

# Champagne & Sparkling

A region that has made a virtue out of a necessity. Champagne has, since Dom Perignon’s time, produced a wine that was famed for its refreshing effervescence and clean fresh flavour. At that time though, all champagne was sweet and much was sold to the Russian nobility who had a renowned sweet tooth.

Forward thinkers such as Madame Pommery were at this time seeing the potential of the British market and recognised the need for a dry or “brut” style of Champagne - thus the modern style was born.

Although 2009 seemed like it would be a difficult climate for a wine associated with wealth and luxury, the sales at the very end of the year rallied and many of the large Champagne houses declared growth, albeit very slight.

So what does 2010 hold for this category? With the major Champagne brands still forcing through increases surely it’s time to explore the smaller producers with their more diverse styles which offer better value for money.

Alternatively, now is the ideal time to investigate sparkling wines from the rest of the world. Cava really “broke” the fizz market in the UK but current trends have seen the “girls that drink” (as opposed to the ladies who lunch) switch to the easier delights of Prosecco. Though recent regulation changes will see a little hardening of prices for Prosecco, we see no end to this trend so watch out for more Italian sparklers throughout the year.

Elsewhere, the quality of Clover Hill is undisputed – the creamy, tight citrus and brioche notes belie its Australian origins and prove the importance of site and soil. Also this year, we have an exciting new sparkler from our very own One Chain Vineyards - called Sergalio and arriving just in time for summer, it is sure to be a big hit.



## Champagne

### Pierre Mignon

5135	Grand Reserve	12
5135	Grand Reserve (37.5cl)	24
5138	Rosé Brut	12
5138	Rosé Brut (37.5cl)	24

### Champagne Royer

5578	Brut Demi Sec	12
5575	Cuvée Reserve	12
5575	Cuvée Reserve (37.5cl)	24

### Champagne Roger

5140	Grande Reserve (Grand Cru)	12
5140	Grande Reserve Grand Cru (37.5cl)	24

### Möët et Chandon

#### De Luxe

5270	Dom Perignon	6
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#### Grand Marque Non Vintage

5258	Veuve Clicquot	12
5150	Möët et Chandon	12
5150	Möët et Chandon (37.5cl)	24
5150	Möët et Chandon (20cl)	24
5155	Möët et Chandon Rosé	12
5155	Möët et Chandon Rosé (37.5cl)	24
5255	Veuve Clicquot	12
5255	Veuve Clicquot (37.5cl)	24

#### Grand Marque Vintage

5160	Möët et Chandon Vintage	12
5158	Möët et Chandon Rosé Vintage	12
5250	Veuve Clicquot Vintage Reserve	12

### Bollinger

#### Grand Marque Non Vintage

5210	Special Cuvée	12
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#### Grand Marque Vintage

5200	Grande Annee	12
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### Pommery

5500	Brut Royal	12
5500	Brut Royal (37.5cl)	24
5500	Brut Royal (150cl)	6
5546	Apanage	12
5547	Springtime, Rosé	12
5544	Summertime	12
5521	Falltime	12
5545	Wintertime	12
5520	Rosé	12
5540	Vintage	12
5550	Prestige Cuvée Louise	6
5555	Prestige Cuvée Louise Rosé	6
5570	POP (20cl)	24
5572	POP Pink (20cl)	24

## Sparkling

## Argentina

### Familia Zuccardi - Mendoza

#### Vida Organica

7798	Sparkling Chardonnay Organic	12
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**Champagne Pierre Mignon** is a family owned house located in Le Breuil in the Marne Valley. In the same hands for generations, Pierre Mignon has significantly increased sales and quality over the last 25 years. Utilising vineyards in the Marne Valley, Côte des Blancs and in Epernay, Mignon produces stylish Champagnes with a fresh, vibrant character coupled with a soft creamy mousse and good length. All the wines are made within their own cellars so attention to detail and quality is paramount and we’re sure that they will become an important part of our portfolio.

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#### Royer Pere Et Fils Grande Reserve Grand Cru

Andre Roger sources all his grapes from Grand Cru vineyards and as such the quality is uniformly very high. This is reflected in this pristine, crisp, citrusssy champagne with subtle hints of brioche and baked pear.

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#### Pommery Prestige Cuvee Louise

Produced from the finest vineyards in Champagne (Ay, Arize & Cramant) Louise is the pinnacle of Champagne production. Light yet complex, elegant and long, it is one of the most under-rated of all deluxe Champagnes.

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#### Zuccardi Vida Organica Sparkling

An elegantly quaffable fizz with gently frothy citrus fruit character. Well rounded with hints of peach followed by a long, appetizing finish.

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## Australia

Alliance Wine Australia		
One Chain Vineyards		
8991	Brut Sparkling, “Seraglio”, South Eastern Australia	12
Majella - Coonawarra		
8335	Sparkling Shiraz	12
Two Hands Wines - Barossa		
8539	Moscato, “Brilliant Disguise” (50cl), Barossa Valley	12
Clover Hill - Tasmania		
8970	Brut	12

## Burgundy

Domaine Naudin Ferrand		
5046	Cremant de Bourgogne Brut	12

## France

Pol Clement		
5020	Pol Clement Brut Blanc de Blancs	12

## Italy

Cielo e Terra		
Casa Defra		
✱ 6781	Prosecco “Tappo Raso” Frizzante DOC, Veneto	12
6792	Prosecco “Oro” Spumante DOC, Veneto	12
6790	Pinot Grigio Blush Brut Sparkling DOC, Veneto	12
Sacchetto - Veneto		
7175	Prosecco Spumante Brut DOC	12
Soprani - Piedmont		
7155	Asti Soprani	12
Tenuta Olim Bauda - Piedmont		
✱ 6967	Moscato d’Asti DOCG, “Centive”	12
Villa Brunasca - Veneto		
7165	Prosecco Extra Dry DOC di Valdobbiadene “Gamà”	12

## Spain

Cava Miret - Penedes		
7509	Cava Brut Extra	12
7510	Cava Rosado	12



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### One Chain Vineyards, “Seraglio”, Brut Sparkling

Seraglio Brut Reserve seduces the taste buds with its fragrant, delicate foamy mousse and crisp citrus notes. Vibrant, tangy fruit meets lovely creamy character to produce a refreshing, subtly moreish fizz that is suitable for all occasions.

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### Casa Defra, Pinot Grigio Blush, Sparkling

A deliciously frothy, off dry sparkler that is brimming with ripe, creamy, strawberry fruit.

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### Tenuta Olim Bauda, Moscato d’Asti, “Centive”

This stunning Moscato is produced from the finest grapes found in the “Centive” farmhouse vineyards. Its intense bouquet is aromatic and shows golden apple, pineapple and honey aromas, while on the palate demonstrates perfect balance of sweetness and acidity

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### Miret Reserva, Cava Brut Extra

Enticingly, fruit filled and frothy, this is an attractive fizz for any occasion.

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# Argentina

best areas and in the winery too with the result that the wines are getting better every year. Whilst Malbec has been the inevitable star performer, the Bonarda is well worth seeking out, a hugely rewarding wine for those prepared to venture off the beaten track and the recently launched Torrontes appears to have found an eager audience in the UK.

Globe trotting Paul Hobbs, one of the world’s most sought after winemakers, was so taken with the potential of Argentina that he decided to put down roots and now splits the little time he does to have to himself between California and his outpost in Mendoza. Lauded by the world’s press, Paul makes wines of great intensity and purity of fruit, and the wines of Cobos were some of the very few that blew us away in the tasting room over the past year. There is more to the success of Vina Cobos though than the pixie dust that Paul brings! His partners, Andrea Marchiori and Luis Barraud, are both very highly regarded winemakers in their own right and also the owners of a very special vineyard in the centre of the renowned Agrelo district, which is the source of the flagship Marchiori vineyard wines. The wines have exceeded all expectations from the very first release, ranking amongst the very finest Mendoza has produced. Needless to say we are very excited to have Paul, Andrea, Luis and their wines, on board.



Argentina

Familia Zuccardi - Mendoza

Santa Rosa Estate		
7706	Chenin Chardonnay	12
7700	Chenin Torrontes	12
7709	Shiraz Malbec	12
7785	Sauvignon Blanc	12
7782	Pinot Grigio	12
7710	Viognier	12
7725	Syrah Rosé	12
7735	Malbec	12
7750	Tempranillo	12
“Q”		
7755	Tempranillo	12
7760	Malbec	12
“Serie A”		
7815	Chardonnay Viognier, Mendoza	12
7824	Torrontes, Salta	12
7818	Malbec Rosé, Mendoza	12
7820	Bonarda, Mendoza	12
7822	Malbec, Mendoza	12
Zeta		
7788	Zuccardi Zeta	6
Zuccardi Reserva		
7265	Malamado Red Liqueur Wine (Port Style Wine)	12
7786	Torrontes Tardio (50cl)	12

Familia Zuccardi - Mendoza Organic

Vida Organica		
7797	Torrontes Organic	12
7795	Sangiovese Bonarda Organic	12

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Familia Zuccardi, Vida Organic Sparkling, Mendoza 2008

Zuccardi is one of Argentina’s best-known producers, primarily for its excellent reds (the Q range is particularly good). But this fine 100% Chardonnay also shows it can do a good job with white grapes too. Lovely mousse, toasty nose and a complex and round apple compote and digestive biscuit palate.

Decanter 4 Star rating



Viña Cobos

Felino		
7828	Chardonnay, Mendoza	12
7825	Malbec, Mendoza	12
7826	Cabernet Sauvignon, Mendoza	12
Bramare		
7829	Chardonnay, Marchiori Vineyard	6
7832	Malbec, Lujan de Cuyo	12
7834	Cabernet Sauvignon, Lujan de Cuyo	12
7830	Malbec, Marchiori Vineyard	6
7831	Cabernet Sauvignon, Marchiori Vineyard	6
Cobos		
7836	Malbec, Lujan de Cuyo	6
7837	Cabernet Malbec, Unico, Lujan de Cuyo	6

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2007 Vina Cobos Bramare Malbec, Lujan de Cuyo (92 points)

This is made in a very lush, flattering style, with alluring blueberry, plum and boysenberry fruit flavors that are carried by creamy textured tannins and flowing through a spice-infused finish. Drink now through 2011.

Wine Spectator



Familia Zuccardi is one of the most forward thinking wineries in Argentina, originally set up as a show piece vineyard to illustrate the effectiveness of an irrigation system designed by the present owner’s father. The irrigation system was a key constituent to the successful running of the vineyard, as the area around Mendoza is somewhat desert like. The combination of careful irrigation, good levels of sunshine and a high degree of variation between day and night temperatures has enabled Jose Alberto Zuccardi to harvest the finest quality fruit for vinification in his ultra modern winery. Innovation is another cornerstone of the operation and to this effect the first plantings of Viognier took place over five years ago to take advantage of the current vogue for this enigmatic variety.



To say that we were blown away when we tasted the wines of Viña Cobos is something of an understatement. Argentina has always been big on potential and the UK is slowly waking up to just how good Argentina’s wines can be but, with Cobos, Argentina’s wines are propelled convincingly into the realms of world class. The wines of Viña Cobos are the result of a shared dream inspired by the passion of an American winemaker (Paul Hobbs) and two partners (Andrea Marchiori & Luis Barraud) from a wine producing culture deeply rooted in European traditions. Nestled at the foot of the Andes in the unique microclimate of Perdriel, the Marchiori vineyard provides an outstanding environment for Malbec and other varietals. At 980 metres above sea-level, this is high altitude viticulture which allows for high levels of light penetration during the day and a huge temperature difference between night and day which gives the vines a chance to rest... whilst lengthening the growing season and building complexity. Utilising old vines, careful vineyard selection, low yields and unerring empathy for the raw materials, Cobos craft wines of undoubted concentration and power but with a surprising purity and elegance. Cobos Malbec Marchiori Vineyard is in a class all of its own and is Viña Cobos’ top wine. Produced only in exceptional vintages from vines of 60-80 years old, it exhibits levels of concentration and power rarely achieved in Argentina, or in other top winegrowing regions of the world for that matter!

Australia

Despite an unprecedented heat wave, devastating bushfires and (possibly most seriously!) losing the Ashes, Australia has emerged from 2009 as one of the strongest economies to have survived the financial crisis. The Australian Dollar is at never-before-seen levels against the pound – not necessarily the news that UK consumers were waiting to hear. The good news is that our suppliers have made every effort to maintain, or even lower, their prices to remain highly competitive in these difficult market conditions.

Key to the strength of our Australian portfolio is the increasing importance of our own production through our antipodean company, Alliance Wine Australia. This year we launch an extension to our One Chain Vineyard range with our character based labels of Opportunist – a crisp and zesty Sauvignon Blanc Riesling from the Adelaide Hills and a rich complex Shiraz from Limestone Coast – The Exhibitionist Merlot, and The Pugilist Cabernet Sauvignon. Along with Tiddy Widdy, our Australian own brands represent the best quality from classic regions for outstanding value.

Always fundamental to our success as Australian specialists is our strong list of iconic brands from some of the country’s top producers. From the elegance and complexity of PHI wines in the Yarra, to the subtlety and finesse of Domaine A Cabernet in Tasmania, our Australian portfolio continues to showcase the likes of Majella, Stella Bella, Two Hands, Thorne Clarke and Shelmerdine. So even if their cricket and rugby teams aren’t living up to expectations, our Aussie winemakers continue their dominance on the world stage.



Vintage Machinery, Stella Bella Vineyards, Margaret River



## Australia

### Alliance Wine Australia

#### One Chain Vineyards

8972	“The Googly” Chardonnay, Adelaide Hills	12	🍷
8974	“The Wrong Un” Shiraz Cabernet, South Eastern Australia	12	🍷
8976	“The Golden Duck” Reserve Shiraz, McLaren Vale	12	🍷

#### One Chain Vineyards - The Character Range

8971	“The Opportunist” Sauvignon Riesling, Adelaide Hills	12	🍷
8973	“The Opportunist” Shiraz, Limestone Coast	12	🍷
🌟8961	“The Exhibitionist” Merlot, Western Australia	12	🍷
🌟8997	“The Pugilist” Cabernet Sauvignon, Limestone Coast	12	🍷

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#### One Chain Vineyards, “The Opportunist” Shiraz, 2007

Sometimes Opportunities are too good to pass up. This McLaren Vale Shiraz would normally sell for 3 times the price but opportunity came the producer’s way and this is the result. A deep, inviting crimson black with an intense cassis, plum and bramble nose. Rich, voluptuous and silky on the palate with creamy black fruits and a little savoury smokiness from oak. How can being an Opportunist be so bad when the wine tastes this good?

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#### Tiddy Widdy Well

8416	Sauvignon Riesling, South Eastern Australia	12	🍷
8418	Shiraz Cabernet Merlot, Western Australia	12	🍷

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#### Shiraz Cabernet Merlot, Tiddy Widdy Well

Everything an Aussie red should be. Upfront fruit, soft tannins, rich, concentrated palate and a long ripe finish. But there’s more to this wine, it’s not that simple, there’s some complexity there as well, great length and real finesse - a real beaut” mate!

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### Armstrong Wines - Victoria

8990	Shiraz Viognier	12
8992	Shiraz	12

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#### Shiraz Viognier

The Great Western region of Victoria is home to many of the best cool climate Shiraz in Oz and this example, made by Tony Royal, is one of the finest. Restrained, elegant and spicy with concentrated blackberry, spice and liquorice followed by a well structured finish with sweet, integrated oak and lovely creamy tannins.

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**One Chain** is the first release from Alliance’s subsidiary company, Alliance Wine Australia, with the aim of over delivering consistent, approachable styles of wine. The imperial measurement of One Chain, or 22 yards, gives this range a loosely cricket based theme but you don’t need to be a connoisseur of the great game to appreciate the pure enjoyment that One Chain delivers! New for 2010 is the classy Seraligo Brut Reserve, sure to seduce the taste buds with its fragrant and vibrant style – subtly moreish fizz that is perfect for any occasion!

2010 brings an extension to the One Chain Vineyard range with our character based labels. Enter, centre stage, The Opportunist, The Exhibitionist and The Pugilist...each of these wines embodies all the essence and flavour of these three memorable characters. The vibrant and zesty Opportunist Sauvignon Blanc Riesling, and the rich, voluptuous Opportunist Shiraz showcase high quality wines at the best value - how can being an Opportunist be so bad when the wine tastes this good? The Exhibitionist Merlot is a one wine drama with a fruit filled plot – extravagantly fruity, full of character with a crowd pleasing finish. We all know that Cabernet has taken a bit of a beating but The Pugilist, with its well judged power and pace, shows why it is the big hitter of the grape varieties - a luxuriously elegant red with a memorable finish. These innovative wines showcase the delights that Australia has to offer at a price that doesn’t cost the earth, sure to become favourites in 2010!

**Tiddy Widdy Well** The comically named Tiddy Widdy Beach in South Australia experiences the rare phenomena of the dodge tide, where the sea goes out for 18 hours, leaving the beach exposed and the prized blue swimming crabs running to the nearby freshwater well for refuge. These bright, fruit driven wines will live up even the crabbiest of folk.

**Armstrong Wines** is the project of Tony Royal – one time big company wine-maker, barrel salesman and now director of Portavin – our bottling partners in Adelaide. At the family vineyard in the town of Armstrong in Victoria, Tony fashions a couple of Shiraz based wines that have caught the eye of key luminaries such as Tim Atkin MW in the recent past. Eschewing the fashion for bold, ballsy Shiraz, these are subtle, textural wines that reflect the cooler, less predictable climate of Great Western. We’re delighted to be representing these wines as they further enhance our regional Aussie portfolio but also when Tony is going on about how good the Aussie cricket team is, I can threaten to delist them if he doesn’t desist!



### Clover Hill - Tasmania

8970	Brut	12
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#### Clover Hill Brut

A blend of Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Pinot Meunier, in order of percentages, partially aged in oak before being bottled fermented, spending three years on lees. Glints of gold run through the straw colour and introduce a palate with a rippling of stone fruit, ripe apple, red berry and spice flavours, augmented by a touch of brioche, followed by a long, well balanced finish.

96 Points, James Halliday Top 100, 2007

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### Domaine A - Tasmania

#### Stoney Vineyards

8501	Sauvignon Blanc	12
8491	Pinot Noir	12
8502	Cabernet Sauvignon	12

#### Domaine A

8503	Fumé Blanc	12
8505	Cabernet Sauvignon	12
8509	Pinot Noir	12

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#### Domaine A Cabernet Sauvignon, Tasmania, Australia, 1998

This wine is now beginning to show some very interesting tertiary aromas. It is still developing into a very complex wine. It shows clearly the potential of this tiny site in the south of Tasmania. The wine is grown in cracking black clay with a Jurassic dolorite base . It still has a further 10 years minimum in cellar.

Peter Althaus - Winemaker

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Domaine A in Coal River Valley, Southern Tasmania

### Hedgerows - South Eastern Australia

8940	Semillon Chardonnay (18.7cl)	48
8945	Shiraz Cabernet (18.7cl)	48

### Lalla Gully - Tasmania

8966	Riesling	12	🍷
8968	Pinot Gris	12	🍷

**Clover Hill** Tasmania is home to most of Australia’s top sparklers due to its cooler climate and Champagne like growing conditions. In 1986 Taltarni, based in Victoria, expanded its winemaking operations to Tasmania and established Clover Hill vineyard on a 163 acre site in the Piper’s River region. Utilising fabulous aspect and free draining ancient volcanic soils, it has proved to be an excellent site. Clover Hill is made from Chardonnay, Pinot Noir and Pinot Meunier with dosage produced from base wines aged 2-3 years in oak barrels. The resulting wine is rich, wonderfully complex with hints of brioche, lemon zest and touches of mineral.



One might be excused for wondering about the commercial viability of producing Cabernet Sauvignon in Tasmania, however many sceptics have visited **Domaine A**... and left as converts! Peter and Ruth Althaus’ 20ha property in the Coal River Valley in southern Tasmania is truly remarkable in that the Cabernet, Pinot Noir and Sauvignon Blanc that it produces is not just high quality but is truly of world class. Peter Althaus was formerly a business man with IBM, working in Geneva. Having developed a palate for fine European wine and a curiosity for how he could set about making it, the Althaus’ set about finding a vineyard site with potential to make outstanding wines. Virtually all of the European sites had already been identified so the search was extended to the southern hemisphere. Peter long favoured the Central Otago region of New Zealand but eventually settled on the tiny 1 hectare property that today forms Domaine A. Since 1989, when they took over the Domaine, planting has increased to 20 hectares and includes Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Pinot Noir, Petit Verdot and Sauvignon Blanc. Vines are densely planted and the sloping North/North East aspect coupled with a temperate maritime climate ensures that the grapes have a long, cool growing season - allowing for maximum fruit development and complexity of flavours. Attention to detail is the by-word for Domaine A, with huge attention being paid to clonal selection, hand pruning, leaf plucking and picking. All aspects of the production are controlled at the property with bottling also taking place to ensure the highest production standards. In the very best years, wines are bottled under the Domaine A label with more approachable styles of wine being bottled under the Stoney Vineyard label. Sceptics beware, Tasmania can ripen Cabernet fully and in quite spectacular fashion - but only in the hands of Peter Althaus!



### Majella - Coonawarra

8337	Cabernet Shiraz, “The Musician”	12	🏆
8336	Shiraz	12	🏆
8338	Cabernet Sauvignon	12	🏆
8339	Cabernet Shiraz, “The Malleea”	12	



#### 2008 Majella, Cabernet Sauvignon

The aroma on this young wine defies belief – it is one of the most intense and evocative encapsulations of the essence of Coonawarra I have ever experienced. The moments of eucalyptus and mint are invisibly welded into the deep, dark blackcurrant chassis and the entire mass of flavour seems to hover on a million ball bearings as it slides across the palate. Disturbingly approachable already, but clearly with a decade or more to go, this is one of the most accurate and enjoyable Cabernets of the year.

#### 2008 Majella, The Musician

The Musician has become a bit of a favourite at The Great Australian Red competition, winning gongs every year. In the UK we haven't quite got our heads around this blend yet, but wines like The Musician and others in this section provide the best value for money red experience that Australia has to offer. Most wines of this breed hail from Barossa or McLaren Vale so a Coonawarra version is somewhat of an anomaly. What's fabulous about this wine is that it has a clarity of message and a freshness of fruit which should really appeal to our European palates. Get into the groove.

Matthew Jukes Top 100 Australian Wines 2010



### Phi Wines - Yarra Valley

8982	Sauvignon Blanc, Lusatia Park Vineyard	12	🏆
8980	Chardonnay, Lusatia Park Vineyard	12	🏆
8984	Pinot Noir, Lusatia Park Vineyard	12	🏆



5 stars are generally awarded to those 'wineries with a particularly distinguished track record over the past three years'. The outcome of the winegrowing and winemaking partnership between the Shelmerdine and DeBortoli families has been wines of the highest quality, and a joint venture that will last for many years'.

5 Star Winery by James Halliday Wine Companion 2010



### Shelmerdine

8952	Chardonnay, Yarra Valley	12	🏆
8954	Pinot Noir, Yarra Valley	12	🏆
8956	Viognier, Heathcote	12	🏆
8958	Shiraz, Heathcote	12	🏆
8960	Cabernet Sauvignon, Heathcote	12	🏆
8962	Shiraz, Merindoc Vineyard, Heathcote	12	🏆



5 stars are generally awarded to those 'wineries with a particularly distinguished track record over the past three years', this reaffirms Shelmerdine's postion as one of the most highly regarded producers in the Heathcote region.

5 Star Winery by James Halliday Wine Companion 2010



**Majella** When James Halliday states in the press that you're the best winery in Coonawarra and a combined team of Bob Campbell M.W., Michael Fridjon M.W. and James Halliday rate your top wine the best in all of Australia, South Africa and New Zealand, you know you've arrived! Brian "Prof" Lynn, the effusive, yet self deprecating voice of Majella Estate would never brag about these accolades but it's quite clear that he has a lot to be very proud of. The Lynn family have been residents of the Penola area of Coonawarra for four generations and have progressed from being store-keepers to grazers and on to grape growers. Since 1968, the Lynn family have built up one the finest vineyards on one of the most revered "strips of dirt" in the wine world. The famous "terra rossa" soils provide a home to 150 acres of vines planted with Cabernet Sauvignon, Shiraz, Merlot and Riesling but the growth to this size has not always been easy. Originally, the grapes were sold under contract to Hardy's and this deal provided the Lynn family with the stability to build the plantings up to 70 acres. In 1991, the Lynn's finally succumbed to pressure and commercially bottled their own wine for the first time - 600 cases of Shiraz. The first release of Cabernet followed in 1994 and since then there has been no looking back. Bruce Gregory, then at Brands Laira winery, made the first wine for Majella and has made every one ever since – becoming full time Majella winemaker in 1999. Bruce is also the brains behind one of Australia's finest wines, The Malleea. This flagship wine is a masterpiece and a surefire bet to enter the realms of Australia's most sought after – especially after both it and the Cabernet entered the Langton's classification of Australia's best wines.

**PHI** brings together two diverse but complementary wine families, de Bortoli and Shelmerdine, with the desire to make simple, elegant wines that reflect the unique terrior of the Yarra Valley. The outstanding Lusatia Park, regarded as the jewel in the family crown, was established in 1985 on the Lone Star Creek, at Woori Yallock, in the Upper Yarra Valley. Its elevated north facing aspect, deep free-draining red soils, and close-spaced vines ensure intense varietal flavours derived from long, consistent ripening. This strong understanding of what a sense of place can bring to the wine and the passion of this renowned winemaking duo is reflected in their wines – a spell binding range that will capture you and won't let go.

Stephen **Shelmerdine** has been an influential figure during some of the most tumultuous years of the Australian wine industry growth. A director of Mitchelton and of the Petaluma group when it took over Mitchelton, Stephen has also been heavily involved with many of the key trade bodies. More recently, Stephen has been concentrating on his family vineyards in the Yarra Valley and in Heathcote, where the family property has been since the 1950's and it is these three properties that provide all the fruit for the Shelmerdine Estate wines. The Lusatia Park Vineyard was established in 1985 on the Lone Star Creek, at Woori Yallock, in the Upper Yarra Valley. Its elevated north facing aspect, deep free-draining red soils, and close spaced vines ensure intense varietal flavours derived from long consistent ripening. The Shelmerdine Heathcote Vineyards, while still young, have already established a significant reputation for premium quality. Merindoc Vineyard consists of four separate granitic soil sites on the original family farm at Tooborac, south of Heathcote. It sits on McIvor Creek, site of the mid 19th century gold diggings and the earliest vineyards in Victoria. Willoughby Bridge Vineyard is situated on the famous cambrian red soil at Colbinabbin, north of Heathcote, on the Mount Camel Range and was one of the first new vineyards to be planted in the 1990's as this area was re-discovered. The wines produced from these remarkable "terroirs" are of a very high quality and as befits both the Shelmerdine family and the vineyards from which they came, they exude understated class.



### Stella Bella Wines - Margaret River

#### Skuttlebutt

8366	Sauvignon Semillon	12	🏆
8368	Shiraz Merlot Rosé	12	🏆
8367	Shiraz Cabernet	12	🏆

#### Stella Bella

8342	Sauvignon Blanc	12	🏆
8346	Semillon Sauvignon	12	🏆
8344	Chardonnay	12	🏆
8347	Viognier	12	🏆
8348	Sangiovese Cabernet	12	🏆
8352	Shiraz	12	🏆
8354	Cabernet Merlot	12	🏆
8364	Tempranillo	12	🏆
8362	Pink Muscat (37.5cl)	12	🏆

#### Suckfizzle

8356	Sauvignon Blanc Semillon	12	🏆
8358	Cabernet Sauvignon	12	🏆



An outstanding winery producing wines of exemplary quality and typicity. This enormously successful privately owned winemaking business produces wines of true regional expression with fruit sourced from the central and southern parts of Margaret River. It's hard to imagine the wines getting better, but we shall see.

5 Star Winery by James Halliday Wine Companion 2010



### Thorn Clarke

#### Shotfire Ridge

8931	Shiraz, Barossa Valley	12	
8932	Quartage, Barossa Valley	12	

#### Terra Barossa

8925	Pinot Gris, Eden Valley	12	🏆
8924	Riesling, Eden Valley	12	🏆
8926	Chardonnay, Eden Valley	12	🏆
8927	Nebbiolo, Barossa Valley	12	🏆
8922	Shiraz, Barossa Valley	12	🏆
8923	Cabernet Sauvignon, Barossa Valley	12	🏆



### Two Hands Wines - Barossa

#### Flagship Wines

8523	Shiraz, “Ares”, Barossa Valley	3	
8513	Cabernet Sauvignon, “Aphrodite”, Barossa Valley	3	

#### Garden Series

8526	Shiraz, “Samantha’s Garden”, Clare Valley	12	
8521	Shiraz, “Lily’s Garden”, McLaren Vale	12	
8522	Shiraz, “Bella’s Garden”, Barossa Valley	12	

#### Picture Series

8524	Riesling, “The Wolf”, Clare Valley	12	🏆
8516	Shiraz, “Angels Share”, McLaren Vale	12	🏆
8537	Shiraz, “Gnarly Dudes”, Barossa Valley	12	🏆



#### Two Hands, Shiraz, “Ares”, Barossa Valley - (95 points)

Red Big and brawny, with a dense core of fresh blueberry, currant, raspberry and dusky spice flavors that sprawl over a layer of prickly tannins. It all melds together on the finish, shooting off sparks of espresso and licorice. The afterburners kick in and this sails off into a long coda.

Wine Spectator



### Little Creatures - Beer

9400	Little Creatures Pale Ale (33cl)	24	
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**Stella Bella** A relatively recent addition to the Margaret River, 1999 saw Stella Bella's first release of 200 cases of the single vineyard Suckfizzle Sauvignon Blanc Semillon by winemakers Janice McDonald and Stuart Pym. Though Stella Bella was, for a few years, a “virtual winery” it has now evolved into one of the leading players in the region through the acquisition of more vineyards and a winery based in Karridale. Under the skillful watch of Janice McDonald, all the wines are crafted with a precision and refinement that are rare to find in many Australian wines. All Stella Bella wines have a great respect for the virtues and lessons of tradition, yet are eager to step outside the square in a continuous journey of discovery. Stella Bella encompasses three of the most stylish labels to have emerged out of Australia in the recent past: Stella Bella, Suckfizzle and Skuttlebutt. All very different in style and objective, they share the common goal of excellence, elegance, fun and deliciousness. The Stella Bella wines are a combination of select vineyard sites from within the Margaret River region. These sites are selected and nurtured for their special contribution to individuality, wine style and premium quality. Suckfizzle is one of the finest and most individual wines, from their single vineyard sites. Qualitatively these wines reflect the uniqueness of the single site in the season. The Margaret River growers provide select parcels of grapes for our Skuttlebutt range. Made ready to drink, these wines deliver regional and varietal distinctiveness under this fun and easy going brand.

**Thorn Clarke** is a wine business with 6 generations of history and a record of grape growing dating back to 1854 – making some of the Thorn Clarke vineyards amongst the oldest in the world! However, it was not until 2002 that the Thorn Clarke brand was released and since then there has been almost universal recognition for the quality, typicity and value for money that Thorn Clarke represent. Using only Estate grown fruit for their Thorn Clarke wines, they utilise top quality grapes from 4 vineyards sites across the Barossa Valley and the cooler, white dominated Eden Valley. Rarely have we seen wines that have both value and sense of place in such abundance and so we are sure that they are going to be a huge success. But don't just take our word for it. .... with a wealth of awards already under their belt, 12 medal wins in last years IWC & DWWA alone, they have already made a name for themselves and will surely continue to build on this.

The **Two Hands** are Michael Twelftree and Richard Mintz, who established the company in 1999, with the aim of making the best possible Shiraz-based wines from prized Shiraz-producing regions in Australia. Their intention was, and still is, to show the diversity of Australian Shiraz by highlighting regional characteristics and allowing the fruit to be the primary feature of Two Hands Wines. In 2000 they started with just 17 tonnes of fruit from the McLaren Vale and Padthaway wine regions. From the beginning the wines were very well received at home and abroad with a healthy stream of reviews. In a relatively short space of time, Two Hands have established themselves at the top of the tree and, under the watchful eye of Michael Twelftree and winemaker Matt Wenke, have confounded sceptics by producing consistently classic expressions of Australian terroir. Sourcing fruit from the best quality vineyards in the most esteemed Shiraz growing regions, they utilise long term agreements to improve the viticultural practices and, in turn, the quality of the fruit. Never compromising this quality, they buy only grapes that are capable of making the very best of their wines and then they de-classify to produce the more economic wines, thus ensuring that quality remains the paramount consideration in the process.

# Austria

Austrian wines are greatly respected as being fine examples of honest and skilled wine making.

Austrian wine exports were so successful in 2009, that they exceeded all expectations with exports rising by 5.3% in value and an incredible 16% in volume - nearly 70 million litres of wine was exported during the year. These results are all the more remarkable because Austria's overall total exports for 2009 plunged by 20% - a consequence of the world economic downturn. These figures alone do not demonstrate the quality of the produce coming out of Austria however the producers that we are proud to list can do just that!

Built around the idea of producing varietal wines from indigenous grapes, the wines are simple to understand if not always simple

to pronounce. The whites are in general dry and the reds vary from light Beaujolais style to rich, full-bodied Bordeaux style.

Our Austrian portfolio is focused and based around bringing classic wines using modern winemaking techniques. Domäne Wachau joined Alliance last year and has quickly impressed customers and the wine press alike - becoming one of the shining jewels in our crown. The young Wachau team headed by general manager Roman Horvath MW and oenologist Heinz Frischengruber, Domäne Wachau has established itself among Austria's leading wineries. Their fresh ideas, personality and international experience bring a new energy to the historic winery and their conscientious and gentle handling of the fruit results in a precisely focused style with wines which showcase the fruit character and mineral finesse provided by the Wachau valley's unique diversity.

# Austria

## Alfred Fischer - Burgenland

6720	Bouvier Trockenbeerenauslese (37.5cl)	12
6725	Eiswein Grüner Veltliner (37.5cl)	12



### Bouvier Trockenbeerenauslese

A remarkable wine made near the shores of the vast Lake Neusiedler where the warm humid nights provide ideal conditions for the production of great "Noble rot" wines. Exotic, rich and luscious with a streak of refreshing acidity that keeps you coming back for more!



## Domäne Wachau - Wachau

6500	Grüner Veltliner, Wachau Collection	12	🏆
6502	Grüner Veltliner Federspiel, Terrassen	12	🏆
6503	Grüner Veltliner Smaragd, Terrassen	12	
6505	Riesling Smaragd, Terrassen	12	
6506	Pinot Blanc Federspiel, Terrassen	12	🏆
6507	Grüner Veltliner Smaragd, Achleiten	12	
6508	Riesling Smaragd, Singerriedel	12	
6510	Trockenbeerenauslese, Riesling Kellerberg (37.5cl)	12	
6511	Zweigelt	12	



### Grüner Veltliner, Wachau Collection 2008

Attractive herbal and citrus purity with a dash of white pepper. Fragrant, dry-tasting and absolute benchmark example of Austria's signature grape variety. Well done!

### Achleiten Grüner Veltliner Smaragd 2008

Very bright and fresh. Mouthfilling, crystalline.

Jancis Robinson MW – 'Top Pick of the Year 2009'



Domäne Wachau, vineyards and winery.

Alfred Fischer and his wife have 25 hectares of vineyards in the Burgenland region of Austria, an area of the world which has become synonymous with the production of spectacular sweet wines. Fischer's winery is extremely well equipped and, by utilising modern winemaking techniques, the family produce wines of exceptional quality and balance. But it is not only in the winery that great efforts are made to produce these remarkable sweet wines. The Eiswein is made from Grüner Veltliner grapes, often picked late in December in temperatures as low as minus 8 degrees. Fermentation is in stainless steel and stops naturally after around 5 weeks. It is shining yellow-gold in colour with aromas and flavours reminiscent of mango, apricot and lemon. A backbone of acidity gives the wine great balance and amazing freshness. The trockenbeerenauslese, made from Bouvier grapes, has a heady aroma of grapefruit, honey and almonds with fantastic balance on the palate and great length. They are ideal with desserts and wonderful with blue cheeses and fruit.



A fresh breeze has been sweeping through the 300 year old baroque wine cellar of Domäne Wachau for the past three years. Under the new, young team headed by general manager Roman Horvath and enologist Heinz Frischengruber, Domäne Wachau has established itself among Austria's leading wineries. Domäne Wachau's handcrafted wines from the steep terraced vineyards reflect the area's inimitability. The wines are vinified with conscientious focus on terroir and express the mineral character derived from the primary rock soils of the Wachau. Whether an elegant Federspiel or a monumental Smaragd, the Grüner Veltliner and Riesling wines are brought to perfection in the historic wine cellar. Since joining the Alliance ranks last year, Domäne Wachau has added a wealth of wins to their burgeoning collection – including IWSC Gold for their Grüner Veltliner Smaragd, Achleiten 2008.



# Chile

Is it too soon to talk about regionality in Chile? After all it has taken the Burgundians 800 years to persuade the world that everything can change when you step from one side of the road to the other (sometimes it even shows in the wines as well as the bill)! In much the same way that is has taken time to filter down the details of the considerable diversity to be found across the vast continent of Australia, there remains much work to be done to develop the recognition that Chile, some 3000 kilometres long if rarely more than 200km wide, is not just one homogenous region. Chile is blessed with unique natural advantages that have protected its vineyards from many of the most prevalent diseases and pests but it would be fair to say that until the late nineties most vineyards were planted in the fertile plains of the central valley, often pruned, and managed to provide high yields rather than spine tingling quality. Now, with greater understanding of exactly which regions grow particular varieties well, and many new and much more ambitious low yielding plantings, sited in newly identified micro climates, Chile is finally beginning to reach its enormous potential for truly exciting fine wine.

After much research on the ground, we have strengthened and consolidated our 2010 range. Continuing on their much lauded success, Leyda Valley’s Amayna winery produces some of Chile’s most critically acclaimed and sought after wines. Sandwiched between the Coastal Mountain Range and the Pacific, the wines are a shining testament to the cool coastal climate and the unique terrior with fresh lively fruit, elegant natural balance and real underlying concentration, achieving a very rare combination of delicacy and generosity. These are superbly crafted wines made in small lots with great attention to detail and we think they have set new standards for these varieties in Chile.

We are delighted with the reception the wines from Odfjell have received since their launch last year. While most of the other top producers in Chile are still working with relatively young vines in emerging regions, Odfjell have forged a unique reputation based on rediscovering the forgotten wealth of Chile’s winemaking past. At the time this was considered a very eccentric move but now the interest in these old sites has grown exponentially – in no small part thanks to the amazing success of the Odfjell wines.

The powerhouse of our Chilean list, the hugely versatile Indomita, continues to go from strength to strength. Whilst the entry level wines offer some of the best house wine options around, it is only a small step up to reach the next rung of quality with outstanding Casablanca Sauvignon and Pinot Noir under the Nostros label, surely offering some of the very best value to be had. This year, as sales of premium Chile continue to gather pace, we have further extended the range from Indomita bringing in more of their flagship wines under the Duette label with the sensational Pinot Noir in particular showing once again that Chile can take on the world and win. Remarkable wine for the money.

Of course, no commentary on Chilean wine could ignore the recent, massive earthquake that resulted in widespread damage and loss of life. Our thoughts and best wishes are with all those affected and we hope that life returns to near normality as soon as possible.

AMAYNA, Leyda Valley, San Antonio, Chile



## Chile

### Alliance Wine - Chile

#### Los Espinos

8618	Sauvignon Blanc, Central Valley	12	🍷
8612	Chardonnay, Central Valley	12	🍷
8614	Merlot, Central Valley	12	🍷
8622	Cabernet Sauvignon, Central Valley	12	🍷

#### Amayna - Leyda Valley

8775	Sauvignon Blanc	12	
8776	Sauvignon Blanc Barrel Fermented	12	
8777	Chardonnay	12	
8778	Pinot Noir	12	
8779	Syrah	12	



#### Amayna Chardonnay 2006 - Best New World White

This cool-climate, barrel fermented Chardonnay impresses with its white fruit florality and mineral purity. A wine of great clarity, unexpectedly youthful and elegant, that will flesh out beautifully over another two years.

Decanter – Steven Spurrier



### Indomita

#### Costa Vera

9428	Sauvignon Blanc, Central Valley	12	🍷
9424	Chardonnay, Central Valley	12	🍷
9430	Merlot, Central Valley	12	🍷
9426	Cabernet Sauvignon, Central Valley	12	🍷

#### Nostros

9418	Sauvignon Blanc Reserva, Casablanca	12	🍷
9421	Pinot Noir Reserva, Casablanca	12	🍷
9422	Carménère Reserva, Maipo	12	🍷
9414	Chardonnay Gran Reserva, Casablanca	12	
9419	Cabernet Sauvignon Gran Reserva, Maipo	12	
9416	Merlot Gran Reserva, Maipo	12	

#### Duette

🌟 9412	Cabernet Sauvignon Carménère, Maipo	12	
🌟 9431	Chardonnay, Casablanca	12	
9432	Pinot Noir, Casablanca	12	

#### Zardoz

9410	Cabernet Sauvignon, Maipo	12	
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### Odfjell

#### Armador

8703	Sauvignon Blanc, Casablanca	12	🍷
8704	Merlot, Maipo	12	
8706	Carménère, Maipo	12	
8707	Syrah, Maipo	12	

#### Orzada

8708	Carignan, Maule	12	
8709	Cabernet Franc, Maule	12	
8710	Cabernet Sauvignon Colchagua, Colchagua	12	
8711	Carménère, Maule	12	
8719	Malbec Organic, Lontué	12	
8717	Aliara, Central Valley	12	

#### Odfjell

8718	Odfjell, Cauquenes	12	
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**Amayna** needs little introduction given its meteoric rise to the top over the past 5 years. The Garces Silva family were the pioneers of the now revered Leyda Valley, bringing with them the much needed water resources that all other growers in the region rely on. The 24 hectares of vines selected for Amayna are grown on the poor soils of the gently sloping coastal hills that make up the Leyda Valley. Sandwiched between the Coastal Mountain range and the Pacific, this unique terrior is home to Chile’s most highly praised Sauvignons, Syrahs and Pinots – not to mention complex, ageworthy Chardonnays. The single minded pursuit of excellence is what underpins Amayna. Their attention to detail, sense of place and informal but highly professional approach makes them an excellent partner for Alliance.

Perched high on a hill above the plains of the Casablanca Valley, **Vina Indomita** looks more Roman temple than winery but love-it-or hate-it, it is not a building you are going to miss! Sourcing fruit from both the Casablanca and Maipo regions, they have the benefit of having the best climate for both whites and reds and produce superb, expressive wines that are both beautiful and stunning value for money. With winemaking guidance from Angela Muir MW and the wine trade skills of Wilfred Leigh at the helm, we’ve developed some new, enticing ranges of wines to suit all pockets. Costa Vera are wines made from Central Valley fruit with the aim of consistency, quality and real value for money. Stylish packaging that belies their economy, they will become one of the budget stars of our portfolio. Nostros, meaning “ours” in Spanish offers both Reserva and Gran Reserva levels of wine from premium growing regions with real typicity and varietal expression. Finally, we have two super premium wines, Zardoz & Duette that display the power and concentration of the grapes grown in the vogueish Alta Maipo region. This year we have added to the Duette range with a stunning Chardonnay and a tempting Pinot Noir.

Over 20 years ago, the pioneering Norwegian Armador, (ship owner) Dan **Odfjell** discovered a small corner of the historic Maipo region just South West of Santiago. Surrounded by some of the countries most famed and long established sites for great Cabernet Sauvignon, the quality of wine coming from these very special old vineyards convinced Dan to look in more detail at the unique potential of such sites. Travelling throughout the long established regions of Rapel, Curico and as far away as Cauquenes at the southern end of the Maule region, they identified rare and often neglected plots of very old vines planted with varieties such as Carignan, Cabernet Franc and Malbec from which they now craft their award winning wines. The philosophy of Odfjell is based upon teamwork, combining world class experience with youthful energy. The international team of winemakers has included California vintner Paul Hobbs, resident oenologist Arnaud Hereu from Bordeaux and now Patrick Ducourneau. All of this has resulted in Odfjell’s spectacular rise to fame as one of the country’s cutting edge producers, with the quality and flair being lauded with multiple awards and growing interest from the UK press.

# Regional France

At once the source of huge volumes of fairly ordinary wine but also the producer of small scale, exciting, individualistic wines, the south of France has the potential for great things. The climate is kind and the vineyards varied in situation.

Value for money is certainly available at all price levels. Not being bound by restrictive appellation laws allows forward thinking and quality minded producers to be creative whether that is making wines to restaurant “house” price points or at single vineyard, “cru” level.

Although currency issues and vine-pulling schemes have made for many buying issues this year, the wines that come under the heading Vin de Pays remain the backbone of many a wine list.

The long overdue review of our Languedoc range is now complete and we have a new range to be extremely proud of, presenting the best of a new wave of ambitious, quality driven winemakers.

The jewel in the crown is Mas Cal Demoura in the small but prestigious AOP of Terrasses de Larzac. A Domaine whose wines have already attracted a lot of very impressive, international press coverage.

## Regional France

### Largesse

4604	Sauvignon Blanc, IGP Pays des Côtes de Gascogne	12	🍷
4606	Chardonnay, IGP Pays des Côtes de Gascogne	12	🍷
4609	Shiraz Rosé, IGP Pays D’Oc	12	🍷
4602	Shiraz, IGP Pays D’Oc	12	🍷
4608	Merlot, IGP Pays D’Oc	12	🍷



**Largesse** nf generosity. avec ~ generously. faire des ~s to make generous gifts... Alternatively, a compact range of stylish varietals produced in Southern France! Largesse offers generous quantities of ripe, fruit driven character coupled with cutting edge design. Stelvin screwcaps are used throughout to retain the vibrant fruit character and ensure that every bottle is as sunny and fresh as the day it was bottled.



### Le Jongleur

1034B	Sauvignon Blanc, IGP Pays des Côtes de Gascogne	12	🍷
1030B	Chardonnay, IGP Pays D’Oc	12	🍷
1032B	Shiraz Merlot, IGP Pays D’Oc	12	🍷

### Les Acrobates

1020B	IGP Comté Tolosan	12	🍷
1020L	IGP Comté Tolosan, (100cl)	12	🍷
1020BM	IGP Comté Tolosan	12	🍷
1020LM	IGP Comté Tolosan, (100cl)	12	🍷
1022B	Grenache Merlot, IGP Pays D’Herault	12	🍷
1022L	Grenache Merlot, IGP Pays D’Herault, (100cl)	12	🍷
1025B	Cinsault Rosé, IGP Pays D’Herault	12	🍷

### Mont Rocher

1058	Viognier, IGP Pays D’Oc	12	🍷
1059	Carignan Vieilles Vignes, IGP Pays D’Herault	12	🍷

## Languedoc

### Château de Lancyre

4138	Pic St Loup Rosé	12
4137	Pic St Loup, “La Coste d’Aleyrac” Rouge	12

### Château Fontareche

4118	Corbières Rouge, “Cuvee Tradition”	12
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### Chateau la Clotte Fontane

🌟 4152	Coteaux du Languedoc Cuvee Mathierou	12
🌟 4154	Coteaux du Languedoc Cuvee Cremailh	12

### Domaine de Montredon

4143	Pic Poul de Pinet	12
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### Mas Cal Demoura

🌟 4158	Mas des Amours, Coteaux du Languedoc	12
🌟 4159	L’infidile, Terrasses du Larzac	12
🌟 4161	Les Combariolles, Terrasses du Larzac	12

### Jean Luc Colombo

1878	Viognier, “La Violette”, Languedoc	12
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Doffing our caps to oue Anglo French past and with a keen eye to future focus, we have now formed **Maison D’Alliance**. Working with the aim of producing authentic, engaging wines from Southern France, Maison D’Alliance brings our enduring Les Acrobates, Le Jongleur and Largesse together in one home and all have been re-packaged to mark the occasion! We’ve also taken the opportunity to introduce a fabulous pair of wines called Mont Rocher - delicate, perfumed Viognier and a soft, aromatic carignan made from old vines.



### Le Jongleur, Shiraz Merlot

A new world approach to Southern French wine that delivers rich, ripe berry fruit by the truck load. Soft, supple and juicy on the palate with touches of blackberry and spice. Well rounded, velvety and succulent on the finish



The **Chateau de Lancyre** is situated in the commune of Valflaunes, some 20 kms from Montpellier. The wines cover the appellations of Pic St Loup and Côteaux du Languedoc, both benefiting from a Mediterranean climate softened by maritime influences - allowing for full maturity of grapes. The Durand and Valentin families have been the proprietors for 4 generations and look after 75 hectares of vines with 50ha being appellation contrôlée. The predominant varieties grown are Syrah, Grenache, Mourvedre, Cinsault, Carignan, Roussanne...and a dash of Viognier... The extremely successful Lancyre Rosé is a mouth-watering blend of 40% Syrah and 60% Grenache.

# Alsace

A much disputed and fought over region on the eastern border of France, Alsace was for much of its existence the German region of Elsass. Germanic influence is clear to see in both the varietals planted and in the flute bottles used. However, Alsace is very different from its close neighbour.

Geographically blessed, Alsace is protected from the worst of the weather by the Vosges Mountains on one side and the Black Forest on the other.

Thus rainfall is remarkably low and the grapes ripen over a long, cool growing season. Autumn mists and daytime sunshine allows for the production of late harvest and “noble rot” wines.

With over 95% of production being white wines and virtually all of those being varietally labelled, Alsace is much easier to understand than Germany. Virtually all are dry other than the late harvest wines and general quality is remarkably high.

Alsace, despite not winning any popularity competitions with the general public, is a region that is committed to quality and expressing the nuances both of the grape variety and the terroir. Finally if you need another reason to try these aromatic wines you should consider how well they match Asian and spicy food.

# Beaujolais

Beaujolais Nouveau may have been good for the region’s bank accounts more so that the region, but it’s not been as good for its reputation as a quality wine region.

The trend in public taste towards big, strapping, new world styles and the new world’s attempts to make Beaujolais style also eroded the image of the generic wine. However, Beaujolais remains the home of some fine, eminently gulpable and refreshing reds and many much more serious Cru Beaujolais. The apparent turn in tastes towards lighter, lower alcohol level wines may also mean that the tide will turn for Beaujolais.

Dominated by the Gamay grape variety and the specialised semi-carbonic maceration production, the young wines of Beaujolais have vibrant, juicy fruit, crisp, appetising acidity, little in the way of tannin and beautiful when drunk cool.

The more serious wines of the Cru Villages such as Fleurie and Brouilly take longer to produce and may have some cask ageing as well.

They are wines that are pleasant when drunk young but have the potential to age gracefully. Taken for granted, maybe, but no merchant could be without it.

# Loire

France’s longest river winds its way through land that produces some of France’s most distinctive and varied wine styles. On the Atlantic coast, the Gulf Stream influences the climate so that the Melon de Bourgogne can be turned into vast quantities of Muscadet.

In the middle Loire, a medley of grapes makes a bewildering variety of wines, but the best reds use Cabernet Franc while the best whites, and some of the finest dessert wines in France, use Chenin Blanc.

It is here, in places such as Bonnezeaux, that very selective picking and ideal weather conditions can yield the nectar that is the Loire’s best kept secret.

As one moves east, the emphasis changes and the more continental climate enables the success of Sauvignon Blanc and Pinot Noir. Valued throughout the world, the wines of Sancerre and Pouilly Fumé are the Loire’s most fashionable export. Most recently we have added to the range the jewel in Francois Crochet’s crown, with his Sancerre “Exils” grown on 100% Silex, a serious Sancerre for the connoisseur.



## Alsace

### Domaine Adam

1855	Pinot Blanc, “Tradition”	12	🍷
1840	Gewurztraminer, “Reserve”	12	🍷
1840	Gewurztraminer, “Reserve” (37.5cl)	24	
1860	Gewurztraminer, “Kaefferkopf” Grand Cru	12	

## Beaujolais

### Cave de Fleurie

1950	Fleurie, “Reserve”	12	
1950	Fleurie, “Reserve” (37.5cl)	24	

### Domaine Berrod

1960	Fleurie, “Les Roches du Vivier”	12	
1960	Fleurie, “Les Roches du Vivier” (37.5cl)	24	

### Domaine de Colette

1930	Beaujolais Villages	12	
1930	Beaujolais Villages (37.5cl)	24	
1935	Morgon	12	

## Loire

### Château de Valmer

1185	Vouvray Demi Sec	12	
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### Domaine de Mauny

1255	Cabernet D’Anjou Rosé	12	
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### Château de Fesles

1210	Bonnezeaux (50cl)	12	
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### Château de Roulerie

1214	Côteaux du Layon, (37.5cl)	24	
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### Château de Varennes

1208	Savennières	12	
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### Domaine Crochet

1190	Sancerre	12	
1190	Sancerre, (37.5cl)	24	
1193	Sancerre, “Chêne Marchand”	12	
1197	Sancerre, “Exils”	12	
1217	Sancerre Rouge	12	

### Domaine Daulny

1188	Sancerre Blanc	12	
1188	Sancerre Blanc (37.5cl)	24	
1196	Sancerre, Vieilles Vignes, “Le Clos de Chaudenay”	12	
1186	Sancerre Rosé	12	
1216	Sancerre Rouge	12	

### Domaine Moreux

1140	Sancerre, “Les Bouffants”	12	
1140	Sancerre, “Les Bouffants” (37.5cl)	24	

### Domaine Menard Gaborit

1105	Muscadet Sur Lie, “Les Vignes Blanches”	12	
1105	Muscadet Sur Lie, “Les Vignes Blanches” (37.5cl)	24	

### Domaine Pierre Marchand

1198	Pouilly Fumé, “Les Loges”	12	
1198	Pouilly Fumé, “Les Loges” (37.5cl)	24	

### Domaine des Roches Neuves

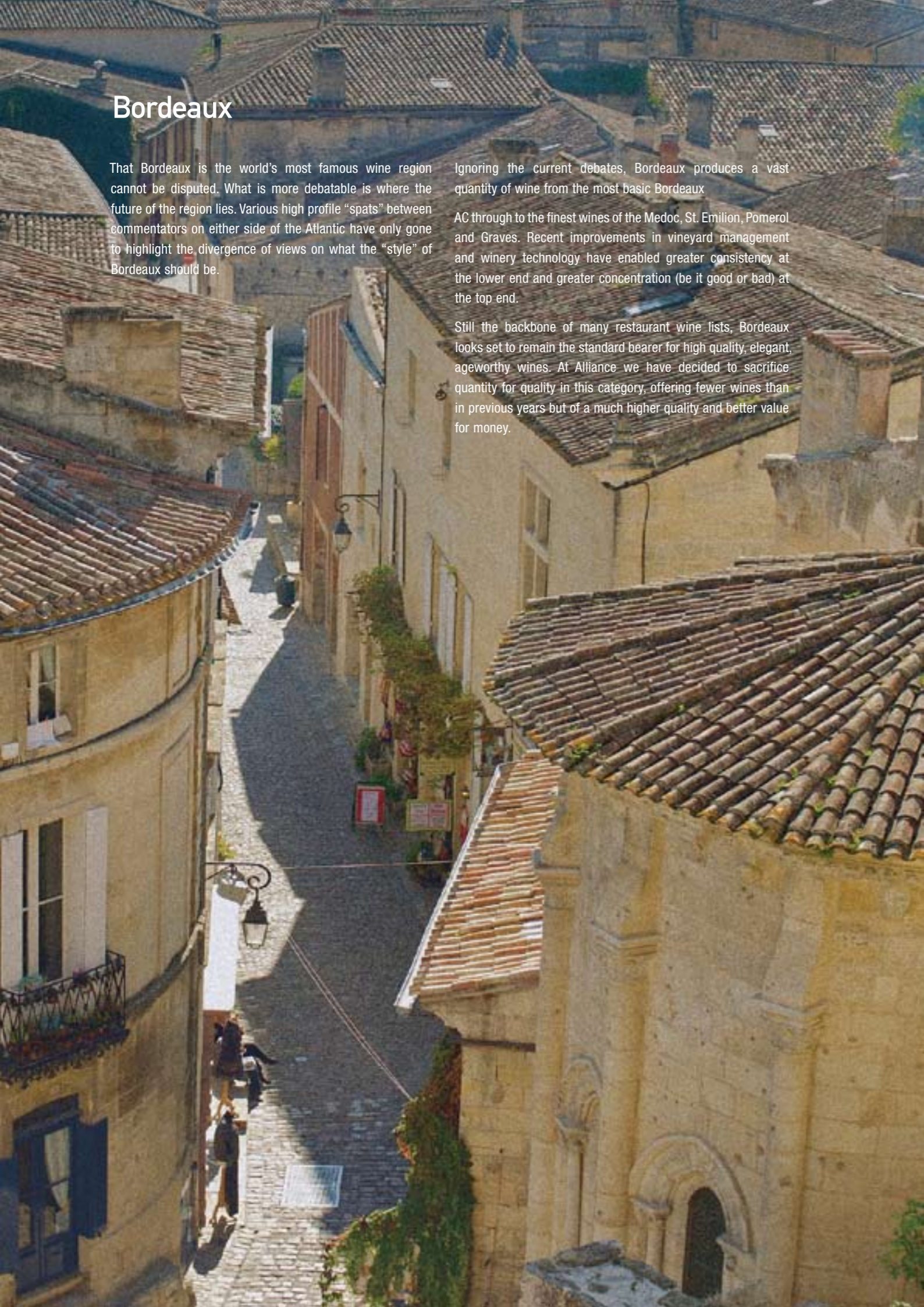
1230	Saumur Champigny, Cuvée Thierry Germain	12	
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**Domaine Adam** Fourteen generations of the Adam family have contributed to the reputation for quality and consistency that Adam has today. Founded in the exceptional vine growing town of Ammerschwihr, Adam combines the ancient methods of his forefathers with the technology available today to make elegant, complex wines that truly reflect the Alsace style.

As far back as the 11th century, vines were planted in the village of Bue by Augustine monks who recognised the intrinsic qualities of the stretch of slopes known as “Le Chêne Marchand”. These slopes are still producing wines and indeed, some of the finest wines of the region. **Domaine Crochet** is a small family run producer whose owners have a long attachment to the village of Bue. Robert and Marie-Solange work closely and utilise the finest traditional methods of hand selection and picking along side the modern techniques of temperature controlled stainless steel fermentation. The resulting wines are intensely flavoured with crisp, refreshing acidity and great length.

Situated in the small village of Verdigny-Chavignol, right at the heart of Sancerre, **Domaine Daulny** consists of 16 hectares of vines which have been in the family for many generations. The vineyards have an average age of 21 years and are predominantly planted on the South and South Westerly facing slopes for maximum sunlight exposure. Two different soil structures add complexity to the wine - the “Caillottes” are very stony, hilly vineyards whilst the “Marnes Blanches” are made up of clay-limestone on a steep slope. The wines are made with a very long, cool fermentation with ageing on the fine lees for the whites to add texture to the eventual wine.



# Bordeaux

That Bordeaux is the world’s most famous wine region cannot be disputed. What is more debatable is where the future of the region lies. Various high profile “spats” between commentators on either side of the Atlantic have only gone to highlight the divergence of views on what the “style” of Bordeaux should be.

Ignoring the current debates, Bordeaux produces a vast quantity of wine from the most basic Bordeaux AC through to the finest wines of the Medoc, St. Emilion, Pomerol and Graves. Recent improvements in vineyard management and winery technology have enabled greater consistency at the lower end and greater concentration (be it good or bad) at the top end.

Still the backbone of many restaurant wine lists, Bordeaux looks set to remain the standard bearer for high quality, elegant, ageworthy wines. At Alliance we have decided to sacrifice quantity for quality in this category, offering fewer wines than in previous years but of a much higher quality and better value for money.



## Bordeaux

Côtes de Bordeaux - Regional		
3925	Duchesse de Tutiac Blanc	12

Bordeaux AOC - Regional		
3921	Château Ballan Larquette Blanc, Bordeaux	12
3025	Château Majureau Sercillan, Bordeaux Superieur	12
3040	Château Peynaud, Bordeaux Superieur	12

Haut Medoc - Left Bank		
3579	Chateau la Lagune, 3e Cru Classé, Ludon Haut Medoc	12
3575	Château Lamothe-Cissac, Cru Bourgeois	12
3575	Château Lamothe-Cissac, Cru Bourgeois (37.5cl)	24
3575	Château Lamothe-Cissac, Cru Bourgeois (150cl)	6

Margaux - Left Bank		
3620	Chateau Boyd Cantenac, 3er Cru Classé, Margaux	12
3624	Segla (2nd Wine of Chateau Rausan Segla), Margaux	12
3626	Château Soussans, Margaux	12



Pauillac - Left Bank		
3689	Château Grand Puy Lacoste, 5e Cru Classé, Pauillac	12
3691	Château Mouton Rothschild, 1er Cru, Pauillac	12
3692	Château Batailley, 5e Cru Classe, Pauillac	12

Pessac Leognan - Left Bank		
3465	Château Latour Martillac Rouge, Pessac Leognan	12

St Estephe - Left Bank		
3721	Château Lafon Rochet, 4e Cru Classé, St Estephe	12
3785	Château St Estèphe, Cru Bourgeois, St Estephe	12
3787	Château Montrose 2e Cru (37.5cl), St Estephe	24

St Julien - Left Bank		
3630	Chateau Lagrange, 3e Cru Classé, St Julien	12
3645	Château Talbot, 4e Grand Cru Classé, St Julien	12
3715	Château Gloria, St Julien	12
3720	Château Leoville Las Cases, 2e Cru Classé, St Julien	12
3630	Château Lagrange 3e Cru (37.5cl), St Julien	24



Lalande de Pomerol - Right Bank		
3238	Château de Garraud, Lalande de Pomerol	12
3238	Château de Garraud (150cl), Lalande de Pomerol	6

St Emilion - Right Bank		
3234	Château Rochers-Mirande, Montagne St Emilion	12
3285	Château Treytins, Montagne St Emilion	12
3365	Château St Poly, Grand Cru, St Emilion	12
3285	Château Treytins (37.5cl), Montagne St Emilion	24
3360	Château Ferrand Grand Cru (Wooden case), St Emilion	12

Cadillac - Sweet		
3959	Château Haut Roquefort, Cadillac (37.5cl)	24

Sauternes - Sweet		
3952	Château Bastor Lamontagne (37.5cl), Sauternes	24

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### Château Majureau Sercillan, Bordeaux Superieur

A modern style of claret that benefits from ageing in new wood. Ripe, soft bramble and cassis fruit with supple tannins and a savoury finish.

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### Château Lamothe-Cissac, Cru Bourgeois

A traditional sytle of Bordeaux that has elegance and savoury fruit in abundance. Medium bodied with well integrated tannins and cedary oak flavours on a long, complex finish.

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### Château Bastor Lamontagne (37.5cl), Sauternes

A classic dessert wine from one of our top Chateaux. Concentrated sweet ripe fruit on the palate with a touch of balancing acidity at the finish.

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# Burgundy

A region that is often thought to be difficult to buy from, where inheritance laws have resulted in fragmentation of vineyards, where prices are always “firm” but more importantly where some of the world's finest wines are made. If ever you want to see examples of the relationship between vineyard site and quality, Burgundy is where you should head.

Chablis in the north shares the same chalky soils of Southern England and produces a range of styles as diverse as their producers.

Further south the Cote d’Or, comprising of the Cotes de Beaune and Cote de Nuits, produces the world’s finest examples of Chardonnay and Pinot Noir. Individual “climats” or Domaines have an unusually high influence over quality in Burgundy and so it has become the norm to either “know” Burgundy inside out or buy from respected negociants or “maison” upon whose quality you can always rely.

In recent years, Alliance has moved away from buying from large negociants, preferring instead to source directly from small growers of reputation, some of whom also act as small scale negociants. In this way we can select wines which truly reflect the personalities of the appellations, the terroir and the people behind the wines.

## Burgundy - Chablis

### Domaine Defaix

2386	Chablis	12
2386	Chablis (37.5cl)	24
2388	Chablis 1er Cru, Côte de Lechet	12
2388	Chablis 1er Cru, Côte de Lechet (37.5cl)	24
2399	Chablis Grand Cru, Vaudesir	12

### Domaine Jean Claude Martin

2307	Chablis	12
2307	Chablis (37.5cl)	24

### Domaine Race

2290	Chablis	12
2290	Chablis (37.5cl)	24
2298	Chablis 1er Cru, Vaillons	12
2292	Chablis 1er Cru, Montmains	12
2292	Chablis 1er Cru, Montmains (37.5cl)	24
2295	Chablis Grand Cru, Blanchots	12

## Burgundy - Côtes d’Or

### Domaine Burguet

2842	Gevrey Chambertin”Tradition”	12
2846	Gevrey Chambertin 1er Cru “Les Champeaux”	12

### Domaine Forey

2135	Nuits-St-Georges	12
2135	Nuits-St-Georges (37.5cl)	24
2137	Nuits-St-Georges 1er Cru “Les Perrières”	12
2139	Vosne-Romanée	12

### Domaine Lucien Jacob

2288	Hautes Côtes de Beaune Blanc	12
2269	Savigny Les Beaune Rouge	12
2397	Savigny 1er Cru, “Les Peuillets” Rouge	12
2398	Savigny 1er Cru, “Les Vergelesses” Blanc	12
2268	Beaune 1er Cru, “Les Cent Vignes” Rouge	12

### Domaine Lucien Jacob Beaune 1er Cru, “Les Cent Vignes”

Though the winemaker is a veritable “man-mountain”, his wines are elegant, showing great delicacy and finesse. Intense, violet and wild strawberry fruit interlaced with hints of dried fruits and toasty oak. Well balanced with an almost silky texture.

### Domaine Lucien Muzart Et Fils

2525	Puligny Montrachet, Blanc	12
2526	Santenay 1er Cru “Gravières”	12

### Domaine Michelot - Burgundy

2357	Meursault, “Sous la Velle”	12
2358	Meursault 1er Cru “Charmes”	12

### Domaine Pillot

2287	Meursault 1er Cru, “Les Caillerets”	12
2274	Chassagne Montrachet 1er Cru, “Les Vergers” Blanc	12
2282	Pommard, “Tavannes”	12
2273	Pommard 1er Cru, “Clos de Vergers”	12
2296	Chassagne Montrachet 1er Cru, “Morgeot” Rouge	12

### Domaine Naudin Ferrand

2348	Bourgogne Hautes Côtes de Beaune Rouge	12
2349	Côtes de Nuits Villages, “Le Clos de Magny”	12

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### Domaine Defaix, Chablis

A top notch example from a respected grower. Defaix Chablis displays minerally, flinty notes on the nose with touches of green apple. The palate is elegant, dry and characterised by crisp, citrus flavours overlaid with smoky notes. Long, complex finish.

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Three generations of the **Race** family have been involved in an estate which today covers some 15 hectares in all of the four A.C.s of Chablis and includes some areas of old vines - up to 65 years old. The Race style shows great typicity for the region with the wines showing the distinctive mineral and flint character for which the region has become associated.

The picturesque little village of Echevronne is tucked away up a half-forgotten valley a few kilometres northwest of Beaune. Although so close to the wine capital of Burgundy (some would say the world), you could be on a different planet. This is a ravishing spot, a bit of Jura-like country where the vineyards are interspersed by wildflower meadows beneath the gentle crags. One third of the 250 villagers here earn their living from the vine. The most famous man around here is **Lucien Jacob**, who was at one time the Deputé for the Côte d’Or at the National Assembly in Paris. A dynamic man, he managed to combine his national duties with a passionate crusade to improve the quality and reputation of the wines of the Hautes-Côtes de Beaune. He retired in 1989, handing over the running of the domaine to his daughter Chantal and his son Jean-Michel. They have built on their father’s high reputation and have added their own blend of youthful enthusiasm and New World experience to the wines. Chantal studied oenology in Beaune and the USA, and Jean-Michel studied agriculture in Paris followed by experience (including sheep shearing!) in New Zealand and Australia. On his way home to Beaune in 1987, he stopped off in Hong Kong where he met Christine, a young English lawyer, who is now his wife. They are now all involved full time with the domaine. One is always fascinated to visit the Domaine for Jean-Michel is a large, bear-like character with an open mind and a willingness to discuss his winemaking that must surely have been influenced by his time in the southern hemisphere. Despite Jean-Michel’s “rugby pack” like qualities, his wines are, paradoxically, elegant, fine and pure with a real sense of place. They represent excellent value for money.

Laurent Pillot, who took over the running of **Domaine Pillot** when only in his mid-twenties, catapulted the family from being grape growers to a leading estate and one of the superstars of Chassagne-Montrachet. With a superb collection of vineyards and a modern winemaking facility on the edge of the village, both their red and white wine are of an excellent quality.

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### Domaine Fernand et Laurent Pillot, Chassagne Montrachet 1er Cru Rouge

A wonderfully expressive aroma of ripe wild strawberries, violets and cherries, gives way to a silky palate of concentrated yet subtle and refined fruit. Fine French oak creates a background of savoury, smoky flavours upon which there is ample, juicy, ripe fruit with tangy mineral elements. Well balanced, complex and smooth on the finish.

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## Burgundy - Mâconnais

Domaine de Fussiacus		
2632	Mâcon Fuissé	12
2635	St Veran	12
2635	St Veran (37.5cl)	24
2633	Pouilly Fuissé, Vieilles Vignes	12
2636	Pouilly Fuissé	12
2636	Pouilly Fuissé (37.5cl)	24

Domaine Fichet		
2317	Mâcon Villages	12
2317	Mâcon Villages (37.5cl)	24
2319	Bourgogne Chardonnay	12
2319	Bourgogne Chardonnay (37.5cl)	24
2318	Bourgogne Pinot Noir	12
2318	Bourgogne Pinot Noir (37.5cl)	24

Domaine Jaegar-Defaix		
2387	Rully 1er Cru, Mont-Palais Blanc	12
2401	Rully 1er Cru, Clos du Chapitre Rouge	12

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### Domaine de Fussiacus, Mâcon Fuissé

This small domaine make fine examples of the best that Southern Burgundy has to offer. A rich, generous wine with ripe citrus fruits and hints of the tropical. Crisp acidity balances and buttery, toasty oak completes the picture.

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### Domaine Fichet, Bourgogne Pinot Noir

A supple, juicy example of Pinot with raspberry and violet fruit character coupled with savoury, Gamey hints.

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## Rhône

An immensely important region in terms of both bulk and quality, the Rhône often proves that great wine does not have to cost the earth. Indeed, the earth is of vital importance in the Rhône. From the steep slopes of Côte Rôtie in the north to the flatter, boulder-strewn vineyards of the south, the soil is free draining, allowing for minimal chemical additions;

consequently organic methods of production are more commonly used than in most other areas of Europe.

Grape varieties vary greatly depending on which part of the Rhône you are in. Northern Rhône, home of the majority of the Rhône's great wines, relies almost totally on the Syrah to produce its powerful, inky red wines, while the famous whites of Condrieu rely on Viognier.

Southern Rhône and Chateauneuf-du-Pape especially, use a blend of grapes including Syrah, Grenache, Mourvèdre and Cinsault, with the whites using Marsanne, Roussanne and Viognier in the blend. It is a region of massive diversity from North to South but what does not change is the popularity and class of many of their wines.

Quiot Family Vineyards



## Northern Rhône

### Domaine Albert Belle

1646	Crozes-Hermitage Blanc	12
1655	Crozes-Hermitage Rouge, “Les Pierrelles”	12
1660	Crozes-Hermitage Rouge, “Cuvée Louis Belle”	12
1660	Crozes-Hermitage Rouge, “Cuvée Louis Belle” (150cl)	6
1665	Hermitage Rouge	12

### Domaine Cuilleron

1882	Condrieu, “La Petite Côte”	12
1879	St Joseph, “L’Amarybelle” , Vieilles Vignes	12
1880	Côte-Rotie, “Bassenon”	12
1881	Condrieu, “Les Ayguets” Recolte Tardive (50cl)	12

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#### Domaine Albert Belle, Hermitage Rouge

A truly magnificent wine from the great 1999 vintage that shows just how great syrah can be. Immensely concentrated with deep, brooding, almost opaque fruit. Well balanced, the new oak never dominating the finely textured fruit. Complex, very serious and powerful and with a finish that, fortunately, lingers on.

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### Jean Luc Colombo

1876	Crozes-Hermitage, “La Tuillère”	12
1877	Cornas, “Les Méjeans”	12
1874	Cornas, “La Louvée”	12

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#### Jean Luc Colombo, Cornas “La Louvée”

Richly fruity nose and fantastic texture on the palate. Flavours of roasted autumn fruits and spice. Superb, big, structured Syrah from the Northern Rhône.

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## Southern Rhône

### Château de Montmirail

1961	Vacqueyras, “Cuvée de l’Ermité”	12
2316	Gigondas, “Cuvée de Beauchamp”	12

### Vignobles Quiot

#### Vieux Lazaret

1500	Châteauneuf-du-Pape Blanc	12
1500	Châteauneuf-du-Pape Blanc (37.5cl)	24
1760	Châteauneuf-du-Pape Rouge	12
1760	Châteauneuf-du-Pape Rouge (37.5cl)	24

#### Domaine Duclaux

1766	Châteauneuf-du-Pape Rouge	12
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#### Combes d’Arnevels

1740	Châteauneuf-du-Pape Rouge, “Les Combes d’Arnevels”	12
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#### Les Arnevels

1796	Côtes du Rhône	12
1796	Côtes du Rhône (37.5cl)	24
1797	Côtes du Rhône Villages Cairanne	12
1798	Gigondas	12

#### Jérôme Quiot

1767	Muscat de Beaume de Venice (50cl)	12
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## Provence

### Domaine Houchart

1575	Côtes de Provence Rosé	12	🍷
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This family estate situated in northern Rhône has forged an enviable reputation for supple, generous wines. Previously a member of the local co-op, the Belle family have rapidly made a name for themselves as a producer to watch. The domaine's white wines are produced from a blend of Marsanne and Roussanne, fermented in stainless steel at around 18 to 20 centigrade. 25% of the Crozes-Hermitage and 50% of the Hermitage is matured in oak enhancing the full, ripe flavours and attractive, complex aromas of the wines. **Domaine Belle** is one of a handful of producers achieving the exciting potential of this area and justifying its reputation as one of the classic regions of France.

The wines of **Jean-Luc Colombo** typically reflect an exuberance of fruit and depth of expression. Concentrated and precisely crafted, they resonate with authentic varietal character and thus entice the wine lover's palate. From his base in Cornas, Colombo has extended his sphere of influence to include other Rhône Valley appellations.

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#### Famille Quiot Châteauneuf du Pape Rouge 2006 (88 - 91)

Medium ruby. Powerful red berry and musky herbs on the nose, with bright mineral quality adding energy. Tangy redcurrant and strawberry flavours are finely etched and impressively fresh, with good mineral lift to the finish. I suspect that this will gain weight with a couple more years of aging.

Stephen Tanzer

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Jérôme **Quiot** is one of the most influential men in Chateauneuf and as such has a duty to produce characterful and typical wines. With 86 hectares of vineyards spread over 35 different parcels, Domaine du Vieux Lazaret can afford to conduct strict quality control in the vineyard and the winery to ensure that every wine is a true reflection of the terroir that it came from. Winemaking techniques for the reds are traditional with extended macerations to ensure good colour and extraction. White wines are cool fermented to ensure fresh primary flavours and a little more elegance than one normally considers for white Rhône wines. These are thoughtful, well made wines that offer considerable value for money.

## Germany

The VDP (Prädikat Wine Estates) celebrates its centennial in 2010 under the motto: “A Century of Fine Wines from Top Sites and Creative Vintners.”

Since its founding in 1910, the VDP, the world's oldest association of wine estates, has been committed to the correlation of producer/site/quality, a trinity that has helped set high standards in German wine culture. The 200 members will celebrate this special birthday with a blaze of activities in Germany and in abroad.

Today, the image of German wines and the high quality of wines produced from the finest vineyard sites has reached a level comparable with that of the heyday of German wines a century ago. Many a fine German wine enjoys cult status.

Be challenged to look beyond names such as Liebfraumilch and Niersteiner and you will discover an array of brilliant wines that are the finest examples of their type.





Germany

Schmitt-Sohne

6062	Niersteiner Gutes Domtal, “Helenen Kellerei” QbA, Rhine	12
6064	Piesporter Michelsberg, “Helenen Kellerei” QbA, Mosel	12

Weingut Max Ferdinand Richter - Mosel

☀	6638	Mosel Riesling	12	🍷
	6600	Riesling Kabinett “Brauneberger Juffer”	12	
	6630	Riesling Spätlese “Graacher Himmelreich”	12	
	6635	Riesling Spätlese “Mulheimer Sonnenlay” (37.5cl)	24	
	6681	Riesling Auslese “Veldenzer Elisenburg” (37.5cl)	24	

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Veldenzer Elisenberg Riesling Auslese, 1999

The 1999 Veldenzer Elisenberg Riesling Auslese represents Mosel at its best. Grown on clay slate stone with lots of quartz minerals it combines rich aromatic fruit, luscious taste and crisp ripe tartaric acid that concentrates taste and guarantees a long dry lingering finish. The grapes at harvest in November were mature and healthy, thus taking full advantage of the long ripening season and hang time, which is so important when aiming for elegant, classy and long living Riesling wines.

Dr. Dirk Richter

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Riesling Auslese, Veldenzer Elisenberg

Auslese means “late picked” which ensures that the grapes come in with high sugar levels and in turn produce an amazing example of a wine where high acidity, luscious fruit and great concentration hang together superbly. Drink now or leave to evolve!

Dr. Dirk Richter

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Max Ferdinand Richter Winery, Mosel Valley



The **Richter** family has owned vineyards in the Mosel Valley for over 300 hundred years and in this time has forged a wonderful reputation for producing some of the regions' best Riesling. Today Dirk Richter owns approximately 37 acres in the central Mosel Valley and has access to some of the finest sites. Traditional winemaking allows the grapes to express their full personality and this in turn sets them up for a long life. Indeed, the fine structure of these wines combined with concentrated fruit and keen acidity means that many of these wines will evolve over a long period of time. These are classic Mosel wines and no serious oenophile should ignore one of the world's great wine styles.

Italy

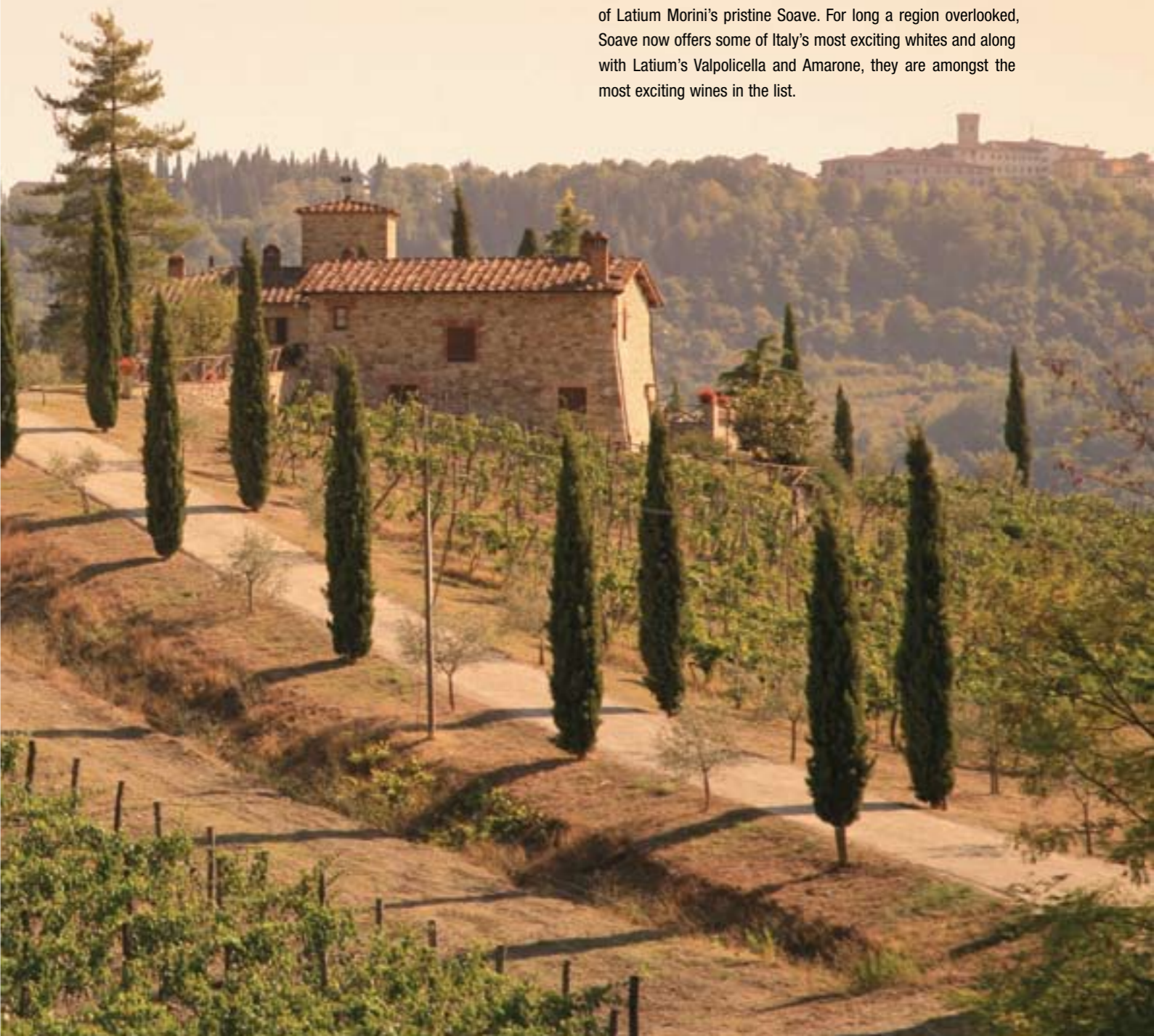
With one of the largest annual productions of wine in the world, Italy is a massive player on the world market and in recent years has done much to sharpen its image as a quality-conscious producer. Plagued for many years by denomination laws that basically instilled the ethos of high volume and low quality, Italy has made moves to rectify the problem and address the situation where many high quality wines could only be called Vino Di Tavola. Further moves, such as allowing screwcaps on DOC(G) wines would certainly be welcome but, as ever, agreement on these things seems to come slowly.

A country that stretches from the chill of the north to the arid south, from the mountain slopes of the Alps and Dolomites to the coastal and island vineyards of the Mediterranean, the climate varies massively, as do the styles of wine produced and the grape varieties that are used to make them.

Indeed, there can be few more complicated countries than Italy to establish the relationship between wine name, wine style and grape variety!

The most famous Italian reds rely on Nebbiolo (Barolo) and Sangiovese (Chianti) but many other great wines are made from more obscure varieties. Italy's whites have traditionally taken a back seat but remain hugely popular in Italy and wherever they travel. Rarely rich or complicated, they rely on crisp acidity, fresh citrusy fruit and supreme gulpability – there is life beyond Pinot Grigio!

And proving just that, we are delighted to welcome the wines of Olim Bauda to the portfolio. Fresh from landing “tre bicchieri” in the Gambero Rosso, Olim Bauda's UK debut will surely see some converts to the tight, minerally Gavi di Gavi and the supremely balanced, polished Barberas that they specialise in. Whilst on the hunt for life beyond PG, you do no worse than enjoy a glass of Latium Morini's pristine Soave. For long a region overlooked, Soave now offers some of Italy's most exciting whites and along with Latium's Valpolicella and Amarone, they are amongst the most exciting wines in the list.





## Italy

### Alliance Wine Italy

#### Bella Modella Figlia

6772	Garganega Pinot Grigio IGT, Veneto	12	🏆
6774	Primitivo Sangiovese IGT, Puglia	12	🏆

#### Bella Modella

6780	Pinot Grigio IGT, Veneto	12	🏆
6782	Nero D'Avola IGT, Sicilia	12	🏆



#### Bella Modella, Figlia, Garganega, Pinot Grigio

If you are looking for light, crisp and refreshing then stop...you have found it. This delicious, mouthwatering blend of two of Italy's finest varieties is delicate, citrusy and dry with a tangy finish.



### Cascina Adelaide - Piedmont

6802	Dolcetto di Diano D'Alba DOC "Vigna Coste Fiore"	12
6808	Barolo DOCG, 4 Vigne	



#### Cascina Adelaide, Dolcetto di Diano D'Alba DOC "Vigna Coste Fiore"

Dolcetto's soft, juicy, early drinking style often belies the quality within. This wine is packed with delicious ripe black cherry and spice coupled with hints of coffee and wood.



### Casetta - Piedmont

6800	Barolo DOC	12
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### Tenuta Olim Bauda - Piedmont

🌟	6961	Gavi DOCG	12
🌟	6962	Gavi di Gavi DOCG	12
🌟	6963	Barbera D'Asti DOCG "La Villa"	12
🌟	6964	Barbera D'Asti DOCG, Superiore "Le Rocchette"	12
🌟	6966	Barbera D'Asti DOCG, Superiore "Nizza"	12



#### Tenuta Olim Bauda, Barbera d'Asti DOC Superiore "Nizza"

The wine is only produced in really excellent years and 2006 was just that. "Nizza" is rich and complex, bursting with red berry fruits that are peculiar to this grape variety. A persistent and enticing finish leaves you wanting more. Nizza has been awarded the Tre Bicchieri in the 2010 Gambero Rosso, as testament to a magnificent wine.

Decanter 4 Star rating



### Cielo e Terra - Veneto

#### Terre Allegre

6776	Trebbiano IGT, Veneto	12	🏆
6778	Sangiovese IGT, Puglia	12	🏆

#### Casa Defra

6789	Pinot Grigio IGT, Veneto	12
6784	Pinot Bianco DOC Colli Berici, Veneto	12
6793	Sauvignon Blanc DOC Colli Berici, Veneto	12
6794	Chardonnay DOC Colli Berici, Veneto	12
6786	Pinot Grigio Rosato IGT, Veneto	12
6788	Merlot DOC Colli Berici, Veneto	12
6785	Soave "Sante Rive" DOC, Veneto	12
6787	Bardolino "Sante Rive" DOC, Veneto	12

**Bella Modella** is a thing of great beauty: elegant, sassy and beguiling. It is a form whose beginning and end are seamless. Bella Modella is a small but seductive range of wines made for us by one of the most forward looking and innovative producers in the north of Italy. Made in a modern and approachable style these wines also have very contemporary presentation making them a winning proposition. New for 2009 are the cracking Bella Modella Figlia wines. Always with an eye for value and style, we've developed these wines to over deliver in a value focused market.

Amabile Drocco fulfilled a lifetime's ambition when he purchased the 7 hectare **Cascina Adelaide** estate back in 1999. Having been brought up on the land – his father farmed orchards and a few vines – Amabile spent most of his career building up a bakery machinery business. As his own sons became able to help in that business he seized the opportunity to go back to the land by buying Cascina Adelaide and turned his attention, skill and determination to turning around an underperforming estate into one which is now widely fêted as one of the most exciting producers in Piedmont. With vineyards in some of the best sites, including Preda and Cannubi, there was always the potential to produce great fruit. With reduced yields, improved viticulture and some replanting this potential is now being realised and fruit quality is fantastic. This, the appointment of Sergio Molino as oenologist and the completion of a remarkably beautifully designed winery almost in the shadow of Barolo Castle have brought about a total transformation of Cascina Adelaide's fortunes. Although the first vintage the new team had complete control over was as recent as 2000, the wines are already garnering many awards and lots of attention from the press including Decanter Magazine, Gambero Rosso, Wine Spectator et al. Amabile is not a man to stand still however and Cascina Adelaide is a work in progress and a long term family project so expect to hear a lot more about developments here as they continue to strive for excellence.

**Olim Bauda** epitomises Alliance Wine's commitment to sourcing new and exciting wines, from producers where great quality doesn't cost the earth. The 18th century 'bauda' (house) is situated in the idyllic Italian province of Asti, Piedmont. The concentration of winegrowing in Piedmont is testament to the area's rich history and tradition, and this is beautifully reflected in the wines from Olim Bauda. The Bertolino family has been involved in wine making in this area for over a century, and the skills and expertise have been handed down from father to son for generations. Now Gianni, Dino and Diana devote themselves to the vineyards and to the task of creating exceptional quality, award winning wines. The grapes are grown exclusively in the vineyards on the estate and only the highest quality are selected for these wines. The final result - elegant, refined Gavi's and vibrant, juicy Barbera's that tantalise every palate. Although a relatively new producer to the UK, the quality being produced has already been lauded in the 2010 Gambero Rosso where the Nizza single vineyard Barbera has been awarded Tre Bicchieri - proving that even the very best wines need not cost a fortune.



#### Cent'Anni

6791	Ripasso di Valpolicella DOC, Veneto	12
6775	Amarone di Valpolicella DOC, Veneto	12

### Latium Morini - Veneto

6767	Soave DOC	12
6762	Soave DOC, "Campo le Calle"	12
6763	Valpolicella DOC	12
6764	Valpolicella Superiore DOC, "Campo Prognai"	12
6765	Amarone della Valpolicella DOC, "Campo Leon"	12

### Sacchetto - Veneto

7176	Pinot Grigio IGT, Giulia "L'Elfo"	12	🏆
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### Villa Brunasca - Veneto

6880	Pinot Grigio Piave IGT	12
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### Brunelli - Tuscany

6898	Brunello di Montalcino DOCG	12
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### Castello Di Meleto - Tuscany

6795	Chianti Classico DOCG	12
6795	Chianti Classico DOCG, (37.5cl)	18
6798	Chianti Classico Riserva, DOCG, "Vigna Casi"	12



#### Castello Di Meleto Chianti Classico

A superbly balanced medium bodied red with juicy red fruit character and hints of dried cherries and chocolate. The palate is structured but never heavy, supremely savoury and very moreish.



### Gruppo Vini Selezionati - Tuscany

6821	Chianti Classico, "Roccamena"	12
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### Mormoraia - Tuscany

6811	Vernaccia Di San Gimignano DOCG	12
6813	Chianti Colli Senesi DOCG	12

### Sensi Vini - Tuscany

6817	Chianti DOCG, "Borgo Cipressi"	12
6818	Montepulciano D'Abruzzo DOC "Borgo Cipressi"	12



#### Uccelliera Brunello Di Montalcino 2004

Among the favourite 2004 Brunellos. Winemaker Andrea Cortonesi who once said, 'the best irrigation is sweat', has worked hard to craft this plush, modern and penetrating wine. It boasts a deep dark concentration and a very beautiful bouquet of luscious blackberries, spice, black mineral and cola. It's round and supple and shines simpatico.

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### Uccelliera - Tuscany

6892	Rosso di Montalcino DOC	12
6894	"Rapace" IGT	12
6890	Brunello di Montalcino DOCG	12

### Tenuta Tavignano - Marche

6770	Verdicchio dei Castelli de Jesi, Classico Superiore DOC	12
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### Podere Vaglie - Umbria

7099	Orvieto Classico Secco DOC, "L'Origine"	12
7100	Orvieto Amabile DOC, "Magese"	12



**Villa Brunasca** is a family estate in the Piave region of the Veneto, North East Italy. They produce wonderfully expressive, elegant and well balanced wines, unmistakably Venetian in style. The family have also purchased la Ponca, an estate situated in Collio in the far North Eastern corner of the Friuli region (see above). The Venetian estate which dates back to the early 1900's is now run by the third generation of the family. It extends to 75 hectares of which 45 are planted as vineyards. They see wine production as a way of life and take great care and pride in every stage of the process from the vineyards through to vinification and, while not afraid of adopting modern techniques also have great respect for the traditions of their parents and grand-parents. In an area where yields can be very high Villa Brunasca achieves concentration and character in both red and white wines by reducing yields, rigorous selection at harvest and by the informed use of oak maturation for several of their wines.

The powerful structure of **Castello di Meleto**, rises on a gentle hill, in the heart of the Chianti Classico region at a small distance from the border between the ancient republics of Florence and Siena, one kilometre away from Gaiole. The property extends over 1000 hectares. The vineyards alone cover 180 hectares; 20 hectares are olive groves. About 80% of the vineyards are composed of selected clones of Sangiovese del Chianti, the other varieties are mostly represented by Colorino, Merlot and Cabernet Sauvignon.

In ancient times, **Mormoraia** was a convent but today it is an elegant estate situated in the heart of Tuscany, on the Chianti hills overlooking the beautiful town of San Gimignano. An agro-tourist resort as well as a working vineyard, the estate covers some 90 hectares, of which 30 are planted to vineyards and 10 to olives. The vineyards and olive groves are cultivated with respect to the environment and nature, under the watchful eye of owners, Giuseppe and Barabara Passoni. Winemaking takes place in the state-of-the-art cellar where a mix of large and small French oak barrels are utilised to make these typical, yet modern wines.

**Uccelliera** is a small grower with a growing reputation for crafting some of the finest wines from the prestigious Montalcino region of Tuscany. Andrea Cortonesi's family have always worked the land but it was not until 1986 that he had the opportunity to purchase this small 6 hectare estate along with the small farmhouse (known as the bird house...uccelliera) and realised his dream of producing wines that reflected the timeless, balanced character of the environment around him. The winery was built in the basement of the farm and is small but perfectly formed with only fine French and Slovenian oak to influence the flavours of the particular Montalcino clone of Sangiovese. A high density of vines, very attentive care in the vineyards and manual harvesting ensure perfect ripeness and in turn a wonderfully expressive, aromatic character to the wines. Producing just 3 wines, these are distinctive, honest wines that have real personality.



Villa Ruffinella - Lazio			
6816	Frascati Superiore DCG	12	
Collefrisio - Abruzzo			
6907	Montepulciano D'Abruzzo DOC, "Zero"	12	
6909	Montepulciano D'Abruzzo DOC, "Uno"	12	



Collefrisio, Montepulciano D'Abruzzo "Zero"

This is a rich, deeply savoury, complex version of that old Italian classic.

Packed with ample dark, herby black fruits with hints of spice and smoke.

Decanter 4 Star rating



Apollonio - Puglia			
6837	Copertino Rosso DOC	12	
6833	Salento Rosso IGT, "Valle Cupa"	12	
6838	Salento Primitivo IGT, "Terragnolo"	12	
6830	Salice Salentino DOC Rosso	12	
6835	Copertino Riserva DOC, "Divoto"	12	



Apollonio, Copertino Riserva "Divoto"

One of Southern Italy's most important DOC's produces wines of great intensity and power. This wine's bottle age has produced a mellow style, packed full of dried fruit character followed by a lovely chocolatey, charred finish.



San Mario - Puglia			
6070	Cattarato Chardonnay IGT, Bianco di Sicilia	12	🍷
6075	Negroamaro Malvasia Nera IGT, Rosso di Puglia	12	🍷
6072	Primitivo Merlot IGT, Tarantino	12	

**Collefrisio** The Abruzzo region of Italy is often maligned as the source of much quaffing wine and though quaffing wine has its uses, there are some who are trying to achieve greater things. Managed by three young, dynamic partners and based in the Frisa hills of Abruzzo, they farm 35 hectares in three distinct vineyard sites. The Valle del Moro estate runs from the Maiella mountains down to the sea and is home to 12 hectares of Montepulciano and Trebbiano. The Morrecine Estate is also 12 hectares and is located on a sea-facing hill between Ortona and Tollo. The stony soils here are ideal for production of high quality Trebbiano and Montepulciano. Finally, the Giuliano Teatino estate, situated in the Maiella foothills above the Venna valley, has wonderful red clay soil which produces great Pecorino and Montepulciano. Whites are clean, crisp, varietally pure and distinct. Reds have ripe fruit, judicious use of oak and succulent, savoury tannins.

Marcello and Massimiliano **Apollonio** are the fourth generation of the Apollonio family to carry on the family business, which dates back to the 19th century. The wines of Puglia have never received as much interest in the past as they do now. Tasting Apollonio's wines shows that here at least the attention is justified. Great care is taken in the production and vinification of local grape varieties to produce wines of uniquely southern Italian character. Powerful and complex, the wines have flavours of ripe, dark fruits and leather, attractive weight, richness and balanced tannin. The Salento peninsula has hot, dry summers but cold, desert-like nights that retard ripening and develop aromatic complexity in the fruit. Massimiliano attended the Locorotondo Institute and has since worked for producers in France, Spain and Italy. He puts this experience to good use in the family firm where he combines traditional techniques with the best of modern practices in order to carry the quality of the fruit through to the bottle. With an eye to the world outside Italy, Massimiliano and Marcello are proud of the natural advantages they have in Salento and exploit these to produce distinctive and delicious wines of the highest quality.

# New Zealand

For a small country with a relatively young history, New Zealand has developed a creative, vibrant and innovative wine industry that continuously punches above its weight: in 2009 New Zealand Sauvignon Blanc became the biggest selling white wine in Australia – a point to the Kiwis in the fierce rivalry between the two neighbours across the Ditch.

Here in the UK, wines from the land of the “Long White Cloud” have maintained sales in the face of difficult economic conditions and shifting market share. Whether it be a crisp Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc or a soft and fruity Pinot Noir, New Zealand wines still represent outstanding quality for excellent value.

Our two Kiwi producers draw on classic New Zealand South Island varietals to offer wines with clearly defined styles and a true sense of place. Sherwood Estate's wines are always honest and consistent, demonstrating all the characteristics that we've come to expect from the Marlborough and Waipara regions. And Zephyr continues to produce elegant and finessed Sauvignon Blanc as well as the more unusual and eclectic Gewurztraminer.





New Zealand

Sherwood Estate

Stoney Range		
8100	Sauvignon Blanc, Marlborough	12
Clearwater		
8062	Sauvignon Blanc, Waipara	12
8066	Chardonnay, Waipara	12
8069	Riesling, Waipara	12
8068	Pinot Noir, Waipara	12
Sherwood		
8060	Sauvignon Blanc, Marlborough	12
8060	Sauvignon Blanc (37.5cl), Marlborough	24
8084	Riesling, Waipara	12
8070	Pinot Noir, Marlborough	12
8070	Pinot Noir (37.5cl), Marlborough	24

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Sherwood Pinot Noir 2008

The wonderful 2008 Pinot Noir has a lovely cranberry and raspberry leaf nose with superb definition. The palate is very well crafted with fine tannins, well judged acidity allowing the joyous fruit to really express themselves: raspberry, a touch of blueberry and dark cherry. Given the price, this is exceptional value and comes highly recommended. Bravo!

(91 points) Robert Parker

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Zephyr Wines - Marlborough

8056	Sauvignon Blanc	12
8058	Gewurtztraminer	12

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Zephyr Sauvignon Blanc

If I had to choose just one Kiwi Sauvignon at the moment, it would be the harmonious, beautifully balanced, Zephyr Sauvignon Blanc, Marlborough.

Tim Atkin MW, The Observer

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Zephyr's Scotston Block Vineyard.

The **Sherwood Estate** winery is located in the picturesque Waipara Valley, a 45-minute drive north of the city of Christchurch. First planted to vines in 1987 by Dayne and Jill Sherwood, the winery has established itself as a producer of outstanding quality wines at great value. Now, after twenty years of experience, Sherwood excels in the production of Chardonnay, Sauvignon Blanc, Riesling and Pinot Noir. The thought and dedication that is put into each of these wines is evident in the bottle - wines that have that fresh fruit character but that also gain complexity and style. Internationally acclaimed, we are sure to continue enjoying these delights through 2010.



Though New Zealand's Marlborough region is a relative newcomer to the global wine scene, it is an extremely fast growing, diversifying region with various sub-regions beginning to emerge as more experience leads to greater wines. One such sub-region is that of Dillon's Point...home to **Zephyr**. Owen & Wendy Glover (parents of Wither Hill's Ben Glover) have had their vineyards at Dillon's Point since the mid 80's - making it one of the most established in this very young region. Until recently, all of the fruit was sold to various other big name labels but in 2007, for the first time ever, the Zephyr label was born. Referring to the warm winds that blow across the vineyards, the evocative label is going to make waves. Listing a crisp and delicate Sauvignon Blanc and a Gewurtz' that Tim Atkin MW described as 'about as good as Marlborough gets.

Portugal

Many wine lovers and wine buyers are looking to Portugal for world class quality and deliciously different wines.

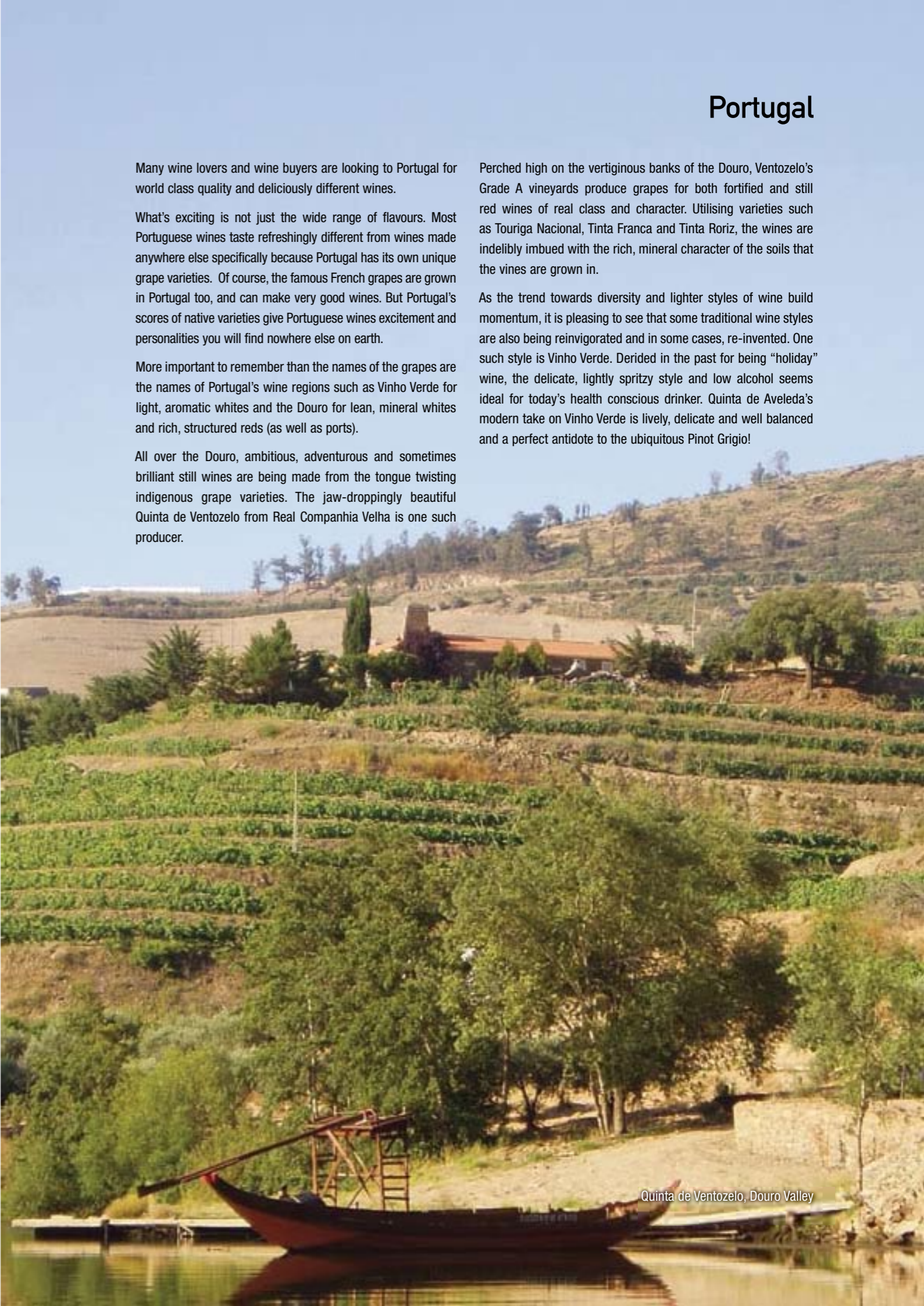
What's exciting is not just the wide range of flavours. Most Portuguese wines taste refreshingly different from wines made anywhere else specifically because Portugal has its own unique grape varieties. Of course, the famous French grapes are grown in Portugal too, and can make very good wines. But Portugal's scores of native varieties give Portuguese wines excitement and personalities you will find nowhere else on earth.

More important to remember than the names of the grapes are the names of Portugal's wine regions such as Vinho Verde for light, aromatic whites and the Douro for lean, mineral whites and rich, structured reds (as well as ports).

All over the Douro, ambitious, adventurous and sometimes brilliant still wines are being made from the tongue twisting indigenous grape varieties. The jaw-droppingly beautiful Quinta de Ventozelo from Real Companhia Velha is one such producer.

Perched high on the vertiginous banks of the Douro, Ventozelo's Grade A vineyards produce grapes for both fortified and still red wines of real class and character. Utilising varieties such as Touriga Nacional, Tinta Franca and Tinta Roriz, the wines are indelibly imbued with the rich, mineral character of the soils that the vines are grown in.

As the trend towards diversity and lighter styles of wine build momentum, it is pleasing to see that some traditional wine styles are also being reinvigorated and in some cases, re-invented. One such style is Vinho Verde. Derided in the past for being "holiday" wine, the delicate, lightly spritzy style and low alcohol seems ideal for today's health conscious drinker. Quinta de Aveleda's modern take on Vinho Verde is lively, delicate and well balanced and a perfect antidote to the ubiquitous Pinot Grigio!



Quinta de Ventozelo, Douro Valley



Portugal

Quinta Da Aveleda - Vinho Verde

9485	Vinho Verde, DOC	12
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Quinta de Ventozelo Douro DOC

9477	Vinzelo Tinto	12
★ 9479	Branco	12
9466	Tinto	12
9468	Touriga Nacional	12
9467	Reserva	12

Quinta de Ventozelo Port

9465	Ruby, “Vinzelo”	12
9464	Ruby Reserva	12
9463	Late Bottled Vintage	12
9462	Tawny Port 10 years Old	12
9461	Vintage Port	12
9461	Vintage Port (37.5cl)	24

Real Companhia Velha - Douro

QV

★ 9475	QV Branco	12
★ 9476	QV Tinto	12

Dessert Wine

★ 9478	Late Harvest, “Grandjo” (37.5cl)	24
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Real Companhia Velha, Grandjo Late Harvest 2006 Douro

Unusual - a nice, fresh, botrytised, golden dessert wine from a vineyard at 600 metres in port country.

Jancis Robinson MW



Casal da Granja, Real Companhia Velha

In quite the most spectacular position, the **Quinta de Ventozelo** is perched high above the majestic Douro river and encompasses some 650 ha in total with some 250 ha planted to vines - making it one of the three biggest single estates in the region. Harvested and fermented under strictly controlled conditions, this Quinta produces extraordinary white grapes which result in aromatic, fresh and acid-balanced wines. One of their objectives is to demonstrate that the Douro also has the potential for white grapes, especially in the highlands. Known for its' continuous effort in research and development of new styles of wines, the latest inspiration to come from Qunita de Ventozelo are the stunning QV White and Red – sure to become favourites in 2010.



Real Companhia Velha, Touriga Nacional 2005 (90 points)

Rich, ripe and spicy, offering a deep core of dark plum and kirsch flavors. Still quite fresh-tasting, with notes of sandalwood and vanilla, followed by a lush finish of chocolate and mocha. Drink now through 2014.

Wine Spectator



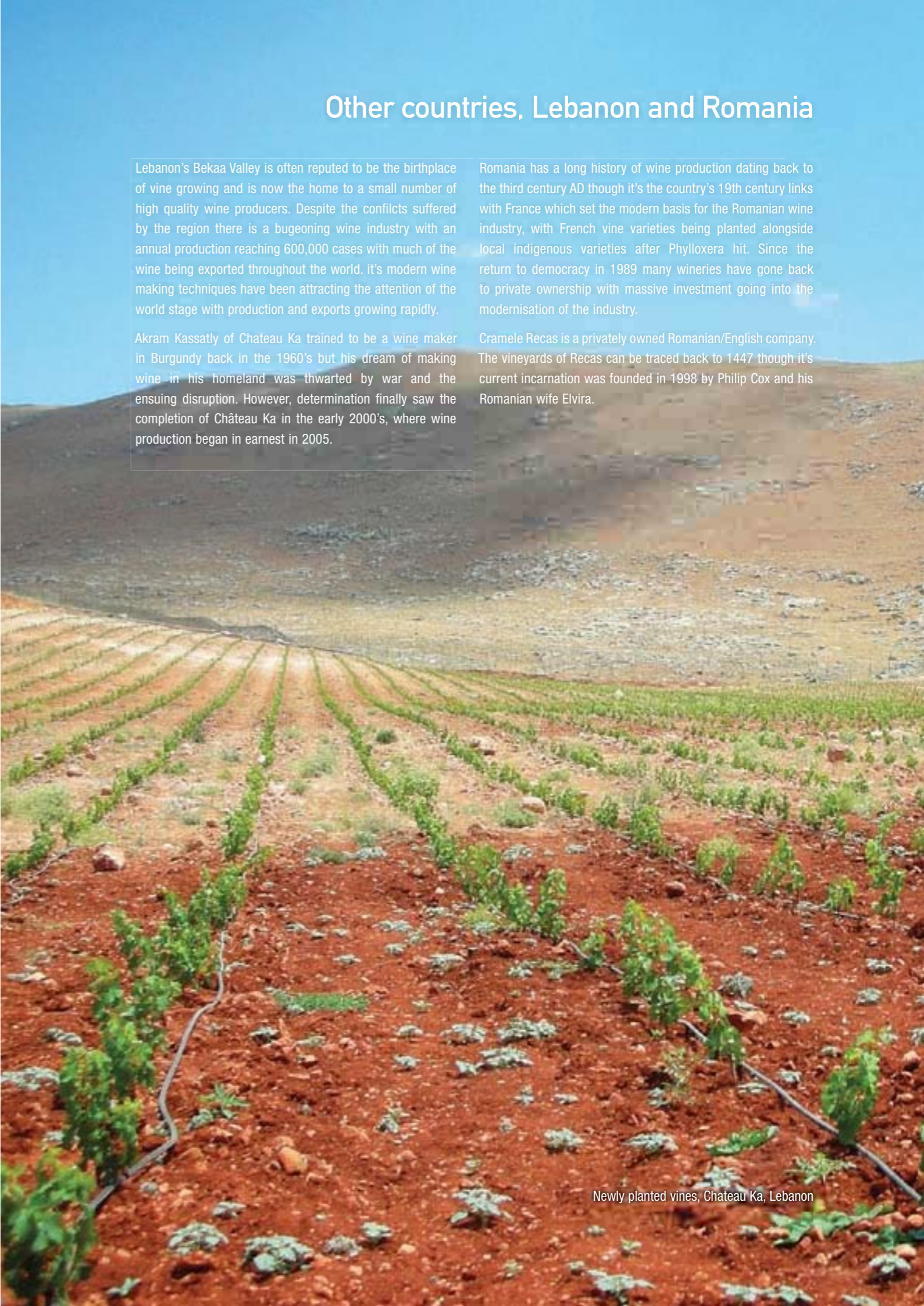
Other countries, Lebanon and Romania

Lebanon's Bekaa Valley is often reputed to be the birthplace of vine growing and is now the home to a small number of high quality wine producers. Despite the confilcts suffered by the region there is a bugeoning wine industry with an annual production reaching 600,000 cases with much of the wine being exported throughout the world. it's modern wine making techniques have been attracting the attention of the world stage with production and exports growing rapidly.

Akram Kassatly of Chateau Ka trained to be a wine maker in Burgundy back in the 1960's but his dream of making wine in his homeland was thwarted by war and the ensuing disruption. However, determination finally saw the completion of Château Ka in the early 2000's, where wine production began in earnest in 2005.

Romania has a long history of wine production dating back to the third century AD though it's the country's 19th century links with France which set the modern basis for the Romanian wine industry, with French vine varieties being planted alongside local indigenous varieties after Phylloxera hit. Since the return to democracy in 1989 many wineries have gone back to private ownership with massive investment going into the modernisation of the industry.

Cramele Recas is a privately owned Romanian/English company. The vineyards of Recas can be traced back to 1447 though it's current incarnation was founded in 1998 by Philip Cox and his Romanian wife Elvira.



Newly planted vines, Chateau Ka, Lebanon



## Lebanon

### Chateau Ka - Bekaa Valley

7809	Muscat, Sauvignon, Semillon “Source Blanche”	12
7802	Cabernet Grenache Rosé	12
7810	Cabernet Merlot Syrah “Cadet de Ka”	12
7804	Cabernet Grenache Mourvedre, “Source de Rouge”	12
7808	Cabernet Sauvignon Merlot Syrah, “Château”	12
7814	Cabernet Sauvignon Merlot Syrah, “Fleur de Ka”	12

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#### Chateau Ka Source de Rouge 2005

This Lebanese red is a feisty blend of cabernet sauvignon, merlot and syrah - I took some to a BYO Lebanese to wash down spicy lamb kebabs.

Victoria Moore

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#### Chateau Ka Source Blanche 2008

Very impressive Lebanese blend of semillon/ sauvignon blanc/ muscat; honeysuckle, eastern spice and zippy fresh acidity.

Rose Murray Brown

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## Romania

### Cramele Recas - Recas

6940	Pinot Grigio	12	🇷🇴
6945	Merlot Rosé	12	🇷🇴
6942	Pinot Noir	12	🇷🇴

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#### Cremele Recas, Pinot Noir

A light fruity Pinot Noir with inviting strawberry aromas on the nose leading to velvety red fruit and a soft, lush finish.

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Lebanon is said to be the ancient home of the vine and it is quite certain that wine production has played an important role in the indigenous culture for centuries. However, as most will be aware the recent history is that of a beautiful land, torn apart by civil war and destruction. Fortunately, inspirational characters like Gaston Hochar at Chateau Musar have kept winemaking alive and we are now delighted to be representing another such inspirational producer, **Chateau Ka**. Chateau Ka, literally meaning “soul of an ancient god”, was founded by Akram Kassatly as recently as 2000, with the first release of wines in 2006. Previous attempts to start the wine business had been thwarted by war but this time the winery has flourished. The initial planting of 50 acres, at 1200 metres elevation, is growing and is forecast to reach 300 acres this year. Varieties planted include Cabernet Sauvignon, Sauvignon Blanc, Muscat, Chardonnay and Semillon – giving an eclectic mix of varietals with which to fashion some truly surprising wines.

Founded in 1998, **Cramele Recas** is a privately owned Romanian-British company. “The refinement of taste” is the motto of this winery, which is enjoying a lightning fast evolution. The winery has been substantially modernized to include state of the art equipment and a processing capacity of 7000HL of wine. The quality is constantly monitored and guaranteed by an international team of experts.

## South Africa

Of all the wine regions to visit in the world, the Western Cape is arguably the most spectacular. Each of the various sub-regions vines are surrounded by mountains like some massive viticultural amphitheatre!

Coupled with a glorious climate, the Cape is a fantastic place to grow vines and make wines.

The problems of South Africa both politically and viticulturally are well documented but it is clear for all to see that progress in winemaking terms has been huge.

Stylistically, South Africa sits between France and Australia which has led to some confusion in the past as to exactly what style is the one to aim for. Well, if recent evidence

is anything to go by, the pioneers of the industry are more carefully defining the correct sites for each variety and as a result, problems of ripeness and excessive alcohol are being more carefully managed.

From the cool climate Sauvignon of Lands End way down in Cape Agulhas to the terroir specific Chenin of Bruwer Raats, Alliance can offer the best of the Cape.



## South Africa

### Alliance Wine South Africa - Western Cape

#### Aloe Tree

8827	Chenin Blanc	12	🍷
8828	Shiraz	12	🍷

#### Babylon's Peak - Swartland

8780	Chenin Blanc	12	🍷
8781	Vioigner	12	🍷
8782	Syrah Carignan	12	🍷



#### Babylon's Peak Syrah

Produced from some of the finest vineyard sites on the Paardeburch Mountain in South Africa's Swartland region, this blend of Syrah and Carignan has intense, concentrated creamy dark berry fruits overlaid with hints of mocha, dried cherries and wood spice.



### Hidden Valley - Stellenbosch

8806	Sauvignon Blanc	12	
8812	Pinotage	12	



#### Hidden Valley, Sauvignon Blanc

Sure to become one of the star sauvignons from the Cape, Hidden Valley's Sauvignon Blanc is a stunning examples with intense gooseberry, guava and blackcurrant leaf character. Crisp, tangy and beautifully balanced and rounded this is long, complex and intensely appetising.



### Lands End - Cape Agulhas

8816	Sauvignon Blanc	12	🍷
8822	Syrah	12	🍷



#### Lands End Sauvignon Blanc

Situated at the most southerly point of Africa, Land's End Estate produces iconic Sauvignon Blanc and Syrah from an extreme microclimate. In vineyards where the pruners sometimes have trouble standing up because of the wind, the grapes ripen slowly giving great intensity of flavour and texture. Low yields and careful winemaking further add complexity to make what will become one of the textbook Sauvignons from the Cape. Concentrated gooseberry, mineral and guava character with a mouthwatering, crisp, tangy finish.



#### Land's End Syrah 2006

Velvety texture. Really deep- flavoured yet racy and layered. Electric tension and refreshment factor. Long and lively.

Jancis Robinson MW



**Babylon's Peak** is a boutique producer, nestled on the slopes of the Paardeberg Mountain, between Malmesbury and Paarl. The cellar is built on the farm Nootgedacht, which had belonged to the Basson family since 1919, when great-grandfather Thys Basson bought and farmed the land, after which grandfather Fanie and father Kobus followed in his footsteps. In 2003 a long held dream was realized when Stephan Basson joined the farm and decided to renovate the old cellar, which was in use until 1948, and started making wine under the Babylon's Peak label. Three of the four generations made wine – great-grandfather, grandfather and Stephan. The name Babylon's Peak is derived from a very high granite peak on the farm, which is known to local people as Babylon'storen. Some of the highest vineyards in the Swartland region are found here – about 700m above sea level. We've been really impressed by the superb Chenin Blanc and the cracking Carignan Syrah blend called 19nineteen and after a great first year with Alliance, we hope to build on this initial success in 2010.



### McGregor Winery - Robertson

8815	Chenin Blanc	12	🍷
8839	Sauvignon Blanc	12	🍷
8837	Pinotage Rosé	12	🍷
8833	Pinotage Ruby Cabernet	12	
8835	Pinotage	12	



#### McGregor Pinotage Rosé

A vibrant, enticing pink packed with wild strawberry fruit and hints of cassis. Crisp, mouthwateringly moreish and finishing with a flourish.



#### McGregor Pinotage

A rich velvety expression of South Africa's native grape. Soft, Jammy, Slightly smoky fruit mingles with savoury spiciness and gentle oaking.



### Raats - Stellenbosch

8916	Chenin Blanc Original	12	🍷
8942	Chardonnay Original	12	🍷
8917	Chenin Blanc Family	12	🍷
8943	Cabernet Sauvignon Original	12	
8918	Cabernet Franc	12	



#### Raats Family's Original Chenin Blanc 2009,

This is impeccable wine that I have been drinking ever since my return from South Africa to remind me that the sun is still shining somewhere out there. I reckon it's one of Bruwer Raats' best Original Chenins to date - and from a cracking vintage. It is packed with Golden Delicious apple freshness with a lean refreshing pineapple-like tang - no oak at all, just pure, glorious, sunny fruit. Magnificent with mildly spiced dishes such as stir-fry noodles, or just as a refreshing, top quality aperitif.

Olly Smith



### Mvemve Raats – Stellenbosch

8919	MR de Compostela (In Collaboration with Mvemve)	6	
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When Bruwer **Raats** announced to his winemaking friends in 2001 that he wanted to create the New world's finest Chenin Blanc, they all laughed and predicted that he would be bust within the year. But as a result of his dedication to researching the specific soil on which Chenin Blanc grows best and his relentless hunting for blocks of ancient vines, he has won huge international acclaim for his wines including Wine Spectator, Jancis Robinson, Matthew Jukes... the list goes on. Now widely considered the best Chenin Blanc producer in South Africa (and the only Cabernet Franc specialist), we are delighted to welcome Raats Family Wines to Alliance. Though Bruwer is definitely a Chenin and Cabernet Franc guy, we twisted his arm (quite a feat in itself) and persuaded him to produce a couple of wines just for Alliance. The release of Raats Original Chardonnay and Raats Original Cabernet were met with spectacular success that is sure to roll into 2010.

**Mvemve Raats** is a joint venture between Mzokhona Mvemve and Bruwer Raats, the 2004 maiden vintage has already become the highest ever scoring South African Bordeaux blend in Wine Spectator. The pair met when Mzokhona applied to Bruwer to do his final internship whilst studying Oenology at Stellenbosch University. Swiftly recognizing that they were kindred spirits, a friendship grew and the idea of MR de Compostella began to hatch. Made in minute quantities (only 6 barrels in 2005), the wine demonstrates a unique elegance combined with concentration. One of South Africa's brightest stars.

# Spain

Over the past few years Spain's wine industry has gained a reputation for being as vibrant, exciting and varied as the very countryside that nurtures these enduring yet innovative viticultural regions.

To bring you the best possible quality, diversity and value, Alliance has developed its own brands in Spain, which now include five of the seven deadly sins (Los Pecadillos) representing iconic Iberian regions and wine styles. There are two more to come in 2010! Also new this year are the Campo Flores organic wines from la Mancha, as well as the fantastically juicy, sexy and youthful El Primero Garnacha and El Primero Graciano from the 3 Riberas DO in Navarra.

Alliance's Spanish portfolio has been led for a long time now by our world renowned Rioja producers such as Remelluri and Luis Canas. With the latter developing a new premium range of wines – Bodegas Amaren – our Rioja offerings are more impressive than ever. Watch this space also for exciting developments in Joven styles of wines from Finca Manzanos.

But our Spanish list is so much more than Rioja. With top producers in regions across the country – from Ribera del Duero to Rias Baixas to Jerez – we have some inspiring new wines as well as some established classics to offer you in 2010. El Puño Viognier and Garnacha, the two new products from El Escocés Volante, highlight the experimentation of producers in the Calatayud region. Bodegas Laus continues to offer something different from Somontano, Buil & Giné demonstrates elegance and finesse from Priorat, and Alvarez y Diez prove that Spain is equally about impressive whites as it is about classic reds. As contrasted as the Spanish countryside itself, as colourful and enticing as a Pedro Almodovar film, and as breathtaking as a Real Madrid goal, our Spanish portfolio has something to tempt everyone in 2010.

## Spain

### Alliance Wine Spain

#### Campo Flores - Organic

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7576

Verdejo Sauvignon, VdT Castilla

12

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Tempranillo, VdT Castilla

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#### Castillo del Moro

- 7560

Airen Sauvignon, VdT Castilla

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- ★

7573

Tempranillo Rosado, VdT Castilla

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- 7565

Tempranillo Syrah, VdT Castilla

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#### Centelleo

- 7386

Macabeo Chardonnay, VdT Castilla

12

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7389

Tempranillo Rosado, VdT Castilla

12

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- 7388

Tempranillo, VdT Castilla

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#### DeAlto

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7519

DOCa Rioja

12

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#### El Primero

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7617

Garnacha, IGP 3 Riberas

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Graciano, IGP 3 Riberas

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#### El Primero Garnacha, IGP 3 Riberas

Garnacha is one of Spain's great natural resources and is often overlooked in favour of more famous relatives. Deny the hedonistic pleasures of Garnacha at your peril though – saturated with dark, delicious blueberry and blackcurrant fruit in its youth, it delivers delicious, inspiring drinking right from the off. This wine captures all of the character, fun and excitement of Garnacha and is to be enjoyed served either cool on its own or with cured meats, tasty wood fired lamb or roast piquillo peppers.

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#### Los Pecadillos

- 7427

Verdejo Sauvignon, Invidia (Envy), DO Rueda

12

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- 7525

Rosado, Old Vine Garnacha, Pereza (Sloth), DO Campo de Borja

12

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- 7488

Graciano Garnacha, Lujuria (Lust), DO Navarra

12

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- 7520

Orgullo (Pride), DOCa Rioja

12

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- ★

9332

Glotionia (Gluttony) (50cl), DO Montilla-Moriles

12

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#### Los Pecadillos, Gluttony, Montilla-Moriles

Gluttony is said to be the over indulgence of anything to the point of waste. Some say it is even the obsessive anticipation of eating and drinking but whichever you choose to believe it is entirely understandable to be obsessed with this most delicious of Spanish vinous delicacies. Produced from partially sun-dried Pedro Ximenez grapes, Glotionia is rich, unctuous and sensuous with melting fruitcake, prunes, caramel and toffee flavours that mellifluously cascade down one's throat and leave one joyous.

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## Galicia

### Castel de Bouza - DO Rias Baixas

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Albariño, “Lagar de Bouza”

12

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- 7406

Albariño, “Castel de Bouza”

12

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#### Castel de Bouza, Albariño, “Lagar de Bouza”

Albarino has long been likened to Riesling for its lemony, crisp style but this indigenous grape of the region of Galicia has a personality very much of its own. Paired with seafood or shellfish, is a delicate, invigorating partner.

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The sun-drenched vineyards of central Spain provide the perfect natural backdrop to organic grape growing and it's with these grapes that we craft the wines of **Campo Flores**. Evoking memories of less intensive farming, and good old honest produce, Campo Flores wines taste naturally good. A vivacious and tangy Verdejo Sauvignon and a succulent, juicy Tempranillo these wines bring together all that is good in modern Spanish winemaking.

**Castillo del Moro** wines are sourced from one of the most advanced bodegas in la Mancha and they combine the traditional varieties of the region with international varieties such as Sauvignon and Syrah. Soberly packaged and closed with a screwcap, Castillo del Moro represents the very best of modern Spanish winemaking but draws on a tradition that goes back centuries. The result is exceptional value for money and huge drinkability. That everyone who has tasted said "now I'd be happy drinking a bottle of that" is telling when we're talking about wines at these prices.

**El Primero** celebrates the exuberance of youth, be it in mind or in wine. Following the age old tradition of offering weary pilgrims on the Camino de Santiago a taste of the fresh, new vintage wines, El Primero offers weary wine drinkers a taste of all that is good in modern Spain. Focusing on vibrant native grape varieties, El Primero wines are filled with bright, succulent fruit and provide an exciting journey through the best Spanish vineyards. Wildly different, the El Primero Graciano captures the new spirit of Spain while the hedonistic pleasure of the Garnacha captures the character, fun and excitement – to be overlooked at your peril!

**Los Pecadillos** is an exciting range of wines that will cover 7 regions of Spain. Rarely attempted before, Los Pecadillos brings a cohesive brand to an otherwise diverse country – with the aim of letting consumers try innovative new blends from unfamiliar regions – all with the reassurance that Los Pecadillos wines will also be high quality. Inspired by all those wines that we taste when travelling through Spain and would love to bring to a wider audience, Los Pecadillos provide a new world approach to traditional regions with fantastic packaging depicting each of the 7 sins. Whether you are tempted by a crisp dry white, Invidia, a succulent young red from Navarra, Lujuria, or the devilishly moreish, gold medal winning Glotionia, there is a little sin for you – the final two deadly sins will be released in 2010! Each of the wines is blended by Giles Cooke MW and bottled in the region of origin to ensure that the style and quality is exceptional. We're very excited by this innovative approach to Spain and proud that, once again, Alliance is at the vanguard of the modern Spanish movement.

Galicia is very individual region within Spain, with a language and culture all of its own. It is also home to arguably Spain's greatest white grape, Albarino, which grows on the traditional pergolas all over the Rias Baixas area of Galicia. This is a cool, strongly maritime influenced region, whose wines marry admirably with the local penchant for all things pescatorial. Many of the producers in the regions are very small and, as a result, prices for Albarino are pretty solid. Whilst not exactly cheap, Castel de Bouza is one of the best value wineries we have come across. Working as a small cooperative, 5 local vineyard owners pool their resources to make just 2 wines – both Albarinos. **Castel de Bouza** is finer, more structured and exemplifies all that great Albarino should be – fine, minerally, citrus fruit with hints of the salty maritime air. Lagar de Bouza is fuller, rounder and uses more press wine to give fullness of flavour.

Newly Terraced Vineyards, Buil & Gine, Priorat



## Castilla y Leon

### Alvarez y Diez

7426	Verdejo Viura, Monte Alina, DO Rueda	12	🏆
7415	Verdejo Sauvignon, Mantel Blanco, DO Rueda	12	🏆
7418	Sauvignon Blanc, Mantel Blanco, DO Rueda	12	🏆
7428	Valmoro, DO Toro	12	

### Bodegas Veracruz - DO Rueda

7357	Verdejo	12	🏆
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#### Bodegas Veracruz, Verdejo

Apple and fennel aromas. On the palate, a vibrant, racy freshness, with succulent fruit but also pure and mineral.

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### Bodegas Leda - Cigales, Ribera Del Duero & Toro

7540	Mas de Leda	12	
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#### Bodegas Leda, Mas de Leda

A baby brother to widely praised Leda Vinas Viejas, Mas de Leda comes from very old vines dotted around the Cigales, Toro and Ribera del Duero region. More approachable in its youth, Mas' delivers deeply concentrated, rich, fruit laden character with a supple but lengthy finish.

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### Cillar de Silos - DO Ribera Del Duero

7456	Cillar de Silos Rosado	12	
7459	El Curato Tinto	12	
7454	Cillar de Silos Tinto	12	
7458	Torre Silo	12	

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#### Cillar de Silos, Rosado

Imagine crushing ultra ripe strawberries then macerating them in kirsch for a little while - well, that's what you're dealing with here. It's an explosion of ripe fruit counterbalanced nicely by some savoury elements to provide balance and interest.

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**Alvarez y Diez** One of the more recent finds and one of the stars of the portfolio, Ermita Veracruz Verdejo proves once and for all that Spain can make world class whites. Veracruz is owned by the de Benito family who also have other interests in the region but have concentrated much time and energy into Veracruz to make it one of the finest (if not the finest) example of Verdejo in the world. Likened to Sauvignon, Verdejo shares much of the zippy, herbaceous character of Sauvignon but does it with more weight and texture. The result is a fabulously tangy, rich white wine with tanks full of guava, green mango, citrus, herb and melon like fruit. This is truly a fruit explosion in a glass.

A stunning fourteenth century manor house on the main street in Tudela de Duero is home to **Bodegas Leda**, one of Spain's rising stars. Sourced from a multitude of old vine sites dotted around Toro, Ribera del Duero and Cigales, Leda chose to go down the non DO route with spectacular success! Combining the diversity of the different terroir to produce a wine that delivers deeply concentrated, rich, fruit laden character. A relatively recent addition to Spanish winemaking, founded in the late 1990s, this winery has continued to go from strength to strength and this is sure to continue through 2010 with the union with Bodegas Mauro. The Garcia family will join forces with the skilful Caesar Colas to continue producing extraordinary, beautifully structured wines showcasing the heights that old vine Tempranillo can reach.

Ribera del Duero has long been one of the most revered regions of Spain thanks to the presence of Vega Sicilia there since the 19th century but its ability to appeal to a wider audience has sometimes been hindered by our somewhat blinkered love of Rioja. Many of the better vineyards are planted at relatively high altitude which, combined with the short growing season, risk of frost and extremes of temperatures makes this a challenging yet superb climate for making complex, structured wines. Until we discovered **Cillar de Silos**, this climate often translated into wines that were imposing, impressive and full flavoured but lacking in elegance. At Cillar' the wines have complexity, full flavours and good structure but all this is wrapped up in a beautiful, creamy layer that belies the intensity. All this comes about by using old vines, fermentation in barrel and great oak – and a little know how from the brothers, Oscar and Roberto Aragon.



## Rioja and Navarra

### Bodegas Luis Cañas - DOCa Rioja

7326	Blanco	12	
7330	Blanco Barrel Fermented	12	
7321	Oak Aged Red	12	
7320	Crianza	12	
7320	Crianza (50cl)	12	
7340	Reserva	12	
7340	Reserva (50cl)	12	
7340	Reserva (150cl)	6	
7335	Reserva, “Selección de la Familia”	12	
7344	Gran Reserva	12	
7346	“Hiru 3 Racimos”	6	
7346	“Hiru 3 Racimos” (150cl)	3	

### Bodegas Amaren - DOCa Rioja

🌟 7533	Branco	12	
🌟 7341	Tempranillo Graciano, “Ángeles de Amaren”	12	
🌟 7336	Tempranillo Reserva Especial (150cl)	1	
🌟 7336	Tempranillo Reserva Especial (300cl)	1	
🌟 7343	Graciano	12	
🌟 7347	Tempranillo Reserva Especial	12	

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#### Bodegas Amaren, Tempranillo Graciano, “Ángeles de Amaren”

Cherry red with high robe. Highly intense aromas where fruit shows over a background of wood. Lactic nuances and spicy touches. In the mouth it is tasty and expressive with smooth, fresh tannin. It is long in the end, with reminiscences of red and black fruit. Fresh, lively and persistent.

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### Bodegas Remelluri - DOCa Rioja

7461	Blanco	12	
7487	Reserva	12	
7487	Reserva (37.5cl)	24	
7487	Reserva (300cl)	1	
7489	Gran Reserva	12	
7491	“Colección Jaime Rodriguez”	12	

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#### Remelluri, Colección Jaime Rodriguez

Very sophisticated and gentle and easy. Calm, non showy, and beautifully balanced.

**Jancis Robinson MW**

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### Finca Manzanos - DOCa Rioja

7515	Rioja Rosado	12	🏆
7481	Joven	12	🏆
7483	Crianza	12	🏆
7483	Crianza (37.5cl)	24	
7479	Reserva	12	

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#### Finca Manzanos, Rioja Reserva

A beautifully balanced, mature Rioja Reserva from one of the best up and coming family producers, Finca Manzanos. Aged in oak barrels for 1 year and in bottle for 2 years.

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Bodegas **Luis Cañas** has been at the heart of Rioja since 1928 and has been one of the most go-ahead and progressive wineries since the 1970s. Extensive vineyards supply Tempranillo, Graciano, Mazuelo and Viura grapes, selected and crafted, using modern technology and traditional know-how. Passion, care and attention to detail is evident in the exceptional quality of the wines, and there is a real sense of pride and dedication - every harvest Luis Cañas, now 81, stands at the head of the selection table keenly ensuring only the best parcels of grapes are used. The end result is wine consistently packed with fruit and wrapped in a silky, oak laced layer of flavour that seems unique to Rioja. Bodegas Luis Cañas is now very much at the vanguard of premium Rioja producers.

The stunning new range from **Bodegas Amaren** pays homage to Ángeles, the mother of Juan Luis Cañas, the owner-manager of Bodegas Luis Cañas. A tireless worker, she dedicated her life to the vineyard and winery with a fierce passion and drive to produce only the highest quality wines. In 2009 Juan turned his dream to reality with a warehouse dedicated to wines that represents the pioneering ambition of his mother. The Amaren range represents the best of the winery's wines and the drive for perfection in all fields – the cultivation of the vineyard, the hand selection of the grapes, the thoughtful wine-making and careful ageing to produce honest wines of outstanding quality. From a zesty barrel fermented white to three stunning red wines that are packed with fruit and silky layers of oak, we are excited to be introducing these fantastic wines to the UK in 2010.

Encompassing some 100 hectares, **Remelluri** has, since 1971, produced some of the most distinctive, high quality wines in all of Rioja. The low yielding, high altitude, terraced vineyards produce highly concentrated, well balanced grapes with which to fashion the wines. Winemaking is traditional and non interventionist, with ageing taking place in high quality predominantly French barricas. The resulting wines display their high altitude, cooler climate nature through fine structure, purity of flavour and wonderful balance. Far from the caricature Rioja with juicy fruit and lots of oak, these are very classy, elegant wines with an exceedingly fine pedigree.

This producer, based near to Azagra, close to the border of Rioja and Navarra proudly produces distinctive Joven and Crianza wines from its 100ha of family owned vineyards. Owned by the Fernandez de Manzanos family, **Finca Manzanos** has generations of history but in recent years this modest producer has built an incredible winery and eco-hotel that belies its modest aspirations. Victor Fernandez de Manzanos has almost single handedly built a cathedral-like winery that sinks 4 levels down into the hillside allowing for a totally gravity fed production cycle. The wines are honest, typical and stylish with sappy, raspberry fruit on the Joven and soft, brambly, wild strawberry fruit on the Crianza.



Finca Lasierpe - DO Navarra

7494	Viura Blanco	12
7498	Garnacha Rosado	12
7501	Tempranillo Garnacha	12
7516	Moscatel, Vino Dulce Natural	12

Aragon

Bodegas Laus - DO Somontano

7392	Flor de Chardonnay	12
7397	Flor de Gewurtztraminer	12
7394	Flor de Merlot Rosé	12
7396	Roble Tinto	12
7398	Crianza Tinto	12



Bodegas Laus, Flor de Gewurtztraminer

The elevated vineyard sites at Laus allow for long cool ripening which is important for retaining balance in Gewurtztraminer. This example has delicate lychee and rose petal on the nose followed by a crisp yet rounded palate of zesty tropical fruit.



El Escocés Volante - Calatayud

✱	7527	Old Vine Garnacha, la Multa, DO	12
✱	7528	Garnacha Shiraz Tempranillo, Manga del Brujo, DO	12
✱	7529	Viognier, El Puño	12
✱	7531	Garnacha, El Puño	12



El Escoces Volante, Manga Del Brujo 2007

Norrel Robertson MW's joint venture with San Gregorio, taking advantage of old Garnacha vines. Sweet and rich and flattering.

Jancis Robinson MW – ‘Top Pick of the Year 2009’



Catalunya

Buil y Giné

7463	Rosado, DOQa Priorat	12	🍷
7462	“Giné Giné”, DOQa Priorat	12	
7464	“Joan Giné Giné”, DOQa Priorat	12	
7434	“17-X1”, DO Montsant	12	
7430	“Baboix”, DO Montsant	12	



Buil y Giné, Baboix Montsant

Xavi Buil has rightly become well known for fashioning some of the best and most approachable Priorat wines and now he has turned to the neighbouring Montsant region. Deeply coloured, rich and velvety with concentrated, herbal, cassis notes followed by a long, sensual finish.



**Bodegas Laus** is a new winery in the emerging region of Somontano, in the foothill of the Pyrenees. With huge investment and ambition, Laus has entered the market with a view to becoming the premium winery in the region. A state of the art winery, minimalist design and labels that have already garnered design awards all makes for a typically modern Spanish project. However, the high altitude vineyards and use of varieties such as Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot and Gewurtztraminer give it a thoroughly international profile. While we're sure that the slowly maturing vines are yet to yield their finest fruit, the early releases from Laus have been extremely well received and their introduction provides welcome variety to the Spanish scene.

**El Escocés Volante** Norrel Robertson MW is not your average winemaker. Having been brought up in Scotland, where he did his apprenticeship at Oddbins in Edinburgh, Norrel embarked on a journey to become a winemaker-encompassing the passing of the Master of Wine exams and then the well respected winemaking course at New Zealand's Lincoln College. After spells in France and Chile, Norrel and his family settled in the unlikely Spanish town of Calatayud. Famed for making hugely concentrated Garnacha based wines from gnarly old bush vines, Calatayud needed fresh blood and impetus to bring it to the world stage. Norrel Robertson's non-traditional approach, coupled with a little Scottish zeal and passion, has proved highly successful. El Puño is the latest release by the 'Flying Scotsman' and takes inspiration from the raw power of the local climate and the winemakers challenge to tame it. Norrel has spent the last 6 years sourcing out individual blocks of fruit to work with to produce wines of massive intensity - a crisp and elegant Viognier and full bodied luxurious Garnacha, show the rewards that time, dedication and passion reap.

**Buil y Gine** is fronted by the fresh-faced Xavi Buil, whose family decided, in the winter of 1996, to return to the tradition of Priorat winemaking that had been a part of their family for so long. Having brought this tradition back to life, the present generation of the family are dedicated to producing wines from both Priorat and Montsant that are typical, authentic and accessible. Indeed, by introducing extensive terracing, Buil y Gine have helped revolutionise the industry and allow a many more people to samples the region's wines through the introduction of fresher, more economic wines than were previously available. His Giné Giné Priorat has all the spice, mineral and fruit that one expects from the region but it also has youth, vibrancy and clean bright fruit that make this such an appealing style. This is a truly innovative, forward thinking producer with the drive and passion to bring Priorat to the wider market.



Jerez

Bodegas Colosia - Sherry

9320	Fino	12
9322	Manzanilla	12
9324	Cream	12
9326	Oloroso	12
9328	Amontillado	12
9330	Moscatel Soleado	12
9331	Pedro Ximenez (37.5cl)	12



Colosia, Oloroso

Most complex of sherry styles with an almost mahogany colour flecked through with amber. Evolved, complex nose of nuts, caramel and dried peel. Intriguingly dry palate with concentrated nutty flavours and a very long, complex finish.



Cider

Zythos Sidra - Asturias

7508	Zythos Sidra Natural (70cl)	12
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Zythos Sidra Natural

A traditional cider from the Northern Spanish region of Asturia. Made only from apples allowed under their denominacion rules, it is still, dry and deliciously appley.



Bodegas Gutierrez **Colosia** are heirs to a long and noble viticulture and wine producing tradition. The bodega, dating from 1838 and preserved virtually intact, was acquired by the Gutierrez Colosia family at the start of the 20th century. Its unique location - the only bodega in Puerto de Santa Maria situated alongside the river mouth - ensures the perfect humidity for producing artisan, 100% natural wines from the traditional crianza-solera method: noble wines from a noble tradition.

**Zythos Sidra** Few in the U.K are even aware that Spain has an indigenous cider culture to match our own. The region of Asturia, with the majestic city of Oviedo at its heart, is the home to the industry and to the eponymous D.O. for Sidra production. During the Franco regime, the rebellious Asturians were the target of efforts to quell dissention and Franco believed that to hit at the heart of their culture, one had to regulate the Siderias – as a result, he banned singing in Siderias but he could not ban the production of sidra altogether! Today, the industry is innovating and providing new life for a category that could have declined. The “nuevo expression” sidras are clear, sometimes single varietal ciders that aim to compete on equal terms with wine. Interesting though they are, we have decided to introduce a tradional “escanciar” sidra. Slightly cloudy and still, it is intended for pouring a small amount into a glass from height (escanciar) which is then downed in one go. It's a skill that takes some time to develop but what fun you can have whilst practising!

# USA - California

California produces some 90% of all US wine and is quite rightly regarded as the “wine state”. Those unfamiliar with the region might assume that California is constantly bathed in warm sunshine but the truth is very different. Some coastal areas live under an almost constant blanket of sea-mist which makes grape growing impossible. Further inland the climate quickly becomes too warm for the production of quality grapes. Somewhere in-between lies land that sometimes has cooling fog but also has the warm sunshine required, making for near perfect wine country. The industry is dominated by the massive Gallo winery but there are a proliferation of smaller wine growers whose production is more important in quality terms.

Many winery owners come from non-wine backgrounds which make for a very driven and eclectic wine industry – the home of the “boutique” winery.

Our U.S range has changed raically over the last 12 months with the addition of 3 new producers with very different appeals. The Redtree labels offers great value for money on

key varietals from people well-versed in the art of making appealing, affordable Californian wines. Eberle, one of the leaders of the Rhône Ranger movement represent high quality, flavour packed, characterful wines that, whilst not cheap, offer real individuality from the highly rated Paso Robles region.

Our most recent addition to the portfolio is the world class wines of Paul Hobbs. Having made wine for Robert Mondavi, Opus One and Simi, Paul is well placed to know where the best Napa & Sonoma vineyards are and he capitalises on this knowledge to make wines of exquisite flavour and texture. Often regarded as the most talented winemaker of his generation working in the US, we are delighted to have Paul join the team.

## USA - California

### Cecchetti Wine Company - Lake County

9247	White Zinfandel, “Redtree” Rosé	12	🍷
9340	Pinot Grigio, “Redtree”	12	🍷
9342	Chardonnay, “Redtree”	12	🍷
9344	Zinfandel, “Redtree”	12	🍷
9346	Cabernet Sauvignon, “Redtree”	12	🍷

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#### Cecchetti, Cabernet Sauvignon, “Redtree”

Our Redtree Cabernet Sauvignon opens with aromas of cherries and subtle hints of oak and cedar in the background. The mouthfeel of this wine is full, displaying a jammy mid-palate of red fruits, finishing with gentle tannins.

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### Eberle Winery - Paso Robles

9360	Viognier, “Mill Road Vineyard”	12
9362	Chardonnay, Estate Bottled	12
9364	Syrah, “Steinbeck Vineyards”	12
9366	Zinfandel, “Steinbeck Bush Vineyards”	12
9368	Cabernet Sauvignon, Vineyard Selection	12

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#### Eberle, Cabernet Sauvignon, Vineyard Selection

Eberle’s Cabernet Sauvignon is sourced from a number of top sites, all of which produce concentrated, low yielding fruit. The result is a deep, rich but balanced Cab with heaps of cassis, leather and âpice on the nose. The palate is structured, silky smooth and filled with black olive, cassis and cassis fruit.

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### Paul Hobbs

8126	Chardonnay, Crossbarn, Russian River	12
8127	Cabernet Sauvignon, Crossbarn, Dry Creek Valley	12
8128	Chardonnay, Russian River	12
8129	Pinot Noir, Russian River	12
8131	Cabernet Sauvignon, Napa Valley	12
8132	Pinot Noir, Lindsay Vineyard, Russian River	12
8133	Cabernet Sauvignon, Dr Crane Vineyard, Napa Valley	6
8134	Cabernet Sauvignon, Beckstoffer To Kalon Vineyard, Napa Valley	6

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#### Paul Hobbs, Pinot Noir, Russian River 2006

Awarded 4 stars out of 5 and ranked as one of the ‘Top 50 Best New World Pinot Noirs’. ‘Zen-like control and flow of beguiling flavours’.

Matthew Jukes

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Redtree is a brand new range of great value wines put together by Roy **Cecchetti**, who has previously developed substantial Californian brands at affordable prices – not something that is easy to find! After many years of searching for a reasonably economic Californian label, and generally being very disappointed, Redtree came along at just the right time and so we are delighted to finally have something to battle the big brands with!

Brand new to the portfolio in 2008 is this top rate producer from the fashionable Paso Robles region of California’s Central coast. Home to the “Rhône Ranger” movement and made famous by people such as Paul Draper’s Ridge Winery, Paso Robles makes cracking Zinfandel and Syrah as well as some pretty smart Chardonnay and Viognier. Celebrating its 25th year in 2008, **Eberle** featured on Oz Clarke’s television adventures and has long been one of the most awarded wineries in the country. Meaning “small boar”, Eberle is fronted by the eponymous Gary Eberle who was fundamental to the setting up of the Paso Robles appellation and is a passionate believer in the qualities of this region.

It’s not everyone that starts their wine drinking career with a taste of Chateau D’Yquem 1962 but, as a youngster, **Paul Hobbs** passion for wine was ignited when his father brought home a bottle and poured it into paper cups for all the family to taste! Having convinced his father to uproot the apple orchard and plant a vineyard, Paul went on to study both in France and California before landing a job as enologist at Robert Mondavi which led to Paul working as head enologist on the Opus One team. Further experience as winemaker at Simi followed and Paul’s horizons expanded to Argentina where, with Nicolas Catena, he worked on making the country’s first world class Chardonnay. Outside consultancies gave Paul an understanding of vineyards and terroir that he wanted to use himself so, in 1991, Paul founded the eponymous winery. He set out to produce small-lot, hand crafted, vineyard designate wines - working to capture that elusive “sense of place”. Staying true to his initial goals, Paul’s range has expanded beyond the inaugural three wines but he has stayed true to his philosophy. Paul Hobbs’ wines strive to create exuberant, intensely flavoured, richly textured wines of structure and balance, which reflect the specific personality of each vineyard site. In order to achieve this, meticulous care is taken in the vineyard to ensure that the fruit is truly ripe whilst remaining balanced and the most nuanced expression of terroir. Without exception, the wines are truly remarkable for their balance, intensity and sense of place. They are wines of great personality and finesse and, quite rightly, have been much lauded by the global wine world. Indeed, Paul Hobbs has not only been the recipient of that magical 100 point score from Parker but has also been named most influential winemaker in California.

# Spirits & Liqueurs

Arguably the finest of all spirits, Cognac retains an air of superiority and exclusivity unlike any other product. Using skills passed down over the centuries, a fairly limited base wine is crafted into a complex, heady spirit quite unlike any other.

The style of the Cognac depends on which region the grapes come from, the type of wood used to age the spirit, any additives permitted and finally the length of time it is allowed to age.

The finest and purest Cognacs come from the Champagne region of Cognac where chalky soils dominate and it is here that the Cognacs of Pierre Ferrand are made.

Using only the finest base wines, the distilled spirit is aged carefully so as not to give a raw flavour. The wines spend varying times in wood but all Pierre Ferrand's Cognacs have a higher minimum age than an X.O. These are finely crafted spirits that have great depth and subtly of flavour.

# Spirits & Liqueurs

Baccate		
9280	Cassis (35cl)	12
9281	Pêche de Vigne (35cl)	12
9282	Framboise (35cl)	12
9283	Mure (35cl)	12
9284	Fraise (35cl)	12

Cognac Ferrand		
9100A	Ambre 10 Year Old in Gift Box, 40%, Cognac	1
9250	Fine, 40%, Cognac	1
9225	VSOP Armagnac, 40%, Cognac	1

Hennessy - Cognac		
9270	VS (70cl)	1
9271	Fine (70cl)	1
9275	XO (70cl)	1
9272	Paradis (70cl)	1
9274	Richard (70cl)	1

# Rosé Selection, Small Formats & Sweet Wines



## Rosé

### Argentina

#### Familia Zuccardi - Mendoza

<b>Santa Rosa Estate</b>		
7725	Syrah Rosé	12
<b>“Serie A”</b>		
7818	Malbec Rosé, Mendoza	12

### Australia

#### Stella Bella Wines - Margaret River

<b>Skuttlebutt</b>		
8368	Shiraz Merlot Rosé	12
<b>Stella Bella</b>		
8362	Pink Muscat (37.5cl)	12

### France

#### Maison D’Alliance

<b>Largesse</b>		
4609	Shiraz Rosé, IGP Pays D’Oc	12
<b>Les Acrobates</b>		
1025B	Cinsault Rosé, IGP Pays D’Herault	12



### Champagne

#### Pierre Mignon

<b>Domaine Pierre Mignon</b>		
5138	Rosé Brut	12
5138	Rosé Brut (37.5cl)	24

#### Möet et Chandon

5155	Möet et Chandon Rosé	12
5155	Möet et Chandon Rosé (37.5cl)	24
5158	Möet et Chandon Rosé Vintage	12

#### Pommery

5547	Springtime Rosé	12
5520	Brut Rosé	12
5555	Prestige Cuvée Louise Rosé	6
5572	POP Pink (20cl)	24

### Languedoc

#### Château de Lancyre

4143	Pic St Loup Rosé	12
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#### Skuttlebutt Shiraz-Merlot Rosé 2008

Stella Bella in the prime Margaret River region of Western Australia makes some beautiful wines, albeit with quirky names, including this classy, off-dry, partridge-eye pink, made from two thirds shiraz to one third merlot, whose elegant, plummy, peppery, grassy fruit is a winner.

Jane Macquitty's 30 Best Rosé Wines

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#### Largesse, Shiraz Rosé, IGP Pays d’Oc

Intense pinkish purple colour with succulent strawberry fruit with savoury hints. On the palate it is bright as a summers day with enticing juicy red fruit and a crisp finish.

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#### Pierre Mignon Rosé Brut

A beautifully coloured rosé with delicate red berry fruit on the nose with hints of biscuity complexity. Bright, juicy and creamy on the palate with a core of ripe red fruit and a delicately scented finish.

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## Loire

Domaine de Mauny		
1255	Cabernet D'Anjou Rosé	12
Domaine Daulny		
1186	Sancerre Rosé	12

## Provence

Domaine Houchart		
1575	Côtes de Provence Rosé	12 ☼

## Italy

Cielo e Terra		
Casa Defra		
6786	Pinot Grigio Rosato, IGT , Veneto	12
6790	Pinot Grigio Blush Brut Sparkling DOC, Veneto	12

## Lebanon

Chateau Ka - Bekaa Valley		
7802	Cabernet Grenache Rosé	12

## Romania

Cramele Recas - Recas		
6945	Merlot Rosé	12 ☼

## South Africa

McGregor Winery - Robertson		
8837	Pinotage Rosé	12 ☼

## Spain

Alliance Wine Spain		
Castillo del Moro		
☼ 7573	Tempranillo Rosado, VdT Castilla	12 ☼
Centelleo		
7389	Tempranillo Rosado, VdT Castilla	12 ☼
Los Pecalillos		
7525	Rosado, Old Vine Garnacha, Pereza (Sloth), DO Campo de Borja	12 ☼
Bodegas Laus - DO Somontano		
7394	Flor de Merlot Rosado	12
Buil y Giné - Priorat		
7463	Rosado, DOQa Priorat	12 ☼
Cava Miret - Penedes		
7510	Cava Rosado	12
Cillar de Silos - DO Ribera Del Duero		
7456	Cillar de Silos Rosado	12
Finca Lasierpe - DO Navarra		
7498	Garnacha Rosado	12
Finca Manzanos - DOCa Rioja		
7515	Rioja Rosado	12 ☼



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**Domaine Houchart, Côtes de Provence, Rosé**  
Quality Provence rosé that is full flavoured and dry, with well balanced fruit & acidity.

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**Chateau Ka, Cabernet Grenache, Rosé**  
A deliciously moreish rosé from the historic home of the grapevine, the Bekaa valley in Lebanon. Dry, crisp and laden with raspberry fruit overlaid with hints of rose and candied orange.

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**McGregor Pinotage Rosé**  
A vibrant, enticing pink packed with wild strawberry fruit and hints of cassis. Crisp, mouthwateringly moreish and finishing with a flourish.

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**Buil y Giné, Rosado**  
One of the most exciting Rosé “finds” of the year, this blend of Grenache and Merlot offers up an enticing deep salmon pink colour combined with vibrant, juicy yet savoury red fruit on the nose. Rich, vinous and inviting on the palate with a huge array of ripe wild fruits.

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## USA - California

Cecchetti Wine Company - Lake County		
9247	White Zinfandel, “Redtree” Rosé	12 ☼

## Smaller Formats

## Argentina

Familia Zuccardi - Mendoza		
Zuccardi Reserva		
7786	Torrontes Tardio (50cl)	12

## Australia

Hedgerows - South Eastern Australia		
8940	Semillon Chardonnay (18.7cl)	48
8945	Shiraz Cabernet (18.7cl)	48
Stella Bella Wines - Margaret River		
8362	Pink Muscat (37.5cl)	12 ☼
Two Hands Wines - Barossa		
8539	Moscato, “Brilliant Disguise” (50cl), Barossa Valley	12

## Austria

Alfred Fischer - Burgenland		
6720	Bouvier TBA (37.5cl)	12
6725	Eiswein Grüner Veltliner (37.5cl)	12
Domäne Wachau - Wachau		
6510	Trockenbeerenauslese, Riesling Kellerberg (37.5cl)	12

## Alsace

Domaine Adam - Alsace		
1840	Gewurztraminer, “Reserve” (37.5cl)	24

## Beaujolais

Cave de Fleurie		
1950	Fleurie, “Reserve” (37.5cl)	24
Domaine Berrod		
1960	Fleurie, “Les Roches du Vivier” (37.5cl)	24
Domaine de Colette		
1930	Beaujolais Villages (37.5cl)	24

## Bordeaux

Vignoble Michel Pion - Cadillac		
3959	Château Haut Roquefort, Cadillac (37.5cl)	24
Château Lamothe - Cissac		
3575	Château Lamothe-Cissac, Cru Bourgeois (37.5cl)	24
Sauternes		
3952	Château Bastor Lamontagne (37.5cl), Sauternes	24



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**Familia Zuccardi, Reserva, Torrontes Tardio**  
A delicate sweet wine with pear, apricots and citrus aromas. It will drive your taste buds nuts with fresh fruit and honey flavours.

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**Two Hands, Moscato, “Brilliant Disguise”, Barossa Valley**  
Summer in a glass! Free run juice from old Muscat vines in the Barossa Valley are used to make this brilliant take on the Italian Moscato idea. Gently frizzante, tantalisingly sweet, beautifully aromatic, delicately low in alcohol - could there be anything more perfect for light desserts or cool summer sipping?

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**Domaine de Colette, Beaujolais Villages**  
This moreish red is produced from hand selected Gamay grapes to yield a medium bodied, succulent young red with lots of raspberry, redcurrant and strawberry fruit.

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St Emilion

3285	Château Treytins (37.5cl), Montagne St Emilion	24
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St Estephe

3787	Château Montrose 2e Cru (37.5cl), St Estephe	24
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St Julien

3630	Château Lagrange 3e Cru (37.5cl), St Julien	24
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Burgundy

Domaine Defaix

2386	Chablis (37.5cl)	24
2388	Chablis 1er Cru, Côte de Lechet (37.5cl)	24

Domaine Race

2290	Chablis (37.5cl)	24
2292	Chablis 1er Cru, Montmains (37.5cl)	24

Domaine Jean Claude Martin

2307	Chablis (37.5cl)	24
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Domaine de Fussiacus

2635	St Veran (37.5cl)	24
2636	Pouilly Fuissé, Vieilles Vignes (37.5cl)	24

Domaine Fichet

2317	Mâcon Villages (37.5cl)	24
2319	Bourgogne Chardonnay (37.5cl)	24
2318	Bourgogne Pinot Noir (37.5cl)	24

Domaine Forey

2135	Nuits-St-Georges (37.5cl)	24
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Champagne

Champagne Roger

Royer Pere Et Fils

5140	Grande Reserve Grand Cru (37.5cl)	24
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Champagne Royer

5575	Cuvée Reserve (37.5cl)	24
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Pierre Mignon

5135	Grand Reserve (37.5cl)	24
5138	Rosé Brut (37.5cl)	24

Möet Et Chandon

5150	Möet et Chandon (37.5cl)	24
5150	Möet et Chandon (20cl)	24
5155	Möet et Chandon Rosé (37.5cl)	24
5255	Veuve Clicquot (37.5cl)	24

Pommery

5500	Brut Royal (37.5cl)	24
5570	POP (20cl)	24
5572	POP Pink (20cl)	24



Domaine Defaix, Chablis

A top notch example from a respected grower. Defaix Chablis displays minerally, flinty notes on the nose with touches of green apple. The palate is elegant, dry and characterised by crisp, citrus flavours overlaid with smoky notes. Long, complex finish.



The son of a winemaker and grandson of a winemaker and barrel-maker, Jean-Paul Pacquet took over the 3 hectare family estate at Domaine les Vieux Murs in 1978. After various subsequent purchases, the estate now extends to 12 hectares and includes both Domaine les Vieux Murs and the estate he created in 1989, **Domaine de Fussiacus**. Fussiacus was the name of a Roman who built a villa where the village of Fuissé now stands and is counted as the founder of the village. The vineyards, planted exclusively with Chardonnay, lie between 200 and 300 metres above sea-level on a range of hills facing east-south-east, catching the morning sun. Care in the vineyards and expert winemaking result in superb, balanced wines that fully express the terroir of Macon, reaching their very best in the outstanding Pouilly-Fuissé Vieilles Vignes. As such they represent excellent value for money.



Pierre Mignon, Grande Reserve Brut

A crisp, well balanced Champagne with citrus hints on the nose overlaid with touches of brioche and yeastiness. The palate is fresh, clean and lively with a creamy mousse and long finish.



Loire

Château de Roulerie

1214	Côteaux du Layon, Château la Roulerie (37.5cl)	24
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Château de Fesles

1210	Bonnezeaux (50cl)	12
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Domaine Crochet

1190	Sancerre (37.5cl)	24
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Domaine Daulny

1188	Sancerre Blanc (37.5cl)	24
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Domaine Moreux

1140	Sancerre, “Les Bouffants” (37.5cl)	24
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Domaine Menard Gaborit

1105	Muscadet Sur Lie, “Les Vignes Blanches” (37.5cl)	24
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Domaine Pierre Marchand

1198	Pouilly Fumé, “Les Loges” (37.5cl)	24
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Rhône

Domaine Cuilleron - Northern Rhône

1881	Condrieu, “Les Ayguets” Recolte Tardive (50cl)	12
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Vignobles Quiot - Southern Rhône

Vieux Lazaret

1500	Châteauneuf-du-Pape Blanc (37.5cl)	24
1760	Châteauneuf-du-Pape Rouge (37.5cl)	24

Les Arnevels

1796	Côtes du Rhône (37.5cl)	24
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Jérôme Quiot

1767	Muscat de Beaume de Venice (50cl)	12
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Germany

Weingut Max Ferdinand Richter - Mosel

6635	Riesling Spätlese “Mulheimer Sonnenlay” (37.5cl)	24
6681	Riesling Auslese “Veldenzener Elisenburg” (37.5cl)	24

Italy

Castello Di Meleto - Tuscany

6795	Chianti Classico DOCG (37.5cl)	18
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New Zealand

Sherwood Estate

Sherwood

8060	Sauvignon Blanc (37.5cl), Marlborough	24 ☺
8070	Pinot Noir (37.5cl), Marlborough	24 ☺



Portugal

Real Companhia Velha - Douro

Dessert Wine

9478	Late Harvest, “Grandjo” (37.5cl)	24
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Quinta de Ventozelo Port

★ 9461	Vintage Port (37.5cl)	24
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Situated close to the village of Thourace near the historic town of Saumur, **Chateau de Fesles** represents the very pinnacle of dessert wine making in the Loire valley. Now owned by the Germain family who have interests in Bordeaux and Saumur Champigny, the quality of the wines is outstanding – an increased number of pickings for the Bonnezeaux have resulted in greater ripeness which has led to more concentrated, complex wines that are sure to last the test of time.



Vignobles Quiot, Côtes du Rhône

This medium bodied red is filled with delicious savoury red fruits with touches of tobacco and spice. Made from the traditional blend of Grenache and Syrah, it is ideal with charcuterie or casseroles.



Real Companhia Velha, Late Harvest, Grandjo 2006

Unusual - a nice, fresh, botrytised, golden dessert wine from a vineyard at 600 metres in port country.

Jancis Robinson MW





## Spain

Alliance Wine Spain			
Los Pecalillos			
✱ 9332	Glotionia (Gluttony) (50cl), DO Montilla-Moriles	12	
Bodegas Colosia - Sherry			
9331	Pedro Ximenez (37.5cl)	12	
Bodegas Luis Cañas - DOCa Rioja			
7320	Crianza (50cl)	12	
7340	Reserva (50cl)	12	
Bodegas Remelluri - DOCa Rioja			
7487	Reserva (37.5cl)	24	
Finca Lasierpe - DO Navarra			
7516	Moscatel, Vino Dulce Natural (50cl)	12	
Finca Manzanos - DOCa Rioja			
7483	Crianza (37.5cl)	24	

## Sweet Wines

### Argentina

Familia Zuccardi - Mendoza			
Zuccardi Reserva - Mendoza			
7786	Torrentes Tardio (50cl)	12	

### Australia

Stella Bella Wines - Margaret River			
8362	Pink Muscat (37.5cl)	12	🍷
Two Hands Wines - Barossa			
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Domäne Wachau - Wachau			
6510	Trockenbeerenauslese, Riesling Kellerberg (37.5cl)	12	

### Bordeaux

Cadillac			
3959	Château Haut Roquefort, Cadillac (37.5cl)	24	
Sauternes			
3952	Château Bastor Lamontagne (37.5cl), Sauternes	24	



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### Finca Manzanos, Crianza

Sourced from the family run vineyards close to the winery in Azagra, this Crianza benefits from 18 months careful storage in oak and in bottle. The resulting wine is silky soft, mellow and savoury with hints of red berries and dried fruits.

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### Stella Bella, Pink Muscat

“Summer in a glass” This wine is packed with strawberry fruit. Very refreshing and unusual.

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### Domäne Wachau, Trockenbeerenauslese, Riesling

TBA Riesling Kellerberg

Produced in tiny quantities this is a luscious sweet wine with incredible flavours of marmalade, spice and rich fruit but with perfect levels of acid to balance and refresh the palate..

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## Loire

Château de Roulerie			
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Château de Fesles			
1210	Bonnezeaux (50cl)	12	

## Rhône

Domaine Cuilleron - Northern Rhône			
1881	Condrieu, “Les Ayguets” Recolte Tardive (50cl)	12	
Vignobles Quiot - Southern Rhône			
1767	Muscat de Beaume de Venice (50cl)	12	

## Germany

Weingut Max Ferdinand Richter - Germany			
6630	Riesling Spätlese “Graacher Himmelreich”	12	
6635	Riesling Spätlese “Mulheimer Sonnenlay” (37.5cl)	24	
6681	Riesling Auslese “Veldener Elisenburg” (37.5cl)	24	

## Italy

Tenuta Olim Bauda - Piedmont			
✱ 6967	Moscato d’Asti DOCG “Centive”	12	

## Portugal

Real Companhia Velha - Douro			
Dessert Wine			
✱ 9478	Late Harvest, “Grandjo” (37.5cl)	24	

## Spain

Alliance Wine Spain			
Los Pecalillos			
✱ 9332	Glotionia (Gluttony) (50cl), DO Montilla-Moriles	12	
Bodegas Colosia - Sherry			
9331	Pedro Ximenez (37.5cl)	12	
Finca Lasierpe - DO Navarra			
7516	Moscatel, Vino Dulce Natural (50cl)	12	

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### Château de Fesles, Bonnezeaux

One of the worlds most prized sweet wines, produced from a Grand Cru within Coteaux du Layon. Made entirely from Chenin Blanc grapes it is honeyed and luscious but has the remarkable fresh acidity typical of this grape variety. A memorable wine capable of long ageing.

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### Tenuta Olim Bauda, Moscato d’Asti DOCG “Centive”

This stunning Moscato is produced from the finest grapes found in the “Centive” farmhouse vineyards. Its intense bouquet is aromatic and shows golden apple, pineapple and honey aromas, while on the palate demonstrates perfect balance of sweetness and acidity.

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### Los Pecalillos, Gluttony, Montilla-Moriles

Gluttony is said to be the over indulgence of anything to the point of waste. Some say it is even the obsessive anticipation of eating and drinking but whichever you choose to believe it is entirely understandable to be obsessed with this most delicious of Spanish vinous delicacies. Produced from partially sun-dried Pedro Ximenez grapes, Glotionia is rich, unctuous and sensuous with melting fruitcake, prunes, caramel and toffee flavours that mellifluously cascade down one’s throat and leave one joyous.

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