

Wine and Champagne Index

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WINES BY THE GLASS – CHAMPAGNE & SPARKLING

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| 1 | Champagne Mansard Brut NV
Blended with the three main champagne grape varieties, Pinot Noir gives elegance and length, Pinot Meunier gives body weight and Chardonnay contributes aroma and finesse. There is a good amount of bottle age on the brut non-vintage, making this a very attractive and enjoyable champagne. | £8.50 (125ml) |
| 7 | Pinot Grigio Rosé, San Orsola NV
A fashionable pink sparkling version of Italy's most popular white grape; light, dry and refreshing. | £4.50 (125ml) |

WINES BY THE GLASS – WHITE

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| 21 | Pinot Grigio, Marchesini, Italy 2007
A crisp, dry wine with the fuller style typical of this highly popular grape variety. Cool fermented for maximum fruit and acidity retention, the wine is bottled white young and fresh. | £5.25 | £7.00 |
| 23 | Chenin Blanc, Cape Bay Winery, Western Cape, South Africa 2007
This popular young wine gives delicious ripe Chenin fruit balanced by a dry, long finish. | £5.50 | £7.25 |
| 34 | Colombard/Chardonnay, Katherine Hills, Langhorne Creek & Riverland, Australia 2007
Lifted, tropical fruit characters, balanced by citrus and melon flavours dominate the nose. These enticing characters follow through to a palate showing length and lingering fruitiness. | £5.50 | £7.25 |
| 9 | Chardonnay, Willowood Central Valley, California NV
A Chardonnay from the renowned Central Valley in California. The wine is made using state of the art techniques to produce a crisp, dry white wine with refreshing citrus fruit characters and a typical light buttery finish. | £5.75 | £7.50 |
| 31 | Rioja, Marqués de Cáceres, Spain 2007
A Viura dominated wine from Spain with ripe, lively fruit and a fresh, dry finish. This young white is perfect as an aperitif. | £5.75 | £7.50 |
| 8 | Chardonnay, Vin de Pays D'Oc, Fortant, France 2006
A delicate wine from subtle aromas of pears, figs, hazelnut and honey. | £5.75 | £7.50 |
| 16 | Sauvignon Blanc, Fairtrade, Dos Hermanos, Curicó Valley, Chile 2007
Fairtrade Wine means that the growers are guaranteed a fair and stable price for their grapes. Winemaker Peter Bright was one of the original flying winemakers and this Sauvignon is typical of his excellent wines – fresh, zesty and aromatic with a lively crisp acidity. | £7.00 | £9.50 |
| 12 | Chablis, J Moreau et Fils, Burgundy, France 2006
Very dry, crisp flinty wine with excellent fruit and acidity, yet retains its essential elegance. | £7.95 | £10.50 |
| 19 | Sancerre, Jean Marechal, Chavignol France 2007
The wine comes from a particular slope called "les Comtesses" on the best part of the south facing hill of Chavignol, just outside the hill town of Sancerre. This is an elegant and appealing Sancerre, full of "gooseberry" fruit with a delicious citrus tang. | £9.25 | £12.25 |

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WINES BY THE GLASS – ROSÉ

- 38 **Wild Boar Rosé, Chateau Routas, Provence, France 2007** £6.50 £8.50
A refreshing dry Rosé made from a blend of **Grenache, Syrah and Cinsault**. The wine has a delicious summer fruit nose with red berry and herbal characters on the palate.
- 37 **Pinot Grigio Rose, Marchesini, Italy 2007** £6.50 £8.50
Pinot Grigio is neither dark or light skinned (actually somewhere in between) as such it lends itself well to the production of pink wines. Just off-dry and subtly flavoured this fashionable combination is a good choice for many wine lists.

WINES BY THE GLASS – RED

- 43 **Merlot Refosco, Altana di Vico, Italy 2007** £5.25 £7.00
A light bodied yet convincing all-rounder. Fruity and well balance – great with lamb dishes and cold meats.
- 55 **Shiraz/Cabernet, Katherine Hills South Australia 2005** £5.25 £7.00
This wine has smooth, ripe fruit with soft tannins. The delicate spice of the **Shiraz** blends perfectly with the red fruit characters of the **Cabernet Sauvignon**.
- 40 **Cabernet Sauvignon, Vin de Pays d’Oc, Fortant, France 2006** £5.75 £7.50
A smooth, generous wine with intense aromas of blackcurrant, vanilla and pepper.
- 46 **Merlot, Willowood, Central Valley, California NV** £5.75 £7.50
California is becoming recognised for the high quality of the ripe **Merlot** grapes that it produces. This example is a delicious soft rounded red with soft hints of ripe red berries and supple tannins.
- 63 **Pinotage, Cape Bay Winery, Western Cape, South Africa 2007** £6.25 £8.25
Pinotage is a grape variety unique to the Cape. This is a delicious red wine with attractive berry fruit and plenty of grip. Once you have tasted this grape variety, it will become a firm favourite.
- 49 **Pinot Noir, Vin de Pays, Robert Skalli, France 2006** £6.25 £8.25
Intense flavours of small black fruit, chocolate and liquorice give wonderful complexity to this smooth, delicious wine.
- 64 **Fleurie, le Roitelet, Henry Fessy, France 2006** £7.95 £10.50
Soft, silky raspberry fruit and an attractive purple red colour characterise this well made Beaujolais from the Gamay grape. Superb as a summer wine served lightly chilled.

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ORGANIC, FAIRTRADE, VEGETARIAN and VEGAN WINES

CHAMPAGNE

- 1 **Champagne Mansard Brut, Vegan NV** £39.95
Pinot Noir gives elegance and length, **Pinot Meunier** gives body weight and **Chardonnay** contributes aroma and finesse. There is a good amount of bottle age on the brut non-vintage, making this a very attractive and enjoyable champagne.

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- 8 **Chardonnay, Vin de Pays D'Oc, Fortant, France 2006** £21.95
A delicate wine from subtle aromas of pears, figs, hazelnut and honey.
- 31 **Rioja, Marqués de Cáceres, Spain, Vegan 2007** £21.75
A **Viura** dominated wine from Spain with ripe, lively fruit and a fresh, dry finish. This young white is perfect as an aperitif.
- 22 **Organic Pinot Grigio, Terramore, IGT Italy 2007** £24.75
A strong yellow straw colour. The bouquet is unmistakable and immediate, with an intense impression of acacia flowers. The palate is dry, full-bodied and well balanced.
- 16 **Sauvignon Blanc, Dos Hermanos, Curicó Valley, Chile, Fairtrade 2007** £28.25
Fairtrade Wine means that the growers are guaranteed a fair and stable price for their grapes. This **Sauvignon** is fresh, zesty and aromatic with a lively crisp acidity.
- 27 **Viognier, Bonterra, North Coast California, Organic 2006** £34.25
Viognier shows tropical fruit characters, balanced by citrus and melon flavours, with a lingering fruitiness.

ORGANIC, FAIRTRADE, VEGETARIAN and VEGAN WINES

RED WINES

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| 55 | <p>Shiraz/Cabernet, Katherine Hills, South Australia, Vegan 2005</p> <p>This wine has smooth, ripe fruit with soft tannins. The delicate spice of the Shiraz blends perfectly with the red fruit characters of the Cabernet Sauvignon.</p> | £20.25 |
| 47 | <p>Merlot, Robert Skalli , Vin de Pays d'Oc France, Vegetarian 2005</p> <p>A warm, plummy red with good depth of colour. Soft and rounded and very easy to drink.</p> | £23.25 |
| 68 | <p>Rioja, Marqués de Cáceres, Spain, Vegan 2004</p> <p>Tempranillo produces a fresh, fruity bouquet of soft red fruits with a touch of vanilla and spice. Pleasant fullness in the mouth with well-defined but silky tannins.</p> | £24.25 |
| 71 | <p>Carmenère, Dos Hermanos, Curicó Valley, Chile, Fairtrade 2004</p> <p>Warm plum and damson fruit flavours with ripe tannins and a hint of chocolate before a long, soft finish. A perfect partner to grilled lamb.</p> | £28.25 |
| 56 | <p>Shiraz Carignane, Bonterra, California Organic 2005</p> <p>An unusual blend comprising Shiraz and Carignane with a little Sangiovese, all drawn from Fetzer's own organically certified vineyards. The wine is matured for 4 months in 5 year old French and American oak barrels which add a light hint of oak to the smooth, full-bodied style of the wine.</p> | £30.25 |

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| 2 | Moët et Chandon NV
Consistently good Champagne from this well-known house. A classic blend of Chardonnay , Pinot Noir and Pinot Meunier . | £43.75 |
| 3 | Mansard Rosé NV
A delicate, pleasing rosé with all the strawberry and raspberry flavours associated with Pinot Noir . Clean and crisp with a lively mousse. | £47.95 |
| 4 | Moët et Chandon 2000
A classic vintage Champagne made from 40% Chardonnay , 35% Pinot Noir and 25% Pinot Meunier . A wine which offers the Champagne aficionado one of the best bargains in the vintage Champagne market today. | £51.95 |
| 5 | Veuve Clicquot 2002
An outstanding vintage Champagne from the historic "widows" Champagne house of Reims. Dominated by Pinot Noir and Chardonnay , this is a rich and intense Champagne. | £56.75 |

SPARKLING WINES

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| 6 | Cava Brut, Vallformosa, Penedes, Spain NV
A blend of equal quantities of Macabeo , Xarello and Perallada . A jubilant and lively fizz. Gentle apricot and apple aromas. | £24.95 |
| 7 | Pinot Grigio Rosé, San Orsola, Italy NV
A fashionable pink sparkling version of Italy's most popular white grape; light, dry and refreshing. | £25.95 |

WHITE WINES

CHARDONNAY

The greatest non-aromatic white grape in the world. In France, **Chardonnay** is responsible for producing the greatest white Burgundies and it is also a major contributor to many Champagnes. In Northern Hemisphere vineyards wines are delicate with an elusive finesse and apple and pear flavours; whilst Southern Hemisphere wines are full of peach and melon tropical fruit characters.

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| 8 | <p>Chardonnay, Vin de Pays D'Oc, Fortant, France 2006</p> <p>A delicate wine from subtle aromas of pears, figs, hazelnut and honey.</p> | £21.95 |
| 9 | <p>Chardonnay, Willowood Central Valley, California NV</p> <p>A superb wine from the renowned Central Valley in California. The wine is made using state of the art techniques to produce a crisp, dry white wine with refreshing citrus fruit characters and a typical light buttery finish.</p> | £22.25 |
| 10 | <p>Torres Gran Vina Sol Chardonnay, Spain 2006</p> <p>Part of the Chardonnay used to make this rich, buttery wine is barrel-fermented and aged for five months in oak. The final blend also includes a tiny proportion of Parellada which gives extra lift to the bouquet and elegance to the palate.</p> | £24.50 |
| 11 | <p>Chardonnay Reserva, Torreón de Paredes, Valle de Rengo, Chile 2006</p> <p>The nose is fresh and complex with an intense fruit character of pineapple, banana and tropical fruits. The palate is intense, soft, round with a well-balanced acidity and freshness that rewards the palate with a satisfying and long finish.</p> | £25.25 |
| 12 | <p>Chablis, J.Moreau et Fils, France 2006</p> <p>Very dry, crisp flinty wine with excellent fruit and acidity, yet retains its essential elegance.</p> | £30.25 |

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CHARDONNAY

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| 13 | Chardonnay, Neil Ellis, Elgin, Overberg
South Africa 2005 | £34.50 |
| | <p>Neil Ellis is renowned for being one of the first South African winemakers to champion "terroir" and his Chardonnay from Elgin has certainly put Overberg on the international map. The wine is 100% barrel fermented and then aged on lees. Pale in colour, it has youthful lime and melon characters with hints of tropical fruit.</p> | |
| 14 | Pouilly Fuissé les Ancolies, E Loron et Fils
France 2007 | £37.75 |
| | <p>The wines from the rolling chalky hills of this well known Appellation in the Maconnais are renowned for their classic Chardonnay wines and this example is no exception.</p> | |
| 15 | Chablis, 1er Cru, Beauregard,
Domaine Jean Marc Brocard, France 2006 | £39.95 |
| | <p>A fine and powerful wine with notes of white flowers on the nose. Elegant and persistent in the mouth, the wine has a wonderful lingering finish.</p> | |

WHITE WINES

SAUVIGNON BLANC

Sauvignon Blanc achieved great notoriety due to the popularity of wines from New Zealand, but it is also the grape behind perennial favourites such as Pouilly Fumé and Sancerre. Whilst the latter are characterised by clean grassy, herbaceous styles in the New World the grape often takes on asparagus and spicy flavours. The grape is also responsible for some stunning dessert wines.

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| 16 | <p>Sauvignon Blanc, Fairtrade, Dos Hermanos, Curicó Valley, Chile 2007</p> <p>Fairtrade Wine means that the growers are guaranteed a fair and stable price for their grapes. Winemaker Peter Bright was one of the original flying winemakers and this Sauvignon is typical of his excellent wines – fresh, zesty and aromatic with a lively crisp acidity.</p> | £28.25 |
| 17 | <p>Sauvignon Blanc, Mount Cass Vineyard, Waipara New Zealand 2007</p> <p>The palate shows ripe passion fruit and capsicum flavours, retaining the zingy refreshing characters.</p> | £28.50 |
| 18 | <p>Pouilly Fumé, Les Champs, Pabiot, France 2006</p> <p>A complex wine from a classic small domaine with lovely fresh Sauvignon aromas, zingy fruit and a crisp finish.</p> | £33.95 |
| 19 | <p>Sancerre, Jean Marechal, Chavignol France 2007</p> <p>The wine comes from a particular slope called “les Comtesses” on the best part of the south facing hill of Chavignol, just outside the hill town of Sancerre. This is an elegant and appealing Sancerre, full of “gooseberry” fruit with a delicious citrus tang.</p> | £35.50 |
| 20 | <p>Fume Blanc, Private Selection, Robert Mondavi 2006</p> <p>Made from 100% Sauvignon Blanc, this wine is aged in French Oak barrels prior to release. The result is a delicate, clean, crisp wine with aromas of pears and melons and the trademark oak-ageing gives the wine a nice toasty finish.</p> | £35.75 |

WHITE WINES

PINOT GRIGIO

Pinot Grigio is the darling grape of the new millennium, providing young Italian wines that are refreshing and easy to drink. However it is worth searching for its cousin, the Pinot Gris as these wines have an added pleasing depth and spicy character.

21 **Pinot Grigio, Marchesini, Italy 2007** £20.25

A crisp, dry wine with the fuller style typical of this highly popular grape variety. Cool fermented for maximum fruit and acidity retention, the wine is bottled white young and fresh.

22 **Organic Pinot Grigio, Terramore, IGT Italy 2007** £24.75

A strong yellow straw colour. The bouquet is unmistakable and immediate, with an intense impression of acacia flowers. The palate is dry, full-bodied and well balanced.

CHENIN BLANC

Chenin Blanc originally found fame in some of the delicious whites from the Loire Valley (it takes its name from Mount Chenin in Touraine). Here it is responsible for dry, sweet and sparkling styles. It is very versatile and is now achieving great success in the New World – notably South Africa.

23 **Chenin Blanc, Cape Bay Winery, Western Cape, South Africa 2007** £20.95

This popular young wine gives delicious ripe Chenin fruit, with gentle citrus and lime flavours balanced by a dry, long finish.

RIESLING

A classic German grape that produces zesty, citrusy intensely flavoured wines – Alsace produces some of the best dry Rieslings in the world. In Australia it has achieved a cult following in the Clare Valley where it produces concentrated refreshing wines often characterised by lime and lemon flavours.

24 **Piesporter Goldtropfchen, Riesling Kabinett Germany 2006** £21.95

Lean and crisp with just the right amount of residual sweetness – a very versatile example that will appeal to most palates and accompany a host of foods.

25 **Riesling, Mount Cass, Waipara Vineyard, 2007** £30.50

This wine shows typical lime and spice flavour combined with riper and more complex citrus flavours from a small influence of botrytis. The wine style while young has a clean fresh flavour with a hint of sweetness and a crisp finish.

WHITE WINES

VIOGNIER

Whilst Viognier's spiritual home is the Rhone Valley, where it is responsible for such peachy delicacies as Condrieu, it is now being grown with great success in the Languedoc Roussillon, California and South Africa.

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| 26 | Viognier, De Waal Estate, Stellenbosch,
South Africa 2007 | £25.25 |
| | <p>The Viognier grape continues to grow in popularity. This wine has a rich, creamy texture and hints of honey and spice. The only unwooded Viognier in South Africa.</p> | |
| 27 | Viognier, Bonterra, North Coast California,
Organic 2006 | £34.25 |
| | <p>Viognier shows tropical fruit characters, balanced by citrus and melon flavours, with a lingering fruitiness.</p> | |

MELON de BOURGOGNE

Cousin of Chardonnay, but in the Loire responsible for the fresh, crisp dry whites that are sold as Muscadet.

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| 28 | Muscadet de Sevre et Maine, sur lie,
Domaine de la Salmoniere, Gilbert Chon et Fils,
France 2006 | £23.95 |
| | <p>The young wine is kept on its lees after fermentation to develop a unique character and liveliness on the palate. Fresh and crisp, this Muscadet has a refreshing "minerality" alongside citrus and floral notes.</p> | |

SEMILLION

Semillion ripens earlier in the seasons than most grapes and is less likely to be damaged by rains or frost. It produces wines that are full flavoured rich and aromatic.

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| 29 | Semillon, Tyrrells Old Winery, Hunter Valley
Australia, 2007 | £27.95 |
| | <p>Old Winery Semillon is made from 100% Semillon, hand harvested and fermented in stainless steel vessels. This wine has no oak contact, to allow the citrus-like fruit flavours to stand out and the wine to develop complexity in the bottle.</p> | |

WHITE WINES

CORTESE

The Italian grape behind the fashionable Gavi wine, it produces gentle, soft, rounded whites, with a refreshing level of acidity.

- 30 **Gavi di Gavi, DOC, Volpi 2007** **£28.75**
 The most prestigious white wine of Piedmont is obtained from Cortese grapes grown in the hills of Gavi. It is pale straw in colour and has a delicate floral nose. The palate is crisp with intriguing lemon, citrus peel flavours.

VIURA

Backbone of the popular, refreshing and juicy white Riojas.

- 31 **Rioja, Marqués de Cáceres 2007** **£21.75**
 Viura is blended with a tiny proportion of Malvasia. The wine is fermented on lees to produce a pale dry white with a floral and vanilla nose. On the palate the wine is crisp and refreshing with soft fruit flavours and a lovely finish.

GRENACHE BLANC

White Grenache is widely planted in the Rhone and in Spain. It produces full, structured whites which are capable of great ageing.

- 32 **Chateaufneuf du Pape Blanc,
La Tiare du Pape 2006** **£32.50**
 A classic combination of over 60% Grenache Blanc, blended with Bourboulenc, Roussane and Clairette. The wine has an attractive nose with hints of apricot and pineapple. On the palate it is rich and full, powerful and generous, with a full and complex finish.

TREBBIANO and MALVASIA

Key varieties found in many Italian white wines.

- 33 **Frascati Superiore, DOC, Rione, Botter 2007** **£19.25**
 A blend of 70% Trebbiano Toscano and 30% Malvasia del Lazio. A clean, dry white wine from the volcanic hills south of Rome - slightly nutty and very refreshing, with a hint of spice.

WHITE WINES

COLOMBARD

Colombard has come into its own in countries such as California, South Africa and Australia where its natural crisp acidity produces wines with refreshing grapey aromas and mouth-watering apple-like fruit.

- 34 **Colombard/Chardonnay, Katherine Hills, 2007** £20.25
Langhorne Creek and Riverland
 Lifted, tropical fruit characters, balanced by citrus and melon flavours dominate the nose. These enticing characters follow through to a palate showing length and lingering fruitiness.

MARSANNE and ROUSSANNE

Marsanne makes fat rich, full whites whereas Roussanne makes finer, more subtle styles. The two are commonly combined to produce rounded, complex whites which still exhibit freshness and often show hints of hazelnut and gentle spice.

- 35 **Minervois Reserve du Sud, Cave Foncalieu 2006** £19.75
 A fresh, clean wine made from a blend of Marsanne and Roussanne grapes

ROSÉ WINES

GRENACHE, SYRAH and CINSAULT

Grenache provides a backbone structure; the Syrah a gentle softness.

- 36 **Shiraz Rosé, Beaumont Winery,** £20.95
South Africa 2007
 In colour it is a vibrant pink, the nose indicates sweet cherries and the wine is juicy with lots of raspberry like fruit.
- 37 **Pinot Grigio Rose, Marchesini, Italy 2007** £24.75
 Pinot Grigio is neither dark or light skinned (actually somewhere in between) as such it lends itself well to the production of pink wines. Just off-dry and subtly flavoured this fashionable combination is a good choice for many wine lists.
- 38 **Wild Boar Rosé, Chateau Routas, Provence,** £24.95
France 2007
 A refreshing dry Rosé made from a blend of Grenache, Syrah and Cinsault. The wine has a delicious Summer fruit nose with red berry and herbal characters on the palate.

MERLOT and CABERNET SAUVIGNON

The two Bordeaux Classics! When used for Rosé they combine well to give fuller flavours whilst retaining the elegance required in a Rosé.

- 39 **Chateau Carignan Rosé,** £28.95
Premières Côtes de Bordeaux 2005
 A blend of 80% Merlot and 20% Cabernet Sauvignon grapes. The wine is deeply coloured with a powerful nose and a rich palate. It has been made to accompany a variety of foods or enjoy chilled by the glass.

RED WINES

CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Son of a crossing between Cabernet Franc and Sauvignon Blanc, the noble varietal of Bordeaux produces wines that are rich in colour and are characterised by juicy blackcurrant flavours, often with a hint of refreshing mint. The grape has been successfully exported to the New World where many of its wine are softer and more floral with hints of violet or chocolate.

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| 40 | <p>Cabernet Sauvignon, Vin de Pays d’Oc, Fortant, France 2006</p> <p>A smooth, generous wine with intense aromas of blackcurrant, vanilla and pepper.</p> | £22.25 |
| 41 | <p>Cabernet Sauvignon, Beresford, McLaren Vale, Australia 2006</p> <p>Well balanced Cabernet showing the influence of French oak, combining with rich chocolate and minty eucalyptus flavours.</p> | £31.95 |
| 42 | <p>Cabernet Sauvignon, Private Collection, Robert Mondavi, California 2005</p> <p>The wine has the sweet black cherry and dark berry fruit character that distinguishes California’s finest Cabernet Sauvignons, and its ripe fruit is supported by velvety tannins and well-integrated oak.</p> | £35.75 |

RED WINES

MERLOT

The grape responsible for many wonderful jammy blackberry-filled soft reds. It is highly valued in Bordeaux where it produces a luscious quality to wines that would otherwise often be austere.

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| 43 | <p>Merlot Refosco, Altana di Vico, Italy 2007 £19.95</p> <p>A light bodied yet convincing all-rounder. Fruity and well balance – great with pasta dishes and cold meats.</p> |
| 44 | <p>Merlot, Goyenechea, Argentina 2006 £20.95</p> <p>A full, fruity merlot with blackberry and plum characters.</p> |
| 45 | <p>Merlot Reserve, Valle Andino, Maule Valley, Chile 2006 £21.25</p> <p>Strong varietal character, deep vibrant colour and ripe, juicy fruit. Approachable, easy-drinking Merlot, half the blend is aged in oak to give added complexity.</p> |
| 46 | <p>Merlot, Willowood, Central Valley, California NV £22.25</p> <p>California is becoming recognised for the high quality of the ripe merlot grapes that it produces. This example is a delicious soft rounded red with soft hints of ripe red berries and supple tannins.</p> |
| 47 | <p>Merlot, Robert Skalli, Vin de Pays d’Oc France, Vegetarian 2005 £23.25</p> <p>A warm, plummy red with good depth of colour. Soft and rounded and very easy to drink.</p> |
| 48 | <p>Chateau Carignan, Premier Côtes de Bordeaux France 2002 £29.95</p> <p>Made of 70% Merlot, 20% Cabernet Sauvignon and 10% Cabernet Franc, this wine is aged for 18 months in 100% new barrels. Black garnet colour. The nose is very toasty with caramel and very ripe red berry fruit aromas. Licorice notes intensify the complexity of the wine. Very pleasant palate with silky tannins. Drinking well now</p> |

RED WINES

PINOT NOIR

The grape responsible for the dizzy heights of red Burgundy and also for some of the greatest Champagnes. It also produces delicious New World wines which are often richer and more velvety than their more restrained, complex Old World cousins.

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| 49 | <p>Pinot Noir, Vin de Pays, Robert Skalli,
France 2006</p> <p>Intense flavours of small black fruit, chocolate and liquorice give wonderful complexity to this smooth, delicious wine.</p> | £24.25 |
| 50 | <p>Pinot Noir, Echo Point, Langhorne Creek
Australia 2005</p> <p>This wine is immediately inviting with wild cherry and spicy strawberry fruit. Great with roasted or grilled meats.</p> | £26.50 |
| 51 | <p>Pinot Noir, Mount Cass Vineyard, Waipara
New Zealand 2006</p> <p>A lighter style Pinot Noir that has been matured in French oak barriques to produce a distinctive ripe berry fruit character enhanced with spicy oak. Complements a wide range of foods</p> | £30.95 |
| 52 | <p>Côtes de Beaune Villages, Louis Latour
France 2004</p> <p>An earthy red wine, typical of the heart of Burgundy, selected from the best of the villages around Beaune.</p> | £32.50 |
| 53 | <p>Savigny les Beaune, Louis Jadot
France 1999</p> <p>The wine has the elegance, finesse and soft velvety style which is typical of the Cotes de Beaune.</p> | £43.50 |
| 54 | <p>Gevrey Chambertin, Domaine Rossignol Trapet
France 2004</p> <p>A delicious wine from a top individual grower with superb fruit and structure. It has ripe cherry fruit and great depth.</p> | £44.75 |

RED WINES

SYRAH and SHIRAZ

Fashionable soft spicy wines, the Syrah grape is widely grown. In Australia it appears as Shiraz, producing full, rather more peppery wines.

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| 55 | <p>Shiraz/Cabernet, Katherine Hills,
South Australia 2005</p> <p>This wine has smooth, ripe fruit with soft tannins. The delicate spice of the Shiraz blends perfectly with the red fruit characters of the Cabernet Sauvignon.</p> | £20.25 |
| 56 | <p>Shiraz Carignane, Bonterra, California
Organic 2005</p> <p>An unusual blend comprising Shiraz and Carignane with a little Sangiovese, all drawn from Fetzer's own organically certified vineyards. The wine is matured for 4 months in 5 year old French and American oak barrels which add a light hint of oak to the smooth, full-bodied style of the wine.</p> | £30.25 |
| 57 | <p>Shiraz, Beaumont Winery, Walker Bay
South Africa 2004</p> <p>Good colour, spicy fruit and pepper on the nose and flavours of berry fruit with fine ripe tannins on the finish make this an elegant wine.</p> | £30.75 |
| 58 | <p>Crozes Hermitage, Cellier du Jolibois
France 2005</p> <p>Made from 100% Syrah, this is a deep coloured red wine with expressive aromas of red berry fruits and gentle spices. The palate is subtle and round with a well-evolved structure.</p> | £32.50 |
| 59 | <p>Shiraz, St Andrews, Wakefield Estate, Clare Valley
Australia 2002</p> <p>This Shiraz is superb. An enormous wine with intense, full characters of blackcurrants, black cherries and plums. Amazing persistence and length of flavours.</p> | £41.95 |

RED WINES

GRENACHE

Grenache is widely grown in Southern France. It is responsible for wines that are rich and warm with pleasing spicy, cinnamon characters.

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| 60 | <p>Côtes du Rhône, Les Bastilles
France 2006</p> <p>60% Grenache, 30% Syrah and 10% Mourvedre.
Aromas of fresh fruits and mild spices make this wine very approachable and easy to drink.</p> | £24.25 |
| 61 | <p>Châteauneuf du Pape, Comte Raimbauld
France 2005</p> <p>This wine is being produced for earlier drinking and is a big, fruity, attractive wine which is excellent with darker meat and rich sauces.</p> | £41.50 |

ZINFANDEL

One of the most popular grape varieties in California, the Zinfandel grape is called Primitivo in Italy. Wines are characteristically rich and ripe with distinctive spicy characters.

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| 62 | <p>Zinfandel, Blackstone Winery, California 2005</p> <p>Zinfandel is handpicked from selected vineyards including a site in Lodi where the grapes are 80 years old. The wine has a delicious red fruit and spicy nose and is robust and full in the mouth with flavours of ripe plum, cinnamon, spice and vanilla.</p> | £24.75 |
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PINOTAGE

Widely cultivated in South Africa this is a result of a cross between Pinot Noir and Cinsault. Light, fruity wines with a pleasant jammy sweetness.

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| 63 | <p>Pinotage, Cape Bay Winery, Western Cape
South Africa 2007</p> <p>From a grape variety unique to the Cape, this is a delicious red wine with attractive berry fruit and plenty of grip. Once you have tasted this grape variety, it will become a firm favourite.</p> | £23.95 |
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RED WINES

GAMAY

A natural clone of Pinot Noir, older wines sometimes show Pinot characters. The majority of wine is made to be drunk young and is a great light red to accompany a range of foods.

- 64 **Fleurie, le Roitelet, Henry Fessy, France 2006** £29.50
Soft, silky raspberry fruit and an attractive purple red colour characterise this well made Beaujolais from the Gamay grape. Superb as a summer wine served lightly chilled.

SANGIOVESE

The red grape behind Chianti. Cherry like fruit with pleasing vanilla overtones if oak aged.

- 65 **Chianti Classico DOCG, Santedame, Ruffino Italy 2005** £30.50
Medium-bodied and very elegant. Velvety tannins and a fruity core with a long-lingering aftertaste of strawberry pie and hazelnuts.

NEBBIOLO

The Nebbiolo grapes are famous for Barolo wines. Full rich wines with integrated tannins and hints of a cigar-like quality.

- 66 **Barolo, DOCG, Il Bastione, Piedmont, Italy 2003** £39.95
Dry, full-bodied, warm, smooth and luscious with well integrated tannins, intense, well balanced, with a very long and pleasant finish.

MALBEC

Traditionally used to add colour and structure to the wines of Bordeaux and widely grown in Cahors and the Mediterranean, Malbec has been recognised as a varietal that excels in Argentina.

- 67 **Malbec Reserve, Terrazas, Argentina 2006** £36.50
Voted into Decanter Magazine's "The World's 50 Best Value Reds", this wine is produced from low yielding Malbec grapes grown at an altitude of 3,500 feet. Plushly textured with fine grain tannins and a typical nose of violets, black cherries, plums, chocolate and spicy oak, this is THE perfect match for red meat dishes.

RED WINES

TEMPRANILLO

Tempranillo is one of the most important varieties in Spain, producing reds that are delicious when young but that with correct vinification and storing are capable of great things when older.

68 **Rioja, Marqués de Cáceres, Spain 2004** £24.25

85% Tempranillo; 15% Graciano and Garnacha Tinta. Fresh, fruity bouquet of soft red fruits with a touch of vanilla and spice. Pleasant fullness in the mouth with well-defined but silky tannins and a fleshy finish.

69 **Tempranillo-Cabernet, Gran Reserva, Vallformosa, Penedes, Spain 2001** £33.75

80% Tempranillo; 20% Cabernet Sauvignon. This wine has had a minimum of 5 years ageing split between bottle and oak cask. It is released when ready for drinking and is very smooth and soft with oak character. The Penedes region of Spain has been undiscovered for too long

70 **Rioja Reserva, Marqués de Cáceres, Spain 2001** £40.95

Tempranillo grapes are selected from a vineyard close to the famous Y'Gay estate. Following oak ageing the wine undergoes further ageing in bottle. The wine is full of ripe red fruit characters with cherry and blackberry notes, balanced by soft vanilla.

CARMENÈRE

Carmeniere is an old Bordelaise varietal that was thought to be nearly extinct before it was identified in Chile where it had been mistakenly labelled as Merlot. It is capable of producing interesting wines that are characterised by intense blackcurrant flavours.

71 **Carmenère, Dos Hermanos, Curicó Valley, Chile, Fairtrade 2004** £28.25

Warm plum and damson fruit flavours with ripe tannins and a hint of chocolate before a long, soft finish. A perfect partner to grilled lamb.

72 **Primus, Veramonte, Casablanca, Chile 2004** £35.75

A super-premium wine made from Carmenère blended with Sauvignon Blanc and Cabernet Merlot. Superb concentration of blackberry and cherry fruit, mingling with spicy oak.

MONTEPULCIANO

Montepulciano - an Italian grape that makes wines of medium body, rich color and nice tannin structure. It is the primary grape used to make Montepulciano d'Abruzzo.

73 **Montepulciano d'Abruzzo, DOC, La Botte, Botter 2006** £21.75

A full, fruity red from the Adriatic coast of Italy - a delicious, easy drinking wine.

HALF BOTTLE SELECTION

CHAMPAGNE

- 74 **Mansard Brut NV** **£24.95**
 Blended with the three main grape varieties, **Pinot Noir** gives length, **Pinot Meunier** gives bodyweight and **Chardonnay** contributes aroma and finesse. There is a good amount of bottle age on the brut non-vintage, making this a very attractive and enjoyable Champagne.
- 75 **Moët et Chandon NV** **£27.25**
 Consistently good Champagne from this well-known house; a classic blend of **Chardonnay, Pinot Noir and Pinot Meunier**.
- 76 **Veuve Clicquot 1999** **£35.50**
 An outstanding vintage Champagne from the historic “widows” Champagne house of Reims.

WHITE WINES

- 77 **Sauvignon Blanc, Torreón de Paredes, Chile 2007** **£13.25**
 A crisp, dry, elegant wine with a rich bouquet that hints of gooseberries and sweet melon, with matching fruit on the palate..
- 78 **Chardonnay, Echo Point, Australia NV** **£16.25**
 A wine showing complex refreshing aromas of grapefruit, pineapples and melons. It will appeal to a wide range of tastes and is perfect with fuller flavoured dishes.
- 79 **Sancerre, Jean Marechal, Chavignol France 2007** **£18.25**
 The wine comes from a particular slope called “les Comtesses” on the best part of the south facing hill of Chavignol, just outside the hill town of Sancerre. This is an elegant and appealing **Sauvignon**, full of “gooseberry” fruit with a delicious citrus tang.
- 80 **Chablis, J.Moreau et Fils 2006** **£18.75**
 Classic **Chardonnay**. Very dry, crisp flinty wine with excellent fruit and acidity, yet retains its essential elegance.

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RED WINES

- 81 **Merlot, Torreón de Paredes, Chile 2006** **£13.25**
A rich, ruby-red **Merlot** from Chile with sweet vanilla aromas. It demonstrates a good balance of flavour and tannin with a lovely, long finish. blackberry, slightly peppery fruit on the palate.
- 82 **Côtes du Rhône, Les Bastilles, Rhone Valley 2005** **£14.50**
Grenache dominates the blend lending typical aromas of fresh fruits and mild spices to make this wine very approachable and easy to drink.
- 83 **Shiraz, Echo Point, Australia NV** **£15.95**
A soft, spicy red with gentle ripe red fruit characters that are enhanced by light peppery flavours.
- 84 **Côte de Beaune Villages, Louis Latour Burgandy, 2004** **£21.50**
An earthy red wine, typical of **Pinot Noir** from the Heart of Burgundy, selected from the best of the villages around Beaune.

