run domain” writes critic Antonio Galloni

94095
 2011 Ribera del Duero, Valbuena 5º, Vega Sicilia, Castilla y Leon, Spain.....175ml glass £90
100ml glass £52
This distinguished Tempranillo (with a little Merlot) is polished, fine and fresh

94307
 2013 Cabernet Sauvignon, Ulysses Vineyard, Napa Valley, California, USA.....175ml glass £110.50
100ml glass £63.50
Purchased by Christian Moueix of Dominus and La Fleur-Pétrus in 2008, this fine Oakville site once formed part of the Charles Hopper Ranch. This textured, long-flavoured wine mingles blue fruit and savoury notes. A “super-classic 2013 built for the cellar” (Antonio Galloni)

RED WINES *by-the-glass WITH CORAVIN®*

94333
 2004 Hermitage, J-L Chave, Northern Rhône Valley, France.....175ml glass £159
100ml glass £91
Complete and complex, from a very fine vintage in the Northern Rhône and given longer oak ageing than usual to enable the tannins and acidity to integrate perfectly

94348
 2014 Grands-Échezeaux, Coquard-Loison-Fleurot, Burgundy, France.....175ml glass £181.50
100ml glass £104
Formerly sold to Burgundy’s leading négociants, the ‘CLF’ Grands Échezeaux is a little-known treat: expansive, spicy, and with hugely impressive fruit architecture

94259
 Ribera del Duero, Reserva Especial “Unico”, Vega Sicilia, Spain.....175ml glass £235
100ml glass £135
The 2014 release of the multi-vintage Reserva Especial brings together the 1994 1995 and 2000 vintages. “One of the best modern-day Reserva Especiales...a tertiary wine with a developed, complex bouquet... and a subtle, elegant style” for critic Luis Gutiérrez

94927
 2002 Ch Mouton-Rothschild, Pauillac, Bordeaux, France.....175ml glass £330
100ml glass £188.50
Fresh, elegant and perfectly balanced now, the `02 Mouton has notes of blackberry and cedar

DESSERT WINES *by-the-glass* WITH CORAVIN®

95081
 2017 Coteaux du Layon-St Aubin, Domaine des Barres, Loire Valley, France.....100ml glass £9.50
Amazing value for this beautifully poised, sweet Loire white

95161
 2018 Monbazillac, Les Pins, Ch Tirecul la Gravière, South West France.....100ml glass £12
Bruno Bilancini's lightest, most accessible Monbazillac combines autumnal honeyed tones with a deliciously apple freshness: "brilliant value" for critic Jancis Robinson MW

95139
 2002 Viré-Clessé, Vendange Levroucée, René Michel, Burgundy, France.....100ml glass £14
Late-harvest Chardonnay has a long Mâconnais tradition and this is a memorable example: lush, full, exotic, with a delicate finishing sweetness

95124
 2018 Passito di Pantelleria, Ben Ryé, Donnafugata, Italy.....100ml glass £33.50
Lush and rich yet astonishingly complex, this Zibibbo (Muscat of Alexandria) grown on Europe's last southerly outpost, the island of Pantelleria, is "a Sicilian oenological masterpiece" (Monica Larner)

95165
 2001 Ch Suduiraut, Sauternes, Bordeaux, France.....100ml glass £35.50
From one of the very greatest of all Sauternes estates, this is "a prodigious effort, possibly the finest Suduiraut since 1989" for Robert Parker

95137
 1998 Monbazillac, Cuvée Madame, Ch Tirecul la Gravière, South West France.....100ml glass £56.50
Extraordinary dessert wine from a great vintage and a supremely gifted winemaker: rich, lush, unctuous, yet precise and fine-sewn

95015
 1999 Tokaji, Aszú, 6 puttonyos, István Szepsy, Mád, Hungary.....100ml glass £99.50
Sensationally concentrated, detailed Tokaji from the region's master winemaker, packed with notes of marmalade, tangerine and quince

95163
 1995 Ch d'Yquem, Sauternes, Bordeaux, France.....100ml glass £112
*Tawny in colour, with luscious flavours of apricot, tangerine and marmalade, this multi-dimensional 1995 is one of the richest and most opulent Yquems of its decade.
 We serve this perfectly preserved wine from a two-bottle-size magnum for maximum freshness*

95143

Ch Lafaurie-Peyraguey, Sauternes, Bordeaux, Shades of Gold, France

Two 50ml engraved Lalique glasses.....£89

In 2009, the cellar master of Ch Lafaurie-Peyraguey, Eric Larramona, kept two very special single-parcel casks out of the vintage blend, so pronounced and so beautiful were their characters. One of these 'shades of gold' was particularly elegant, fresh, fruity and mineral. He christened it L - because of its lightness, its lyricism and its lift. The other 'shade of gold' was more powerful, spicy and exuberant. He called it P - because of its power... and the passion it evoked. We at sketch have acquired all the remaining stocks of these rare wines, and we're serving them side by side, in two specially engraved, exquisitely elegant Lalique glasses.

2009 Ch Lafaurie-Peyraguey L

A great vintage in graceful, soaring, lyrical style, leaving the mouth fresh and clean

2009 Ch Lafaurie-Peyraguey P

All the weight and uncton of this generous vintage, freighted with succulent spices

PORT & SWEET FORTIFIED WINES

by-the glass WITH CORAVIN®

96043
White Port, Quinta do Infantado, Douro, Portugal.....100ml glass £8.50

From a complex blend of native varieties and grown in a magnificent Douro site, this sweet, glycerous white port combines succulent, dried-fruit richness with lively supporting zest

94266
2007 Bottle Matured LBV Port, Warre's, Douro, Portugal.....100ml glass £11.50

Unrivalled value and generosity from one of the only houses to continue making a bottle-matured LBV: dark, intensely fruited yet structured, too

95014
2012 Vin de Liqueur, Grenyuls, Benoit Salel et Élise Renaud,
Northern Rhône Valley, France.....100ml glass £19.50

Fortified Grenache in the style of Banyuls, yet made in the lonely Ardèche hills: sweet, succulent yet fresh too

96019
30-year-old Tawny Port, Graham, Douro, Portugal.....100ml glass £31.50

Buttery yet fresh after three decades, this silky-sweet tawny is seamless, burnished and refined

96018
2007 Vintage Port, Graham, Douro, Portugal.....100ml glass £34.50

'A tour de force' for critic Jay Miller, the Graham '07 is perfumed and sensual. This powerful port is accessible now, thanks to the way in which its ripe black fruits coat the ample tannins

96042
2011 Vintage Port, Bioma Vinha Velha, Niepoort, Douro, Portugal.....100ml glass £35.50

From the 80-100-year-old vines of one vineyard only, the Vinha da Pisca, and entirely vinified and aged in the Douro: terroir Vintage port from the talented Dirk van der Niepoort

96030
1994 Vintage Port, Quinta do Vesuvio, Douro, Portugal.....100ml glass £37.50

This magnificent quinta, far up the Douro, produces very sweet but majestic vintage port of grand dimensions

PORT & SWEET WINES *by-the-glass WITH CORAVIN®*

96044
1994 Single Harvest Tawny Port, Graham, Douro, Portugal.....100ml glass £40

A single vintage tawny (colheita) port, made in the year Nelson Mandela became South African president and Jeff Bezos founded Amazon: rose petal, spice and fig scents, with fresh, intense, lingering flavours of raisins and coffee

96039
1950 Colheita Port, Burmester, Douro, Portugal.....100ml glass £56

Colheita means a vintage-dated tawny port. Now in its seventh decade, this is pale, smooth and refined, but still retains its structural force and artfully concealed power

96045
1940 Single Harvest Tawny Port, Graham, Douro, Portugal.....100ml glass £231

This rare vintage tawny (Colheita) port has been ageing in Graham's lodges for eight decades: caramel, chocolate and brown sugar scents with a creamy flavour of honey, nuts and citrus. This wine was made in the year Churchill became Prime Minister, the Dunkirk Evacuation took place and de Gaulle rallied the French Resistance from London

VINTAGE MADEIRA *by-the-glass WITH CORAVIN®*

The grapes for these wines are grown on tiny, steep, cliff-side vineyards on the Atlantic island of Madeira. They are fermented and fortified, then aged for at least 20 years in warm, above-ground warehouses. Evaporation and slow, controlled oxidation sublimate their aromas and produce intense, unforgettable flavours. After decades of cask ageing, the wines are transferred to glass demijohns, and eventually to bottles, where they can endure almost indefinitely. Opened bottles, too, are capable of lasting for many months without deterioration. The following wines come directly from the cellars of a private collector, and were originally purchased from authentication specialist and former head of Sotheby's wine department Patrick Grubb MW.

96021

1974 Verdelho, Blandy, Isle of Madeira, Portugal.....100ml glass £91.50

Verdelho is a medium-dry style of Madeira, suitable either as a gentle aperitif or with food. This wine was made in the year China's Terracotta Army was unearthed and the Watergate scandal forced US President Nixon's resignation

96036

1952 Malvazia, Shortridge Lawton, Isle of Madeira, Portugal.....100ml glass £162.50

Madeiras produced under the Shortridge Lawton name, like this succulent Malmsey, are now extremely rare. This wine was made in the year Queen Elizabeth II was crowned, and the Great Smog descended on London

96025

1954 Terrantez, Power's, Isle of Madeira, Portugal.....100ml glass £185.50

The Terrantez variety is almost extinct on Madeira. It produced rich wines, often said to have a cleansingly bitter aftertaste. This wine was made in the year Marilyn Monroe married (and filed for divorce from) Joe DiMaggio and Bill Haley & His Comets released 'Rock Around the Clock'

BEERS & LAGERS

Freedom, Helles Organic Lager.....7.8% abv, 330ml £8

Meantime, Yakima Red.....4.1% abv, 330ml £7

Meantime, Lager.....4.5% abv, 330ml £7

Meantime, IPA, London, England.....7.4% abv, 330ml £8.50

Peroni Libera, Alcohol Free.....0% abv, 330ml £5

ALCOHOL FREE SPARKLING JUICES

91729

Perlant de Raisin, Château de la Magdelaine.....125ml glass £8

Fresh, lively and refreshing sparkling grape juice pressed from white Sémillon & Sauvignon Blanc grapes in the Cognac area (alcohol-free)

91728

Perlant de Raisin, Rosé, Château de la Magdelaine.....125ml glass £8.50

Attractive pink version of our moreish sparkling grape juice from Charente, with the colour coming from a little Cabernet Franc (alcohol-free)

Non-Alcoholic Bellini.....£10

Perlant de Raisin, Château de la Magdelaine with peach purée

The Selection of the...



CHAMPAGNE

01027	Pommery, Brut Royal£85 <i>Deft, harmonious and pretty in style, few Champagne houses can match Pommery for charm and finesse</i>
01821	Moët et Chandon, Brut Impériale£104 <i>Moët's Brut Impériale is a wine-world reference for unfailing quality and affability. Its fresh, foamy yet fine-grained style is impossible to dislike – and easy to love</i>
01768	Henriot, Blanc de Blancs£104 <i>Creamy, subtle and elegant: fine value for a top Grande Marque Blanc de Blancs from insider's pick Henriot</i>
01658	Moussé Fils, Cuvée L'Or d'Eugène, Blanc de Noirs£116 <i>A vinous, exuberant Champagne blended from 80% Pinot Meunier and 20% Pinot Noir</i> Disgorged July 2018 Disgorged January 2019
	Pommery, Grand Cru Royal Pommery Grand Cru draws on the fruit of seven different complementary vineyard sites deftly blended to combine the concentration and drive of Grand Cru Champagne without ever jeopardising the legendary grace and charm of the Pommery house style
01800	2006£125
01024	2002£245
01722	Charles Heidsieck, Réserve£125 <i>The five years on yeast is time well spent, as the creamy, luxurious Charles Heidsieck house style testifies</i> Cellared 2019
01625	Pol Roger, Brut Réserve£132 <i>The grace, charm, poise and freshness of Pol Roger (served at the 2011 Royal Wedding) makes it one of the most versatile and best loved of all Grandes Marques</i>
01008	Billecart-Salmon, Brut Réserve£132 <i>Elegance and finesse</i>
01765	Moussé Fils, Les Vignes de Mon Village, Extra Brut, Blanc de Meuniers£135 <i>Pure old-vine Pinot Meunier aged under cork rather than crown cap, this intense, rugged special cuvée is designed by Cédric Moussé to convey the essence of the variety and of the clay soils of the village of Cuisles (where his father was mayor)</i> Disgorged 2019
01828	Delamotte, Blanc de Blancs£140 <i>Salon's understudy: spellbinding Côte des Blancs finesse</i>

01727
Moussé Fils, Les Varosses, Blanc de Blancs, Doux, In/Fusion.....£146
Sublime sweet Champagne (50 g/l sugar), blended by Cédric Moussé together with sketch wine director Fred Bruges in order to suggest the fullness of age: racy and vibrant fruit encased in mellow richness
Disgorged December 2017

01335
Pommery, Brut Royal Kosher.....£153
This version of Pommery's graceful non-vintage cuvee is made under close rabbinical supervision and meets strict kosher standards

01012
Pommery, Wintertime, Blanc de Noirs.....£154
A blend of Pinot Noir and Pinot Meunier for those who like a firmer, more food-friendly Champagne

01020
Bollinger, Spécial Cuvée.....£160
The most authoritative of all Grandes Marques

01801
Pommery, Apanage, Blanc de Blancs.....£170
Pommery's latest Blanc de Blancs blend brings together sculpted, fine-grained Chardonnays from the Montagne de Reims and from Nogent l'Abbesse, to the east of Reims: cool, stealthy and northern

01798
Paul Déthune, Cuvée Prestige Princesse des Thunes, Grand Cru.....£181
From a blend of equal parts of Ambonnay-grown Chardonnay and Pinot Noir, and including 30 per cent of reserve wines, this is complex, statuesque Champagne of both authority and finesse

01755
Veuve Clicquot, Extra Brut, Extra Old.....£183
One of the most astonishing Champagnes of recent years, blended entirely from Veuve Clicquot's reserves of older vintages (2010 back to 1988), given six years ageing (including three in vat), and the lowest dosage in the history of the house (just 3g): deep, lingering, refined
Disgorged June 2017

01661
2014 Moussé Fils, Les Fortes Terres, Special Club, Extra Brut, Blanc de Noirs.....£185
Pure old-vine Pinot Meunier from the village of Cuisles, this special cuvée combines dazzling intensity with floral harmony: "another knock-out" for critic Antonio Galloni
Disgorged November 2018

01647
Ruinart, Blanc de Blancs.....£189
Ruinart provides one of the region's most approachable Blanc de Blancs: chiffon-textured, softly lemony, beguiling

01811
2008 Pierre Paillard, La Grande Récolte, Bouzy Grand Cru, Extra Brut.....£192
From a great vintage, this blend of Grand Cru Chardonnay and Pinot Noir is poised, fresh and floral, just coming into its own now
Disgorged February 2019

01676
Bérèche et Fils, Rive Gauche, Extra Brut, Blanc de Noirs.....£198
From a cool, late-ripening site in Mareuil-le-Port, this is a dense, concentrated, dramatic Blanc de Noirs based on fruit from 2014
Disgorged November 2017

01808
Frédéric Savart, L'Accomplie, Extra Brut£204
From a small, 4-ha domain in and around the Premier Cru village of Ecueil on the Montagne de Reims, and blended from three different vintages: intricate and fine-grained, with the length that comes from old vines
Disgorged June 2019

01796
2014 Pierre Paillard, Les Maillerettes, Extra Brut, Blanc de Noirs.....£205
From a magnificent parcel in the heart of the Grand Cru of Bouzy, this is pure Pinot but with a fresh and sculpted, almost saline style – thanks to the quality of Paillard's vines

01731
2008 Pol Roger.....£206
Seductively aromatic, with apple, flower and almond notes and a fine-grained yet vivacious flavour: the best since 2002

01594
Cédric Bouchard, Roses de Jeanne, Côte de Val Vilaine, Blanc de Noirs.....£207
Magnificent intensity and terroir expression here from one of Champagne's brightest talents, grown in the Pinot-producing area of the Aube V 2016
Disgorged 2018

01669
Vouette et Sorbée, Blanc d'Argile, Extra Brut, Blanc de Blancs.....£215
Pure Chardonnay (from cuttings from Selosse and Dauvissat), wood fermented and with minimal sulphur: characterful and allusive
Disgorged February 2014

01804
Jacques Lassaigne, La Colline Inspirée, Brut Nature, Blanc de Blancs.....£231
Oak ageing and sumptuous Montgueux Chardonnay combines memorably in this amply aged cuvée from talented Emmanuel Lassaigne

01682
Laherte Frères, Les 7, Extra Brut.....£232
A solera-derived Champagne based on seven different grape varieties (Pinot Blanc and Gris, Arbanne and Petit Meslier in addition to the classic trio, planted together): complex, refreshing and savoury
Disgorged January 2016

01690
Eric Rodez, Cuvée des Grands Vintages, Grand Cru.....£236
A refined, multi-layered blend created by bringing together six great vintage wines: 1999, 2000, 2002, 2004, 2005 and 2006. "Exceptional complexity" for critic Jancis Robinson
Disgorged September 2017

Cédric Bouchard, Roses de Jeanne, Les Ursules, Blanc de Noirs
This is made from Bouchard's own, immaculately tended vineyards. Pure Pinot with no sweetening wine added makes for a wine of huge impact but great refinement, too

01595
2013.....£237
Disgorged April 2017

01595
2011.....£237
Disgorged April 2015

01304
La Closerie, Les Béguines, Jérôme Prévost, Extra Brut, Blanc de Noirs.....£248
Dramatic, avant-garde, barrel-fermented Pinot Meunier from a student of the influential Anselme Selosse
LC17

01318
Bèreche et Fils, Reflet d'Antan.....£252
Intricate, solera-blended Champagne given three years' ageing before release. Based on fruit from 2009
Disgorged April 2014

01677
Benoît Lahaye, Violaine, Brut Nature.....£253
A zero-sulphur Champagne made from grapes grown in a very dry site, combining south-facing Pinot and west-facing Chardonnay: striking aromatic refinement and purity. Based on fruit from 2009
Disgorged September 2013

Jacques Lassaigne, Brut Nature, Blanc de Blancs
A blend of Lassaigne's top three sites, all planted with old vines: deep and searching Champagne with an unforgettable blend of warm fruit and cold stone

01671
2009.....£281
01671
2006.....£281

01810
2012 Marc Hébrart, Rive Gauche-Rive Droite, Grand Cru, Extra Brut.....£285
"Magnificent, thrilling Champagne" for critic Antonio Galloni. The blend brings together Pinot from Aÿ with Chardonnay from Oiry, Chouilly and Avize
Disgorged December 2018

01797
2011 Paul Déthune, Cuvée à l'Ancienne, Grand Cru.....£296
Oak-aged, with seven years' cellar maturation, and finished not with a wire muzzle but with hemp twine, this hand-crafted Champagne is vinous and structured

Frédéric Savart, Le Mont des Chrétiens, Premier Cru, Extra Brut, Blanc de Blancs
01806
2015.....£336
Pure, cask-fermented Chardonnay from the Montagne de Reims. Subtly different from the Côte des Blancs: incisive, sappy and driving

01771
2014.....£302
"Bright, focussed and sculpted, with tons of energy" is how critic Antonio Galloni describes this pure-Chardonnay wine grown from vineyards in the Premier Cru village of Ecueil
Disgorged April 2018

Frédéric Savart, Le Mont Benoît, Extra Brut
01807
2015.....£336
Almost pure Pinot Noir with just a dash of Chardonnay, and fermented in 600-litre casks: structured, firm and resonant

01770
2014.....£302
From Premier Cru vineyards in Villers-aux-Noeuds, this blend of Pinot Noir with just a little Chardonnay is allusive and fine-grained yet sumptuous, too
Disgorged April 2018

01673
2008 Agrapart, Avizoise, Extra Brut, Blanc de Blancs.....£307
Poised fruit and a toasty richness characterize this searching Champagne, aged under cork for at least five years
Lot May 2009
 Disgorged February 2015

01702
David Léclapart, L'Apôtre, Blanc de Blancs, Extra Brut.....£308
Based on biodynamically grown fruit from a 60-year-old vineyard in the Premier Cru village of Trépail, this unsweetened,
low-sulphur Blanc de Blancs is packed with bracing orchard fruits

01805
2009 Veuve Fourny, Clos Faubourg Notre Dame, Premier Cru, Extra Brut, Blanc de Blancs.....£317
Beautifully aged Chardonnay from a tiny chalk-soiled vineyard in Vertus: long, honeyed and stony

01325
Laurent Perrier, Grand Siècle.....£348
Nothing but Grand Cru fruit, and the finest vintages only: deep, complex and nourishing

04957
2008 La Grande Dame, Veuve Clicquot.....£355
Plunging, searching, deep-driving Champagne from a great vintage. This is 92% Pinot Noir (from five different Grand Cru
villages, principally Verzy and Verzenay) seasoned with a little Chardonnay from Le Mesnil

01812
2012 Jacques Lassaigne, Clos Sainte-Sophie, Blanc de Blancs, Brut Nature.....£381
Extraordinarily complex Chardonnay from a historic single site in Montgueux, aged for six months in old barrels from
Ganevat in the Jura, from Cognac and from Burgundy: deep and muscular, yet racy and saline

01028
Jacques Selosse, Initial, Grand Cru, Blanc de Blancs.....£386
Chardonnay from Champagne is rarely this complex and challenging.
 Disgorged December 2018
 Disgorged December 2017
 Disgorged January 2015
 Disgorged October 2014

01824
2007 Dom Ruinat, Blanc de Blancs.....£388
Only Grand Cru fruit, most of it from Chouilly, Avize and Le Mesnil but with 25% from Sillery and Verzenay: pure, fine-
grained and dryer than the Ruinat norm (just 5 g/l dosage), yet with this house's creamy, voluptuous style, too

01275
Jacques Selosse, Exquise, Grand Cru, Sec, Blanc de Blancs£394
A brilliant Sec (off-dry) Champagne: lacy, scented and refreshing
 Disgorged February 2020

Dom Pérignon
 01790
2010.....£395
A cool, edgy vintage has helped create this "bright, focussed and crystalline" Dom Pérignon (Antonio Galloni), shimmering
with lemon peel and floral notes

01708
2006.....£384
This "rich, voluptuous and creamy" Dom Pérignon (Galloni) comes from the early ripening, supremely approachable 1996

Pommery, Cuvée Louise
 01712
2004 Nature.....£402
This 'un-dosed' version of Louise is aromatically very fine-grained, with great intensity and a bracing sense of balance:
drama incarnate

01711
2004 Brut.....£325
Magnificently complex blend in a ripe, graceful style, with plenty of orange and peach notes: luscious and enticing

0999
2002 Brut.....£386
Ripe fruit scents and a full-bodied, persistent flavour with "stimulating salinity and purity" for critic Stephan Reinhardt

0999
1999 Brut.....£386

Henriot, Cuvée Hemera
 Henriot's new prestige cuvée, replacing Enchanteleurs, is the Cuvée Hemera, blended from Grand Cru Pinot and Chardonnay
 in equal quantities, given 12 years on lees and with just 5 g/l dosage: pure and intricate
 01299
2006.....£434
 01299
2005.....£434

Krug
 Champagne's hallmark blend: multi-faceted and compelling
 01053
Grande Cuvée, 168ème Édition.....£441
 01053
Grande Cuvée, 167ème Édition.....£441
 01053
Grande Cuvée, 166ème Édition.....£441
 01791
Private Cuvée, Pre-Édition.....£1,965
Krugistes will know that 'Private Cuvée' was the pre-1978 name for what is now called Grande Cuvée - so this is a 40-year-
old version of Champagne's most complex blend. An ultra-rare opportunity to taste a piece of Champagne history

01034
Jacques Selosse, V.O, Grand Cru, Extra Brut, Blanc de Blancs.....£453
Piercing and rigorous: the North Pole of the Blanc de Blancs style
 Disgorged April 2019
 Disgorged July 2018
 Disgorged December 2017
 Disgorged September 2015

Bollinger, RD, Extra Brut
 01721
2002.....£461
A "grand RD in the making" according to critic Richard Juhlin, the complex 2002 suggests peach, mushroom and red apple
 Disgorged September 2013

01665
1995.....£654
Layered, rich and resonant, with notes of mushroom and white truffle
 Disgorged September 2011

01051
Jacques Selosse, Substance, Grand Cru, Blanc de Blancs.....£493
A Champagne blended on the solera principle: intense, uncompromising and allusive
 Disgorged June 2012

01602
Jacques Selosse, Les Carelles, Grand Cru, Extra Brut, Blanc de Blancs.....£754
Another in Selosse's new range of single-parcel Champagnes, this multi-vintage Extra Brut comes from a single parcel in Le Mesnil: complex, mineral and refined
 Disgorged January 2018
 Disgorged February 2016
 Disgorged February 2014

01612
Jacques Selosse, Le Bout du Clos, Extra Brut, Grand Cru.....£754
There are just 2,000 bottles of this ultra-rare Selosse single-vineyard cuvée, 80% Pinot Noir and 20% Chardonnay: minerals, flowers and fruits combine with mouthwatering magic
 Disgorged February 2014

01652
Jacques Selosse, Sous Le Mont, Premier Cru, Extra Brut, Blanc de Noirs.....£754
Pinot from a Mareuil vineyard sited close to Clos des Goisses, this is the most autumnal of the Selosse single-vineyard series: apples, spice, a hint of almond
 Disgorged January 2018
 Disgorged January 2017
 Disgorged February 2014

01603
Jacques Selosse, La Côte Faron, Grand Cru, Extra Brut, Blanc de Noirs.....£835
Formerly sold as 'Contraste', this single-vineyard Champagne from the Grand Cru village of Ay is vinous, structured and lingering
 Disgorged April 2012

01814
Guillaume Selosse, Au Dessus du Gros Mont, Extra Brut, Blanc de Blancs.....£866
From Anselme Selosse's talented son Guillaume, this fine-grained, piercingly pure Chardonnay is made from a Cramant vineyard given him by his grandmother on his 18th birthday

Jacques Selosse, Extra Brut, Grand Cru
 01293
2005.....£1,250
"Once again...stakes its claim as one of the very best wines," says critic Antonio Galloni of Selosse's 2005 Extra Brut, praising its freshness and floral lift
 Disgorged November 25, 2015

01590
2003.....£1,250
Extraordinary vintage fidelity in this very warm year, yet at the same time buoyant, long and mouthwatering. Bottled without any added sulphur
 Disgorged April 8, 2014

01743
2002.....£1,750
Regarded as "one of the great wines of the vintage" by Galloni, this zero-sulphur Champagne is both richly fruited yet 'mineral', with a pronounced saline edge
 Disgorged May 3, 2013

01793
1996.....£2,995
The cool but beautifully sunny 1996 vintage has never looked riper than it does in this bold, concentrated, lavishly articulate Champagne, marked by notes of honey, spice and nuts. Just beginning to reach its peak now
 Disgorged February 3, 2005

01644
2002 Salon, Le Mesnil, Grand Cru, Blanc de Blancs, Brut.....£1,340
Hints of violet, jasmine and creamy hazel. On the palate, the wine is pure, long, sculpted and elegant, with soft lemon, white almond and a touch of beeswax

Charles Heidsieck, Brut

01749

1952.....£1,455

The quality of Charles Heidsieck vintage Champagnes is an insider's secret, and is based on this house's great blending tradition. This rare old vintage will have little sparkle left, but may recall fine white burgundy...

01794

1928.....£4,750

This wine, made in the year preceding the Wall St Crash, comes from an impeccable source and appears in perfect condition. The 1928 was considered "the vintage of the century" (Richard Juhlin), with its "Firm, crisp, well-constituted, long lasting wines" (Michael Broadbent). Expect a golden, rich but bubble-less wine now

01745

1964 Henriot, Les Enchanteleurs, Vinothèque.....£3,700

Magnificent Reims-aged stock, originally blended for an earlier Henriot Prestige series and now re-released as part of the Enchanteleurs Vinothèque series: delicate yet beguiling white-burgundy-like characters

01792

1988 Krug, Clos du Mesnil.....£3,826

This legendary 1.84 ha walled vineyard in Le Mesnil on the Côte des Blancs produced, in 1988, "a wine of mind-blowing purity and breathtaking elegance. Simply put, wine does not get better than this. The 1988 Clos du Mesnil is an eternal wine." (Antonio Galloni)

CHAMPAGNE ROSÉ

01716

Pommery, Brut Rosé.....£115

The hallmark prettiness, freshness and grace of Pommery's style is much in evidence in this teasingly romantic wine

01604

Henriot, Brut Rosé.....£136

Light and graceful initially, yet with typical Henriot depth and drive behind

01662

Moussé Fils, Effusion, Brut Rosé.....£155

*A Champagne rarity: rosé made with Pinot Meunier balanced by a little Pinot Noir. Floral scents and expressive red fruits: "impossible not to love" says critic Antonio Galloni
Disgorged October 2017*

01253

Billecart-Salmon, Brut Rosé.....£168

Subtlety and freshness

01327

Pommery, Apanage, Brut Rosé.....£169

The rosé version of Pommery's 'gastronomic' blend: delicate and harmonious

01298

Bollinger, Brut Rosé.....£174

Non-vintage rosé (based on 60% Pinot Noir with 25% Chardonnay and 15% Pinot Meunier) is a new departure for Bollinger: deep and authoritative, thanks to a high percentage of reserve wines

01757

2005 Charles Heidsieck, Réserve, Brut Rosé.....£180

*Fine vintage rosé made with all the creamy finesse typical of this great house's style
Disgorged 2017*

01817

Vilmart & Cie, Cuvée Rubis.....£183

*Pungent, bright, crisp and airy rosé from one of the region's most painstaking and fastidious growing families: floral scents and red-toned fruits
Disgorged October 2018
Disgorged October 2015*

01725
Laurent Perrier, Brut Rosé.....£185
Pure Pinot, its colour derived only from a 48-72 hour maceration process, with fruit from twelve (mostly Grand Cru) villages, it is no accident that this sappy, broad, lingeringly fruity pink Champagne is the regional benchmark

01700
2010 André et Jacques Beaufort, Grand Cru, Demi Sec Rosé.....£191
A medium-dry version of the Beauforts' fine Grand Cru rosé, with notes of smoke, sweet herbs and candied cherries

02054
2008 Pol Roger, Extra Cuvée de Réserve, Brut Rosé.....£245
Lively, forthright and fleshy pink Champagne with notes of strawberry and orange and a spicy finish (blended with 13% Pinot Noir wine from Cumières)

01251
Egly-Ouriet, Grand Cru, Brut Rosé.....£255
Predominantly Pinot: bold and assertive
Disgorged September 2012
Disgorged July 2010

Bollinger, Grande Année, Brut Rosé
This poised yet ripe vintage of Bollinger's deep, full-flavoured pink Champagne is as satisfying as it is seductive

01328
2005.....£285
Disgorged May 2017

01733
2004.....£285
Disgorged April 2014

01683
Jérôme Prévost, La Closerie, Fac-Simile, Extra Brut Rosé.....£365
Pure Pinot Meunier rosé from the old-vine Les Beguines vineyard near Reims, wood-fermented: mint, sweet spice and red berry fruits "woven together in a fabric of nearly indescribable elegance" (Antonio Galloni)

01816
2004 Pommery, Cuvée Louise, Brut Rosé.....£377
Pommery's Louise in characteristically seamless, fine-grained form

01257
Jacques Selosse, Grand Cru, Brut Rosé.....£475
Powerful, incisive and long, in uncompromising Selosse style
Disgorged October 2018

01260
Krug, Brut Rosé.....£685
Pale salmon-pink, Krug's rosé is structured and uncompromising

01262
2005 Dom Pérignon, Brut Rosé.....£696
Silky and luxurious

01621
2005 Clos des Goisses, Juste Rosé, Philipponnat, Brut Rosé.....£753
Very dry, very pale, very refined: memorable rosé from a great vintage
Disgorged November 2014

01689
2006 Roederer, Cristal, Brut Rosé.....£1,034
Some 70% Pinot Noir, with 12% oak-fermentation, the 06 Cristal Rosé has "gorgeous inner perfume, striking fruit and exceptional overall balance" according to critic Antonio Galloni

OTHER SPARKLING WINES

- 01769
Méthode Traditionnelle, Brut Nature à Jo, Blanc de Blancs, Ch Tirecul la Gravière,
South West France.....£59
Brilliantly made, super-fresh, high impact sparkler made from a blend of Sémillon and Chenin by the skilled Bruno Bilancini
- 01718
1997 Saumur, Non Dosé, Ch Tour Grise, Loire Valley, France, Extra Brut.....£64
Pungent, fresh, incisive sparkling wine based on Chenin Blanc: stylish and palate-freshening
- 01664
Prosecco, Valdobbiadene Superiore, Selezione, Ora, Veneto, Italy, Extra Dry.....£65
Ora's Selezione version (the best fruit from the best parcels) increases the depth and finesse
- 01663
Prosecco Superiore, Valdobbiadene, Frizzante Val Mesdi, Frozza, Veneto, Italy.....£69
Fragrant Prosecco with grapey scents and a creamy, lightly textured flavour. Easy-drinking, with ample fruit
- 01833
2019 Charmat Rosé, Flint Vineyard, Norfolk, England, Brut.....£75
A Prosecco-method sparkler, softened by a little oak and lees contact: crunchy yet creamy too
- 01754
2015 Crémant de Bourgogne, Blanc de Blancs, Charme, Terres Dorées, J-P Brun,
Beaujolais, France, Extra Brut.....£75
A pure Chardonnay sparkling wine from the limestone country of southern Beaujolais: creamy yet stony and pure, too
- 01759
2016 Prosecco Col Fondo, Valdobbiadene, Ca' dei Zago, Veneto, Italy, Brut.....£77
Cloudy, bottle-fermented, unfiltered Prosecco: the C19 Venetian choice. Apples and pears with a yeasty bite
- 01761
Louis Pommery, England, Brut.....£85
This blend of Pinot Noir and Pinot Meunier is the first English sparkling wine to be marketed by a Champagne house, using grapes grown in Hampshire, Essex and Sussex. Green apple freshness but a fresh-bread fullness, too: refined, classy, assured
- 01837
Wiston Estate Brut, West Sussex, England, Brut.....£107
Complex, hallmark sparkler made from equal quantities of the three classic varieties (Pinot Noir, Pinot Meunier and Chardonnay) by the talented Dermot Sugrue
- 01839
Henners, East Sussex, England, Brut.....£109
From coastal chalk vineyards at Herstmonceux: sourdough and green apple refreshment
- 01760
2013 Prosecco, Valdobbiadene, Ca' dei Zago, Veneto, Italy, Dosaggio Zero.....£111
High-quality artisan Prosecco without added sweetening: the Glera grape at its finest
- 01827
2014 Breaky Bottom, Cuvée Michelle Moreau, East Sussex, England, Brut.....£115
Peter Hall's gold-medal-winning 2014 cuvée was named after Jeanne Moreau's sister Michelle, a close friend of the Hall family. This blend of Chardonnay with the two Pinots has bread-and-brioche scents and a racy, incisive style

- 01826
2015 Breaky Bottom, Cuvée Jack Pike, East Sussex, England, Brut.....£115
Pure Seyval Blanc on pure chalk: whistle-clean, bright and fresh
- 01834
2017 Balfour Rosé, Hush Heath Estate, Kent, England, Brut.....£115
Made from fruit from the Oast House Meadow vineyard planted for rosé in 2002: vibrant and structured
- 01735
2008 Franciacorta, La Santissima, Riserva, Castello di Gussago, Lombardy, Italy, Brut.....£119
Beautifully aged Franciacorta from an outstanding source, based on 80% Chardonnay and 20% Pinot Noir: lacy, fine, with notes of strawberry and seed spice
- 02094
Saffron Grange, Brut Rosé, Essex, England.....£123
Hugely enticing red-fruit scents and flavours and the depth and drive to partner foods, too
- 02095
2017 Rathfinny, Brut Rosé, East Sussex, England.....£124
Very low dosage (just 4 g/l) and two full years on lees gives this rosé grand intensity and classicism
- 01840
2015 The Trouble With Dreams, Dermot Sugrue, West Sussex, England, Brut.....£151
Sourced from Storrington Priory and Mount Harry vineyards and now with extra bottle-maturation character, this is expansive, long and saline
- 02085
2014 Wiston Estate, Brut Rosé, South Downs, West Sussex, England.....£151
Pink wizardry from Dermot Sugrue: cranberries and cream
- 01651
2010 Breaky Bottom, Cuvée Koizumi Yakumo, East Sussex, England, Brut.....£156
Fine, chalk-grown English sparkling wine (the 2010 Seyval Blanc cuvée is named after proprietor Peter Hall's great-great uncle, the noted Japanologist Lafcadio Hearne, also known as 'Koizumi Yakumo')
- 01799
2010 Breaky Bottom, Cuvée Reynolds Stone, East Sussex, England, Brut.....£156
The latest in Peter Hall's named cuvée series (this time after the engraver who designed the lettering on the bottle's label), this blend of Chardonnay with 15% each of the two Pinots is fresh, poised and flowery
- 01838
2015 Wiston Estate Blanc de Blancs, Sussex, England.....£163
Award-winning Chardonnay from the Sussex downs: scented, alluring and refined
- 01841
2015 Blanc de Blancs, Cuvée Boz, Dermot Sugrue, Hampshire, England£170
Pure Chardonnay from Jenkyn Place in Hampshire: purity, drive and finesse, in a beautiful bottle
- 01842
Zodo, Dermot Sugrue, West Sussex, England, Brut Nature.....£192
Leading winemaker Dermot Sugrue treads the 'zero dosage' high wire: nervy, lemony and piercing

01650

2011 Blanc de Noirs, Sea Spray, Sea Smoke, Santa Rita Hills, California, USA, Brut.....£208

Pure Pinot from a cool, fog-prone coastal zone in California's Santa Ynez Valley: fine-grained, elegant and fresh

01825

2014 Blanc de Blancs, Coeur de Cuvée, Kit's Coty Vineyard, Chapel Down, Kent, England, Brut.....£236

This Blanc de Blancs sparkling wine is made from the finest fractions of the Kit's Coty sparkling crop. Some 20 per cent is barrel-matured prior to second fermentation, and the wine goes through malolactic: graceful, creamy, stony, compelling (a Platinum Medal-winner in the 2019 Decanter World Wine Awards)

03878

2014 Vin Mousseux de Qualité, Bulles Luisantes, Ponsot, Burgundy, France, Brut.....£327

The ultimate geek wine: Domaine Ponsot is slowly replanting the Aligoté in its high-sited Morey Premier Cru Clos des Monts Luisants, and makes this sparkling wine with the young vine fruit

ROSÉ WINES

02093

2018 Rosé, Dedham Vale Vineyard, Essex, England.....£33

Intense, mellow and full, Dedham's Rosé is made by blending a little sappy Pinot with more richly fruited Phoenix (a Bacchus-Villard cross)

02082

2019 Comté Tolosan, Corney & Barrow, South West France.....£35

Juicy, succulent rosé from a Gascon-grown blend of Merlot and Cabernet Sauvignon grapes, crafted by the much-admired winemaking team at Producteurs Plaimont

02097

2019 Rosé, Nelson Family Vineyards, Paarl, South Africa.....£41

Ample perfumed fruit from the Paarl hills – and a clever blend of Petit Verdot with Cabernet Franc and Syrah

02002

2018 Var, Les Gravières, Domaine Gordonne, Provence, France.....£45

Graceful, silky rosé from Provence's most beautiful wine-growing IGP zone

02089

2014 The Robin, Reserve Rosé, Furnace Projects, Herefordshire, England.....£51

A fascinating blend here: Pinot for purity, Bacchus for perfume and Seyval for sap. Deliciously soft-contoured, too

02077

2020 Rosé, Giffords Hall, Suffolk, England.....£53

Crisp, elegantly labelled rosé grown on glacial riverbed soils in Suffolk: white peach and roses

02086

2020 Maiden's Blush Rosé, Highdown Vineyard, West Sussex, England.....£57

Succulent, fresh rosé from a great vintage for this vineyard on the edge of the South Downs

02088

2020 Railway Hill Rosé, Simpsons, Kent, England.....£67

Outstanding pure-Pinot rosé in a striking bottle, grown on North Downs chalk: an English echo of pink Sancerre

02040

2019 Vin de Pays du Vaucluse, Chêne Bleu, Southern Rhône Valley, France.....£68

Complex, finely crafted rosé from this immaculately run estate at the edge of Gigondas and Ventoux

02079

2018 Côtes de Provence, La Chapelle Gordonne, Tête de Cuvée, Ch la Gordonne, Provence, France.....£69

Night-harvested Grenache, Syrah and Cinsault grown on limestone and shale at Pierrefeu, close to La Londe and Bormes-les-Mimosas: fragrant, graceful and teasing rosé in classical Provence style

02087

2018 Rosé, Langham Vineyard, Dorset, England.....£70

Unfined, wild-ferment, low-SO2 rosé based on a blend of Pinot Noir and Chardonnay from a beautiful Dorset estate

02065

2017 Donauschotter, Clemens Strobl, Wagram, Austria.....£70

Fascinating Zweigelt-based rosé: elegant, sensual, faintly saline

02092
2019 Urban Wine: I'd rather be a rebel, Blackbook Winery, London, England.....£74
Crouch Valley (Essex) Pinot Noir vinified in Battersea: expressive, textured, full of crushed red fruits

02062
2019 Côtes de Provence, Ch Miraval, Provence, France.....£74
From the Brangelina property (one formerly owned by French jazz pianist Jaques Loussier):

02070
2017 Urban Wine: GTS Squared Rosé, Renegade Wines, London, England.....£74
A three-nation blend of grapes – from England, Italy and Spain – combines to create this fruity yet zesty rosé, crafted in the Renegade winery in Bethnal Green

02096
2020 Il Rosato, Nervi Conterno, Piemonte, Italy.....£74
Nebbiolo-based rosé from a brilliant Gattinara estate, now owned by Barolo grandee Roberto Conterno: ultimate finesse

02003
2019 Idylle d'Achinos, La Tour Melas, Macedonia, Greece.....£79
Hyper-elegant, Provence-style rosé made from Agiorgitiko grapes, aged on its lees for six months: soft, fleshy, peachy

02061
2019 Sancerre, Chavignol, Delaporte, Loire Valley, France.....£83
A pale orange-pink rosé directly pressed from Pinot Noir grapes, grown in one of the best sectors of Sancerre

02060
2017 Côtes de Provence, Pétale de Rose, Ch Barbeyrolles, Provence, France.....£87
Delicate, haunting, medal-winning organic rosé grown near St Tropez. Its subtlety comes from a complex blend of Grenache, Mourvèdre and Cinsault with smaller quantities of Ugni Blanc, Sémillon, Rolle, Cabernet Sauvignon and Syrah: soft, supple and classical, vinified with help from the Perrin family of Beaucastel

02080
2018 Cassis, Clos Ste Magdelaine, Provence, France.....£104
Rosé wine from a historic vineyard zone close to Marseille, first cultivated by the Phoenicians: delicate and fragrant

02005
2018 Vin de France, Rosé d'Un Jour, La Sansonnière, Anjou, Loire Valley, France.....£135
Unique, sought-after Grolleau-rich rosé made by non-interventionist Marc Angeli in classical Anjou rosé style – with just a little residual sugar. Delicate and choice

Palette, Ch Simone, Provence, France

Unapologetically deep, singular, characterful, almost tannic rosé wine made from old-vine plantings of at least eight different varieties: a taste of Provence's deepest past

02027
2019.....£137
02027
2017.....£137

Rioja, Gran Reserva Rosado, Viña Tondonia, López de Heredia, Spain

The final frontier for rosé lovers: this grand old coppery-orange wine is only bottled after four years' barrel ageing. Time brings scents of orange zest, rose and sweet honey yet the palate remains clean and incisive

02081
2009.....£148
02076
2008.....£130

02004
2016 Marsannay Rosé, Fleur de Pinot, Sylvain Pataille, Burgundy, France.....£161
Grand, gastronomic, copper-pink rosé designed to be drunk with a little age: structured, incisive, multi-layered

02075
2012 Rosé des Riceys, Veuve A.Devaux, Champagne, France.....£174
This fresh, intense, partridge-eye rosé from the Champagne region south of Troyes was the kind of wine drunk at France's royal court prior to the 'invention' of Champagne: a taste of history

WHITE WINES

FRANCE

Champagne

- 03991
2011 Coteaux Champenois, Mareuil-Le-Port, Dehours.....£116
Dehours' 2011 Coteaux Champenois is a combination of two parcels, including one in warm Mareuil: intense and pure
- 03988
2009 Coteaux Champenois, Cramant Nature, Larmandier-Bernier.....£195
A still wine from Grand Cru vineyards on the Côte des Blancs: chalky textures; flavours of pink grapefruit. Challenging but rewarding
- 03766
2016 Coteaux Champenois, Le Léon, Marc Hébrart.....£199
Rich and voluptuous still Champagne Chardonnay from the legendarily warm vineyards of Mareuil, basking in reflected light from the Marne canal
- 03403
2015 Coteaux Champenois, Haut Revers du Chutat, Montgueux, Jacques Lassaing.....£238
Pure Chardonnay from the isolated hillside village sometimes said to produce 'the Montrachet of Champagne' for its (relative) opulence - though the climate still means this is a very fresh and vivid wine
- 0999
Coteaux Champenois, Clos des Goisses, Philipponnat.....£477
Lean, incisive Chardonnay from one of Champagne's finest vineyards

Burgundy: Chablis and the Auxerrois

- 03892
2017 Bourgogne-Aligoté, Domaine des Remparts.....£52
Acacia and hawthorne-scented Aligoté from this leading St Bris domain, full of fresh, appley fruits
- 03969
2015 St Bris, Domaine des Remparts.....£53
Flowery scents, grapefruit flavours and a structured, vinous style lend this Sauvignon Blanc its distinctive Burgundian identity
- 03898
2017 Petit Chablis, Domaine des Hâtes.....£59
From a rising Chablis star (Pierrick Laroche), and a vineyard surrounded by Chablis land: fresh, crisp and mouthwatering
- 03207
2019 Petit Chablis, Daniel Damp & Fils.....£64
Made in a richer, more tender style than much Petit Chablis: deliciously forward, almost exotic, yet with some classical salinity too
- 03689
2018 Bourgogne-Aligoté, Alice et Olivier de Moor.....£73
As vivid, fresh and lively as this wine always is, but with a little extra density from this fine vintage
- Chablis, Les Butteaux, George
- Butteaux is the southernmost portion of the Montmains Premier Cru: fragrant and pure, from 40-year-old vines at the top of the hill
- 03897
2019.....£75
- 03897
2018.....£75
- 03594
2019 Chablis, Beugnon, Damp.....£93
Beugnon is a high, cool site within Vaillons: freshness and drama
- 03889
2016 Bourgogne, Le Vendangeur Masqué, Alice et Olivier de Moor.....£96
Vendangeur Masqué is De Moor négoce business. They rent and work a small plot of vines in Auxerre for this bottling
- 03301
2018 Bourgogne-Chitry, Alice et Olivier de Moor.....£101
Magnificent purity and acid finesse, from vineyards sited in the same Kimmeridgian marls as is Chablis
- 03447
2018 Chablis, Le Vendangeur Masqué, Alice et Olivier de Moor.....£101
Singular Chablis from this talented couple: one of the two parcels from which this wine is drawn contains some Chardonnay musqué, making this an exotically scented but finally classically balanced wine

03890
2017 Vin de France, Sans Bruit, Alice et Olivier de Moor.....£109
This comes from the Sauvignon-growing zone of St Bris, yet it has too much residual sugar to meet appellation regulations. It's a blend of Sauvignon Blanc with 20% Sauvignon Gris from very old vines: fresh yet luscious

03408
2016 Chablis, Vent d'Ange, Domaine Pattes Loup, Thomas Pico..... £123
Brilliant Chablis based on massal selections, hand-harvested fruit and wild-yeast fermentation, half of it in concrete eggs: concentrated and refined

03448
2015 Chablis, Coteau de Rosette, Alice et Olivier de Moor£168
Very steep, very stony vineyards near cool Courgis: outstanding in warmer vintages like 2015

03202
2014 Chablis, Vaillons, Vincent Dauvissat.....£171
A true Vaillons (Dauvissat bottles Séchet separately): spice, apple and flowers, wrapped in cool freshness

03761
2015 Chablis, Beauregard, Domaine Pattes Loup, Thomas Pico.....£174
From another fine Premier Cru site above Courgis, Pico's Beauregard is an aromatically complex midweight of great poise and drive

Chablis, Les Preuses, Domaine Nathalie et Gilles Fèvre
 Partly wood-fermented Grand Cru Chablis from an exceptional 2.3-ha holding

03246
2015.....£176

03375
2012.....£176

03241
2017 Chablis, Domaine François Raveneau.....£180
The Raveneau Chablis comes from a Kimmeridgian-soiled vineyard near Montmains: taut, medium weight, saline, evidently close to Premier Cru in quality

03081
2012 Chablis, Les Preuses, Domaine Billaud-Simon.....£187
Taut and restrained in its youth but, four years later, beginning to open and reveal its Grand Cru class

03753
2015 Chablis, Les Butteaux, Domaine Pattes Loup, Thomas Pico.....£197
Young star Thomas Pico creates remarkably unctuous, deep-flavoured, richly textured Premier Cru Butteaux, yet without sacrificing its diagnostic freshness and attack

03028
2014 Chablis, Séchet, Vincent Dauvissat.....£221
Spice, apple and flowers, wrapped in cool freshness, from a rarely seen mid-slope site

Chablis, La Forest, Vincent Dauvissat

Forest (the way Les Forêts is spelled here) is one of Vincent Dauvissat's largest landholdings: his version is "as nuanced and typically multi-faceted as Premier Cru Chablis gets" according to critic David Schildknecht

03029
2014.....£174

03971
2013.....£174

03066
2010.....£183

03131
2012 Chablis, Bougros, Patrick Piuze.....£236
A Bougros from the plateau section of this bipartite Grand Cru: pungent and deep, greatly benefitting from the nine years' bottle age

03513
2014 Chablis, Bougros, Côtes Bouguerots, Domaine William Fèvre.....£246
The great Fèvre domain produces two versions of the Bougros Grand Cru. This is the one from vineyards so steep they cannot be worked by tractor: pure, long and drivingly stony

03149
2017 Chablis, Vaillons, Domaine François Raveneau.....£254
From the magnificent hillside just across the town of Chablis from the Grands Crus. Raveneau's Vaillons is definitive: supple, fresh, citrus-packed, showing both the stony pungency of the soils and layered intricacy from old-wood ageing

03173
2017 Chablis, Les Butteaux, Domaine François Raveneau.....£254
Butteaux is the highest sector of the great Montmains Premier Cru, and Raveneau's 1.49-ha holding is planted to 40-year-old vines: intense, broad-shouldered and long

03968
2018 Chablis, Les Clos, Vincent Dauvissat.....£283
A blend of 7 different parcels, all older than 50 years: powerful and concentrated, with fine mineral depths

Burgundy: Côte d'Or

03083
2011 Bourgogne-Aligoté, Marquis d'Angerville.....£69

From a tiny parcel of under half a hectare, the five years in bottle have softened out Aligoté's typical acidity and lent the wine a nutty note

03474
2018 Bourgogne, Chardonnay, Bzikot Père et Fils.....£69

Outstanding Chardonnay from Puligny-based Sylvain Bzikot: fresh and mouthwatering, yet with hints of richer almond and brioche

03601
2015 Bourgogne-Aligoté, Jean-Claude Ramonet.....£79

A measure of the changed climate in Burgundy is the enthusiasm which Aligoté now commands among producers and drinkers alike: Ramonet's fleshy, mouth-filling example makes the point

03596
2015 Bourgogne-Aligoté, Vignes plantées en 1929 et 1948, François Mikulski.....£89

Unusually spicy, succulent and rich for an Aligoté: "undeniably delicious" for critic Allen Meadows

03316
2017 Auxey-Duresses, Les Hautés, David & Guy Dubuet.....£91

From what is perhaps the greatest-value white wine village in Burgundy, this is a satisfyingly understated white with ample freshness, purity and finesse

03318
2016 Bourgogne-Aligoté, Benoît Ente.....£91

An Aligoté from 'the other Ente', this comes from three plots just to the south of Puligny, one of them planted in 1949 and another in 1953: great depth and incision here

03331
2014 Savigny-lès-Beaune, Les Hauts Marconnets, Chanson.....£100

No Savigny Premier Cru is closer to the great vineyards of Beaune itself than Les Hauts Marconnets, and this version from the Bollinger-owned Chanson is typically forthright and long-flavoured. After six cellar years, the wine is beginning to ease and open

03317
2016 Pernand-Vergelesses, Poisot Père et Fils.....£111

From a parcel of high-sited, east-facing vines looking across the valley to Corton-Charlemagne, this is fresh, floral and incisive

03330
2015 St Aubin, Les Champlots, Sylvain Langoureau.....£122

From beautifully sited vineyards just over the hill from Chevalier Montrachet, this pristine and ripely articulated wine is rounded and dense, with pear fruit lent richness by notes of spice and honey

Bourgogne-Aligoté, Arnaud Ente

From a parcel whose vines are over 60 years old, this is pungent, bracing Aligoté of striking purity and concentration

03339
2016.....£197

03119
2015.....£126

03227
2014 Bourgogne-Aligoté, La Charme aux Prêtres, Sylvain Pataille.....£137

An "ultra-stony" (Allen Meadows) Aligoté grown in Marsannay by consulting oenologist Sylvain Pataille: "superb density... explosive and mouth coating"

03077
2018 Meursault, David & Guy Dubuet.....£140

From two of the best lieux-dits in the village: Limozin (close to Genevrières) and high-sited Vireuils: peaches and cream, with a racy backbone

03003
2017 Puligny-Montrachet, Les Enseignières, Christian Cholet-Pelletier.....£144

From 80-year-old vines beneath Bâtard, and crafted by the talented, widely travelled young Florence Cholet, this has both lushness and vivid exuberance at an attractive price

03575
2017 Meursault, Cuvée Charles Maxime, Latour-Giraud.....£151

Acacia, hazel and pear notes characterise this "caressing and attractively textured" Meursault (Allen Meadows)

03111
2016 Auxey-Duresses, Les Grands Champs, David & Guy Dubuet.....£162

This is the only white version of Premier Cru Grands Champs: exotic fruits, with a silky texture and a saline edge

Bourgogne-Chardonnay, Arnaud Ente

Coming from two small parcels, one in Puligny and one in Meursault, this is definitive white burgundy from a modest maestro

03340
2016.....£224

03046
2013.....£174

03630
2016 St Romain, Cuvée du Passiflore, Laurent Ponsot.....£184

Stunning and incisive white burgundy from a very stony, high-sited vineyard in the back hills: vibrant, lean and quenching

03042
2015 Chassagne-Montrachet, Les Caillerets, Vincent et Sophie Morey.....£208

Choice, juicy white wine from this stony-soiled Chassagne Premier Cru

03343
2017 Puligny-Montrachet, Les Perrières, Bzikot Père et Fils.....£220
Top-quality Premier Cru from a secret source, much treasured by French private clients in the know

St Aubin, Les Murgers des Dents de Chien, Hubert Lamy

03432
2015.....£240
Muscular, taut and concentrated St Aubin from one of the village masters

03516
2009.....£221
Intense, as Lamy's wines always are – but the years of maturity have brought a lushness and fullness to this wine from the Côte de Beaune's most underrated village

Morey-St Denis, Clos des Monts Luisants, Ponsot

Principally (and in 2013 exclusively) drawn from an astonishing parcel of Aligoté vines, planted in 1911 at the top of this high-sited Premier Cru. The 2002 also includes some 'Pinot Gouges' (Pinot Noir that had degenerated into Pinot Blanc, discovered and propagated by Henri Gouges) and Chardonnay, too. Midweight, fleshy white Côte de Nuits: unique

03699
2013.....£364

03009
2002.....£235

03231
2016 Puligny-Montrachet, La Truffière, Vincent et Sophie Morey.....£236
This small, little-known, high-sited Premier Cru has produced, in Vincent Morey's skilled hands, a concentrated white burgundy "exuding an exceptionally fine minerality" (Allen Meadows)

St Aubin, Derrière Chez Edouard, Cuvée Haute Densité, Hubert Lamy

Astonishingly intense white burgundy from a small parcel planted at very high density (28,000 plants per ha) meaning a tiny yield from each vine, giving flavours of unparalleled concentration and complexity for St Aubin

03965
2013.....£255

03934
2011.....£675

03335
2017 Chassagne-Montrachet, Dent de Chien, Coffinet-Duvernay.....£266
The rocky, poor soils of this Premier Cru (two morsels of vineyard sited directly above Montrachet) makes for a stony, percussive white burgundy with plenty of 'mineral' edge

Puligny-Montrachet, Clos de la Mouchère, Henri Boillot

Boillot's Clos occupies almost four hectares within Premier Cru Perrières, planted with 60-year-old vines: great purity and finesse

03636
2019.....£353

03510
2015.....£295

03712
2014 Meursault, Perrières, Michel Bouzereau et Fils.....£317
Unusually refined and pure-lined, Bouzereau's magnificent Perrières is now opening and unfolding: intense, lemony, stony

03456
2001 Puligny-Montrachet, Le Cailleret, Domaine de Montille.....£341
Complex and elegant, vinified with de Montille's customary precision

Corton-Charlemagne, Poisot Père et Fils

A typically vibrant, incisive Corton-Charlemagne, with notes of linden tea, orange and lemon zest. It comes from south-eastern-facing, 80-year-old vines above Corton's red vineyards, not the cooler west-facing sector near Pernand

03035
2017.....£352

03035
2016.....£352

03210
2013 Puligny-Montrachet, Les Demoiselles, Amiot Guy et Fils.....£350
From a tiny enclave inside Cailleret, this ultra-rare Premier Cru has just three owners. A "lovely effort where the where the natural class of a great Puligny is very much on display" (Allen Meadows)

03308
2016 Meursault, Genevrières, Cuvée des Pierres, Latour-Guiraud.....£385
From one of Meursault's greatest Premiers Crus and vines of over 50 years old: powerful, serious and ultra-refined

03758
2016 Puligny-Montrachet, Les Tremblots, Cuvée Haute Densité, Hubert Lamy.....£446
Lamy has planted a tiny portion of Les Tremblots with the equivalent of 30,000 vines per ha: dramatic, intense, taut Puligny, for Chablis-lovers

03642
2014 Bâtard-Montrachet, Vincent et Sophie Morey.....£580
From a tiny 10-are parcel in Chassagne, this is "classic Bâtard that delivers the richness and muscle that one expects but does so with more refinement than usual. In a word, brilliant" (Allen Meadows)

03334
2016 Bâtard-Montrachet, Coffinet-Duvernay.....£586
Whole-bunch pressing, limited bâtonnage and just 35% new wood: Philippe Duvernay's Bâtard is a model of poise, subtlety and finesse

03441
2010 Bâtard-Montrachet, Thierry Pillot.....£651
Fine value for mature white burgundy with ample Grand Cru class: "big-bodied, powerful and tremendously complex" with "impeccable balance", notes critic Allen Meadows

Chevalier-Montrachet, Michel Niellon

The key to great Chevalier-Montrachet is the balance between near-austerity and incipient richness, and this is what Niellon (now aided by son-in-law Michel Coutoux and grandson Mathieu Bresson) manages to achieve. The two parcels (0.22ha) of vines were planted in the 60s

03445
2017.....£927
 03381
2014.....£994
 03505
2008.....£754

Puligny-Montrachet, Les Pucelles, Leflaive

03796
2007.....£968
Rich fruits, meadow flowers and a hint of buttery richness characterise this "lacy, long and stylish wine of finesse rather than power" (Allen Meadows). Library release (opened, checked, topped up and recorked using a Diam cork)

03674
2000.....£831
Now mature, with honeysuckle and white flower scents and fresh yet textured flavours: "superb focus and outstanding length ... exceptionally fine," for critic Allen Meadows in 2014. Library release (opened, checked, topped up and recorked using a Diam cork)

Bâtard-Montrachet, Michel Niellon

From a tiny but distinguished parcel (just 0.12 ha on the Chassagne side), planted in 1926, with a huge reputation and next to the DRC holdings in Bâtard (the wine of which is never sold, but only shared with friends). Fastidious vineyard work, low yields and exquisite cellar craftsmanship: intense, perfumed and rich, yet concentrated and dramatic, without an ounce of surplus fat

03007
2014.....£1,022
 03549
2012.....£972
 03574
2011.....£945

03747
2015 Bienvenues-Bâtard-Montrachet, Jean-Claude Ramonet.....£1,134
The perfect vintage in which to appreciate the subtle attractions of this small (3.69 ha) Grand Cru, limpidly on display in this "notably impressive" (Meadows) Bienvenues from Ramonet (owner of the third-largest holding)

03737
1996 Chevalier-Montrachet, Les Demoiselles, Louis Jadot.....£1,291
Precision, balance, freshness, stoniness, a floral hint: "The purity, elegance and sheer beauty of this wine is frankly difficult to adequately describe," says critic Allen Meadows, who gives it 98 points

03325
2004 Bienvenues-Bâtard-Montrachet, Leflaive.....£1,400
From the oldest vines of the domain, and now at perfect maturity: refined, intricate yet finally tender white burgundy. Library release (opened, checked, topped up and recorked using a Diam cork)

03031
2011 Criots-Bâtard-Montrachet, Hubert Lamy.....£1,535
Lamy's classic Criots in 2011 is elegant, refined, creamy: a tantalising, teasing white Grand Cru just coming into its own

03537
2005 Bâtard-Montrachet, Domaine Leflaive.....£1,686
From an outstanding but slowly evolving vintage, the benchmark Leflaive (this domain has by far the largest holdings of Bâtard, with almost 2 ha) has finally begun to reveal its intricacies: "very fresh orchard fruit and acacia blossom ... broad shoulders and concentrated flavours ... explosive and [a] hugely long finish" (Allen Meadows). Library release (opened, checked, topped up and recorked using a Diam cork)

03619
2017 Musigny Blanc, Vieilles Vignes, Domaine Comte Georges de Vogüé.....£2,095
Grown on white marl at the very top of Musigny, this ultra-rare and sought-after Chardonnay made a surprisingly rich wine in 2017, looking south rather than north in style terms

03208
2015 Criots-Bâtard-Montrachet, Cuvée Haute Densité, Hubert Lamy.....£2,235
Olivier Lamy has interplanted 10-year-old vines among their 40-year-old peers to create this new high density cuvée (25,000 vines/ha): a Criots of extraordinary purity, intensity and mineral depths

Burgundy: Côte Chalonnaise

03690
2017 Rully, En Villerange, Claudie Jobart.....£57
Ample yet elegant, from 55-year-old vines: creamy lees and lively fresh fruits

03942
2014 Montagny, Premier Cru, Jean-Marc Boillot.....£100
Sappy white burgundy blended from Premier Cru vineyards in this village to the south of the Côte Chalonnaise

03235
2013 Rully, Grésigny, A et P de Villaine.....£157
Strict biodynamic cultivation, no expense spared, and the DRC touch: that's how modest Rully can come to taste like a fine Côte de Beaune Premier Cru

Burgundy: the Mâconnais

03688	2017 Mâcon-Chaintré, Dominique Cornin.....	£80
	<i>Dry and stony, with mouth-watering citrus fruits: Côte de Beaune style meets Mâcon weight of fruit in this great-value white burgundy</i>	
03006	2016 Pouilly-Fuissé, Sur La Roche, Guerrin & Fils.....	£85
	<i>From fine limestone soils, high up on the Roche de Vergisson, open to the east wind and made from 55-year-old vines, this is a Pouilly-Fuissé with verve and sinew</i>	
03008	2017 Viré-Clessé, Quintaine, Pierrette et Marc et Sophie Guillemot-Michel.....	£100
	<i>Peach, lemon and floral aromas mark this fresh yet elegant white burgundy from biodynamically grown fruit</i>	
03338	2014 Mâcon-Chaintré, Vieilles Vignes, Valette.....	£107
	<i>Old vines, low yields and unhurried élevage makes the Valette wines a Mâconnais benchmark. Juicy, lemony, saline</i>	
03326	2017 Pouilly-Fuissé, Les Crays, Eric Forest.....	£118
	<i>Harvested from several plots planted between 1930 and 1966 – perfectly expressed by Forest, who used to work with Jean-Marie Guffens</i>	
03040	2016 Pouilly-Fuissé, En Buland Vieilles Vignes, Daniel et Julien Barraud.....	£135
	<i>Zesty-fresh scents and on the palate a “sappy, dense wine with real energy and salinity” (Stephen Tanzer)</i>	
03406	2015 Mâcon-Pierreclos, 1er Jus de Chavigne, Guffens-Heynen.....	£149
	<i>Made from a very light first pressing: fine-lined perfumed fruits and pristine yet luscious flavours</i>	
03283	1995 Pouilly-Fuissé, Cuvée Hors Classe, Tournant de Pouilly, J.A. Ferret.....	£203
	<i>Proof that great Pouilly-Fuissé can modulate and deepen with time in the same way as a fine Côte de Beaune</i>	

Beaujolais

Beaujolais Blanc, Terres Dorées, Jean-Paul Brun

03245	Carefully crafted white Beaujolais from the star of the south, Jean-Paul Brun: floral scents and a fresh, lemony flavour	
2017	£62
03102	2009	£41

Bordeaux (dry)

03999
2014 Vin Passion, Ch du Champ des Treilles, Sainte-Foy-Bordeaux.....£57
Elegant, fragrant old-vine Bordeaux with a high percentage of Muscadelle

03320
2018 Le Blanc Bonhomme, Ch Peybonhomme-des-Tours, Blaye Côtes de Bordeaux.....£62
Half-Sémillon, half-Sauvignon, all biodynamically grown grapes: expressive, with honeyed orchard fruits – and in a Burgundy bottle, too

03850
2018 Ch Bardins, Pessac-Léognan.....£90
This little-known but well-sited property next to Couhins has just a third of a hectare of old vines, blended equally between Sémillon, Sauvignon and Muscadelle: textured and intricate

Le Retout Blanc, Ch de Retout, Vin de France

An innovative blend of Gros Manseng, Sauvignon Gris, Savagnin and Mondeuse Blanche grown between Margaux and St Julien: scented, fresh and zesty

03649
2016.....£102

03649
2015.....£102

03444
2004 Ch Couhins-Lurton, Pessac-Léognan.....£111
Classic Pessac-Léognan still in sprightly form, thanks to the screwcap closure: zesty and energetic

03267
2017 Clos de Jaugueyron, Vin de France.....£129
Don't miss this chance to try a pure Sémillon, grown in Margaux and vinified as carefully as any Pessac-Léognan

03256
2016 Ch du Tertre, Tertre Blanc, Vin de France.....£143
A fascinating blend of Chardonnay, Viognier, Gros Manseng and Sauvignon Blanc, based on a suggestion by the late, great Denis Dubourdieu: exotic, tropical, juicy and lively

Ch Carbonnieux, Graves

03460
1983.....£148
The 1983 vintage was a great one in the northern Graves (Pessac-Léognan came into being in 1987). Evolved, refined but still lively

03879
1972.....£195
Impeccably stored, with top-shoulder levels and pale colours; quinine, orange and lime zest flavours. A bargain for lovers of mature white wines

03249
2015 Ch Lafaurie-Peyraguey, Bordeaux Blanc Sec.....£164
The first release of Sauternes property Lafaurie-Peyraguey's 'Grand Vin Sec': Sémillon-rich, smooth and full, as sensually enticing as the Lalique image engraved on the bottle

03353
2016 Les Champs Libres, Guinaudeau Family, Bordeaux Blanc Sec.....£224
Innovative, complex, multi-layered Sauvignon Blanc-based white from the Guinaudeau family of Lafleur in Pomerol

Vin Blanc de Palmer, Ch Palmer, Vin de France

There are just 100 cases of this rare white Palmer produced every year, blended from the ancient variety Lauzet with Muscadelle and Sauvignon Gris – hence the wine's 'Vin de France' status. Scented, exotic and haunting

03314
2016.....£543

03598
2010.....£808

'Y' d'Yquem, Ch d'Yquem, Bordeaux Supérieur

03770
2000.....£616
Dry yet rich and creamy, with apricot, lemon, quince, honey and orange peel flavours. A world apart from classic Pessac-Léognan

03944
1979.....£734

03057
 1990 Ch Laville Haut-Brion, Pessac-Léognan.....£835
Power combined with elegance shimmers through this now-mature white

Ch Haut-Brion, Pessac-Léognan

03215
 2000.....£1,453
Magnificent depth and breadth in this pace-setting millennial vintage

03503
 1979.....£1,847
(the appellation was still Graves at the time)
Fully aged now, with flavours of nuts, orange peel and butterscotch: expansive classicism

03526
 1977.....£1,548
(the appellation was still Graves at the time)
Not a great vintage for red Bordeaux or sweet whites, but much better for dry whites. Recent tasters report a gracious, balanced wine with spice and orange-peel notes and impressive tension and finesse

03278
 1975.....£1,509
(the appellation was still Graves at the time)
Deep, savoury, nutty and earthy: distinguished old white 'Graves' of impeccable pedigree

Loire Valley

03108
 2014 Anjou, Les Quarterons Blanc, Amirault.....£62
Floral, round-contoured Anjou from a fine, gravel-soiled vineyard: refreshing yet charming too

03961
 2019 Sancerre, Domaine du Clos des Pivotins.....£70
Brilliant work from young grower Raphaël Thomas working in stony Chavignol vineyards: crisp and pungent

03078
 2017 Vin de France, Moulin Blanc, Blanc de Noirs, Jérémie Mourat.....£73
Fascinating white wine based on Pinot Noir and grown in the Vendée: incisive, piercing and saline

03285
 2015 Saumur, Billes de Roche, Melaric.....£77
Top-slope Chenin Blanc from the underrated southern sector of Saumur: pear, citrus and apple freshness

03290
 2015 Cour-Cheverny, Romo, Domaine des Huards.....£78
Pure, fresh Romorantin, biodynamically grown in the 'secret' appellation of Cour-Cheverny

03319
 2018 Pouilly-Fumé, Les Charmes, Guy Baudin et Fils.....£80
Classically pure Pouilly-Fumé: cool, vivid and resonant. No oak here, but plenty of lees contact to tease a little richness into the wine

03938
 2015 Quincy, Argos, Les Poète, Guillaume Sorbe.....£86
Fresh, mouthwatering Quincy from a great new talent

03291
 2014 Cheverny, La Haut Pinglerie, Domaine des Huards.....£89
A subtle, barrel-fermented blend of Sauvignon and Chardonnay: almondy and rich

03995
 2017 Sancerre, Les Néores, Domaine du Clos des Pivotins.....£93
From an outstanding but tiny (hence rarely seen) parcel on the Monts Damnés: unrivalled purity and length

Anjou Blanc, A François(e), Thibaud Boudignon

Boudignon's Anjou has the stature of a mini-Savennières: fresh, saline, ample and resonant

03856
 2013.....£94

03856
 2012.....£94

03937	2016 Reuilly, Sauvignon Blanc, Orphée, Les Poète, Guillaume Sorbe.....	£96
	<i>Compared by Michel Bettane to the wines of Benjamin Daguenneau, this is a Reuilly "of transcendent quality"</i>	
03062	2014 Savennières, Domaine des Deux Arcs.....	£100
	<i>Classically honeyed scents and a richly dry flavour from this uniquely airy zone overlooking the Loire</i>	
03930	2015 Reuilly, Pinot Gris, Toison d'Or, Les Poète, Guillaume Sorbe.....	£101
	<i>Delicate wine made from the pink-skinned Pinot Gris: scented and full-bodied, though with the freshness of its Upper Loire origins</i>	
03302	2016 Saumur, Amandiers, l'Austral.....	£113
	<i>Fresh, pure and limpid dry Chenin grown on high-sited limestones by talented newcomers Pauline Mourrain and Laurent Troubat</i>	
03274	2016 Vin de France, La Lune, Amphores, Ferme la Sansonnière	£123
	<i>The beautiful, amphora-aged Chenin Blanc of former stonemason and lifelong rebel Mark Angeli: baking bread, orchard fruits, nuts and honey</i>	
03848	2015 Saumur, Clos de Guichaux, Guiberteau.....	£145
	<i>Dramatic and incisive white Chenin from the skilled Guiberteau: tense and lemony</i>	
03276	2015 Vin de France, Les Vieilles Vignes des Blanderies, Ferme la Sansonnière.....	£178
	<i>Old-vine Chenin grown in Anjou: quince, caramelised apple and walnut notes, with great length and poise</i>	
03394	2013 Saumur, Le Gory, Ch Yvonne.....	£192
	<i>From a tiny single parcel close to the broad Loire, brought to perfect maturity: rich, ample, dazzlingly concentrated</i>	
03363	1983 Vouvray Sec, Clos Naudin.....	£196
	<i>Complex and fine-grained dry white Vouvray of great density and intensity, made in Philippe Foreau's first vintage at this legendary Loire domain</i>	

Muscadet Sèvre et Maine sur lie, Domaine R de la Grange

Outstanding aged Muscadets from Rémy and Raphaël Luneau for the curious: surprisingly Burgundian ...

03778	1985 Cuvée d'Exception.....	£204
03777	1976 Cuvée d'Exception.....	£269

03195	2015 Blanc Fumé de Pouilly, Didier Daguenneau.....	£207
	<i>This cuvée comes from four different parcels, grown both on flint-strewn clays and on limestone soils: all the energy and pure fruit flavour of its young vines is apparent in this zesty Pouilly-Fumé</i>	

03853	2015 Saumur, Brézé, Clos des Carmes, Guiberteau.....	£232
	<i>Profound, intense and searching wine, from one of the three finest single sites in the Saumur appellation</i>	

03548	2015 Blanc Fumé de Pouilly, Silex, Didier Daguenneau.....	£344
	<i>From a beautifully sited mid-slope site, this melds vivid fruit flavours with a mineral backbone</i>	

Sancerre, Clos de la Néore, Edmond et Anne Vatan

From a great site in Chavignol, this almost Chablis-like Sancerre has extraordinary aromatic complexity and depth of mineral flavours

03010	2014.....	£365
03871	2011.....	£495

03306	2003 Blanc Fumé de Pouilly, Astéroïde, Didier Daguenneau.....	£4,243
	<i>This, the 'stellar' wine in the celebrated Daguenneau collection, is made from a small patch of ungrafted Sauvignon vines which Didier Daguenneau always picked very ripe. The extravagant summer of 2003 brought even more ripeness than usual. The result is a spectacular and unique expression of Pouilly-Fumé, now mature, lush, nutty... yet still full of life and vigour</i>	

Alsace

- 03012
2019 Alsace, Cuvée Léon Beyer, Léon Beyer.....£49
Masterly blend of Riesling, Pinot Blanc, Sylvaner and Muscat: fragrant, light, lifted...and dry
- 03946
2018 Riesling, Luss, Léon Boesch.....£82
Very dry, stony Riesling from biodynamically grown vines in this south-east-facing limestone vineyard
- 03092
2015 Gewürztraminer, Les Folastries, Josmeyer.....£86
Spicy, sumptuous and smoky: a Gewürz with finesse
- 03093
2015 Riesling, Schlossberg, Albert Mann.....£176
Lemon, chamomile and honeycomb combine in this fine Grand Cru Riesling. Saline notes and a finishing sweetness bring balance
- 03087
2009 Riesling, Clos Ste Hune, Trimbach.....£427
Alsace's benchmark Riesling (from the Grand Cru of Rosacker) is in unusually mellow mood in the fine 2009 vintage: pine, lemon and beeswax notes and a supple though classically lacy (dry) flavour

Franche-Comté, Jura and Savoie

- 03927
2017 Roussette de Bugey, Montagnieu, Franck Peillot, Savoie.....£74
Based on the native Savoie variety Altesse, Peillot's Roussette is fresh,light and fragrant, full of easy-drinking grace
- 03773
2016 Côtes du Jura, La Pierre, Les Granges Pâquenesses, Jura.....£97
A pure Savagnin from the Pupillin zone and aged in topped-up casks to minimise oxidative effects: elegant menthol/lemon flavours with refreshing salty and lightly bitter notes
- 03928
2016 Vin de Pays d'Allobrogie, Argile Blanc, St Pierre de Soucy, Domaine des Ardoisières, Savoie.....£98
From a superb slope mysteriously excluded from any AOC, this white Savoie blend of Jacquère, Chardonnay and Mondeuse Blanche is vivacious and long, with pine notes and citrus fruits
- 03349
2017 Vin des Allobroges, Chasselas, C de Marin, Les Vignes de Paradis, Dominique Lucas, Savoie.....£104
Pristine Chasselas from the shores of Lake Geneva: richly dry white wine, with flavours of stone and honey
- 03546
2015 Franche-Comté, Chardonnay, Collection Réserve à mon Père, Vignoble Guillaume.....£115
Poised, mountain-fresh Chardonnay with a great prize-winning record
- 03350
2016 Vin de Savoie, Gringet, Le Feu, Domaine Belluard, Savoie.....£145
Brilliant and ultra-rare white from the ancient Gringet grape variety. This single-vineyard incarnation is concentrated, intense and haunting, both vivid and textured
- 03527
LC10 Vin de France, Cuvée des Archevêques, Vignoble Guillaume, Franche-Comté.....£150
The ultimate curiosity: a 'vin jaune-style' Savagnin made with six years' ageing under a yeast film -- but in Franche-Comté, by one of the region's leading families of nurserymen. 'Vin de France' legislation at the time forbade mention of either a vintage or variety
- 03450
2008 Côtes du Jura, Savagnin, Cuvée Prestige, Jean-François Ganevat, Jura.....£162
It's difficult to find mature wines from Jura star Jean-François Ganevat, so this richly oxidative, deeply tangy, long, pure Savagnin is a treat for fans of this style

Northern Rhône Valley

03992	2016 Coteaux de l'Ardèche, Viognier, Qué Sa Quo!, Benoît Salel et Élise Renaud	£62
	<i>Great-value Viognier, grown on granite terraces by a couple of young growers with Condrieu experience, and barrel-fermented in demi-muids: perfumed, textured and mineral</i>	
03983	2010 St Joseph, Lieu Dit, Guigal.....	£114
	<i>From the single site and parcel of vines which originally lent the appellation its name, this mature white Rhône is "a spectacular effort" (Robert Parker) with notes of orange, peach and honey</i>	
03125	2016 St Joseph, La Ferme des Sept Lunes.....	£127
	<i>A taut, tight blend of equal portions of Marsanne and Roussanne, just beginning to ease and open now</i>	
03033	2013 Hermitage, Belle.....	£190
	<i>Made from 40% Roussanne and 60% Marsanne, this splendidly fresh yet substantial white Hermitage has ample floral charm</i>	

03103	2012 Hermitage, Ex Voto, Guigal.....	£396
	<i>Marsanne with just 10 per cent of Roussanne, this perfumed, haunting, lingering white is mainly grown in the alluvial soils and pebbles of Murets, complemented with 10 per cent from the loess soils of Hermite</i>	

03101	2004 Ermitage, de l'Orée, Chapoutier.....	£438
	<i>Perfumed, golden Hermitage with a lusciously rich, honey-and-apricot style</i>	

03693	1985 Condrieu, Georges Vernay	£489
	<i>Ultra-rare bottle of Condrieu with over 30 years' age, from the appellation saviour and Coteau du Vernon fruit. Almost never seen – but regional expert John Livingstone-Learmonth stresses the "gradually revealed nuances" of Vernay's Vernon wines, suggesting they are among the few to add complexity and depth with the passing of the years. Between base-neck and mid-neck fill</i>	

03608	2016 Hermitage, J-L Chave.....	£531
	<i>This blend of Roucoules, Péléat and l'Ermite is "a magical effort ... full-bodied, rounded and incredibly sexy" with "straight-up awesome purity of fruit" for critic Jeb Dunnuck, who gives it a perfect score</i>	

03831	1990 Condrieu, Coteau de Vernon, Georges Vernay.....	£605
	<i>A wonderful vintage in the Northern Rhône, and one of the grandest sites for Condrieu. The perfect wine with which to answer the perennial 'Does Condrieu age?' question ...</i>	

Ch Grillet

One of only two single-property appellations in France outside Burgundy, this tiny, intricately terraced 3.5-ha vineyard lying within Condrieu produces uniquely intricate, haunting Viognier-based white wines

03240	2014.....	£616
03724	2006.....	£652
03336	1989.....	£746

Southern Rhône Valley

03782
2017 Lirac, Comtesse Madeleine, Ch de Montfaucon.....£77
From one of the leading properties in Lirac, this is a supremely classy Clairette-based white: ample creamy anis and caressing white-peach fruit

03976
2012 Vacqueyras, Les Prémices, Roucas Toumba.....£108
Complex, fresh, floral and chewy: outstanding value

03054
2016 Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Catarina, Duseigneur.....£118
Very pretty, fragrant yet luxurious Clairette-based white, full of white flower scents and subtle fruits

03490
2012 Vin de Pays de Vaucluse, Aliot, Chêne Bleu.....£160
Carefully crafted blend of Roussanne, Marsanne and Grenache Blanc given six months in wood: allusive and sumptuous

Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Pure Blanc, la Barroche

This pure Clairette wine from the cru of Pied Long, barrel-fermented in demi-muid casks, combines richness, stoniness and inner freshness: "one of the top white Châteauneufs" for critic Joe Czerwinski. The entire UK allocation of is exclusive to sketch

03122
2018.....£234

03552
2017.....£210

03948
2007 Côtes du Rhône, Ch de Fonsalette.....£270
Like "essence of honeysuckle" for critic Jancis Robinson MW, tasting the wine in youth; "juicy, textural and full-bodied, with a sense of freshness and focus" for critic William Kelley in 2015

03697
2010 Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Roussanne Vieilles Vignes, Ch de Beaucastel.....£398
Roussanne rarely attains the level of ripeness and articulation that it can manage in the Beaucastel old-vine version: "off-the-charts richness...unmistakable minerality, a skyscraper-like texture and an amazingly laser-like finish" wrote critic Robert Parker about the 2010 vintage

03348
2007 Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Ch Rayas.....£907
Built to last for "two or three decades" for critic Robert Parker, tasting in 2012, when he noted the exotic character of quince, tangerine, pear and pineapple in this "full-bodied, powerful" white Châteauneuf

South West France

03545
2019 Périgord, La Combe de Grinou, Ch Grinou.....£41
Subtle and satisfying blend of organically grown Sauvignon and Sémillon: apple and lemon with a whisper of cream

03313
2018 Bergerac Sec, Ulma, Ch Tirecul la Gravière.....£47
Fresh, vivacious, young-vine blend of Sémillon with Muscadelle and Chenin, grown on marly lime slopes

03452
2017 Bergerac Sec, Ch Barouillet.....£48
A complex, unusual blend (Sauvignon Blanc and Gris with Sémillon and Chenin Blanc) and the skilled winemaking of Vincent Alexis make for a vivacious, fresh and finely balanced dry Bergerac

03133
2002 Vins du Pays de Périgord, Ch Tirecul la Gravière.....£64
A rare chance to try a 15-year-old dry white from the greatest winemaking talent in the Bergerac region – Bruno Bilancini

03140
2012 Bergerac Sec, Andréa, Ch Tirecul la Gravière.....£69
A blend of 60% Muscadelle with 40% old-vine Sémillon to set alongside some of the finest Pessac-Léognan whites: aromatically complex, elegant and fine-lined

03218
2016 Vin de France, Cuvée GAIA, Ch Barouillet.....£69
An unfiltered, pure Chardonnay cuvée from the skilled Vincent Alexis: fresh citrus and summer fruits

03324
2016 Comté Tolosan, Petit Manseng Sec, Cuvée Gaston Phoebus, Cabidos.....£73
All the tropical character and vivacious, juicy acidity of the Petit Manseng grape variety – but in refreshingly dry guise. A mouth-tonic

03713
2016 Jurançon Sec, La Part Davant, Camin Larredya.....£81
Unrivalled complexity in this zesty white based on 50% Gros Manseng with smaller amounts of Petit Manseng, Camaralet and Petit Courbu

03312
2016 Jurançon Sec, Tauzy, Castéra.....£93
From a cool, high-sited, east-facing parcel but picked late, this wine has intense, bracing, multilayered fruits

03857
2011 Jurançon Sec, La Virada, Camin Larredya.....£100
Fine single-parcel dry white, late picked and packed with keen-edged tropical fruits

03985
2011 Jurançon Sec, Les Jardins de Babylone, Louis Benjamin Dagueneau.....£268
From barely half a hectare of vines, and including the rare Camaralet and Lauzet as well as the two Mansengs and Courbu, this is almost shockingly intense, oscillating between lemon, grapefruit and honey

03586
1970 Jurançon Sec, Clos Joliette.....£1,995
A rare chance to try some historic vintages from this near-mythical Jurançon domain: the Petit Manseng grape at its complex apogee, both sensational versions of the dry style

Languedoc and Roussillon

03355
2019 Pays d'Oc, Les Colombades, Merlet.....£28.50
Chardonnay freshened by 40% of Sauvignon Blanc: all the class of Southern France in easy-drinking guise

03908
2018 Languedoc, Marius, Chapoutier.....£32
This haunting, subtly fruity white from the classic Languedoc varieties Terret Blanc and Rolle (Vermentino) suggests almond and white peach

Picpoul de Pinet, Cuvée Ludovic Gaujal, Gaujal

Vivacious and fresh: a cascade of bright citrus. Refined classicism from this leading Pinet domain overlooking the Etang de Thau

03310
2019.....£49

03310
2018.....£49

03225
2014 Minervois, Pépite Dorée, Mas Roc de Bô.....£78
Grown in the brilliant white limestones of Minervois' Plateau de Cazelles, this blend of Grenache Blanc and Roussanne has remarkable finesse and fragrance

03754
2011 Coteaux du Languedoc, Lune Blanche, Le Conte de Floris.....£91
Intense, pithy, zesty white made from Carignan Blanc at Caux, near Pézenas

03362
2017 Mont Baudile, Marsanne de Labarde, Supply-Royer.....£97
The first vintage of Meursault-trained Eric Supply's new Marsanne, grown above the Terrasses du Larzac village of St Guiraud: ample white-peach freshness

03653
2017 Mont Baudile, Roussanne du Bramaïre, Supply-Royer.....£97
Graceful, aromatic Roussanne with a freshening pinch of Aligoté

03266
2007 Vins de Pays des Côtes Catalanes, Vieilles Vignes, Gauby.....£119
Full gold in colour and tangy in style, this intense blend of Macabeu with Grenache Blanc and Gris, Chardonnay and a little Carignan Blanc grows more complex in the glass

03578
2017 Mont Baudile, Les Intillières, Supply-Royer.....£145
There are less than 200 bottles of this Chenin-Bourboulenc wine made every year: textured, rich, and vivacious

03590
2016 Vin de Pays de l'Hérault, La Grange des Pères.....£323
Laurent Vaillé's blend of Roussanne with a little Chardonnay, Marsanne and Gros Manseng combines floral fragrance with citrus intensity

Provence

03507
2010 Bellet, Domaine de la Source.....£105
Pure Rolle (Vermentino), made by the talented Jacques Dalmasso: flowers, pear fruits and a hint of anis

03963
2016 Bandol, Tempier.....£122
The ultra-rare Bandol Blanc from Tempier (just 3% of production) is mainly Clairette with a little Bourboulenc, Ugni Blanc and Marsanne: complex, blossomy, stony

Palette, Ch Simone
Haunting, Clairette-based white from a pretty winery in the pine woods near Aix: nutty and refined

03508
2017.....£170

03508
2015.....£170

ITALY

03660
2017 Vermentino di Sardegna, Marà, Costadoria, Sardinia.....£52
Soft, ample and sumptuous white from Vermentino's favourite location

03587
2017 Valdobbiadene, Prosecco dei Opereta Tranquillo, Frozza, Veneto.....£52
A historical rarity: still Prosecco, grown high in Valdobbiadene in limestone-soiled vineyards: delicate, fresh, unique

03867
2016 Verdicchio di Matelica, Petrora, Borgo Paglianello, Marche.....£58
Fresh, poised, light and graceful Verdicchio, with apple and almond flavours: a white of magnificent adaptability

03885
2018 Gavi, Spinola, Castello di Tassarolo, Piedmont.....£59
Elegant, fresh, almondy Gavi produced from biodynamically grown Cortese grapes on one of the region's most historic estates

03784
2015 Malvasia, Simon di Brazzan, Venezia Giulia.....£76
Plum, peach and lemon flavours, with the innate complexity of this ancient variety

03792
2014 Lugana, Sansonia, Veneto.....£76
Refined and aromatic, with notes of jasmine, pear and peach

03886
2015 Gavi, Alborina, Castello di Tassarolo, Piedmont.....£79
From the Spinola family's finest vineyard, the Alborina Gavi has added texture, length and finesse

03151
2014 Adarmando, Tabarrini, Umbria.....£85
Made from old-vine Trebbiano Spoletino, planted without grafting: floral and fresh, but with plenty of sappy depth on the palate

03154	2014 Grecomusc' Burlesque, Vigne d'Alto, Contrade di Taurasi, Campania.....	£102
	<i>Made from the indigenous, ultra-rare Roviello Bianco variety, produced by Sandro Lonardo alone from a handful of ungrafted vines planted in volcanic soils: almond, citrus, apple and beeswax</i>	
03146	2012 Venetie, Orto di Venezia, Veneto.....	£104
	<i>Never mind Prosecco, this dry white has been produced from ungrafted vines on Venice's San Erasmo island since 1700, and was enjoyed by Casanova and the Doges: savoury, dry, gastronomic, in artisan style</i>	
03060	2018 Riesling, Pétracine, G.D.Vajra, Piedmont.....	£117
	<i>Green apples, flowers and mint: a food-friendly Riesling from where you least expect it</i>	
03875	2009 Cinqueterre, Azienda Agricola Campogrande, Liguria.....	£137
	<i>Made from Elio Altare's holdings in this extraordinary vineyard zone, perched over the Mediterranean and accessible only by foot: quince and lemon</i>	
03793	2007 Gavi dei Gavi, La Scolca D'Antan, Piedmont.....	£237
	<i>A rare chance to try one of Italy's grandest whites at full maturity: these wines are deep in colour, harmoniously scented, with a long, structured flavour</i>	

SPAIN

03112	2016 Costers del Segre, Ànima de Raimat, Raimat, Catalonia.....	£58
	<i>Fascinating blend of Chardonnay with local Xarel-lo and Galician Albariño: floral and refreshing</i>	
03357	2008 Penedès, Xarel-lo, Finca Viladellops, Catalonia.....	£60
	<i>A revelation: not just apple, but apple blossom, too</i>	
03451	2016 Penedès, Forcada, Torres, Catalonia.....	£121
	<i>Fascinating white -- structured, fresh and aromatic -- made from one of the indigenous varieties painstakingly collected and propagated by the Torres family, Forcada</i>	
03694	2017 Rías Baixas, Sketch, Raúl Pérez, Galicia.....	£164
	<i>Burgundian-style Albariño made by former sketch customer (and now one of Spain's greatest winemakers) Raúl Pérez -- and named by him in tribute to our London restaurant</i>	
03915	2014 Rueda, Capitel, Ossian, Castilla y León.....	£184
	<i>Ancient Rueda grapes grown at 900m: a wine of huge intensity, with intense flavours of bay leaf, cedar and yellow fruits</i>	
03567	2010 Rioja Blanco, Remírez de Ganuza, La Rioja.....	£188
	<i>Unique white Rioja precision and finesse, based on a blend of 70% Viura, 20% Malvasia and 10% Grenache Blanc: fresh yet creamy</i>	

PORTUGAL

- 03209
2019 Altano, Douro.....£38
Stunning value for this complex white created by the Symington family: a refreshing and perfumed blend of five indigenous varieties
- 03287
2013 Bucelas, Classico, Quinta da Murta, Lisboa.....£73
Pure Arinto, grown on limestone and marl soils in the historic zone of Bucelas (known as 'Charneco' to Shakespeare): fresh and crisp, with lemon and apple notes
- 03155
2004 Bairrada, Garrafeira, Quinta das Bageiras, Beiras.....£97
Honeyed yet citrusy and vivid, this aged Bairrada white has produced amazing maturation aromas and flavours
- 03288
2015 Dão, Dona Paulette, Quinta de Lemos, Beiras.....£108
Granite soils and the Encruzado grape variety, plus part barrel-fermentation, make for a dry, savoury white wine with both character and finesse
- 03159
2013 Bairrada, Vinhas Velhas, Quinta de Baixo, Beiras.....£111
Tart, acidic and incisive, and with just 11% alcohol, yet a superb food partner: bone dry and long
- 03158
2015 Redoma, Reserva, Niepoort, Douro.....£111
An intricate blend of varieties from 40-year-old vines grown at 400 m or more: orange, lemon and apricot notes, with fine incision and cut
- 03157
2014 Coche, Niepoort, Douro.....£172
A complex blend of old vines and varieties, grown at 600m, picked promptly and barrel-fermented: floral, fresh, saline, complex

GERMANY

- 03530
2017 Riesling, Nackenheim Trocken, Rheinhessen, Gunderloch.....£65
Dry Riesling entirely sourced from the steep Rothenberg vineyard overlooking the Rhine: pungent, stony, energetic, mouthwatering
- 03254
2015 Weissburgunder Grosses Gewächs, Berkweiler Mandelberg, Pfalz, Dr Wehrheim.....£164
From one of Germany's greatest Pinot Blanc producers, this creamy yet limpidly refreshing white sets standards Alsace would struggle to match
- Riesling, Grosses Gewächs, Rothenberg, Rheinhessen, Gunderloch
Pristine, dramatic and concentrated, a virtuoso display of purity, juiciness and freshness, grown on distinctive red slate soils
- 03529
2017.....£175
- 03529
2014.....£175
- 03347
2018 Riesling, Kabinett, Wiltinger Braune Kupp, Le Gallais, Saar, Egon Müller.....£178
This wine is just at the start of its long life – but to taste it in extreme youth brings wonderful insights into the electrical energy and ethereal fruit purity of great Saar Riesling. Unmatched refreshment

Riesling, Kabinett, Scharzhofberger, Saar, Egon Müller

Slate soils and a cool, high-altitude, hill site ranging over 300 metres makes for one of Germany's greatest Riesling vineyards. Müller owns 8.3 ha of the 23 ha (including a parcel of ungrafted vines), and the winemaking classicism of this estate, founded in 1797, provides Rieslings of dazzling purity, balance and mineral finesse

03121
2011.....£312

03116
2009.....£232

03703
2014 Riesling, Spätlese, Wiltinger Braune Kupp, Le Gallais, Saar, Egon Müller.....£499

From the estate purchased by the Müller family in 1954, the Braune Kupp is, like Scharzhofberg (also in Wiltingen), a magnificent Riesling site, and one entirely owned by the Le Gallais estate. Closer to the river Saar and with red slate rather than grey, the style is more open, creamy and round, though finely balanced, too
"Grosser Ring Auction Wine"

Riesling, Spätlese, Scharzhofberger, Saar, Egon Müller

Müller's Spätlese are made from unusually rich musts, so finish with some sweetness, yet the drama of fruit, vivacious acids and what seem to be stone essences throw the wine into high balance

03701
2009.....£561

03996
2008.....£420

AUSTRIA

03114
2016 Grüner Veltliner, Am Berg, Wagram, Bernhard Ott.....£64

Chewy, pithy white wine: great value and food friendly

03063
2015 Wiener Gemischter Satz, Nussberg, Alte Reben, Wieninger, Vienna.....£102

A co-fermented field blend of nine different varieties from 'walnut hill', this Viennese classic is floral, fresh, zesty and juicy

03073
2015 Grüner Veltliner, Losling, Kamptal, Clemens Strobl.....£144

Fresh and zesty, yet with weight and substance too, from a great new Austrian talent

03186
2010 Grüner Veltliner, Smaragd, Dürnsteiner Kellerberg, Wachau, F.X.Pichler.....£202

"Truly a great and seamless Grüner Veltliner!" for critic Peter Moser, who marks it just three points short of perfection

03166
2000 Riesling, Vinothek, Wachau, Nikolaihof.....£363

This special late bottling has been aged for 17 years in a large wooden cask: intense, fine-spun, mineral, still young

03172
2010 Riesling, Smaragd, Unendlich, Wachau, F.X.Pichler.....£449

A blend of different vineyards: luscious peach-marzipan flavours and huge length and breadth

CROATIA

03272
2013 Nevina, Sv. Ante Vineyard, Saints Hills Winery, Istria.....£84
Intriguing Malvasia-based white blended with a little Chardonnay from a cool, high-altitude vineyard in Istria

03222
2014 Ottocento Bijeli, Clai, Istria.....£102
Wood-fermented blend of Malvasia Istriana with Chardonnay, Pinot Gris and Sauvignon Blanc made in natural style: honey, nutty, appley

ENGLAND AND WALES

03453
2018 Schönburger, Danebury Vineyards, Hampshire.....£33
Floral yet fine-lined, grown on chalk and flint soils within sight of the Downs: racy, classy Schönburger

03521
2016 Solaris, Somerby Vineyards, Lincolnshire.....£42
Planted on chalk in the Lincolnshire Wolds, this Solaris-based white has come into its own after half a decade's maturation: bracing yet resonant

03412
2018 Reserve, Danebury Vineyards, Hampshire.....£46
This complex, gold-medal-winning blend of Pinot Gris with Auxerrois, Madeline Angevine and Schönburger is dry, fruity, fresh and floral

03299
2017 Lychgate White, Bolney Estate, West Sussex.....£49
Fresh, pure and perfumed white from the edge of the South Downs, blended from Reichensteiner, Schönburger and Würzer: elderflower, grapefruit and lime

03670
2016 Blackbird, Furnace Projects, Herefordshire.....£51
Phoenix from great Herefordshire fruit country -- yet the structure and depth almost recall the Northern Rhône

02091
2019 Madeleine Angevine, Giffords Hall Vineyard, Suffolk.....£53
Very dry, crisp and fresh: a mouthwatering food partner. Made from a distinctive Loire Valley variety which performs exceptionally well in England

03434
2018 Gifford's Hall Bacchus, Giffords Hall Vineyard, Suffolk.....£53
Almost transparent in colour, this delicate yet fragrant Bacchus is dry, fresh and cleanly fruity

03269
2018 Ortega, Sov'ran, West Sussex.....£54
An enticing showcase for the promising Ortega grape variety: peach and honeysuckle

03707
2019 Liberty's Bacchus, Balfour, Hush Heath Estate, Kent.....£54
The Liberty-owning Balfour-Lynn family's Hush Heath estate produces sensational Bacchus, packed with tropical fruit notes

03572
2019 Colchester Oyster, Dedham Vale Vineyard, Essex.....£59
A great seafood and oyster white from Constable country. Orion, Reichensteiner and Phoenix combine to flinty-fresh effect

03224
2019 Silvan Bacchus, Kingscote Vineyard, West-Sussex.....£63
Fragrant and textured Bacchus (thanks to light oak) from this sumptuous West Sussex estate

03502
2019 Pinot Meunier, Simpsons, Kent.....£63
Pure, chiselled Pinot Meunier vinified as a white wine: sculpted and elegant

03652	2019 Silex, Flint Vineyard, Norfolk.....	£63
	<i>A blend of Chardonnay, Pinot Blanc, Pinot Gris and Pinot Noir grown on gravels and flints and fermented in ex-Pouilly Fuissé casks: complex, vinous, food-friendly and long</i>	
03488	2018 Chardonnay, Langham Vineyard, Dorset.....	£70
	<i>Wild-yeast-fermented Chardonnay with ample texture and depth from the generous 2018 vintage</i>	
03217	2018 Pinot Blanc, Bsixtwelve, Lone Farm Vineyard, Hampshire.....	£74
	<i>Brilliantly pure, pristine Pinot Blanc from Spanish-Venezuelan Balbina Leeming, working in the magical Itchen Valley</i>	
03298	2015 Pinot Gris, Bolney Estate, West Sussex.....	£75
	<i>Charmingly seductive Pinot Gris, with a fragrant scent of jasmine and pears and honeyed, peachy flavour</i>	
03756	2015 Cirrus, Astley Vineyards, Worcestershire.....	£85
	<i>A fascinating, medal-winning blend, made in this edition from 2015 Bacchus plus Sauvignon Blanc and Madeleine Angevine from the 2014 vintage: fresh, fragrant and well-rounded</i>	
03709	2019 Chardonnay, Ancre Hill Estates, Monmouthshire, Wales.....	£93
	<i>Biodynamically certified Chardonnay grown on a magnificent Monmouthshire hillside: lemon and grapefruit purity</i>	
03462	2017 Chardonnay, Kit's Coty Vineyard, Chapel Down, Kent.....	£93
	<i>In addition to two brilliant sparkling wines, the Kit's Coty Chardonnay also creates a "finely sculpted, fine-dining still white" (Platinum Medal-winning citation, Decanter World Wine Awards 2019)</i>	
03781	2018 The Septered Isle, Balfour, Hush Heath Estate, Kent.....	£106
	<i>Made with all seven of the grape varieties permitted in Champagne (hence 'Septered'), this unique still wine has vivid orchard fruit, resonant acidity and textured depth</i>	
03759	2014 Old Vine Kerner, Astley Vineyards, Worcestershire.....	£120
	<i>Pure, off-dry Kerner: fragrant and vivid</i>	
03130	2019 A Firmament, Charlie Herring, Hampshire.....	£140
	<i>Grown in a tiny, heat-magnifying walled garden close to Southampton, this blend of Sauvignon Blanc seasoned with Chardonnay is pure, structured and refined: a glimpse of what we might expect from the UK in decades to come</i>	

URBAN WINES

Ortega, Forty Hall, London, England

From London's only vineyard on Enfield's Forty Hall Farm, run by Capel Manor College. These organically grown Ortega grapes are then transported to Will Davenport at Rotherfield in Sussex for vinification: soft, perfumed, enticing

03175	2019.....	£65
03175	2018.....	£65

03304	2017 Bacchus, Renegade Wines, London, England.....	£74
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Pure Hereford-grown Bacchus, 40 % fermented in a Georgian qvevri but using wild Bethnal Green yeasts: floral, zesty, complex

03794	2018 Chardonnay, Pygmalion, Blackbook Winery, London, England.....	£75
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Magnificent, Burgundy-like Chardonnay from North Downs fruit

HUNGARY

03221
2016 Tokaji, Frivolo, Mád & Vilmány-dúló, Szóló.....£82
New wave, concrete-egg-fermented Furmint with some Hárslevelu from a young producer: peach and apple perfumes and flavours

03321
2015 Tokaji Hárslevelu, Király, Orosz Gábor.....£130
A fresh yet fleshy reading of the 'lime leaf' grape variety. The quality of these outstanding vineyards sings out in the wine's grain and finesse

03322
2015 Tokaji Furmint-Hárslevelu, Nyúlászó, Orosz Gábor.....£141
A barrel-fermented blend of 70% Furmint with the balance from Hárslevelu, this supple, full-bodied white has ample apple, quince and almond flavours

03137
2005 Tokaji Furmint, Szent Tamás Grand Cru, István Szepsy.....£152
Dry Furmint from one of Tokaji's greatest vineyards

03501
2016 Tokaji Furmint, Hátari, Attila Homonna.....£175
Tiny quantities of old-vine fruit, grown in the rocky Hátari vineyard and fermented and aged in old wood: peach and pepper finesse

03524
2016 Tokaji Furmint, Rány, Attila Homonna.....£175
Grown on rhyolite soils: lean, pure and searching, yet lit by an inner warmth

GREECE

03417
2019 Assyrtiko, Chios, Ariousios.....£39.50
Greece's finest white variety grown not (as usual) on Santorini but on the beautiful Dodecanese island of Chios: fresh, lemony, saline and vivacious

03650
2018 Assyrtiko, Barrel Aged, Vassaltis, Santorini.....£135
Subtle oaking via fermentation and five months post-ferment, this combines the mineral-oil flavours typical of the island with brightness of lemony fruit and layered spice and cedar notes: complex and unforgettable

ARMENIA

03059
2016 Voski, Zorah, Yeghednadzor Valley.....£117
A blend of Garandmak and Voskéat varieties, this crisp, fresh white has plenty of stone-fruit flavours and creamy depths

LEBANON

Ch Musar, Cuvée Musar, Bekaa Valley

The astonishing Ch Musar Blanc is blended from two indigenous Bekaa Valley grape varieties: Merwah and Obaideh. After barrel fermentation and long ageing, these are old-gold wines of great depth, exoticism and honeyed, cooked-fruit force.

03916
1972.....£905

03556
1967.....£1,236

03061
1954.....£3,488

A great rarity, this is the first-ever vintage of white Ch Musar, created when Serge Hochar began working with his father Gaston. It has been shipped to sketch directly from the château

MOROCCO

03906
2012 Orient du Val d'Argan, Domaine du Val d'Argan.....£192

Morocco's finest wines are created by Charles and Marie-Ange Mélia of Font du Loup in Châteauneuf-du-Pape. The fruit is grown on their 40-ha domain inland from the celebrated coastal city of Essaouira (historically known as Mogador in Europe). The Orient is based on late-harvest Clairette

AUSTRALIA

03228
2018 Chardonnay, Forest Hill, Mount Barker, Western Australia.....£72
Restraint, freshness and purity from this cool-climate site south of Margaret River

03893
2016 Plexus, John Duval, Barossa Valley.....£82
Ample blossom and orchard-fruit richness in this new-wave Barossa blend of Marsanne, Roussanne and Viognier from former Penfold's maestro John Duval

Riesling, Polish Hill, Grosset, Clare Valley
One of Australia's star Rieslings: perfumed citrus scents and a crisp, structured, fully dry flavour with a mineral finish

03614
2018.....£134

03614
2013.....£134

NEW ZEALAND

03817
2019 Sauvignon Blanc, bob /n. short for kate, Glover Family Vineyards, Marlborough.....£52
The unusual name commemorates a Glover family member – with a zesty, life-enhancing mouthful of pungent Marlborough Sauvignon

03599
2020 Sauvignon Blanc, Cloudy Bay, Marlborough.....£81
New Zealand's original cult Sauvignon Blanc still impresses with its layered richness

03014
2016 Chardonnay, Craighall, Ata Rangi, Martinborough.....£130
Citrus flavours and a smoky touch: finely crafted North Island Chardonnay

03192
2014 Riesling, Craighall Vineyard, Amaranth, Dry River, Martinborough.....£133
Green apples and gravel: delicate and refreshing. A rare chance to try mature Martinborough Riesling

03193
2009 Gewürztraminer, Dry River, Martinborough.....£135
Lychee and tropical fruits, and made in a medium-dry style – yet in contrast to Alsace versions this Gewürztraminer has crisp acidity, too

03436
2014 Chardonnay, The Fuder Clayvin, Giesen, Marlborough.....£150
From one of Marlborough's greatest vineyards, this Chardonnay is rich, juicy, succulent and well-rounded, with bright, lemony acidity

Sauvignon Blanc, Te Koko, Cloudy Bay, Marlborough
Barrel-fermented using wild yeast, then aged on lees and bottle-aged, too:
lemon and beeswax, with creamy, nutty length

03862
2016.....£136

03862
2015.....£136

JAPAN

03648

2009 Kosu Isehara, Magrez Aruga, Katsunuma.....£148

White from the indigenous Japanese Kosu variety, made with Pessac-Léognan know-how: fresh and crisp, full of green apple and grapefruit

SOUTH AFRICA

03262

2017 Mullineux, Old Vines, Swartland.....£86

A blend of old-vine Chenin with 'small parcels of Mediterranean varieties', this is soft, almondy, complex and super-drinkable

03197

2015 Skurfberg, Sadie Family, Olifants River.....£172

Chenin Blanc grown on ancient sandstone soils: honeysuckle, hazels and apple

03196

2015 Mev. Kirsten, Sadie Family, Stellenbosch.....£425

The 'Mrs Kirsten' cuvée in Eben Sadie's acclaimed Ouwingerdrecks series contains some of South Africa's oldest Chenin Blanc, first planted in 1905: wax, white tea and candied orange peel

USA

03858

2010 Viognier, Fiddletown, Terre Rouge, Amador Country, California.....£82

Richly textured and flavoured Viognier from Rhône fanatic Bill Easton, grown in Viognier-friendly decomposed granite soils

03815

2017 Chardonnay, Charles Heintz Vineyard, Ceritas, Sonoma Coast, California.....£219

The Charles Heintz vineyard is a sought-after, ridge-top site for many growers thanks to its fog infiltration and strong maritime influence. Look out for chamomile and lemon in this "super-expressive" Chardonnay (Antonio Galloni) from Ceritas

03018

2017 Chardonnay, Porter-Bass Vineyards, Ceritas, Sonoma Coast, California.....£237

Outstanding cool-climate Chardonnay made using techniques learned from Roulot and Coche: "gracious, perfumed and very pretty ... subtle and understated" (Antonio Galloni)

03491

2016 Chardonnay, Monte Bello, Ridge, Santa Cruz Mountains, Central Coast, California.....£266

In addition to its celebrated Cabernet, Monte Bello also produces tiny quantities of outstanding Chardonnay: "full-bodied, ample and succulent" for critic William Kelley (93-95), and "a wine of texture and resonance" for critic Antonio Galloni (95)

03666

2016 Sauvignon Blanc, Eisele Vineyard, Eisele Vineyard Estate, Napa Valley, California.....£274

One of Napa's greatest whites, the Eisele Vineyard Sauvignon is packed with apple, lemon and lime fruits: vibrant and long, winning 98 points from critic James Suckling

CANADA

03661

2015 Chardonnay, County Unfiltered, Norman Hardie, Prince Edward County, Ontario.....£130

Lean, gothic, haunting Chardonnay from the cool of the Far North

ARGENTINA

03164

2003 Torrontés, Valles Calchaquíes, San Pedro de Yacochuya, Cafayate, Salta.....£155

Perfumed yet dry Torrontés from the world's most celebrated wine consultant's own estate, high in Cafayate

CHILE

03617

2018 Sémillon, Rouge Gorge, L'Entremetteuse, Colchagua.....£144

Zero-sulphur Sémillon from 100-year-old ungrafted vines grown on granite soils over clay in quality hot-spot Apalta: floral, fresh yet full, with apricot and mango fruits

URUGUAY

03020

2018 Estival, Viñedo de los Vientos, Atlantida.....£45

Early-picked Chardonnay blended with ripe Gewürztraminer and Muscat is the secret of this fragrant, lively white blend

RED WINES

FRANCE

Champagne

04620

2012 Coteaux Champenois, Troissy Rouge, La Croix Joly, Dehours.....£136

A pure Pinot Meunier still red wine made from Jérôme Dehours' 50-year-old vineyard in the village of Troissy: perfumed, incisive and sappy

04602

2012 Coteaux Champenois, Vertus Rouge, Larmandier-Bernier£190

Pierre Larmandier's long-awaited Coteaux Champenois debut: silky soft, with perfectly defined red fruits. A "pleasure bomb," according to the Revue du Vin de France

04771

2015 Coteaux Champenois, Ambonnay Rouge, Cuvée des Grands Côtés,
Grand Cru, Egly-Ouriet.....£364

Old vines growing in a very warm, amphitheatre-like site, late harvested and given 20 months in wood (30% new): raspberry, stone and flowers, almost Chambolle-like

Burgundy: the Auxerrois

04275
2014 Irancy, Les Cailles, Domaine des Remparts.....£60
Les Cailles is one of the five best vineyards of Irancy. Lively, peppery, mouthwatering red burgundy mingling Pinot Noir with 8% of the local grape César

04138
2012 Coteaux Bourguignons, Sorius, Domaine des Remparts.....£73
A rare chance to try a Burgundy made exclusively from the ancient César grape variety: vivid and fresh, with some peppery grip

Burgundy: Côte d'Or

04302
2017 Bourgogne, Les Champs Foreys, Domaine du Vieux Collège.....£71
Lively, youthful and quenching red Burgundy from a top site in Marsannay at the northern end of the Côte de Nuits

04136
2016 Monthélie, Les Longènes, David & Guy Dubuet.....£86
From an outstanding lieu-dit in this top-value village: light, pure and vivid, with notes of blackcurrant and cedar

04201
2017 Bourgogne, Tercet, Marc Soyard.....£88
Made from pure whole-bunch fruit grown in the 'Coteaux de Dijon' vineyards of the city-owned Domaine de la Cras: a rare chance to try wine from the Côte d'Or's 'top end'

Bourgogne Hautes-Côtes de Nuits, Le Corton, Vincent Legou

Obsessive vineyard work and stringent sorting means that Legou (who, like his father and grandfather, has worked at DRC) is able to get better maturity and purity into his Hautes Côtes red than most

04853
2016.....£104
04853
2015.....£104

Monthélie, Les Champs-Fulliot, David & Guy Dubuet

One of Monthélie's greatest sites

04161
2016.....£123
vivid, deep and resonant
04161
2015.....£123

04941
2015 Auxey-Duresses, La Chapelle, Lafouge.....£137
From a parcel of 60-year-old vines on white marl, this is supple, elegant, tasty red burgundy at an attractive price

04039
2017 Chassagne-Montrachet, Jean-Claude Ramonet.....£138
Elegant, brisk, red-cherry fruit, from an impeccable source: burgundy refreshment at its finest

04059	2016 Chambolle-Musigny, Gilbert et Christine Felettig£177 <i>A true synopsis of the village, coming from 18 different sites, "Not a Chambolle of grace and lace but rather one of density and drive," writes critic Allen Meadows: raspberry, cherry, spice</i>
04024	2015 Chassagne-Montrachet, Boudriotte, Jean-Claude Ramonet£178 <i>Rich, almost liqueur-like red fruits from this generous vintage. Critic Allen Meadows notes "plenty of grip and mid-palate density"</i>
04339	2017 Fixin, Les Champs des Charmes, Jérôme Galeyrand£182 <i>Fine value for this "Fixin of unusual class, nuance and refinement ... Floral notes and a core of sweet red fruit" (Antonio Galloni)</i>
04170	2010 Volnay, Caillerets, Bernard Moreau et Fils£190 <i>Balance, poise, freshness and concentration</i>
04884	2016 Côtes de Nuits-Villages, Viola Odorata, Claire Naudin£195 <i>Rarely have wines in this modest appellation been made with the care and ambition of this dark, structured, almost chewy red burgundy</i>
04494	2014 Ladoix, La Corvée, Claire Naudin£195 <i>From the very best of the little-seen Ladoix Premiers Crus. grown on the gentle slopes behind Buisson: characterful and convincing</i>
04165	2008 Morey-St Denis, La Riotte, Vieilles Vignes, Olivier Jouan£196 <i>Lively, fresh and firm red Premier Cru Morey with true old-vine depth to it</i>
04712	2016 Morey-St Denis, Coquard-Loison-Fleurot£210 <i>From three parcels of village vines and a significant domain which until recently sold its entire production to merchants, this is a fresh-fruited wine, "detailed and feminine, practically Premier Cru in complexity" (Neal Martin)</i>
04199	2017 Pommard, En Boeuf, Tercet, Marc Soyard£214 <i>From a tiny parcel (just 0.15 ha) planted in 1934, all whole bunch, vinified by the talented Soyard semi-carbonically: pristine, vivacious fruits</i>
04574	2014 Vosne-Romanée, Coquard-Loison-Fleurot£214 <i>Outstanding village Vosne from a very well-endowed domain, now with a dynamic younger generation in charge: voluptuous and sumptuously fruity</i>
04269	2017 Vosne-Romanée, Les Beaux Monts, Vieilles Vignes, Bruno Desaunay-Bissey£230 <i>Beautiful old-vine holdings (80 years old) and unfussy, limpid winemaking make for great value from this Premier Cru site just above Échezeaux</i>

04038	2012 Nuits-St Georges, Les Vaucraains, Lucien Le Moine£244 <i>All the ample dimensions traditionally ascribed to Nuits: "a big and very firmly constructed wine yet it carries its heft with perfect balance" (Allen Meadows)</i>
04050	2014 Gevrey-Chambertin, Bel Air, Taupenot-Merme£271 <i>From the vineyard next to Clos de Bèze that Romain Taupenot describes as 'a little Chambertin', this is deep, sinewy and compelling, with palpable structure and a sustained finish</i>
04035	2014 Gevrey-Chambertin, Aux Combottes, Lucien Le Moine£290 <i>Medium-weight, racy and refined, with "earth, spice, floral and forest-floor scents" (Allen Meadows)</i>
04824	2014 Chambolle-Musigny, G. Roumier£290 <i>With 3.7 ha of Chambolle at his fingertips, Christophe Roumier sets the standard for this classically fragrant village wine</i>
04073	2009 Nuits-St Georges, Clos des Porrets-St Georges, Henri Gouges£299 <i>This 3.5-ha monopole clos is a part of the larger Premier Cru of Porrets, and is planted with mature vines (30 years or more): ample, rounded red and black fruits with firm supporting tannins and a long, resonant finish</i>
04262	2016 Gevrey-Chambertin, Estournelles-St Jacques, Henri Magnien£310 <i>Rich black and red fruits in sappy style, and with all the structure you hope for from Gevrey</i>
04424	2008 Clos Vougeot, Roblet-Monnot P et F£359 <i>Soft red fruits and gentle spices: a deft and accessible taste of this great, historic Grand Cru, in existence since the C12</i>
04539	2016 Vosne-Romanée, Georges Mugneret-Gibourg£365 <i>From five different sites in this large village, this is "powerful and concentrated" for its category (Allen Meadows) with notes of redcurrant, raspberry and sandalwood</i>
04309	2014 Morey-St Denis, Clos de la Bussière, Georges Roumier£377 <i>This Premier Cru on the Chambolle boundary is not only a Roumier family monopole, but is also where the family home is found. Despite its position, it's firmly Morey in style: chunky, well-delineated red fruits with ample tannic wealth</i>
04198	2002 Chambolle-Musigny, Comte Georges de Vogüé£446 <i>From a much better vintage in Burgundy than in Bordeaux, this impeccably sourced Chambolle includes wine from the Premiers Crus of Les Baudes and Fuées: silky and harmonious</i>
04292	2014 Nuits-St Georges, Les Chaignots, Georges Mugneret-Gibourg£449 <i>A perfectly sited mid-slope vineyard on the Vosne side of Nuits in a great vintage, this has "fine volume and mid-palate density ... strikingly rich and suave" (Allen Meadows)</i>

Clos St Denis, Coquard-Loison-Fleurot

From perhaps the greatest of all the Morey Grands Crus, and the talented winemaking hands of Thomas Callodot: medium-bodied, deeply sensual wines with both perfume and structure

04337

2016.....£866

04942

2014.....£474

04795

2014 Échezeaux, Domaine Coquard-Loison-Fleurot.....£543

Vivacious, articulate Échezeaux from a sumptuously endowed domain

04284

2012 Chapelle-Chambertin, Cécile Tremblay.....£545

Dense, richly constructed, lingering Chapelle-Chambertin from the talented Tremblay, vinified using a high percentage of whole clusters

04270

2012 Échezeaux, Vieilles Vignes, Bruno Desaunay-Bissey.....£635

'Vieilles Vignes' is no exaggeration here: at 110-years old, Bruno Desaunay's parcel of Échezeaux vines is one of the oldest in the region. Refined and intense

04700

2014 Charmes-Chambertin, Très Vieilles Vignes, Joseph Roty.....£653

This small 16-acre parcel was originally planted in 1885, and only individual vines have been replaced since. The result is a Charmes of unusual density, drive and persistence: "seriously impressive" (Allen Meadows)

04348

2014 Grands-Échezeaux, Coquard-Loison-Fleurot.....£705

Formerly sold to Burgundy's leading négociants, the 'CLF' Grands Échezeaux is a little-known treat: expansive, spicy, and with hugely impressive fruit architecture

04093

2015 Clos de Vougeot, Domaine Eugénie.....£754

Magnificent Clos de Vougeot from the former Engel domain, now in the same ownership as Ch Latour

04015

2013 Bonnes Mares, Lucien Le Moine.....£764

This Grand Cru on the Morey side of Chambolle varies in style. Mounir Saouma's 2013 shows disarming grace and elegance both in its floral aromas and silky yet concentrated flavours

04846

2014 Romanée-St Vivant, Poisot Père et Fils.....£767

From a large parcel just across the road from Romanée-Conti, this is a medium-bodied but beautifully detailed red burgundy, with plum, strawberry and redcurrant notes and a deep, harmonious finish

04648

1961 Vougeot, Pierre Ponnelle.....£999

A well-stored bottle from a leading négociant of the day

04543

2014 Richebourg, Thibault Liger-Belair.....£1,617

Lying just to the north of Romanée-Conti, Richebourg's magnificent site has produced a burgundy of huge articulation from Thibault Liger-Belair in 2014: "wonderfully complex" for critic Allen Meadows (95 points)

Burgundy: Côte Chalonnaise

04396
2016 Givry, Clos du Cras Long, François Lumpp.....£127
This is "dense, powerful and very serious" burgundy (Allen Meadows) from one of Givry's most reliable producers

04168
2009 Givry, Clos de la Servoisine, Joblot.....£141
A rare chance to try outstanding Givry from a great domain at maturity: "Givry does not get much better [than this]" considers critic Allen Meadows

Beaujolais

04224
2019 Chiroubles, Domaine de la Grosse Pierre.....£63
Simple cru perfection from Pauline Passot: juicy cherry and blackberry fruit with silky tannins

04062
2018 Beaujolais, En Besset, Domaine de Fa.....£63
The Graillot family, at work in Beaujolais with a fine site near St Amour and Juliéas: pungent, pure and exuberant

04558
2014 Chénas, Cuvée Quartz, Piron et Lameloise.....£71
Pungent, bright and refreshing Beaujolais packed with fresh black fruits, from one of the highest sited crus

04561
2015 Fleurie, Clos de la Roilette, Cuvée Tardive, Alain Coudert.....£75
Poised and vivacious Fleurie from one of the finest sites in the village: length to match the fragrance

04063
2015 St Amour, Domaine de Fa.....£110
Succulent, gratifying, round-contoured Fleurie made in tiny quantities by the talented Graillot brothers

04380
2016 Beaujolais, Madame Germaine, Yvon Métras.....£111
A rare one-off: Métras purchased Beaujolais fruit after his own harvest was trashed by hail in 2016. Fresh, graceful, charming

04074
2015 Chénas, Chassignol, Paul-Henri Thillardon.....£115
From 90-year-old, organically grown vines and pure granite-sand soils: graceful, mineral Chénas

04764
2015 Moulin-à-Vent, Les Huit Ouvrées, Ch du Moulin-à-Vent.....£121
A blend of the finest granite-sand parcels owned by the Parinet family, and vinified with 30% whole bunch: fleshy yet elegant, a Moulin-à-Vent with true burgundian finesse

04070
2014 Moulin-à-Vent, Clos du Moulin-à-Vent, Labruyère.....£154
Savoury, stony and persistent, with fine tannins: effortless Beaujolais grandeur

04567
2015 Côtes de Brouilly, Cuvée Zacchary, Ch Thivin.....£164
This cuvée is made from the oldest vines of the domain, and given ageing in used oak: graceful, mature cru Beaujolais of great finesse and harmony

04027
2013 Morgon, Côte de Py, Cuvée 3:14, Jean Foillard.....£178
This cuvée, produced in the best years only, contains fruit from Foillard's centenarian vines: poised, fresh, intense and pure

04901
2015 Fleurie, Cuvée Vieilles Vignes, Terroir Champagne, Domaine de la Grand'cour,
Jean-Louis Dutraive.....£192

Fresh, quenching Fleurie with ample cherry and raspberry fruits

Fleurie, l'Ultime, Yvon Métras

Remarkable fruit purity and length, thanks to Métras' vineyard care and minimal sulphur use

04572
2014.....£275

04895
2011.....£474

Bordeaux

04527
2015 Ch Pey-Bonhomme-des-Tours, Cuvée Majeure, Blaye-Côtes de Bordeaux.....£46

From 70% Merlot with the balance coming from Cabernet Franc and Malbec, this is fresh, lively, almost mouthwatering red Bordeaux

04094
2018 Ch Le Geai, Le Grand Geai, Bordeaux Supérieur.....£59

A blend of 68% Merlot and 20% Cabernet with the balance from Malbec and Carmenère, biodynamically grown by the assiduous Henri Duporge, and considered "the best-value Bordeaux that I've ever tried" by sketch's wine director Fred Bruges

04235
2016 Ch La Freynelle, Cabernet Sauvignon, Bordeaux.....£62

A multi-medal-winning pure Cabernet (unusual in Bordeaux) grown on limestone soils: fresh and lively yet elegant too

04082
2010 Ch Grand Village, Bordeaux Supérieur.....£74

Long owned by the Guinaudeau family of Ch Lafleur fame, this right-bank property sited between Fronsac and Bourg is a great source of harmonious, supple, tasty Merlot-dominated Bordeaux

04684
2014 Ch de Lauga, Cuvée Grand Père, Haut-Médoc.....£78

This cuvée is blended from the best of the Lauga lots every year: dark and alluring, packed with black fruit and spice notes

04762
2016 Ch Le Geai, Les Argiles de Pauline, Bordeaux Supérieur.....£89

Zero-sulphur Merlot and Malbec, grown on blue clay and aged in amphorae: intense fruit purity

04111
2016 Ch Bardins, Pessac-Léognan.....£90

Top-value Pessac and Graves reds outsell the competition in the city of Bordeaux itself, and this gourmet blend (half-Merlot, one quarter each of Cabernet Sauvignon and Franc) shows why: classy, refined fruits and silky tannins

04906
2014 Les Trois Petiotes, Côtes de Bourg.....£94

Fresh, vibrant Bourg rich in Cabernet Franc and Malbec à Queue Rouge, sensitively vinified by former bank worker Valérie Godelu

04383
2016 Ch Le Geai, Carmine, Bordeaux Supérieur.....£94

A must-try for Carmenère-lovers: pure Carmenère, made without sulphur and aged in clay jars

04092
2016 L'Hêtre, Castillon-Côtes de Bordeaux.....£95

From the début vintage for this Le Pin-owned property on the limestones of Castillon, made from 95% Merlot with the balance from Cabernet: fresh, sweet scents and lively, plush flavours

04164
2010 Ch le Thil, Comte Clary, Pessac-Léognan.....£99

Dark and sumptuous, round-contoured, but with the innate complexity of its appellation

04518
2015 Closeries des Moussis, Haut-Médoc.....£100
New-wave Médoc: a small parcel of high-density, BD-grown and horse-worked vines, maceration rather than extraction, almost no new wood and larger-than-usual casks: light, limpid, fresh and digestible

04861
Ch Moutte-Blanc, Moisin, Bordeaux Supérieur
A true Bordeaux rarity: pure Petit Verdot. Peppery and provocative
2014.....£100

2015.....£100

04530
2014 Ch Marceline, St Estèphe.....£101
From a tiny 1.2-ha family-run property in this great Northern Médoc commune: pure and fresh

04049
2014 Clos Manou, Médoc.....£103
Hand-crafted Merlot and Cabernet Sauvignon with a seasoning of Petit Verdot and Cabernet Franc: "racy and sensual to the core," says critic Antonio Galloni; "another over-achiever from the Northern Médoc in 2014"

04379
2010 Ch d'Aiguilhe, Côtes de Castillon.....£105
Pure, fresh and lively yet richly constituted too, this wine illustrates the great value offered by Castillon, just east of St Emilion

04562
2014 Haut-Faugères, St Emilion.....£107
The second wine from this outstanding property is fresh and classical in this slow-ripening vintage, with pure, vivacious fruit

04844
2014 Ch des Graviers, Margaux.....£118
Soft, earthy and graceful Margaux from this well-sited cru artisan

04491
2010 La Parde de Haut-Bailly, Pessac-Léognan.....£132
Second wines are best in great vintages, and the Haut-Bailly 2010 was as good as it gets. This shares its elder sibling's poise, intensity and classicism

04992
2016 Ch la Fleur Lauga, St Julien.....£132
From vineyards sited close to Ducru-Beaucaillou and known until 2015 as Ch Capdet, this is predominantly Cabernet given classic Médoc barrique-ageing: refined, elegant, classy

04708
2009 Clos Louie, Côtes de Castillon.....£134
From a tiny parcel in Castillon planted with ancient Merlot more than 140 years old, unusually blended with Malbec: graceful yet intense. This wine forms part of our 'Old Vine Bordeaux' collection

04086
2015 Miracle, Osamu Ushida, Haut-Médoc.....£138
Pure Cabernet produced from under a hectare of vines by a Japanese winemaker, harvested early (it has just 11.6% alcohol) and aged without racking: delicate, silky, zingy and fresh

04394
2008 Ch La Bécasse, Pauillac.....£140
A rare chance to try this fresh, classical Pauillac – whose 4ha of vines are now part of Ch Latour

04195
1989 Ch La Croix Toulifaut, Pomerol.....£143
From a tiny 1.9-ha property between Figeac in St Emilion and Beauregard in Pomerol, and an outstanding vintage: still rich with plum, cherry and chocolate

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2016 Ch la Fleur Lauga, St Julien.....£143
From vineyards sited close to Ducru-Beaucaillou and known until 2015 as Ch Capdet, this is predominantly Cabernet given classic Médoc barrique-ageing: refined, elegant, classy

Ch Sociando-Mallet, Haut-Médoc

04237
2010.....£145
This balanced and digestible Médoc classic comes from a great vintage and a much-admired property

04010
1990.....£364
Widely considered the best Sociando since '82, and the equivalent of a good classed-growth, this outperforming Haut-Médoc is still generously constituted, resonant and full of life

04242
2014 Clos du Jaugeyron, Nout, Margaux.....£154
Principally Merlot from young vines sited in Cantenac, Nout is fresh, supple, delicate and full of Margaux charm

04478
2014 Clos du Jaugeyron, Perrain, Margaux.....£157
From a single parcel in Arzac and a blend of the two Cabernets, entirely aged (for three years) in concrete: classical elegance and purity from free-thinker Michel Théron

04290
2015 Ch Bardins, Les Helloties, Pessac-Léognan.....£166
A unique, Cabernet-Franc-rich blend (70%) from a brilliantly sited small property next to Ch Couhins: intense and firm

04866
2000 Ch La Croix St André, Lalande de Pomerol.....£169
From a fine site in Lalande de Pomerol and a domain with some 100-year-old vines.

Domaine du Jaugaret, St Julien

A rarity from this tiny 1.3 ha St Julien domain. Beychevelle rebel Jean-François Fillastre makes this pure, refined, long-aged, low-sulphur Médoc from vines between Ducru and Gruaud-Larose

04507
Lot 2013.....£169
(Vin de France)

04825
2012.....£191
04636
2010.....£255

04386
2016 Ch Chantecler, Pauillac.....£163

From the only small-grower-owned hectare of vineyards on the giant gravel mound occupied by Mouton, Lafite and Pontet-Canet: classical, pure, robust

04286
2010 Ch Vincent, Margaux.....£178

This was, back in 2010, an enclave within (and made by) Ch Palmer; now it has been entirely absorbed into Ch Palmer. Great terroir, in other words, at a bargain price ...

Clos Manou, Vignes Préphyloxériques 1850, Médoc

A tiny property, just north of St Estèphe – but vines of an age which no First Growth can match. This ungrafted, pure-Merlot parcel of just 2 ha was planted around 160 years ago, in the 1850s. This concentrated, grand wine is not produced every year, just when quality merits. It forms part of our 'Old Vine Bordeaux' collection

04115
2015.....£178

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2014.....£178

Ch Bel Air-Marquis d'Aligre, Margaux

04657
2000.....£191

Described by one tasting group as 'the quintessence of Margaux': copious fruit scents of great purity and finesse, then an 'ultra-delicate' palate full of aerial charm

04287
1970.....£550

Another hugely fragrant wine (leather, cedar and cigar box), with a long, fragrant palate of 'superlative refinement' when tasted in April 2010

04129
2010 Ch Vrai Croix de Gay, Pomerol.....£192

Attractive, lively Pomerol from a property where the Cabernet Franc percentage came up to 25% in this magnificent vintage

04655
2008 Ch Les Carmes Haut-Brion, Pessac-Léognan.....£195

This hidden jewel of property produces fine, medium-bodied Pessac-Léognan of striking purity and elegance, and is on outstanding form since a change of ownership in 2010

04081
2016 Closeries des Moussis, Baragane, Haut-Médoc.....£197

From a tiny, ungrafted parcel of 150-year-old vines, and with yields of under 10 hl/ha: firm, vibrant, complex. Some use of whole bunch fruit adds to the freshness in 2016. This wine forms part of our 'Old Vine Bordeaux' collection

04489
1989 Ch Chasse-Spleen, Moulis.....£258

The finest Chasse-Spleen since 1949 for Robert Parker: "concentrated, sweet, expansive... An awesome wine!"

04603
2000 Ch Langoa-Barton, St Julien.....£261

Generosity, classicism and refinement from this under-the-radar St Julien in 2000: fine value by comparison with many of its peers

04210
1983 Ch Lascombes, Margaux.....£271

Graceful, mature Bordeaux from propitious Margaux vineyards. Recent tastings suggest a wine of great classicism and finesse, with notes of leather, tobacco and earth

04117
2010 La Providence, Pomerol.....£289

A collector's item: the greatest vintage of La Providence, the Moueix-owned Pomerol which only existed as a separate wine between 2005 and 2012, when it was absorbed into La Fleur-Pétrus: dark fruit, spice, and chocolate allure

04008
1989 Ch Cantemerle, Haut-Médoc.....£302

A "perfect success for Cantemerle and one of the most monumental wines of the last 40 years", says critic Robert Parker: "silky and beautifully pure"

Ch Duhart-Milon, Pauillac

04689
2009.....£303

A brilliant year for this Lafite sibling: "the most concentrated and broadest example of this cuvée I have tasted in over three decades... may be the single smartest purchase in this great and historic vintage" (Robert Parker, 97/100)

04628
1990.....£369

Classic, refined, cedary claret, its Lafite pedigree showing clearly

04479
2010 Ch Clerc Milon, Pauillac.....£317

"One of the finest Clerc-Milons I have ever tasted... an already endearing complexity, length and richness that are hard to ignore", wrote Robert Parker in 2013

04570
2011 Ch Péby-Faugères, St Emilion.....£338

Dramatic, boundary-pushing St Emilion made from Merlot vines pruned to give extraordinarily low yields: seamless, layered and multidimensional

04663
2010 Ch Haut-Bailly, Pessac-Léognan.....£345

One of the greatest Haut-Bailly vintages ever: "pure finesse, elegance, harmony and delicacy... combined into a wine that lingers intensely with near-perfect poise and character" for critic Robert Parker

04723
1983 Ch La Tour Haut-Brion, Pessac-Léognan.....£355

A "racy and lacy" La Tour Haut Brion for Jancis Robinson MW, when tasted in 2007: "reminds me in structure rather of the Cheval [Blanc] 1983" (18/20)

04565
2009 Ch Gazin, Pomerol.....£362

Truffle, earth and spice: the outstanding Gazin has plenty of heft and sinew in 2009

04256
2010 Ch Beychevelle, St Julien.....£362

"Layered and rich...a fabulous effort" (Robert Parker), the 2010 Beychevelle has poised black-cherry fruit and ample but now soft tannins

04135
1990 Ch Certan-Guiraud, Pomerol.....£373
From the property later rechristened 'Hosanna' by Christian Moueix, this is still fresh, complex, balanced and classical: a "brilliant performance" for critic Neal Martin

04139
2014 Vieux Château Certan, Pomerol.....£512
Made with almost 20% Cabernet Franc and cool, fresh and focussed in style, this is "one of the unquestioned stars of the vintage" for critic Antonio Galloni

04130
2010 Pensées de Lafleur, Ch Lafleur, Pomerol.....£530
The outstanding 'second' wine of one of Pomerol's unofficial 'first growths', this in fact comes from a dedicated 0.7 ha parcel of the 4.5 ha estate: medium bodied, graceful, superbly balanced

Ch La Mission Haut-Brion, Pessac-Léognan

04540
2011.....£614
The quality of the vineyard sings out in 2011. "A revelation...displays the nobility and complexity of this great terroir," says Robert Parker (95/100)

04613
2000.....£1,496
With a perfect score from Robert Parker, this is "certainly one of the candidates for the wine of the vintage": unrivalled aromatic complexity, concentration and sheer class

04528
1989.....£2,151
"A remarkable tour-de-force in winemaking, it is one of the all-time profound La Mission-Haut-Brions" says Robert Parker, giving this now-legendary wine a perfect score

04255
2010 Le Petit Mouton de Mouton Rothschild, Pauillac.....£653
A quarter of the harvest at Mouton-Rothschild went into the second wine in the sensational 2010 vintage. Ripe black fruits and fragrant cedary finesse: "almost like Bordeaux doing an impression of Burgundy" for critic Neal Martin

Les Forts de Latour, Pauillac

04933
1996.....£726
The stern tannins of youth have now softened to leave a graceful, poised, elegant and beguiling Forts, "the finest example of this wine since the 1982" for critic Robert Parker

04578
1990.....£919
Containing over half of the Latour crop of the magnificent 1990 vintage, this very fine Forts remains luscious, sweet and gratifying

04639
1982 Ch Grand-Puy-Lacoste, Pauillac.....£790
This beefy, broad, cedary Pauillac is widely considered the best Grand-Puy-Lacoste ever made

Ch Palmer, Margaux

04621
2009.....£808
One of the "all-time great Palmers...phenomenally concentrated, viscous, opulent wine with plenty of sweet tannin" for Robert Parker, writing in 2011 (97/100)

04573
1961.....£9,475
One of the twentieth century's landmark clarets: "an indescribably lovely bouquet and flavour. Perfection" according to taster Michael Broadbent. "Bordeaux as Burgundy" for critic Jancis Robinson MW: "Heavenly, ethereal, moving and profound," for critic Neal Martin

Ch Léoville Las-Cases, St Julien

04185
1985.....£839
A brilliant vintage at Las Cases, creating "one of the high points for the entirety of Bordeaux in this decade" (Neal Martin) and a wine "of First Growth quality" (Robert Parker)

04134
1966.....£753
Recent Cellar Tracker notes indicate that the admired '66 Las Cases is in a sweet spot, and showing more convincingly than any vintage of the 1970s

04146
2000 Ch L'Église-Clinet, Pomerol.....£864
Perhaps the most complex Pomerol produced in 2000, with notes of black fruits, spice and truffle: a "stunning wine with extraordinary concentration" (Robert Parker)

04738
1990 Ch Pichon-Baron, Pauillac.....£879
The much-loved and much-collected Pichon-Baron 1990 continues to enthral with its warm aromatic classicism and "opulent and flamboyant" flavours (Robert Parker), considered "better than many 1990 First Growths" (Neal Martin)

04330
1959 Ch Rauzan-Gassies, Margaux.....£995
Considered the last great Rauzan-Gassies prior to 2009: mature in flavour, but still dense and lively in style

Ch Mouton-Rothschild, Pauillac

04927
2002.....£1,283

Fresh, elegant and perfectly balanced now, the `02 Mouton has notes of blackberry and cedar – and a beautiful black-and-white label design by Ilya Kabakov

04031
1982.....£2,590

Still on peak form, the Mouton `82 “remains one of the legends of Bordeaux” for Robert Parker: “still amazingly youthful, vibrant and pure” when tasted in 2009

Ch Latour, Pauillac

04944
2001.....£1,362

“A huge, structured wine” with “notable depth to match its vertical, towering structure and pure power” noted critic Antonio Galloni, tasting in July 2016

04642
2000.....£2,272

“Perhaps the pinnacle of the millennial vintage” for critic Neal Martin: “extremely complex... a majestic Latour”

04065
1983.....£1,283

Now fully mature, this expressive Latour has “amazing persistence with an impressively fresh finish” for Jancis Robinson MW. “Very concentrated and sweet”

04253
1928 Ch Carbonnieux, Graves de Léognan.....£1,534

A legendarily good vintage for Carbonnieux, brilliantly captured by the Nicolas bottlings, with Cellartracker tasters recently (in 2017 and 2018) rating this wine in the mid to high 90s: “just beautiful”

04109
1961 Ch Pavie, St Emilion.....£1,553

Ample truffley charm and a savoury finish from this magnificently sited property on the St Emilion Côte. Recent tasters report bottles remain “youthful and fresh”

04483
1996 Ch Margaux, Margaux.....£1,769

The wine of the vintage in 1996: “quintessential Ch Margaux, as well as the paradigm for this estate... measured power, extraordinary elegance, and admirable complexity” (Robert Parker)

04391
2000 Ch Haut-Brion, Pessac-Léognan.....£1,964

“One of the three or four most prodigious wines of the vintage” for Robert Parker: “a deep, layered, sumptuously textured, full-bodied Haut Brion, but one with extraordinary complexity” (99+/100)

04057
1985 Ch Lafleur, Pomerol.....£2,156

From the first year in which Jacques Guinaudeau took over winemaking from the Robin sisters, the 1985 Lafleur is soft, tender, yielding and giving, at its succulent apogee now

04734
1989 Le Pin, Pomerol.....£5,282

Smooth, voluptuous and decadent, from a glowingly warm vintage: “a remarkable wine, and certainly one of the great vintages for Le Pin” for critic Robert Parker

Loire Valley

04454
2019 Saumur-Champigny, Domaine des Nerleux.....£57

Dark, pure-scented, medal-winning Cabernet Franc from fine clay-limestone vineyards

04177
2015 Chinon, Silènes, Charles Joguet.....£58

Fresh, light and lively, from sandy, alluvial soils, and now at peak maturity

04227
2017 Chinon, Les Messanges, Domaine de Pallus.....£65

Smooth, light and vibrant red, packed with cranberry and cherry fruit, from one of the Loire’s Cabernet Franc hotspots

04892
2017 St Nicolas de Bourgueil, Les Rouillières, Frédéric Mabileau.....£69

Biodynamically grown on sandy gravels, this pure Cabernet Franc is both tender yet lively and fresh

04823
2017 Menetou-Salon, Jean Teiller.....£72

Ripe, mouthfilling and concentrated Pinot Noir from four separate plots, made with almost no oak to maximise the purity and freshness of this bright, bracing red

04593
2016 Vin de France, Le Clos Rousseau, Mélaric.....£85

There are only 600 bottles for the world of this whole-bunch fermented Grolleau red aged in old oak: black fruits and spices, but a sappy freshness, too

04726
2007 Bourgueil, Busardières, Domaine de la Chevalerie.....£90

This is the spiciest of the Caslot family’s cuvées, now medium-bodied and with softening acidity after a decade’s maturation

04503
2016 St Nicolas de Bourgueil, Le Clos, Aurélien Revillot.....£94

Top-quality Cabernet Franc from a great site, vinified by ex-DRC and Domaine Drouhin worker Revillot: dark, fresh, vivacious

04431
2017 Reuilly, Pinot Noir, Odysée, Les Poète, Guillaume Sorbe.....£99

Red fruits and supple tannins: light Pinot of great breed and finesse

04013
2017 Sancerre, Les Filles, JP et S Agisson.....£100

Perfumed yet crunchy, pure-fruited yet savoury too, Jean Philippe Agisson’s red Sancerre from the village of Sury-en-Vaux (though produced in tiny quantities) sets new standards for the region

04239
2016 Sancerre, Le Cul de Beaujeu, Delaporte.....£123

Light, elegant, sustained Pinot Noir from the hillside which once produced the mass wine for Bourges cathedral

04423
2014 Bourgueil, Grand Mont, Aurélien Revillot.....£131

This is the first Bourgueil site Revillot acquired, planted with 30- to 50-year-old vines, and praised (by the Revue du Vin de France) for its “burgundian balance”

04068
2013 Saumur-Champigny, Les Mémoires, Domaine des Roches Neuves.....£163

Violet perfumes and dark, racy flavours: shockingly good red

04970
2010 Loire Chinon, Clos du Chêne Vert, Charles Joguet.....£170

The 35-year-old vines of this tiny, steeply sloping 2-ha Clos make for a concentrated, long-lived Chinon, pungent and cool in style

04950
2010 Chinon, Clos de la Dioterie, Charles Joguet.....£184

The 80-year-old vines of this Clos make it Joguet's top site ("certainly of Grand Cru quality" according to author Kermit Lynch): firm, pure, sinewy and authoritative Loire Cabernet Franc

04600
2011 Sancerre, En Grands Champs, Alphonse Mellot.....£189

Characteristically light but intense red Sancerre: redcurrant and cherry fruit, with a smoky, savoury edge

04614
1989 Bourgueil, Les Perrières, Catherine et Pierre Breton.....£201

A rare, fine-value chance to try mature, 30-year-old Bourgueil from a great vintage: brick-red, with the raspberries and cherries now mingling with undergrowth, pepper and tobacco

04910
2011 Saumur-Champigny, Les Poyeux, Clos Rougeard.....£336

From 50-year-old vines grown on sandy soils, Les Poyeux is the most perfumed and elegant of the brilliant Foucault brothers' wines

Franche-Comté, Jura and Savoie

04818
2013 Franche-Comté, Pinot Noir, Collection Réserve à Mon Père, Vignoble Guillaume.....£119

Brilliant Pinot from Jura's most distinguished nurserymen

04342
2016 Arbois-Pupillin, Ploussard, Overnoy-Crinquand, Jura.....£148

Uniquely pale 'coral' red wine based on the rare Ploussard variety, never happier than here on the stony clays of Pupillin

Northern Rhône Valley

04216
2019 Vin de France, Syrah, Ritou, Vallet.....£55

Deeply coloured, top-value Syrah grown on sandy valley-floor vineyards just outside the St Joseph border: succulent and vivacious, with a fleshier charm than most St Joseph itself

04587
2017 Côtes du Rhône, Jamet.....£96

Brilliant Côtes du Rhône from a series of vineyards sited close to Côte Rôtie: perfumed, floral, soft-textured and appetising

04429
2016 Vin de France, Vin des Amis, Clape.....£105

From a low-lying single hectare of Syrah, given six months in concrete and six in large wood: tasty, pure and pungent, a great introduction to the whole-bunch Clape style

04328
2017 Crozes-Hermitage, Domaine des Lises.....£121

Great-value Crozes, bursting with blackcurrant and cherry fruits and that distinctive smoky note so typical of Northern Rhône Syrah

04001
2014 Cornas, La Geynale, Vincent Paris£155

From one of the finest vineyards on the hill of Cornas, sold by Robert Michel to his nephew Vincent Paris in 2007; La Geynale includes a high percentage of Syrah planted in 1910. The 2014 was made with 85% whole bunch fruit: fresh in style, with notes of blueberries and tar

04326
2015 Crozes-Hermitage, La Guiraude, Alain Graillet.....£162

Dark, peppery and intense: a wild, unbridled glassful of cool-climate Syrah from a great Rhône vintage

04208
2014 Hermitage, Maison Lombard.....£164

Fine value for this micro-négoce Hermitage from dynamic Brézème grower Julien Montagnon: zesty and fresh, yet with the innate complexity of its appellation

04055
2016 Cornas, Sans Soufre Ajouté, Balthazar.....£175

Offers what every natural wine promises but not every natural wine delivers: purity, limpidity and clarity of expression, all the more memorable from this spell-binding Northern Rhône vintage

04133
2006 Cornas, La Geynale, Robert Michel.....£188

This was the last vintage of this wine (whose Syrah was planted in 1910) before Michel passed the vineyard to Vincent Paris: classic, savoury, smoky and vigorous

04202
2010 St Joseph, Vignes de l'Hospice, Guigal.....£205

From some of the steepest granite slopes in the whole appellation: floral and enticing, but with more substance than most of its peers, too

04874
2016 St Joseph, Jean-Louis Chave.....£214
Intense black fruits and enticing spice notes characterise this fine-sewn, racy St Joseph thoroughbred

04078
2016 Hermitage, Dard & Ribo.....£219
A pure-granite Hermitage from two separate sites, made with very low sulphur: a cascade of dramatic, limpid black fruit

Cornas, Clape

04448
2014.....£280
Look out for 'beef blood, cold steel, liquid rock, pepper and saddle leather', according to critic Jeb Dunnuck, who judges this 'the wine of the vintage' in Cornas

04408
1985.....£1,507
Leather, thyme, spice and smoked bacon: Clape's 1985 is at its absolute peak now, with refined tannins and sustained acidity

04119
1983 Côte Rôtie, Côtes Brune et Blonde, E. Guigal.....£290
From a fine Northern Rhône vintage and made with up to 5% of Viognier, the now-mature 1983 was reported as having "Impeccable freshness and subtle, fragrant coffee character" as well as "Splendid silkiness" by critic Richard Hemming MW in 2016. Recent tasters report tobacco and leather notes as well as lingering red fruits

04966
1991 Côte Rôtie, Côte Brune et Blonde, Pierre Gaillard.....£319
From a great Northern Rhône vintage, and now fully mature: graceful yet savoury

04313
2011 Hermitage, Alain Graillot.....£323
An accessible introduction to this great grower's Hermitage: complex and refined

04412
1990 Crozes-Hermitage, Domaine de Thalabert, Paul Jaboulet Aîné.....£344
A rare chance to try one of the greatest Crozes-Hermitage reds from a legendary year at full maturity

Hermitage, E. Guigal

Elegant, refined, savoury and lingering: Hermitage from a classic source teased to perfect maturity

04046
1990.....£398

04426
1988.....£377

04419
1999 Côte Rôtie, René Rostaing.....£398
Now at peak maturity, Rostaing's '99 Côte Rôtie is poised, elegant and penetrating, its youthful fruit mellowed towards resonant, faintly smoky savouriness

04100
1978 Hermitage, M. Chapoutier.....£543
Forty-year-old Hermitage from an enduring name on the hillside, in the greatest Rhône vintage of its decade

Hermitage, J-L Chave

04333
2004.....£598
Complete and complex, from a very fine vintage in the Northern Rhône and given longer oak ageing than usual to enable the tannins and acidity to integrate perfectly

04040
2001.....£727
Vivacious and polished, brimming with detail and allusion: "a beautiful wine that possesses an elegant, perfumed and classical feel" (critic Jeb Dunnuck, tasting in 2014)

04053
1999.....£886
Dense, tannic and concentrated in youth, this wine has matured to a mellow middle age with "a mineral-drenched profile of red and blackcurrants, beef blood, iron and dried flowers" (Jeb Dunnuck)

04072
1985.....£1,086
Restrained, understated and complex, the '85 Chave remains fragrant and velvet-textured. As appealing to burgundy-lovers as it is to Rhône enthusiasts

04104
1987 Côte Rôtie, Côte Brune, Emile Champet.....£616
From an outstanding Northern Rhône vintage and the insiders' choice among Côte Rôtie producers, known for its ultra-pure, almost Burgundian style. This wine dates from the five-year period when Joël Champet was working with his father Emile (5% Viognier)

04536
2005 Hermitage, Ex-Voto, Guigal.....£623
A perfect foil to the parcelaire approach in Hermitage, Guigal's Ex Voto is a complex blend of the hillside's best sites, including Bessards, Greffieux and Hermite: "searing minerality and crushed-rock nuances" for critic Jeb Dunnuck

04108
1961 Hermitage, Nicolas.....£2,204
There is no appellation-and-vintage pairing in the C20 quite like that of 1961 and Hermitage, thanks to the stupendous La Chapelle bottling from Jaboulet. This was sourced from a different blend of lieux-dits, but the Nicolas fine-wine bottlings of the 1960s enjoy an enviable reputation and great examples of this legendary Northern Rhône vintage are still in fine fettle ...

04681
1990 Cornas, Noël Verset.....£2,467
Verset was the great artisan-pioneer of Cornas, dying (aged 95) in 2015; his vines have now been dispersed to other growers such as Thierry Allemand, Auguste Clape and Franck Balthazar, and his wines are collectors' items. The "ample, plush" 1990 was regarded as having 10 years ahead of it when tasted in 2013 by critic Josh Reynolds

Southern Rhône Valley

04131
2017 Vin de France, L'Oustalet, Perrin Family.....£42

This organic red wine produced by the Perrin family of Beaucastel fame is blended from many different Rhône crus – with simple, gratifying warmth and soft pleasure in mind

04279
2018 Côtes du Rhône, Cuvée de la Pierre Planté, Domaine des Treilles.....£62

Classically fragrant, enticing, softly spicy Rhône red from a zone where Syrah sings as beautifully as Grenache

04356
2004 Gigondas, Prestige des Hautes Garrigues, Santa Duc.....£127

This outstanding blend of 80% Grenache with 20% Mourvèdre sees no destemming; after a cellar decade, the wines retain their firm structure and scented richness, but are settled and harmonious too

04445
2017 Côtes du Rhône, Ceps Centenaires La Mémé, Gramenon.....£137

Made from two small parcels of 100-year-old vines (mostly Grenache), vinified with stems and almost no sulphur: bright, crunchy, vivacious, refreshing

04493
2016 Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Signature, Domaine La Barroche.....£146

Luscious, exuberant and hugely likeable wine from the skilled Julien Barrot in a great year

04763
2007 Vin de Pays de Vaucluse, Abelard, Chêne Bleu.....£161

Outstanding red Vaucluse Grenache-Syrah blend: spicy and savoury

04005
2009 Vacqueyras, Ch des Tours£169

A rare chance to try the Reyaud Vacqueyras at full maturity: honey, herbs and stone mingle in this open-pored, soft-textured but deeply gratifying red

04197
2010 Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Charvin.....£170

Elegant, pure and sensual: whole-bunch Châteauneuf from the fresher northwestern section of the appellation

04196
2008 Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Clos des Papes.....£180

Not just a beautiful label: one of the greatest of all Châteauneuf estates, and one of the most seamless and complex of all Châteauneuf blends

04964
2012 Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Vieilles Vignes, Domaine de la Janasse.....£181

Made from 85% Grenache, 10% Mourvedre and the rest Syrah: "a full-bodied, beautifully concentrated, rich and layered Châteauneuf that doesn't put a foot wrong" for critic Jeb Dunnuck

04487
2017 Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Cuvée Raisins Bleus, Féraud.....£222

Grown on protected, sandy soils alone, and made from the fruit of the oldest Grenache vines (whole-bunch fermented) separated from the neighbouring Rayas vineyards by no more than a line of trees, this limpidly expressive special cuvée is deep, silky, velvety and rich

04376
2016 Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Fiancée, Domaine la Barroche.....£236

This 50/50 blend of Syrah with 100-year-old, whole-bunch-fermented Grenache is only produced in exceptional vintages: velvety, creamy and plush, red-wine generosity incarnate

04080
2016 Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Pure, Domaine la Barroche.....£265

All the soft texture, ease and grace of Châteauneuf grown on sandy soils, combined with the extraordinary power of old-vine fruits: beguiling and warming in equal measure

04234
2012 Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Le Grand Pin, Chapelle St-Théodoric.....£277

Pure Grenache grown on sand, close to Rayas: elegant raspberry and cherry fruits with fine-grained tannins mark this supremely drinkable Châteauneuf

04555
2003 Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Vieilles Vignes, Domaine de la Janasse.....£371

From a very warm vintage, and "about as good as it gets" when tasted by critic Jeb Dunnuck in 2014: "gorgeous Grenache fruit"

04122
2007 Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Pignan, Ch Rayas.....£528

From a single site though also including some declassified Rayas, the '07 Pignan has "an ethereal lightness and elegance for a wine of such intense fruit" (Robert Parker)

04120
1989 Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Ch de Beaucastel.....£653

Now mature, and from a magnificent vintage assessed by critic Robert Parker (97 points) as having at least a three-decade lifespan. Recent tasters eulogise the wine's elegance, complexity and vigour

04121
2007 Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Ch Rayas.....£1,034

Considered (by critic Robert Parker, tasting in 2012) to be the finest Rayas produced since the 1995 vintage, this is a "full-bodied, powerful Rayas with sweet tannin, adequate acidity, and an ethereal richness and unctuousity that delicately offers a sensual texture ... spectacular"

04163
2007 Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Hommage à Jacques Perrin, Ch de Beaucastel.....£1,258

A blend of 60% Mourvèdre with Syrah, Cunoise and Grenache, this is "insanely perfumed, with to-die-for notes of lavender, Provençal herbs, roasted meat, black cherries, truffle, crème de cassis and liquorice" according to critic Jeb Dunnuck, who gives it a perfect score

South West France

- 04280
2019 Périgord, La Combe de Grinou, Ch Grinou.....£41
Organically grown Merlot and Cabernet from the rolling Périgord hills: ample juicy flesh, but innate French class, too
- 04417
2017 Bergerac, Ch Barouillet.....£48
Zero-sulphur cuvée of the two Cabernets plus Merlot and Malbec: vivid, fresh, mouth-watering red wine
- 04029
2016 Bergerac, Boucicaut, Ch Tirecul la Gravière.....£55
Franc grown on very pure limestones: smooth, charming fruits in expressive and graceful style
- 04029
2017 Bergerac, Bise, Ch Tirecul la Gravière.....£55
Sumptuous, close-textured blend of Merlot with a little Cabernet Franc, made by the skilled Bruno Bilancini with zero sulphur additions
- 04461
2016 Vin de France, CroiZADe, Vignereuse.....£57
'Natural' blend of Syrah and Duras grown by former film-maker Marine Leys in the limey clays of Gaillac: fresh and zesty
- 04097
2012 Brulhois, Ch Labastide-Orliac.....£64
This blend of Merlot, Cabernet Franc and Tannat is light, fresh, tasty and gastronomic
- 04545
2014 Cahors, Un Jour sur Terre, Clos d'un Jour£91
Outstanding, low-yielding Cahors aged in small earthenware jars to intensify the wine's perfumed purity and floral enchantment
- 04089
2015 Pécharmant, Cuvée Louise, Ch Barouillet.....£157
Very low yields (15 hl/ha) and barrel fermentation: no expense spared for this dark, vivacious blend of Merlot, Cabernet Franc and Cabernet Sauvignon
- 04098
2008 Brulhois, Royal Heritage 1780, Ch Labastide-Orliac.....£195
Merlot, Tannat, the two Cabernets and Abouriou grown on clay, this is "one of the great terroir products of which France has the secret", says French critic Michel Bettane, suggesting it should be considered "a little brother" to Lafleur, Rayas and Clos Rougeard

Languedoc and Roussillon

- 04703
2018 Pays d'Oc, Les Colombades, Merlet.....£35
Syrah blended with Merlot and Grenache, from well-sited vineyards close to the Côtes de Thongue: outstanding Vins de Pays from France's sunny south
- 04323
2018 Languedoc, Marius, Chapoutier.....£38
A gratifying blend of Grenache and Syrah: tender, plump and well-rounded, with a little spice for extra complexity
- 04908
2016 Côtes de Thongue, Merlot, Les Fleurs de Mont Blanc.....£49
Friendly, softly fruity Merlot from some of the finest IGP vineyards in the South of France
- 04088
2004 Coteaux du Languedoc, Les Pensées, Mas de l'écriture.....£82
From a leading Terrasses du Larzac estate, this mature blend of Grenache and Syrah with a little Cinsault and Carignan is now soft and tender, with ample charm
- 04525
2015 Corbières, Les Dimanches, Clos de l'Anhel.....£89
Carignan is never better than in Corbières. This is a combination of 80-year-old Carignan with 30% Syrah and 10% Grenache: dark, scented, lavishly allusive

04128
2013 Vin de Pays des Côtes Catalanes, Le Soula.....£111
Light, balanced, high-altitude blend of Carignan with Syrah and Grenache: Roussillon with grain and finesse

04667
2002 Coteaux du Languedoc, Syrah Léone, Peyre Rose.....£229
A rare aged example of Marlène Soria's monumental Syrah

04597
2002 Coteaux du Languedoc, Clos des Cistes, Peyre-Rose.....£234
Syrah-rich and invariably grandiose, given long ageing before release, this 17-year-old was "decadent, yet concentrated and classic" when tasted by critic Jeb Dunnuck in 2015

Vin de Pays de l'Hérault, La Grange des Pères

This Syrah/Mourvèdre blend with a little Cabernet and Counoise is one of a trilogy of cult wines grown in the Hérault village of Aniane: surprisingly subtle and refined, mirroring the complexity of the blend

04914
2016.....£312

04512
2001.....£560

04152
2001 Côtes du Roussillon-Villages, Muntada, Gauby.....£358
Lusciously generous in flavour, yet now tender in texture, from a great site near Calce

Provence and Corsica

04706
2010 Var, Cabernet Sauvignon, Dyson.....£98
Aged Cabernet from British inventor Sir James Dyson's Domaine des Rabelles; a firm, spicy midweight

04345
2016 Bandol, Cuvée Classique, Tempier.....£122
A young 'classique', still richly textured, with hints of tar and menthol as well as meat and herbs

04272
2007 Côtes de Provence, Porquerolles, Domaine de la Courtade.....£125
An island-grown blend of 97% Mourvèdre and 3% Syrah: richly constituted yet sweetly beguiling, too

04189
2011 Bandol, Cuvée La Migoua, Tempier.....£157
High-sited, and with a quarter of the blend coming from Cinsault and Grenache to balance the 50% Mourvèdre, this is Bandol at its most supple and graceful, yet the distinctive savoury notes are still there

04188
2011 Bandol, Cuvée La Tourtine, Tempier.....£157
La Tourtine is around 80% Mourvèdre with the balance from Grenache and Cinsault: luscious, herbal and savoury, and regarded by critic Jeb Dunnuck as "possibly the wine of the vintage" in 2011

Bandol, Cuvée Cabassaou, Tempier

Cabassaou is almost pure Mourvèdre (less than 5% Syrah), and comes from a sheltered, south-facing site beneath La Tourtine: dense, powerful and long, with an unrivalled ability to age

04187
2011.....£205

04002
2001.....£406

04149
1995.....£318

ITALY

Piedmont

04144
2018 Barbera, Titouan, Castello di Tassarolo.....£72
A zero-sulphur, biodynamically grown Barbera, packed with dark berry fruits

04077
2016 Barbaresco, Roccalini, Cascina Roccalini.....£120
From organically cultivated vines and propitiously sited vineyards close to the river: brilliant value Barbaresco

04252
2012 Barolo, Dacapo.....£124
Spicy, structured and authoritative, this well-balanced Barolo offers a fine introduction to what many believe is Italy's greatest red-wine region

04200
2012 Barolo, Gramolere, Fratelli Alessandria.....£177
Nuance, refinement and complexity: a perfect example of fine-fingered Alessandria craftsmanship

04162
2008 Barolo, Brunate, Marcarini.....£193
From what is widely considered the finest vineyard in La Morra, Marcarini's 2008 is "gorgeous ... The mystery and allure of Brunate is on full display ... translucent, weightless and yet powerful at the same time" (Antonio Galloni)

04159
2010 Langhe, Barbera, Larigi, Altare£276
One of the very finest of all Barbera wines, Altare's Larigi "elevates Barbera to an entirely new level ... more than a passing resemblance to the Burgundies that are so adored at this small, family-run domain" writes critic Antonio Galloni

04169
2008 Barolo, Ginestra, Casa Matè, Elio Grasso£319
From one of Grasso's three steep, south-facing vineyards in Monforte, this is a "dramatically large-scaled Barolo" which "impresses for its towering depth, complexity and sheer pedigree" (Antonio Galloni)

Barolo, Le Vigne, Luciano Sandrone

04156
2013.....£422
This impressive vintage in Piedmont has produced an "outrageously beautiful" wine ... "one of the clear wines of the vintage" (Antonio Galloni)

04137
2010.....£742
Le Vigne is not from a single site but a selection of vineyards: "stunning depth and richness ... one of the wines of the vintage, hands down," for critic Antonio Galloni, who gives it a perfect score

04154
2011 Barolo, Ravera, Vietti.....£454
In this underrated vintage, Vietti has produced a wine characterised by "a very classic sense of mineral-inflected drive that is such a Ravera signature ... vibrant and nuanced" (Antonio Galloni)

04877
2009 Barolo, Cascina Francia, Giacomo Conterno.....£555
Magnificent Barolo from the masterly Roberto Contino, from a year in which no Monfortino was produced (raising the level of the Cascina Francia still further)

04147
2014 Barolo, Monvigliero, Burlotto.....£568
Pure whole-bunch Nebbiolo from Verduno, the village midway (both geographically and in style) between Barolo and Barbaresco, Burlotto's 2014 Monvigliero is "refined and gracious," with "precision, clarity and silkiness" (Antonio Galloni)

04158
2004 Barolo, Cerequio, Roberto Voerzio.....£623
From a magnificent, south-facing vineyard at 300m in the village of La Morra, this tiny-production Barolo (just 300 cases per year) "flows from the glass with a beautiful, pure expression of roses, flowers, sweet spices and ripe red fruit" (Antonio Galloni)

04064
2010 Barolo, Bartolo Mascarello.....£1,296
Always a blend rather than a single vineyard wine, the "2010 Barolo is one of the most striking, hauntingly beautiful wines I have ever tasted here," says Antonio Galloni, giving it 99 points in 2014; "inner perfume, sweetness and exceptional overall balance"

04173
2004 Barbaresco, Riserva, Asili di Barbaresco, Bruno Giacosa£1,666
The Riserva level of Giacosa's renowned Asili ups the levels of concentration, depth and profundity: "simply sublime" for critic Antonio Galloni, and considered to have several decades ahead of it when tasted in 2015

04174
1989 Barolo, Riserva Brunate, Giuseppe Rinaldi£2,435
From a great historical vintage and one of the outstanding traditional cellars of the region, this is now fragrant, gentle and multi-layered

04171
1978 Barolo, Riserva Monfortino, Giacomo Conterno.....£8,712
Given a perfect score by critic Antonio Galloni on no fewer than three occasions, the legendary 1978 was the first vintage selected from Conterno's own vineyards in Cascina Francia. "Huge swathes of tannin wrap around a core of dark, balsamic-inflected fruit in a young, virile Barolo that will drink well for another two to three decades. The 1978 remains a seminal Monfortino. Wow!" (2015 note)

Lombardy

04615
2015 Curtefranca, Pomaro, Castello di Gussago.....£85
This Bordeaux blend (including the old Bordeaux variety Carmenère) is fresh and lively, with an attractive sour note to its dark fruits

Tuscany

04124
2010 Brunello di Montalcino, Filo di Seta, Castello Romitorio.....£180
This 'silk thread' version of Romitorio is made using a selection of the vineyard's finest grapes: pure and perfumed yet voluptuous, too, from a very fine vintage still in early maturity

04221
2011 Merlot di Toscana, La Ricolma, San Giusto a Rentennano.....£254
Fine value from this "supple, radiant" Merlot: "gorgeous wine ... fabulous depth and richness" for critic Antonio Galloni (95 points)

04938
2001 Brunello di Montalcino, Tenuta Nuova, Casanova di Neri.....£402
The warmth and depth of Brunello is immediately evident in this wine, still "inky dark" when tasted by critic Monica Larner in 2018: "brooding dark fruit...deep concentration"

04240
2006 Sangiovese di Toscana, Percarlo, San Giusto a Rentennano.....£577
Insiders fight over the '06 Percarlo: "one of the all-time legendary wines from St Giusto ... an absolutely breathtaking showing ...the greatest Percarlo and easily one of the finest wines of this historic Tuscan harvest" (Antonio Galloni, 99 points)

Case Basse di Gianfranco Soldera

04633
2008 Toscana.....£1,501
Labelled as an IGT Toscana after Soldera quit the Brunello DOCG, this is nonetheless classical: "bold and savoury ... [s]age, rosemary, tobacco, mint and leather notes wrap around a core of dark red stone fruits ... vivid, crystalline wine" (Antonio Galloni)

04003
2006 Brunello di Montalcino, Riserva.....£1,433
"Translucent and beautifully focussed" for critic Antonio Galloni, Soldera's 2006 Riserva "is all about energy and delineation" (96+ points)

04632
2002 Brunello di Montalcino, Riserva.....£1,881
A "simply awesome" wine in its youth, this has now evolved into a "surprisingly delicate, almost Burgundian wine ... [r]efined and utterly weightless in the glass" (Antonio Galloni)

04538
1999 Brunello di Montalcino, Riserva.....£1,831
Considered "[h]uge, backward and massively constituted," when tasted in 2014, this "super-intense, rich Brunello ... hits the palate with an almost intoxicating melange of fruit and structure" (Antonio Galloni)

Veneto

04610
2017 Corvina Veronese, Il Corvina, La Collina dei Ciliegi.....£57
A refreshing introduction to this Valpolicella variety: balanced and lively, with ample cherry fruit

04457
2015 Amarone della Valpolicella Classico, Podere Cariano, Le Bertarole.....£106
Fresh black and red fruits and a teasing sweetness make this carefully crafted Amarone an irresistible bargain

04945
2015 Amarone della Valpolicella Classico Riserva, Sergio Zenato.....£254
This Amarone, made from Oseleta and Croatina as well as Corvina and Rondinella, is exuberant, deep and multi-layered, with textured tannins and ample ripe fruit as well as the essential bitter notes the name suggests

Amarone della Valpolicella Classico, Quintarelli

04212
2000.....£969
Delicate, venerable, complex and deeply allusive, an Amarone for lovers of old burgundy from the legendary Quintarelli

04183
1995.....£1,459
Notes of cherry, tobacco and liquorice dominate this graceful, luminous Amarone

04175
1991.....£1,434
Silky, elegant and voluptuous, now, with seamless black fruits, herbs and notes of pine and mint, too

04176
1990 Amarone della Valpolicella Classico, Romano Dal Forno.....£1,640
A rare 30-year-old from the early years of maestro Romano Dal Forno. This remains rich, expansive and thrilling; texturally the wine is now silky and polished

Southern Italy

04186
2017 Cannonau di Sardegna, Mont'sò, Costadoria, Sardinia.....£39.50
Cherry fruits, but the herb and black-olive flavours betray its wild Sardinian origins

Friuli

04207
2007 Morus Nigra, Vignai da Duline, Colli Orientali del Friuli.....£127
Pure Refosco: dramatic black fruits with clean lines but ample textures, too

SPAIN

04141
2016 Alicante, Al-muvedre, Telmo Rodriguez, Valencia.....£41
Pure, low-yielding Mourvèdre from bush vines in remote Alicante, sought out and vinified by one of Spain's leading winemakers

04300
2017 Rioja, Bozeto, Bodegas Exopto, La Rioja.....£56
Bozeto (derived from the word boceto, meaning 'sketch') is Bordelais Tom Puyabert's entry level Rioja – but unusually the blend contains 50% Garnacha and 10% Graciano, with just 40% Tempranillo: spicy and opulent

04583
2010 Rioja, Crianza, Viña Cubillo, López de Heredia.....£70
Wonderful value for an eleven-year-old wine from one the greatest producers in Spain's finest wine region: perfumed berry fruits and a fleshy yet lively flavour

04401
2016 Bierzo, Encinas, Antoine Graillet and Raúl Pérez, Castilla y Leon.....£95
A Franco-Spanish partnership – and brilliant Mencía-based red made from whole-bunch fruit and aged in concrete and large wood: poised, shapely and fresh

04143
2014 Rioja, Bodegas Exopto, La Rioja.....£100
This is the 'Grand Vin' from talented Bordelais Tom Puyabert's old-vine Rioja Alta vineyards: a showcase for Graciano (60%) complemented by Tempranillo and Garnacha. Medium-bodied but high-focus, packed with spice and forest berries

04852
2017 Ribeira Sacra, El Pecado, Bodegas y Viñedos Raúl Pérez, Galicia.....£179
Scents of red fruits and flowers, then a sleek, multilayered palate packed with backing spice: astonishing wine from the slate terraces of Ribeira Sacra

04241
2008 Penedès, Mas La Plana, Torres, Catalonia.....£180
Magnificent value for this famous yet simultaneously underrated Cabernet from Penedès, certainly one of Catalonia's finest red wines: savoury and mouth-watering

04095
2011 Ribera del Duero, Valbuena 5º, Vega Sicilia, Castilla y Leon.....£345
This distinguished Tempranillo (with a little Merlot) is polished, fine and fresh

04554
1989 Rioja, Gran Reserva, Prado Enea, Muga, La Rioja.....£356
Soft, elegant, mellow and fully open now, with subtle sweetness, spice, vanilla, menthol and tobacco notes

04217
2004 Montsant, Espectacle, René Barbier, Catalonia.....£721
The now legendary 2004 is still in fine fettle: deep, layered and opulent. "Certainly the greatest... Montsant ever produced," says critic Jay Miller

04768
1976 Rioja, Gran Reserva, Viña Bosconia, López de Heredia, La Rioja.....£881
Grown in the El Bosque vineyard, and given eight to 10 years' barrel ageing. An "ethereal beauty," for critic Antonio Galloni (tasting in 2006), "with notes of earthiness, sweet perfumed fruit, cocoa, flowers and an occasional hint of white truffle"

PORTUGAL

04012

2013 Tejo, Private Collection, Quinta do Casal da Coelheira.....£74

Darkly coloured blend of Touriga Nacional with the red-fleshed Alicante Bouschet grown on sandy soils: menthol and damson richness

GERMANY

04090

2010 Spätburgunder R, Bürgstadter Centgrafenberg, Rudolf Fürst, Franconia.....£216

Lifted, floral elegance from this reference Pinot Noir grown on the limestones of Franconia

AUSTRIA

Zweigelt, Kieselstein, Claus Preisinger, Neusiedlersee

04584

2019.....£70

Uncomplicated, juicy and gratifying red wine from the distinctive Zweigelt grape variety

04584

2018.....£62

04058

2014 Blaufränkisch, ErDELuftGRAsundreBEN, Claus Preisinger, Neusiedlersee.....£153

Medium bodied, silk and refreshing, packed with cherry and forest berry fruits

SLOVENIA

04054

2015 Blaufränkisch, Mackovci, Marof, Podravje.....£148

Brilliant Blaufränkisch grown on volcanic soils: currant, plum and spice scents with a dense but elegant flavour and a white-pepper finish

SLOVAKIA

04854

2015 Kékfrankos, Bott Frigyes, Garam Valley.....£83

Elegant Slovakian rendition of the Blaufränkisch grape made with 30% stems: juicy and deep

ENGLAND

04182
2018 Rock Lodge, Plumpton Estate, East Sussex.....£33
A blend of Rondo and Dornfelder from one of the oldest vineyards in the UK: ample quenching charm

04231
2014 Rondo, Somerby Vineyards, Lincolnshire.....£42
A rare chance to try smooth, oak-aged Rondo from Lincolnshire with over four years' bottle age

04365
2016 Lychgate Red, Bolney Estate, West Sussex.....£49
This blend of Rondo and Dornfelder is dark, lively and vivacious, packed with pungent charm

04233
2019 Børge Red, Dedham Vale Vineyard, Essex.....£60
A Rondo/Dornfelder blend packed with fresh red fruits -- and just 10% abv

04222
2018 Cabernet Noir, Sov'ran, West Sussex.....£62
Fermented at Fitz in Worthing using grapes from several growers, this is dark and alluring

04180
2019 Regent, Chiffchaff, Furnace Projects, Herefordshire.....£75
Explosive, exciting red and black fruits from this pure-Regent red, softened in a little oak

Pinot Noir, Diamond Fields, Davenport Vineyards, East Sussex
04069
2019.....£79
Translucent, crunchy, peppery fruits: fresh, pure and persistent

04069
2018.....£79

04069
2018 Red Miller, Balfour, Hush Heath Estate, Kent.....£107
Gold-medal and trophy-winning red (International Wine Challenge) made of pure Pinot Meunier: complex, smoky, elegant

URBAN WINES

04784
2019 Pinot Noir, Nightjar, Blackbook Winery, London.....£81
Pinot grown between two Essex rivers, the Crouch and the Blackwater, with 30% whole-bunch ferment: intense, perfumed cherry and blackcurrant

CROATIA

04680
2014 Ottocento Crni, Clai, Istria.....£102
Refosco blended with Cabernet and Merlot: vivid and lively

HUNGARY

04769
2009 Cabernet Sauvignon, György-Villa, Villány.....£47
Light, fresh and attractive Cabernet from Hungary's finest red-wine region

GREECE

04218
2017 Franc de Pied, La Tour Melas, Macedonia.....£312
Made from ungrafted Agiorgitiko vines over 100 years old, growing in an archeological site (so impossible to replant): pale, perfumed, elegant and intense, with dramatic old-vine intensity

ROMANIA

04649
2013 Cadarca, Păpăruța, Cramele-Recas.....£38
Plenty of dark cherry and plum excitement in this blend of native Romanian Cadarca with a little Alicante Bouschet

04758
2015 Selene, Feteasca Neagra, Cramele-Recas.....£85
Juicy, sweet-fruited red based on one of Romania's finest grape varieties, Feteasca Neagra

LEBANON

04504
2018 Dom des Tourelles, Cinsault Vieilles Vignes, Bekaa Valley.....£68
Cinsault acquires unusual grandeur in the Bekaa: structured and meaty yet balanced and round, too

Ch Musar, Bekaa Valley

04226
1998.....£135
This celebrated Lebanese red wine ages improbably well, and the 1998 is just getting into its stride. It's "lovely wine ... One of my favourite wines in this collection", says critic Jancis Robinson MW

04110
1975.....£791
"Lots of naughty pleasure," for critic Jancis Robinson MW, tasting in 2018

04814
1966.....£1,619
Considered by the Hochar family of Musar as a Pomerol-styled vintage, this is translucent, silky and elegant, with poised tannins and mature red fruits

04807
1961.....£2,153
Sourced directly from the château, this legendary vintage is "Gloriously mature but not at all old ... like a wine from a bygone age" according to critic Jancis Robinson MW, tasting in 2018

ALGERIA

04969
2002 St Augustin, Bernard Magrez, Monts du Tessala.....£62
Mature red from the west of Algeria, based on a blend of Grenache Noir, Carignan and Syrah with the dark, alluring Alicante, and blended with the involvement of wine-loving film star Gérard Depardieu

MOROCCO

04265
2017 Syrah du Maroc, Tandem, Thalvin-Alain Graillot.....£67
Northern Rhône star Alain Graillot met the owners of this domain on a cycling holiday – hence the name and the label for their subsequent joint venture. Great value for its warmth and sweetly generous fruit

04051
2005 Kahina, Prestige, Bernard Magrez, Guerrouane.....£71
From one of the best sites in Meknès, this blend of 60% Syrah with smaller quantities of Grenache and Tempranillo is warm, full and expressive, with the ease of age

AUSTRALIA

04801
2005 Shiraz, Seven Acres, Greenock Creek, Barossa Valley.....£252
Opulent and grandiose Barossa Shiraz from dry-grown, old-vine fruit

04278
1999 Shiraz, Reserve, Noon, Langhorne Creek.....£405
Although Drew Noon's artisanal winery is in McLaren Vale, the fruit for his thunderous Reserve Shiraz comes from some of the best-tended old vines in Langhorne Creek: packed with tarry power, yet balanced too

04023
2003 Shiraz, Amon-Ra, Glaetzer, Barossa Valley.....£443
Classic Barossa generosity, to which time has brought some tobacco and cigar-box refinement

04030
2001 Shiraz, Astralis, Clarendon Hills, McLaren Vale.....£625
This "sensationally concentrated" Shiraz is nonetheless "extraordinarily well-delineated" for Robert Parker, who gives it 99 points

04019
1964 Grange Hermitage, Penfolds, South Australia.....£1,915
A rare chance to taste Australia's greatest, most finely crafted red wine at full maturity: fragrant, glowing, ethereal, a masterpiece of grace and finesse

NEW ZEALAND

04281
2020 Pinot Noir, Eradus, Marlborough.....£69
Smooth, fresh, convincing Pinot from the beautiful, pristine Awatere valley – at a great price

04838
2011 Pinot Noir, Block 5, Felton Road, Central Otago.....£217
The 2014 vintage Pinot combines cherry, pomegranate and raspberry fruits with a satisfying savoury earthiness

Pinot Noir, Bell Hill, Canterbury
04625
2014.....£276
Clean, pure and engaging Pinot Noir from one of the NZ masters, Marcel Giesen: finely balanced, with faintly salty edges, delicate tannins and fresh acidity

04781
2011.....£245
With tiny vineyards, limestone soils and a refined, Old World winemaking style, Marcel Giesen is crafting the Pinots by which others in New Zealand now want to be measured

USA

The Whole Shebang, Bedrock Wine, North Coast, California
This multi-vintage, Zinfandel-based blend from declassified Sonoma fruit has cascading berry fruits, beguiling spices and firm tannins: great value

04321
Thirteenth Cuvée.....£59
04321
Twelfth Cuvée.....£59

04931
2012 L'Idiot du Village, Gramercy, Walla Walla Valley, Washington.....£120
A sage blend of 82% Mourvèdre and 18% Syrah: leather, pepper, meat and spicy fruits

04989
2014 Pinot Noir, Cerise Vineyard, Knez Winery, Anderson Valley, California.....£130
Vivid texture and balance, with spiced pomegranate flavours

04808
2013 Pinot Noir, Three Blocks Spring Ridge Vineyard, Varner Wines, Santa Cruz Mountains, California.....£159
"Silky, creamy tannins wrapped around a core of dark red cherry and plum fruit" says critic Antonio Galloni, who gives this wine 95 points

04248
2016 Pagani Ranch Heirloom-Heritage, Bedrock Wine Co, Sonoma Valley, California.....£168
Zinfandel-based, but with a mass of other old-vine varieties in the blend (including Petite Syrah, Alicante Bouschet and Mourvèdre), all planted in the 1880s, this is unctuous and potent, with imposing tannins

04943
2017 Pinot Noir, Elliott Vineyard, Ceritas, Sonoma Coast, California.....£219
This mid-weight, coast-grown Pinot is "all class [with] a beguiling upper register, but it is the wine's sense of completeness which leaves the most lasting impression. What a wine!" (Antonio Galloni, 96+)

04508
2013 Syrah, John Lewis, Gramercy, Columbia Valley, Washington.....£236
Whole-bunch Syrah: intense raspberry and black olive flavours

04645
1999 Viader, Napa Valley, California.....£244
Pristine, elegant, beautifully aged Napa blend of 61% Cabernet Sauvignon with the balance from Cabernet Franc: plum, chocolate, tar and smoke flavours, expressed with great harmony and poise

04229
2014 Syrah, Jack Robert's Run, DuMOL, Russian River Valley, California.....£248
Opulent and gratifying Syrah, packed with blackberry, incense and game aromas and flavours

04076
2002 Zinfandel, Haynes Vineyard, Turley, Napa Valley, California.....£258
"Sweet and liqueur-like," wrote critic Stephen Tanzer about this wine, likening it to a Priorat from Spain. Tannic and deep, with notes of mocha and menthol

04283
2012 Relentless, Shafer, Napa Valley, California.....£269
A blend of Syrah with 11% Petite Sirah (Durif), this is an exuberant and expressive Rhône-style blend from Napa: spice, cloves and leather

04228
2012 Pinot Noir, Estate Vineyard, DuMOL, Russian River Valley, California.....£276
A 97-point Pinot for Robert Parker, this has a "fragrant perfume of black and blue fruits" and a "broodingly rich, intense, full-bodied" flavour

04075
1999 Petite Syrah, Haynes Vineyard, Turley, Napa Valley, California.....£344
Stand by for what Robert Parker considered "one of the most concentrated wines I have ever tasted" on this wine's release, describing it as "a 50-year wine". Blackberry, blackcurrant, spices, minerals, earth: it's all here

04307
2013 Cabernet Sauvignon, Ulysses Vineyard, Napa Valley, California.....£428
Purchased by Christian Moueix of Dominus and La Fleur-Pétrus in 2008, this fine Oakville site once formed part of the Charles Hopper Ranch. This textured, long-flavoured wine mingles blue fruit and savoury notes. A "super-classic 2013 built for the cellar" (Antonio Galloni)

Cabernet Sauvignon Reserve, Robert Mondavi Winery, Napa Valley, California
04640
1991.....£598
Containing 70% fruit from the To Kalon vineyard, this is a "Sweet, pliant Cabernet with lovely vinosity and cut," for critic Stephen Tanzer, who also notes "serious but suave tongue-dusting tannins ... [a] very classy bottle"

04952
1988.....£442
Considered "Mondavi perfection" for a CellarTracker taster in September 2019: "still juicy and floral after 30+ years." The great Mondavi tradition lives on

04385
1985 Cabernet Sauvignon, Sycamore Vineyard, Freemark Abbey, Napa Valley, California.....£521
Astonishing depth and intensity remains in this complete and complex Napa classic, still packed with blackberry and black cherry fruits

04526
1994 Cabernet Sauvignon, Madrona Ranch, Abreu, Napa Valley, California.....£710
Black fruits, incense and coffee characters are the hallmark of this "dark, exotic beauty" (Antonio Galloni)

04809
2010 Pinot Noir, Marcassin Vineyard, Marcassin, Sonoma Coast, California.....£737
Beautifully labelled and finely crafted Pinot from Helen Turley, one of California's greatest winemakers: poised yet expansive black and red fruits

Cabernet Sauvignon, Eisele Vineyard, Eisele Vineyard Estate, Napa Valley, California
04963
2015.....£1,166
A great Napa classic, now in the same ownership as Ch Latour. This "complex, multilayered" Napa red has a perfect score from The Wine Advocate. "One of the greatest terroirs of the Napa valley," writes critic Robert Parker: "world-class wine of first-growth quality"

04368
1996.....£742
(Under the ownership of Bart and Daphne Araujo, the Estate was called "Araujo Estate Wines" at the time) Even 23 years later the tannins are still palpable, lending the black fruits, leather and chocolate flavours great depth and structure: "marries New World fruit and pedigree with an Old World restraint and sensibility," wrote a CellarTracker taster in 2019

04021
1995.....£946
(Under the ownership of Bart and Daphne Araujo, the Estate was called "Araujo Estate Wines" at the time) "Wonderfully silky and concentrated, displaying outstanding spicy lift" according to critic Stephen Tanzer, tasting in June 2016

04007
2015 Opus One, Napa Valley, California.....£1,003
This blend of 81% Cabernet Sauvignon with seasonings of Cabernet Franc, Merlot, Petit Verdot and Malbec is "Dark, sumptuous and voluptuous" for critic Antonio Galloni (96+ points)

04553
1978 Cabernet Sauvignon, Eisele Vineyard, Joseph Phelps, Napa Valley, California.....£2,156
Considered almost as great as the legendary 1975: a symphony of sweet fruits, mint and eucalyptus, and still with ample supporting tannins. Triumphant proof of Napa's ability to age

CANADA

04988
2015 Cabernet Franc, Stratus, Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario.....£114
Cabernet Franc in Ontario is one of the most exciting prospects in today's wine world: taste the class

ARGENTINA

Malbec, Gran Reserva, Fabre Montmayou, Mendoza
04605
2016.....£77
04605
2015.....£77
This old-vine Malbec is deep, dark and rich

04047
2012 Merlot, Gran Reserva, Fabre Montmayou, Patagonia.....£95
The Mendoza master at work with Merlot in cooler Patagonia: vibrant dark fruits and silky tannins

04925
2013 Grand Vin, Fabre Montmayou, Mendoza.....£171
The finest wine of all in this great range: explosive depth of old-vine Malbec fruit, polished with a little Cabernet and Merlot

URUGUAY

04800
2016 Tannat, De Lucca, Canelones.....£49
Concentrated and dense red, but much softer than French examples of this grape variety from Madiran

04798
2018 Marselan, Bodegas del Sur, Canelones.....£50
A fine South American example of this Cabernet-Grenache cross: soft and packed with berry fruits

04061
2015 Tannat, Ripasso, Angel's Cuvée, Viñedo de los Vientos, Canelones.....£100
Ripe and rich yet refined, with gamey complexities: Uruguayan Tannat given an ancient Veneto technique

SOUTH AFRICA

04340
2014 Soldaat, Sadie Family, Swartland.....£173
This Grenache from Eben Sadie's Ouwingerdreeks series perfectly illustrates how this variety can be 'the Pinot of warm climates': pure, elegant and fine-grained

04548
2011 Syrah, Schist, Mullineux & Leeu Family Wines, Swartland.....£246
The 'Schist' is the most powerful of the acclaimed Mullineux single-soil Syrahs: peppery and ample

04546
2011 Syrah, Granite, Mullineux & Leeu Family Wines, Swartland.....£252
The 'Granite' is the most Rhône-like of the acclaimed Mullineux single-soil Syrahs: perfumed and vibrant

DESSERT WINES

Monbazillac, Les Pins, Ch Tirecul la Gravière, South West France

05161
2018.....50cl £52

Bruno Bilancini's lightest, most accessible Monbazillac combines autumnal honeyed tones with a deliciously apple freshness: "brilliant value" for critic Jancis Robinson MW

05161
2017.....50cl £52

Coteaux du Layon-St Aubin, Domaine des Barres, Loire Valley, France

Amazing value for this beautifully poised, sweet Loire white

05081
2019.....£66

05081
2018.....£66

05139
2002 Viré-Clessé, Vendange Levroucée, René Michel, Burgundy, France.....£91

Late-harvest Chardonnay has a long Mâconnais tradition and this is a memorable example: lush, full, exotic, with a delicate finishing sweetness

05105
2011 La Chapelle de Lafaurie, Sauternes, Bordeaux, France.....£94

Perfectly situated between Yquem and Rayne-Vigneau, Lafaurie Peyraguey (now owned by Silvio Denz) is heading back to greatness. The second-wine la Chapelle offers wonderful value for Sauternes of this class

05136
2014 Monbazillac, Bois Blanc, Ch Cluzeau, South West France.....£95

An outstanding pure-Sémillon Monbazillac, organically grown and picked berry by berry, and packed with lavish mango and toasted almond flavours: unrivalled value for money

05130
2013 Petit Manseng, Churton, Marlborough, New Zealand.....50cl £100

Petit Manseng works brilliantly well in Marlborough, as this medium-dry, finely balanced version from Churton proves: zingy and pristine

03786
2004 Picolit, Aquila del Torre, Colli Orientali del Friuli, Italy.....50cl £115

Classic Picolit from a fine estate in Friuli: intense fruits and a remarkably clean, poised sweetness

05011
2009 Condrieu, Vin de Paille, les Ayguets, Yves Cuilleron, Northern Rhône Valley, France.....50cl £164

Silky, rich Viognier: exotic and seductive

05124
2018 Passito di Pantelleria, Ben Ryé, Donnafugata, Sicily, Italy.....£230

Lush and rich yet astonishingly complex, this Zibibbo (Muscat of Alexandria) grown on Europe's last southerly outpost, the island of Pantelleria, is "a Sicilian oenological masterpiece" (Monica Larner)

05165
2001 Ch Suduiraut, Sauternes, Bordeaux, France.....£236

From one of the very greatest of all Sauternes estates, this is "a prodigious effort, possibly the finest Suduiraut since 1989" for Robert Parker

Sancerre, Cuvée Paul, François Cotat, Loire Valley, France

The final frontier for Sauvignon Blanc-lovers: a late-harvest Sancerre given long wood ageing. Its honeyed sweetness is lent refreshment by vivid acidity

05094
2007.....£240

05094
2001.....£354

Monbazillac, Cuvée Madame, Ch Tirecul la Gravière, South West France

05137
1998.....£242

The legendary Cuvée Madame from Tirecul is considered by some to be France's ultimate botrytis wine, with berry-by-berry selection adding extra richness to the innate generosity of Monbazillac: true liquid gold from maestro Bruno Bilancini

05137
2001.....£242

05075
2003 Tokaji Szamorodni, Dániel, István Szepsy, Mád, Hungary.....50cl £250

Szepsy says that if he had to make just one wine, it would be his Szamorodni, equivalent to most producers' 5 puttonyos versions (140 g/l sugar): dramatic balance and finesse, with wax, honey, tropical fruit and citrus fruit notes

05135
2005 Ermitage, Vin de Paille, M Chapoutier, Northern Rhône Valley, France.....half bottle £254

Honeysuckle, caramel and almond notes dominate this luscious sun-dried Marsanne

05108
2005 Tokaji Aszú, 6 puttonyos, Kapi Vineyard, Disznóko, Hungary.....50cl £294
Extraordinary intensity and citrus-fruit purity in this single-vineyard selection from the outstanding Disznóko

05042
1988 Ch Climens, Barsac, Bordeaux, France.....£336
A great vintage for Climens: intense and multi-layered, backed by vivid acidity

05005
2011 Riesling, Auslese ***, Graacher Himmelreich, Markus Molitor, Mosel, Germany.....£340
A rich, exotic sweetness combined with huge energy and force in this "juicy and resounding" (David Schildknecht) wine from a great Mosel site

Tokaji Aszú, 6 puttonyos, István Szepsy, Mád, Hungary

Sensationally concentrated, detailed Tokaji from the region's master winemaker, packed with notes of marmalade, tangerine and quince

05140
2002..... 50cl £395

05015
1999..... 50cl £448

05143
Ch Lafaurie-Peyraguey, Sauternes, Bordeaux, Shades of Gold.....Two 375ml half bottles £599

In 2009, the cellar master of Ch Lafaurie-Peyraguey, Eric Larramona, kept two very special single-parcel casks out of the vintage blend, so pronounced and so beautiful were their characters. One of these 'shades of gold' was particularly elegant, fresh, fruity and mineral. He christened it L - because of its lightness, its lyricism and its lift. The other 'shade of gold' was more powerful, spicy and exuberant. He called it P - because of its power... and the passion it evoked. We at sketch have acquired all the remaining stocks of these rare wines, and we're serving them side by side, in two specially engraved, exquisitely elegant Lalique glasses.

2009 Ch Lafaurie-Peyraguey L

A great vintage in graceful, soaring, lyrical style, leaving the mouth fresh and clean

2009 Ch Lafaurie-Peyraguey P

All the weight and uncton of this generous vintage, freighted with succulent spices

05146
1976 Vouvray Moelleux, Collection Marc Bredif.....£640

A rare opportunity to explore a set of outstanding, perfectly aged Chenin Blanc wines from Vouvray, all impeccably stored in the celebrated troglodytic cave cellars of specialist Marc Bredif

05164
1958 White Muscat, Red Stone, Massandra, Crimea.....£906

Light amber wine with notes of tea rose, honey and orange peel from a historic winery founded by Prince Lev Golitsyn in 1894, under the patronage of Tsar Nicolas II. Massandra wines are celebrated for their longevity

Ch d'Yquem, Sauternes, Bordeaux, France

05090
1988.....£953

The '88 d'Yquem was, with 1989 and 1990, the first of a glorious trilogy and "the best of these three without a doubt ... powerful and very long" for Jancis Robinson MW, who gives the wine 19.5/20'

05106
1995.....magnum £1,484

Tawny in colour, with luscious flavours of apricot, tangerine and marmalade, this multi-dimensional 1995 is one of the richest and most opulent Yquems of its decade

05049
1948.....£3,361

A rare chance to try a 70-year-old Yquem, vinified in the year the Marshall Plan came to Europe's aid: "... very gorgeous," wrote critic Jancis Robinson MW, tasting in 2008. 'Lots of nuance and intrigue here'

SWEET FORTIFIED WINES

05028
2002 Rivesaltes Ambré, Domaine des Chênes, Roussillon, France.....£46
Lush, perfumed and buttery Rivesaltes made by Alain Razungles, professor of oenology at Montpellier

06043
White Port, Quinta do Infantado, Douro, Portugal.....£56
From a complex blend of native varieties and grown in a magnificent Douro site, this sweet, glycerous white port combines succulent, dried-fruit richness with lively supporting zest

06046
10-year-old Tawny Port, Graham, Douro, Portugal.....£63
Unrivalled value and generosity from one of the only houses to continue making a bottle-matured LBV: dark, intensely fruited yet structured, too

04266
2007 Bottle Matured LBV Port, Warre's, Douro, Portugal.....£73
Unrivalled value and generosity from one of the only houses to continue making a bottle-matured LBV: dark, intensely fruited yet structured, too

05014
2012 Vin de Liqueur, Grenyuls, Benoit Salel et Élise Renaud,
Northern Rhône Valley, France.....50cl £85
Fortified Grenache in the style of Banyuls, yet made in the lonely Ardèche hills: sweet, succulent yet fresh too

06018
2007 Vintage Port, Graham, Douro, Portugal.....£231
'A tour de force' for critic Jay Miller, the Graham '07 is perfumed and sensual. This powerful port is accessible now, thanks to the way in which its ripe black fruits coat the ample tannins

06042
2011 Vintage Port, Bioma Vinha Velha, Niepoort, Douro, Portugal.....£239
From the 80-100-year-old fruit of one vineyard only, the Vinha da Pisca, and entirely vinified and aged in the Douro: terroir vintage port from the talented Dirk van der Niepoort

06019
30-year-old Tawny Port, Graham, Douro, Portugal.....450cl £1,450
Buttery yet fresh after three decades, this silky-sweet tawny is seamless, burnished and refined

HALF BOTTLES

CHAMPAGNE

01830
Pommery, Brut Royalhalf bottle £57
Deft, harmonious and pretty in style, few Champagne houses can match Pommery for charm and finesse

01820
Moët et Chandon, Brut Impériale.....half bottle £59
Moët's Brut Impériale is a wine-world reference for unfailing quality and affability. Its fresh, foamy yet fine-grained style is impossible to dislike – and easy to love

01013
Billecart-Salmon, Brut Réserve.....half bottle £76
Elegance and finesse

01822
Ruinart, Blanc de Blancshalf bottle £87
Ruinart provides one of the Champagne region's most approachable Blanc de Blancs: chiffon-textured, softly lemony, beguiling

ROSÉ CHAMPAGNE

01256
Billecart-Salmon, Rosé.....half bottle £103
Subtlety and freshness

01598
Krug, Rosé.....half bottle £352
Pale salmon-pink, Krug's rosé is structured and uncompromising

WHITE WINES

03459
2017 Pinot Grigio, Livio Felluga, Colli Orientali del Friuli, Italy.....half bottle £53
Refined and floral Pinot Grigio from the Colli Orientali – and a beautiful label

03015
2016 Pouilly-Fuissé, Clos sur la Roche, Saumaize-Michelin, Burgundy.....half bottle £62
This biodynamic estate's flagship wine, made from the fruit of 100-year-old vines: "Persistent and intense, this is a really stunning Pouilly-Fuissé" (Stephen Tanzer). Peach and honeysuckle scents with a vibrant, fine-drawn palate

03017
2007 Gewürztraminer, Comtes d'Eguisheim, Léon Beyer, Alsace.....half bottle £64
Beyer's greatest Gewürztraminer, now with the additional harmony and sumptuousness of age

Vin de Pays de l'Hérault, Mas de Daumas Gassac, Languedoc

An intriguing and perfumed blend of Chardonnay, Viognier and Petit Manseng

03096
2018.....half bottle £73

03096
2016.....half bottle £73

03351
2017 Chardonnay, Maté's Vineyard, Kumeu River, New Zealand.....half bottle £79
NZ's most burgundian Chardonnay: sumptuous and layered

03346
2018 Riesling, Kabinett, Scharzhofberger, Saar, Egon Müller, Germany.....half bottle £147
Slate soils and a cool, high-altitude, hill site ranging over 300 metres makes for one of Germany's greatest vineyards. This is Riesling of dazzling purity, balance and mineral finesse

03345
2018 Riesling, Spätlese, Scharzhofberger, Saar, Egon Müller, Germany.....half bottle £259
Sumptuous fruit sweetness combined with mouthwatering, vivacious acidity in a low-alcohol yet high energy frame

RED WINES

04688
2014 Chinon, Les Petites Roches, Charles Joguet, Loire Valley.....half bottle £44
A mature Joguet Chinon, for lovers of the fresh, vibrant, green-pepper style of Loire Cabernet Franc

04743
2010 Ch des Gravieres, Margaux, Bordeaux.....half bottle £57
Soft, earthy and graceful Margaux from this well-sited 'cru artisan'

04204
2010 Valpolicella Superiore, Marion, Veneto, Italy.....half bottle £58
Cherries, plums, flowers and sweet spice: "sexy, juicy and inviting" (Antonio Galloni)

04219
2005 Douro, Redoma, Niepoort, Portugal.....half bottle £61
Spicy, vivid, firm, the complex flavours (from old vines and five indigenous varieties) have now acquired great harmony

04016
2010 Clos Manou, Médoc, Bordeaux.....half bottle £63
Françoise et Stéphane Dief's Clos Manou at St Christoly is an outstanding Médoc discovery as this mature, luscious, sweet-textured half proves

04362
2015 Bandol, Cuvée Classique, Domaine Tempier, Provence.....half bottle £65
Poised and complex already, and slowly acquiring depth as it ages (typically for Bandol)

04140
2015 Hautes Côtes de Nuits, Les Beaux Monts Lussots, Vincent Legou, Burgundy.....half bottle £65
From a vineyard situated just outside the boundaries of village Vosne-Romanée, this is light, lively and vivacious red burgundy

04123
2013 Brunello di Montalcino, Castello Romitorio, Tuscany, Italy.....half bottle £65
From a fine vintage in Brunello, and now mature in this smaller format: juicy, saline, savoury and long

Ch Musar, Bekaa Valley, Lebanon

04225
2010.....half bottle £68
Sweet and warm yet structured, too: a perfect example of this wine's uncanny ability to age

04085
1998.....half bottle £65
This celebrated Lebanese red wine ages improbably well, and the 1998 is just getting into its stride. It's "lovely wine ... One of my favourite wines in this collection", according to critic Jancis Robinson MW

04223
2011 Blaufränkisch, Szapary, Uwe Schiefer, Sudburgenland, Austria.....half bottle £66
Redcurrant and black cherry fruit with sweet spice and vivid supporting acidity

04184
2010 Vins de Pays des Collines Rhodaniennes, L'Ame Soeur, Seyssuel,
Michel et Stéphane Ogier, Northern Rhône Valley.....half bottle £70
From the long-forgotten but potentially high-quality 'Roman' cru of Seyssuel, this fragrant, pure-toned Syrah shows the Northern Rhône in its most elegant form

04167
2011 Volnay, Santenots, Bernard and Thierry Glantenay, Burgundy.....half bottle £87
Juicy,vivid Santenots with a gamey touch

04205
2012 Amarone della Valpolicella, Marion, Veneto, Italy.....half bottle £96
Both sweet and savoury, as only Amarone can be, with firm supporting tannins

04243
2014 Cabernet Sauvignon, Ridge, Santa Cruz Mountains, California, USA.....half bottle £99
*Intense, structured, boldly flavoured wine: "one of the best – possibly the best – California Cabernets in its price range"
(Antonio Galloni)*

04245
2017 Lytton Springs, Ridge, Dry Creek Valley, California, USA.....half bottle £99
Zinfandel blended with smaller quantities of Petite Syrah and Carignan. The `17 Lytton Springs is creamy, ample yet well-balanced

04647
2010 Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Le Vieux Donjon, Southern Rhône Valley.....half bottle £99
Rich and spicy: classic Châteauneuf from a memorable vintage, brought to perfect maturity in this small format

04203
2009 Barbaresco, Pajè, Roagna, Piemonte, Italy.....half bottle £101
A "beautiful, complete Barbaresco" for critic Antonio Galloni, with notes of tobacco, cherry, spice, menthol and leather

04220
2011 Douro, Batuta, Niepoort, Portugal.....half bottle £109
Finesse and elegance are the aim in this refined Douro, made from 100-year-old vines in the best vintages only

04899
2014 Volnay, Caillerets, Ancienne Cuvée Carnot, Bouchard Père et Fils, Burgundy.....half bottle £141
An 'outstanding' Caillerets for critic Allen Meadows, this celebrated Volnay cuvée has unusual spice, power and wealth for 2014

04832
2016 Côte Rôtie, Jamet, Northern Rhône Valley.....half bottle £150
Blended from a range of sites in the northern part of the appellation, and with 60% whole-bunch fruit: Jamet's work is "High quality, tremendously pure" for critic John Livingstone-Learmonth

04956
1987 Clos St Denis, Georges Lignier, Burgundy.....half bottle £151
*Great provenance, a fine grower and attractive fill levels encourage fans of old burgundy to hope for the best from this good vintage, given *** by critic and auctioneer Michael Broadbent*

04026
2008 Tignanello, Antinori, Tuscany, Italy.....half bottle £217
"A wine that impresses for its sublime elegance and precision," according to critic Antonio Galloni, who declares it "unquestionably one of the wines of the vintage" in Tuscany

04246
2016 Monte Bello, Ridge, Santa Cruz Mountains, California, USA.....half bottle £250
*A "super-classic" vintage of Ridge's famous Monte Bello Cabernet which "pulses with energy and simple exceptional balance"
(Antonio Galloni. 98 points)*

04506
1966 Ch Ducru-Beaucaillou, St Julien, Bordeaux.....half bottle £318
A graceful, elegant, cedary classic, sourced from Avery's Bristol cellars where it has lain since purchase

04917
1961 Ch Mouton-Rothschild, Pauillac, Bordeaux.....half bottle £2,361
A Bristol-stored half of the Mouton from a legendary vintage which continues to enthral. Described as "full-bodied, rich and super-intense" by Robert Parker, tasting a 75-cl bottle in 1998

MAGNUMS AND LARGER FORMATS

CHAMPAGNE

01795

1966 Veuve Clicquot.....jeroboam (3L) £5,600

Described by critic Antonio Galloni (tasting from a bottle in 2014) as "a sensual, highly expressive Champagne" with notes of orange peel, herbs, caramel and cloves, the Veuve Clicquot '66 -- made in the only year England ever won the football World Cup -- is ideal for this four-bottle format (a jeroboam in Champagne)

ROSÉ CHAMPAGNE

01255

Billecart-Salmon.....magnum £418

Subtlety and freshness

WHITE WINE

03307

1993 Riesling, Trocken, Palais Kesselstatt, Reichsgraf von Kesselstatt, Mosel, Germany.....magnum £169

Amazing freshness and poise in this 25-year-old Mosel Riesling: classic kerosene scents, rich lemon and lime flavours, cardamom notes on the finish

03791

2011 Lugana, Riserva, Sergio Zenato, Veneto, Italy.....magnum £212

A wine of "impeccable texture and fabulous overall balance", according to critic Antonio Galloni

03284

2014 Maranges, La Fussière, Bachelet-Monnot, Burgundy.....magnum £221

The Bachelet brothers, based in Dezize-lès-Maranges, have a sure touch with this zesty Premier Cru, packed with lime and lemon

Jurançon Sec, Vitatge Vielh, Clos Lapeyre, South West France

Jean-Bernard Larrieu's Vitatge Vielh is the name of an ancient 1.8 ha vineyard planted in the 1940s, mingling 60% Gros Manseng with 30% Petit Manseng and 10% Courbu vines. Intense, flavour-saturated, highly allusive white whose ringing acidity enables it to evolve brilliantly with the passing of the years

03728

2005.....magnum £226

03869

2001.....magnum £279

03275

2016 Vin de France, La Lune, Ferme la Sansonnière, Loire Valley.....magnum £265

The beautiful Chenin Blanc of former stonemason and lifelong rebel Mark Angeli: baking bread, orchard fruits, nuts and honey

03070

2015 Grüner Veltliner, ErDELuftGRAsundrebEN, Claus Preisinger, Neusiedlersee, Austria.....magnum £273

Bacon, smoke and yellow fruits: fine biodynamic GV from slate and limestone soils in Leithaberg

03190

2012 Riesling, Spätlese, Wehlener Sonnenuhr, J.J.Prüm, Mosel, Germany.....magnum £302

Ultimate refreshment from this great Mosel classic - and only 8.5% alcohol

03500

2011 Grüner Veltliner, Losling, Clemens Strobl, Kamptal, Austria.....magnum £338

Fresh and zesty, yet with weight and substance too, from a great new Austrian talent

03387
2010 Chardonnay, Duquesa d'A, Aristos, Cachapoal, Chile.....magnum £360
A joint-venture between Comte Louis-Michel Liger-Belair, the owner of La Romanée in Burgundy, and terroir experts François Massoc and Pedro Parra, grown on rare Chilean high-altitude limestones: scented, stony, ripe yet vividly acidic too

03519
2007 Côtes du Jura, Les Chalasses Marnes Bleues, J-F Ganevat, Jura.....jeroboam (3L) £480
Fascinating and compelling white wine based on the rare Savagnin variety: full, structured and aromatic

03247
2002 Corton-Charlemagne, Louis Latour, Burgundy.....jeroboam (3L) £781
The breed of the vineyard is beginning to emerge

03611
2016 Puligny-Montrachet, Les Perrières, François Carillon, Burgundy.....jeroboam (3L) £1,359
Magnificent Premier Cru burgundy from older vines (40-50 years old): summer fruits tapering towards a finish of long, stony intensity

RED WINE

04569
2015 Fleurie, Griffes du Marquis, Clos de la Roilette, Alain Coudert, Beaujolais.....magnum £194
From 80-year-old vines, and aged in used Burgundy barrels for extra finesse: as good as Fleurie gets...

04160
2012 Côte de Brouilly, Cuvée Zaccharie, Ch Thivin, Beaujolais.....magnum £212
A blend of the oldest vines in the La Chapelle and Godefroy parcels, given classic burgundian oak ageing: intense, firm fruit, softening towards rich roundness with time

04206
2013 Il Merlot, Vignai da Duline, Colli Orientali del Friuli, Italy.....magnum £255
Merlot is almost indigenous to Friuli, and in the skilled hands of Lorenzo Mocchiutti and Federica Magrini it can be deep, poised and complex

04099
1986 Chinon, Clos de l'Écho, Couly-Dutheil, Loire Valley.....magnum £300
From one of Chinon's finest vineyards, this magnum is now smooth and graceful, with notes of tea, sandalwood and pepper

04534
2015 Crozes-Hermitage, La Guiraude, Alain Graillet, Northern Rhône Valley.....magnum £324
Dark, peppery and intense: a wild, unbridled glassful of cool-climate Syrah from a great Rhône vintage

04230
2009 Merlot, Shafer, Napa Valley, California, USA.....magnum £340
Supple, inviting and tender red wine: all the Napa virtues are apparent in the "gorgeous radiance" (Antonio Galloni) of this wine

04032
2001 Vin de Table Français, La Valinière, Léon Barral, Languedoc.....magnum £357
The Valinière is Barral's Mourvèdre-rich cuvée: now soft, mellow and savoury

04125
2011 Brunello di Montalcino, Filo di Seta, Castello Romitorio, Tuscany, Italy.....magnum £358
An "impressive" 2011 for critic Antonio Galloni, with smoky dark cherry and plum fruits; still full of power and flesh in this magnum

04020
2014 Spätburgunder, Cuvée Max, Rheingau, August Kessler, Germany.....magnum £381
Often including fruit from Kessler's top red-wine vineyards, the Cuvée Max perfectly illustrates just how well-suited Rudesheim and Assmannshausen are to Pinot Noir: packed with vivacious dark fruit scents and flavours

04460
2016 Morgon, Côte de Py, Jean Foillard, Beaujolais.....jeroboam (3L) £513
Rose petals, berries and chocolate: explosively attractive young Morgon from a great site and a great vintage. Three litres of pure pleasure ...

04821

2011 Echézeaux, Les Treux, Vieilles Vignes, Jean Tardy, Burgundy.....magnum £867

Vivacious, well-rounded yet elegant Grand Cru burgundy from this lieu-dit next to Grands Echézeaux, just coming into its own in the magnum format

04250

2012 Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Pure, Domaine La Barroche, Southern Rhône Valley.....jeroboam (3L) £901

Another dazzling 'Pure', the 2012 is sweet-fruited and floral, yet sensationally deep and well-structured on the palate: "one of the stars of the vintage" for critic Jeb Dunnuck

04459

2011 Clos des Lambrays, Taupenot-Merme, Burgundy.....magnum £1,451

A connoisseur's curiosity: the former vegetable garden at the bottom of what would otherwise be a Grand Cru monopole was planted with vines in 1974, and this is the result: elegant, taut and Chambolle-like, and the only Clos des Lambrays not sold by the Domaine des Lambrays (0.4 ha and less than a barrel a year)

04962

2015 Cabernet Sauvignon, Eisele Vineyard, Napa Valley, California, USA.....magnum £2,375

This "complex, multilayered" Napa red has a perfect score from The Wine Advocate. "One of the greatest terroirs of the Napa valley," writes critic Robert Parker: "world-class wine of first-growth quality"

TASTING MENU

WINE PAIRING £145

75ml 2018 Bourgogne-Aligoté, Alice et Olivier de Moor, Burgundy, France

TT

75ml 2016 Coteaux Champenois, Le Léon, Marc Hébrart, Champagne, France

TT

75ml LC09 Vin de France, Cuvée des Archevêques, Vignoble Guillaume, Franche-Comté, France

TT

75ml 2014 Riesling, Grosses Gewächs, Rothenberg, Rheinhessen, Gunderloch, Germany

TT

75ml 2014 Clos Manou, Vignes Préphyloxériques 1850, Médoc, Bordeaux, France

TT

75ml 2018 Passito di Pantelleria, Ben Ryé, Donnafugata, Sicily, Italy

SPECIAL TREAT £295

75ml 2016 Les Champs Libres, Guinaudeau Family, Bordeaux Blanc Sec, Bordeaux, France

TT

75ml 2016 Corton-Charlemagne, Poisot Père et Fils, Burgundy, France

TT

75ml 2000 Riesling, Vinothek, Wachau, Nikolaihof, Germany

TT

75ml 2007 Gavi dei Gavi, La Scolca D'Antan, Piedmont, Italy

TT

75ml 2015 Amarone della Valpolicella Classico Riserva, Sergio Zenato, Veneto, Italy

TT

75ml 1995 Ch d'Yquem, Sauternes, Bordeaux, France

VEGETARIAN TASTING MENU

WINE PAIRING £145

75ml 2016 Monthélie, Les Champs-Fulliot, David & Guy Dubuet, Burgundy, France

TT

75ml 2016 Penedès, Forcada, Torres, Catalonia, Spain

TT

75ml 2020 Idylle d'Achinos, La Tour Melas, Macedonia, Greece

TT

75ml 2018 Sémillon, Rouge Gorge, L'Entremetteuse, Colchagua, Chile

TT

75ml 2010 St Joseph, Vignes de l'Hospice, Guigal, Northern Rhône Valley, France

TT

75ml 2018 Passito di Pantelleria, Ben Ryé, Donnafugata, Sicily, Italy

SPECIAL TREAT £295

75ml 2014 Pinot Noir, Bell Hill, Canterbury, New Zealand

TT

75ml 2016 Les Champs Libres, Guinaudeau Family, Bordeaux Blanc Sec, France

TT

75ml 2019 Palette, Ch Simone, Provence, France

TT

75ml 2017 Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Pure Blanc, la Barroche, Southern Rhône Valley, France

TT

75ml 1972 Ch Musar, Cuvée Musar, Bekaa Valley, Lebanon

TT

75ml 1995 Ch d'Yquem, Sauternes, Bordeaux, France