

37.5cl 75cl

## Sparkling Wines and Champagne

#### Cassar de Malte Brut

1. Marsovin, Malta

€36.00

Each bottle of this exquisite product is the result of no less than two years of meticulous and highly demanding preparation using the Methode Traditionelle.

#### Prosecco Extra Dry

**2.** *Val d'Oca, Veneto~Italy* 

€19.00

A sparkling wine made in the extra dry style, with a long-lingering cascade of pin-point bubbles that create a rich, lively mousse in the glass. A rich bouquet, that is velvety smooth, with a crisp appealing palate, and beautifully balanced.

#### Prosecco di Conegliano 'Cuvee Extra dry'

3. Carpene Malvolti, Veneto~Italy

€19.00

A fruit forward palate in an extra dry aromatic style, kept soft and dry by delicate acidity, finishing on a pleasant apple aftertaste.

#### **Brut Premier**

**4.** Louis Roederer, Champagne~France

€75.00

The freshness, finesse, and brightness of Brut Premier make it the perfect wine for festive occasions. Its structured texture, richness, and length are distinctly winey. It is a full, complex wine that is both rich and powerful, whilst remaining a great classic.

#### **Brut Yellow Label**

5. Veuve Clicquot Ponsardin, Champagne~France

€80.00

Brut Yellow Label has an intense, pleasant fragrance, with fruit and brioche notes. The wine is well-balanced and pleasantly fresh to taste, with a remarkable fruity structure.

#### **Brut Imperiale**

6. Moet et Chandon, Champagne~France

€65.00

Vibrant, generous and alluring, the Moët Impérial style is distinguished by a bright fruitiness with notes of green apple and white flowers. The wine's enticing palate, redolent of white-fleshed fruits and citrus, is enhanced by fine bubbles and its elegant maturity is revealed in notes of baking and wheat.

#### **Brut Mosaique**

## 7. Jacquart, Champagne~France

€38.00 €80.00

A wine with an elegant floral nose, with hints of citrus fruit, white peaches and pears. It has a pure and clean style.

#### **Dom Perignon**

#### 8. Moet et Chandon, Champagne~France

€250.00

This is the prestige cuvee of the Moet et Chandon house, named after the famous Benedictine monk who is attributed with the development of blending the three grape varieties that give Champagne an added dimension of fruitiness, finesse and structure.

#### **Cuvee Cristal**

#### 9. Louis Roederer, Champagne~France

€420.00

In 1876 Tsar Alexander II of Russia, fearing that a bomb hidden behind the conventional green glass of a Champagne bottle might be used to assassinate him, ordered Champagne to be produced in a clear glass bottle and without the traditional bell-shaped base. In order to ensure that this bottle shape was able to cope with the pressure, it had to be manufactured from lead crystal, and hence became known as Cristal. The wine itself is full-bodied and powerful but balanced, fully deserving of its stellar reputation.

#### **Maltese White Wines**

#### Caravaggio~Chenin Blanc Malta D.O.K.

#### **10.** *Marsovin, Malta*

€14.50

A dry white wine with aromas reminiscent of stone fruit: peaches and apricots underlined by a hint of green apples. Well balanced with refreshing levels of acidity.

#### Ulysses Chenin Blanc, Chardonnay Gozo D.O.K.

#### **11.** *Marsovin, Gozo*

€17.50

Produced entirely from handpicked grapes harvested in family owned vineyards in Gozo, this medium bodied dry white wine has a pale lemon bright colour, aromas and flavours of a citrus and stone fruit character of lemons, limes and peaches. It has a refreshing acidity that is in balance with the fruit flavours.

#### Vermentino 'Neptunus' Malta D.O.K.

#### **12.** San Niklaw, Malta

€28.00

Pale yellow coloured wine. The nose is characterised by intense tropical fruits accompanied by a pleasant minerality that reflects its terroir. A refined palate characterised by intense tropical fruit aromas and a balanced acidity - an elegant, fresh and enjoyable wine

#### Chardonnay 'Isis' Malta D.O.K.

#### **13**. *Meridiana, Malta*

€25.00

Made from Chardonnay grapes, Isis is characterised by fresh, natural, tropical fruit flavours. The name recalls the Phoenician goddess of sailors whose vigilant eye still graces the prow of the Maltese fishing luzzu.

#### Antonin 'Ramla Valley Vineyards' Gozo D.O.K. **14.** Marsovin, Gozo €28.00 Antonin Blanc is produced from selected Chardonnay grapes harvested from the Ramla Valley Estate in Gozo and fermented in new oak barrels for 12 weeks. This wine has a fine balance of acidity, American oak and soft buttery flavours. Antonin Blanc is full and round in the mouth with aromas of sweet vanilla and burnt toast flavours. **Italian White Wines** Gavi di Gavi 'La Piasola' **15.** Ines Bergaglio, Piedmont €22.50 A distinctively rich Gavi, boasting fragrances of minerals and ripe fruit, plus toasted hazelnut, honey, fresh bread crust, and apples, against an aromatic tapestry of coriander and other spices and a suggestive hint of dill and spring blossoms. Vermentino 'La Pettegola' 16. Castello Banfi, Tuscany €21.50 La Pettegola Vermentino, is crafted selecting the best grapes from the Tuscan coast. It is pleasantly intense, fresh and light with scents that recalls the perfumes of the Mediterranean scrub and expresses the winning combination of tradition and innovation. Soave Classico 'Levarie' **17.** Masi, Veneto €24.00 Garganega with the addition of some Trebbiano di Soave. The wine has an intense vinous bouquet and is one of the better Trebbiano d'Abruzzo €18.50 Azienda Masciarelli, Abruzzo Mineral Crisp and fairly intense with notes of green apple, floral and mineral notes. Pleasant and refresing. Pecorino 'Castello di Semivicoli' Azienda Masciarelli, Abruzzo €25.75 A wine with a straw, yellow colour and greenish highlights. A fine, fragrant nose, rich in ripe fruit and white flower tones, almonds, herbs, citrus fruits and slight spice notes. Mouth filling, powerful, very persistent, correct balance between structure and softness, thanks to freshness that accompanies the long finish. Greco di Tufo 'Tenuta di Altavilla' 20. €26.00 Villa Matilde, Campania A rich bouquet of white peach, apricot, and sweet almond that meld with mineral and citrus notes. The vigorous palate is crisp and complex, completing a wine of great personality and varietal fidelity. Falanghina 'Campostellato' 21. Villa Matilde, Campania €18.50 Elegant, floral and fragrant, with clearly perceptible scents of pineapple, and yellow peach, intertwined with broom and rose whiffs. Delicate notes of sage. Balanced and pleasant taste, fully

resembling nose impressions with underlying delicate walnut

scents.

#### Grecanico 'Terre di Giumara'

#### 22. Caruso & Minini, Sicily

€18.50

An intense and fresh wine. Its colour and brightness hint to a richness of fragrances with wide and varied shades. Its aroma is characterized by white fruits and orange blossom.

Angimbe

#### 23. Cusumano, Sicily

€22.50

A blend of the indigenous Insolia grapes and Chardonnay, this is a white wine with lots of stone fruit like peaches, apricots and a pineapple note that cuts through a refreshing lemony acidity.

Chardonnay

#### 24. Planeta, Sicily

€39.00

Deep gold in colour, this Chardonnay clearly displays the style for which it has become famous. Crisp and creamy on the palate, this soft, round white is supported by refreshing acidity. Mineral undertones complement flavours of ripe yellow peaches, acacia honey and almond paste. With bold toasted and cereal aromas, this wine has a long and balanced finish.

Vermentino di Sardegna 'La Cala'

#### 25. Sella & Mosca, Sardinia

€22.50

Light wine with outburst of marine salt minerality and fruit, to finish on a long drawn out note that gives balance and softness.

#### **French White Wines**

Château Marjosse

#### **26.** Entre deux Mers~Bordeaux

€26.50

On the nose, Semillon varietal gives out smells of pear and white flowers with scents of grapefruits and peach which are typical to Sauvignon varietal. On the palate, it is round, fresh and long lasting, mainly offering aromas of white flesh fruits.

Sancerre

#### **27.** Foucher Lebrun, Loire

€36.00

A Sauvignon Blanc with a fine persistence and harmony, that find their origin in the quality of the terroir and aging on the lees.

**Pouilly Fumé** 

#### **28.** Domains Champeau, Loire

€33.00

Delicate, but complex, aromas of white flowers and lemon grass mingled with hints of vegetation and mineral notes. The taste is beautifully fresh and lively exhibiting the trademark crunch of asparagus and mouthwatering layers of gooseberry crispness, clean and dry, with elegant citrus fruit and mineral notes of limestone and gun powder.

Chablis

**29**. Louis Jadot, Burgundy

**€**18. **€**35.00

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Climate and limestone soils mould this wine's unique character. Fermented in stainless steel vats, aged for 6 months in oak before bottling. Bright, fresh and light, its taste and bouquet develop relatively quickly.

30.	Chablis 1er Cru Fourchaume  Louis Jadot, Burgundy  The Louis Jadot Chablis 1er Cru « Fourchaume » has a very nice golden yellow colour. It is a limpid, fresh and full bodied wine with a long finish.	€75.00
31.	Pouilly Fuisse Louis Jadot, Burgundy Maison Louis Jadot produces a Pouilly Fuissé with emerald gold tones which reflect a wine of finesse and distinction; the tasting is harmonious, fresh, full of flavours with hazelnuts, toasted almonds, grapefruit and lemon aromas.	€48.00
32.	Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru 'Domaine des Heritieres Louis Jadot'  Louis Jadot, Burgundy  Corton Charlemagne is powerful, rich, and mineral with an intense flavour of fruits and flowers and spicy aromas of pepper and cinnamon.	€175.00
33.	Côtes du Rhône Blanc E.Guigal, Rhone A wine with that is very fresh and crisp. White flowers, acacia and white peach. Fruity, fine and rich. A complete wine, combining elegance and balance.	€22.50
34.	Gewürztraminer  Maison Trimbach, Alsace  The fruitiest and the spiciest of the varietals – a unique wine.  It is in Alsace that this grape variety reaches the height of perfection. Its dry personality makes it ideal as an aperitif and it pairs extremely well with specialty cuisine with pronounced flavors.	€32.00
35.	Riesling Tradition  Kuentz-Bas, Alsace  A clean and focused Riesling, dry with a hint of sweetness, soft and confident. Nice and versatile with a mineral touch, a bit of vanilla develops beautifully in the glass. Potent in its own subtle way with a personal and confident style.	€26.50
	Spanish White Wines	
36.	Colegiata~Toro Blanco  Bodegas Farina, Toro  A clean, fresh, fruit forward, juicy, aromatic white with great lively acidity. Green apples, mineral notes and a touch of peach lead to a very pleasant finish.	€17.50
	Lebanese White Wines	
37.	La Dame Blanche Château Kefraya, Bekaa Valley Hint of almond tree flowers, lime and green tea. Round and lively, with an exotic lemon-flavoured finish.	€22.50

#### **New Zealand White Wines**

	Sauvignon Blanc	
38.	Ferngreen Estates, Marlborough	€26.50
	From New Zealand's famous Marlborough region, this is a cracking, crisp dry white packed with gooseberry fruit aromas and passion fruit flavours.	
	Argentinean White Wines	

#### La Consulta~Torrontes 'Reserva'

# 39. Finca La Celia, Uco Valley-Mendoza Very aromatic, great personality and wide palate. On the nose, memories of orange peel, orange blossom, rose, pineapple, peach and a touch of honey. On the mouth, it has an excellent freshness and a balanced acidity.

#### South African White Wines

€19.00

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#### Chenin Blanc

# 40. Simonsig, Stellenbosch An aromatic nose of ripe pears, apples and flowers with a touch of honey. Fresh and intense fruit salad flavours fills the palate with delicious richness on the aftertaste. €19.00

#### Chenin Blanc

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# False Bay Vineyards, Stellenbosch On the nose, lemon and lime aromas are abundant. A clean and lively wine, with nuances of citrus and stone fruit. Well - balanced and elegant, but with weight and good structure.

#### 42. Ancient Earth~Sauvignon Blanc

Bellingham, Coastal Region
Pale gold with a vibrant green glow. Beaming with tropical
pineapple, pear and passion fruit aromas lead to a lively entry and
generous Cape gooseberry and ripe fig flavours against a touch of
herbaceous green pea intrigue finishing with delectable fresh and
feisty fruitiness.

#### **Chilean White Wines**

#### Vitral~Sauvignon Blanc Riserva

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<b>43.</b>	Vina Maipo, Casablanca Valley	€17.50
	A clean and bright wine, with greenish-straw yellow reflections.	
	Aromas of lime and grapefruit are followed by ripe white peach	
	and fresh-cut grass. This is an intense yet mild wine with a	
	delicious concentration of flavours enveloped in a mineral	
	structure.	

#### Apaltagua~Sauvignon Blanc

# **44.** *Gran Verano, Curico*Gran Verano Sauvignon Blanc has a bright yellow tint with glints of green. Its prominent aromas of lime blend harmoniously with herbs and floral notes. In the mouth it is soft, citric and refreshing to the palate.

# **Australian White Wines**

45.	Deakin Estate Chardonnay  Deakin Estate, Murray River  Fresh pear, citrus and rock melon notes with subtle complex oak characters. A delicious Chardonnay with a luscious and clean finish. A versatile wine for any occasion.	€18.50
46.	The Stump Jump~Riesling d'Arenberg, Mc Laren Vale Dominated with Riesling florals and limes; the grassy sweetness and elevated acidity of the Sauvignon Blanc while the Rousanne and Marsanne add an earthy, dry stone fruit element.	€21.50
	Rose` Wines	
47.	Odyssey~Shiraz, Grenache Rosè Gozo D.O.K.  Marsovin, Gozo  This fine and fruity Rose' has an intense aroma reminiscent of raspberries, strawberries and warm spice. It is off-dry and medium bodied.	€17.50
48.	Sicilia Rosé  Planeta, Sicily~Italy  Pale pink with light purple veining and tones similar to a strawberry. Wafts of red berried fruit like wild strawberries and pomegranate. In the background floral and tropical aromas. Fresh young and primary aromas of fruit. Fresh and mineral palate, flowing with a fine acidity.	€18.50
49.	<b>Côtes du Rhone Rose</b> <i>E.Guigal, Rhone~France</i> Fresh, crisp, with an expressive nose of red fruits. The palate is fine and round making it an elegant wine.	€19.50
50.	Rose d'Anjou  Domaine Tourville, Loire~France  A bright medium dry rose made from Grolleau grape variety. It is e medium dry rose, the sweetness finely balanced with summer fruits and fresh, clean acidity.	€17.50
51.	Côteaux d'Aix en Provence  Domaine Sarragousse, Provence~France  Clear petal pink colour with a bright nose and a beautiful complexity. The wine combines floral notes of citrus and white fruit such as peach and lychee. The palate is lively and frank and expresses aromas of red berries with hints of spice and herbs.	€20.50

#### **Maltese Red Wines**

#### Caravaggio Merlot Malta D.O.K. Superior 52. €14.50 Marsovin, Malta A concentrated fruity red wine of deep intensity with abundant aromas of mature dried fruit: figs, dried plums & ripe juicy forest berries combined with supple and rounded tannins. It is a complex fully-flavoured wine with a long lingering finish. Ulysses Shiraz Gozo D.O.K. Superior 53. €17.50 Marsovin, Gozo Produced entirely from handpicked grapes harvested in family owned vineyards in Gozo, this fine fruit-driven full bodied wine is very delicate on the palate with ripe tannins and soft fruity aromas reminiscent of blackcurrants, plums and a hint of peppery spice. Primus 'Imqadded ta Malta' **54.** €42.50 Marsovin, Malta Primus is characterized by a deep ruby purple colour and an intense aromatic bouquet. Lingering aromas of dried fruits and amarena cherries marrying well with new French oak barrel flavours of vanilla, cinnamon and nutmeg leaving a velvety off dry finish. Cheval Franc Malta D.O.K. €25.50 Marsovin, Malta Cheval Franc is Marsovin's Thoroughbred and is produced from the Cabernet Franc grape variety. This wine is medium bodied with peppery and herbaceous aromas that are typical characteristics of the Cabernet Franc grape variety. Syrah 'Contrada Ta' Fangu' Malta D.O.K. **56.** San Niklaw, Malta €39.00 Intense ruby red coloured wine. Complex and multifaceted with dark red fruit notes and spice on a background of elegant oak aromas. A rich mouth feel with concentrated spicy fruit balanced delicately with oak aromas and soft tannins giving a ripe and round mouthful of delicious Mediterranean warmth. Merlot 'Nexus' Malta D.O.K. 57. Meridiana, Malta €34.00 Made from Merlot grapes, Nexus is characterised by soft, ripe, cherry plum flavours. The name Nexus celebrates the marriage

between Malta's Old World geographical location and

Meridiana's New World vinicultural technology.

#### Marnisi Malta D.O.K. Superior

#### **58.** Marsovin, Malta

€26.00

Marnisi is a Single Estate Selection harvested from the Marsovin vineyards bearing the same name. It is a blend of four grape varieties, Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot. It is a full-bodied complex red wine of great character with a strong Mediterranean terroir. Enjoy aromas of spice, raspberry, cherry, currant, fresh herbs and a touch of oak. Its strong structure and backbone gives it the potential to age well.

#### French Red Wines

#### Château Puygueraud

#### **59.** *Cotes de Franc-Bordeaux*

€36.50

Aromatic and flavoursome with lovely scents of small berries and raspberry, along with a slight chocolate note. Medium bodied with silky tannins and a smooth finish. Superb.

#### Château Côte Montpezat 'Cuvee Compostelle'

#### Cotes de Castillon-Bordeaux

€37.50

The quality of the terroir with shelf clay and limestone makes a wine worthy of a grand cru, with concentration, finesse and elegance. The wine is *e*legant, structured, rich, fruity, toasty and powerful.

#### Château La Rose Perrière

#### Lussac Saint Emilion-Bordeaux

€38.50

A Merlot based wine, which also includes Cabernet Franc in the blend. It is rich in colour and has a fragrant bouquet and a soft fruity palate and is ideal to accompany savoury dishes.

#### Moulin à Vent 'Chateau des Jacques'

#### Louis Jadot, Burgundy

€36.50

Full and robust Beaujolais with a fleshy texture. Its longevity is due to its exceptional quality of its structure, which preserves a fruitiness that becomes mellow with bottle age.

#### **Nuits Saint Georges**

#### Louis Jadot, Burgundy

€66.00

Maison Louis Jadot produces a deeply coloured powerful, fullbodied Nuits-Saint-Georges of intense colour. It develops ripe, robust fruit flavours and nuances of oak in the bouquet.

#### Côtes du Rhône

#### 64. E.Guigal, Rhone

€25.50

From the well-known producer, this Cotes du Rhone has wonderful red fruit aromas and flavours with moderate tannins, tobacco and vanilla notes and a good smooth finish.

#### Crozes-Hermitage

## **65.** Guigal, Rhone

€33.50

A light distinctive wine, which is well-balanced, fruity and has an attractive bouquet.

#### 66. Château Arcades

#### Languedoc Roussillon

€18.50

A well-structured middleweight red, offering a supple blend of cassis and mulberry fruit, nuanced on the nose by notes of wild thyme and leathery spice, and softened by a hint of French oak.

#### **Italian Red Wines**

#### Barbera d'Asti 'Le Orme'

#### 67. Michele Chiarlo, Piedmont

€24.50

Pleasantly easy to drink, harmonious and tasty. A modern wine with a red berry and a slight cherry note.

#### Barolo 'Tortoniano'

#### 68. Michele Chiarlo, Piedmont

€80.00

Full, dry, austere and rather harsh when very young, this superb Barolo becomes rich and velvety with age, very harmonious and elegant. It exhibits a distinct bouquet of violets or rose petals, with seductively earthy, slightly musky undertones.

#### **Barolo**

#### **69.** Pio Cesare, Piedmont

€110.00

A fine smoky nose that is also reminiscent of black cherries. Rich, full bodied, chocolatey. This wine is made from Nebbiolo with its classy and firm tannins, powerful structure and peppery notes with good acidity.

#### Barolo 'Ornato'

#### **70.** Pio Cesare, Piedmont

€135.00

Ornato is the name of the estate vineyard owned by the family in Serralunga d'Alba. The characteristics of the soil, the microclimate and favourable exposure, allows the grapes to become extremely rich. The colour is intense and deep, almost impenetrable. The palate is deep and rich, showing good structure, with a long finish.

#### Gattinara

#### 71. Torraccia del Piantavigna, Piedmont

€38.50

A wine with a garnet red colour with orange hues. Fine and enjoyable, with notes of ripe fruit and violets. The palate is dry and harmonious with the characteristic tannic aftertaste. Gattinara is made from Nebbiolo, fits well within the noble tradition of wine in Piedmont. A wine with great personality, able to delight all lovers of great Nebbiolo and to surprise those who have not yet tasted the aristocratic elegance of Gattinara.

#### Chianti Classico

# 72. Castello di Verrazzano, Tuscany

€32.50

Intense scent, rich in fruity aromas as cherry and blackberry, well mixed with flower notes of red rose. Harmonic and well balanced, slightly savoury with oak hints.

#### Insoglio del Cinghiale

#### 73. Tenuta di Biserno, Tuscany

€33.00

Insoglio del Cinghiale is a robust and very drinkable blend of Syrah, Cabernet Franc, Merlot and Petit Verdot more Bordeaux in structure but Tuscan at heart. This mid weight, elegant wine offers up perfumed red fruits, kirsch, smoke, earthiness and grilled herbs in a ripe, harmonious style. The overall balance and refined finish are impeccable.

#### Rosso di Montalcino 'Poggio alle Mura'

#### **74.** Castello Banfi, Tuscany

€35.50

This Rosso di Montalcino of great elegance results from the perfect combination of tradition and innovation. Research in the vineyards, clonal selection and unique personality distinguish the wines from the Poggio alle Mura range, the prestigious selection by Castello Banfi.

#### Vino Nobile di Montepulciano

#### **75.** *Dei, Tuscany*

€35.50

The Vino Nobile has a bright ruby red colour and a rich texture. Refined aromas of cherry and plum follow through to a full-bodied palate, with soft, round tannins and a flavourful finish.

#### Brunello di Montalcino 'Prime donne'

#### **76.** Donatella Cinelli Colombini, Tuscany

€85.00

Plum and black cherry flavours are ripe and augmented by leather, spice and tobacco notes. The initial sweetness gives way to solid tannins, but this displays energy and resonance on the long finish, with a lasting impression of sweet fruit.

#### Torgiano Rosso Rubesco

#### 77. Lungarotti, Umbria

€24.50

Rubesco comes across as a supremely polished, medium-bodied wine that unfolds in the glass. Rubesco reveals the full spectrum of its personality, replete with tempting aromas of ripe red cherries, sweet tobacco, violets and cloves, all of which follow through in the mouth to delight the palate before culminating happily in a radiant finish. A blend of 70% Sangiovese, 20% Canaiolo, and 10% Colorino.

#### Valpolicella Classico Superiore Ripasso

#### 78. Speri, Veneto

€34.50

This wine is produced using the Ripasso technique, which is intentionally more restrictively applied in relation to the standard production method. The wine is obtained by going over again , once only, the premium Valpolicella Classico over a small quantity of Amarone marc. As a result, an authentic local wine is produced which elegantly exhibits a delightfully complex fruity aroma and spicy tones complemented with a good acidity and just the right alcohol content.

#### 79. Amarone della Valpolicella Classico

#### Begali Lorenzo, Veneto

€63.00

Amarone della Valpolicella Classico is obtained from the grapes that have been left to rest during the months of September and October, after a first careful selection in the vineyards and a second in well ventilated barns where they remain to dry on straw mats called "graticci" until January. It is refined for about three years in various sizes of wood casks and then in the bottle for about six months. Garnet red with intense and ethereal aromas of warming spices, dry fruit, big, harmonious and perfectly balanced.

#### Montepulciano d'Abruzzo

#### 80. Azienda Masciarelli, Abruzzo

€21.50

This everyday charmer is a nice marriage of old and new world styles. It has a bit of earthiness in an old world way, but plenty of fruit to please just about anyone! It has a slightly smoky and dusty nose with dark berries and leather. Notes of cherries, blackberries and chocolate round out the palate.

### Aglianico 'Rocca dei Leoni'

#### 81. Villa Matilde, Campania

€22.50

Villa Matilde delivers well-made expressions of Aglianico year after year. This wine shows modern flair, with background tones of spice and bitter chocolate that are layered behind bold cherry and blackberry notes.

#### Taurasi 'Radici' Riserva

#### 82. Mastroberardino, Campania

€61.00

A wine with a ruby red colour. The bouquet is full, complex, and redolent of violet and berries. The palate is enveloping, elegant, and persistent. The background has distinct notes of plum, bitter cherry, strawberry jam and black pepper.

#### Primitivo di Manduria 'Villa Santera'

#### 83. Leone de Castris, Apulia

€24.50

Very rich with hints of cherries and liquorice. Full-bodied in taste, velvety, warm and fragrant.

#### Cerasuolo di Vittoria

#### 84. Planeta, Sicily

€28.50

Ruby red with light cherry reflection. Typical of wines from Vittoriaa. Aromas of ripe pomegranate, small red fruits, strawberry, cherry, prickly pear fruit and candy. Fruity and long, with freshness and concentration. Velvety tannins.

#### **Etna Rosso**

#### 85. Alta Mora, Sicily

€33.00

Alta Mora Etna Rosso is 100% Nerello Mascalese grapes - which are indigenious to Sicily and the predominant red grape of Mount Etna. Many wine enthusiasts compare this wine to a Nebbiolo or Pinot Noir. The deeply colored, thick-skinned grapes contribute gritty tannins and vibrant acidity. It is ruby red in colour with spicy pepper aromas, black currant and hints of mountain herbs. The wine is vibrant with a hint of spice and soft tannins.

#### Nero d'Avola

#### 86. Cusumano, Sicily

€23.50

The native grape of Sicily is manually selected in the rich, white soil vineyards of San Giacomo. Well-rounded with firm tannins, this Nero d'Avola entices the palate with jammy ripe fruit followed by a wave of black spices.

#### Frappato, Nerello Mascalese 'Terre di Giumara'

#### 87. Caruso & Minini, Sicily

€18.50

This blend reaches perfect equilibrium between the notable tannins of the Nerello Mascalese and the low tannins content of Frappato. Light refreshing wine with a full bouquet. Rich scents of mature red fruits with herbs and prune. The palate is characterised by a rich, refreshing acidity with surprising persistence.

#### Contessa Entellina 'Mille e Una Notte'

#### 88. Donnafugata, Sicily

€103.50

A noble version of Nero d'Avola with a dense ruby-red colour. The enthralling bouquet calls attention to mature and sweet but not cooked scents and balsamic and floral notes of violets with a light trace of tobacco at the close. A wine with a big structure and a remarkable personality.

#### Santa Cecilia

#### 89. Planeta, Sicily

€45.50

Lively and characteristic of Nero d'Avola grown in the Noto area: red fruit such as plums, berries, also liquorice and carobs, peppercorns and fig preserve. Elegant and compact tannins, rather than weighty. The taste spreads outwards from the centre of the palate, filling the mouth with its balanced texture.

#### **Iberian Red Wines**

#### Rioja Crianza

#### 90. Bodegas Vivanco, Rioja~Spain

€23.50

Bright cherry-red. Intense aromas of fresh, ripe, red fruit, with spicy and liquorice notes, accompanied by elegant toasty and smoky hints. Fresh and sweet in the mouth, with a very wellbalanced, persistent and elegant mouth feel.

## 91. Douro Tinto Riserva 'Vila Regia' Sandeman, Douro~Portugal €22.50 Ruby colour of good depth. Intense, complex aroma, particularly of red fruits such as strawberry and raspberry, and dark fruits such as plums, hints of cocoa and chocolate and balsamic aromas of cedar and resin. On the palate it has good body. Easy tannins, well integrated acidity, good presence of red and black fruits, with a harmonious finish. Lebanese Red Wines Les Breteches 92. €23.50 Chateau Kefraya, Bekaa Valley Bouquet reminiscent of red fruit jam that turns to reveal subtle spicy complexity notes. Round, elegant and fine. **Australian Red Wines** The Stump Jump-Cabernet Sauvignon 93. d'Arenberg, Mc Laren Vale €21.50 The nose sings of Cabernet Sauvignon. Sweet crème de cassis and mulberry, aromatic violets with a twist of blackcurrant leaf, if you were in any doubt as to the wines varietal provenance. The Footbolt Shiraz 94. €28.50 d'Arenberg, Mc Laren Vale Laden with dark cherries, rhubarb, plums and aniseed, complemented by a lick of fine, subtle oak and lifted with a sprinkling of pepper and spice. Generosity of fruit weight, combined with balanced, chewy tannins. What makes this wine stand out in the crowd is its ability to communicate a sense of place through its ethereal, complex and provocative earthy notes. South African Red Wines Cabernet Sauvignon, Shiraz 95. €19.50 Simonsig, Stellenbosch A medium-bodied wine, the palate ripe fruit flavours with lingering spicy finish. Circle of Life -biodynamic wine 96. €27.50 Waterkloof, Stellenbosch A wine made from a blend of Merlot, Syrah & Petit Verdot. When the bottle is first opened, the most prominent notes are of spice and cassis. A wine with great balance and texture. Soft juicy fruit

# Pinotage 97. False Bay, Stellenbosch Supple, well balanced wine. Flavours of cassis, perfume notes and a hint of spice. €18.00

on the palate is encased by fine, integrated tannins.

#### **Chilean Red Wines**

# Apaltagua~Carménère 98. Gran Verano, Curico €17.50 Gran Verano Carménère possesses various complex aromas where mature red and black fruits combine. It is a full-bodied wine with well-balanced acidity, rounded out by an intense persistent finish. Vitral~Syrah Riserva 99. €17.50 Vina Maipo, Rapel Valley It is a bright dark ruby red wine, and has attractive aromas of dark plums, blackberries, chocolate, and soft hints of vanilla. It is a rounded wine with soft tannins and a mouth-filling texture. **New Zealand Red Wines Pinot Noir 100.** Hunter's, Marlborough €32.00 Aromas of plum, spice, cherry and oak. The palate has ripe, fruit, with a soft round texture, fine tannins and moderate length. **Argentinean Red Wines** La Consulta~Malbec Reserva 101. Finca La Celia, Uco Valley-Mendoza €20.50 Intense bouquet rich in blackcurrants, vanilla and spices. On the palate the soft and succulent ripe fruit follow through with a surprising delicacy. The silky tannins coming to the forefront and giving a lingering finish. **Dessert Wines** Guzé 102. Marsovin, Malta €34.00 Guzé passito is a naturally sweet, intense and complex red wine produced from partially raisined, locally grown Shiraz grapes. Guzé is reminiscent of intense black fruit, chocolate aromas with sweet, spicy, jammy prune flavours. Moscato d'Asti 'Nivole'

€19.50

103. Michele Chiarlo, Piedmont~Italy

finish typical of Moscato d'Asti.

This sweet, fragrant, lightly sparkling wine has vivid aromas and flavors of peach and apricot on a light body with a delicate