

Red Wines

Cabernet Sauvignon 2006

£17.75

Indomita, Central Valley

The old Cabernet Sauvignon vines meticulously selected over the years, produce the concentrated berries needed for long life wines. Ageing in barrels adds complexity and the result is wine of great finesses and elegance.

Old Block Pinotage 2004

£16.50

South Africa

A lovely example of South Africa's best known generic variety (Pinot Noir/Cinsaut). A robustly fruity wine from South Africa – absolutely nothing to do with tobacco!

Brouilly 2006

£19.95

Domaine de Mondenet

Gabriel Jambon (nothing to do with ham!!) makes serious single village Beaujolais at his domaine. Everything that good Gamay should be and now drinking well.

Heredad Ugarte Crianza 2004

£19.75

Good Rioja from a leading bodega. Largely Tempranillo and aged in cask for 15 months, a fruity wine with good structure and lovely wooden overtones.

Ballast Stone Shiraz 2005

£22.95

McClaren Vale and Currency Creek

A Decanter award winner. This is a richly plummy, Violety wine with a good spicy character. Matured in French and US Oak for 12 months, great complexity and strength.

Terrace View Cabernet Malbec Merlot 2004

£16.95

Hawkes Bay, New Zealand

Soft round and fruity, a blend of three varieties from Hawkes Bay in New Zealand, very easy to drink – this one will catch up with you. NZ wines are becoming increasingly expensive but this one is a reasonable gem!

Onyx Kroon 2005

£16.75

An interesting wine from the Groenekloof region of South Africa. Abe Beukes is a very innovative winemaker and his shiraz/Pinotage blend is a very high quality wine. Rich, full flavoured character yet elegant with a long finish.

Chateauneuf du Pape 2003

£25.75

Le Devers

The Maurel family have been making wine in the southern Rhone for several generations and this wine is produced from the young vines of Clos Saint Jean. Deliciously complex elegant wine from a great vintage.

Simon Hackett Old Vine Grenache 2005

£18.75

Australia, McClaren Vale

Simon is a boutique winemaker, producing top quality wines under his own label. Whiffs of plump summer sweet cherry and berry, with softer juicy strawberry notes-firm acid plus toasty vanilla and oak structuring the background. Gordon Ramsey stocks this wine!!!

Montepulciano d'Abruzzo 2007

£16.25

Roxan, Abruzzi

Superb value here. Deep, roasted red pepper hue. Has soft cherry fruit flavours with a striking, and typically Italian, 'grilled' note. The structure is rounded but not fat, and neat finishing. To go with meats and cheeses of all persuasions.

Gevrey Chambertin 2000

£38.50

Domaine Rossignol Trapet

Classic Pinot Noir from a top domaine in the Cote de Nuits. Lovely, elegant rich flavours abound in this deliciously complex wine. 2000 was a great vintage in Burgundy.

White Wines

Chardonnay Murphy's 2006

£20.50

Australia

This exceptional estate bottled Chardonnay is produced using the best grapes. Rich, tropical Chardonnay fruit, backed up by fresh acidity and a nutty complexity from the clear oak influence. An in your face style Aussie white.

Gazela Vino Verde 2008

£15.95

Gazela has a nice lemon and citrus nose with just a hint of fizz – it is a light engaging wine. Perfect for lunchtime and summertime drinking (9%) First time a portuguese wine has made it onto the list!

Gewurztraminer 2005

£20.75

Materne Haegelin et ses filles, Alsace

A super example of Alsace's best known grape variety. Richly fruity and aromatic with typical spicey flavours and a dry finish. The Domaine Materne Haegelin is managed entirely by ladies! Sisters doing it for themselves!

Viognier, Vin de Pays d'Oc 2006

£16.75

Montagne Noire, France

This delightful Viognier is produced in the Languedoc region of Southern France. Fantastic growing conditions and liberal use of the new world, as well as French, winemakers produce this wine which is full of lime, apricot and peach flavours.

Pouilly Fume 2007

£22.25

Loire, France

One of the Loire's most famous wines (Sancerre being the other), Pouilly Fume produces wines from the Sauvignon Blanc grape which are elegant, dry and perfumed.

Petit Chablis 2006

£23.50

Chateau de Maligny

The Durup family have always supported this 'lesser' appellation and this vintage is superb. No oak is used in the making of the wine, the terroir being all important.

Whitehaven, Sauvignon Blanc 2007

£20.00

Marlborough, New Zealand

Bright as a button, as one would expect from a Stevin. Pale, alert with very refined characters; broom, elderflower and currants. The palate is very well textured, caressing almost, with a succulent lemon zest finish. First rate. Emma's favourite!

Gavi del Commune di Gavi 2007

£19.95

Piemonte, Italy

Made from the Cortese grape in Piemonte (the home of Italy's great reds) a dry full wine that is very much in fashion right now – maybe it's going to steal the Pinot Grigio crown – it should!

Sancerre 2006 Clos des Bouffants

£24.95

Domaine du Colombier

The wine of Sancerre can vary enormously in quality, but this brilliant Sauvignon Blanc from Roger Neveu is everything one would expect, clean, crisp and rich with good balancing acidity.

Rioja Blanco 2006

£19.95

Heredad Ugarte

Made from the Viura grape and 'fermentado en barrica' a big full weight powerful wine with a long after taste. Not for the faint hearted! Alan, our wine man has been trying to get me to put this on for months – he just adores it!

Trumpeter Rutini Torrontes 2005

£16.95

Mendoza, Argentina

With a rich viticultural history stretching back to the early 18th century, Rutini wines are recognised as one of Argentina's most prestigious producers. This wine is full of fruity flavours. I don't want to sound like Gilly Goulden but it tastes like pear drops!

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