

wine list

Heritage Portfolio Recommendations

We have entered into a unique partnership with our wine merchants. All of whom are leaders in their fields having built up strong relationships with the growers, estates and producers to ensure that all our wines and beverages listed are chosen for their quality, individuality and value for money.

Our Recommended Selection of wines focuses on a varied range of wines and grape varieties from the producers we know and visit over the years.

For most, the decisions of what to drink with our menus can be a tricky affair, in order to assist you with your selection we have broken down our wines into grape varieties and styles and given an indication of food that traditionally works well – however ultimately the decision is yours and you must drink what you like!

white wine

sauvignon blanc and blends

aireen sauvignon, castillo del moro, 2008, spain

this modern, crisp white from southern spain has delicious crisp apple fruit flavours coupled with the citrusy twang of the zesty sauvignon blanc. sensational drunk on its own or with salads and seafood

sauvignon blanc, costa vera, 2009, chile

crisp, vibrant and delicious. chile's cooling sea breezes produce some of the best value sauvignon anywhere in the world. this fragrant, pineapple and gooseberry filled number is good proof!

sauvignon blanc reserva, nostros, 2009, chile

sourced from chile's premium sauvignon blanc region, casablanca, this is a pure, exuberantly fruity sauvignon packed full of grassy, tropical fruit. instantly refreshing and moreish with a lovely tangy finish.

sauvignon blanc, largesse, 2008/2009, france

a generous taste of southern france. crisp, cool and vibrant. enticingly fruity and curiously moreish.

verdejo/ sauvignon blanc, los pecadillos invidia "envy", 2007, spain

once a vinous backwater, rueda is now the envy of all of spain for its ability to produce vibrant, grassy, tangy white wines. this is a crisp, dry white packed with aromatic grapefruit, guava and nectarine fruit character.

sauvignon blanc, "stoney range", sherwood, 2009, new zealand

a pronounced, herbaceous nose with plenty of ripe gooseberries, guava and nettles on the nose - very typically marlborough style. the palate is crisp, racy and

mouth-watering with hints of grapefruit, guava and gooseberry followed by a long, enticing finish.

sauvignon blanc, zephyr, 2009, new zealand

an extraordinary new marlborough based producer that relies on some superb vineyards (previously used for cloudy bay and wither hills) and the winemaking expertise of the glover family (ben is head winemaker for wither hills). intensely aromatic with amazing aromas of guava, mango, passion fruit, asparagus and grass which lead through to a palate of richly textured, green tropical fruits. stunning

sauvignon blanc, stella bella, 2008, australia

not known for its sauvignon, australia's climate is often too warm. however, here we have one of the new stars! cool, crisp and concentrated, the grassy, gooseberry fruit leaps from the glass demanding to be drunk!

sancerre, daulny, 2008/2009, france from the central vineyard area of the loire valley and produced from 100% sauvignon which makes a dry, fresh wine with lots of fruit and balancing acidity.

chardonnay & blends

chenin/chardonnay, santa rosa, 2009, argentina

broad attractive white with ample tropical fruit and ripe apple flavours.

chardonnay, one chain vineyards, 2008, australia

lovely ripe melon and apple characters mingle with touches of pear and honey. bright, zingy and well balanced, it is ideal with meaty fish or on its own.

chardonnay, costa vera, 2009, chile

a crisp, unwooded style of chardonnay with lively lemony fruit character and a refreshing pear and apple finish.

chardonnay, largesse, 2008, france

bright, zesty chardonnay from the deep south of france. well balanced with hints of ripe apple, melons and citrus fruit.

chardonnay, gran reserva, nostros, 2007, chile

the cool casablanca valley allows winds from the nearby ocean to create superb growing conditions for white grapes, particularly sauv blanc and elegant chardonnay. this example has been barrel fermented to give a richer, toastier style but with vibrantly zesty citrus fruit still providing the backbone.

chardonnay viognier, "serie a", familia zuccardi, 2008, argentina

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.

bourgogne chardonnay, domaine dubreuil fontaine, 2005/2006, france

don't be confused with lesser bourgogne chardonnay's, this shares more in common with wines much more regal! delicate citrus, mineral and toast character with a well balanced palate of ripe apple and pear.

macon fuisse, domaine de fussiacus, 2007, france

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.

chablis, domaine defaix, 2008, france

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Other white grape varieties

garganega pinot grigio, bella modella figlia, 2008, italy

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.

pinot grigio igt, sacchetto, 2008, italy

a well rounded, more serious example of pinot grigio that displays tangy green apple and melon fruit coupled with a long, minerally finish.

pinot grigio, ceccetti, 2008, California

This Californian take on the Italian classic is all citrus and pear fruit with a delicious crisp, refreshing style. Medium weight, well balanced and ideal with just about any foods!

pinot grigio, villa brunesca, 2008, italy

A wonderfully crisp, zesty example of a wine that all too often is just plain dull! Full of citrusy fruit with hints of almond, this is a youthful, refreshing style.

chenin-torrontes, santa rosa, 2009, argentina

light, fresh and crisp with subtle exotic fruit character and a little honey. a refreshing change!

les acrobats, vin de pays du comte tolosan, 2008, France

A tangy, crisp dry white with plenty of bright citrus fruit and hints of pineapple. Well balanced, refreshing and lively.

chenin blanc, aloe tree, 2009, south africa

a delightfully crisp, fruit driven white with hints of green apple and pear on the nose. bright, juicy fruit on the palate with a tangy, refreshing finish.

Colombard, sauvignon, Riesling 'the opportunist', 2008, australia

The Opportunists represents the very best value wine available each year and as such the blend may change from vintage to vintage. The 2008 comes from one of Australia's great producers and its vibrant, grassy, grapefruit tinged fruit is testament to the work of an Opportunist

sauvignon/semillion, stella bella, scuttlebutt, 2008, australia

from the producers of cult margaret river winery, stella bella, comes skuttlebutt - a quirky new take on a western australian classic. crisp, tangy and bright with bags of succulent ripe fruit with hints of gooseberry and grapefruit. combined with the eye catching label and memorable name, this is another winner.

albarino, castel de bouza, 2009, spain

produced by a cooperative of just 5 vineyard owners, castel de bouza have access to great fruit from which they make classic albarino. bright, citrusy and minerally on the nose with a crisp, almost riesling like character on the palate with hints of lemon and mineral. brilliant seafood or shell fish partner!

riesling, clearwater, 2008, new zealand

marlborough may be famous for its sauvignon blanc but the waipara region close to christchurch is now home to many of the best rieslings. here, the long, coolish season allows for long ripening times leading to great complexity of flavour. this is a dry, steely riesling with crisp, limey character with touches of citrus and toast.

torrontes, vida organic, 2008

Torrontes is a uniquely aromatic, exotic variety and this organic version is no exception. Lovely texture and weight with the character of citrus, lychee and spice coming through on the palate.

red wine

cabernet sauvignon / merlot and blends

shiraz cabernet, one chain vineyards, 2008, australia

a bright spicy red with ripe berry flavours and lovely velvety texture. youthful and spicy, it is ideal on its own or with lightly spiced meats or casseroles.

merlot, costa vera, 2008, chile

soft, juicy and fruit packed this merlot is the perfect all-rounder. the ripe, blackcurrant fruit is ideal drunk on its own but good structure makes it perfect with pasta and red meats.

merlot, largesse, 2008, france

a juicy, succulent red brimming with ripe blackberry and plum fruit. supple, fleshy and well rounded on the palate with a smooth, long finish.

merlot, armador, odjfel, 2008, chile

chile's favourite red grape is coaxed into making a fleshy, ripe, plummy red with tasty licks of chocolate and coffee

cabernet/merlot, stella bella, 2006/2007, australia

echoing the great bordeaux blends, this wine offers a little more generosity of style than one might find in its french counterparts! well structured but with soft, smoky, brambly fruit backed up by tobaccoey, vanilla laced oak ageing.

chateau treyfin, st emilion-montagne, 2006, france

beautifully ripe, dark berry fruit characterises this wine. medium bodied with a soft, supple style and warm, savoury finish.

shiraz syrah and blends

shiraz, aloe tree, 2008, south africa

a scrumptiously soft, juicy shiraz simply oozing spicy bramble fruit. supple and silky on the palate with a bright, red berry finish.

shiraz malbec, santa rosa, 2008, argentina

a novel blend of spicy shiraz with rich, plummy malbec which creates a juicy, succulent red with a soft creamy finish.

shiraz, "the opportunist", one chain vineyards, 2007, australia

Sometimes Opportunities are too good to pass up. This McLaren Vale Shiraz would normally sell for 3 times the price but opportunity came our 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?

shiraz, largesse, 2008, france

a generous taste of southern france. warm, rich and spicy. seductively succulent and deliciously mellow.

reserve shiraz, "the golden duck", one chain vineyards, 2008, australia

this wine blends rich, gutsy barossa fruit with cooler, more cerebral pyrenees shiraz to make a delicious, richly flavoured but well structured red with heaps of creamy bramble fruit overlaid with spice and subtle oak with traces of vanilla.

syrah, armador, odjfel, 2007, chile

the spice of syrah shines through in this lush, fruit packed wine. not lacking subtlety but it is a real crowd pleaser.

shiraz, stella bella, 2007, australia

a cooler climate example of shiraz from margaret river with spicy, peppery flavours. medium bodied, elegant and savoury with concentrated dark fruit flavours, subtle oak complexity and great length.

Other red grape varieties

malbec, santa rosa, 2008, argentina

quickly becoming the most important red for argentina, this bordeaux export produces full, robust wines with deep plummy fruit, structured tannins and good length.

malbec, "serie a", familia Zuccardi, 2008, argentina

argentina's malbec is a great partner with the steaks that have made argentina a gastronomic destination. this wine, is concentrated and rich yet supple and appealing. lots of ripe, plummy fruit character with hints of spice and mocha

pinot noir, nostros, 2009, chile

a light, fragrant red made from grapes grown in the cooler casablanca region of chile. bright, wild strawberry and raspberry fruits dominate a soft, supple palate which leads through to a gentle, warming finish.

pinot noir, sherwood estate, 2008, new zealand

sourced from different vineyard sites exclusively for sherwood, the wine is vinified separately and then aged in oak. vibrant colours, cherry and plum character.

bourgogne pinot noir, domain fichet, 2007, france

a supple, juicy example of pinot with raspberry and violet fruit character coupled with savoury, gamey hints.

tempranillo garnacha, finca la sierpe, 2008, spain

A well rounded, juicy blend of Spain's most important grape varieties. Soft, yet structured with a supple feel coupled with bright raspberry and plum fruit character

La multa old vine grenache, 2007, spain

There aren't many Scotsmen making wine in Calatayud but Norrel Robertson MW is a bit of a maverick! Punching well above its weight, Norrel's Garnacha made from gnarly old vines is rich, concentrated but well balanced with huge, ripe berry fruit, lots of spice and sweet oak and long rich finish.

rioja oak aged, luis canas, 2008, spain

luis canas have shot to fame in the last few years for their modern yet typical riojas and this new addition to the family is set to be just as popular. spending 5 months in wood, it doesn't quite qualify as crianza but less oak means singing fruit! soft, smoky, juicy and very moreish.

Orgullo pride, rioja, DOCa los Peadillos, 2005, spain

This deliciously succulent Rioja is brim full of ripe damson fruit overlaid with smoky oak. Well balanced, concentrated and supple with a vanilla laced, juicy finish.

rioja crianza, luis canas, 2005, spain

twelve months oak ageing give a little complexity and softens the wine - yielding a well balanced ripe fruited wine with a soft, sweetish oak finish.

crozes hermitage, "les pierrelles", albert belle, 2006, france

a rich, savoury example from one of the leading lights of the region. well balanced with dark fruits and subtle spice combined with well integrated wood.

les acrobats, vin de pays de l'herault, grenache merlot, 2008, france

Jump on board and taste this entertaining little number from Southern France. Soft, ripe and juicy with succulent plum and bramble fruit all wrapped up in soft, velvety tannins

primitivo sangiovese, bella modella figlia, 2008, italy

hailing from the deep south of italy, where the heel ends and the sea begins, this succulent of two of italy's finest red grapes is warm, rich and supple with juicy plummy fruit.

carmenere reserve, nostros, 2008, chile

carmenere is originally from bordeaux but has found a new home in chile where it makes wines somewhere between merlot and cabernet but with a little more peppery spice character. nostros reserva has concentrated, plummy fruit, touches of chocolate and spice and a long velvety finish.

shiraz / cabernet, stella bella, scuttlebutt, 2007, australia

strapping aromas of oak spice and dark chocolate are roused with the scents of rich, soft red fruits. the bold offerings of plums, mulberries, redcurrants and blueberries impart awesome fruit power to the palate, and a composite of powdery oak and fine chalky fruit tannins add a bridling hold to finish.

Salice Salentino doc, Vinicola di Apollonio, 2004, italy

Apulia, the home of Salice Salentino, nestles in the very "heel" of Italy and produces wine of great renown. Full, rich and velvety with complex baked fruits and soft, leathery tannins.

Vinzelo tinto, quinta de Ventozelo, 2006, portugal

A spicy mid weight red from one of the most beautiful estates in the Douro. Delicious, savoury red fruits with hints of plums, leather and chocolate lead through

to a gentle, satisfying finish

Orzada, carignan, 2004, chile

Better known in the South of France, Carignan has found a home in Chile for over a century. The savoury, meaty character of Carignan is tamed to give a substantial, dark fruited red.

sangiovese bonarda, vida organic, 2009

This Sangiovese Bonarda is full of wonderful spicy and red fruit aromas. Its full bodied and flavoursome, reminiscent of blackcurrants and berries, yet elegant and balanced.

r o s e w i n e

syrah rose, santa rosa, 2008 argentina

a vivid, bright pink with all the ripe, succulent fruit one would expect. soft, well rounded and oh so gluggable, this is the perfect accompaniment to long sunny days - or the perfect refuge from long wet days!

malbec rose "serie a", familia zuccardi, 2007, argentina

new from the irrepressible jose zuccardi is this stylish rose made from argentina's favoured malbec grape. more complex, savoury and food friendly than many a rose, this has salmon pink colour, ripe, creamy strawberry and blackberry fruit and a lengthy, refreshing finish.

shiraz / merlot rose, stella bella, skuttlebutt, 2006, australia

a vibrant strawberry filled concoction laden with ripe exotic berry fruits with hints of spice and turkish delight, crisp zingy and enticingly moreish.

d e s s e r t w i n e s e l e c t i o n

"brilliant diguise", two hands winery (50cl), 2008, australia

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?

pink muscat, stella bella wines (37.5cl), 2008, australia

"summer in a glass." this wine is packed with strawberry fruit. very refreshing and unusual.

bouvier trockenbeerenauslese, weingut alfred fischer (25cl), 2006, austria

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!

real companhia velha, Grandjo late harvest, 2006, portugal

One of the most remarkable dessert wines in the world, Grandjo Late Harvest is made from Semillon grapes harvested high up in the Douro region – a region better known for its hefty fortified wines. This however, is perfumed, delicate yet profound with luscious honeyed apple, apricot and vanilla notes offset by a delicious crisp, well balanced finish

champagne selection

pommery pop, (20cl), n/v, france

pop is the first champagne specially made to be consumed straight from the bottle or with a straw. it is made according to the traditional methode champenoise, with a majority of chardonnay grapes. try this exciting new champagne, have a whole bottle to yourself.

pommery brut royal, n/v, france

pommery make champagnes that are fresh, elegant and lively. bottle age lends complexity and great winemaking adds style. refreshing and palate-stimulating!

pommery rose, brut, n/v, france

dry with juicy strawberry like fruit, a fine mousse and lovely refreshing acidity. great rosé champagne.

pommery springtime rose, n/v, france

a gorgeous, opulent pink colour with vibrant red berry fruits exploding from the glass. a palate of creamy summer berries is coupled with delicate, fine bubbles and a lively yet rounded finish.

pommery summertime, n/v, france

produced from only the chardonnay grapes to give a delicate yet supple character to the wine which reflects the mood of summer. Complex and long but instantly appetising and palate awakening.

pommery falltime, n/v, france

"Fall-Time" from the revered Pommery Estate is the seasonal Champagne best suited to Autumn. Softer, a little richer and rounder than the traditional Pommery style, Fall-Time is ideal as the nights draw in and we seek more warmth.

pommery wintertime, n/v, france,

the first ever "seasonal" champagne, wintertime is a blanc de noirs using the finest 12 crus. full bodied and fleshy, wintertime exhibits warm, ripe fruit character with hints of berries and nuts. complex and long.

pommery brut vintage, 1995/96, france

wonderful complexity and weight. elegant and refreshing -true pommery style.

pommery prestige, 1998, cuvee louise, france,

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 underrated of all deluxe champagnes.

sparkling wine selection

prosecco brut sacchetto, italy

a classy example of the sparkling wine to be seen drinking! frothy, fragrant and mouth watering with lots of ripe apple and biscuit character.

clover hill, brut sparkling, 2005, australia

produced from vineyards in northern tasmania, clover hill is often quoted as the finest sparkling wine made in australia. it benefits from the long cool growing season which gives the grapes time to ripen slowly, develop flavours but retain a lovely crisp acidity. on the palate, clover hill is rich and soft with yeasty, nutty hints coupled with pear and apple fruit flavours. lively and creamy, with a persistent, fine mousse, this is very elegant fizz.

sparkling chardonnay, vida organic, 2008

This elegant sparkling wine was created from selected, organically grown grapes. It is fresh, lively and enticing.