



As was the case with their neighbours in the Lowlands, Highlanders did not restrict their wine drinking to happy, joyful occasions. On the contrary, no funeral of laird or gentleman took place without plentiful supplies of good cheer for those who attended. The funeral of Sir Alexander MacDonald of Sleat in 1746 was no exception – the largesse accompanying the ceremony having reputedly cost his estate £2,645. With so much wine flowing, this solemn event soon degenerated into riotous merry-making. In the brawling which ensued, many were seriously injured. Comparing it to a similar event some time afterwards, MacDonald of Ord remarked: “There has not been a funeral like it since that of Sir Alexander MacDonald when three men were killed and 50 taken out of the churchyard with the breath just left in them”. At funerals where such quantities of wine were being lavishly dispensed, there was a real danger that the reverence of the occasion would be forgotten and important details of the funeral arrangements be over-looked.

WINE LIST

As we operate such a big and varied list for a small hotel, there may be occasions when certain wines are out of stock or change vintage and we will always suggest a suitable alternative. We keep our fine white wines at cellar temperature, so please tell us at least 30 minutes in advance if you would like it chilled further.

CHAMPAGNE & SPARKLING WINES		125ml	Bottle
1	<p>Champagne Laurent-Perrier, Brut, Tours-sur-Marne NV</p> <p>Founded over 200 years ago and based in the heart of the Champagne region, Laurent-Perrier is one of the most distinguished, family-owned Champagne Houses handcrafting elegant champagnes using traditional, time-honoured methods.</p>	£18	£90
2	<p>Champagne Laurent Perrier, Cuvee Rosé, Tours-sur-Marne NV</p> <p>The Iconic bottle shape and quality of LP rosé is one of the region's jewels. First introduced in 1968 and made from 100% Pinot Noir using the rare skin contact method - the saignée method, to obtain its salmon-pink colour, it gives the wine added fruit and complexity with "extraordinary depth and freshness with delicious red berry flavours".</p>		£130
3	<p>Prosecco, Sylvoz, Le Colture, Treviso, Italy NV</p> <p>Based in the heart of the Valdobbiadene region, the winery has been in the hands of the Ruggeri family since the 16th century. Pale straw in colour with a delicate, fine mousse. The wine shows aromas and flavours of orchard fruit, citrus, almonds and white flowers, with a soft mousse and beautiful complexity of flavour on the palate.</p>	£8.50	£40
4	<p>Taittinger, Brut Réserve, Reims</p> <p>Dry, light and elegant with fine, pale gold bubbles and the subtle body and bouquet of the Chardonnay grape, which is dominant in this cuvée. First introduced to us by our very dear friend, Sandy Irvine Robertson. A very memorable champagne.</p>		£90
5	<p>Taittinger, Comtes de Champagne, Reims, 2007</p> <p>First produced in 1952, the Comtes de Champagne from Taittinger is the pinnacle of this independent, family run chateau's range. Made from 100 percent Chardonnay grapes from six Grand Cru sites in the Côte de Blancs. The nose is beautifully balanced, clean and pure with lemon notes and a hint of biscuit. The palate is effortless, so fine, yet has no shortage of complexity or length. The 2006 epitomises Taittinger's famed purity and elegance; this is a wine of the very highest calibre.</p>		£310
6	<p>Vincent Couche, Elegance Champagne NV (biodynamic)</p> <p>Vincent Couche has 10 hectares in the heart of the Côtes des Bar fondly sourced for Pinot Noir. Another 3 hectares near Troyes for Chardonnay. His range of steep cliff slopes all face the river Seine, while his terriors cater for specific vine varieties with high density plantings to encourage plant competition and consistency. All alcoholic fermentation is achieved with only wild yeasts and aged in barrels so evolution can continue. This is one producer to watch!</p>		£80
7	<p>Bollinger, Special Cuvée, Ay</p> <p>There is a strength about the weight and depth of Bollinger helped by the complexity and distinctive style from the Pinot Noir that sets it apart from other Grande Marques.</p>		£120
8	<p>Pol Roger, White Foil, Epernay</p> <p>During a dinner in 1945, Duff Cooper, the British ambassador in Paris, introduced Odette Pol-Roger to Britain's military elite, whose wines we already knew and enjoyed. It was the start of a long friendship between the people of the United Kingdom and the person deemed "France's embodiment". The White foil is one of the most stunning of Grande Marque NV champagnes.</p>		£95
9	<p>Laurent-Perrier, Tours-sur-Marne, 2007</p> <p>Laurent Perrier have produced a vintage typical of both house style and vintage. The blend is equal parts Chardonnay (from the Cote de Blancs) and Pinot Noir (Montagne de Reims). Rich and luxurious colours and character balanced with a fine, structure on an elegant length.</p>		£135
10	<p>Salon, Le Mesnil-sur-Oger, 1999/04</p> <p>This is the most exclusive luxury Grande Marque Champagne, producing only about 5000 cases and this only in vintage years, resulting in only 32 vintages of this wine ever! Salon has once been referred to as the "Le Montrachet" of Champagne, being vinified entirely from very low yielding Chardonnay grapes from the village of Le Mesnil in the Côtes de Blancs.</p>		£550
11	<p>Dom Perignon, Epernay, 2008/09</p> <p>Another of the great icons and undoubtedly the most famous. Dom Perignon is a blend of 55% chardonnay and 45% pinot noir. Very refined DP with elegance and finesse at its core but with undelying muscle on the palate and length.</p>		£295

BY THE GLASS	175ml	375ml	Bottle
White			
Sauvignon Blanc, Montes, Leyda, Chile, 2018 We were first introduced to this estate through a great character of the Scottish wine industry, Sandy Irvine Robertson in the 1990s and have followed their wines ever since. This is a beautifully clean and pure 'cool climate' Sauvignon bursting fresh, herbaceous aromas with a crisp, tropical fruit laden palate.	£10	£20	£38
Block 1A Chardonnay, The Lane, Adelaide Hills, 2018 The Lane Project, high in the Adelaide Hills, makes it to bottle finally. Burgundian vines in South Australian soil 450 metres above sea level. Bright, clean tropical fruit with a creamy stonefruit acidity. Its an exciting wine from an exciting wine-maker, a true celebration of old and new world unity. This estate knows where it came from and exactly where its going.	£14	£27.50	£55
Sauvignon Blanc, Greywacke, Marlborough, New Zealand, 2018 Named after the primary bedrock of NZ's South Island, Greywacke is the brainchild of Marlborough wine pioneer Kevin Judd. This is another fine example of what has made Marlborough the international dominant force in Sauvignon Blanc's it is today. Broad fruit palate of rich nectarine, gooseberry, melon, grapefruit and hints of Jasmine. Ripe lemon citrus fills the long and crisp finish.	£15	£30	£58
Red			
Angus 'The Bull' Cabernet Sauvignon, Central Victoria, 2017 Hamish MacGowan, originally from Scotland, could not find a wine which went with premium cuts of prime beef, so he made one! From select parcels of the best grapes, it is intense with rich crème de cassis & spice, chocolate notes and subtle vanilla. This wine has a rich and layered, velvet texture.	£12.50	£25	£50
Pinot Noir, Eradus, Marlborough, New Zealand, 2017/18 Founded by Har and Sophie Eradus, a Dutch couple who emigrated to the Awatere valley in New Zealand in the 1980s. Their son, Michiel, now makes the wine on their 12 hectare estate. A refined and tempered Pinot of lush and velvety charm and structure. Earthy mushroom notes contrast with dark, perfumed fruit and flowers and will work well with Marcello's lamb and game dishes.	£14.50	£29	£55
Garnacha, Gaznata, Sierra de Gredos, 2018 An hour from Madrid are the mountains of the Sierra de Gredos, a staggeringly beautiful area, home to wild bears, wolves, and some incredibly old Garnacha (Grenache) vines. Enter Daniel Ramos; a young, dynamic winemaker with local roots, but an Australian accent. The wine he has produced is light in colour, like a true Garnacha, easy drinking, full of blackberries and redcurrants, with a delicious richness and spice and a complexity beyond its price tag.	£11.50	£23	£42
Rosé			
Primitivo Rosé, A Mano, Puglia, Italy, 2018 A delicious medium/full bodied Rosé with outstanding ripe fruit and berry components. Elegant and complex, yet youthful, juicy and very interesting. A dash of oak imparts a creaminess which inturn amplifies the soft forest fruits. If its something new and exciting you seek, you found it!	£12	£23.50	£44

BORDEAUX

Bottle

Left Bank

White

- 12 **Château Picque Caillou, Pessac Leonan, Graves, 2013/14** £65
Built in 1780 in what was then the countryside outside Bordeaux. It is situated near the Rocade and more importantly, just a few hundred metres from Château Haut Brion. Isabelle and Paulin Calvet took over the management of the estate prior to purchasing it in 1997. This dynamic family has brought a fresh burst of life to the property.

Red

- 13 **Château Cissac, Haut-Medoc, 2016** £59
Benchmark Left Bank wine. The blend usually is about 75% Cabernet Sauvignon topped up with Merlot & Petit Verdot. Beautiful and luscious body with big fruit.
- 14 **La Dame de Montrose, 2nd wine of Ch. Montrose, St. Estephe, 2014** £125
Made to the same rigorous standards as the first wine, from grapes grown in the same vineyard, La Dame de Montrose is the estate's second label. Supple and silky Merlot generally predominates in the varietal mix. Its very pronounced red fruit aromas and flavours reflect another expression of the terroir in a personal and distinctive style.
- 15 **Château des Gravières, Collection Prestige, Graves, 2016** £50
Deep garnet-red with a slightly woody and toasted nose and aromas of prunes and liquorice. Fleshy, robust and well-balanced in the mouth with a firm, lengthy finish.

Right Bank

Red

- 16 **Château Grand Puy Ducasse, 5ème Cru Classé, Pauillac, 2011/12** £175
Exhibits a dense, almost opaque colour with gorgeous up-front, sweet, ripe fruit. The palate is medium to full bodied and chewy with a well endowed, plush texture. The wine is pure, complex and engaging.
- 17 **Segla, 2nd Wine of Château Rauzan-Segla, Margaux, 2012** £140
One of the best loved estates in Margaux, the 51 hectare vineyard cultivates Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot. Owned by Chanel as of 1994, it is run by the very talented John Kolasa, with excellent attention to viticulture detail. The Segla exhibits a powerful mix of ripe damsons and black cherry fruit flavours, with a hint of toasty notes.
- 18 **Château Lagrange, 3 Eme Cru, St Julien, 2004/09** £220
This large estate covering 120ha holds a commanding view from the highest point in St Julien. Since taking control in 1982, Suntory (the Japanese whisky group) has made huge investment and improvements, with the estate producing enviable wines for some time now. The 2009 has cassis and bramble on the nose with well-integrated tannins and acidity. A good long finish with growing persistence.
- 19 **Château Cadet, Côtes de Castillon, 2013/16** £55
The brilliant winemaking talents of Louis Mitjaville have been well-documented recently with his beautifully made 'Super-Charged Right Bank' wines of Roc des Combes and Domaine l'Aurage. The Cadet is the 'little brother'. Merlot based, medium bodied and succulent driven by a beautiful core of delightfully pure fruit and firm, stylish structure.
- 20 **Château La Fleur Petrus, Pomerol, 2005** £395
A magnificent 18Ha. property producing exquisite Pomerol from various parcels of vines neighbouring the greats of Petrus, le Pin and Lafleur. Delectably fresh and elegant and in almost perfect balance this is an outstanding La Fleur-Pétrus and one of the wines of the vintage.
- 21 **Château Barrail Du Blanc Grand Cru, St Emilion, 2015 (vegan)** £60
This beautiful Grand Cru offers up a dense serving of cassis and plums with a delightful minerality. A dominant Merlot blend with Cabernet Franc, the supple tannins and finish seem to go on and on. Fantastic!

BURGUNDY

Bottle

White

- 22 Chablis, Domaine Vincent Dampt, 2018 £55
Stylish with delicate notes of lemon & text book minerality. A 'rising star in the region' crafting immaculately balanced wines. It oozes that elegant, pure and mineral style of Chardonnay that defines Chablis. Vincent 's pedigree is impressive with his Grandfather, Jean Defaix and father, Daniel Dampt both highly respected within the industry. This is boutique Chablis.
- 23 Bourgogne Blanc, Les Setilles, Olivier Leflaive, 2017 £60
A prestigious blend of Puligny-Montrachet and Meursault. Chardonnay is at its most mineral and complex on Burgundian soil. Bright lemon in colour, this wine is incredibly fresh with white flower, citrus fruit and apple notes, balanced with subtle hints of creamy vanilla.
- 24 Meursault, Bouchard Pere et Fils, 2016/17 £120
A gentle aroma of floral fruit on the nose opens up to a rich and charming, full bodied wine. Fantastic structure with a long and palpable finish. Superb accompaniment to seafood.
- 25 Corton-Charlemagne, Grand Cru, Bonneau du Martray, 2011 £450
To most, Domaine Bonneau du Martray is Corton Charlemagne – One of the very greatest of all Grand Cru white Burgundies, synonymous with a style that combines an aching richness, length and concentration with an incomparable finesse and purity. Superb.
- 26 Pouilly Fuissé , Bouchard Père et Fils, 2017 £66
The star of the Mâcon appellations lies at the foot of the Solutré and Vergisson crags that rise into the sky like two immense bows of a ship and connoisseurs like its elegance and lively, silky texture. Typical aromas, with fruit and floral notes. A very perfumed, silky, elegant wine.

Red

- 27 Marsannay, Domaine Trapet, 2015 (biodynamic) £90
Marsannay is the northern most appellation of the Côte de Nuits district. This Pinot Noir shows fresh, balanced red fruit flavours offset by spice and earth notes, ending in a persistent finish. This is a wonderful example, drinking well now.
- 28 Cote de Nuits-Villages "La Robignotte", Monopole, Gilles Jourdan, 2014 £95
A beautifully fleshed out Pinot Noir. Gilles Jourdan produces these dynamite wines from a small patch of 5 hectares within the sleepy confounds of Corgoloin, a village far from the beaten path. This is a dry and rustic style of red Burgundy, with dark fruits and red berries leading the way to a pinch of oak. Good umami weight, soft tannins and great acidity.
- 29 Chorey-les -Beaune, Domaine Maillard, 2017 £75
Juicy, fruit forward wines are the hallmark of this down-to-earth and friendly family owned winery. A Burgundy with charm and appeal - which is often difficult to acquire at this price in this part of France.
- 30 Beaune, 1er Cru, 'Les Teurons', Domaine Rossignol-Trapet, 2014 £120
In 1990 David and Nicolas Trapet split from Domaine Trapet forming their own Domaine Rossignol-Trapet, where they now produce, using biodynamic principle, Burgundies with distinctive, individual style. From a 1.1Ha parcel of vines, the Teurons is a wonderfully feminine wine and shows a delightfully pure and ripe concentration of dark cherry fruit, spice, wild berries and violets with a mineral focus.

BEAUJOLAIS

Red

- 31 Moulin-a-Vent, Le Carquelin, Domaine Labruyere, 2014 £80
The oldest estate in Moulin-a-Vent, the family settled in Thorins, a hamlet of Romaneche-Thorins in 1850. From a south facing slope of 50 yr old vines, an iconic parcel of Moulin a Vent. When the appellation was created in 1936, this was considered a premier cru. Le Carquelin covers 3.5Ha half of which is owned by Domaine Labruyere. Beautifully perfumed with gorgeous cherry and blackberry fruit and fresh, mineral notes.

RHONE

Bottle

White

- 32 Chateauneuf du pape blanc, Vieilles Vignes, Tardieu-Laurent, 2016/17 £110
An utterly delicious blend of old vine Roussanne & Marsanne, lush, heady peach and pear aromas with touches of vanilla. The palate is fresh and ripe. A gorgeous and creamy finish with fine acidity. There is almost a 'Burgundian-like' style to it. Refined and elegant, however, those stone fruit flavours bring it firmly back and down to the Rhone.

- 33 Hermitage, Chante-Alouette, M. Chapoutier, 2015 £60
The name of Hermitage probably first appeared in the XVII Century in memory of Henry Gaspard, a knight from Stérimberg. Having come back from the Crusades (in the XIII Century) and tired of waging war, he lived as a hermit on a hillside which had been given to him by Anne of Castille, Queen of Spain. Brilliant and green golden. Complex yet subtle, aromas of quince, honey, ginger, acacia with a hint of lime blossom. Very elegant with great length.

Red

- 34 Côte Rôtie, Vieilles Vignes, Tardieu-Laurent, 2014 £125
A barage of dark berries, ripe fruit and lightly wooded plum compote. The nose is refined and explosive. In the mouth it has a savoury herbaciousness with soft hints of violet and an enduring finish. A fine and full wine showcasing real fruit power and complexity from 50 year old vines.

- 35 Côtes du Rhône, Guigal, 2015/16 £55
Another wine that we have followed from our days with Sandy Irvine Robertson. He had a wonderful relationship with many of his importers and this was evident in his love for the wines. Guigal Côtes Du Rhône is all about the savour. It's said that great wines have long finishes, and one thing that Guigal manages to demonstrate is how to keep an evolving flavour experience. Earth abounds in this strawberry and raspberry infused power house. There is mocha and espresso as well as a touch of liquorice and herbs. On the tongue there is a magnified blackberry and raspberry. You can almost taste his enthusiasm!

- 36 Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Domaine Chante Cigale, 2016 £65
Deep and intense. A classic style displaying the soft and rich character of the Grenache in the specific terroir of the Châteauneuf du Pape. A body smooth with warm spice and black fruit character.

- 37 Châteauneuf du Pape, Château de Beaucastel, 2011 £175
One of the great domaines of the Southern Rhone, Beaucastel continue to craft exceptionally beautiful wines. Grenache is the key to the style. Sweet red fruit aromatics with layers of spice and 'garrigue herbs' on a velvety, broad, long-lasting palate.

- 38 Gigondas, Domain du Cayron, 2016 £80
The stunner from Rhone's celebrated south and champion of Grenache. The village's dry Mediterranean air combined with the composition of terrior (a mix of eastern limesoils and sandy, free-draining rockbeds found north/west) have provided Gigondas the perennial canvas to produce its outstanding, high quality wine using only the area's finest grapes. Bottled at a legally required minimum of 12.5% alcohol, it's one of France's highest 'minimum-alcohol' stipulations. A bold yet charming wine with notes of cassis, red berries, herbs and light spices.

ALSACE

White

- 39 Gewürztraminer, Reserve, FE Trimbach, 2013 £6
Trimbach is one of the finest wineries in France, (if not the world!) and are masters of their art in making interesting and sophisticated whites. This wine is made in the traditional, dry style, perfectly floral on the nose, with hints of rosewater and lychee, while the palate is elegant, fresh and perfectly balanced.

- 40 Pinot Gris, Reserve Personnelle, FE Trimbach, 2016 £55
Toasted nuts, marzipan and salinity underscore the peach and apple fruit here. A hint of honey adds nobility, and relatively high acidity adds a primary juciness to the long, nutty and somewhat smokey finish. Fascinating stuff.

LOIRE

White

- 41 Sancerre, 'Les Lorys', Marquis de Goulaine, 2017/18 £65
Château de Goulaine is the oldest known wine business still in existence and believed to be the third oldest commercial enterprise in the world. The castle estate is one of the last Châteaux de la Loire to still be producing wine. Light straw colour, intense gooseberry, flint and lemon aromas with cut grass and floral notes..

- 42 Pouilly Fumé, de Ladoucette, 2017 £95
Pouilly Fumé de Ladoucette is produced by the Counts Lafond – owners of the largest vineyards in Pouilly. This near neighbour of Sancerre uses the Fume Blanc (sauvignon) grape to great effect. This most noble of wines exhibits hints of smokiness on the nose. The palate is full to bursting with green, berry fruit and offers a rapier-like thrust of refreshing acidity across the palate.

Red

- 43 Sancerre, Chaumeau Balland, 2017 £58
This juicy, fruity Pinot Noir shows intense aromas of raspberry and cherry on the nose, and then they develop further on the palate. Soft tannins, crisp yet balanced acidity with masses of ripe red berry flavours. Would go well with poultry, rabbit and fuller bodied fish dishes.

SOUTHERN FRANCE

White

- 44 Picpoul de Pinet, La Croix Gratiot, Languedoc, 2019 £50
This is a wonderfully clean and expressive wine. Originally grown on 27 hectares in Montagnac by brothers Yves Ricome and Hugues, in 2009 Yves bought out his brother's stake and was then joined by his daughter Anais, who had spent years developing pure and un-oaked whites in New Zealand. The grapes are grown on a chalky plateau with cool maritime seabreezes moderating the area's small climate. This particular soil composition and ocean proximity allows this grape to augment those aromatic compounds and acidity that make this variety of wine so special. Bursting apple and pear with crisp citrus. Great balance and minerality. The finish is grassy, flinty and very enjoyable.

- 45 Minervois Blanc, Chateau Canet, Languedoc, 2017 £40
The Minervois Blanc from Chateau Canet is a blend of local grape varieties Bourboulenc and Roussanne, and carries hints of tropical and zesty grapefruit citrus. Fermented and aged in stainless steel, to do justice to the delicate bouquet, with the briefest of periods in oak to softens and round off the finish, giving an elegant balance.

Red

- 46 Pinot Noir, Le Vallon, Languedoc, 2017 (biodynamic) £50
Ripe cherries and crunchy red berries give this intense Pinot its silky brightness and edge. The style isn't too dissimilar to the Pinots from Central Otago, New Zealand. The fruit is bunch pressed and aged in a mixture of concrete, stainless steel and chestnut barrels. Any intervention during this time is kept at an all time minimum, with all wine remaining un-filtered before bottling. Juicy stuff with great depth!

- 47 Malbec, Causse du Theron, Cahors, 2014 £55
Cahors, champion of limestone soils and home of the beloved Malbec grape. The style is elegant, with firm dark berries and a minerality that leans out the body a little. This is not a compromise however, it gives the wine some fantastic lift by bringing some vibrancy to its dense fruits. Soft tannins and plenty of plum blend into a slight savoury finish. A lovely example of French Malbec.

CENTRAL EUROPE

White

- 48 Gruner Veltliner, Winzer, Krems, Austria, 2017/18 (vegan) £39
Grüner is the typical grape of Austria and is a wine people should try! Crisp, dry, white wine is what is fashionable at the moment (think Sauvignon Blanc and Pinot Grigio). If you like this style then Grüner is what to try next. Food friendly with all sorts of things such as fish, white meats and anything with a light sauce.
- 49 Riesling "Karthäuser", Weingut Tesch, Nahe, Germany, 2015 £65
Bright yellow with hints of green. The aromatic nose displays notes of weathered red slate and rich dense aromas. A wonderful example of Riesling showing excellent concentration, crystalline purity of fruit and rich flavours of a stunning single vineyard site.

Red

- 50 Pinot Noir, Les deux Cimes, Jamie McCulloch, Valais, Switzerland, 2016/17/18 £55
Stylish Swiss wine made by our Scottish friend Jamie McCulloch, which we have brought in after one too many guests asked us about it! Fermented and aged in oak cask, this is a piercing, smoky pinot, with generous hints of blackberries and wild raspberries. A very small production run sees only 1000 cases made each year.

SPAIN

White

- 51 Albariño, "Finca Montealto", Bodegas Fillabo, Rias Baixas, 2013 £55
The Fillabo estate, which in the north western Galician language means "a good daughter" is the largest and one of the oldest wine estates in Galicia. The gravelly, sandy loamy soil and the slopes with over 20% incline, award us perfectly ripe, balanced fruit with a zingy acidity, resulting in a complex white wine with style and longevity. The wine's minerality, structure and roundness stand out on the palate, and is one of only a few Albarinos produced from an individual site.

Red

- 52 Garnacha, Gaznata, Sierra de Gredos, 2018 £45
An hour from Madrid are the mountains of the Sierra de Gredos, a staggeringly beautiful area, home to wild bears, wolves, and some incredibly old Garnacha (Grenache) vines. Enter Daniel Ramos; a young, dynamic winemaker with local roots, but an Australian accent. The wine he has produced is light in colour, like a true Garnacha, easy drinking, full of blackberries and redcurrants, with a delicious richness and spice and a complexity beyond its price tag.
- 53 Gran Reserva, Conde de Valdemar, Rioja, 2010 £80
90 points in Wine Spectator. Bronze medal in the International Wine Challenge 2008 and Silver medal in the International Wine & Spirits Competition. Deep, cherry red colour, with concentrated herbaceous and vanilla aromas. Meaty and rich flavours of cherry, plums and almonds with well integrated oak, a rich velvety texture and a long, powerful finish.
- 54 Reserva, Sierra Cantabria, Rioja, 2012/13 £55
Intense cherry and toasty nose of oak with light traces of tobacco aroma and cedar. Ripe fruit with varietal expression and delicate floral hints (petals). Dense, sweet and polished, it's a beautifully nuanced wine with very fine tannins.
- 55 PSI, Dominio Pingus, Ribera del Duero, 2016 £70
Highly respected for producing Pingus one of the most iconic wines in the world Psi is his new joint project with local growers in the region. Charming both press and customers since its first release in 2007, the 100% Tempranillo (or Tinto fino) has an understated, beautifully polished style and very distinguished structure. Delivering elegant raspberry and bramble fruit with notes of oranges, tobacco and spice, a fresh yet full palate and fine tannins on a long, luxurious finish.

ITALY

White

- 56 Gavi di Gavi, Cantine Giacomo Ascheri, Piedmont, 2018 £54
Using the best Cortese grapes Matteo Ascheri makes textbook Gavi. A masterful example of this style of wine. Crisp aperitif or elegant accompaniment with creamy fish and poultry. Delicious.
- 57 Soave "Sereole", Bertani, Veneto, 2017/18 £46
One of "the" names in North-East Italy and one of the classic Soaves (a previous incarnation was served at the coronation banquet of Queen Elizabeth (the Queen Mother) and George VI). Soave is misunderstood (in the UK anyway) but in the right hands can be one of the finest wines in Italy. Fresh, mineral (from the volcanic soils) and bursting with citrus fruit. Try with anything that you might pick a Sauvignon Blanc with fish, shellfish, chicken, salads etc.
- 58 Verdicchio, Belisario, Vigneti B Metalica, Marche, 2018 (organic) £48
From a modest co-operative in Metalica, just inland from Castelli di Jesi, is Cantine Belisario. 24 organic vineyards spread throughout 300 hectares of continental hills, the combination of warm days and cool nights allows the grapes aromatics and structure to properly develop. Thus, the harvest some seasons can be as late as mid October. The result is truly wonderful. Dandelion and herbs on the nose, soft and elegant in the mouth. A very refreshing wine.
- 59 Pecorino, PEMO, Terre di Chieti, Abruzzo, 2018 £39
The PeMo wine range pay homage to 2 wines that are distinctively native to Abruzzo, Pecorino and Montepuciano, the branding being an amalgamation of the 2 grape varieties. This is a very light and zippy wine displaying all the hallmarks of Pecorino; crisp tropical acidity held together by a citric and green apple minerality. Ideal for Skye's abundance of seafood.
- 60 Bechar, Fiano di Avellino D.O.C.G, Antonio Caggiano, Campania. 2017/18 £50
This wonderfully fresh and vibrant wine comes from the beautiful mind of Antonio Caggiano and based in the famous town of Taurasi, the heart of Anglianico. Mid to full bodied with clean acidity and an abundance of ripe peach/nectarine, crunchy pear, citrus and subtle pineapple. The finish is nutty and creamy. A complete wine from an incredible grape, Fiano!

Red

- 61 Barbera "Briccotondo", Fontanafredda, Piedmont, 2016/17 £42
This is a very approachable red from one of the finest and oldest estates in Piedmont. Rich, ripe fruit with freshness on the palate. A great red for all, especially with rare cuts of your top meats..
- 62 Barolo, 'Albe' G.D. Vajra, Piedmont, 2015 £115
Barolo; the finest wine in Italy, made in a vast amount of different styles, enjoyed by all. Aldo Vajra named his estate after his father, Giuseppe Domenico, when he established it in 1972. From 60 hectares, 10 alone are used exclusively for Barolo. Elegance with firm fruit. Wonderful structure.
- 63 Amarone Costasera Classico, Masi, Veneto, 2013 £109
Masi specialise in the drying of grapes, so their Amarone is considered amongst the finest expressions of the wine. Velvety smooth but with power underlying, this is exquisite drinking. A beautiful match for Marcello's signature beef dish. One dose not simply pass on Amarone!
- 64 Chianti Classico, Gran Selezione, Riserva di Monna Lisa, Vignamaggio, Tuscany, 2013/16 £85
Situated halfway between Florence and Siena, the Vignamaggio estate, in its quintessentially beautiful Tuscan setting, was built by the Gherardini family at the beginning of the 15th century. Rich in history and intrigue, it is said that the Mona Lisa of Leonardo da Vinci's celebrated portrait was born here! It was also in relation to a Vignamaggio wine, that the term 'Chianti' was first used in 1404, spawning Italy's most successful wine 'brand'. An intensely-fruited Chianti Classico with traditional sour cherry, mocha and dried herbs. A fine and well balanced classic.

- 65 Tignanello, Marchesi Antinori, Tuscany, 2012 £275
 First produced in 1971, Tignanello was originally a Chianti Classico. However, with the addition of 15% Cabernet Sauvignon & 5% Cabernet Franc, Antinori's flagship is one of the small group of 'Super-Tuscans' (wines that have chosen to opt out of the DOC(G) system choosing non-indigenous grapes in the blend) that have established themselves as truly 'world-class'!

PORTUGAL

Red

- 66 Dom Martinho, Quinta do Carmo, Alentejo, 2016/17 £45
 Aragonès, Alicante Bouschet, Trincadeira combined with Cabernet Sauvignon, and Syrah are blended to create this great Portuguese wine. Each grape variety is vinified separately, respecting its optimal period of maturing to produce the intended style. It is not aged in wooden casks. Aromas are of red fruit such as ripe, black cherries. On the palate, full upfront fruit characters of plum and blackberry and a mouth filling wine with soft fine tannins and a lingering finish.
- 67 Pintas Character Wine & Soul, Douro, 2014 £78
 These 70 year old vine parcels are a mix of Touriga Franca, Tinto Roriz (known as Tempranillo elsewhere), Touriga Nacional and around 25 other varieties. Grapes are carefully hand picked when ripe and pressed as a vineyard selection on numerous occasions through the growing season. Crushed by foot in stone lagares, fermented and then aged for 18 months in a mix of new and old French oak.

EASTERN EUROPE

White

- 68 Chardonnay/Rebula, Gasper, Slovenia, 2018 (Vegan) £50
 Gasper Carman is easily Slovenia's main wine guy. With 14 years in the industry and 2 Sommelier of the Year titles, he knows his stuff. Gasper estate is situated upon the unique terrior of Goriska Brda, an area that stretches into north-east Italy. The proximity to the Adriatic and the Alps allow dry, warm summers with cool ocean breezes, which is crucial to its ripening period. The wine is fresh and displays peach, clean citrus and a kiss of acidity. Un-oaked chardonnay at its best.
- 69 Savatiano, Domaine Papagiannakos, Attika, Greece, 2017 £50
 The family owned Domaine Papagiannakos was established in 1919, just 30km from the shadow of the Acropolis. Vassilis is the third generation to run the vineyard, where the focus is primarily on cultivating indigenous grape varieties, such as this Savatiano, with fresh fennel and floral aromas, leading onto a broad palate with lemon and herbal characters, and a savoury finish.
- 70 Tokaji Furmint Dry, Patricius, Hungary, 2017/18 £42
 Fresh and light, white with walnut, almond and mint aromas and flavours with hints of honey. Complex with a long finish. Furmint, a native Hungarian grape, makes an interesting alternative if you are keen on wines such as Pinot Grigio or Sauvignon Blanc.

Red

- 71 Bulls Blood Bikaver, Bolyki, Eger, Hungary, 2015 £48
 Egri Bikaver ('Bull's Blood of Eger') is Hungary's most famous red wine. It comes from the Eger wine region of northern Hungary. A complex blend; Kekfrankos, Cabernet Franc, Merlot, Zweigelt, Blauburger & Portugieser. Fermented and aged in barrel, and charged with deep black cherry fruit, blackberries and good acidity, this Bikaver is a great match with red meats.
- 72 Teran, Piquentum, Istria, Croatia, 2015/16 £55
 Teran is a relative of Refosco (of Venetian heritage), and this example from Dimitri (trained in France) comes across as complex as the best of them. While glass-coatingly inky, the wine is much more delicate on the palate than it looks. A rollercoaster of wild herbs and berries on the nose is echoed on the palate with a delicious crunchy mineral quality, the result of natural fermentation and a minimal intervention winemaking ethos.

LEBANON

Red

- 73 Chateau Musar, Bekaa Valley, 2011 £85
One never grows tired of this superb world famous wine: a varying blend of old vine, low yielding Cabernet Sauvignon, Cinsault and Carignan with a supple style and well balanced. Lively and complex with layers of rich berry fruits - also soft, ripe fruits such as cherries, damsons with spiciness and cedar.

SOUTH AMERICA

White

- 74 Sauvignon Blanc, Montes, Leyda, Chile, 2018 £38
An excellent example of 'cool climate' Chilean Sauvignon delivering beautifully clean fruit purity bursting with fresh herbaceous aromas and a crisp, tropical fruit laden palate.
- 75 Torrontes, Don David, El Esteco, Salta, Argentina, 2017/18 £40
A vibrant wine with fresh tropical fruits and delicate aromas of roses and orange peel, lifted by a refreshing acidity. One of the finest examples of this aromatic grape variety, native to Argentina.

Red

- 76 Santa Digna Reserva, Merlot, Valle Central, Chile, 2017 £38
A well crafted Merlot delivering layers of sweet, ripe plummy and bramble juiciness with warm, rippling vanilla and spice characters on a long, rounded finish.
- 77 Malbec, Achaval-Ferrer, Mendoza, Argentina, 2016 £60
The wines of Achaval-Ferrer continue to attract huge critical acclaim and with that superlatives beyond belief in the wine industry. The results are a very luxurious style, oozing silky, dark fruits spiked with exotic spices and in particular the classic tamarind character. Divine, velvet stuff.
- 78 Malbec Finca Mirador, Achaval-Ferrer, Mendoza, Argentina, 2015 £200
Achaval-Ferrer have been a powerhouse in this region with their continued dedication and respect for the terroir they've called home since 1998. An eloquent balance between vine elevation (some almost 5000ft) and hospitable soils have transformed how we understand and enjoy the Malbec grape. The Finca Mirador is a show-stopper with a complex parade of oaked chocolate, creamy nuts, dark berries, plums and a lash of leather. Indulgent!

NORTH AMERICA

White

- 79 De la Guerra, Chardonnay, Hyde de Villaine, Carneros, California, 2014 £95
A joint project between Aubert de Villaine of Domaine de la Romanee Conti and Larry Hyde of Carneros winemaking fame, these Californian wines combine a degree of the finesse, elegance and refinement, which most of us would associate with European wines, with a balance of richness and vitality afforded by the relatively cool, windy climate of the Carneros region.
- 80 Horse Heaven Hills Chardonnay, Ch. Ste. Michelle, Washington State, USA, 2015 £70
Washington State's premier vineyard, founded in 1912. The Canoe Ridge vintage of 2015 is an elegant and refined style of chardonnay. Crisp apple and an underlying lemon brioche creaminess. Light spices and acidity balancing well in the finish.

Red

- 81 Pinot Noir, Domaine Drouhin, Dundee Hills, Oregon, 2014 £95
Established in the late 1980s by Veronique Drouhin of the outstanding Burgundy negociants estate Domaine Joseph Drouhin, the project has been at the forefront of putting Oregon on the 'World Class Pinot map'. Heavenly scented with layers of velvet, red fruit textures a long, luxurious finish.

- 82 Zinfandel Old Vines, Bogle Winery, Sacramento, California, 2016/17 £55
 These gnarly, old vines produce concentrated fruit of unsurpassed quality and intensity. This full-bodied vintage is packed with rich, red/blackberry notes that round out in the mouth, resembling summer fruit jams. Juniper berry and cinnamon join the spiciness of red and black peppercorns as they integrate with the supple fruit leading toward the finish. Toasty oak and cloves on the finish.
- 83 Cabernet Sauvignon, Cakebread Cellars, Napa Valley, 2014 £175
 Sourced from various vineyards across Napa, this is a tremendously complex wine bursting with silky black fruit and fine tannins. The blend is topped with 5% Cabernet Franc, 4% Merlot, 4% Petit Verdot and 1% Malbec, a true Left-Bank Bordeaux blend. The estate was established in 1973, the family motto that Jack Cakebread embraced when he started the winery is still relevant today. "We make wines that we like to drink because if you can't sell them, you better be able to drink them".

SOUTH AFRICA

White

- 84 Sauvignon Blanc, Buitenverwachting, Constantia, 2017/18 £42
 A fine example of Constantia Sauvignon Blanc that consistently crafts a very definite, 'Loire-like' style. Heavenly scented with notes of green pepper, greengage and wild herbs with elegant, fruit purity on a rapier-like tale.
- 85 Chenin Blanc, The FMC, Ken Forrester Wines, Western Cape, 2016/18 £90
 From the well respected estate managed by the charismatic "King of Chenin" comes the FMC, the pinnacle of what Ken Forrester considers to be the finest expression of this varietal; an iconic Chenin Blanc, a challenge to the world! Rich, layered with dried apricot, vanilla and honey. A complex wine that is delightfully easy to drink.

Red

- 86 Christine, Buitenverwachting, Constantia, 2013 £62
 The 'flagship wine' of this beautiful farm on the east-facing slopes of the magnificent Constantiaberg and barely 12km from False Bay, originally formed part of the Constantia Estate, which was founded by Simon van der Stel, the first Governor of the new Dutch colony at the tip of Africa. A Bordeaux blend of Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, Merlot and Malbec, Christine is a very special, more old world than the new!
- 87 Pinot Noir, Elemental Bob, Swartland, 2016 £60
 Craig Sheard, otherwise known as Farmer Bob, has been making wine since 2004, and in 2014 decided to go it alone. He makes ethereal, food-friendly wines made from grapes sourced from a wide variety of sites in the Western Cape. This Pinot has delicate cherries and wild strawberries with a light body and lively acidity. The wine was raised in old French oak barrels for 10 months before being bottled.

AUSTRALIA

White

- 88 Riesling, Pewsey Vale Vineyard, Eden Valley, 2017/18 £50
 A classic example of dry Eden Valley Riesling. A pale straw with green hues, the wine shows intense fruit aromas of talcum, crushed citrus & stone fruit, with a hint of dried herb. The wine finishes with a natural acidity that balances the flavour intensity and the minerality.
- 89 Block 1A Chardonnay, The Lane, Adelaide Hills, 2017/18 £55
 The Lane Project, high in the Adelaide Hills, was an ambitious project that proved incredible. Burgundian vines in South Australian soil 450 metres above sea level. Bright, clean tropical fruit with a creamy stonefruit acidity. Its an exciting wine from an exciting wine-maker, a true celebration of old and new world unity.

Red

- 90 **Angus 'The Bull' Cabernet Sauvignon, Central Victoria, 2017** £42
Hamish MacGowan, originally from Scotland, could not find a wine which went with premium cuts of prime beef, so he made one! From select parcels of the best grapes, it is intense with rich crème de cassis & spice, chocolate notes and subtle vanilla. Rich, plump, inky goodness.
- 91 **Little Tacker GSM, Barossa Boy, Barossa Valley, South Australia, 2016** £60
A fabulous rhone blend from a 6th generation winemaking family, well regarded world wide for their devotion to reds with immense presence. Trent Burge is a farm boy and the terrain is what he knows best. His deep understanding of Barossa and its history has helped him bring to life wine that is remarkably honest to its area. Lavender, oaked vanilla and cherry chocolate all polished and generously delivered. The finish is long with a restrained spice.
- 92 **"The Cigar", Cabernet Sauvignon, Yalumba, Coonawara, 2014** £69
This iconic wine is from Yalumba's famous Menzies vineyard. "Cigar" refers to the cigar-shaped strip of terra rosa soil that has made Coonawarra so famous. A complex bouquet of cherries and dark chocolate. The palate bursts forth with flavours of mulberry compote with a fine, beautifully structured length.

NEW ZEALAND

White

- 93 **Pinot Gris, Uralar, Gladstone, (Organic), 2017** £44
An opulent, dry styled wine with aromas of sweet pear, honeysuckle and stone fruit overlaying a generous mouthfeel of great weight and depth. The creamy texture on the palate to a long and lingering finish. Anelegant wine with a beautiful balance.
- 94 **Sauvignon Blanc, Eradus, Awatere Valley, Marlborough, 2018** £48
An extremely well-run, family owned estate based in the Awatere Valley crafting majestic wines packed with character and style. Asparagus, intense gooseberry and lime flavours with some cut grass on the nose. The palate is beautifully toned and fresh with good fruit flavours, herbaceous notes and a stoney minerality. This is a weighty and rounded wine with sweet 'tomato stalk' characters typical of Awatere.
- 95 **Sauvignon Blanc, Greywacke, Marlborough, 2018** £58
Named after the primary bedrock of NZ's South Island, Greywacke is the brainchild of Marlborough wine pioneer Kevin Judd. This is another fine example of what has made Marlborough the international dominant force in Sauvignon Blanc's it is today. Broad fruit palate of rich nectarine, gooseberry, melon, grapefruit and hints of Jasmine. Ripe lemon citrus fills the long and crisp finish.

Red

- 96 **Pinot Noir, Eradus, Marlborough, 2017/18** £55
The Eradus just seems to get better vintage after vintage with the 2015 now as perfumed and as polished as ever, but with an underlying structure that promises great future. A refined and tempered Pinot of lush and velvety charm and structure. Earthy mushroom notes contrast with dark, perfumed fruit and flowers.
- 97 **Pinot Noir, Two Paddocks, Central Otago, 2016** £90
Owned and operated by Sam Neill, these delicious grapes are organically grown over the Neill familie's four small vineyards that span from Arrowtown through to Alexandra. All grapes are hand-picked, hand- harvested and spend their final 10 months in French oak. The final result is a brooding mix of red/blackcurrants, spice and savoury herbs. It has a feminine body but boasts the complexity and persistence that has put south NZ wines on the world stage.
- 98 **Syrah, "Winemakers Collection", Crossroads, Hawke's Bay, 2015/16** £55
The Winemakers Collection from Crossroads includes the winery's finest parcels of fruit, carefully prepared and selected from their own vineyards. This is a Syrah borne out of passion and respect for the unique land of Hawke's Bay, full of complex flavours of dark berries and plum with hints of violets, cracked pepper and hints of smoke.

ROSE

- 99 Pinot Gris, Urlar, Gladstone, (Organic), 2017 £44
An opulent, dry styled wine with aromas of sweet pear, honeysuckle and stone fruit overlaying a generous mouthfeel of great weight and depth. The creamy texture on the palate to a long and lingering finish. Anelegant wine with a beautiful balance.
- 100 Primitivo Rosé, A Mano, Puglia, Italy, 2018 £44
A delicious medium/full bodied Rosé, the ripe fruit and berry components are outstanding. Elegant and complex, yet youthful, juicy and very interesting. A dash of oak imparts a creaminess which inturn amplifies the soft forest fruits. If it is something new and exciting you seek, you found it!

	DESSERT WINES	70ml	Bottle
101	<p>Muscat de Beaume de Venise, La Pastorelle, Delas, Rhone, France 2016 (37.5cl)</p> <p>In 1993, both Deutz and Delas Frères became part of the Roederer Group. Using hand-picked grapes, this Muscat de Beaumes-de-Venise has pale golden hue. The bouquet shows intense fruity and floral aromas. Deliciously elegant freshness, full-bodied with lingering fruity aromas and a lemon-tinged finish.</p>	£9	£40
102	<p>Banyuls Red, Chapoutier, Roussillon, France, 2016 (50cl)</p> <p>The fermentation of hand-selected Grenache Noir grapes is blocked by adding grape brandy and the wine continues to macerate on the skins for 3 more weeks thereby conferring greater richness: Summer pudding, mocha, prune and caramel flavours make it a superb match with cheese, chocolate and even rich rabbit, hare and venison dishes.</p>	£10.50	£49
103	<p>Sauternes, Chateau Delmond, Bordeaux, France, 2015 (75cl)</p> <p>Award winning wine producer Jean-Cristophe offers a 2nd installment to his successful production of Sauternes. The make-up is 90% Semillon & 10% Sauvignon Blanc. At least 80% of all grapes used are affected by the 'noble rot', Botrytis.</p>	£9	£65
104	<p>Cabernet Franc Icewine, Peller, 2015 (37.5cl)</p> <p>Naturally frozen Cabernet Franc grapes are hand harvested from Niagara-on-the-Lake vineyards at -10°C. Pressed frozen, releasing only one drop of pure extract from each grape. This Icewine has a rich, silky mouth-feel with wonderful flavours of tangy red berries, cherry and redcurrant jelly. Lovely notes of cherry juice and blood orange linger on the finish. Soft delicate tannins and the perfect balance of sweetness and acidity provide great mouth-feel.</p>	£25	£105
105	<p>Noans, La Tunella, Colli Orientali del Friuli, Italy, 2016 (50cl)</p> <p>An intense and complex nose, with a bouquet of candied citrus, intermingling with sweet honey. Equal parts Riesling, Sauvignon Blanc and Traminer, this is a triumph of the sweet and the aromatic. Bright, persistent notes of candied orange, citron, and lemon, beautifully balanced against fresh, subtle, acidity.</p>	£13	£60
106	<p>Vin Santo del Chianti Classico, Tenute Marchese Antinori, Tuscany, Italy, 2013 (50cl)</p> <p>An intense and brilliant amber in colour. Nutty aromas, butterscotch, candied fruit and sweet citrus. Rich flavours of hazelnut and chestnuts on the palate.</p>	£14.50	£89
107	<p>Sticky Mickey, Late Harvest Sauvignon Blanc, Eradus, Marlborough, New Zealand, 2014 (37.5cl)</p> <p>An experimental LH Sauvignon (known as a 'sticky' in the southern hemisphere) that has grown arms and legs in the past couple of years ... Michael 'Mickey' Eradus has been playing around with this wine for a few years now, the grapes chosen from selected parcels in the vineyards and left on the vines to concentrate sugars and develop the complex fruit and herbaceous characters. It is remarkable wine oozing all the ripe, Marlborough Sauvignon flavours taken to extremes.</p>	£10.50	£42
108	<p>Tokaji Aszu 6 Puttonyos, Patricius, Hungary, 2008 (50cl)</p> <p>Historically referred to as the "Wine of Kings, King of Wines", Tokaji is traditionally vinified from native Hungarian grape varieties. The Patricius 6-Puttonyos has an exotic and spicy bouquet with apricot jam and marmalade notes. The palate is medium-bodied with a fresh, vibrant marmalade and quince entry and honeyed finish.</p>	£12.75	£78
109	<p>Vin de Constance, Klein Constantia, Constantia, South Africa, 2013 (50cl)</p> <p>As close to an icon as a wine can get. This multiple gold winner gets 90 points from Wine Spectator. Bright golden in colour with fresh, green tinge. The richly aromatic nose displays candied orange peel, sundried peaches and whiffs of sandalwood. The palate is full and viscous with waves of white peach and pear flavours, restrained acidity and fine, nutty finish.</p>	£26.25	£150
110	<p>Chambers Rosewood, Liqueur Muscat, Rutherglen, Australia, (37.5cl)</p> <p>Considered to be the world's richest muscat, this empowered wine is a testament to its low yielding vines, concentrating the fruit and natural sugars into a plump and toothsome bottle. The grapes are harvested late in the season, blended through the solera and then bottled with the Campbell's primary badge of authenticity, the letter 'R' for Rutherglen Estate. The flavours are rich but surprisingly clean and pronounced. Rose petals, figs and orange peel spread wide across the mouth, allowing an unforgettable finish.</p>	£13.50	£65