

Bulls Head

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Drinks Menu

It isn't just about delicious food; wine too is one of life's greatest pleasures.
Explore my wine list and discover something new...

~ Sparkling & Champagne ~

	Glass	Bottle
1. Silver Reign Brut NV – Kent - England	8.5	42
Made using traditional Prosecco methods, Filled with citrus, fresh pear and cut green apple flavours, and best enjoyed at anytime.		
2. Laurent-Perrier La Cuvée NV - Champagne- France		110
Delicate citrus fruit aromas with hints of white flowers. Perfect balance of freshness and finesse. Complex, creamy and full of smooth tiny bubbles.		
3. Gardet Brut Rosé NV- Chigny-les-Roses- Champagne - France		75
For well-known Rosé Champagne brands this particular house gives them all a run for their money. Fresh strawberries, raspberries, hints of grapefruit and orange peel. Wonderfully sustained, a pearl mousse, great intensity and a long finish.		
4. Dom Perignon Vintage 2012 - Champagne- France		335
The masterminds behind these beautiful Champagnes are often faced with many challengers. Declaring this vintage was a daunting challenge. Winter frosts and a cool Spring were reminders of the vineyard's northerly latitude. The summer was hot, the rain infrequent and suddenly in mid-August everything changed. Equivalent to two months of rain fell in just two days. That all being said they were left with a graceful Champagne featuring toasted brioche, grilled nut and a ripe underpinning of pure tangerine, candied ginger, toasted saffron and lime blossom.		

Glass

Bottle

5. Krug Grande Cuvée NV - Champagne- France

365

Krug Grande Cuvée is born from the dream of one man, Joseph Krug, to craft the very best Champagne he could offer, every single year, regardless of annual variations in climate. Since 1843, the House of Krug has honoured this vision with each new Édition of Krug Grande Cuvée: the most generous expression of Champagne. Krug Grande Cuvée is a blend of over 120 different wines from more than 10 different years.

~ Nyetimber Estate, West Sussex- England ~

We are true advocates to English Sparkling wines, and we know we have found one of the best out there. World renowned and multi award winning Nyetimber truly stand out. Our team here at The Bulls Head are proud to list the stunning wines that the estate produces and look forward to many more years to come drinking English wines!

	Glass	Bottle
6. Nyetimber Classic Brut NV, West Sussex- England	15	40(h)/75
<p>Tiny bubbles, great clarity and a wonderful pale gold colour. Aromas of fresh melon proving bread, sweet pea flowers and vanilla followed by fresh apricot and melon flavours on the palate. A beautiful long finish. Are the French getting worried? They should be...</p>		
7. Nyetimber Demi Sec NV, West Sussex- England		75
<p>This cuvée has delicious delicate sweetness of honey. Balanced well with pure citrus lemon and tangerine flavours with refreshing minerality. Elegant, delicate and fresh. This Demi Sec works particularly well with rich food.</p>		
8. Nyetimber Blanc de Blancs 2015, West Sussex- England		80
<p>This Blanc de Blancs shows Nyetimber's classic signature of delicate floral and citrus aromas followed by subtle vanilla and toasted flavours from oak ageing. A long complex finish makes this a wine to be savoured.</p>		

	Glass	Bottle
<p>9. Nyetimber Tillington 2014, West Sussex- England</p> <p>A light gold colour with very fine bubbles. On the nose aromas of wild strawberry and delicate floral bouquet leads you into richer notes of pastry and praline. The palate is generous and yet refined with red apple and apricot complemented by hints of fresh citrus, fruity and complex almond characteristics and persists well into a long finish</p>		135
<p>10. Nyetimber '1086' Prestige Cuvée 2010, West Sussex- England</p> <p>The 2010 vintage has an elegant pale golden colour and the finest of bubbles. Complex aromas including fresh grapefruit nugget and a fine minerality. The palate is both delicate and yet generous with great intensity and a lovely touch of vanilla on the delightfully long finish.</p>		225
<p>11. Nyetimber Rosé NV, West Sussex- England</p> <p>A beautiful sunset pink colour. Aromas of red fruits with intriguing spice notes of anise and lavender. The palette has a creamy round texture with redcurrant, raspberry and cherry flavours. An elegant and silky finish.</p>	16	80
<p>12. Nyetimber '1086' Rose Prestige Cuvée 2010- England</p> <p>The first ever Prestige Cuvée Rosé made in England, 1086 Rosé represents the pinnacle of their winemaking. The 2010 vintage celebrates a pure expression of Pinot Noir red fruit, alongside floral and pastry notes.</p>		245

~ Clean, Crisp & Dry White Wines ~

If you are a creature of all things straight talking the wines below might well be for you.
There is nothing too fruity here, nothing too buttery and definitely nothing too oaky!

	Glass	Bottle
13. Riesling, Robert Weil Kiedrich Turmberg Trocken - Rheingau - Germany	9	45
<p>Both fruity and floral on the nose. Mirabelle, plum and orange blossom notes. A fresh and nearly saline wine with taut mineral structure and a lovely roundedness. A grape variety that is very much underrated in our book.</p>		
14. Pinot Gris, Springhill Irvine Wines- Eden Valley- Australia		55
<p>A superb alternative to Pinot Grigio. Warm aromas of white Peach pear and delicate floral notes. The palate is soft and elegant continuing through to a long finish. A beautifully balanced wine with rich flavour and crisp natural acidity. If you like dry white wines with a good level of fruit this one is for you.</p>		
15. Pecorino Noi Cento, Roxan- Abruzzo- Italy		45
<p>A top-class example of an increasingly fashionable Italian grape variety. From the Abruzzo hills where sheep (Pecor) have roamed since time immemorial. Full crisp and dry with a bouquet of flowers and pleasing after taste of ripe citrus fruit and a good layer of minerality and freshness.</p>		

	Glass	Bottle
<p>16. Soave D.O.C. Classico Vigne Alte, Zeni, Veneto- Italy</p> <p>Let's settle it... it's pronounced (Swar-vay) not 'Sovay, not Swarve and definitely not Sove.' The nose on this wine is intense, but with delicate notes of elderflower. The palate is elegant lingering with a slightly bitter finish. A fresh and fruity wine with a bouquet of almond butter, green apples and citrus fruit. Elegant and perfectly balanced.</p>		43
<p>17. Pinot Grigio, Ca' Tesore- Venetie, Italy</p> <p>When Pinot Grigio is good, it can be such a treat; simple and yet so delicious, and certainly this Pinot Grigio. The nose has hints of lemon balm, green apple, pear with a zesty, dry yet vibrant palate. Who said Pinot had to be boring...</p>	5.50 8.50	32
<p>18. Hondarrabi Zuri, Txakolina, Adur- Basque- Spain</p> <p>A delightful white from the Basque Country. Light, aromatic, and delicately citrusy. Fragrant with herbs and pear too.</p>		55
<p>19. Chenin Blanc, Ken Forrester Old Vine Reserve- South Africa</p> <p>Golden hued and full bodied, with melon and spicy baked apple aromas. Layered, with mineral notes enhanced by honeycomb and caramel flavours from lees contact. Great balance which is achieved between the fruit content and delicate oak contact meaning vanilla flavours combining to form complex, soft flavours with sufficient body to enhance even spicy and full flavoured meals.</p>	9 12.50	45

~ Sauvignon & Similar Style Whites ~

There is a reason Sauvignon Blanc has become so popular over the years and before you say it, it isn't just because the Kiwi's got good at it. In this section you'll find that signature style wine that we all know far too well, that being said look out for the curve balls...

	Glass		Bottle
20. Sauvignon Blanc, Kuki, Marlborough- New Zealand	10.50	13	47
<p>We kick off with that old favourite! Signature elderflower, grassy notes and of course, lip-smacking acidity. Kiwi 'Savvy B' is so popular these days. We can really see why! Mouthwatering to say the least.</p>			
21. Sancerre 'Le Perrier', Domaine Jean Thomas- Loire- France			62
<p>What wine list is complete without a classic Sancerre? This small 9ha family run estate of Domaine Thomas lies in the South of the region and has a high proportion of its vineyards on the highly sought-after Silex soil. Crisp, steely and fresh with distinct grassy notes. The wine has a little more depth and character in the mid palate and delicious acidity that keeps the wine fresh and interesting.</p>			
22. Viognier, Muscat, Obaideh, Altitudes White, Ixsir, Batroun-Lebanon			55
<p>Aromatic, spicy white wine from Lebanon, with an exotic musky perfume leveraged by grapefruit and a waggon full of white fruit and flowers on the palate.</p>			
23. Albariño, 'You & Me', Rias Baixas, Spain			55
<p>Lovely citrus and tropical fruit flavours combine perfectly with cleansing saline finish.</p>			

	Glass	Bottle
24. Picpoul De Pinet, La Font, Francaise, Languedoc- France		40

A bright yellow colour with green highlights. The nose is rich and subtle, with fresh notes of white flowers. The palate is nicely rounded and very fresh with good structure.

25. Sauvignon Blanc, Sea Point, Western Cape- South Africa	5.50	8.5	32
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The refreshing Sauvignon Blanc grape is perfectly at home in South Africa. The diverse growing regions make for wines that can be nice and grassy with plenty of grapefruit and green apple skins.

~ Rich, Rounded & Robust Whites ~

This is where we start to warm up those foodie wines. For those of us that like the warm fruit flavoured, buttery, creamy textures and in some cases oaky whites the below will tickle those taste buds. The wines below have specifically been chosen to suit many dishes on our menu.

	Glass	Bottle
26. Chardonnay, Sauvignon, Furmint Cuvée 113 Blend, Sauska- Tokaji- Hungary		47
Wonderfully rounded and aromatic, with elderflower and orange peel aromas, meeting tropical fruits like mango and pineapple on the palate.		
27. Chenin Blanc, The FMC, Western Cape- South Africa		115
This flagship FMC is rich, seductive and utterly sophisticated. Layer upon layer of pineapple, candied lemon, dried apricot, ginger and vanilla with touches of honey spice and Crème Brûlée effortlessly supported by gentle oak and lovely freshness.		
28. Chardonnay, Valdivieso, Curicó Valley – Chile	5.50	8.5 32
This Chardonnay has lots of ripe, tropical fruit flavours but also has flavours of refreshing lemons and clean, crisp apples. It's deliciously fruity with the very tiniest hint of creamy vanilla. Curicó Valley.		
29. Vouvray, Sec, Sylvain Gaudron- Loire Valley- France		55
Pale lemon in colour, medium intensity on the nose with aromas of waxy red apple, green pear, citrus rinds and a little butter. On the palate honeyed fruit, candied green apple, marmalade and small amounts of floral undertone. Off dry and high acidity with a delightful fuller body without being over oaked.		

	Glass	Bottle
<p>30. Viognier, Muscat, Obaideh, Altitudes White, Ixsir, Batroun-Lebanon</p> <p>Aromatic, spicy white wine from Lebanon, with an exotic musky perfume leveraged by grapefruit and a waggon full of white fruit and flowers on the palate.</p>		55
<p>31. Chardonnay, Ropiteau, Bourgogne, Burgundy, France</p> <p>Bright and clear yellow with green lights. Wonderful fruity nose with a hint of white flowers. Great balance between freshness and roundness.</p>		59
<p>32. Chardonnay, Ortega, Pinot Blanc, Albourne Estate Sandstone Ridge 2018, Sussex - England</p> <p>Chardonnay-led blend offering a perfectly-balanced fuller wine than is typical in England. Hand-selected grapes & contact with new French oak enhanced the overall mouthfeel & complexity which supports the rich array of aromas from honeysuckle & peach to fresh coconut, vanilla & white pepper.</p>		58
<p>33. Tempranillo Blanco, Rioja Vega- Rioja- Spain</p> <p>Intense tropical fruit, white flowers and herb aromas. A full-bodied attack on the palate that leads to citrus flavours. Silky texture from its ageing on fine lees in French Oak. A complex wine, a foodie wine, an excellent wine.</p>		46

	Glass		Bottle
34. Chardonnay, 2020 Bogle- California- United States	13	18	65

A proper Californian Chardonnay. 50% aged in American oak for eight months to give rich vanilla and nutmeg spice. The other half is aged in steel to retain the fresh peach and lemon character.

35. Viognier, La Petite Côte- Rhone Valley- France			98
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A rich and opulent wine with aromas of ripe apricot, white peach, and floral notes. The palate is luscious, revealing flavours of stone fruit, honey, and a touch of minerality, balanced by vibrant acidity and a lengthy finish.

~ Off the Beaten Track Whites ~

Curious? Why not head down the rabbit hole... We are all a little too comfortable when it comes to trying new things. The wines below are all far from offensive in any way but perhaps not on your radar.

We urge you to give them a whirl, who knows you might surprise yourself!

	Glass	Bottle
36. Kisi, Vismino, Artana, Kakheti- Georgia		52
<p>What a lovely name for a grape variety. 'Kisi' is an ancient grape that is currently in its revival phase. Georgia are reigniting their flame for wine. Mark my words you will see more Georgian wine on many more lists in the next few years. Deep golden in colour, oozing with grapefruit and pineapple tones. Tangy on the palate with Gulabi pear, cedar and pine through and through. Really quite delicious.</p>		
37. White Malbec, Santa Rosa, Mendoza- Argentina		36
<p>Heard of white Malbec before? After pressing, the grapes juice is separated from the skins preventing this from imparting colour or tannin. The result a white wine with a golden tint, great backbone, grapefruit, ripe peach and a hint of spice.</p>		
38. Códéga, Coroa d'Ouro, Manoel Poças, Douro Valley, Portugal		40
<p>Códéga is one of the native grapes to Portugal. This wine is a blend of their national grapes but lead by this variety. Fruity with tropical notes such as apricot, wet stones, green plum and dessert apples.. Fresh, with balanced acidity and persistent.</p>		

	Glass	Bottle
<p>39. Sangiovese Bianco, Toscana, Duca di Saragnano, Barbera, Tuscany- Italy</p> <p>Yes you have read that correctly. A white Sangiovese. Fresh sour cherry, orange blossom and broom enhance the aromatic complexity of this wine. Hints of quince linger in the background. Rich on the palate balanced minerality pleasantly fresh and slightly savoury.</p>		39
<p>40. Fetească Regala, 'Paparuda', Cramele Recas, Banat- Romania</p> <p>Romania wine is really taking off. Some of the best wine makers in the world produce real crackers like this one. The quality and value for money is outstanding. The Fetească Regala is an old eastern European variety which producers wines in a similar style to Gewürztraminer or dry Muscat. A great everyday bottle. Crisp apple, pear and a hint of grapefruit.</p>		34
<p>41. Grüner Veltliner, Talisman- Tokay- Hungary</p> <p>Dry in style, this Grüner Veltliner has bright aromas of citrus fruit and green herbs balanced with white pepper and warm spice. It is very similar to Riesling in style. A foodie wine.</p>		35
<p>42. Sauvignon, Verdejo, Abadia Retuerta- Castilla y León- Spain</p> <p>On the nose there is an intense bouquet of honey, preserved peaches, ginger and white flowers, alongside subtle notes of mint and embers. The palate opens softly, with exotic citrus, grapefruit and apple, merging with hints of freshly cut hay and aniseed. The structure has a perfectly alignment of crisp acidity, warming spicy fruit and a long, lingering finish.</p>	15	21
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~ Show Stopping Whites~

Looking for the big boys? You've found them. Age, quality and superb history. Say no more..

			Bottle
43. Domaine Paul Nicolle Chablis 1er Cru Les Fourneaux 2020 - Burgundy, France	19	26	95
<p>Always a very overt, riper style of wine, there is a beautiful purity and concentration of fruit, coupled with a piecing lime acidity and a long succulent and tropical fruit finish. An outstanding 1er Cru.</p>			
44. Tempranillo Blanco, Reserva 2018, Rioja Vega- Rioja- Spain			90
<p>Brilliant golden colour with subtle green hues. Rich, intense and complex bouquet full of nuances. Aromas of tea and honey, with subtle smokiness. Hints of oak from barrel ageing. Unctuous with a long persistent finish and an elegant hint of minerality. When it comes to White Rioja.. well just wow!</p>			
45. Chardonnay, Didacus Bianco, Planeta- Sicily- Italy			140
<p>A generous and intense Sicilian white wine. Packed with apples and Peaches with a refreshing splash of citrus acidity on the finish.</p>			
46. Risling Grand Cru. 2017, Geisber- Alsace- France			125
<p>This is a great, intense Riesling Grand Cru with excellent ageing potential from Alsace's most renowned Producer. Don't be fooled by its apparently easy going first impression. This is from an outstanding superbly situated Grand Cru site and has serious concentration and the capacity to keep for many years. With time its youthful honeysuckle and peach aromas will give way to deeper richer bees wax, black truffle, honey and crushed rock character. It still maintains superb freshness and vibrancy. An awesome wine.</p>			

~ Rosé Wines ~

A Rosé wine is defined as a type of wine that incorporates some colour from the grape skins but not enough to qualify as a red. It may be the oldest known type of wine as it is generally the most straightforward to make. So, love it or hate it, it is very much here to stay.

	Glass		Bottle
47. Grenache – Chateau De Berne Esprit Mediterranee – Provence - France	5.50	8.5	32
A delightful and refreshing rose from the sunny and glamorous South of France. Juicy red berry, cranberry and peach aromas with a clean and elegant finish.			
48. Sangiovese - Remole Rosé, Frescobaldi – Tuscany – Italy			38
Bright pink colour to the eye. On the nose it is fruity, particularly citrusy, followed by notes of red fruits such as cherry and raspberry the floral scents are reminiscent of wild rose. Fresh and persuasive, it is pleasantly persistent on the nose. On the palate, it offers a pleasant balance between freshness and sapidity.			
49. Cabernet Franc Rosé, Cada Nube- Uco Valley- Mendoza			60
Strawberry and red apple flavours and subtle creaminess to the body, only 300 bottles available per year!			

~ Orange Wines ~

A passing fad, a quirky wine market tactic or a gimmick? Who knows... all we know is these particular Orange wine are an outstanding introduction to the style. Trust us you won't be disappointed.' Orange wine, also known as skin-contact white wine, skin-fermented white wine, or amber wine, is a type of wine made from white wine grapes where the grape skins are not removed, as in typical white wine

Bottle

50. Grenache Blanc, Viognier, Muscat - "When Life Gives You Oranges" Languedoc-Roussillon - France 40

Clear, pale orange colour. Intense aromas of bitter oranges, dried flowers and slight nutty hints. Fresh, vivid and well-balanced, with a nice acidity; the aromas carry through to the palate. The finish is long, intense, and complex.

51. Catarratto, Arancino Bianco Macerato Orange Wine Terre Siciliane IGT - Italy 60

Golden yellow with light russet shades. The nose expres hints of candied citrus and herbs typical of the Mediterranean. On the palate the salinity and tannins harmonise with the extreme freshness, giving an elegant and persistent finish.

~ Softer, Lighter Bodied Reds~

We start the Reds with a light approach. Reds that don't make you think of a headache tomorrow morning. Reds that don't have tannins that strip your taste buds. Reds that are easy, gentle and in some cases 'Summer in a glass'.

52. Beaujolais Villages, Domaine Pardon- Beaujolais- France 8.5 12 44

This wine has dark Ruby colour developing aromas of black fruit cassis, blueberries and redcurrant. On the palate it is fruity, soft and sweet harmony. A delicious sunshine wine, Beaujolais Villages is great for lazy lunches, offering soft and succulent tannins.

53. Petit Pinotage – Ken Forrester – Stellenbosch – South Africa 38

Full of just-picked loganberry, redcurrant and elderberry fruit, this is crisp and refreshing with such gentle tannin that you can enjoy it chilled

54. Pinot Noir, 'Lautarul', Cramele Recas- Banat- Romania 47

Dark in colour, red plum, cherry and mulled spicy aromatics. Beautiful flavour, almost jammy concentration. Layers of complex black cherry, raspberry and cinnamon. A long lingering finish too.

55. Chianti, Duca di Saragnano - Tuscany, Italy 45

A fresh clean modern style of Chianti that is easy to drink with food or just on its own. Medium bodied with soft red fruits with hints of spice and tobacco on the finish complimented by a smoky note. 10 points to you if you can remember the famous line from a film and the actor that said it...

	Glass	Bottle
<p>56. Xinomavro, Kali Riza Vieilles Vignes PDO, Kir-Yianni- Amyndeon - Macedonia- Greece</p> <p>‘Kali Riza’ means ‘Good Root’ in Greek. This wine is from over 40+ year old vines. Elegant, fragrant with cherries, wild strawberries and sweet spice, complemented and complexified by savoury flavours of tomatoes olives and cinnamon. Definitely a food wine.</p>		55
<p>57. Cabernet Franc, Cada Nube, Valle De Uco - Mendoza - Argentina</p> <p>From high altitude vineyards in the heart of the stunning Uco Valley where intense sunshine and cooler nights help to develop a richness and complexity in the grape. Aged in 3rd use neutral French Oak of 7 months. Fruit forward wine with red and black cherry, plum and blackberry flavours as well as some herbal menthol and graphite.</p>	12	16.5 60
<p>58. Sangiovese, Merlot, Castiglioni Chianti, Frescobaldi DOCG- Tuscany- Italy</p> <p>A captivating ruby red wine with purple undertones. Delight in its fruity aroma reminiscent of strawberry, maraschino cherry, raspberry and fig. Floral and Mediterranean scents with a pleasant spiciness reveals elegant notes of pepper and cloves. Vibrant liveliness on the palate culminating in a long clean and delicate harmonious finish.</p>		65

~ Fruity & Full-Bodied Reds ~

Real crowd pleasers to follow here. Fruit led. Bold black fruits. Everything that Red wine drinkers love. Winter walks, log fires and a good book all come to mind. If you like Malbecs and Merlots look no further.

	Glass	Bottle
59. Merlot, Alto Bajo, Central Valley- Chile	5.50 8.5	32
<p>The wine has a deep and beautiful Ruby red colour. The no seduces with a beautiful range of aromas of dried fruit like plums and figs. Toasted bread mingled with fruity notes of fresh cranberries and cherries.</p>		
60. Nebbiolo, Barolo, Fontanafredda Di Serralunga- Italy		115
<p>The Serralunga d'Alba Barolo DOCG from Fontanafredda is garnet red in the glass with ruby reflections. Full bodied, velvety and intense. This Barolo is heady with vanilla dried roses and woodland undergrowth. On the palate, this Barolo from Fontanafredda is dry but soft and full bodied.</p>		
61. Merlot – Bogle – California - USA		65
<p>Amazing aromas of fresh, ripened cherries and plums burst from this perfectly balanced Merlot. On the palate the full fruit leads beautifully into the complex finish: soft and silky, yet with firm tannins and spicy, smoky oak. Earth tones of pipe tobacco and leather round out the experience.</p>		

- 62. Cabernet Sauvignon – Ixsir – Batroun - Lebanon** 60
- A rich garnet in colour, the Ixsir Altitudes red has irresistibly succulent aromas of juicy, ripe black cherries, fresh raspberries and a sprinkling of peppery spice. It has the soft, mellow, velvety texture of a Rhône Valley wine, with similar complex herbal nuances and Syrah's distinctive perfume. Underneath all this, the Cabernet Sauvignon provides tannins that are firm but ripe and polished
- 63. Cabernet Sauvignon, Les Mougeottes- Languedoc- Roussillon- France** 7.50 10.50 38
- A full-bodied and full-flavoured Cabernet Sauvignon with juicy blackcurrant and peppery aromas.
- 64. Malbec- ‘Lunta’ - Mendoza, Argentina** 65
- Dark, rich and intensely flavoured with hints of dark forest fruits, black cherry, spice and in harmony with the freshness and oak that wrap around the fruit. A true representative of Argentinian Malbec!
- 65. Primitivo Della Puglia, Botromagno - Italy** 45
- An Restrained Primitivo, surprisingly delicate, with lots of wild cherry and cinnamon on the nose, followed by more cherries, vanilla and a puff of tobacco in the mouth.
- 66. Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Cabernet Franc, Sauska Cuvée 13 Villáy, Tokaji- Hungary** 50
- Aromas plum, raspberries and freshly baked sourdough bread dominate the nose with a distinct leafiness

from the Cabernet franc. On the palate a lovely outburst of red forest fruits, delicate freshness, clean and a very well-balanced finish.

67. Tempranillo, Rioja, Bodegas Muerza- Rioja- Spain

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An elegant red wine with hints of liquorice and dark fruit both on the nose and the palate. Well-structured and easy to drink due to its low level of tannins. Everything you would expect from this baby Rioja.

68. Saperavi, Vismino, Napareuli, Kakheti- Georgia

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Georgia has been named the 'birthplace' of wine. Drinking this will show you why. Mature ruby in colour with a brick hue. The palate is full of black mulberry and cherry with soft oak and vanilla overtones. The soft and velvety tannin structure is well balanced with a fresh acidity and a superb, expressive vinosity.

69. Grenache, Syrah – The Gypsy – Ken Forrester – Stellenbosch – South Africa

85

2015 will no doubt go down as one of the greatest South African red wine vintages of all time. Low yields with small, concentrated berries resulted in a limited production of a little over 1500 bottles. Almost 3 years of barrel ageing before making up the final blend, only to bottle the wine and allow it an additional 2 years of bottle age. A very concentrated, focused blend with layers of deep fruit. The character is expectedly somewhat "wild", a little brambly with hints of nutmeg, cinnamon, dark spices, with vanilla scents and a distinct, concentrated red-fruit focus.

~ Beautiful Bordeaux Reds ~

We are all familiar with this Southwestern wine growing region of France. It is renowned for producing some of the finest wines in the world. We felt it needed its own section in my list. Left Bank, Right Bank you decide.

	Glass	Bottle
70. Cabernet Sauvignon, Château Lieujean, Haut Medoc, 2010	15 21	75
Very precise aromas, great balance between ripe fruit and oak. Complex tannins with long after taste. This is one of my favourite wines.		
71. Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Chateau Grand-Puy Ducasse Pauillac 2014		145
Bold and quite generous, it is a decidedly racy and exotic style, almost impossible to resist, This vintage has matured well after ageing and offers a clean, fresh bouquet with blackberry aromas and iodine notes. The palate is well defined and reveals crisp black fruit with hints of cedar.		
72. Merlot, Cabernet, BriO de Cantenac Brown, Cru Bourgeois, Margaux		79
A powerful and luscious wine from the Margaux appellation. Textured and opulent, with rich red fruit and velvety chocolate bouquet that open generously on your palate. A sophisticated and stylish Margaux.		
73. Cabernet Franc, Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Carmenere, Château Léoville-Poyferré, St Julien 2011		180
The 2011 Loville-Poyferré is very deep purple almost black in colour with super intense notes of freshly crushed blackcurrants, wild blueberries and Sichuan pepper with hints of lavender, baking spices and wood smoke. The palate is medium-bodied, firm and grainy with restrained, understated fruit and a long, mineral-laced finish.		

	Glass	Bottle
74. Merlot, Cabernet Franc, Château Dubard Bel-Air St. 2018		55
<p>Deep ruby colour, with ripe berry fruit on the nose and a mellow, lightly tannic structure with notes of oak spice. A full-bodied, well-balanced wine with a seductive finish. Approachable and graceful, a very calm, collected and precise Bordeaux.</p>		
75. Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, Château La Croix Romane, Lalande-de-Pomerol	11.5	16 58
<p>Candied black fruits and soft spices with a discreet oak note in the background. Intense and powerful both in style and flavour. Nice long tannins here too.</p>		
76. Merlot, Cabernet Franc, Vieux Brun Pomerol		115
<p>Rounded, elegant Bordeaux, with 90% Merlot and 10% Cabernet franc it is fragrant with raspberries and red plums persistent spice and vanilla perfume from oak ageing.</p>		

~ Rustic but Bold Reds ~

You may begin to recognise some names in this section. Here we bring a few well-known houses and wineries together with big reds too. These wines captivate the senses with robust character and earthy charm. Sun drenched vineyards, rustic oak barrels and vines as far as the eye can see. Let your imagination run wild.

	Glass	Bottle
77. Cabernet Franc, Malbec, Merlot, Mendoza, Cada Nube Valle de Uco- Mendoza- Argentina.		60
<p>A fruit forward wine with red and black cherry, plum and blackberry flavours. Some herbal menthol and graphite notes too. Very ripe and intense dark fruits aromas of black cherry, plum, blackberry. Excellent combination of tannins, acid, body and intensity means this wine is capable of ageing for some time.</p>		
78. Cabernet, Merlot, Cabernet Franc, Tenuta Frescobaldi di Castiglione Toscana IGT		70
<p>Beautiful, bright Ruby red colour with tinges of purple. The nose reveals fruity notes of cherry, blackberry, blueberry and mulberry. Equally marvellous on the spice notes of cinnamon star anise and light hints of black pepper. More general tertiary and toasted notes then emerge. It is soft and enveloping on the palate. The tannins are resolved. The finish long and persistent.</p>		
79. La Luna, Bordeaux Blend, Avondale- Paarl- South Africa		69
<p>Jonathan Grieve at Avondale practices sustainable and natural viticulture in line with their ethos 'Terra Est Vita' – Soil is life! They are experts in understanding that for the land and the business to thrive, every aspect of the living system must also thrive. Dark purple in colour with classic berry aromas and a hint of tobacco leaf. On the palate there are layers of mineral intense fruit, with gentle tannins and a lovely freshness to the wine. A stunning South African Bordeaux Blend.</p>		

~ Crunchy, Chewy & Spicy Reds ~

When has a liquid ever been described as 'Crunchy' well if you choose any of the below you'll understand why. We have selected some real spice bombs, rustic and meaty reds. The crunchy we refer to is that mouthfeel feel you get when the minerality, the spice and the tannins all show off a bit!

	Glass	Bottle
80. Crozes-Hermitage Cuvée L, Domaine Laurent Combiere- Rhone- France		68
The first wine in the Combiere range and what a wonderful wine! 70% of the blend is aged in concrete tanks with the remaining 30% in seasoned Demi-muids. Delivering a succulent fruit driven wine full of blackcurrant fruit and spice A delicious Shiraz.		
81. Marselan, Le Professeur - Languedoc, France	7.20	10 36
The grape variety Marselan is the result of an Ampelographer creating a hybrid from Cabernet Sauvignon and Grenache. The nose is perfectly spiced with hints of black pepper and violet with aromas of blackberry and cassis. The finish is long and juicy with subtle tannins		
82. Malbec, Les Mourgeottes, IGP Pays d'Oc, Languedoc-Rousillon- France		36
Southern French Malbec, full of black cherries and black plums. Topped off with a scattering of spice.		
83. Nebbiolo, Cabernet Sauvignon, Uovo, Larry Cherubino, 2021- Frankland River - Western Australia		65
Made in a clay cement ovoid tank - a giant "egg" - the lees are continuously forced upward by an internal current resembling a vortex. This gives the wine voluptuousness, purity and texture. Notes of crunchy redcurrant, blackcurrant and bay Leaf, with fine tannins and bright acidity.		

	Glass	Bottle
<p>84. Rioja Reserva, Vega- Rioja- Spain</p> <p>This is where we begin to see more complexity of flavour. The nose, aromas of freshly picked berry fruits with a lovely hint of sweet vanilla. The palate is more intense in flavour with plum, blackcurrant leaf and tobacco aromas. Great balance, wonderful length and a stunning finish.</p>		59
<p>85. Grenache, Mourvèdre, Syrah, Châteauneuf-Du-Pape- Rhone Valley- France</p> <p>This wine has a dark plum/ruby/purple-tinged colour and a big, sweet kiss of creme de cassis, kirsch, cedar, spice, and balsam wood. With outstanding intensity, full-bodied power, and a long, rich, silky finish, it should drink well for up to a decade.</p>		85
<p>86. Syrah, Circa – New South Wales - Australia</p> <p>This wine has a dark plum/ruby/purple-tinged colour and a big, sweet kiss of creme de cassis, kirsch, cedar, spice, and balsam wood. With outstanding intensity, full-bodied power, and a long, rich, silky finish, it should drink well for up to a decade.</p>		32

~ Show Stopping Reds ~

There is not much I can say here other than the wines will most definitely speak for themselves...

	Bottle
87. Pinot Noir, 2018, Domaine Robert Sirugue 'Les Trois Terroirs'-Vosnee Romanee- France	160
<p>The main notes in this excellent pinot noir aright bread fruit and spices. This red is young but ranked in the top 2% of all red wines in the world.</p>	
88. Cabernet Sauvignon, Jordan Estate, Alexander Valley- Sonoma- USA	120
<p>A wine with elegance, refinement and plenty of verve. Its perfume of blackberries and black cherries mingles with a backdrop of subtle oak notes. The palate has a velvety richness that coats the mouth in concentrated flavours of blackberries and cassis, laced with fine tannins from seamlessly integrated, new French oak. Enticing flavours of chocolate, violets and dark fruits linger on the long finish.</p>	
89. Touriga Nacional, 2015, Roquette and Cazes Xisto- Douro- Portugal	150
<p>This wine has a deep almost opaque red colour and a nose of violets cassis and black cherries. On the palate that Xisto is remarkably elegant with a classic balance of fine ripe tannins and intense mouth filling fruit. Although delicious now Xisto will age well for the next 10 to 15 years.</p>	
90. Cabernet Sauvignon, Louis M Martini, Napa Valley- USA	95
<p>The Louis M Martini winery was one of the first five to be built in Napa after the prohibition. Several generations later they are producing one of the finest Cabernet Sauvignons in the world. Fresh and full of blackberry, blueberries and deep red plum.</p>	

91. Syrah, Tamboerskloof, John Spicer- Stellenbosch- South Africa

155

The wine has a medium ruby colour. On the nose blueberry, wild bramble and cassis dominate, followed by charming floral notes of violets and cherry. It finishes with spices, black pepper and sage. The entry is youthful with an amazingly generous middle palate with loads of texture and fresh acidity. The follow-through of fruit from nose to palate is excellent. A powerful finish, great oak integration with leather and tobacco notes.

92. Tempranillo, Cabernet Sauvignon, Syrah 2011, Abadia Retuerta- Castilla y Leon- Spain

190

Dark colour. Complex and powerful on the nose, highlights of balsamic notes, wild aromatic herbs and spices. It opens up with aromas of toffee and After Eight mints. Fruity in the mouth, blackcurrant and orange marmalade preserve. The finish is slightly herby, in perfect unison with the explosion of oily fruit that floods the palate. Long, voluptuous and full of muscle. Exquisite future in the bottle. One of their best vintages.

~ Our Private Cellar ~

If our Show Stoppers wasn't enough for you why not try something from our private reserve cellar, some of the finest wines in the world from the finest vintages only...

White

93. Chenin Blanc - Dirty Little Secrets Four, Ken Forrester - Stellenbosch - South Africa 210

Uncient bush vines. Completely spontaneous fermentation after extended soaking on skins and stalks before pressing. Bottled unfiltered , unfinned and may form harmless crystals. Low interruptive winemaking - no cold stabilization or fining. Complex blend of multiple vintages - french 400 L barrels.

Red

94. The Bridge Cabernet Sauvignon, Ken Forrester 2014 California– USA 190

Elegantly balanced Cabernet, from a relatively cool site, showing restraint power with concentration. This wine displays notes of wood spice, earth, black and red currants, liquorice and tobacco leaf. It is full-bodied, has excellent purity and was bottled with no fining or filtration. Drink 2020 – 2030.

95. Barolo Campè, La Spinetta – 2001 Piemonte – Italy 320

Bright, intense ruby red in colour with ripe berry fruits and well-integrated woody aromas, the palate is balanced and the tannins supple, with a long, full finish. The Campè vineyard is up the hill from Garretti, in the village of Grinzane Cavour. There is very little topsoil here, and the vines are aged seventy years or more, leading to exceptional concentration in the wine.

96. Chateau Lafite Rothschild, Pauillac, 2004 Bordeaux - France 1,450

The palate is medium-bodied with silky tannins, pitch-perfect acidity and a beautiful structure. There is a regal sense to this Lafite, understated compared to the other First Growths and yet the persistence on the finish deserves a round of applause, especially in the context of the vintage.

~ Half Bottles Whites~

When a glass is not quite enough and a bottle too much...

97. Chardonnay - Mâcon-Villages Les Préludes - Burgundy - France 36

Nicely balanced Chardonnay from southern Burgundy, perfumed with white flowers, brimming with juicy yellow peach and finishing on a fine, refreshing mist of citrus.

98. Cortese - Morgassi Superiore Tuffo Gavi del Comune di 2019 DOCG - Gavi- Italy 29

A delicate white wine, with floral aromas and citrus fruit flavours, leading to a very fresh, balanced finish.

99. Sauvignon Blanc- Francis Blanchet Pouilly Fume Calcite 2022 - Loire Valley -France 32

A mineral driven Pouilly-Fumé that is also lightly tropical. Aromas of citrus, gooseberry, elderflower and hint of passionfruit and a fresh, crisp finish.

~ Half Bottles Red~

When a glass is not quite enough and a bottle too much...

- 100. Pinot Noir, Bourgogne Côtes Chalonnaise 'Buissonnier', Cave de Buxy- France** 30
- Beautiful ripe raspberry and blackberry scented fruit aromas, it is soft, open and easy drinking in style with layers of fruit and balanced by a nice freshness that gives the wine elegance and charm.
- 101. Sangiovese, Merlot, Castiglioni Chianti, Frescobaldi DOCG- Tuscany- Italy** 35
- A captivating ruby red wine with purple undertones. Delight in its fruity aroma reminiscent of Strawberry, maraschino cherry, raspberry and fig. Floral and Mediterranean scents with a pleasant spiciness reveals elegant notes of pepper and cloves. Vibrant liveliness on the palate culminating in a long clean and delicate harmonious finish.
- 102. Château Les Hauts Conseillants, Pomerol- Bordeaux- France** 48
- A powerful, forward bouquet of crushed black cherry. On the palate there is a little liquorice, succulent ripe plums and a very classy hint of pencil lead.
- 103. Château du Courlat Lussac, St Emillion- Bordeaux- France** 35
- The palate is dominated by crunchy black fruits and a hint of liquorice, along with a streak of graphite and pencil lead.

~ Dessert & Port ~

For those of us that have a sweet tooth or just want a little something to go with the cheese we have arrived at the end of your visit but hopefully not your last. If you aren't a fan of dessert wines at least try the Thai Monsoon Thai, it's a game changer or one of our fantastic Ports.

		Glass 75ml	Bottle
104.	Elysium Black Muscat, Andrew Quady- California- USA	11	45(h)
	Elysium is a brilliant Crimson purple colour with aromas of ripe berries, rose petals, strawberries and lychees. The vibrant acidity balances beautifully with the sweetness of the wine making it a very refreshing drop.		
105.	Chenin Blanc, Monsoon, Hua Hin Hills, Thailand	9.5	40(h)
	A straw golden colour. Nectar- like, it has aromas of dried orchard apples and stone fruits such as white peach and apricot. Elegant acidity and vibrant fruit flavour compliment to seamless savoury finish. A great introduction to sweet dessert wines.		
106.	Riesling, Vidal Ice-Wine, Peller Estate, Ontario - Canada		90(h)
	A wonderful aroma of candied pineapple, Bartlett pear, honey and caramel. A full-flavoured, exceptionally well-balanced Ice-Wine with flavours of sweet juicy peach, pear and starfruit. Lingering notes of tangy citrus and a rich mouthfeel.		
107.	Sauternes, Sichel 2020, Bordeaux - France		65(h)
	A wonderful aroma of candied pineapple, Bartlett pear, honey and caramel. A full-flavoured, exceptionally well-balanced Ice-Wine with flavours of sweet juicy peach, pear and starfruit. Lingering notes of tangy citrus and a rich mouthfeel.		

Glass**Poças 10-Year-Old Tawny Port- Portugal**

8

Tawny and woody bouquet of dried fruits and raisins. Full bodied irresistible and complex with a long-lasting finish of dried plums. This particular Port goes best with smoked cheeses.

Poças LBV Port- Portugal

7

Rich red in colour and significant ripe berry fruit. Full bodied yet elegant with a very long mouth finish. A fruit driven and deep port.

Feuerheerds Colheita 2003 Vintage Port

11.75

Colheita is port derived from a single harvest and aged in oak casks for a minimum of seven years. This aging process creates a mellow, finely balanced port which is both elegant and fruity.

Fonseca LBV Unfiltered 2016

8.50

With notes of juicy plums, dark chocolate, liquorice and a hint of balsamic on the palate.

Sandeman Unfiltered LBV Port

8.50

An intense and concentrated LBV with lovely brooding black fruit flavours married with a subtle spiciness. Deep ruby in colour. On the nose, aromas of ripe and juicy blackberries, black cherries, strawberries and plums are married with subtle spicy notes and floral hints. On the palate, firm but ripe tannins and a lively acidity carry the sumptuous flavours onto the lingering finish.

~ Brandy ~

Brandy dates back to nearly 2000BC. The art of distillation began with Arab alchemists. This was later introduced into Europe where Brandy thrived. The French of course elevated the stuff and here we are it is firmly cemented into the global drinks economy. There are some really special ones below...

Glass

Hennessy Very Special Cognac

7.25

It is little surprise that Hennessy Very Special is the world's most popular cognac. The intense and fruity flavours of V.S make it a versatile cognac to enjoy neat. V.S is an expression of all that makes Hennessy so well loved. The youngest cognac of the range and a modern take on Hennessy's 3-Star, it encapsulates Hennessy's enduring savoir-faire and expertise.

Hine – Rare Fine Cognac

13

This is a complex, long, rich and soft cognac. It's the most delicate of the Hine cognacs with fruity citrusy aromas on the nose, attractive apple hints on the palate and a long mellow taste in the mouth.

Frapin VSOP – Champagne Cognac

10.25

100 % Grande Champagne - Premier Cru De Cognac

Produced exclusively from the wine-making estate at the heart of cognac's premier cru, this VSOP benefits from the age-old traditional expertise of the Frapin family. Its orange colour bears witness to its time ageing in limousin oak barrels. The bouquet is complex, fruity with orange and floral dried flowers. Discreet notes of vanilla are revealed. On the it is balanced with persistent flavours, including fruity orange notes. The finish is spicy with notes of cinnamon or pepper.

Gran Duque De Alba Solera Gran Reserva Brandy

11

Mahogany colour with gold highlights. Complex bouquet of oak, prune and sherry. Velvety texture with flavours of caramel, chocolate and orange. A long delicious finish.

Torres 20

12

An aged brandy distilled from the Parellada and Ugni Blanc grape varieties. Both varieties are distilled separately twice in traditional stills. Dark amber colour. Deep and warm aroma with notes of vanilla, cinnamon and nutmeg. Intensely velvety on the tongue with a brief finish and subtle oak notes.

1974 Vintage Bas Armagnac, Castarède

15

The 1974 has a delicate nose with hints of perfume. It has aromas of fruits like peach and prune. It is extremely long in the mouth with lots of fruit character and a hint of spice.

Osborne - Carlos I Solera Gran Reserva

11

A beautiful, intense mahogany colour with subtle glints of gold. Aromas of noble woods, with notes of walnut, fig and hazelnut. It is extremely silky on the palate, with a luxurious, sophisticated finish.

~ Whiskey ~

Whiskey... that enchanting elixir that has weaved a spirited tale through time.

Born from the whispers of Monks and Moonshiners. Its not just a drink, it's a conversation starter, a dance with tradition and a toast to the rebels and rogues who, like Whiskey itself only gets better with age.

Glass

Wire Works – Single Malt- White Peak- England

8

Small Batch is a complex, approachable single malt whisky with sweet popcorn, and orchard fruits on the nose, brandy baskets, banana and sandalwood on the palate, and a sweet vanilla finish, with a touch of nutmeg.

GlenAllachie 12 Year- Speyside - Scotland

8

Released in mid-2018 following Billy Walker taking the reins of the distillery in 2017.

This expression features whisky matured in Pedro Ximénez, Oloroso and virgin oak casks, resulting in a huge flavour profile of fruit, oak and vanilla.

Macallan 12-Year-Old Double Cask Malt- Speyside - Scotland

12

Distinct but delicate Oak textures of Vanilla and citrus combine with the more 'normal' Macallan rich fruit and Sherry (ish) characteristics. If that sounds 'light' then it should be noted that the effort to make this delicious whisky is far from that. American Oak is transported from the US across to Spain for seasoning with Sherry. Once done the barrels then make their way to Speyside where the whisky will be stored in these barrels for 12 years.

Tamdhu 12 Years- Speyside - Scotland

8

Aged for 12 years in the finest American and European Oloroso sherry casks, this flagship Tamdhu expression is deliciously smooth and flavourful in equal measure. With classic notes of fruit and spice, combined with a syrupy mouthfeel, the Tamdhu 12 is the perfect introduction to sherried Speyside whisky.

Glenkinchie 12 Year- Lowland - Scotland

8.5

The flagship expression from the Glenkinchie distillery, one of the stalwarts of the Lowlands. A fantastic introduction to the region, Glenkinchie. 12-Year-Old shows off the characteristic lightness and grassy elements that Lowland whiskies are known for, with nods to cooked fruit and Sauternes wine along the way. Brilliant single malt.

Glengoyne 12 Years- Highlands – Scotland

8.5

A velvety soft, sweet 12-year-old single malt from the Glengoyne distillery located just inside the Highlands region of Scotland. This expression from Glengoyne uses a trio of oak types in their cask types to meld together and create an exceptional single malt whisky.

Arran, Amarone Cask Finish, Single Malt- Isle of Arran - Scotland

8

After initially maturing in traditional oak casks over a number of years The Arran Single Malt in this bottling was ‘finished’ in a selection of Amarone wine casks sourced from an artisan producer of this iconic Italian red wine. Dark chocolate, cherry and Turkish delights are evident as are stewed fruits and toffee. Rich notes of dark plum gently mellow together with bitter-sweet apricot and a hint of cinnamon.

Glass

Indores, Single Malt- Fife- Scotland

9

This early maturing spirit gives us great confidence that this whisky will be as sought after and enjoyed as it was in MCDXCIV (1494), Vanilla mixed with orchard fruits like green cooking apples, citric pith with a hint of bitterness covered with oaky woody notes and spicy peppery touches.

Chita Single Grain- Nagoya - Japan

8.5

The Chita Japanese single grain whisky is one of the selection of fantastic distilleries owned by Suntory. Chita is their main expression - a whisky matured in a combination of Sherry, bourbon and (interestingly) wine casks. Vanilla sponge cake and more honey. A touch of orchard blossom with a Medium length, rather zesty finish.

Well, there you have it. That is my Drinks
list... well at least for the moment anyway...

I am already looking at what next to add to my ever-growing love for the wine world.

I hope you enjoy.