

WINE LIST

Wines of the Month:

Oxford Dry, Bothy Vineyard, Oxfordshire, 2009

This crisp dry award-winning wine from our local vineyard has a floral nose, tropical fruit on the palate, and a long finish. Made from a blend of Findling, Perle, Huxelrebe and Bacchus grapes, lovers of Sauvignon Blanc will enjoy this wine. It is the perfect summer aperitif! Glass £6/8, Bottle £24

Cabernet/Syrah, Fruity de Valentin, Ile de Beauté, Corsica, 2008

The spicy seasoning from the Syrah (Shiraz) combines really well with the soft red fruit flavour of the Cabernet to produce a light summer quaffing red. Great chilled too! Glass £4.85/6.50, Bottle £19

Light Whites

	175ml	250ml	Bottle
1. Pinot Grigio, Canapi, Orestadi, Italy, 2009	£4.25	£5.70	£16.50
A great, easy drinking Sicilian Pinot Grigio with aromas of peach and melon.			
2. Chenin/Sauvignon Blanc, Running Duck, West Cape, South Africa, 2009			£19.50
An organic fair-trade wine. Easy drinking with hints of sweet pear and pineapple, balanced by a crisp acidity and dryness. No pesticides are used, instead Indian Runner ducks patrol the vineyard for pests!			
3. Pinot Blanc/Auxerrois, Cleebourg Alsace, France, 2007			£24.00
A gentle wine with soft rounded fruit and relatively low acidity, floral tones and subtle citrus flavours. This a superb aperitif wine.			
4. Muscadet Sèvre et Maine Sur Lie, Sélection de Hauts Pemions, France, 2008			£25.50
Stony minerality with green fruit and hints of lemon and lime. Loads of fruit and character. One of the best Muscadets we have ever tasted!			

Medium Bodied Whites

5. Sauvignon Blanc, Santiago, Maipo Valley, Chile, 2009	£4.25	£5.70	£16.50
Crisp dry white with melon and citrus fruit overtones.			
6. Chardonnay, Mirrabooka, Wirra Wirra, Australia, 2007	£4.90	£6.55	£19.50
Ripe melon and juicy pineapple flavours, with a twist of citrus fruits.			
7. Sandy Ridge Sauvignon Blanc, Nelson, New Zealand, 2008			£24.50
A lovely fresh, lively, aromatic and passion fruit nose with long crisp acidity. A superb wine!			
8. Chardonnay-Sauvignon, Domaine de Tariquet, Cotes de Gascogne, 2008			£26.00
A hint of elderflower and full fruit flavours. This unusual (but surprisingly good!) blend has body, length and a good crisp acidity.			
9. Macon-Lugny Montvallon, Loron & Fils, France, 2007			£25.50
Soft attractive wine with some weight and complexity. Made by a small grower, which is unusual in the area, as most are sold through local co-operatives.			
10. Gavi Mezzana, Dezzani, Italy, 2008			£30.00
Cleanly refined scent and acutely dry flavour with pronounced acidity countered by a vague sensation of fruit. The perfect accompaniment to fish.			

Aromatic and Spicy Whites

11. Renaissance, Bothy Vineyard, Oxfordshire, 2009			£24.50
A full-bodied, medium dry wine, with aromatic peaches and almond blossom yet a soft finish. Only 1545 bottles were produced in 2009.			
12. Gewürztraminer, Seifried, Nelson, New Zealand, 2008			£27.00
A lovely refreshing rich wine with lychee, guava and apricot.			
13. Riesling, Schild Estate, Barossa Valley, Australia, 2006			£29.00
Classic Barossa Riesling showing a lifted floral bouquet and delicate but intense steely fruit flavours of lemons and ripe limes.			

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| 14. | Pinot Gris, Cleebourg Tradition, Alsace, France, 2007 | £28.50 |
| | Well balanced and minerally with scented fruit and delicate floral notes. | |
| 15. | Jurançon Sec, Domaine Cauhapé, France, 2006 | £32.00 |
| | Grapefruit aromas, subtle minerality and a long finish. Made from the indigenous Gros Manseg grape, Cauhape has crafted a wine of great balance and complexity. | |

Classic Whites

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| 16. | Petit Chablis, Justin Nocevin, Burgundy, 2008 | £6.75 | £9.00 | £27.00 |
| | Complex and steely with good length. A top Chablis producer. | | | |
| 17. | Sancerre, Domaine Cherrier, Loire, 2008 | | | £32.00 |
| | Raw blackcurrant leaf and gooseberry flavours typical of the Sauvignon Blanc grape. Dry with pronounced fruit. | | | |
| 18. | Pouilly Fuissé, Domaine René Perraton, 2005 | | | £44.00 |
| | Pineapple and melted butter flavours, with mineral overtones, develop into burnt toast richness and complexity in the mouth. Stunning old vine wine! | | | |
| 19. | Chablis, Tour de Roy, Domaine Malandes, Burgundy, 2007 | | | £38.00 |
| | Dry, crisp and minerally with mouth watering steely fruit. | | | |
| 20. | Montagny 1er Cru, J-M Boillot, Burgundy, 2008 | | | £49.00 |
| | Complex apple crumble and greengage fruit, nutty/leesy overtones and an alluring, ripe but refined finish. Delicious! | | | |
| 21. | Puligny Montrachet, Jean-Louis Chavy, Burgundy, 2004 | | | £69.00 |
| | Aged in 25% new oak, the 2004 Puligny Montrachet shows ripe fruit and some minerality on the nose, which integrates well with the oak on the palate. A beautiful wine. | | | |

Rosé

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| 22. | Domaine du Mage Rosé, Côtes de Gascogne, France, 2008 | £4.55 | £6.00 | £18.00 |
| | Light strawberry colour with a bucketful of summer fruits. Dry and refreshing. Superb! | | | |
| 23. | Château Miraval Rosé, Pink Floyd, Côtes de Provence, France, 2008 | | | £33.00 |
| | A wonderfully complex organic rosé with red berry, strawberry and red cherry fruit underpinned by crisp minerality and tight structure. The wine is called Pink Floyd as the band recorded part of their famous album 'The Wall' here and loved the wine during their stay. Superb! | | | |

Champagne and Sparkling

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| 24. | Prosecco Sacchetto, Italy | £5.00 | £24.50 |
| | Refreshing and elegant fizz with a fine mousse. The perfect summer aperitif. | | |
| 25. | Georges de Roualet, Epernay, Champagne, France | £7.60 | £39.50 |
| | An elegant dry style of champagne with poise and finesse from this small family house. | | |
| 26. | Phillipe Brugnion Rosé 1er Cru, Champagne, France | | £48.00 |
| | Made from 100% Pinot Noir, this rosé is tender and gentle, salmon pink in colour, with a mixture of raspberry and plummy fruit. | | |
| 27. | Veuve Cliquot Ponsardin Yellow Label, Champagne, France | | £58.00 |
| | Full of flavour with a long fruity aftertaste. | | |
| 28. | Bollinger Grande Année, Champagne, France, 1997 | | £115.00 |
| | Only released in outstanding years, this wine is aged for a minimum of five years. | | |

Light and Fruity Reds

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| 29. | Merlot, Bodegas Centenarias, Chile, 2008 | £4.25 | £5.70 | £16.50 |
| | Soft with dark berry fruits and a touch of mocha with sweet juicy tannins. Very easy drinking! | | | |
| 30. | Beaujolais, L'Or des Pierres, Loron & Fils, France, 2007 | £4.80 | £6.50 | £19.00 |
| | Classic style of purple tinged Beaujolais which is light, juicy and really refreshing with vibrant raspberry fruit. | | | |

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| 31. | Primitivo Puglia, Barocca, Italy, 2008 | | | £23.00 |
| | Smooth, spicy and full of rustic fruit. An excellent example of Italian winemaking. | | | |
| 32. | Pinot Noir Reserva, Nostros, Casablanca Valley, Chile, 2008 | | | £22.50 |
| | A superb value Pinot showing soft strawberry fruit, good mouthfeel and a long finish. Very appealing! | | | |

Medium Bodied Reds

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| 33. | Rioja, Navajas Tinto, Spain, 2008 | £4.90 | £6.55 | £19.50 |
| | A small Bodega in Rioja whose quality is beyond question. Outstanding! | | | |
| 34. | Shiraz, Dry River Estate, South Australia, 2008 | £4.25 | £5.70 | £16.50 |
| | Peppery and smooth without too much tannin. | | | |
| 35. | Negroamaro, Luccetti, Salento, Italy 2007 | | | £22.50 |
| | Rich and rustic, the Negroamaro grape gives deep, roasted plum and mocha flavours with an earthy mouthfeel. Unusual but very delicious! | | | |
| 36. | Carmenère, Los Boldos, Alta Cachapoal, Chile, 2008 | | | £22.00 |
| | Ripe aromas of black fruits with a hint of spice and dark chocolate, yet surprisingly easy drinking. This Carmenère shows great concentration and character. | | | |
| 37. | Pinotage, Forge Mill, Coastal Region, South Africa, 2007 | | | £23.50 |
| | Vibrant berry fruit but soft and approachable with the classic slightly rustic overtone of the Pinotage grape. | | | |
| 38. | Apollonio Salice Salentino, Puglia, Italy, 2004 | | | £29.00 |
| | Soft, smooth and velvety with rich seductive flavours - stunning! From a small family winery, this blend of Negroamaro / Malvasia Nera, is a beautiful example of Puglia wine. | | | |
| 39. | Malbec, Montes, Colchagua Valley, Chile, 2008 | £6.00 | £8.00 | £24.00 |
| | Luscious, fat and juicy wine from Aurelio Montes whose vines are planted on such steep slopes that he boasts that they are harvested by acrobats! | | | |
| 40. | Old Vine Zinfandel, Scotto, Lodi, California, 2007 | | | £26.50 |
| | Deep dark rich chocolate and spice with a touch of toffee cream on the finish. | | | |
| 41. | Pinot Noir, Escarpment, Martinborough, New Zealand, 2008 | | | £48.00 |
| | Complex, rich and deep with sweet cherry and strawberry flavours. A real stunner! | | | |

Monster Reds

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| 42. | Cabernet Sauvignon Reserva, Terrazas de Los Andes, Argentina, 2006 | | | £29.50 |
| | A fresh, fruity and aromatic wine with great structure and intensity. Hand-harvested and only released during excellent vintages, ensures quality. | | | |
| 43. | Madiran, Torus Alain Brumont, France, 2006 | | | £32.00 |
| | A striking wine with serious, really deep black fruit notes and a strong but supple tannic backbone. Made with Madiran's signature Tannat grape. A real treat! | | | |
| 44. | Shiraz Viognier, Wirra Wirra, McLaren Vale, Australia, 2007 | | | £36.00 |
| | Lively and vibrant with rich dark berry fruits and a hint of cinnamon, star anise and vanilla. | | | |
| 45. | Rioja Reserva, Beronia, Spain, 2004 | | | £34.00 |
| | Top quality wine aged in American and French oak for 18 months. Intensely aromatic, harmonious and complex, with a smooth finish. | | | |
| 46. | Rustenberg, John X Merriman, Stellenbosch, South Africa, 2006 | | | £35.00 |
| | A Merlot and Cabernet blend matured in barriques for 20 months. Complex and multi-layered. Very much in the claret mould but with a definite new world twist. | | | |

Classic Reds

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| 47. | Chateau Beaugard Laguepeau, Graves, Bordeaux, 2004 | | | £28.00 |
| | A blend of Cabernet and Merlot, this wine has a firm, rich structure, displaying juicy blackcurrant fruit with a touch of new oak, from one of Bordeaux's most cherished regions. | | | |
| 48. | Côtes du Rhône Villages, Cairanne, Domaine de la Présidente, 2007 | | | £34.00 |
| | Award winning Rhone with rich, concentrated earthy undertones, combined with liquorice | | | |

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| 49. | Grand de Lucas, Château Lucas, Lussac St Emilion, Bordeaux, France, 2004 | £39.00 |
| | From the family that own Château Ausone, this is a 50/50 Merlot and Cabernet Franc blend. Buttery Merlot nose with tobacco hints and cedar nuances. Soft, open and highly recommended. | |
| 50. | Pomerol, Château Bonalgue, Bordeaux, 2005 | £65.00 |
| | Few Pomerols will beat Bonalgue for depth and pure, mouthfilling power. | |
| 51. | Nuits St. Georges, Dubois & Fils, Burgundy, France, 2006 | £49.00 |
| | Full of red fruits with lovely silky length and excellent value for money. | |

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100ml ½ Btl

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| 52. | Montbazillac, Chateau Poulvere, France, 2005 (1/2 btl) | £5.50 | £18.50 |
| | Typical botrytis nose followed by rich, subtle flavours. | | |
| 53. | Elysium Black Muscat, California, 2007 (1/2 btl) | £6.90 | £23.50 |
| | A luscious yet delicate, rose petal scented wine of great character with a cult following. | | |
| 54. | Chateau de Rolland, Cru Bourgeois, Sauternes, France, 2003 (1/2 btl) | £9.70 | £33.50 |
| | Complex, rich, stony fruit and orange peel flavours. Carefully oak aged for 18 months, this is an elegant and delicious pudding wine! | | |
| 55. | Paul Cluver Noble Late Harvest Riesling, S Africa, 2007 (1/2 btl) | £11.00 | £35.00 |
| | Exquisite, peachy, floral overtones with balancing acidity. The best we have tasted! | | |

Vintages are subject to change – if this is important to you, please ask.