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We are proud of all our wines. Nonetheless, throughout the list you will see that we have pointed you in certain directions, where you see a \*, to save you time.

# Italian Wine

## ABRUZZO

Two major geographical influences provide a microclimate conducive to producing healthy fruit from the indigenous Montepulciano grape variety. The moderating effect from the Adriatic Sea, coupled with the ability of the Pennine mountains to trap warm air, creates Abruzzo's unique climate. A little-known fact is that many highly regarded wines from France and Italy contain varying measures of Abruzzo wines in their blend, thereby making Abruzzo important not just in its own right but for European winemaking as a whole. Our own Montepulciano D'Abruzzo remains excellent again this year, very easy to drink, while the Tre Saggi continues to impress as our higher-value entry from the region. Gran Sasso's Pecorino has sold very well and we are pleased to announce that we will also take on their spectacular Montepulciano from the 2007 harvest. Deep, intense and smoky, if you haven't already been hooked on Abruzzi wines then the Gran Sasso will be the one to do it.

### Red

|         |                              |          |                   |               |         |
|---------|------------------------------|----------|-------------------|---------------|---------|
| MON013  | Montepulciano D'Abruzzo      | 2005 DOC | Valvona & Crolla  | Montepulciano | £5.99 * |
| MON011B | Montepulciano D'Abruzzo Moda | 2004 DOC | Cantine Talamonti | Montepulciano | £6.99   |
| MON016B | Montepulciano D'Abruzzo Tre  | 2004 DOC | Cantine Talamonti | Montepulciano | £9.99   |
| MON090  | Montepulciano D'Abruzzo      | 2007 DOC | Gran Sasso        | Montepulciano | £7.99   |

### White

|         |          |          |            |          |       |
|---------|----------|----------|------------|----------|-------|
| PEC009A | Pecorino | 2006 IGT | Gran Sasso | Pecorino | £8.99 |
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## BASILICATA

Basilicata has focussed its DOC production on just one grape, but that grape is one of Italy's best. The Aglianico red grape has its origins in Greek stock dating before the Romans arrived, meaning that some of the zones have been growing grapes for thousands of years. While Paternoster produce a variety of Aglianico-based wines, we still believe that the 'Synthesi' variety is the most representative example of this rich and complex grape.

### Red

|         |                                |          |             |           |        |
|---------|--------------------------------|----------|-------------|-----------|--------|
| AGL004D | Aglianico del Vulture Synthesi | 2004 DOC | Paternoster | Aglianico | £16.95 |
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## CAMPANIA

When Italy started to overhaul its wines in the 1980's, Campania was ignored for a long time as being deeply unfashionable, sticking with native varieties such as Fiano and Falanghina at a time when everyone else was enthusing over the likes of Chardonnay and other young upstarts. However recently, in a trend spearheaded by the excellent wines from Mastroberardino, great attention has moved back to the interesting and unique flavours on offer from Campania's native grapes. As well as the Lacryma Christi wines we also have again our own Aglianico and Falanghina which have been of a consistently high quality ever since we started putting our name to our favourite bottles. The Greco Di Tufo still shows vibrant life in the glass despite its age, and the latest vintages to arrive of Aglianico and Falanghina are phenomenal this year. Lastly we have the Taurasi from Vesevo, a powerful expression of Aglianico which competes with the top Barolo producers.

### Red

|         |                             |          |                  |           |         |
|---------|-----------------------------|----------|------------------|-----------|---------|
| AGL007  | Aglianico Beneventano       | 2005 IGT | Valvona & Crolla | Aglianico | £9.99 * |
| LAC003A | Lacryma Christi del Vesuvio | 2006 DOC | Mastroberardino  | Aglianico | £12.95  |
| TAU005  | Taurasi                     | 2001 DOC | Vesevo           | Aglianico | £23.90  |
| AGL008  | Aglianico                   | 2006 IGT | Valvona & Crolla | Aglianico | £9.99   |

### White

|         |                             |           |                  |            |        |
|---------|-----------------------------|-----------|------------------|------------|--------|
| FIA007  | Fiano di Avellino           | 2006 DOC  | Vesevo           | Fiano      | £11.95 |
| LAC009F | Lacryma Christi del Vesuvio | 2006 DOCG | Mastroberardino  | Piediroso  | £11.95 |
| FAL012  | Falanghina                  | 2007 DOC  | Valvona & Crolla | Falanghina | £9.99  |
| GRE021C | Greco di Tufo               | 2005 DOC  | Valvona & Crolla | Greco      | £9.99  |
| FAL011  | Falanghina                  | 2006 DOC  | Valvona & Crolla | Falanghina | £7.99  |

## EMILIA ROMAGNA

One of Italy's more idiosyncratic wine regions, one of the most famous examples of Emilia-Romagna's production is the famous sparkling red variety, Lambrusco. While most of the Lambrusco prepared for export is sweet (and sadly of an inferior quality) the Medici Ermete on our list is a drier style, much better suited to the traditional rich cuisine of the area. Try serving it as an alternative to crisp whites with antipasti when you want to add a touch of the exotic to your meal.

### Red

|        |                          |          |        |           |         |
|--------|--------------------------|----------|--------|-----------|---------|
| LAM018 | Lambrusco Secco Concerto | 2006 DOC | Medici | Lambrusco | £8.99 * |
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## FRIULI VENEZIA-GIULIA

A region of great quality for white wine production, most of the excellent wines from the region are snapped up by locals before the rest of us get our hands on them. That said, we managed to prise the well-regarded Specogna Pinot Grigio Ramato and Tocai Friuliano from their grasp once again. After a very encouraging first year we also intend to keep the Toblar Sauvignonas which has gained critical acclaim. We also have some choice wines from Silvio Jermann, a producer well decorated by Gambero Rosso. Of particular note is the rich, buttery, grandly-titled Were Dreams Now It Is Just Wine, a blend of great complexity. In the red we also have the Red Angel On The Moonlight, a Pinot Noir of perfect balance and finesse.

### Red

|         |                      |          |                |            |        |
|---------|----------------------|----------|----------------|------------|--------|
| PIN004A | Pinot Nero Red Angel | 2005 IGT | Silvio Jermann | Pinot Noir | £14.95 |
|---------|----------------------|----------|----------------|------------|--------|

### White

|         |                                 |          |                |  |          |
|---------|---------------------------------|----------|----------------|--|----------|
| PIN005E | Pinot Bianco                    | 2005 IGT | Silvio Jermann | Pinot Bianco                           | £12.95   |
| PIN0057 | Pinot Grigio                    | 2006 DOC | Specogna       | Pinot Grigio                           | £12.95 * |
| PIN009G | Pinot Grigio                    | 2006 IGT | Silvio Jermann | Pinot Grigio                           | £14.95   |
| SAU055B | Sauvignonas                     | 2006 DOC | Toblar         | Sauvignon                              | £11.95   |
| TOC009  | Tocai                           | 2006 DOC | Specogna       | Tocai                                  | £11.95 * |
| VIN020  | Vintage Tunina                  | 2005 IGT | Silvio Jermann | Pinot Bianco, Chardonnay, Pinot Grigio | £29.90   |
| WHE006F | Were Dreams Now It Is Just Wine | 2005 IGT | Silvio Jermann | Pinot Bianco, Pinot Grigio, Chardonnay | £39.00   |
| WHE006G | Were Dreams Now It Is Just Wine | 2006 IGT | Silvio Jermann | Pinot Bianco, Pinot Grigio, Chardonnay | £42.00   |

## LAZIO

Frascati is one of several styles of Italian wine which has suffered in the eyes of the public after being linked with inexpensive, watery, nondescript products. However, also like many styles of Italian wine, it has benefited from a recent increase in investment in the region. We would be remiss in our duties if we did not showcase an example of Frascati as it should be, that example coming once again from Casale Marchese, the 2007 is elegant, savoury and robust, a true white of distinction.

### White

|        |                    |          |                 |                     |       |
|--------|--------------------|----------|-----------------|---------------------|-------|
| PRA052 | Frascati Superiore | 2007 DOC | Casale Marchese | Malvasia, Trebbiano | £7.99 |
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## LOMBARDIA

From the northwest of Lombardia we have some Infernos from Valtellina, produced by Nino Negri and Nera. We also have the 5 Stelle Sfursat from Negri, produced only in the best years in limited quantities from Chiavennasca, otherwise known as Nebbiolo, to produce a potent, deep red wine. Also worthy of consideration are the wines from around Lake Garda, which are represented here by a refined, subtle Merlot and some stunning whites. The new vintages from Cavalchina are amazing, the Bianco di Custoza in particular impressing with its electric acidity and delicious fruity flavours. The full-flavoured and creamy Lugana Brolettino from Ca' dei Frati completes the selection.

### Red

|         |                  |           |                  |              |        |
|---------|------------------|-----------|------------------|--------------|--------|
| SFU002D | 5 Stelle Sfursat | 2003 DOCG | Nino Negri       | Chiavennasca | £42.00 |
| INF007E | Inferno          | 2004 DOCG | Nino Negri       | Chiavennasca | £14.95 |
| INF002F | Inferno Riserva  | 2002 DOCG | Nera             | Chiavennasca | £18.95 |
| MER025  | Merlot           | 2006 DOC  | Valvona & Crolla | Merlot       | £7.99  |

### White

|         |                          |          |                  |                      |          |
|---------|--------------------------|----------|------------------|----------------------|----------|
| BIA025  | Bianco di Custoza        | 2006 DOC | Valvona & Crolla | Trebbiano, Garganega | £7.99 *  |
| BIA022A | Bianco di Custoza Amedeo | 2006 DOC | Cavalchina       | Trebbiano, Garganega | £10.95 * |
| LUG003G | Lugana Brolettino        | 2006 DOC | Ca Dei Frati     | Trebbiano di Lugana  | £16.95 * |

## MARCHE

Located on the east coast of Italy, Marche produces great wine to match with the seafood-focussed cuisine of the region. The style of wine most well-known to international customers is Verdicchio, our Verdicchio dei Castelli di Jesi from Santa Barbara remaining our example of choice. A dry wine, this possesses great length and concentration.

### White

|        |            |          |               |            |       |
|--------|------------|----------|---------------|------------|-------|
| VER053 | Verdicchio | 2007 DOC | Santa Barbara | Verdicchio | £7.99 |
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## PIEMONTE

The world-renowned Piemonte is the birthplace of many fine wines, mainly elegant, complex reds such as Barolo and Barbaresco. However Piemonte is also the home of Gavi, a clean and crisp wine backed by a fullness of flavour that has proved very popular of late. The Gavi di Gavi from Terre da Vino is leagues ahead of any other Gavi we have tried. We have also continued the easy-drinking Cortese under from the Araldica estate. The Nebbiolo Langhe from Produttori del Barbaresco is an excellent introduction to both a superlative winemaker and to the region's more famous red wines.

### Red

|        |                 |          |                      |          |          |
|--------|-----------------|----------|----------------------|----------|----------|
| NEB010 | Nebbiolo Langhe | 2005 DOC | Prod. del Barbaresco | Nebbiolo | £10.95 * |
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### White

|         |                                       |          |               |         |          |
|---------|---------------------------------------|----------|---------------|---------|----------|
| ARN004C | Arneis Roero                          | 2006 DOC | Ascheri       | Arneis  | £12.95   |
| GAV016  | Gavi di Gavi Masseria dei Carmelitani | 2007 DOC | Terre da Vino | Cortese | £10.95 * |
| COR016  | Piemonte Cortese                      | 2007 DOC | Araldica      | Cortese | £5.99    |

## PIEMONTE-BARBARESCO

The last few years have been very good for Piemonte, the reds definitely benefiting from the great weather conditions. Our offering from Araldica continues to show well at a very good price, while we still have limited stocks of a few of Produttori del Barbaresco's exciting specialist Crus. What's more, we have some more prestigious bottlings from Gambero Rosso's most highly-decorated winemaker of 2007, Angelo Gaja.

### Red

|         |                             |           |                      |          |          |
|---------|-----------------------------|-----------|----------------------|----------|----------|
| BAR058  | Barbaresco                  | 1998 DOCG | Angelo Gaja          | Nebbiolo | £115.00  |
| BAR181  | Barbaresco                  | 1999 DOCG | Angelo Gaja          | Nebbiolo | £250.00  |
| BAR18]  | Barbaresco                  | 1999 DOCG | Angelo Gaja          | Nebbiolo | £90.00   |
| BAR004Z | Barbaresco                  | 2003 DOCG | Prod. del Barbaresco | Nebbiolo | £16.95 * |
| BAR063C | Barbaresco Corsini          | 2004 DOCG | Valvona & Crolla     | Nebbiolo | £9.99    |
| BAR033  | Barbaresco Costa Russi      | 1996 DOCG | Angelo Gaja          | Nebbiolo | £175.00  |
| BAR125  | Barbaresco Ovello           | 2001 DOCG | Prod. del Barbaresco | Nebbiolo | £24.95 * |
| BAR103  | Barbaresco Pora             | 2001 DOCG | Prod. del Barbaresco | Nebbiolo | £24.95 * |
| BAR105  | Barbaresco Rio Sordo        | 2001 DOCG | Prod. del Barbaresco | Nebbiolo | £24.95 * |
| BAR036  | Barbaresco Sori San Lorenzo | 1996 DOCG | Angelo Gaja          | Nebbiolo | £195.00  |
| BAR021  | Barbaresco Sori Tildin      | 1995 DOCG | Angelo Gaja          | Nebbiolo | £165.00  |

## PIEMONTE-BARBERA

While we may desire the prestige afforded by having a Barolo or Barbaresco wine on our dinner table, we aren't always in the mood for a heavy, oaky bruiser of a wine. For that we have Barbera, when made correctly an approachable early-drinking style. Araldica's Ceppi Storici has impressed more than enough for us to keep it on our list as has the more youthful Piemonte Barbera from the same producer. We also have the richer La Luna e i Falò from the outstanding Terre da Vino along with the more full-bodied Conca Tre Pile from the respected estate of Aldo Conterno.

### Red

|          |                                 |          |                  |         |          |
|----------|---------------------------------|----------|------------------|---------|----------|
| 1BAR040E | Barbera D'Alba Conca Tre Pile   | 2004 DOC | Aldo Conterno    | Barbera | £25.90   |
| 1BAR124A | Barbera d'Alba Croere           | 2003 DOC | Terre da Vino    | Barbera | £13.95   |
| 1BAR127  | Barbera d'Alba Croere           | 2004 DOC | Terre da Vino    | Barbera | £12.95 * |
| 1BAR004H | Barbera D'Asti Ceppi Storici    | 2004 DOC | Valvona & Crolla | Barbera | £6.99    |
| 1BAR004J | Barbera D'Asti Ceppi Storici    | 2005 DOC | Valvona & Crolla | Barbera | £7.99 *  |
| 1BAR122  | Barbera d'Asti La Luna e i Falò | 2004 DOC | Terre da Vino    | Barbera | £11.95   |
| 1BAR126  | Barbera d'Asti La Luna e i Falò | 2005 DOC | Terre da Vino    | Barbera | £9.99 *  |
| 1BAR012F | Barbera d'Asti Vespa            | 2006 DOC | Cascina Castle't | Barbera | £10.95   |
| 1BAR004G | Piemonte Barbera                | 2005 DOC | Araldica Vini    | Barbera | £5.99    |

## PIEMONTE-BAROLO

The fourth vintage of Barolo 'Revello' is now in stock. The 2004 provides a more approachable, early-drinking style than the richer 2003 vintage. We also have the highly-regarded Paesi Tuoi from Terre Da Vino on the list which is drinking very well just now. To complete the set we have a great 2004 vintage from Massolini fresh on our shelves as well as an aged example from Luciano Sandrone.

### Red

|         |                   |           |                  |          |          |
|---------|-------------------|-----------|------------------|----------|----------|
| BAR171A | Barolo            | 2004 DOCG | Massolino        | Nebbiolo | £29.90   |
| BAR251A | Barolo Cannubi    | 2003 DOCG | Carretta         | Nebbiolo | £31.95   |
| BAR200B | Barolo Le Vigne   | 1997 DOCG | Luciano Sandrone | Nebbiolo | £95.00   |
| BAR250A | Barolo Paesi Tuoi | 2003 DOCG | Terre da Vino    | Nebbiolo | £19.95 * |
| BAR180  | Barolo Revello    | 2004 DOCG | Valvona & Crolla | Nebbiolo | £16.95 * |

## PUGLIA

Puglian wines have a reputation for being cheap, cheerful and heavy on the alcohol, owing to the region's hot and heavy climate. Our small but perfectly formed Puglian selection will make you cheerful but our Primitivo from Conviviale and our own label Brindisi Rosso display a little more refinement than you might expect. In particular Cantine Due Palme have outdone themselves on their new vintage of Brindisi, which is why we are glad to keep it as our representative within the wines of this region.

### Red

|         |                |          |                  |                              |       |   |
|---------|----------------|----------|------------------|------------------------------|-------|---|
| BRI010D | Brindisi Rosso | 2005 DOC | Valvona & Crolla | Negroamaro,<br>Malvasia Nera | £7.99 | * |
| PRI035  | Primitivo      | 2006     | Conviviale       | Primitivo                    | £5.99 |   |

## SARDEGNA

We continue to see good things from Sardegna, Cantine Santadi once more remaining our producer of choice. They have taken advantage of the excellent winemaking conditions to produce the Grotta Rossa, Rocca Rubia and the Terre Brune from Carignano grapes, each wine ascending in order of elegance and richness. We have also added a Cannonau Riserva from Sella & Mosca, an example of the most famous red wine in Sardegna which exhibits rich powerful fruit and intense length.

### Red

|         |   |          |                 |           |        |   |
|---------|---|----------|-----------------|-----------|--------|---|
| CAN015  | Cannonau Riserva                            | 2004 DOC | Sella & Mosca   | Cannonau  | £11.95 |   |
| CAR015  | Carignano del Sulcis Grotta Rossa           | 2005 DOC | Cantine Santadi | Carignano | £7.99  |   |
| CAR011G | Carignano del Sulcis Riserva<br>Rocca Rubia | 2005 DOC | Cantine Santadi | Carignano | £16.95 | * |
| TER010  | Carignano del Sulcis Terre Brune            | 2003 DOC | Cantine Santadi | Carignano | £29.90 |   |

## SICILIA

Sicily contains more vineyards than any of the other Italian regions, but an average Sicilian consumes less wine than elsewhere in Italy - which means all the more for us! Planeta's range remain strong performers, combining more well-known grape varieties with some of Italy's finest indigenous players. In addition we have the excellent-value Fiano and Nero D'Avola from Mandrarossa, the Fiano being a recipient of several IWC Gold medals for 2007. Completing the Sicilian selection are some of the wines of Conte Tasca d'Almerita, excellent wines of great flavour and expressiveness.

### Red

|         |                  |          |             |  |        |   |
|---------|------------------|----------|-------------|--|--------|---|
| LAS008  | La Segreta Rosso | 2006 IGT | Planeta     | Nero d'Avola, Merlot,<br>Syrah, Cabernet Franc | £9.49  | * |
| MER030E | Merlot           | 2003 IGT | Planeta     | Merlot   | £22.90 |   |
| MER035  | Merlot           | 2005 IGT | Planeta     | Merlot   | £20.90 |   |
| NER032D | Nero D'Avola     | 2006 IGT | Mandrarossa | Nero d'Avola                                   | £6.99  |   |
| ROS006E | Rosso del Conte  | 2002 DOC | Conte Tasca | Nero d'Avola                                   | £24.95 |   |
| SAN070E | Santa Cecilia    | 2005 IGT | Planeta     | Nero d'Avola                                   | £19.95 | * |
| SYR021  | Syrah            | 2004 IGT | Planeta     | Syrah  | £20.90 |   |

### White

|         |                   |          |             |                                 |        |   |
|---------|-------------------|----------|-------------|---------------------------------|--------|---|
| CHA049E | Chardonnay        | 2004 IGT | Planeta     | Chardonnay                      | £18.95 |   |
| CHA049G | Chardonnay        | 2006 IGT | Planeta     | Chardonnay                      | £20.95 | * |
| COM007  | Cometa            | 2006 IGT | Planeta     | Fiano                           | £20.90 |   |
| LAS003J | La Segreta Bianco | 2006 IGT | Planeta     | Grecanico, Fiano,<br>Sauvignon  | £9.49  | * |
| NOZ003  | Nozze D'oro       | 2006 DOC | Conte Tasca | Inzola, Sauvignon               | £14.95 |   |
| REG001G | Regaleali Bianco  | 2006 IGT | Conte Tasca | Inzola, Catarrato,<br>Grecanico | £8.99  |   |
| FIA035  | Fiano             | 2007 IGT | Mandrarossa | Fiano                           | £6.99  | * |

## TOSCANA

One of the primary regions of Italy for high-quality reds, Toscana holds the most DOCG denomination wines in the country. When coupled with the incredible quality of some of the wines designated IGT such as Tignanello, you have a region that is hard to beat in terms of the number of top-end wine styles produced. The whites in our selection are still headed up by Teruzzi & Puthod's excellent Vernaccia's, along with a new addition of a Trebbiano varietal from Cantine Leonardo. For Rosé fans we are pleased to now stock the Vin Ruspo from Tenuta Capezzana, produced from the free-run juice from pressings of Capezzana's sublime Carmignano. As for reds we have a good selection of Rosso di Montalcino's and Rosso di Montepulciano, as well as their big brothers – the Vino Nobile's and Brunello Di Montalcino's from a variety of top-quality producers. Super Tuscans from the likes of Le Pupille and Marchesi Antinori make up our respectable stock of both aged and young wines from the region.

### Red

|              |  |           |                    |  |         |   |
|--------------|--|-----------|--------------------|--|---------|---|
| BAR099F      | Barco Reale                                      | 2005 DOC  | Tenuta Capezzana   | Sangiovese   | £9.99   | * |
| CAR009E      | Carmignano                                       | 2004 DOCG | Tenuta Capezzana   | Sangiovese   | £18.95  | * |
| CEP020C      | Cepparello                                       | 2003 IGT  | Isole e Olena      | Sangiovese, Syrah                                    | £39.00  |   |
| FLA004       | Flaccianello                                     | 1990 VDT  | Fontodi            | Sangiovese,<br>Cabernet Sauvignon                    | £195.00 |   |
| FLA020A      | Flaccianello                                     | 2000 IGT  | Fontodi            | Sangiovese,<br>Cabernet Sauvignon                    | £38.00  |   |
| FLA020B      | Flaccianello                                     | 2003 IGT  | Fontodi            | Sangiovese,<br>Cabernet Sauvignon                    | £40.00  |   |
| FLA030       | Flaccianello                                     | 2004 IGT  | Fontodi            | Sangiovese,<br>Cabernet Sauvignon                    | £95.00  |   |
| FLA020B      | Flaccianello                                     | 2003 IGT  | Fontodi            | Sangiovese,<br>Cabernet Sauvignon                    | £40.00  |   |
| GHI001A      | Ghiaie della Furba                               | 2001 IGT  | Tenuta Capezzana   | Merlot, Cabernet<br>Sauvignon, Syrah                 | £28.90  | * |
| MOR015D      | Morellino di Scansano                            | 2005 IGT  | Le Pupille         | Sangiovese   | £12.95  | * |
| PEP001F      | Peperino   | 2005 IGT  | Teruzzi & Puthod   | Sangiovese, Merlot                                   | £10.95  |   |
| CHI011F      | Rosso 04 Antinori                                | 2004 IGT  | Marchesi Antinori  | Merlot, Cabernet<br>Sauvignon, Syrah,<br>Sangiovese  | £12.95  |   |
| ROS051B      | Rosso di Montalcino                              | 2005 DOC  | Cantine Montalcino | Sangiovese   | £11.95  | * |
| ROS012       | Rosso di Montalcino                              | 2005 DOC  | Tenuta Argiano     | Sangiovese   | £13.95  | * |
| ROS033       | Rosso di Montalcino                              | 2006 DOC  | Talenti            | Sangiovese   | £14.95  |   |
| ROS055       | Rosso di Montalcino                              | 2006 DOC  | Cantine Montalcino | Sangiovese   | £11.95  |   |
| ROS017F      | Rosso di Montepulciano                           | 2005 DOC  | Poliziano          | Sangiovese   | £11.95  | * |
| SAF005       | Saffredi   | 2000 IGT  | Le Pupille         | Cabernet, Merlot,<br>Alicante                        | £55.00  |   |
| SOL020       | Solaia   | 1998 IGT  | Marchesi Antinori  | Cabernet Sauvignon,<br>Cabernet Franc,<br>Sangiovese | £115.00 |   |
| SOL021       | Solaia   | 2001 IGT  | Marchesi Antinori  | Cabernet Sauvignon,<br>Cabernet Franc,<br>Sangiovese | £125.00 |   |
| VIN035       | Vino Nobile di Montepulciano                     | 2005 DOCG | Poliziano          | Sangiovese   | £18.95  |   |
| <b>Rose</b>  |  |           |                    |  |         |   |
| ROS001F      | Cipresseto                                       | 2006 IGT  | Marchesi Antinori  | Sangiovese   | £7.99   |   |
| <b>White</b> |  |           |                    |  |         |   |
| VIL001F      | Bianco 2006 Villa Antinori                       | 2006 IGT  | Marchesi Antinori  | Trebbiano, Malvasia,<br>Chardonnay                   | £8.99   |   |
| CHA005I      | Chardonnay                                       | 2005 IGT  | Isole e Olena      | Chardonnay   | £24.90  |   |
| VER011H      | Vernaccia di San Gimignano                       | 2006 DOCG | Teruzzi & Puthod   | Vernaccia  | £9.99   | * |
| VER014F      | Vernaccia di San Gimignano<br>Terre di Tufi 2006 | 2006 DOCG | Teruzzi & Puthod   | Vernaccia  | £15.95  |   |

## **TOSCANA-BRUNELLO**

Toscana sadly suffered from an inconsistent year for quality wine production in 2002. That said, the much-improved 2003's from Cantine di Montalcino have started to arrive and the other producers will not be far behind. Also, as a special treat for the lucky few who get there first, we unearthed some 1998 Brunello 'Rennina' by the famed Angelo Gaja hiding in our cellar behind the Sassicaia, along with aged examples from Castello di San Polo for those prepared to pay more for these more highly-rated vintages.

### **Red**

|         |   |           |                      |            |         |   |
|---------|---|-----------|----------------------|------------|---------|---|
| BRU099  | Brunelli di Montalcino                  | 2002      | Talenti              | Sangiovese | £30.00  | * |
| BRU053B | Brunello di Montalcino                  | 1999 DOCG | Castello di San Polo | Sangiovese | £125.00 |   |
| BRU053D | Brunello di Montalcino                  | 2001 DOCG | Castello di San Polo | Sangiovese | £42.90  |   |
| BRU070E | Brunello di Montalcino                  | 2001 DOCG | Tenuta Argiano       | Sangiovese | £35.00  |   |
| BRU070F | Brunello di Montalcino                  | 2002 DOCG | Tenuta Argiano       | Sangiovese | £35.00  | * |
| BRU081B | Brunello di Montalcino                  | 2002 DOCG | Cantine Montalcino   | Sangiovese | £28.90  | * |
| BRU075  | Brunello di Montalcino                  | 2002 DOCG | Barbi                | Sangiovese | £24.95  |   |
| BRU066  | Brunello di Montalcino Poggio Alle Mura | 2000 DOCG | Castello Banfi       | Sangiovese | £55.00  |   |
| BRU181  | Brunello Rennina                        | 1998 DOCG | Angelo Gaja          | Sangiovese | £60.00  |   |
| ROS083  | Rosso di Montalcino                     | 2005 DOCG | Costanti             | Sangiovese | £21.95  | * |

## **TOSCANA-CHIANTI CLASSICO**

2004 was an excellent year for Chianti, and the vintages from 2005 have also proved to be top-quality. In addition, the early signs for the new 2006 vintages are very encouraging, meaning that right now there are few better times to enjoy this iconic Italian red. Of particular note are the wines from Isole e Olena and Fontodi, who have been responsible for some outstanding Chiantis. What's more, we still have some Riserva Chianti from the sought-after 2004 vintage by Cantine Leonardo which we are sure won't remain on the shelves much longer – don't miss out!

### **Red**

|         |                                 |           |                    |            |        |   |
|---------|---------------------------------|-----------|--------------------|------------|--------|---|
| CHI090E | Chianti Classico                | 2005 DOCG | Isole e Olena      | Sangiovese | £17.95 | * |
| CHI091E | Chianti Classico                | 2005 DOCG | Fontodi            | Sangiovese | £17.95 | * |
| CHI100A | Chianti Classico                | 2005 DOCG | Cantina Brolio     | Sangiovese | £12.95 |   |
| CHI101C | Chianti Classico                | 2005 DOCG | Fonterutoli        | Sangiovese | £13.95 | * |
| CHI123C | Chianti Classico 05 Paneretta   | 2005 DOCG | Castello Paneretta | Sangiovese | £12.95 | * |
| CHI019G | Chianti Classico Peppoli        | 2005 DOCG | Marchesi Antinori  | Sangiovese | £14.95 |   |
| CHI005G | Chianti Classico Riserva Ducale | 2002 DOCG | Ruffino            | Sangiovese | £17.95 |   |
| CHI005H | Chianti Classico Riserva Ducale | 2001 DOCG | Ruffino            | Sangiovese | £22.95 |   |
| CHI111D | Chianti Classico Riserva Rancia | 2003 DOCG | Felsina Berardenga | Sangiovese | £32.00 |   |
| CHI099L | Chianti Riserva                 | 2004 DOCG | Leonardona         | Sangiovese | £12.95 | * |

## **TOSCANA-CHIANTI COLLI SENESI**

The Chianti Colli Senesi zone makes wines that are geared towards earlier drinking, tending towards more fruit-driven wines than elsewhere in the DOC. Cerro Del Masso's Chianti performed well at recent tastings and our own-label 'Fiasco' has been a popular wine for several years for its accessibility and fun traditional packaging.

### **Red**

|         |                |           |                  |                    |        |   |
|---------|----------------|-----------|------------------|--------------------|--------|---|
| CHI057  | Chianti        | 2006 DOC  | Cerro Del Masso  | Sangiovese         | £8.99  |   |
| CHI002P | Fiasco Chianti | 2006 DOCG | Valvona & Crolla | Sangiovese, Merlot | £10.95 | * |

## TOSCANA-CHIANTI RUFINA

Chianti Rufina is known for elegance and longevity. Once more we have been impressed by Selvapiana and so we have retained them on our list without hesitation. The standard release of Chianti has been blended with the grapes from the discontinued Riserva, making it a much better and more deeply concentrated wine than its Normale designation would have you believe. Their single-vineyard Bucerchiale is so delicious we are struggling to find new adjectives to describe its quality, so will instead just urge you to find out for yourself...

### Red

|         |                                    |           |            |            |        |   |
|---------|------------------------------------|-----------|------------|------------|--------|---|
| CHI099K | Chianti Rufina                     | 2005 DOCG | Selvapiana | Sangiovese | £10.95 | * |
| CHI099H | Chianti Rufina Riserva Bucerchiale | 2003 DOCG | Selvapiana | Sangiovese | £17.95 |   |

## TOSCANA-ORNELLAIA

First released in 1985, Ornellaia is a blend of Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc and Merlot. Ornellaia combines the best of a good Bordeaux with the characteristic freshness common in Italy to produce one of the finest Super Tuscans. Our stocks are taken from around the turn of the century, as well as some which pre-date the creation of the IGT system!

### Red

|         |           |          |                      |                            |         |
|---------|-----------|----------|----------------------|----------------------------|---------|
| ORN007  | Ornellaia | 1990 VDT | Ten. dell' Ornellaia | Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon | £140.00 |
| ORN009B | Ornellaia | 1996 IGT | Ten. dell' Ornellaia | Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon | £230.00 |
| ORN033  | Ornellaia | 1999 IGT | Ten. dell' Ornellaia | Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon | £80.00  |
| ORN033A | Ornellaia | 2000 IGT | Ten. dell' Ornellaia | Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon | £85.00  |

## TOSCANA-SASSICAIA

Voted number 2 out of 50 in Decanter Magazine's - Italy's Best-Ever Reds - feature, Sassicaia was the first of the Supertuscans to buck the trend of the restrictive DOC system to create a richer and more complex wine than the somewhat lighter local styles on offer. The Marquis Mario Incisa della Rocchetta used French vines at his estate at Tenuta San Guido to produce this most excellent deep red wine. We are fortunate enough to have examples from many of the vintages produced over the past 20 years, from the good yet affordable ones to the stratospheric.

### Red

|         |           |          |                     |                                    |         |
|---------|-----------|----------|---------------------|------------------------------------|---------|
| SAS019  | Sassicaia | 1986 VDT | Incisa d. Rocchetta | Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc | £300.00 |
| SAS020  | Sassicaia | 1989 VDT | Incisa d. Rocchetta | Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc | £350.00 |
| SAS023  | Sassicaia | 1992 VDT | Incisa d. Rocchetta | Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc | £220.00 |
| SAS029  | Sassicaia | 1994 DOC | Incisa d. Rocchetta | Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc | £79.00  |
| SAS030  | Sassicaia | 1994 DOC | Incisa d. Rocchetta | Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc | £175.00 |
| SAS033A | Sassicaia | 1996 DOC | Incisa d. Rocchetta | Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc | £200.00 |
| SAS033B | Sassicaia | 1996 DOC | Incisa d. Rocchetta | Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc | £400.00 |
| SAS041  | Sassicaia | 1998 DOC | Incisa d. Rocchetta | Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc | £220.00 |
| SAS040  | Sassicaia | 1998 DOC | Incisa d. Rocchetta | Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc | £130.00 |
| SAS042  | Sassicaia | 1998 DOC | Incisa d. Rocchetta | Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc | £400.00 |

|         |           |          |                     |                                       |         |
|---------|-----------|----------|---------------------|---------------------------------------|---------|
| SAS043  | Sassicaia | 1999 DOC | Incisa d. Rocchetta | Cabernet Sauvignon,<br>Cabernet Franc | £115.00 |
| SAS043B | Sassicaia | 1999 IGT | Incisa d. Rocchetta | Cabernet Sauvignon,<br>Cabernet Franc | £550.00 |
| SAS043A | Sassicaia | 1999 IGT | Incisa d. Rocchetta | Cabernet Sauvignon,<br>Cabernet Franc | £250.00 |
| SAS043E | Sassicaia | 2002 DOC | Incisa d. Rocchetta | Cabernet Sauvignon,<br>Cabernet Franc | £85.00  |
| SAS043F | Sassicaia | 2003 DOC | Incisa d. Rocchetta | Cabernet Sauvignon,<br>Cabernet Franc | £80.00  |

## **TOSCANA-TIGNANELLO**

Marchese Antinori's most famous wine, the Tignanello is primarily Sangiovese blended with a touch of Cabernet Sauvignon and Cabernet Franc. While not the first of the Supertuscans (an honour belonging to Sassicaia), it was Tignanello which sparked revolutions in 1971 in the Italian wine industry over what was possible in the country's viticulture. This occurred not just because it was made with a French grape variety as an integral part of the blend, but because such a wine was just so good when grown in Italian soil.

### **Red**

|         |                   |          |                   |  |         |
|---------|-------------------|----------|-------------------|--|---------|
| TIG016  | Tignanello        | 1985 VDT | Marchesi Antinori | Sangiovese,<br>Cabernet Sauvignon,<br>Cabernet Franc | £350.00 |
| TIG090  | Tignanello        | 2005 IGT | Marchesi Antinori | Sangiovese,<br>Cabernet Sauvignon,<br>Cabernet Franc | £60.00  |
| TIG062A | Tignanello Magnum | 2003 IGT | Marchesi Antinori | Sangiovese,<br>Cabernet Sauvignon,<br>Cabernet Franc | £120.00 |

## **TRENTINO ALTO-ADIGE**

Lying on the border between Italy and Austria, the Germanic influence on the culture of the region and subsequently its viticulture has been considerable. Coupled with the cooler climate owing to its more northerly location, one should expect aromatic wines of great elegance and concentration. Franz Haas is an accomplished winemaker of tremendous skill with white wines, his Pinot Nero also worthy of careful consideration.

### **Red**

|        |            |          |            |            |          |
|--------|------------|----------|------------|------------|----------|
| PIN065 | Pinot Nero | 2005 DOC | Franz Haas | Pinot Nero | £17.95 * |
|--------|------------|----------|------------|------------|----------|

### **White**

|         |                |          |              |                |          |
|---------|----------------|----------|--------------|----------------|----------|
| MAN003  | Manna Cru      | 2005 DOC | Franz Haas   | Pinot Bianco,  | £18.95   |
| MUL001  | Muller Thurgau | 2005 DOC | Nals Magreid | Muller Thurgau | £8.99    |
| PIN046E | Pinot Bianco   | 2006 DOC | Franz Haas   | Pinot Bianco   | £11.95 * |

## **UMBRIA**

Although Umbria produces only a limited number of wines, what it does produce is usually of very good quality. Marchese Antinori is responsible for our Orvieto, a wine of good weight and fruitiness. The Campogrande is more delicate, while the Cervaro Della Sala is much more full-bodied and vibrant. We also have a sweeter style of Orvieto which leans closer to the Abbricato style found near the town of Orvieto itself.

### **White**

|        |                          |          |                   |                                   |        |
|--------|--------------------------|----------|-------------------|-----------------------------------|--------|
| CER033 | Cervaro della Sala       | 2006 IGT | Marchesi Antinori | Chardonnay,<br>Grechetto          | £36.00 |
| ORV026 | Orvieto Classico Amabile | 2005 DOC | Marchesi Antinori | Procanico, Grechetto,<br>Verdello | £7.99  |
| ORV027 | Orvieto Secco            | 2006 DOC | Marchesi Antinori | Procanico, Grechetto,<br>Verdello | £7.99  |

## VENETO

Venetian reds range widely; from the light, easy to drink Valpolicella to the grand Amarone, you will find some vino rosso suitable for every occasion. In our collection we are privileged to have not one but three of the best producers in the region represented: Tommasi, Brigaldara and Allegrini. The whites are also very well known, with the Garganega grape being used by the likes of Pieropan to create the sort of refined, crisp wines you didn't know Soave was capable of becoming. We have also tracked down a new Pinot Grigio from Alpha Zeta which impressed us enough to take it on under our own label.

### Red

|         |                           |           |            |                               |         |   |
|---------|---------------------------|-----------|------------|-------------------------------|---------|---|
| AMA0701 | Amarone Case Vecie Magnum | 2003 DOCG | Brigaldara | Corvina, Molinara, Rondinella | £65.00  | * |
| AMA019E | Amarone Classico          | 2003 DOC  | Allegrini  | Corvina, Molinara, Rondinella | £39.90  | * |
| AMA036  | Amarone Classico          | 2003 DOC  | Tommasi    | Corvina, Molinara, Rondinella | £33.00  |   |
| AMA045  | Amarone Classico          | 2003 DOC  | Allegrini  | Corvina, Molinara, Rondinella | £99.00  |   |
| AMA050B | Amarone Classico          | 2004 DOC  | Brigaldara | Corvina, Molinara, Rondinella | £24.95  | * |
| LAG003E | La Grola 2004 Allegrini   | 2004 IGT  | Allegrini  | Corvina, Molinara, Rondinella | £16.95  | * |
| LAP005  | La Poja Magnum            | 2001 IGT  | Allegrini  | Corvina, Molinara, Rondinella | £120.00 |   |
| LAP006  | La Poja Double Magnum     | 2001 IGT  | Allegrini  | Corvina, Molinara, Rondinella | £250.00 |   |
| LAP002F | La Poja 2003 Allegrini    | 2003 IGT  | Allegrini  | Corvina, Molinara, Rondinella | £48.00  |   |
| PAL001E | Palazzo della Torre       | 2004 IGT  | Allegrini  | Corvina, Syrah                | £15.95  |   |
| RUB001  | Ruberpan                  | 2003 IGT  | Pieropan   | Corvina, Rondinella, Corvione | £19.95  |   |
| VAL055  | Valpolicella Classico     | 2006 DOC  | Brigaldara | Corvina, Rondinella, Molinara | £8.99   |   |
| VAL025  | Valpolicella Classico     | 2007 DOC  | Allegrini  | Corvina, Rondinella, Molinara | £8.99   | * |
| VAL040A | Valpolicella Ripasso      | 2004 DOC  | Tommasi    | Corvina, Molinara, Rondinella | £14.95  |   |
| VAL046  | Valpolicella Ripasso      | 2005 DOC  | Tommasi    | Corvina, Molinara, Rondinella | £15.95  | * |

### White

|         |                             |          |                  |                      |        |   |
|---------|-----------------------------|----------|------------------|----------------------|--------|---|
| GAR006  | Garganega                   | 2006 IGT | Valvona & Crolla | Garganega            | £5.99  | * |
| PIN035  | Pinot Grigio                | 2007 IGT | Valvona & Crolla | Pinot Grigio         | £7.99  |   |
| SOA015E | Soave Classico              | 2006 DOC | Pieropan         | Garganega, Trebbiano | £11.95 |   |
| SOA020E | Soave Classico Superiore    | 2005 DOC | Pieropan         | Garganega, Trebbiano | £15.95 |   |
| SOA022F | Soave Classico Superiore La | 2005 DOC | Pieropan         | Garganega, Trebbiano | £21.90 |   |

## ITALIAN DESSERT WINES

At V&C we have a wide range of dessert wines, ranging from the light Moscato Passito from Araldica, bottled under our own label, to the decadent Acininobili from Fausto Maculan. We also have some Aleatico from Puglia, Recioto della Valpolicella from Giovanni Allegrini, and of course Vin Santo from some of the best Tuscan Chianti producers such as Selvapiana and Antinori, whose light wine range is also well-represented on our list. When creating a performance, you always want to have the audience leave on a high note: Treat your guests to a dessert wine at the end and ensure they leave singing your your praises.

### Red

|         |                            |          |           |                               |          |
|---------|----------------------------|----------|-----------|-------------------------------|----------|
| ALE001E | Aleatico                   | 2001 DOC | Candido   | Aleatico                      | £13.95 * |
| FLO001  | Cremovo Floriovo Marsala   | NV DOC   | Florio    | Malvasia                      | £8.99    |
| GRA001  | Gran Chef Marsala          | NV DOC   | Florio    | Inzolia, Catarratto           | £9.99    |
| REC004F | Recioto della Valpolicella | 2004 DOC | Allegrini | Corvina, Rondinella, Molinara | £29.00   |
| TER004E | Terre Arse                 | 1998 DOC | Florio    | Malvasia                      | £14.95   |

### White

|         |                               |          |                   |                             |          |
|---------|-------------------------------|----------|-------------------|-----------------------------|----------|
| ACI004  | Acininobili                   | 2003 IGT | Fausto Maculan    | Vespiola, Garganega, Tocai  | £40.00 * |
| DIN004E | Dindarello                    | 2006 IGT | Fausto Maculan    | Malvasia                    | £8.99    |
| VIN008A | Donato degli Antinori Vino    | NV IGT   | Marchesi Antinori | Malvasia, Trebbiano         | £9.99    |
| ICA010  | I Capitelli                   | 2005 DOC | Roberto Anselmi   | Garganega, Trebbiano        | £14.95 * |
| LEC009  | Le Colombare Recioto di Soave | 2004 DOC | Pieropan          | Garganega                   | £21.90 * |
| MOR004F | Morsi di Luce                 | 2003 DOC | Florio            | Zibibo                      | £12.95   |
| MOS009  | Moscato di Noto               | 2006     | Planeta           | Moscato di Noto             | £19.95   |
| MOS010G | Moscato Passito               | 2004 DOC | Valvona & Crolla  | Moscato                     | £6.99 *  |
| PAS010  | Passito di Pantelleria        | 2005     | Rallo             | Moscato                     | £19.95   |
| TAR001E | Targa Riserva Marsala         | 1998 VDT | Florio            | Grillo, Inzolia, Catarratto | £13.95   |
| VIN041  | Vin Santo                     | 1992 DOC | Avignonesi        | Malvasia, Trebbiano         | £120.00  |
| VIN030D | Vin Santo                     | 1999 DOC | Isole e Olena     | Trebbiano                   | £30.00 * |
| VIN009J | Vin Santo                     | 2001 DOC | Selvapiana        | Malvasia, Trebbiano         | £22.00   |
| VIN002E | Vin Santo                     | 2003 DOC | Marchesi Antinori | Malvasia, Trebbiano         | £23.95   |
| VIN009K | Vin Santo Tegrino             | 2002 DOC | Cantine Leonardo  | Trebbiano                   | £19.95 * |

## **ITALIAN DRY SPARKLING**

We are delighted to retain the range of Proseccos from Ruggeri, still head and shoulders above all of the other Proseccos we have tasted recently. They are fresh, light yet bursting full of flavour, the Riserva Giustino Bisol in particular so very complex at a relatively inexpensive price. For those looking for something in the vein of Champagne, we couldn't not stock a range from Giulio Ferrari whose sparkling wines are very elegant and refined. We also have the Gran Cuvee Rose and Cuvee Brut from Bellavista, both outstanding sparkling wines from Franciacorta in Lombardy. Although bubbles are usually saved just for special occasions, with our range we can suit any day and time of the week!

### **Rose**

|         |                    |          |                 |                        |         |
|---------|--------------------|----------|-----------------|------------------------|---------|
| ROS005A | Brut di Pinot Rose | NV IGT   | Ruggeri         | Pinot Nero             | £9.99 * |
| BEL009E | Gran Cuvee Rose    | 2002 DOC | Bellavista      | Pinot Nero, Chardonnay | £33.95  |
| FER010  | Perle Rose         | 2001 DOC | Cantina Ferrari | Pinot Noir             | £25.95  |

### **White**

|         |                                 |          |                  |                                      |          |
|---------|---------------------------------|----------|------------------|--------------------------------------|----------|
| BEL005  | Cuvee Brut                      | NV DOCG  | Bellavista       | Chardonnay, Pinot Nero, Pinot Bianco | £22.95   |
| GIO001  | Gioioso Bianco Frizzante        | NV VDT   | La Gioiosa       | Trebbiano                            | £6.99    |
| FER009  | Giulio Ferrari                  | 1996 DOC | Cantina Ferrari  | Chardonnay                           | £55.00   |
| FER005  | Maximum Brut                    | NV DOC   | Cantina Ferrari  | Chardonnay                           | £18.95 * |
| FER005A | Maximum Brut                    | NV DOC   | Cantina Ferrari  | Chardonnay                           | £45.00   |
| FER012  | Perle                           | 2002 DOC | Cantina Ferrari  | Chardonnay                           | £21.90   |
| PRO004  | Prosecco Brut                   | NV DOC   | Ruggeri          | Prosecco                             | £10.95   |
| PRO010  | Prosecco Frizzante dei Colli    | NV DOC   | Valvona & Crolla | Prosecco                             | £9.99 *  |
| PRO004F | Prosecco Riserva Giustino Bisol | 2006 DOC | Ruggeri          | Prosecco                             | £13.95 * |
| PRO005  | Prosecco Santo Stefano          | NV DOC   | Ruggeri          | Prosecco                             | £10.95   |
| FER007  | Rose                            | NV DOC   | Cantina Ferrari  | Pinot Nero, Chardonnay               | £21.95   |

## **ITALIAN SWEET SPARKLING**

We have assembled a selection of good-quality sweet sparkling wines from across Italy which suit either as an accompaniment with desserts, as an aperitif, or even as a straightforward party fizz. Of particular note are the Gioioso Rosso and Bianco, firm favourites with the customers of V&C for many years. The same producer has also come up with a Fragolino, a delicate wine infused with strawberries. For something to please your sweet tooth please try some of our selection next time a festive occasion arises.

### **Red**

|        |                         |        |            |                    |       |
|--------|-------------------------|--------|------------|--------------------|-------|
| GIO003 | Fragolino Frizzante     | NV VDT | La Gioiosa | Fragolino, Corvina | £8.99 |
| GIO002 | Gioioso Rosso Frizzante | NV VDT | La Gioiosa | Corvina            | £6.99 |

### **White**

|        |                |          |               |         |        |
|--------|----------------|----------|---------------|---------|--------|
| AST001 | Asti           | NV DOCG  | Fontanafredda | Moscato | £10.95 |
| MOS016 | Moscato D'Asti | 2006 DOC | Alasia        | Moscato | £5.99  |

# Argentina

While just a few years ago a prospective wine buyer may have approached the idea of Argentinian wine with trepidation. However the sheer quality of wine on offer, particularly from the heart of Mendoza, has quickly forced a rethink. Pair a juicy steak with a Malbec-based powerhouse of blackberry and spice and you will be hard-pushed to drink anything else with your sirloin. The wines produced from Bonarda should also not be overlooked, having a more earthy character with pleasing aniseed notes. We have retained our wines from Las Hormigas this year, as well as adding a young Malbec from Bianchi which is an undeniably great wine.

## Red

|             |         |      |              |         |       |   |
|-------------|---------|------|--------------|---------|-------|---|
| ARG BON009  | Bonarda | 2006 | Las Liebres  | Bonarda | £6.99 | * |
| ARG MAL015B | Malbec  | 2006 | Las Hormigas | Malbec  | £7.99 |   |
| ARG MAL018  | Malbec  | 2007 | Bianchi      | Malbec  | £6.99 |   |

# Australia

## ADELAIDE HILLS

Possessing a cooler climate compared to other regions of Australia, winemakers in Adelaide Hills have been doing great things with a variety of grapes. The majority of the region suits early-ripening styles such as Chardonnay and Pinot Noir while the northwest sees enough sun to allow the growing of high-quality Shiraz and Cabernet Sauvignon. We have on our shelves the wines from Michael Hill Smith and Martin Shaw, excellent expressions of Chardonnay and Sauvignon Blanc for the white are joined by the great 2005 vintage of their Shiraz. We also have some wines from Nepenthe, who produce softer and more rounded wines than Shaw & Smith.

## Red

|            |            |      |              |            |        |   |
|------------|------------|------|--------------|------------|--------|---|
| ADE PIN004 | Pinot Noir | 2002 | Nepenthe     | Pinot Noir | £12.95 | * |
| ADE SHI004 | Shiraz     | 2005 | Shaw & Smith | Shiraz     | £17.95 |   |

## White

|             |               |      |              |            |        |   |
|-------------|---------------|------|--------------|------------|--------|---|
| ADE CHA002A | Chardonnay    | 2005 | Shaw & Smith | Chardonnay | £11.95 |   |
| ADE CHA004A | M3 Chardonnay | 2005 | Shaw & Smith | Chardonnay | £18.95 | * |
| ADE CHA007  | M3 Chardonnay | 2006 | Shaw & Smith | Chardonnay | £45.00 | * |
| ADE RIE004  | Riesling      | 2005 | Nepenthe     | Riesling   | £11.95 |   |
| ADE SAU008  | Sauvignon     | 2005 | Nepenthe     | Sauvignon  | £11.95 |   |
| ADE SAU003  | Sauvignon     | 2007 | Shaw & Smith | Sauvignon  | £11.95 |   |

## BAROSSA VALLEY

The Barossa Valley is one of the names people recognise when they think of heavy, powerful reds, not wines for the faint-hearted. Shiraz and Grenache have been harnessed to produce the kind of reds possessing fruit flavours (and alcohol levels!) to make you sit up and take notice. While we have an accessible Shiraz and Chardonnay from Firefly on our list, we draw our Barossa wines from the higher end of the price scale, Charles Melton's Chateauf-Du-Pape-beater Nine Popes and Rose of Virginia sitting proudly alongside the outstanding wines of John Duval, all expressions with a level of refinement and subtlety you might not expect from this region.

## Red

|             |               |      |                |                             |        |   |
|-------------|---------------|------|----------------|-----------------------------|--------|---|
| BAR SHI011  | Entity Shiraz | 2004 | Duval          | Shiraz                      | £21.90 |   |
| BAR NIN003F | Nine Popes    | 2004 | Charles Melton | Shiraz, Grenache, Mourvedre | £24.95 | * |
| BAR SHI010  | Plexus        | 2004 | Duval          | Shiraz, Grenache            | £19.95 | * |
| BAR SHI015  | Shiraz        | 2005 | Firefly        | Shiraz                      | £6.99  |   |
| BAR SHI017  | Shiraz        | 2006 | Firefly        | Shiraz                      | £6.99  |   |

**Rose**

|         |                  |      |                |                               |          |
|---------|------------------|------|----------------|-------------------------------|----------|
| ROS002J | Rose of Virginia | 2007 | Charles Melton | Shiraz, Grenache,<br>Mouvedre | £14.95 * |
|---------|------------------|------|----------------|-------------------------------|----------|

**White**

|            |               |      |         |            |         |
|------------|---------------|------|---------|------------|---------|
| BAR CHA009 | Chardonnay    | 2006 | Firefly | Chardonnay | £6.99   |
| BAR MUS015 | Raised Muscat | 2005 | Miranda | Muscat     | £6.99 * |

**MARGARET RIVER**

Regarded as one of Australia's premier wine-producing regions, Margaret River is famed by those "In the know" around the world for quality. Cullen were the first to plant vineyards here in 1965, the fruit from those vines very pure and fresh which has been skilfully turned into wines of outstanding quality. We are also retaining the popular wines from Madfish Bay, a selection of white and red wines suitable for every occasion.

**Red**

|             |                           |      |                |                    |         |
|-------------|---------------------------|------|----------------|--------------------|---------|
| WES CAB012  | Cabernet Merlot           | 2004 | Madfish Bay    | Merlot             | £9.99   |
| MAR CAB014  | Cabernet Sauvignon        | 2002 | Howard Park    | Cabernet Sauvignon | £28.00  |
| MAR CAB010  | Cabernet Sauvignon/Merlot | 2002 | Cullen         | Sauvignon/Merlot   | £38.00  |
| WES MER015  | Merlot                    | 2005 | Soldiers Block | Merlot             | £6.99   |
| WES PIN001E | Pinot Noir                | 2005 | Madfish Bay    | Pinot Noir         | £9.99 * |
| WES SHI002E | Shiraz                    | 2004 | Madfish Bay    | Shiraz             | £9.99   |
| WES SHI015  | Shiraz                    | 2005 | Soldiers Block | Shiraz             | £6.99 * |

**White**

|             |                    |      |                |                    |         |
|-------------|--------------------|------|----------------|--------------------|---------|
| WES CHA014  | Chardonnay         | 2004 | Cullen         | Chardonnay         | £29.00  |
| MAR CHA004A | Chardonnay         | 2004 | Howard Park    | Chardonnay         | £19.95  |
| WES CHA001E | Chardonnay         | 2005 | Madfish Bay    | Chardonnay         | £9.99   |
| WES CHA006  | Chardonnay         | 2006 | Madfish Bay    | Chardonnay         | £9.99 * |
| WES CHA015  | Chardonnay         | 2006 | Soldiers Block | Chardonnay         | £6.99   |
| WES RIE001D | Riesling           | 2006 | Madfish Bay    | Riesling           | £9.99 * |
| WES SEM007  | Semillon Sauvignon | 2006 | Madfish Bay    | Sauvignon          | £9.99   |
| WES SEM008  | Semillon/Sauvignon | 2006 | Cullen         | Semillon/Sauvignon | £16.95  |

**MCLAREN VALE**

Another of the main areas for Australian wine Production, this region situated on the southwest coast of the continent. The excellent wines of Willunga 100 should not be overlooked, their smooth Grenache and incredibly rich Shiraz/Viognier drinking like wines several times their price – get some before the producer notices! Lastly we have the Jester Shiraz from Mitolo, simply one of the finest young Shirazes in existence – smooth blackcurrant and mint, with no trace of harshness on the finish. Outstanding.

**Red**

|            |                              |      |              |                  |          |
|------------|------------------------------|------|--------------|------------------|----------|
| MCL SHI009 | Jester Shiraz                | 2006 | Mitolo       | Shiraz           | £11.95 * |
| MCL GRE003 | McLaren Vale Grenache        | 2005 | Willunga 100 | Grenache         | £8.99    |
| MCL SHI002 | McLaren Vale Shiraz/Viognier | 2005 | Willunga 100 | Shiraz, Viognier | £8.99    |

## **MOUNT BARKER**

Located in the Great Southern zone, due west of Victoria, here we can find the vineyards of Plantagenet's Richard Robson, some of the oldest in the region. Warm up with the Omrah range of solid, good-quality reds, then upgrade to their premium Plantagenet range, their Cabernet Sauvignon and Shiraz varieties along with a Chardonnay use only the finest grapes from the winery's oldest vineyards.

### **Red**

|             |                       |      |              |            |         |
|-------------|-----------------------|------|--------------|------------|---------|
| WES MER001  | Merlot                | 2003 | Omrah        | Merlot     | £9.99   |
| BAR CAB001E | Mount Barker Cabernet | 2003 | Plantagenet  | Sauvignon  | £17.95  |
| WES SHI003  | Mount Barker Shiraz   | 2002 | Plantagenet  | Shiraz     | £21.00  |
| PAR MER003C | Omrah Merlot/Cabernet | 2002 | Plantagenet  | Merlot     | £9.99   |
| WES PIN008E | Pinot Noir            | 2006 | Plantagenet  | Pinot Noir | £9.99 * |
| WES SHI001A | Shiraz                | 2004 | Omrah        | Shiraz     | £9.99   |
| WES SHI010A | Shiraz                | 2006 | Dolphin Cove | Shiraz     | £4.99   |

### **White**

|            |                      |      |              |            |          |
|------------|----------------------|------|--------------|------------|----------|
| WES CHI010 | Chardonnay           | 2006 | Dolphin Cove | Chardonnay | £4.99    |
| BAR CHA015 | Mt Barker Chardonnay | 2005 | Plantagenet  | Chardonnay | £12.95 * |

## **NE VICTORIA**

Located in southern Australia just north of Melbourne, the wines of Stonier are held in very high regard. Their Pinot Noir is reminiscent of the finer wines from Burgundy owing to winemaker Geraldine McFaul's extensive research into French viticulture. Mount Langhi Ghiran built their reputation on their distinctive Shiraz, but we found their Riesling to be most impressive, an excellent example of the steely New World style.

### **Red**

|            |                    |      |         |            |        |
|------------|--------------------|------|---------|------------|--------|
| VIC PIN002 | Reserve Pinot Noir | 2005 | Stonier | Pinot Noir | £19.95 |
|------------|--------------------|------|---------|------------|--------|

### **White**

|            |          |      |                     |          |        |
|------------|----------|------|---------------------|----------|--------|
| VIC RIE003 | Riesling | 2005 | Mount Langhi Ghiran | Riesling | £12.95 |
|------------|----------|------|---------------------|----------|--------|

## **PEMBERTON**

Pemberton is based in the great western zone of Australia and Mount Barker has some of this regions oldest vineyards, which produce small bunches of high quality grapes, resulting in intensely concentrated wines of great elegance.

### **Red**

|             |                      |      |             |            |        |
|-------------|----------------------|------|-------------|------------|--------|
| BAR PIN002D | Pemberton Pinot Noir | 2005 | Plantagenet | Pinot Noir | £14.95 |
|-------------|----------------------|------|-------------|------------|--------|

## **Austria**

While Austrian wine had been overshadowed by the internationally-renowned wines of their northern neighbour, recently people have been starting to take notice of what the country has to offer, in particular the indigenous Grüner Veltliner producing dry, peppery, crisp whites. Fred Loimer is one of the better producers, also crafting a Riesling of intensity and great ageing potential. In addition we have a great Beerenauslese dessert wine from Sepp Moser, produced from the native Weissburgunder grapes imparting a lively, fresh acidity to the honeyed palate. Lastly we have a Blaufrankisch from Heinrich Weingut, a hardy grape variety which, when treated correctly, shares characteristics with the best Pinot Noirs.

### **White**

|            |                                      |      |            |                    |        |
|------------|--------------------------------------|------|------------|--------------------|--------|
| AUS RIE005 | Kamptal Riesling                     | 2006 | Loimer     | Riesling           | £10.95 |
| AUS WEI001 | Weissburgunder Beerenauslese (Sweet) | 2001 | Sepp Moser | Weissburgunder     | £13.95 |
| AUS GRU005 | Gruener Veltlinger                   | 2006 | Loimer     | Gruener Veltlinger | £10.95 |

### **Red**

|            |              |      |          |              |        |
|------------|--------------|------|----------|--------------|--------|
| AUS BLA005 | Blaufrankish | 2004 | Heinrich | Blaufrankish | £13.95 |
|------------|--------------|------|----------|--------------|--------|

# Chile

When the Spanish imported grapes with which to make Communion wine in the 1500's, those less concerned with the liquid's application as part of a religious ceremony took to the production (and drinking!) of wine wholeheartedly. Today Chile is one of the greatest locations from which to get high-quality wine at relatively inexpensive prices. Our selection may appear cheap but there is nothing cheap about the fresh fruit and delicious flavours contained within. Of particular note are the wines made from Carmenere, spicy, earthy and powerful wines that hold up to a variety of strongly-flavoured meat dishes.

## Red

|             |                           |      |            |                           |         |
|-------------|---------------------------|------|------------|---------------------------|---------|
| CHI CAB008  | Cabernet Sauvignon        | 2006 | Andes Peak | Sauvignon                 | £5.99   |
| CHI CAB015A | Cabernet Sauvignon/Merlot | 2007 | Calbuco    | Cabernet Sauvignon/Merlot | £5.99   |
| COL CAR008  | Carmenere                 | 2005 | Chocolan   | Carmenere                 | £7.99 * |
| CHI CAR008  | Carmenere                 | 2006 | Andes Peak | Carmenere                 | £5.99   |
| CHI MER002  | Merlot                    | 2006 | Calbuco    | Merlot                    | £6.99   |
| COL MER007  | Merlot                    | 2006 | De Gras    | Merlot                    | £5.99   |

## Rose

|            |               |      |            |                    |       |
|------------|---------------|------|------------|--------------------|-------|
| CHI CAB010 | Cabernet Rose | 2007 | Santa Rita | Cabernet Sauvignon | £6.99 |
|------------|---------------|------|------------|--------------------|-------|

## White

|             |                     |      |            |                      |       |
|-------------|---------------------|------|------------|----------------------|-------|
| CHI CHA008A | Chardonnay          | 2007 | Andes Peak | Chardonnay           | £5.99 |
| COL SAU007  | Sauvignon           | 2007 | De Gras    | Sauvignon Blanc      | £5.99 |
| CHI SEM002  | Semillon/Chardonnay | 2006 | Calbuco    | Semillon, Chardonnay | £5.99 |

# China

The Chinese have been drinking and making wine for hundreds of years – yet if you aren't a native you wouldn't have noticed, as they kept their production to themselves. A side-effect of this is that Chinese wine was for a long time not suited to the international range of palates, despite possessing a climate on the east coast around Shandong province ideal for quality grape-growing. The wines from Noble Dragon are the first strides from the 'New New World', benefiting from the experience of Austrian winemaker Lenz Moser in crafting red and white varieties. Several other established winemakers are pouring time, energy and money into the countries' wineries, meaning that there is no reason why in the future wines from China should not be considered in the same way as we think of Argentinian and Chilean wine today.

## Red

|            |              |      |              |                               |       |
|------------|--------------|------|--------------|-------------------------------|-------|
| CHI MOB001 | Shandong Red | 2005 | Noble Dragon | Dragon's Eye, Cabernet, Syrah | £8.99 |
|------------|--------------|------|--------------|-------------------------------|-------|

# France

## ALSACE

The aromatic Gewurtztraminers and elegant Rieslings of Alsace denote the region as a byword for excellent crisp white wines. The perfumed noses of Alsatian wines are recommended as great matches for spiced Asian cuisine as their high levels of acidity cut through oily dishes easily. One of the best winemakers in this region is the Turckheim Estate, consistently producing highly-regarded wines every year.

## White

|            |                  |      |           |          |       |
|------------|------------------|------|-----------|----------|-------|
| ALS RIE012 | Riesling Reserve | 2005 | Turckheim | Riesling | £7.99 |
|------------|------------------|------|-----------|----------|-------|

## **BEAUJOLAIS**

98% of the vineyards of Beaujolais are planted with Gamay vines, producing a wine which is light, easy to drink and perfect for social occasions. While there are many inexpensive examples of this wine on the market, it is possible to coax a wine of high-quality and excellent craftsmanship from Gamay's fruity juice. Domaine Vissoux are one team who have the skill required to do just that, their Beaujolais demonstrating the approachable qualities of the region's output while retaining an elegant structure.

### **Red**

|        |            |         |         |       |       |
|--------|------------|---------|---------|-------|-------|
| BEA005 | Beaujolais | 2006 AC | Vissoux | Gamay | £9.99 |
|--------|------------|---------|---------|-------|-------|

## **BORDEAUX**

Where would the wine world be without the Cabernet Sauvignon/Merlot blends of Bordeaux? While its popularity amongst the casual wine-buyer was reduced by the newcomers from overseas, recent months have seen people returning to good old Claret. Demand for its finer Crus has always remained high regardless of current fashion, and some winemakers have experimented with some of the winemaking and marketing techniques from the likes of Australia and New Zealand. Our Bordeaux selection caters for this side of the market, the likes of La Freynelle not only printing the names of their grapes on the front of the bottle but – using screwcaps! A sure sign of welcome modernisation in the region without diluting the quality of the wine itself.

### **Red**

|             |                       |         |                  |                                    |       |
|-------------|-----------------------|---------|------------------|------------------------------------|-------|
| BOR SAI013  | Chateau Saint Quentin | 2006    | St Quentin       | Cabernet Sauvignon/Merlot          | £6.99 |
| BOR FRE003A | Grand Vin de Bordeaux | 2005 AC | Ch. La Freynelle | Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot         | £8.99 |
| LEI001      | Leith Claret          | NV AC   | Manoux           | Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc | £7.99 |

## **BURGUNDY**

No less respected in France is the other big name of the country, Burgundy. Occasionally infuriating owing to the fussy nature of Pinot Noir, this grape is also capable of finding its finest expression in the wines of the region when tackled by a winemaker able to work with its difficult nature. From Domaine Boisset come such wines, the likes of their Chambolle-Musigny drinking very well in the face of inconsistent vintages. Boisset's white wine production is similarly skilled, doing things with Chardonnay that remind you of the many good reasons for its ubiquity.

### **Red**

|             |                           |         |         |            |        |
|-------------|---------------------------|---------|---------|------------|--------|
| BUR BEA002  | Beaune 1er Cru Les Greves | 2004 AC | Boisset | Pinot Noir | £29.90 |
| BUR CHA004A | Chambolle Musigny         | 2003 AC | Boisset | Pinot Noir | £35.00 |
| BUR CHA005  | Chambolle Musigny Les     | 2004 AC | Boisset | Pinot Noir | £45.00 |
| BUR BEA003  | Savigny Les Beaune        | 2004 AC | Boisset | Pinot Noir | £18.95 |

### **White**

|             |            |         |           |            |        |
|-------------|------------|---------|-----------|------------|--------|
| BUR CHA009  | Chablis    | 2006    | Lacolombe | Chablis    | £9.99  |
| BUR CHA003A | Chardonnay | 2005 AC | Boisset   | Chardonnay | £11.95 |

## CHAMPAGNE

To paraphrase Winston Churchill when speaking of Champagne, "In victory, you deserve it; In defeat, you need it". Champagne has long been associated with opulent celebration and success, the sort of wine you buy when a special occasion rolls around or as an expression of wealth. However as levels of disposable income have risen over the years, so has Champagne's accessibility risen to the point where some enjoy it every month or even every week with a meal. Billecart-Salmon is one Champagne producer who symbolise excellent quality wine at a reasonable price. The crisp acidity of these sparkling wines works very well with seafood.

### Rose

|         |                                 |         |                  |                                       |          |
|---------|---------------------------------|---------|------------------|---------------------------------------|----------|
| BIL002  | Billecart-Salmon Brut Rose      | NV AC   | Billecart Salmon | Pinot Noir, Pinot Meunier             | £44.00 * |
| DOM004  | Dom Perignon Rose               | 1996 AC | Moet & Chandon   | Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Pinot Meunier | £265.00  |
| LAU002  | Laurent Perrier Cuvee Brut Rose | NV AC   | Laurent Perrier  | Pinot Noir, Pinot Meunier             | £49.00   |
| ROE006D | Roederer Brut Rose              | 2000 AC | Louis Roederer   | Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Pinot Meunier | £69.00   |

### White

|         |                               |         |                  |                                       |          |
|---------|-------------------------------|---------|------------------|---------------------------------------|----------|
| BIL008  | Billecart Salmon Vintage 1998 | 1998    | Billecart Salmon | Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Pinot Meunier | £55.00   |
| BIL001E | Billecart-Salmon Brut         | NV AC   | Billecart Salmon | Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Pinot Meunier | £14.95   |
| BIL001  | Billecart-Salmon Brut         | NV AC   | Billecart Salmon | Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Pinot Meunier | £26.95 * |
| BIL003  | Billecart-Salmon Demi Sec     | NV AC   | Billecart Salmon | Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Pinot Meunier | £26.95 * |
| BOL004  | Bollinger RD                  | 1988 AC | Bollinger        | Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Pinot Meunier | £95.00   |
| TAI001B | Comte de Champagne            | 1995 AC | Taittinger       | Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Pinot Meunier | £85.00   |
| DOM001  | Dom Perignon                  | 1990 AC | Moet & Chandon   | Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Pinot Meunier | £175.00  |
| KRU001  | Krug Grande Cuvee             | NV AC   | Krug             | Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Pinot Meunier | £95.00   |
| VEU004C | La Grande Dame                | 1998 AC | Veuve Clicquot   | Chardonnay, Pinot Noir                | £89.00   |
| MOE001  | Moet & Chandon                | NV AC   | Moet & Chandon   | Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Pinot Meunier | £26.95   |
| ROE002  | Roederer Brut                 | NV AC   | Louis Roederer   | Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Pinot Meunier | £29.95   |
| ROE005B | Roederer Brut Vintage         | 1997 AC | Louis Roederer   | Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Pinot Meunier | £55.00   |
| ROE004D | Roederer Cristal Brut         | 2000 AC | Louis Roederer   |                                       | £160.00  |
| CHA028A | Veuve Clicquot                | NV AC   | Veuve Clicquot   | Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Pinot Meunier | £72.00   |
| VEU002  | Veuve Clicquot Yellow Label   | NV AC   | Veuve Clicquot   | Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Pinot Meunier | £29.95   |

## **LOIRE**

The Loire valley has produced some classic white wines that people from all over the world have tried to emulate. Sancerre and the recently fashionable-again Muscadet are dry, clean wines with a mineral edge, perfect for clearing the palate or with seafood dishes. The Vouvray Demi-Sec however is a Chenin Blanc in the old style, more subtle and somewhat more refined than most of the New World examples.

### **White**

|             |                  |         |              |              |       |
|-------------|------------------|---------|--------------|--------------|-------|
| LOI MUS003E | Muscadet Sur Lie | 2006 AC | Poyet        | Melon        | £6.99 |
| POI SAN005  | Sancerre         | 2006    | La Crochette | Sauvignon    | £9.99 |
| LOI VOJ001  | Vouvray Demi-Sec | 2005    | Tufiers      | Chenin Blanc | £6.99 |

## **RHONE**

Grenache and Syrah reign supreme in this region, producing fairly robust wines. Our Cote du Rhone-Villages and Cotes du Ventoux are fine examples of good, full-bodied French reds that won't wear down your bank balance. A good region to visit frequently when choosing some wine for the weekend.

### **Red**

|            |                         |      |          |                            |        |
|------------|-------------------------|------|----------|----------------------------|--------|
| RHO CHA010 | Chateauneuf-du-Pape     | 2005 | Galets   | Syrah, Grenache, Mourvedre | £13.95 |
| RHO COT010 | Cotes du Rhone Villages | 2005 | Darriaud | Syrah, Grenache, Mourvedre | £5.99  |
| RHO COT009 | Cotes du Ventoux        | 2005 | Darriaud | Syrah, Grenache, Mourvedre | £5.99  |

## **REGIONAL**

A vast array of wines and grape varieties are available to choose, we have selected two which in our view best capture the current flavours of Regional France.

### **Red**

|            |                  |      |          |          |       |
|------------|------------------|------|----------|----------|-------|
| REG PIC001 | Picpoul de Pinet | 2006 | Darriaud | Picpoul  | £6.99 |
| REG ROU001 | Roussane         | 2006 | Gratiot  | Roussane | £7.99 |

## **DESSERT**

We have a very special treats in store for everyone looking for a way to end a meal in style – some half-bottles of Chateau d' Yquem Sauternes from the 1999 vintage. Admittedly, Yquem Sauternes is not the sort of wine you would buy every week, but in the words of Victor Hugo "As the purse is emptied, the heart is lifted", so while your purse would be considerably lifted, your heart would soar so high it might never come back down again! A treat, certainly, but everyone deserves a treat now and then...

### **White**

|         |                 |         |               |                           |        |
|---------|-----------------|---------|---------------|---------------------------|--------|
| CHA036J | Chateau D'Yquem | 1999 AC | Chat. D'Yquem | Semillon, Sauvignon Blanc | £75.00 |
|---------|-----------------|---------|---------------|---------------------------|--------|

# Germany

German wine is another country which has started to find friends again, after losing many fans dissatisfied with poor-quality, sweet Liebfraumilch and Hock. A good German Riesling will taste sweet, but be perfectly balanced by the acidity to make one of the best food wines in existence. Of particular note is Dr. Loosen, whose 'Wolf' Riesling is a clean and pure expression of this grape at a staggeringly low price. Once you are hooked, come back for the Franconia, a little more expensive but well-worth the money.

## White

|            |               |          |                      |          |       |
|------------|---------------|----------|----------------------|----------|-------|
| FRA STA002 | Franconia     | 2005 QBA | Staat. Hof. Wurzburg | Riesling | £9.99 |
| RHE RIE004 | Wolf Riesling | 2006 QBA | Dr Loosen            | Riesling | £6.99 |

# Hungary

Hungary has been a major wine producer for centuries, yet it has not been known for producing world-class varieties. That is, apart from the sublime Tokaji dessert wine. Our Tokaji 6 Puttonyos, the highest level of sweetness possible for this type, is made by Dobogo. This is not a wine to be frugal over – splash out on a bottle, and enjoy the complex honeyed flavour and rich intensity on the palate.

## White

|        |                           |      |        |                                       |        |
|--------|---------------------------|------|--------|---------------------------------------|--------|
| TOK009 | Tokaji Aszu - 6 Puttonyos | 2000 | Dobogo | Furmint, Muscat,<br>Lunel, Hárslevelű | £43.00 |
|--------|---------------------------|------|--------|---------------------------------------|--------|

# Morocco

Like Hungary, people may not immediately think of Morocco when they think of quality wine production, yet the climate is hot enough to produce some excellent full-bodied reds. The El Baraka winery was founded in 1972 and is sited close to the vineyard area of Meknes. The grapes have been sourced from old vines, resulting in heavily concentrated and intense wines.

## Red

|            |           |          |           |                              |       |
|------------|-----------|----------|-----------|------------------------------|-------|
| MOR BAR001 | El Baraka | 2005 DOC | El Meknes | Cabernet<br>Sauvignon/Merlot | £8.99 |
|------------|-----------|----------|-----------|------------------------------|-------|

# New Zealand

## HAWKES BAY

This region is situated near the town of Napier on the east coast of North Island. It is the country's second-largest wine region and has a wide range of soil types, allowing for a variety of different expressions from a single grape variety. Our selection is primarily white grapes and some early-ripening Pinot Noir, but the long daylight hours allow the production of some of the thicker-skinned varieties of red such as Syrah. Trinity Hill and Esk Valley are two of the best producers of wine from this region we have come across, showcasing the high quality of wines available.

### Red

|            |                    |      |              |  |          |
|------------|--------------------|------|--------------|--|----------|
| HAW SYR001 | Gimblet Road Syrah | 2002 | Trinity Hill | Syrah  | £19.95   |
| HAW PIN001 | Pinot Noir         | 2004 | Trinity Hill | Pinot Noir                                       | £13.95   |
| HAW PIN002 | Pinot Noir         | 2005 | Trinity Hill | Pinot Noir                                       | £13.95 * |
| HAW SYR004 | Syrah              | 2005 | Trinity Hill | Syrah  | £13.95   |
| HAW TER001 | The Terraces       | 2002 | Esk Valley   | Cabernet Franc,<br>Merlot, Cabernet<br>Sauvignon | £65.00   |

### White

|             |              |      |              |              |        |
|-------------|--------------|------|--------------|--------------|--------|
| HAW CHA002  | Chardonnay   | 2005 | Trinity Hill | Chardonnay   | £13.95 |
| HAW CHEN001 | Chenin Blanc | 2005 | Esk Valley   | Chenin Blanc | £9.99  |
| HAW RIE002  | Riesling     | 2004 | Esk Valley   | Riesling     | £9.99  |
| HAW RIE001  | Riesling     | 2004 | Trinity Hill | Riesling     | £11.95 |
| HAW SAU004  | Sauvignon    | 2006 | Trinity Hill | Sauvignon    | £12.95 |
| HAW VER001  | Verdelho     | 2005 | Esk Valley   | Verdelho     | £9.99  |

## MARLBOROUGH

Situated on South Island, Marlborough has become synonymous with pungent, grassy Sauvignon Blanc. Crisp and clean, yet very full-flavoured, Marlborough Sauvignon has become almost the automatic choice for aperitif wines from the New World. The cool climate also allows excellent Pinot Noir and rose wine to be produced, the entire output of the region the envy of many winemakers across the world. When you taste the quality of the wines on our list you will know exactly why Marlborough became New Zealand's most important grape-growing region.

### Red

|             |                          |      |                  |                |          |
|-------------|--------------------------|------|------------------|----------------|----------|
| MAR CAB007  | Cabernet Franc           | 2004 | Kim Crawford     | Cabernet Franc | £13.95   |
| MAR PIN002A | Central Otago Pinot Noir | 2005 | Wild Earth       | Pinot Noir     | £19.95   |
| WAI PIN001B | Martinborough Pinot Noir | 2005 | Ata Rangi        | Pinot Noir     | £32.00   |
| MAR PIN022  | Pinot Noir               | 2004 | Gravitas         | Pinot Noir     | £18.95   |
| MAR PIN036  | Pinot Noir               | 2006 | Delta            | Pinot Noir     | £11.95 * |
| MAR PIN030J | Pinot Noir               | 2007 | Kim Crawford     | Pinot Noir     | £11.95   |
| MAR PIN005B | Pinot Noir Marlborough   | 2006 | Mansionhouse Bay | Pinot Noir     | £13.95   |

### Rose

|            |            |      |              |            |        |
|------------|------------|------|--------------|------------|--------|
| MAR PAN007 | Pansy Rose | 2005 | Kim Crawford | Pinot Noir | £10.95 |
|------------|------------|------|--------------|------------|--------|

### White

|             |                                 |      |                  |                           |          |
|-------------|---------------------------------|------|------------------|---------------------------|----------|
| MAR PEL001E | Pelorus                         | 2001 | Cloudy Bay       | Chardonnay, Pinot<br>Noir | £19.95   |
| MAR RIE002E | Riesling Marlborough            | 2006 | Kim Crawford     | Riesling                  | £10.95   |
| MAR SAU027  | Sauvignon Blanc                 | 2005 | Vidal            | Sauvignon                 | £8.99    |
| MAR SAU005  | Sauvignon Blanc                 | 2006 | Delta            | Sauvignon                 | £11.95   |
| MAR SAU036  | Sauvignon Blanc                 | 2006 | Spy Valley       | Sauvignon                 | £9.99 *  |
| MAR SAU022  | Sauvignon Blanc                 | 2007 | Kim Crawford     | Sauvignon                 | £10.95   |
| MAR SAU002M | Sauvignon Blanc Spitfire Mark 1 | 2006 | Kim Crawford     | Sauvignon                 | £12.95   |
| MAR SAU008F | Sauvignon Marlborough           | 2007 | Mansionhouse Bay | Sauvignon                 | £10.95 * |
| MAR CHA020C | Unoaked Chardonnay              | 2006 | Kim Crawford     | Chardonnay                | £10.95   |
| MAR CHA020D | Unoaked Chardonnay              | 2007 | Kim Crawford     | Chardonnay                | £10.95   |

## MARTINBOROUGH

Martinborough's climate is very similar to that of Marlborough, so it is no surprise that it is also good for both white wine and Pinot Noir production. While it contains only 3% of the country's vineyards, the area's reputation for high-value Pinot Noir has pushed it to the forefront of people's consciousness for that grape in the same way Marlborough and Sauvignon Blanc are linked together. The wines of Ata Rangi have been produced with care and attention, their success with Pinot Noir in particular denoting them as authorities in their field. Their Craighall Chardonnay is also excellent, with well-integrated oak flavours adding depth and complexity to the exciting fruit flavours within.

### White

|             |                      |      |           |            |        |
|-------------|----------------------|------|-----------|------------|--------|
| WAI CHA001A | Craighall Chardonnay | 2003 | Ata Rangi | Chardonnay | £23.00 |
|-------------|----------------------|------|-----------|------------|--------|

## Portugal

Like Italy, Portugal has hundreds of indigenous grape varieties which go into many styles of wine, yet the country has not enjoyed the same level of popularity as its other European rivals. However, there is definitely a lot more to the wines of Portugal than Port, and we have started to see some excellent wine coming through to the UK. The Caves Alianca winery has been doing great things with both red and white wines, their Bical Galeria and Tinta Roriz outstanding and unusual wines of great quality. Once you have gotten used to the idea of Portuguese wine, take the plunge on the otherworldly Quatros Ventos Reserva, full of vibrant dark stone fruits and refined oak notes.

### Red

|             |                        |         |         |                  |         |
|-------------|------------------------|---------|---------|------------------|---------|
| POR PET002  | Petit Verdot           | 2004 DO | Azamor  | Petit Verdot     | £13.95  |
| ALE QUA001A | Quatros Ventos Reserva | 2001 DO | Alianca | Touriga Nacional | £29.95  |
| POR TN002   | Vista TN               | 2004 DO | Alianca | Touriga Nacional | £6.99   |
| POR VIS002A | Vista TR               | 2004 DO | Alianca | Touriga Roriz    | £5.99 * |

### White

|            |               |         |         |       |       |
|------------|---------------|---------|---------|-------|-------|
| POR BIC003 | Bical Galeria | 2006 DO | Alianca | Bical | £5.99 |
|------------|---------------|---------|---------|-------|-------|

# South Africa

South Africa continues to go from strength to strength. After some shaky beginnings the country is now demonstrating an ability to produce great wines at all price levels, as a result it is one of the fastest-growing sections on our list. Stellenbosch has staked its claim as one of the world's best areas for white wines while some great things are being done with reds in areas such as Paarl. South African wines serve as an interesting bridge between the full-flavoured New World styles and the more refined Old World varieties.

## Red

|             |                   |      |          |                            |         |
|-------------|-------------------|------|----------|----------------------------|---------|
| SAF CIN001  | Cinsault          | 2004 | Sangoma  | Cinsault                   | £6.99   |
| SAF MER002  | Merlot/Cabernet   | 2004 | Iona     | Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon | £9.99   |
| SAF PIN002  | Pinotage Viognier | 2005 | Fairview | Pinotage, Viognier         | £10.95  |
| SAF PIN005A | Pinotage/Cinsaut  | 2006 | Boland   | Pinotage, Cinsaut          | £5.99 * |
| SAF SYR001  | Syrah             | 2005 | Sangoma  | Syrah                      | £7.99   |

## White

|             |                    |      |             |              |         |
|-------------|--------------------|------|-------------|--------------|---------|
| SAF CHE006A | Chenin Blanc       | 2007 | Boland      | Chenin Blanc | £5.99   |
| SAF CHE003B | Chenin Blanc       | 2007 | Sangoma     | Chenin Blanc | £6.99 * |
| SAF SAU001D | Sauvignon          | 2006 | Iona        | Sauvignon    | £12.95  |
| SAF SAU005  | Sauvignon          | 2006 | Springfield | Sauvignon    | £10.95  |
| SAF SAU005A | Sauvignon          | 2007 | Springfield | Sauvignon    | £10.95  |
| SAF SAU004A | Sauvignon Blanc    | 2006 | Spice Route | Sauvignon    | £9.99   |
| SAF SAU002  | Sauvignon Blanc    | 2006 | Fairview    | Sauvignon    | £8.99   |
| SAF SEM001  | Semillon Oom Pagel | 2004 | Fairview    | Semillon     | £12.95  |
| SAF VIO002  | Viognier           | 2006 | Fairview    | Voignier     | £11.95  |

# Spain

## ALICANTE

The Mediterranean coast of Spain produces a wide array of wines, though the majority of its output has yet to reach the standard required to be considered as serious contenders on the international market. That said, the potential of this region has been noticed and harnessed by a few talented winemakers, including the team at Bodegas Sierra Salinas. The estate is small but perfectly formed, coming up with a red of intense richness from blends of Monastrell, Garnacha and Cabernet Sauvignon.

## Red

|            |          |      |                |                                |        |
|------------|----------|------|----------------|--------------------------------|--------|
| YEC ALI001 | Alicante | 2003 | Sierra Selinas | Monastrell, Garnacha, Cabernet | £19.95 |
|------------|----------|------|----------------|--------------------------------|--------|

## CAMPO DE BORGIA

A region of baking hot summers and cool wet winters, here the Garnacha red grape reigns supreme, produced from some of the oldest vines in Spain.

## Red

|            |          |      |             |          |       |
|------------|----------|------|-------------|----------|-------|
| TOR GAR005 | Garnacha | 2005 | Torre Duero | Garnacha | £5.99 |
|------------|----------|------|-------------|----------|-------|

## White

|            |         |      |        |         |       |
|------------|---------|------|--------|---------|-------|
| TOR SEL005 | Macabeo | 2006 | Borsao | Macabeo | £4.99 |
|------------|---------|------|--------|---------|-------|

## **JUMILLA**

An outbreak of the phylloxera pests threatened to destroy Jumilla's output in 1989, but clever winemakers saw this as an opportunity to reinvent the region once the outbreak has been dealt with. Wines from Jumilla tend towards lighter, fruitier styles composed of the Monastrell grape, which still retain the characteristic higher alcohol levels shared by many Spanish reds. The wines from Juan Gil are particularly fine ambassadors for the region.

### **Red**

|             |                       |         |          |            |       |   |
|-------------|-----------------------|---------|----------|------------|-------|---|
| JUM MON008A | Monastrell-Monastrell | 2006 DO | Juan Gil | Monastrell | £7.99 | * |
| JUM MON007  | Pedreira Monastrell   | 2006 DO | Juan Gil | Monastrell | £5.99 | * |

## **MALLORCA**

An up and coming region in the production of red wines, watch this space...

### **Red**

|            |       |      |             |                          |       |  |
|------------|-------|------|-------------|--------------------------|-------|--|
| TOR TIN006 | Tinto | 2006 | Maciabattle | Cabernet Sauvignon/Syrah | £8.99 |  |
|------------|-------|------|-------------|--------------------------|-------|--|

## **PENEDES**

Situated just north of Barcelona this cava house extend bottle ageing for 2-3 years before releasing their wines, thus improving complexity and richness.

### **Rose**

|            |             |    |           |                    |       |   |
|------------|-------------|----|-----------|--------------------|-------|---|
| CAV ROS003 | Cava Rosado | NV | Mas Macia | Parellada, Macebeo | £9.99 | * |
|------------|-------------|----|-----------|--------------------|-------|---|

### **White**

|            |           |    |           |                    |       |   |
|------------|-----------|----|-----------|--------------------|-------|---|
| CAV BRU003 | Cava Brut | NV | Mas Macia | Parellada, Macebeo | £7.99 | * |
|------------|-----------|----|-----------|--------------------|-------|---|

## **RIAS BAIXUS**

Albarino is Spains best kept secret, a variety with intense minerality and concentration.

### **White**

|            |          |      |               |          |        |   |
|------------|----------|------|---------------|----------|--------|---|
| RIA ALB001 | Albarino | 2005 | Castro Martin | Albarino | £11.95 | * |
|------------|----------|------|---------------|----------|--------|---|

## **RIOJA**

One of the most well-known wine regions of Spain, and possibly even the world, the reds of Rioja are the wines that spring to mind first when most people think of Spanish wine. While there are of course many other wine-producing regions, Rioja did not achieve its fame by accident. Producing easy to drink, full-flavoured wines from the Tempranillo grape, recent vintages have only enhanced the reputation of this already highly-regarded region. Our selections from Vega Del Rayo and Artesa show off those inviting characteristics at a very reasonable price.

### **Red**

|             |                    |         |              |             |       |   |
|-------------|--------------------|---------|--------------|-------------|-------|---|
| RIO SEL001F | Rioja Seleccionada | 2005 DO | Vega Del Ray | Tempranillo | £7.99 | * |
| RIO TEM005  | Rioja Tempranillo  | 2006    | Artesa       | Tempranillo | £6.99 |   |
| RIO SEL007  | Rioja Tempranillo  | 2006 DO | Vega Del Ray | Tempranillo | £7.99 |   |

## **RUEDA**

The in-region of Spain producing predominately white wines of great aromatic fruit with the use of local grape varieties Viura & Verdejo.

### **White**

|             |               |         |           |                |       |   |
|-------------|---------------|---------|-----------|----------------|-------|---|
| NAV RUE001A | Rueda Verdejo | 2006 DO | Nava Real | Rueda, Verdejo | £8.99 |   |
| TOR VER005  | Verdejo Viura | 2007 DO | Mocen     | Rueda Verdejo  | £7.99 | * |

## TORO

This red wine zone, which attained DO status in 1987, is located in Castille-Leon, east of Zamora in the Duero Valley. The hallmark of this region is Tinta de Toro, a variant of Tempranillo, which displays in the rich, ripe and powerful wines made from it high levels of alcohol masked by deceptive fruit flavours on the palate. The new vintages of Marques de la Villa are the best place to begin to explore the area, their expression of Tinta De Toro in particular being excellent value – just be careful of that 14.5% alcohol level, because you certainly won't be able to taste it on its silky palate. From the same producer also comes a fresh young Malvasia and delicious Rosado, all at great prices.

### Red

|             |                        |         |             |               |         |
|-------------|------------------------|---------|-------------|---------------|---------|
| TOR GAR001C | Garnacha/Tinta de Toro | 2005 DO | De La Vila  | Garnacha      | £5.99   |
| MON NEG001  | Negre                  | 2005    | Etim        | Tempranillo   | £7.99 * |
| TOR TIN003  | Tinta de Toro          | 2006 DO | De La Vila  | Tinta de Toro | £5.99   |
| TOR TIN009  | Tinto                  | 2005    | Refugio     | Tempranillo   | £6.99   |
| TOR LIZ001D | Toro                   | 2006 DO | Torre Duero | Tempranillo   | £5.99   |

### Rose

|            |        |         |            |             |         |
|------------|--------|---------|------------|-------------|---------|
| TOR ROS007 | Rosado | 2007 DO | De La Vila | Garnacha    | £5.99 * |
| MON ROS001 | Rosat  | 2006    | Etim       | Tempranillo | £7.99 * |

### White

|            |                 |         |            |          |         |
|------------|-----------------|---------|------------|----------|---------|
| TOR MAL005 | Malvasia - Toro | 2007 DO | De La Vila | Malvasia | £5.99 * |
|------------|-----------------|---------|------------|----------|---------|

## USA

The USA is responsible for a wide variety of styles, from inoffensive party wine to exclusive 'boutique' wines. The grape primarily associated with the country's wines is Zinfandel, the clone of Primitivo which, when it's not being sadly used for bland 'blush' wines, makes reds of great charm and flavour. The Sonoma County and Old Vine Zinfandels from Seghesio show the great potential in this grape, the wines showing great elegance and concentration. The Delicato wines are also performing very well, their Old Vine Zinfandel in particular gaining many fans at V&C thanks to the sheer pleasure derived from its top-quality fruit.

### Red

|             |                         |      |          |           |         |
|-------------|-------------------------|------|----------|-----------|---------|
| CAL MUS002  | Elysium Black Muscat    | 2006 | Quady    | Muscat    | £8.99   |
| CAL MER016  | Merlot                  | 2005 | Delicato | Merlot    | £8.99   |
| CAL ZIN015A | Old Vine Zinfandel      | 2005 | Delicato | Zinfandel | £8.99 * |
| CAL ZIN005D | Old Vines Zinfandel     | 2003 | Seghesio | Zinfandel | £26.90  |
| CAL ZIN007F | Sonoma County Zinfandel | 2006 | Seghesio | Zinfandel | £17.95  |

### White

|            |            |      |          |            |       |
|------------|------------|------|----------|------------|-------|
| CAL CHA016 | Chardonnay | 2005 | Delicato | Chardonnay | £8.99 |
|------------|------------|------|----------|------------|-------|

*more states to follow soon...*

# Spirits and Liqueurs

## ARMAGNAC

Armagnac is a distilled grape spirit from France, the distillation performed in a column-still rather than a pot-still to produce a lighter, dryer flavour of spirit that retains more of the character of the fruit used. Afterwards it is matured in oak barrels for at least 2 years. It is said that, because of the process used, that regular consumption of Armagnac in moderation is good for your health, natives of Gascony living on average 5 years longer than the national average. If you wish to test this theory, we have in our selection some very fine Armagnacs from Lafitte to get started with. For the connoisseurs we have some very well-aged Armagnacs from Dupeyron, maker of the oldest and best brandies in the world. We even have some very rare Armagnac from Castarede, a very precious and highly limited bottle dating from over a century ago, produced as far back as 1904!

|        |                           |      |           |         |
|--------|---------------------------|------|-----------|---------|
| LAF001 | Comte de Lafitte Armagnac | 7YO  | Lafitte   | £26.00  |
| GEL001 | Comte de Lafitte Armagnac | NV   | Lafitte   | £29.00  |
| ARM004 | Dupeyron Vintage Armagnac | 1926 | Dupeyron  | £395.00 |
| ARM005 | Dupeyron Vintage Armagnac | 1936 | Dupeyron  | £395.00 |
| ARM006 | Dupeyron Vintage Armagnac | 1946 | Dupeyron  | £350.00 |
| ARM007 | Dupeyron Vintage Armagnac | 1956 | Dupeyron  | £280.00 |
| GEL004 | Dupeyron Vintage Armagnac | 1933 | Dupeyron  | £360.00 |
| GEL005 | Dupeyron Vintage Armagnac | 1935 | Dupeyron  | £340.00 |
| GEL007 | Dupeyron Vintage Armagnac | 1945 | Dupeyron  | £295.00 |
| GEL008 | Dupeyron Vintage Armagnac | 1955 | Dupeyron  | £195.00 |
| CAS015 | Vintage Armagnac          | 1904 | Castarede | £575.00 |

## BRANDY

Brandy is the general term for distilled wine, a practice originally carried out to aid preservation of the wine when it had to be transported over long distances. While it was not originally intended to create a new type of spirit, it was discovered that the distillate gained new, rich flavours after storage in wooden casks. While thanks to Cognac and Armagnac people may more closely associate Brandy with France, it is actually produced in a variety of countries all over the world under several different names. The more well-known versions include Asbach from Germany, Metaxa from Greece and Vecchia Romagna from Italy. We also have a Reserva Brandy from Fernando de Castilla in Jerez, Brandy from that region also covered as a Protected Denomination like Cognac and Armagnac.

|         |                                    |      |                      |        |
|---------|------------------------------------|------|----------------------|--------|
| ASB001  | Asbach German Brandy               | NV   | Asbach Uralt         | £26.00 |
| BRA009  | Gran Reserva Brandy                | NV   | Fernando de Castilla | £41.00 |
| MET003  | Metaxa 5 Star                      | NV   | Metaxa               | £25.00 |
| MET002  | Metaxa 7 Star Amphora Greek Brandy | NV   | Metaxa               | £27.00 |
| BRA009A | Reserva Brandy                     | NV   | Fernando de Castilla | £18.95 |
| TIS001  | Tissard Napoleon Brandy            | NV   | Tissard              | £12.95 |
| VEC003B | Vecchia Romagna                    | 10YO | Vecchia Romagna      | £23.00 |
| VEC003  | Vecchia Romagna Eticchetta         | NV   | Vecchia Romagna      | £30.00 |
| VEC003A | Vecchia Romagna Eticchetta         | NV   | Vecchia Romagna      | £21.00 |

## COGNAC

Produced in the town of the same name, Cognac is heavier than Armagnac and has a stronger spirit character, but is somewhat wetter on the finish. We have in our stock three of the more famous brands; Remy Martin, Courvoisier and Martell, both entry-level and incredibly well-aged versions. We also have both 12 y/o and 7 y/o Cognacs from Chateau de Beaulon, a producer of fine single-vineyard grape spirits.

|        |   |      |                    |         |
|--------|---|------|--------------------|---------|
| CHA010 | Chabasse VSOP Cognace                       | VSOP | Chabasse           | £29.00  |
| BEA002 | Chateau de Beaulon 12YO Grand Fine Cognac   | 12YO | Chateau de Beaulon | £35.00  |
| BEA001 | Chateau de Beaulon Folle Blanche 7YO Cognac | 7YO  | Chateau de Beaulon | £27.00  |
| COU004 | Courvoisier Cognac 3 Star                   | NV   | Courvoisier        | £29.00  |
| COU005 | Courvoisier Erte VII Edition                | NV   | Courvoisier        | £950.00 |
| COU007 | Courvoisier VSOP                            | VSOP | Courvoisier        | £48.00  |
| MAR010 | Martell VS                                  | NV   | Martell            | £26.00  |
| REM003 | Remy Extra Perfection                       | NV   | Remy Martin        | £325.00 |
| REM005 | Remy Martin VSOP                            | VSOP | Remy Martin        | £39.00  |

## GIN

Gin is a distilled neutral spirit which has had a variety of aromatic herbs and botanicals added to it, primarily juniper berries, then distilled again. The distinctive flavour of Gin has led to it being a cornerstone of many cocktails, and a Gin & Tonic with a slice of lime has become a very traditional British drink during warmer weather.

|         |                      |      |          |        |
|---------|----------------------|------|----------|--------|
| GEN001  | Genever "Bols" (Gin) |      | Bols     | £14.95 |
| HEN001A | Hendricks Gin        |      | Hendrix  | £28.00 |
| TAN003A | Tanquery 10yo        | 10YO | Tanquery | £45.00 |
| TAN004  | Tanquery Gin         |      | Tanquery | £25.00 |

## GRAPPA

Created in Italy as a way of making use of leftover grape residue from the winemaking process, it is drunk primarily after dinner as a *digestivo*. While grappa is often a very neutral spirit the grappas of Bruno Pilzer are more delicate and aromatic, mostly made using indigenous Italian grape varieties not commonly used in wine for export. Pilzer's grappas are therefore suited to be enjoyed in their own right as well as for helping those large meals go down well.

|         |                              |    |                     |        |
|---------|------------------------------|----|---------------------|--------|
| AQU002  | Aquavite di Albicocche       | NV | Bruno Pilzer        | £34.00 |
| AQU001  | Aquavite di Pere Williams    | NV | Bruno Pilzer        | £33.00 |
| GRA039  | Grappa di Chardonnay         | NV | Bruno Pilzer        | £30.00 |
| GRAP030 | Grappa di Moscato Giallo     | NV | Bruno Pilzer        | £30.00 |
| GRA035  | Grappa di Nosiola            | NV | Bruno Pilzer        | £30.00 |
| GRA037  | Grappa di Pinot Nero         | NV | Bruno Pilzer        | £30.00 |
| GRA023  | Grappa Di Sassicaia          | NV | Incisa d. Rocchetta | £45.00 |
| GRA046  | Grappa di Schiava            | NV | Bruno Pilzer        | £30.00 |
| GRA038  | Grappa di Traminer           | NV | Bruno Pilzer        | £30.00 |
| GRA010  | Grappa Gran Moscato Bocchino | NV | Bocchino            | £24.95 |
| GRA008  | Grappa Julia                 | NV | Julia               | £22.00 |
| GRA010A | Grappa Moscato               | NV | Batasiolo           | £30.00 |
| GRA007  | Grappa Nardini               | NV | Nardini             | £32.00 |
| GRA007A | Grappa Nardini Riserva       | NV | Nardini             | £35.00 |
| GRA013  | Grappa Tignanello            | NV | Marchesi Antinori   | £35.00 |

## LIQUEURS & APERITIFS

We have a wide selection of liqueurs and spirits available. Whether as a relaxing after-dinner drink or as a component of an exciting cocktail, you should be able to find something interesting on the list. Particular attention should go to our Lemoncello from Toschi, one of the most popular palate-cleansers with which to accompany any large meal.

|          |                     |            |        |
|----------|---------------------|------------|--------|
| AMAR040  | Amaretto 24%        | Lazzaroni  | £14.95 |
| AMA002   | Amaro Averna        | Averna     | £17.95 |
| AMA003   | Amaro Lucano        | Lucano     | £24.00 |
| AMA009   | Amaro Ramazzotti    | Ramazzotti | £19.95 |
| ANI001   | Anice Forte         | Francoli   | £16.95 |
| APE001   | Aperol Barbieri     | Barbieri   | £13.95 |
| AUR001   | Aurum               | Buton      | £25.00 |
| CAM006   | Campari             | Campari    | £19.95 |
| CYN004   | Cynar               | Cynar      | £15.95 |
| FER001   | Fernet Branca       | Fernet     | £33.00 |
| FER001A  | Fernet Branca       | Fernet     | £30.00 |
| FER004   | Ferro China         | Bisleri    | £14.95 |
| FRAG010  | Fragolino           | Lazzaroni  | £19.95 |
| FRA020   | Frangelico          | Barbero    | £18.95 |
| FRA021   | Frangelico          | Barbero    | £14.95 |
| GAL003   | Galliano            | Galliano   | £25.00 |
| LEM004   | Lemoncello          | Toschi     | £19.95 |
| LIMON001 | Limoncino           | Lazzaroni  | £15.95 |
| MANDA001 | Mandarino           | Lazzaroni  | £15.95 |
| MAR016   | Maraschino          | Stock      | £22.00 |
| MAR017   | Maraschino          | Luxardo    | £19.95 |
| MIR002   | Mirtille            | Toschi     | £16.95 |
| MIRT001  | Mirtillo            | Lazzaroni  | £19.95 |
| MON009   | Montenegro Amaro    | Montenegro | £16.95 |
| NOC002   | Nocello             | Toschi     | £14.95 |
| NOC001   | Nocino (Walnut)     | Toschi     | £26.95 |
| PUN001   | Punt e Mes          | Carpano    | £13.95 |
| PUN001A  | Punt e Mes          | Carpano    | £16.95 |
| ROS014   | Rosso Antico        | Buton      | £15.95 |
| SAM005   | Sambuca             | Molinari   | £23.90 |
| SAM001A  | Sambuca Opal Bianca | Francoli   | £17.95 |
| SAM001   | Sambuca Opal Nera   | Francoli   | £23.00 |
| STR004   | Strega              | Alberti    | £29.90 |
| UNI001   | Unicum              | Zwack      | £22.00 |

## PORT

Port, or *Vinho de Porto*, is a fortified wine from Portugal which is often sweet and heady, but may be enjoyed in drier styles. We have some forward-drinking Late-Bottled Vintage (LBV), Ruby and White Ports, as well as some of Niepoort's Secundum vintage from 1999, a style that performs as a compromise between the approachable nature of an LBV port with the ageing potential of a great Vintage Port.

### Red

|         |                                       |       |                     |        |
|---------|---------------------------------------|-------|---------------------|--------|
| NIE019  | Niepoort                              | 1995  | Niepoort            | £16.95 |
| NIE007G | Niepoort                              | 2000  | Niepoort            | £14.95 |
| NIE007H | Niepoort                              | 2001  | Niepoort            | £14.95 |
| NIE007D | Niepoort Colheita                     | 1990  | Niepoort            | £32.95 |
| NIE015  | Niepoort Junior Tinto                 | NV    | Niepoort            | £11.95 |
| NIE017  | Niepoort LBV                          | 1999  | Niepoort            | £7.99  |
| NIE030  | Niepoort LBV                          | 2003  | Niepoort            | £8.99  |
| NIE008  | Niepoort Ruby Port                    | NV    | Niepoort            | £10.95 |
| NIE016  | Niepoort Senior Tawny                 | NV    | Niepoort            | £13.95 |
| NIE009  | Niepoort Tawny Port                   | NV    | Niepoort            | £10.95 |
| INF004E | Quinta do Infantado                   | 2001  | Quinta do Infantado | £16.95 |
| INF005  | Quinta Do Infantado 10 Year Old Tawny | 10 YO | Quinta do Infantado | £11.95 |
| NIE018  | Secundum                              | 1999  | Niepoort            | £30.00 |
| THE001  | The Port of Leith                     | NV    | The Port of Leith   | £10.95 |
| THE002  | The Port of Leith Quarters            | NV    | The Port of Leith   | £3.99  |

### White

|        |                         |    |          |        |
|--------|-------------------------|----|----------|--------|
| NIE002 | Niepoort Dry White Port | NV | Niepoort | £11.95 |
|--------|-------------------------|----|----------|--------|

## RUM

Fermented then distilled from sugarcane plants, records of Rum's origins stretch back hundreds of years. In particular it has associations with the sea, rum being the ration of choice for seafarers thanks to its sweet taste and stability over long voyages. We have a number of styles to choose from, from the heavier Dark Rums such as OVD, for drinking straight or cooking with; to lighter styles, for use in cocktails.

|        |                     |    |        |        |
|--------|---------------------|----|--------|--------|
| HAV001 | Havana Club 7YO 40% | NV | Havana | £26.00 |
|--------|---------------------|----|--------|--------|

### Black

|        |                     |    |           |        |
|--------|---------------------|----|-----------|--------|
| BUN001 | Bundaberg 37% Rum   | NV | Bundaberg | £19.95 |
| PUS001 | Pusser's Blue 54.5% | NV | Pusser's  | £33.00 |

### Gold

|        |                       |    |           |        |
|--------|-----------------------|----|-----------|--------|
| MOU001 | Mount Gay Eclipse 40% | NV | Mount Gay | £19.95 |
|--------|-----------------------|----|-----------|--------|

### White

|        |                     |    |               |        |
|--------|---------------------|----|---------------|--------|
| WRA001 | Wray & Nephew 62.8% | NV | Wray & Nephew | £29.00 |
|--------|---------------------|----|---------------|--------|

## SHERRY

The name 'Sherry' is in fact an Anglicised version of Jerez, the town in Spain where this type of fortified wine comes from. Once it has fermented, the wine used in sherry is fortified with brandy, increasing the alcohol level and the stability of the wine to make it suitable for ageing. Still more commonly known in its sweetened 'Cream' style in the UK, there are in fact many different categories from the salty, dry Fino through to the heavier Oloroso and Amontillado; culminating in the intense Pedro Ximenez (PX). We are fortunate to have the antique Sherries from Fernando de Castilla, wines of exceptional quality. Their PX received a Gold Medal at the IWC in 2006.

|            |                         |    |                      |        |
|------------|-------------------------|----|----------------------|--------|
| SHE AMA003 | Amontillado Classic     | NV | Fernando de Castilla | £9.99  |
| SHE AMO001 | Antique Amontillado     | NV | Fernando de Castilla | £19.95 |
| SHE FIN001 | Antique Fino            | NV | Fernando de Castilla | £14.95 |
| SHE OLO001 | Antique Oloroso         | NV | Fernando de Castilla | £19.95 |
| SHE PAL001 | Antique Palo Cortado    | NV | Fernando de Castilla | £23.95 |
| SHE PX001  | Antique PX              | NV | Fernando de Castilla | £19.95 |
| SHE FIN002 | Fino                    | NV | Fernando de Castilla | £9.99  |
| GON006     | Gonzalez-Byass Tio Pepe | NV | Gonzalez             | £10.95 |
| LAG009     | Manzanilla              | NV | La Guita             | £9.99  |

## VERMOUTH

Vermouth is a fortified wine flavoured with a variety of herbs and spices, the exact blends unique to each producer. The invention of Vermouth is credited to Antonio Benedetto Carpano from Italy, but Vermouth is also closely associated with producers from France. Vermouth is made both in sweet and dry styles, the latter an important component in the Martini cocktail. Vermouth can also be enjoyed on its own as an *aperitif*.

|        |                 |             |       |
|--------|-----------------|-------------|-------|
| CHA092 | Chambery Bianco | Dolin       | £8.99 |
| CHA090 | Chambery Dry    | Dolin       | £7.99 |
| CHA093 | Chambery Rosso  | Dolin       | £8.99 |
| CHA091 | Chambery zette  | Dolin       | £8.99 |
| NOI002 | Noilly Prat     | Noilly Prat | £9.99 |

## VODKA

Vodka remains one of the most popular drinks across the world, the ease with which it can be produced and its versatility ensuring its place in many drinks cabinets and back bars. Able to be distilled from an enormous variety of fermented grains and vegetables, the sheer number of countries and companies making vodka today is astounding. We have a selection of the more famous brands in Britain such as Wyborowa from Poland and Stolichnaya from Russia, along with a few rarer examples.

|              |                                 |    |                   |        |
|--------------|---------------------------------|----|-------------------|--------|
| ABS002       | Absolut                         |    | Absolut Vodka     | £21.00 |
| ABS003       | Absolut Citron                  | NV | Absolut Vodka     | £21.00 |
| CYT001       | Cytrynowka Lemon Vodka          |    | Various producers | £17.95 |
| CYT002       | Cytrynowka Lemon Vodka          |    | Various producers | £23.00 |
| GRE009       | Grey Goose Vodka                |    | Grey Goose        | £38.00 |
| WYB004       | Orange Vodka                    |    | Wyborowa          | £21.00 |
| PIE002       | Pieprzowka Polish Pepper Vodka  |    | Polmos            | £16.95 |
| PIE002A      | Pieprzowka Polish Pepper Vodka  |    | Polmos            | £26.00 |
| SPI001       | Spirit Vodka Strength 57.1%     |    | Polmos            | £15.95 |
| SPI002       | Spirit Vodka Strength 79.9%     |    | Polmos            | £23.00 |
| VOD022       | Stolichnaya Blue                |    | Stolichnaya       | £23.00 |
| VOD023       | Stolichnaya Cristal             |    | Stolichnaya       | £21.95 |
| VOD026       | Stolichnaya Orange              |    | Stolichnaya       | £21.00 |
| VOD025       | Stolichnaya Raspberry           |    | Stolichnaya       | £21.00 |
| STO004       | Stolichnaya Russian Vodka       |    | Various producers | £18.95 |
| VOD024       | Stolichnaya Strawberry          |    | Stolichnaya       | £21.00 |
| VOD021       | Stolichnaya Vanilla Vodka       |    | Stolichnaya       | £19.95 |
| WYB001       | Wyborowa Blue Polish Vodka      |    | Polmos            | £19.95 |
| WYB005       | Wyborowa Lemon Vodka            |    | Wyborowa          | £23.00 |
| WYB007       | Wyborowa Peach Vodka            |    | Wyborowa          | £21.00 |
| WYB003       | Wyborowa Pepper Vodka           |    | Wyborowa          | £21.00 |
| ZUB004       | Zubrowka Bison Polish Vodka 40% |    | Polmos            | £23.00 |
| <b>White</b> |                                 |    |                   |        |
| KET001A      | Ketel One Citreon Vodka 40%     | NV | Ketel One         | £23.00 |
| KET001       | Ketel One Vodka 40%             | NV | Ketel One         | £21.00 |

# WHISKY

## Malt

### Campbeltown

Campbeltown used to be a hotbed of whisky distillation, at one time home to over 30 distilleries, suffered a huge downturn in fortunes over the year resulting in the closure of many distilleries and its temporary removal as an officially designated region of Scotch Whisky production. However, recently attention has started to return to this area, due in no small part to the popularity of Springbank Single Malt. Springbank has tirelessly adhered to the traditional methods of production, gaining fans for both their attitude and the quality of their whiskies which include not just Springbank itself but two other malts, Longrow and Hazelburn.

|          |                         |      |                      |        |
|----------|-------------------------|------|----------------------|--------|
| CHAZ001  | Hazelburn 46%           | 8YO  | Hazelburn            | £35.00 |
| CLON001A | Longrow 46%             | 10YO | Springbank Distiller | £46.00 |
| CLON005  | Longrow 46%             | 14YO | Springbank Distiller | £49.00 |
| CLON006  | Longrow 57%             | 10YO | Springbank Distiller | £49.00 |
| CSPR001  | Springbank 46%          | 10YO | Springbank Distiller | £33.00 |
| CSPR011  | Springbank 46%          | 10YO | Springbank Distiller | £17.95 |
| CSPR010  | Springbank 46%          | 15YO | Springbank Distiller | £48.00 |
| CSPR015  | Springbank 55.2%        | 1997 | Springbank Distiller | £41.00 |
| CSPR008  | Springbank 57%          | 10YO | Springbank Distiller | £40.00 |
| CSPR012  | Springbank Marsala 46%  | 9YO  | Springbank Distiller | £44.00 |
| CSPR013  | Springbank Rum Wood 46% | 16YO | Springbank Distiller | £56.00 |

### Highland

The Highland region takes in a large amount of the landmass of Scotland, the well-known Speyside region technically a sub-region of the larger designation. As a result it becomes difficult to generalise when talking about particular regional characteristics or how a Highland whisky is 'supposed' to taste. That is no bad thing, for it just encourages you to try more whisky to find the one you like! The aforementioned Speyside region contains more distilleries than any other part of Scotland, and is home to the number one best-selling single malt in the world – William Grant & Sons' Glenfiddich. Our selection of Highland Malts would take some time to explore, but time spent with whisky is never wasted...

|             |                              |      |                  |        |
|-------------|------------------------------|------|------------------|--------|
| HALT001     | Allt A Bhainne 50%           | 16YO | Allt A Bhainne   | £50.00 |
| HARD003     | Ardmore 46%                  | 12YO | Ardmore          | £33.00 |
| HIG BEN007  | Benriach Sherry Cask         | 15YO | Benriach         | £44.00 |
| HIG BEN006  | Benriach Rum Cask            | 15YO | Benriach         | £44.00 |
| HIG BEN030  | Benrines 59.3%               | 14YO | Benrines         | £41.00 |
| HIG BEN030A | Benrines 40%                 | 14YO | Valvona & Crolla | £26.00 |
| HIG BEN030B | Benrines 40%                 | 14YO | Valvona & Crolla | £16.00 |
| HBRN001B    | Benromach 40%                | 6YO  | Benromach        | £24.00 |
| HIG BEN002  | Benromach Organic            | NV   | Benromach        | £33.00 |
| HIG BEN004  | Benromach PX Cask            | 15YO | Benromach        | £44.00 |
| HIG BEN003  | Benromach Rum Cask           | 15YO | Benromach        | £44.00 |
| HIG BEN005  | Benromach Sassicaia Cask     | NV   | Benromach        | £31.00 |
| HIG BEN001  | Benromach Tokaji Cask        | NV   | Benromach        | £27.00 |
| HBLA012     | Blair Athol Sherry 46%       | 11YO | Blair Athol      | £36.00 |
| HBLA010     | Blair Athol Sherry 46%       | 12YO | Blair Athol      | £34.00 |
| HBLA009     | Blair Athol Sherry 46%       | 12YO | Blair Athol      | £34.00 |
| HBRA008A    | Brackla 46%                  | 7YO  | Brackla          | £29.00 |
| HBRA009     | Braeval 46%                  | 1996 | Braeval          | £30.00 |
| IYBUN012    | Bunnahabhain Wine Finish 46% | 7YO  | Bunnahabhain     | £33.00 |
| HCAR008A    | Cardhu 43%                   | 12YO | Cardhu           | £44.00 |
| HIG CLY009  | Clynelish 46%                | 14YO | Clynelish        | £35.00 |
| HIG CRA030  | Craigellachie 54.9%          | 15YO | Craigellachie    | £38.00 |
| HDAL009     | Dalmore 46%                  | 14YO | Dalmore          | £35.00 |
| HIG DUF030  | Dufftown 56.1%               | 29YO | Dufftown         | £73.00 |

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|-------------|---------------------|------|-----------------|--------|
| HEDR001     | Edradour 40%        | 10YO | Edradour        | £37.00 |
| HGLE103     | Glen Dullan 43%     | 15YO | Glen Dullan     | £40.00 |
| HIG GLE050  | Glen Elgin 50%      | 12YO | Glen Elgin      | £45.00 |
| HGLE017A    | Glen Moray 50%      | 11YO | Glen Moray      | £40.00 |
| HGLE073     | Glenburgie 43%      | 1987 | Glenburgie      | £36.00 |
| HIGGLE030   | Glenburgie 50%      | 1987 | Glenburgie      | £36.00 |
| HGLE100     | Glencadam 62.2%     | 15YO | Glencaddam      | £46.00 |
| HGLE101     | Glenglassaugh 53.3% | 28YO | Glenlassa       | £68.00 |
| HGLE051     | Glenlossie 50%      | 10YO | Glen Lossie     | £36.00 |
| HIGGLE070   | Glenlossie 50%      | 1989 | Glen Lossie     | £37.00 |
| HGLE060     | Glenrothes 43%      | 11YO | Glenrothes      | £32.00 |
| HGLE105     | Glenrothes 59.1%    | 15YO | Glenrothes      | £53.00 |
| HIMP003     | Imperial 43%        | 11YO | Imperial        | £31.00 |
| HKNO006     | Knockdhu 46%        | 10YO | Knockdhu        | £33.00 |
| HLIN007A    | Linkwood 46%        | 11YO | Linkwood        | £33.00 |
| HIG LOC001  | Lochside 50%        | 22YO | Lochside        | £71.00 |
| HLON001A    | Longmorn 50%        | 15YO | Longmorn        | £46.00 |
| HIG LON030  | Longmorn 55.3%      | 14YO | Longmorn        | £40.00 |
| HIG MAC020A | Macallan 46%        | 10YO | Macallan        | £32.00 |
| HMAC015     | Macallan 51.3%      | 16YO | Macallan        | £57.00 |
| HIG MCD001  | Macduff 50%         | 26YO | MacDuff         | £70.00 |
| HMAN007     | Mannochmore 46%     | 12YO | Mannochmore     | £34.00 |
| HIG MIL008  | Miltoduff 40%       | 1994 | Highland        | £36.00 |
| HMOR005     | Mortlach 55.4%      | 15YO | Mortlach        | £55.00 |
| HOLD001     | Old Pulteney 40%    | 12YO | Pulteney        | £27.00 |
| HRLG001     | Royal Lochnagar 40% | 12YO | Royal Lochnagar | £34.00 |
| HROY001     | Royal Lochnagar 43% | 12YO | Lochnagar       | £35.00 |
| HROY005     | Royal Lochnagar 46% | 9YO  | Lochnagar       | £34.00 |
| HROY010     | Royal Lochnagar 50% | 1994 | Lochnagar       | £18.00 |
| HSTR007     | Strathisla 46%      | 12YO | Strathisla      | £34.00 |
| HTAM002     | Tamdhu 40%          | NV   | Tamdhu          | £22.00 |
| HTAM001A    | Tamnavulin 50%      | 13YO | Tamnavulin      | £44.00 |
| HIGTOR010B  | Tormore 50%         | 1985 | Tormore         | £44.00 |

## Island

The Island sub-category is not officially recognised, but is often used as a blanket term to describe whiskies produced on the isles of Arran, Mull, Orkney, Jura and Skye. Like with Highland Whisky, it is impossible to describe a quintessential 'Island' style, though whiskies on the islands do tend to share a common smoky note on the palate. The distillery on Arran was established as recently as 1995, its whiskies a new and welcome addition to the scene. Also important is Highland Park, the distillery named by the late beer and spirits author Michael Jackson as "The greatest all-rounder" in the world of whisky which appeals to a broad spectrum of drinkers.

|            |                               |      |               |         |
|------------|-------------------------------|------|---------------|---------|
| IARR001    | Arran 46%                     | 8YO  | Arran         | £31.00  |
| CUD001     | Cu Dhub Black Whisky 43%      | NV   | Cu Dubh       | £29.00  |
| ISL HIG040 | Highland Park                 | 24YO | Highland Park | £69.00  |
| I HIG020A  | Highland Park 50%             | 13YO | Highland Park | £46.00  |
| I HIG020B  | Highland Park 50%             | 16YO | Highland Park | £46.00  |
| IISL002    | Isle of Jura 40%              | 10YO | Isle of Jura  | £24.00  |
| IISL002A   | Isle of Jura Superstition 40% | NV   | Isle of Jura  | £35.00  |
| ILED008    | Ledaig 46%                    | 1997 | Ledaig        | £36.00  |
| ISEC001    | Secret Stills 45%             | 1955 | Stills        | £215.00 |
| ITAL001    | Talisker 45.8%                | 10YO | Talisker      | £38.00  |
| ITOB002    | Tobermory Malt 50%            | 1990 | Tobermory     | £38.00  |

## Islay

The island of Islay produces some of the most distinctive Single Malts, characterised by the seaweedy, medicinal flavour imparted by high volumes of burning peat used to dry the barley in production. While the likes of Bunnahabhain produce more lightly perfumed Malts, it is the likes of the strongly-flavoured Laphroaig, Ardbeg and some of the output of Bruichladdich which more immediately leap to mind when describing that Islay taste. The Ardbeg 10 year old was recently voted the “Best Whisky of 2008” by whisky writer Jim Murray, a distillery from which we have a few interesting single-cask varieties. We have our own representation of another well-regarded distillery, a 14 y/o Bowmore which has been well-received by our customers.

|            |                                       |       |                  |           |
|------------|---------------------------------------|-------|------------------|-----------|
| IYARD007   | Ardbeg 50%                            | 10YO  | Ardbeg           | £56.00    |
| IYARD008   | Ardbeg 50%                            | 15YO  | Ardbeg           | £77.00    |
| IYBOW009   | Bowmore 43%                           | 1957  | Bowmore          | £1,200.00 |
| IYBOW028   | Bowmore 46%                           | 9YO   | Bowmore          | £31.00    |
| IBOW001    | Bowmore Darkest 43%                   | NV    | Bowmore          | £40.00    |
| BOWDA001   | Bowmore Dawn 51.5%                    | NV    | Bowmore          | £40.00    |
| IY BOW030B | Bowmore V&C 40%                       | 14YO  | Valvona & Crolla | £18.00    |
| IY BOW030A | Bowmore V&C 40%                       | 14YO  | Valvona & Crolla | £31.00    |
| IYBOW030   | Bowmore Wine Finish 46%               | 8YO   | Bowmore          | £36.00    |
| IYBRU033   | Bruichladdich 46%                     | 10 YO | Bruichladdich    | £13.95    |
| IYBRU026   | Bruichladdich 46%                     | 10YO  | Bruichladdich    | £33.00    |
| IYBRU034   | Bruichladdich 46%                     | 15YO  | Bruichladdich    | £14.95    |
| IYBRU026B  | Bruichladdich 46%                     | 20YO  | Bruichladdich    | £76.00    |
| IYBRU066   | Bruichladdich 50%                     | 1990  | Bruichladdich    | £50.00    |
| IYBRU065   | Bruichladdich 55.1                    | 12YO  | Bruichladdich    | £47.00    |
| IYBRU026E  | Bruichladdich Flirtation 46%          | 20YO  | Bruichladdich    | £81.00    |
| IYBRU030   | Bruichladdich Legacy Series One 40.6% | 1966  | Bruichladdich    | £200.00   |
| IYCAO015D  | Caol Ila 45%                          | 1990  | Caol Ila         | £45.00    |
| IYCAO018   | Caol Ila 46%                          | 8YO   | Caol Ila         | £34.00    |
| ISLAP009   | Laphroaig 46%                         | 1998  | Laphroaig        | £40.00    |
| ISLAP005F  | Laphroaig 50%                         | 1989  | Laphroaig        | £58.00    |
| ISLAP005C  | Laphroaig 50% 1988 15yo               | 15YO  | Laphroaig        | £50.00    |

## Lowland

There remains only three distilleries still working today in the lowlands of Scotland; namely Auchentoshan, Bladnoch and Glenkinchie. Traditionally Lowland malts are triple-distilled, imparting a somewhat lighter flavour that has had them sometimes described as a “before-dinner” malt, which has sadly put off many drinkers who seek out more strongly-flavoured whiskies. However it would be a mistake to ignore them, a sentiment backed up by the fact that we selected a 14 y/o Auchentoshan as our first V&C signature malt. We also have a rare bottling from the discontinued Inverleven in our stocks.

|             |                          |      |                  |        |
|-------------|--------------------------|------|------------------|--------|
| LAUC002     | Auchentoshan 3 woods 43% | NV   | Auchentoshan     | £37.00 |
| LOWAUC030A  | Auchentoshan 40%         | 14YO | Valvona & Crolla | £26.00 |
| LOWAUC030B  | Auchentoshan 40%         | 14YO | Valvona & Crolla | £14.95 |
| LOW BLA005  | Bladnoch 46%             | 12YO | Bladnoch         | £34.00 |
| LOW BLA005A | Bladnoch 46%             | 13YO | Bladnoch         | £35.00 |
| LGLE007     | Glenkinchie 43%          | 10YO | Glenkinchie      | £34.00 |
| LOW INV001  | Inverleven 50%           | 24YO | Inverleven       | £76.00 |
| LOW ROS009D | Rosebank 46%             | 12YO | Rosebank         | £35.00 |
| LOW ROS009C | Rosebank 46%             | 14YO | Rosebank         | £36.00 |
| LOW ROS009E | Rosebank 50%             | 1990 | Rosebank         | £53.00 |

## **Blended**

Blended whisky, made from a blend of varying quantities of Single Malt and Grain Whisky, is far and away the most popular style of whisky across the world. However amongst serious whisky connoisseurs it can often be derided as an unserious drink, something that you could put a mixer in because the flavours are not up to scratch. This is missing the point, as while blends are usually cheaper than their Single Malt counterparts they have the added advantage of being able to be designed to taste good, making the better blends easy on the palate or more complex and austere as the blender sees fit. We would urge all those turned off Blends in favour of Malts go back and try, say, a Famous Grouse. Instead of drowning it in a cocktail enjoy it by itself – take some time over it – and you might discover that it's a lot better than you remember.

|         |                            |      |               |        |
|---------|----------------------------|------|---------------|--------|
| HBNJ001 | Baillie Nicol 40%          | NV   | Glenmorangie  | £22.00 |
| CAN001  | Canadian Club 40%          | NV   | Canadian      | £19.95 |
| JOH001  | Johnnie Walker Black Label | 12YO | Walker        | £28.00 |
| FAM002  | Famous Grouse 40%          | NV   | Gloag         | £17.95 |
| BEL006  | Bells 40%                  | 8YO  | Bell's        | £19.95 |
| KIN006  | King of Scots 40%          | NV   | Douglas Laing | £14.95 |

## **Irish Whisky**

In the 1870's the whisky produced in Scotland was of a very poor quality, the more refined pot-still method of producing whisky practiced in Ireland proving far superior. In later years however Irish whiskey suffered a downturn in fortunes, resulting in the closure of many distilleries while Scottish whisky improved dramatically in popularity and quality. That said Ireland still produces many fine whiskies, of a style which tends to be lighter and sweeter owing to the lack of peat used in the drying process. The likes of Bushmills and Jameson's still enjoy a good international reputation, their more accessible flavours appealing to many drinkers.

|        |                |    |           |        |
|--------|----------------|----|-----------|--------|
| PAD001 | Paddy's 40%    | NV | Paddy     | £17.95 |
| JAM001 | Jameson's 40%  | NV | Jameson   | £18.95 |
| BUS001 | Bushmills 40%  | NV | Bushmills | £21.00 |
| BLA008 | Black Bush 40% | NV | Bushmills | £25.00 |

## **Bourbon & Rye Whiskey**

Bourbon and Rye whiskies sprang out of a combination of British ships preventing imports of sugar and molasses necessitating the search for an alternative to rum, and the high cost involved of transporting corn and grain in its natural state. Generally sweeter than whiskies made of malted barley, Bourbon is closely associated these days with the Rock 'n' Roll lifestyle though many examples of serious refinement exist. Rye whiskey has a more peppery, bitter flavour and is an important ingredient in the traditional recipes of several whiskey-based cocktails.

|        |              |      |              |        |
|--------|--------------|------|--------------|--------|
| SAZ001 | Sazerac Rye  | 18YO | Sazerac      | £70.00 |
| JAC001 | Jack Daniels | NV   | Jack Daniels | £24.00 |
| AME003 | Jim Beam     | NV   | Jim Beam     | £22.00 |



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**8. Cancellation and Returns - Food and Drink**

THIS CLAUSE APPLIES TO PURCHASES OF FOOD AND DRINK MADE FROM THE "WINE", "WHISKY" "LIQUEURS AND SPIRITS", "DELICATESSEN" AND "STORE CUPBOARD" SECTIONS OF THE WEBSITE ONLY.

In relation to non-perishable goods only, if you are not happy with your purchase, or you wish to cancel your order, you have the right to cancel your order by giving written notice to us (by e-mail, fax or post) at the address give below at any time from placing your order until the expiry of seven (7) working days from the day after you received the goods ordered. If you cancel your order following despatch of the goods, you must also return the goods to Valvona & Crolla and we will then refund your credit or debit card with the total value of your order (including delivery charges) within thirty (30) days of the date of cancellation. The cost of returning the goods shall be at your expense. On such cancellation, Valvona & Crolla shall accept such goods only if they are returned to Valvona & Crolla in the same condition as the original delivered goods. If you do not return the goods within fourteen (14) days of your cancellation, we will make a charge in respect of the cost of recovering the goods. In relation to perishable goods, once your order has been despatched YOU WILL NOT HAVE THE RIGHT TO CANCEL YOUR ORDER. All our goods are guaranteed to comply with the provisions of the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts and with all statutory requirements and regulations relating to the sale of food. We guarantee that everything you buy from us leaves our premises in the best possible condition. Returns may be made directly to the Valvona & Crolla shop at the address specified below.

**9. Cancellation and Returns – Events**

THIS CLAUSE APPLIES TO PURCHASES MADE FROM THE "EVENTS" SECTION OF THE WEBSITE ONLY.

All purchases of tickets for events listed in the Events section of the Website are strictly non-refundable. However, if the event for which you have purchased a ticket does not go ahead for any reason, we will inform you of this and will give you a full refund.

**10. Cancellation and Returns – Cookshop**

THIS CLAUSE APPLIES TO PURCHASES MADE FROM THE "COOKSHOP" SECTION OF THE WEBSITE ONLY.

If you wish to cancel your contract, you may do so by giving notice in writing (by fax, post or e-mail) to Valvona & Crolla (at the address stated below) at any time after receiving confirmation of your order until a period of seven (7) working days from the day after you received the goods has expired. If you cancel the contract after the goods have been despatched, you must also return the goods to Valvona & Crolla and we will ensure your credit or debit card is credited with the total value of your order (including delivery charges within thirty (30) days beginning with the day on which notice of cancellation was given. The cost of returning the goods shall be at your expense. On such cancellation, Valvona & Crolla shall accept such goods only if they are returned to Valvona & Crolla in the same condition as the original delivered goods. If you do not return the goods within twenty one (21) days of your cancellation, we will make a charge in respect of the cost of recovering the goods. Returns may be made directly to the Valvona & Crolla shop at the address specified below.

**11. Damaged and Defective Goods**

If the goods you receive are damaged or defective or different from the goods ordered, you will be entitled to a full refund. You should inform Valvona & Crolla of the damaged, defective or dissimilar nature of the goods delivered by e-mail at [sales@valvonacrolla.co.uk](mailto:sales@valvonacrolla.co.uk) or by telephone on 0131 556 6066 (Standard rate) within seven (7) working days beginning with the day after the day of receipt of the goods . Any damaged, defective or dissimilar goods should be sent to the address below within seven (7) days of notification for inspection in order for the damage or defect to be assessed.

The cost of returning the damaged, defective or dissimilar goods shall be at Valvona & Crolla's expense. Where any valid claim relating to any defect in the quality or condition of the goods is notified to Valvona & Crolla in accordance with these Terms and Conditions of Sale, Valvona & Crolla shall replace the goods free of charge or offer you a full refund together with any reasonable costs incurred in returning the goods, but Valvona & Crolla shall have no further liability to you. This does not affect your statutory rights as a consumer.

**12. Force Majeure**

Valvona & Crolla shall not be liable for any delay or default in the execution of its obligations in the case of any event outside its control including but not limited to natural disasters, bad or inclement weather, fires, explosions, floods, failure or delay of third party suppliers, computer or software errors, national or local strikes or stoppages, accidents, riots or civil uprisings.

**13. Complaints and Customer Service**

If you are not satisfied with any goods received, or wish to return goods for any reason, or have any complaints regarding the purchase of goods from this Website or have any queries regarding the use of this website, please contact Valvona & Crolla at [webmaster@valvonacrolla.co.uk](mailto:webmaster@valvonacrolla.co.uk) or contact our customer services helpline on 0131 556 6066 (Standard Rate) which shall be available Monday to Friday from 0800 to 1800 GMT. We will endeavour to respond to all complaints within five working days.

**14. Sale of Alcoholic beverages**

The sale of alcoholic beverages is regulated by law. Orders for alcoholic beverages will be accepted within the times stipulated by Scottish law. Orders cannot be accepted from anyone under 18 years of age (or such other age at which the consumption and purchase of alcohol is permitted in the country from which you are accessing this Website, if not the UK or Eire). By placing an order you confirm that you are 18 years of age or older and that when the order is delivered it is accepted by a person 18 years of age or older.

**15. Your Rights**

All the foregoing provisions do not affect your statutory rights as a consumer.

**16. General**

If any provision of these Terms and Conditions of Sale is determined to be illegal, void or unenforceable by any court or administrative body of competent jurisdiction, such determination or decision shall not affect the other provisions of these Terms and Conditions of Sale which shall remain in full force and effect but only insofar as these Terms and Conditions are capable of continuing in existence without the excluded term or terms.

Valvona & Crolla reserves the right to vary these Terms and Conditions of Sale at any time prior to accepting any order from you.

These Terms and Conditions of Sale shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of Scotland. You agree to submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Scottish Courts. You are responsible for compliance with any applicable laws of the country from which you are accessing this Website.

BY PLACING AN ORDER YOU WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE READ, UNDERSTOOD, ACCEPTED AND AGREED TO BEING BOUND BY THE FOREGOING TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE.

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