

## RED WINES - BY THE GLASS

### **Boheme, Primitivo, Salento IGT, Italy, 2021**

Wonderful southern Italian variety (originally from Croatia) with oodles of warm, sunny flavours. Ripe plum, blackberries, cherry and violet. Bursting with berries, vanilla, anise, tomato leaf and a touch of pepper.

### **Cable Crossing, Shiraz, South Australia, 2019**

Typical sun-drenched Aussie red that packs a punch. Ripe plum, blackberry and cracked black pepper. Deliciously fleshy on the palate and super with something off our grill or perhaps just as an afterwork quaffer.

### **Bodegas Esteban Martin, Marques de Alfamen, Garnacha / Syrah, Aragon, Spain, 2020**

Situated south east of Rioja and south west of the Pyrenees, the region of Aragon has been making great value for money wines for as long as anyone can remember. The terroir lends itself perfectly to producing wines that are juicy but also fresh. Buckets of stewed blackberries, cherries, toffee, cinnamon, vanilla and with a hint of dried wild herbs and black pepper. Lovely with a hot pot.

### **Chateau du Vieux Parc, L'Heritage, Corbieres, Languedoc-Roussillon, France, 2019**

50% Syrah, 25% Grenache and 25% Carignan (another one of the classics and a much underrated variety). The winery has been producing wine for quite some time but in the 1960s they decided to go for quality over quantity and they haven't looked back. The region itself is one of the most unspoilt parts of the Languedoc, tucked away in a triangle between Narbonne, Perpignan and Carcassonne – a truly wonderful part of the world. Tonnes of red and black fruits. Plums and blackberries, prunes, dates black pepper and 5-spice. Powerful but not in your face. A "happy wine".

### **Les Mougeottes, Pinot Noir, Pays d'Oc, France, 2020**

Dare we say it, but you could even drink this wine slightly chilled. A fantastic wine that brings us the warmth and charm from the Mediterranean coast of France. The winery is based just outside of Carcassonne and we can only imagine the long sunny days, with a bottle of this under our arm and a slab of fromage. Dreamy. A lovely nose of violets, sweet red berries, morello cherries, vanilla, toasty oak, a touch of espresso and then finishing with a soft, velvety warmth.

### **Finca Ferrer, Acordeon, Malbec, Uco Valley, Argentina, 2018**

Malbec originally hails from south west France but the Argentinians have done a great job of making this world-famous grape their own and this is the classic style of Argentinian Malbec. The Uco Valley, or rather "the new Napa Valley" was rediscovered in the mid 1990s and has been linked with premium quality wines ever since, as a result of its diverse and at times challenging terrain. Plum, blackberry, cherry and cassis. Pepper, liquorice, vanilla oak, cocoa. Rich yet with a vibrant structure. Pass the steak.

125	175	250	Btl
4.00	6.25	8.25	24.00
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3.75	5.50	7.25	21.00
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## **Cuvee St Laurent, Cotes-du-Rhone Rouge, Rhone Valley, France, 2020**

Lovely Rhone blend consisting of Cinsault, Grenache, Mourvedre and Shiraz, mixing all of the greatest hits from this classic region. Spicy, peppery, rich, well-structured (acid and tannins) that pack a punch. Warming on the palate but with plenty of ripe berry fruit, blackcurrant, vanilla, earthy leather and wild herbs (garrigue). This would be a cracker with our beef sliders.

## **Ramon Bilbao, The Journey Collection, Crianza, Rioja, Spain, 2018**

100% Tempranillo from a great Rioja producer. And who doesn't love a good Rioja. Aged for 14 months in American oak to give the wine a distinct vanilla undertone. Red berry fruits, cherry, plum and blueberry. Sweet vanilla oak, chocolate, cigar box and wild herbs. Touch of clove and toffee. Lovely with our steak & kidney pudding.

## **Casali del Barone, 150+1, Barbera DOC, Piemonte, Italy, 2020**

Here we have a classic Piedmont mix of 85% Barbera and 15% Nebbiolo made by a Co-op of around 150 vine growers, with the winery working closely with the 150 (the +1 is the wine maker) to ensure a great selection of grapes is used for the wine. Bursting with black cherry, stewed red berries, floral finesse, a touch of dark chocolate and earthy spice. Soft and elegant on the palate.

## **Sutherland, Pinot Noir, Elgin, South Africa, 2019**

A marvellous, cooler-climate Pinot Noir from Elgin, South Africa. We are talking "new world" yet Burgundy-esque Pinot Noir, possessing the best of both worlds. Body and freshness meets class and depth of flavour. Cranberry, strawberry, walnut, leather, forest floor, wild flowers, star anise and clove.

## **Thelema Mountain Winery, Merlot, Stellenbosch, South Africa, 2018**

One of our favourite wineries anywhere on planet earth; the estate is one of the most beautiful that we have ever set our eyes upon. This is a fantastic, Right Bank Bordeaux style Merlot. Deep and complex. Plum crumble, blackberry and vanilla. Sun-dried tomato and peppers. Rich and refined. Cassis and cinnamon, touch of menthol. This is how Merlot should taste. Try it with anything off our grill or with mushrooms.

## **D'Arenberg, The High Trellis, Cabernet Sauvignon, McLaren Vale, Australia, 2018**

Legendary producer and this wine "screams Cabernet". One of the finest wineries in the world where naming their wines is concerned. This vineyard was planted in the 19th century and gets its name from the fact that it was the first region to train their vines over knee height. Interesting. Layers of red fruits and blackcurrants, plum, cassis, paprika, subtle spicy oak and liquorice, with a wonderfully velvety finish. Spot on with a roast beef dinner.

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## WHITE WINES - BY THE GLASS

### **Ponte, Pinot Grigio delle Venezie, DOC, Italy, 2020**

You may be surprised to find out that Pinot Grigio / Gris actually originated in France around the 1300s but North East Italy is where the variety was to find its forever home. Lemon, peach, apple, apricot and white flowers. Italian classic that is soft on the palate and deeply refreshing.

### **Anciens Temps Blanc, Vin de France, 2020**

Aromatic French blend made up equal parts of the famous Sauvignon Blanc and the not-so-famous but still widely planted Ugni Blanc & Colombard. Packed with green apples, gooseberries, lemon & lime and dances on the palate, this is a lovely "after work" wine.

### **Tooma River, Chardonnay, New South Wales, Australia, 2021**

Hold on, don't be scared. This is Australian Chardonnay but not as we remember it. Fruit picked from select vineyards to bring the fruit but also a balance to the wine. Lemon and lime citrus, a touch of grapefruit, lots of honeydew melon and the a crisp, zesty and fresh finish on the palate.

### **Canforrales, Verdejo, La Mancho D.O, Spain, 2020**

Verdejo is one of the success stories of Spanish viticulture. Great value for money, great on its own or great with light seafood dishes. This is a lovely light and crisp wine. Refreshing, citrusy and floral. Verdejo is famous for being grown in La Rueda in the northern/central region of Spain, whereas this actually comes from further south. So the florals are ever so slightly more intense than a normal Verdejo. Perfect with pork, shellfish, salads with lemon or vinegar and cured meat. Just imagine simple food, platters out in the Spanish sun. Lemon and lime sherbet, white flowers and red apple. Grapefruit zest and lime marmalade, touch of Fennel. Crisp and refreshing.

### **Bodegas Santa Ana, Viognier Reserve, Mendoza, Argentina, 2021**

Some wineries have history and then there is a historical winery and Santa Ana fits very much in to the latter category. Formed in 1891 by Italian émigré and winemaking pioneer Luis Tirasso, this winery has gone on to become on the Argentina's stand out Bodegas; a market leader since 1970 and now sold in over 50 countries. These folk have pedigree. A wonderful grape variety that sadly we don't see more often but expect to find a bright golden wine with a touch of green, followed by lots of apricot and peach and lemon zest and then white flowers, toasty vanilla and hazelnuts. Rich and full yet racy and fresh on the palate.

### **New Hall, Bacchus Reserve, Essex, England, 2020**

This is a great example of the leaps and bounds that have occurred within the English wine industry in the last few years. Intense and clean. Light and dry. Elderflower, green apple and pear. Orchard fruit, grapefruit citrus and cut grass. Quintessentially English. In their own words "notoriously fabulous served with almost everything".

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<p><b>The Journeyman, Chenin Blanc, Riebeek Valley, South Africa, 2020</b>            South Africa – the southern hemispheres home to Chenin Blanc, when it was first planted on the Cape at the time of the Dutch East India Company. Curiously, these plantings were used for medicinal reasons but we shan't go into the nitty gritty of that, this wine is purely for enjoyment reasons. Vibrant and fresh. Ripe pear, apricot, guava, gooseberry, lemon zest and the classic lick of honey. A great wine to start the day off.</p>	4.50	6.50	8.75	25.50
<p><b>Cuvee Thetis, Picpoul de Pinet, Languedoc-Roussillon, France, 2021</b>            Fun facts: Picpoul means “lip-stinger” in the local dialect and since 1995 a true Picpoul de Pinet has to be housed in the “Neptune” bottle; tall and green with the three symbols (waves of the sea, cross of the Languedoc-Roussillon and the Roman Doric columns). Lemon zest, salinity, white flowers and seaside. Dry as a bone, refreshing and bursting with vibrancy, this is a great wine after a long day in the office.</p>	4.50	6.75	9.00	26.00
<p><b>The Frost Pocket, Sauvignon Blanc, Marlborough, New Zealand, 2021</b>            The classic Kiwi Sauvignon Blanc taste that people love so much. Little did the French know that one day someone would steal their crown as far as this grape is concerned. Tropical fruit, passionfruit, gooseberry, peach, melon, lemon citrus and cut grass. Clean as a whistle on the palate with heightened freshness. Wonderful with some seafood or just as an aperitif.</p>	5.00	7.60	10.50	30.00
<p><b>Tenute Orestyadi, Zibibbo, Gibellina, Sicily, 2020</b>            Mediterranean summer in a glass made from the ancient grape Zibibbo (Sicilian Muscat – almost certainly the wine that folk such as Cleopatra were drinking – but that’s a long story for another time). Grown in the stunning Gibellina area with it’s “sweet Sicilian breezes” and superb microclimate. Peach, yellow melon, grapefruit and grapes. Floral yet fleshy. Touch of honey. Supreme balance. Try it with our fish &amp; chips.</p>	6.00	9.00	12.00	36.00
<p><b>Fontanafredda, Briccotondo Arneis, Piedmont, Italy, 2020</b>            King Emanuele Vittorio II bought the Fontanafredda estate for his beloved mistress Rosa Vercellana in 1858 and they’ve been producing fantastic wine ever since. A nice little side story; the Arneis grape is indigenous to the Piedmont region and when translated from Piedmontese dialect means “Little Rascal”. Gorgeous aromatics of exotic fruit, ripe pears, blossom, green apples and pears, honey and lemon. Soft yet refreshing. Luscious rich fruit but lifted. Aged on its lees to add a texture and depth. Lovely quaffing tackle and nice with vegetable heavy dishes.</p>	5.75	8.75	11.50	34.00
<p><b>Tenute Orestyadi, Zibibbo, Gibellina, Sicily, 2020</b>            Absolutely fantastic value for money Chardonnay, the Cannonball really packs a punch. Made from a blend of three vineyards (Mendocino, Sonoma and Monterey) to pack in the optimum flavour profile, combining warm, sun drenched plots for body, high altitude for freshness and coastal breezes for moderation. Tropical and bold. Pineapple, peach &amp; apricot, baked apple crumble. Banana, vanilla and coconut. Lemon curd and melon. Truly gorgeous.</p>	6.50	9.75	12.75	38.00



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## ROSÉ

### Quinta do Crasto, Vinho Rose, Douro Valley DO, Portugal, 2019

On par with Provence, this Portuguese rose is a proper stunner. Wonderful aromatics. Strawberry, raspberry and violet. Watermelon. Dry, fruity and with delightful minerality.

### West Coast Swing, White Zinfandel, California, USA, 2019

Strawberries, mango, melon and peaches and cream, rich and off dry. Does the trick.

## SPARKLING

### Bole Bianco, Spumante Brut, Romanga DOC, Italy, NV

A great Italian sparkling. Elderflower, jasmine blossom, lemon zest and red apple. Deliciously crisp.

### Gusbourne Estate, Brut Reserve, Kent, England, 2016

Incredible "Champagne method" English bubbles. Brioche, white peach, candied citrus and apple pie, pear and with a delicate, fine mousse. Seriously good.

### Gusbourne Estate, Rosé Sparkling, Kent, England, 2018

Made from the classic trio of Pinot Noir, Chardonnay and Pinot Meunier, the Rose sparkling rivals some of the great French rose Champagnes. Delicate pink in colour, summer berries, redcurrants and floral. Crisp yet creamy on the palate.

### G.H Mumm, Cordon Rouge, Reims, N.V

### G.H Mumm, Rose, Reims, N.V

### Perrier-Jouet, La Belle Epoque, Epernay, 2012

## PORT & DESSERT WINE SELECTION

### Graham's, LBV, Portugal

### Graham's, 10 Year Old Tawny, Portugal

### Cockburn's, Fine Ruby Port, Portugal

### Barbi, Vin Santo DOC, Tuscany, Italy 2011

### Royal Tokaji Wine Company, 5 Puttonyos, Hungary, 2013

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Gusbourne Estate, Brut Reserve, Kent, England, 2016	7.75			45.00
Gusbourne Estate, Rosé Sparkling, Kent, England, 2018	9.50			55.00
G.H Mumm, Cordon Rouge, Reims, N.V				55.00
G.H Mumm, Rose, Reims, N.V				65.00
Perrier-Jouet, La Belle Epoque, Epernay, 2012				180
	50	100		Btl
Graham's, LBV, Portugal	3.50	6.00		39.00
Graham's, 10 Year Old Tawny, Portugal	4.50	7.00		45.00
Cockburn's, Fine Ruby Port, Portugal	3.25	5.25		35.00
Barbi, Vin Santo DOC, Tuscany, Italy 2011	6.00	12.00		35.00
Royal Tokaji Wine Company, 5 Puttonyos, Hungary, 2013	7.50	15.00		45.00



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### **Kershaw, G.P.S Series Chardonnay, Elgin, South Africa, 2018**

South Africa based Master of Wine Richard Kershaw is originally from Sheffield... which is sadly not known for it's vineyards, hence the relocation. Made in tiny quantities, this G.P.S Chardonnay is a truly exquisite example of why this grape is arguably the world's finest. Fresh and aromatic, with lemon blossom, orange peel, peach and tangerine closely followed by buttery notes, lemon cream biscuit, caramel and vanilla – fantastic freshness and bright acidity and with a gripping citrus finish. Class. **90 Points – Tim Atkin.**

Btl

58.00

### **Ktima Gerovassiliou, Malagousia, Epanomi, Greece, 2019**

Brace yourself for dreams of the Mediterranean. The ancient grape Malagousia was saved from extinction in 1981 by Evangelos Gerovassiliou who has gone on to become the "Godfather of Malagousia" thanks to this gorgeous, single vineyard blockbuster of a wine. The Epanomi region in Northern Greece is flanked on three sides by the Aegean and it's sea breezes and Mount Olympus in the west which creates a superb terroir to grow grapes. Vibrant, aromatic and opulent with peach, white pear, lemon zest and jasmine followed by a flinty, mineral character and finishing with a delightfully refreshing spice on the palate. Scrumptious!

**Silver – DWWA Awards.**

39.50

### **Trimbach, Gewurztraminer, Alsace, France, 2017**

Very few wines can compete with Maison Trimbach when it comes to history which was founded in 1626. For perspective, that was the year King Charles I dissolved parliament, Peter Minuit bought Manhattan from a Native American Tribe for the equivalent of \$24 and of course (how could we forget?) it was the birth year of the one and only Cornelis Van Caukercken, the famous Flemish engraver and print-seller (no, we haven't heard of him either, but Wikipedia has). The Alsace is arguably the home of Gewurztraminer and producer of it's the best. Bags of tropical fruits, lychee, peach & pear, honey, ginger and cinnamon. Intense in flavour, wonderfully aromatic and every so slightly off dry. Gorgeous.

38.00

### **Jim Barry Wines, McKays Single Vineyard Riesling, Clare Valley, Australia, 2020**

Certain names resonate strongly within Australian wine history and Jim Barry is one of them. Still operating and family owned since the wineries inception in 1959 and recently voted "2020 Winery Of The Year", we hope you enjoy this wine from a multi-award-winning Antipodean dynasty. Displaying minerality on the nose with the typical lime and petroleum, characters of crunchy green apple and flint. Firm acidity drives through the palate with lime zest followed by tropical fruits, melon, grapefruit and just with a hint of brioche. Classic Clare Valley Riesling.

40.00



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## **Louis Michel et Fils, Chablis 1er Cru, Montmain, Burgundy, France, 2018**

Who doesn't love a good, clean Chablis. And here is a delicious example of the world famous region. Family owned and producing quality, terroir driven wine since the 19th century they are true believers in keeping human contact with the wine to a minimum, so as to let the soil do the talking. The Chardonnay grapes have seen no oak, instead the ageing process was conducted in stainless steel fermentation tanks to keep maximum freshness and flavour intact, followed by a period of lees ageing to add extra depth. Expect to see wonderful purity of fruit and a lively palate, packed full of lemon zest, spicy floral aromas, green apple, stony minerality, toasted almonds and a hint of honey.

60.00

## **Fontanafredda, Barolo DOCG, Piemonte, Italy, 2017**

"The king of wines and the wine of kings" – strewth, quite the marketing angle! But, it must be said, the Nebbiolo grape is a truly stunning variety than combines power, finesse, class and a unique palate. Classic yet accessible. The winery itself was bought by the King Of Italy Vittoria Emmanuelle II in 1858 and is nestled within the UNESCO World Heritage region of Serralunga d'Alba and Barolo. It was actually purchased as a gift for his mistress...what a lovely gesture. Plum, sour cherry, liquorice, floral, tar minerality, violet, blackcurrant & black cherry with leather, palma violets and vanilla. A really powerful, moreish and ripe wine. This is something a little special.

56.50

## **Andreas, Syrah, Bovei Valley, South Africa, 2018**

Nestled in the beautiful Bovei valley, just outside Wellington and a little over an hour from Cape Town, sits the boutique Andreas estate, famous for its award-winning Syrah and luxury accommodation. Shaun Meyerdricks, who joined Andreas from Boekenhoutskloof in 2017, supported by his small team of dedicated colleagues, invests all his energy and talent into producing Syrah of the highest quality. Every vintage sells out year on year. The whole process - from harvesting to bottling - is handled exclusively on the estate, thus ensuring that the quality of the wine is never compromised and only the best quality grapes are handpicked in the early mornings and carried to the cellar. Rich black fruits, cherry and plum. Voluptuous, full, big and luscious with a powerful aroma, hints of mint and lavender, well integrated vanilla oak and with a great, long spicy finish. Yum! **91 Points – Tim Atkin.**

35.00

## **Chateau Puy Guilhem, Fronsac, Bordeaux, France, 2009**

Sadly the AOC of Fronsac is often overlooked in the world of Bordeaux but this example that we have here is testament to not needing a huge following and marketing budget yet still producing some great quality tackle. The vintage of 2009 is widely considered to be an outstanding year and the Chateau have extracted some brilliant flavours from Merlot grapes used to make this. Mature, traditional whilst still fresh on the palate. Ripe and fleshy, but still really fresh. Packed with black berry fruits, vanilla oak, spice, dark chocolate, earthy leather, dried herbs, cigar box and with a juicy and meaty yet dry and superbly well balanced palate and finish.

48.00

**Gold Medal – SWA / 92 Points – James Suckling.**



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## **Sanford, Pinot Noir, Napa Valley, USA, 2019**

Sanford Winery is a renowned pioneer of cool-climate wine from the Sta. Rita Hills, north of Santa Barbara and also home to some of, if not the oldest Pinot Noir vines in the U.S.A. The grapes in this bottle were harvested from two of their finest vineyards; Sanford & Benedict vineyard and La Rinconada which blends together a couple of great microclimates which embrace a mixture of rocky maritime soils and clay & sand soils, Pacific Ocean breezes, great sun exposure. Throw in to the mix 11 months in slumber within French oak barrels and here we have a wine with brilliant depth of flavour, grip and length. Bright aromas of fresh cherry, perfumed with violet and spices. White pepper, rose, lots of crunchy red fruits, bready and with a lovely lick of vanilla oak followed by an intense and long finish on the palate.

55.00

## **Bertani, Valpantena, Amarone DOCG, Veneto, Italy, 2016**

Ahhhh Amarone, how we love you so. This is one of Italy's absolute classic wines. 80% Corvina and 20% Rondinella which are then dried out in sheds for about 4-6 months (appassimento) and then vinified to create a rich and more concentrated wine, which with it brings a bit more alcohol and power. This is the archetypal "winter warmer" and one for fans of the more full-bodied end of the scale, Black and sour cherries, dark berries, rich spices, prunes & dates. Creamy soft tannins. Lovely sweet oak. A lighter and younger version of Bertani's icon Amarone Classico.

**Gold Medal – DWWA Awards.**

66.00

