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# *The Beautiful South*

Celebrating the wines of Provence,  
Languedoc & Roussillon

# The Beautiful South 2026

Welcome to our annual Beautiful South offer – celebrating the terroirs, climates and people that make the wine of Southern France. It's a region we have championed since the very beginning of SVS as we believe that few wine regions anywhere in the world match the quality and value on offer.

The list starts with the latest rosés, just in time for summer. The good news is that 2025 was a strong vintage in Provence and the Midi and the pink wines produced are very good indeed. Stock up now ahead of what we hope will be another warm summer.

Moving on to the reds and whites, this list reads like a Greatest Hits of SVS wines from the South filled with growers we have worked with for many years, often passing from one generation of vigneron to the next in the process.

A special word here must be reserved for Domaine du Grand Arc from Corbières, whose wines we offer for the last time after Bruno Schenk's retirement. It is always sad to see a winery close its doors. Don't miss out on the chance to put one more case away in the cellar as the wines are still fabulous.

Looking at this list as a whole, in true Stone, Vine & Sun style, the focus is very much on wines that are ready to drink now – although many will cellar superbly.

A few over simplified words on recent vintages - whites and rosés from 2024 and 2025 are both very good. 2024 was a little cooler and fresher, the 2025s have a touch more fruit and oomph. For the reds, the 2020s are looking excellent now with six years in bottle – there are a few bargains to be had in the list. Beyond that the 2022s and 2023s are the pick, with the latter vintage producing ripe, bold wines from a hot summer.

All the wines are offered at 6% off unmixed sixes and 12% off unmixed dozens – plus we have created a range of pre-selected mixed cases that are always popular and offer a simple way to discover why this part of France is so important to us.

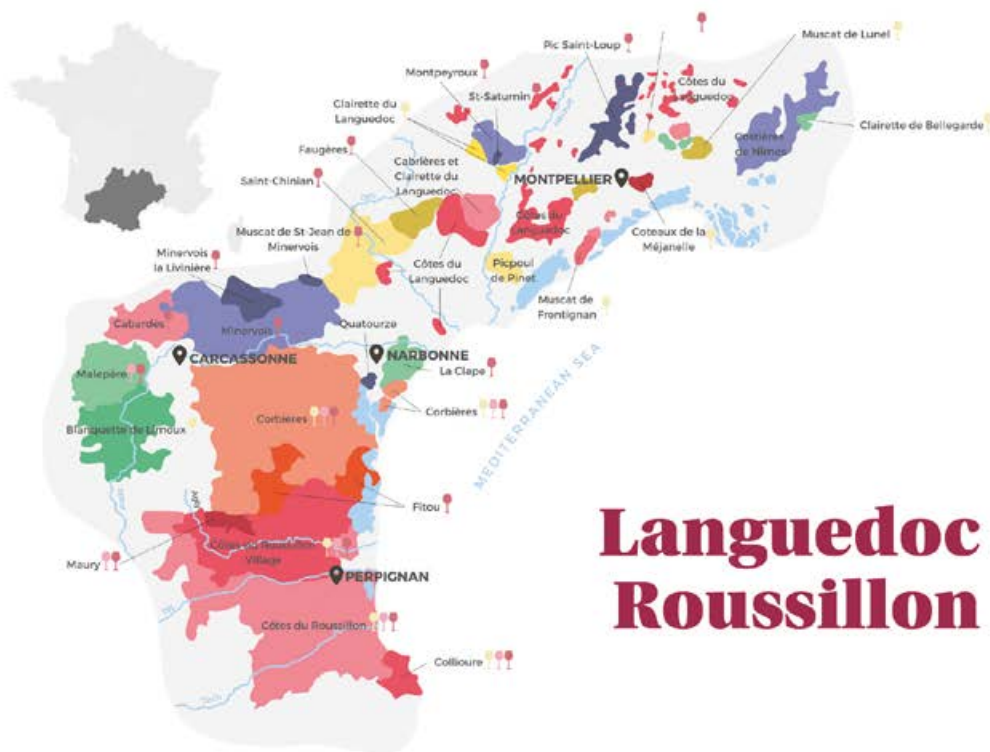
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**Gareth Groves**

April 2026

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# Languedoc Roussillon



# Provence France

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Key to the Wines: Sparkling White Red Rosé Organic

# Beautiful South Mixed Cases

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# Perfectly Pale: Provence Rosé

The 2025 Provence rosés have arrived and they are on very fine form. We were impressed when we tasted across all our growers in France back in February, knowing that with a couple of months in bottle, the wines would continue to settle and develop. Retasting recently, the wines are a little fuller than the 2024s (June, July and August 2025 were considerably warmer than the previous year) but have retained the all-important freshness and clarity that is Provence's trademark. Every year we wonder if we have reached 'peak Provence', but there is no sign of its popularity slowing down yet. Here's hoping we get a warm, sunny, rosé-tinted summer...

## Ferry Lacombe, Mystère, IGP Méditerranée, 2025

**Code:** FLA525  
**Bottle:** £13.50 **6% off 6:** £76.14 **12% off 12:** £142.56

A delicious blend of Grenache, Grenache Blanc and Caladoc that is classified as an IGP (previously Vin de Pays) Méditerranée as some of the vines are just outside the Côtes de Provence appellation boundary. Lovely pale hue with crisp orange zest and white peach fruit. 13%. Now-2027

## Château du Seuil, Coteaux d'Aix-en-Provence Rosé, 2025 🍷

**Code:** SEU525  
**Bottle:** £16.75 **6% off 6:** £94.47 **12% off 12:** £176.88

Our top selling Provence rosé. Château du Seuil is located 350m above sea level on the plains to the north of the beautiful town of Aix-en-Provence. The vines have been farmed organically since 2020 and the elevated aspect gives the wines a beautiful freshness and focus. Grenache leads the way here with Syrah, Cinsault and Cabernet Sauvignon completing the blend. Delicate orange blossom, redcurrant and raspberry fruit with a long, crisp finish. 12.5%. Now-2027

## Château Ferry Lacombe, Naos, Côtes de Provence Rosé, 2024

**Code:** CFL524  
**Bottle:** £18.75 **6% off 6:** £105.75 **12% off 12:** £198.00

Naos is always a very impressive wine but the 2025 might be the best vintage yet. 60% Grenache and 40% Syrah, it is intense and concentrated with watermelon, citrus and subtle raspberry fruit. 12.5%. Now-2027



## Domaine de la Ribotte, Bandol Rosé, 2024

**Code:** RIB524  
**Bottle:** £21.95 **6% off 6:** £123.80 **12% off 12:** £231.79

Bandol is one of the few appellations where the rosés can be better after a year or two in bottle – and Domaine de la Ribotte's 2024 is currently drinking superbly. Based on the characterful Mourvèdre grape, it is a serious, gastronomic wine that is perfect with Provençal food. 13%. Now-2028

*"Pale orange pink, looking gold in the glass. It smells intensely of tropical flowers, of pineapple, of passion fruit. It tastes dry, but runs with ribbons of spice. The fruit is umbra and umber, almost not there, savoury, subtle, satin. Gracefully composed. Perfect for dipping crisp cold chicory leaves and thick hunks of bread in anchoïade. 16.5/20. 2025-2028."* Tamlyn Currin, [jancisrobinson.com](https://www.jancisrobinson.com), June 2025

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### Château Léoube, Côtes de Provence, Léoube, 2024 🍷

**Code:** LEO524B  
**Bottle:** £22.95 **6% off 6:** £129.44 **12% off 12:** £242.35

Romain Ott – one of Provence's top winemakers – used only whole bunches for this wine and the result is a very pale, ripe, textured wine with excellent clarity of fruit: redcurrants, wild strawberries and nectarines. The delicious slightly saline note on the finish is an echo of the Med which is just a stone's throw from the vineyards. The 2025 will follow on. 13.5%. Now-2027

### Château Ferry Lacombe, Equinoxe, Rosé, Côtes de Provence Sainte-Victoire, 2025

**Code:** CFL625  
**Bottle:** £24.50 **6% off 6:** £138.18 **12% off 12:** £258.72

This is Ferry Lacombe's top rosé, made from vines in the designated 'cru' area of Sainte-Victoire. A big hit with our top rosé customers last year, the 2025 is 60% Syrah and 40% Grenache. The palest of pales in the glass with a satin-like texture and an abundance of mulberry and lemon fruit. Excellent. 13%. Now-2028

### Château Léoube, Côtes de Provence Rosé, Collector, 2022 🍷

**Code:** LEO322  
**Bottle:** £59.95 **6% off 6:** £338.12 **12% off 12:** £633.07

Léoube make the Collector cuvée much more like a top white wine than a rosé, aiming for complexity and texture rather than just freshness. The wine sits on the fine lees for a year with regular bâtonnage adding weight and breadth to the palate. Long and focused with peach and creamy lemon notes. Excellent with whole roast seabass. 14%. Now-2027



Key to the Wines:  Sparkling  White  Red  Rosé  Organic

# Great Value Rosés from the Languedoc

Such is the popularity of the Provence style of rosé, it is becoming very difficult to find rosés from anywhere else in the world that don't echo the pale pink colour and dry, restrained style. Here's our selection of top value for money pinks from the Languedoc.



## Zou Rosé, IGP Pays d'Oc, 2024

**Code:** ZOU124  
**Bottle:** £9.95 **6% off 6:** £56.12 **12% off 12:** £105.07

Everyone needs a sub-£10, go to rosé for deckchair drinking. Pale and fruity, this is easy-going and packed with soft strawberry notes that punches above its weight. Just 11% alcohol too. Drink this year.

## Petit Pont, Rosé, IGP Pays d'Oc, 2025

**Code:** PEP525  
**Bottle:** £11.50 **6% off 6:** £64.86 **12% off 12:** £121.44

75% Grenache and 25% Cinsault. Slightly lighter colour than the 2024; dry and zesty with orange and strawberry fruit. Uncomplicated and very approachable, it has everything we look for in a well priced Languedoc rosé. 12.5%. Now-2027

## La Combe Saint-Paul, Amandiers Rosé, IGP Pays d'Oc, 2025

**Code:** CSP525  
**Bottle:** £11.95 **6% off 6:** £67.40 **12% off 12:** £126.19

Paul and Line Maury make outstanding value for money wines from their estate near La Clape. The varietal white wines and this Provence-lock-a-like rosé are among our best sellers. Delicate pale pink hue, with crushed raspberry and flat peach fruit galore. 12.5%. Now-2027

## L'Estabel, Fulcrand Cabanon, Cabrières Rosé, 2025

**Code:** FUL525  
**Bottle:** £13.50 **6% off 6:** £76.14 **12% off 12:** £142.56

We sold out of this quickly two years ago so shipped more last year and we still ran out. This year we have ordered even more to keep up with demand. Made with Cinsault, Grenache and Syrah, it is a shade or two darker than the wines above and packs in more fruit too: red berries, cranberry and mandarin. Lots of fun and very moreish. 13%. Now-2027

# Great Value Fizz from Limoux

Limoux is the place for sparkling wines in the South. Benefitting from a cooler climate relatively high up in the foothills of the Pyrenees to the south of Carcassonne, the region uses the local Mauzac grape in conjunction with newer arrivals such as Chardonnay and Chenin Blanc to make excellent fizz.

## Laurens, Le Moulin, Blanquette de Limoux Brut, NV

**Code:** LAU1NV

**Bottle:** £16.95 **6% off 6:** £95.60 **12% off 12:** £178.99

Elegantly made, using Champagne techniques, from 90% Mauzac, the traditional variety of Limoux, with 10% Chardonnay, grown in the foothills of the Pyrenees. Elegant and well balanced with a soft mousse and textbook Blanquette flavours of green apple, almonds and white flowers. 12%. Drink this year whilst young and fresh.




## Laurens, Les Graiménous, Crémant de Limoux Brut, 2023

**Code:** LAU323

**Bottle:** £18.50 **6% off 6:** £104.34 **12% off 12:** £195.36

Chardonnay and Chenin lead the blend here with smaller proportions of Pinot Noir and Mauzac. Lovely weight and freshness with crisp conference pear fruit and just a hint of breadiness. Now-2027



Key to the Wines:  Sparkling  White  Red  Rosé  Organic

# The Pays d'Oc

The name may have changed to the dull and bureaucratic *Indication Géographique Protégée* (or Protected Geographical Indication) but these wines will always be the 'Vins de Pays d'Oc' in our hearts.

This is our selection of 'house' and classic varietal wines that prove the South of France can still deliver at all price points.

## Petit Pont, Blanc, IGP Pays d'Oc, 2024

**Code:** PEP124  
**Bottle:** £11.50 **6% off 6:** £64.86 **12% off 12:** £121.44

70% Rolle, 30% Colombard. Clean, straightforward and dry with a peachy fruit-forward style. Perfect for midweek sipping or a garden aperitif. 12.5%. Drink this year.

## La Combe Saint-Paul, Rolle, IGP Pays d'Oc, 2024

**Code:** CSP224  
**Bottle:** £11.95 **6% off 6:** £67.40 **12% off 12:** £126.19

One of our best-selling whites. Rolle (the grape known as Vermentino in Italy but renamed here in the Languedoc) thrives on Paul Maury's estate near La Clape. Bone-dry but zingy with generous stone fruit. Writing in the Daily Telegraph just before Easter, Victoria Moore called this "a good fridge door white, scented like lemon balm." 12.5%. Drink this year.

*"Extremely attractive and stylish label. Lemony and lightly scented with blossom, plus a hint of fresh pears. Light-bodied, fresh and rounded in the mouth, as if it had spent time on the yeast lees, giving it a gently grip and more presence in the mouth. Fruity, soft finish. Undemanding all-rounder. GV 16/20. Drink 2025-2026"*, Julia Harding MW, [jancisrobinson.com](https://www.jancisrobinson.com), 22nd November 2025

## La Combe Saint-Paul, Chardonnay, IGP Pays d'Oc, 2025

**Code:** CSP125  
**Bottle:** £11.95 **6% off 6:** £67.40 **12% off 12:** £126.19

Unoaked, this Chardonnay shows lots of peach, apricot and citrus fruit flavours. Ripe and textured but also fresh and crisp on the finish, it would not be out of place in a flight of Mâcons. Very good value. Now-early 2027



## La Combe Saint-Paul, Viognier, IGP Pays d'Oc, 2025

**Code:** CSP325  
**Bottle:** £12.50 **6% off 6:** £70.50 **12% off 12:** £132.00

A lighter style of Viognier that eschews the heaviness of some examples without sacrificing any of the juicy, sunny, peach and apricot fruit that the grape is known for. Bright and full of energy, this is perfect with a chicken, green olive and preserved lemon tagine. 13%. Now-2027

## Les Pradelles, IGP Hérault, 2024

**Code:** PRD124  
**Bottle:** £9.95 **6% off 6:** £56.12 **12% off 12:** £105.07

Bottled at a smart co-op at Cébazan in St.-Chinian, this is an easy-drinking blend of Carignan and Grenache from the plains of the Languedoc. Red fruited with a surprisingly good texture, no rough edges, soft, light and juicily berried. Perfect for uncomplicated drinking. 12%. Now-2028

### Petit Pont, Rouge, IGP Pays d'Oc, 2024

**Code:** PEP624

**Bottle:** £11.50 **6% off 6:** £64.86 **12% off 12:** £121.44

A light, dry, easy going red. Fruity with ripe preserved cherry and raspberry notes and soft, smooth tannins. Barbecued sausages would be a very good partner. 12.5%. Drink this year.

### Comtesse de Marion, Merlot, IGP d'Oc, 2024

**Code:** VIC324

**Bottle:** £12.50 **6% off 6:** £70.50 **12% off 12:** £132.00

Attractive Merlot typicity: aromas of sweet plum with a leafy touch, followed by a supple and lightly creamy, berried palate with barely discernible tannins. Very popular. 13.5%. Now-2028

### La Croisade, Pinot Noir, IGP Pays d'Oc, 2024

**Code:** AGW724

**Bottle:** £12.25 **6% off 6:** £69.09 **12% off 12:** £129.36

"Good Value Pinot Noir" is increasingly becoming an oxymoron but this juicy Southern French number shows it still exists if you know where to look. Sourced partly from the Languedoc plains and partly the superior, cooler climate slopes of Limoux, it is packed with cherry compôte and poached strawberry fruit. 13%. Now-2027



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Laurence Desblaches of Domaine de la Ribotte

## Domaine de la Ribotte, Bandol

Bandol is Mourvèdre country. A small, coastal appellation between Marseilles and Toulon it produces distinctive rosés (see page 6) and robust reds. Ribotte is a tiny domaine run by Bandol's first female winemaker, Laurence Desblaches, and her son Nicolas. Most of their production is still sold at a stall at Bandol's famous farmers' market and has been since the days of Nicolas's great-grandmother. Their handwritten invoices with the meticulous, peculiarly French numbers are a work of art in themselves.

### Bandol Rouge, 2020

Code: RIB820

Bottle: £32.95 6% off 6: £185.84 12% off 12: £347.95

Mourvèdre par excellence. Savoury and spicy with deep, dark black fruit and robust tannins. Full-bodied and concentrated it positively demands food - a classic Provençal daube would be perfect. Ditto a charcoal-grilled bone-in ribeye. 14%.  
Now-2030

## Château Ferry Lacombe, Provence

You'll find most of Ferry Lacombe's wines in the rosé section above - they produce the superb *Mystère*, *Naos* and *Equinoxe* cuvées. This is the only non-rosé we ship from the domaine, which lies in the shadow of Mont Sainte-Victoire (made famous in the paintings of Cézanne). Pink and Provence may be the perfect combination, but if you haven't discovered the whites then this is the place to start.

### Haedus, Côtes de Provence Blanc, 2024

Code: CFL124

Bottle: £16.25 6% off 6: £91.65 12% off 12: £171.60

We shipped this last summer for the first time and it went down a treat: intense, zesty white Vermentino from one of our best rosé producers. The clear bottle isn't beloved by everyone - see the quote below - but we love it. 13%. Now-2027

*"I don't like the clear-glass bottle (light strike, people) but it's hard to resist the attitude and amplitude of this wine that swings brazenly tropical while still vibing Mediterranean herbs. Pineapple and sage, pomelo and tarragon. It's a wine that will definitely be happy on the table with almost any food you put next to it, and will, also, I think, please both Chardonnay and Sauvignon Blanc fans. 16/20. Drink 2025-2027"*, Tamlyn Currin, [jancisrobinson.com](#), 1st July 2025



Château Ferry Lacombe

# Mas des Brousses, Terrasses du Larzac



Geraldine Combes and her husband Xavier Peyraud (pictured) are winemaking royalty, although you'd never know that by the friendly, humble welcome we always receive.

Xavier's grandparents were Lucien and Lulu Peyraud of the renowned Domaine Tempier in Bandol, and he brought cuttings of Tempier's famous

Mourvèdre to Geraldine's organically farmed family vineyards in the beautiful Terrasses du Larzac appellation north of Montpellier - "the rising star of the Languedoc" according to the Oxford Companion to Wine.

The wines are among the most elegant and age-worthy we ship from anywhere in France. Their reds combine pure, focused fruit with supple, ripe tannins and wild garrigue character while the brilliantly distinctive white is serious and gastronomic.

We tasted the new vintages at a small wine tasting in Paris with the city's top sommeliers who love these wines as much as we do.

## Mas des Brousses Blanc, IGP Saint-Guilhem-le-Désert, 2024 🍷

Code: MAB624  
Bottle: £21.95 6% off 6: £123.80 12% off 12: £231.79

This is always one of the most intriguing and complex wines in our list. Made from a blend of no less than eleven grape varieties it has ripe, spiced pear and quince fruit with pebbly mineral notes and a rounded, full texture. Quite unlike anything else we ship, it is sensational with roast loin of pork. 13%. Now-2029

## Chasseur des Brousses, IGP Saint-Guilhem-le-Désert, 2023 🍷

Code: MAB123  
Bottle: £16.95 6% off 6: £95.60 12% off 12: £178.99

50% old vine Merlot and 50% young vine Mourvèdre, this is a brilliantly joyful expression of the terroir at Mas de Brousses. Named after the Bee-eater birds

that hunt amongst the vines, this leaps out of the glass with inviting dark berries to the fore. On the palate, the plum and blackberry fruit is seasoned with wild thyme, herbes de Provence and a twist of black pepper. Excellent. 14%. Now-2030

## Cleo, Terrasses du Larzac, 2022 🍷

Code: MAB322  
Bottle: £19.95 6% off 6: £112.52 12% off 12: £210.67

Named after the local Cleopatra butterfly that appears in the vineyards each spring, this cuvée puts Syrah centre-stage with Grenache and Mourvèdre playing second fiddle. It's another winner. 14%. Now-2029

*"Incredible purity of squashed strawberries and red plum. Fresh acidity meets silky, fine tannins for a seductive finish. A wine that's flowing and elegant, combining concentration with a moreish and delectable charm. Drink 2024-2030, 94/100".*  
Decanter, October 2024.

## Mas des Brousses Rouge, Terrasses du Larzac, 2022 🍷

Code: MAB222  
Bottle: £24.95 6% off 6: £140.72 12% off 12: £263.47

This is quite simply one of the very best wines from anywhere in the Languedoc - and this quality from a more fashionable wine region would cost twice as much. 13.5%. Now-2030

*"A slow, deep crescendo of a wine that has, whisperer-like, drawn Mourvèdre's animal growl down to a purr. White pepper and sumac accentuate a savouriness that is much more earthy than Mourvèdre's usual raw-meat, hung-game pungency - more puy lentil and sun-dried tomatoes. Lots of tomato tang, sharp and sweet and vine fragrant, bursting with the red orbs of the earth and garden. But there is also a rich panoply of damson, red-cherry, red-plum fruit that is not just intense and sweet, but fresh and scented and singing of the garrigue of its birthplace. And tucked so deep inside that plenitude that you can barely sense them, are the tannins, which feel like licking wet flint burins, and they taste of wet flint burins. Chapeau, Mas des Brousses."*  
17.5/20, 2025-2030, Tamlyn Currin,  
jancisrobinson.com, 9th August 2025

## Vignerons de Schistes, Pinet

Despite rising duty and the inevitability of Trump-induced fuel surcharges, we have worked hard to keep the price of our Picpoul the same this year. Winemaker Gilles Canton, now aided by his son Maxime, has excellent vineyards located close enough to the Mediterranean to get the cooling influence, but just far enough away to be on superior argillo-calcaire soils rather than sand (which produces rather dull, flat wines).

### Les Roches Saintes, Picpoul de Pinet, 2025

Code: LRS125  
Bottle: £12.95 6% off 6: £73.04 12% off 12: £136.75

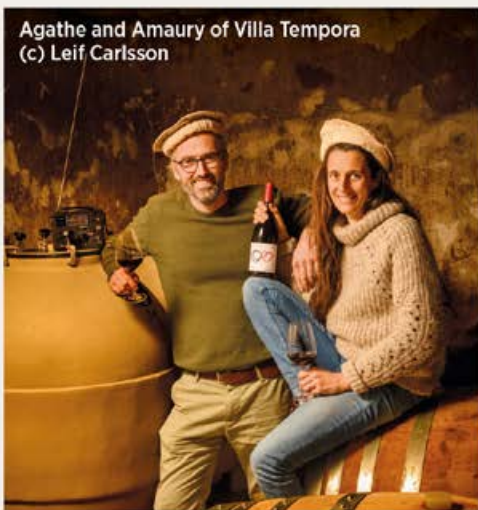
Picpoul is fast becoming one of the UK's most popular grapes and this is a textbook example: zesty, ripe lemon fruit with a pinch of sea salt and a long, refreshing finish. The vinous equivalent of a citrus pressé and fantastic with all kinds of seafood, but especially shellfish. 12.5%. Now-2027

## Villa Tempora, Pézenas

*"Agathe Dalisson, from Bordeaux, and Amaury Coste, from Burgundy, make exceptionally gentle wines from their estate in Pézenas. It's not easy to produce a Grenache, Syrah, Carignan blend that tastes of raspberries and ripples like a woodland brook, but they've done it... I get the impression that Dalisson and Coste listen to their vineyards rather than managing them."* Tamlyn Currin, [jancisrobinson.com](https://www.jancisrobinson.com), August 2025

We usually like to introduce our growers in our own words but Tamlyn summed up Agathe and Amaury of Villa Tempora so well it was impossible not to quote her. The couple met whilst working in Afghanistan in the humanitarian sector, settling in the Languedoc to raise both children and vines. Their approach to viticulture is holistic and sensitive, putting the sustainability of the soils and the environment at the centre of their work. The wines are unforced and pure; full of Midi sunshine yet also balanced and energetic. They come highly recommended.

Agathe and Amaury of Villa Tempora  
(c) Leif Carlsson



### Villa Tempora, Pézenas, 2023

Code: TMP223  
Bottle: £19.95 6% off 6: £112.52 12% off 12: £210.67

Old vine Carignan and Grenache packed with dark fruit and cashmere-soft tannins. Agathe and Amaury only use whole bunches in this cuvée and the inclusion of the stems helps to moderate the alcohol level to just 12.5%, almost unheard of for a Languedoc red of this quality. Now-2028

*"Tasted blind. This changed so much in just the five/six minutes it sat in the glass while I tasted the flight of three Pézenas. It started off smelling gamy, but by the time I'd finished, it smelt of roses and peonies. The texture of the tannins is dark and chunky, like a wedge of old mahogany, well polished, holding a heavy oak door open. But the wine tastes of roses and wild strawberries and spicy dark-petalled flowers and pomegranate syrup. And clove and cumin. Complex, intriguing, mysterious. A wine you'd really want to spend more time with. 17.5/20. 2025-2030."* Tamlyn Currin, [jancisrobinson.com](https://www.jancisrobinson.com), 1st September 2025

### Le Demon du Midi, Pézenas, 2020

Code: TMP120  
Bottle: £24.95 6% off 6: £140.72 12% off 12: £263.47

This is a belter of a wine that keeps on getting better. Bold, ripe and full, it rewards an hour or so in a decanter to allow all the floral-scented fruit to unfurl. 70% Syrah and 30% Grenache from basalt soils, aged in amphora and demi-muid. Fruits-of-the-forest nose with wild thyme, warm earth and spice on the palate. A wine for red meat lovers. 14.5% Now-2028



# L'Estabel, Cabrières

Not all French wine co-operatives are created equal and L'Estabel is one of the best. It was the first co-operative ever to have been named a Vigneron de l'Année by the influential French wine guide the Guide Hachette and the wines so impressed Jancis Robinson two years ago she popped in to stock up her nearby holiday home. Recommendations don't get much better than that.

This is the fourth year we have shipped from them and the Fulcrand Cabanon wines have gained a strong following amongst our customers. The key is the precious schist soils of the Cabrières region whose wines were celebrated way back at the court of Louis XIV. You'll find their super Fulcrand Cabanon Rosé on page 8.

## Fulcrand Cabanon, Clairette de Languedoc, 2025

**Code:** FUL125  
**Bottle:** £13.95 **6% off 6:** £78.68 **12% off 12:** £147.31

Clairette is one of the unsung heroes of the Beautiful South, and to our mind, its most exciting white grape. Ripe lemon and peach fruit with just a whisper of something more exotic and subtle floral undertones. Long and bright with a distinct mineral edge to the finish. Terrific value. 13.5%. Now-2027

## Fulcrand Cabanon, Cabrières Rouge, 2022

**Code:** FUL622  
**Bottle:** £14.25 **6% off 6:** £80.37 **12% off 12:** £150.48

*"Smells of cherries dipped in chocolate and rolled in tobacco leaves. Redolent with red fruit and roasted sage, the dry, tea-leaf-astringent tannins dusted with cocoa powder. A little rustic, but delightfully so. Very true to its origins. GV. 16.5/20", Tamlyn Currin, Languedoc Round-up, Summer 2024, [jancisrobinson.com](https://www.jancisrobinson.com), 28th June 2024*

Key to the Wines:  Sparkling  White  Red  Rosé  Organic

# Château de la Liquière, Faugères

La Liquière is one of the gems in the SVS portfolio – and not just in our Languedoc range. They produce outstanding wines at all levels with remarkable consistency and, crucially, always in an honest terroir-driven style. Faugères is rightly celebrated for its low yields, widespread organic viticulture, schist soils and high elevation. The result is concentrated, bold wines that retain both elegance and freshness.

## Les Amandiers Blanc, Faugères, 2024 🍷

Code: LIQ624  
Bottle: £15.95 6% off 6: £89.96 12% off 12: £168.43

Mainly Grenache Blanc with Roussanne, Viognier and Clairette. Rounded, ripe and textured white with abundant orchard fruit. On great form now, delivering a lot of wine for the price. 13.5%.  
Now-2027

## Cistus, Faugères Blanc, 2023 🍷

Code: LIQ723  
Bottle: £21.50 6% off 6: £121.26 12% off 12: £227.04

Roussanne with Grenache Blanc and Rolle, with a small proportion aged in barriques. Full-bodied yet restrained, it balances creamy, honeyed stone fruit with a taut citrus core. Mineral, intense and capable of ageing. Now-2027

*"It smells of honey and curds and honey cheesecake and it tastes of fennel flowers, honey and whipped feta and cream. The fruit tastes just exactly like our greengages that are literally dropping off our tree right now – when they go soft it is the most extraordinary flavour combination of green stone fruit and honey. Just like this wine. Delectable, rich and exciting. Drink 2025-2028. 17/20", Tamlyn Currin, jancisrobinson.com, 9th August 2025*

## Tutti Frutti Rouge, Vin de France, 2024 🍷

Code: TUT124  
Bottle: £13.75 6% off 6: £77.55 12% off 12: £145.20

If you spend any time in the trendier wine bars of any major French city you will drink a lot of wines like this: young, vibrant and juicy with an emphasis on purity of fruit rather than concentration and complexity. It's a style we enjoy enormously – especially when the sun is shining. 60% Cinsault, 20% Syrah, and 20% Grenache – all from declassified Faugères fruit. Try it chilled with a Thai-spiced beef noodle salad. 13%. Now-2027






### Les Amandiers Rouge, Faugères, 2023


 Code: LIQ223

 Bottle: £16.95 **6% off 6:** £95.60 **12% off 12:** £178.99

This must be a contender for the most reliable wine in our list. Year after year it delivers juicy (but not jammy) red and black fruit with just enough garrigue and warm earth notes to place it squarely in the Midi. 13.5%. Now-2028

### Château de la Liquière, Faugères Rouge, 2022

 Code: LIQ422

 Bottle: £17.95 **6% off 6:** £101.24 **12% off 12:** £189.55

This is the estate's flagship red; not the most expensive but the one François believes most clearly represents the Château's terroir – and the 2022 is on peak form now. Carignan, Grenache and Syrah aged in tank. Powerful and ripe with deep, savoury fruit alongside hints of rosemary and cocoa. Supple tannins and a lifted freshness complete the picture. A firm favourite Chez Taylor, Simon is always amazed we don't sell more of this. 13.5%. Now-2028


### La Fabrique, Faugères Rouge, 2022


 Code: LIQ022

 Bottle: £23.50 **6% off 6:** £132.54 **12% off 12:** £248.16

This is a fantastic expression of 100-year-old single vineyard Carignan (with a small amount of Cinsault, Grenache and Syrah co-fermented). Fermented and raised in concrete tanks. Spicy dark cherries, a splash of cream and a hint of black olives. The tannins are bold too but the fruit keeps them well covered. Not a wine for Pinot Noir lovers but highly recommended for anyone who loves bold, ripe reds. 15%. Now-2031

### Tarroussel, Faugères Rouge, 2021

 Code: LIQ821

 Bottle: £25.00 **6% off 6:** £141.00 **12% off 12:** £264.00

This is a stunning wine made from a single vineyard planted with nine parts eighty year old Grenache and one part Carignan. No oak; just terroir. The Grenache gives it a relatively light rosy colour, but looks can be deceiving! On the palate this is bold, concentrated and ripe with black cherry and wild plum fruit, Christmas spices and a sprinkling of dried rosemary. 14%. Now-2030

# La Combe Saint-Paul, La Clape

You'll find our best-selling La Combe Saint-Paul wines in the Pays d'Oc section on page 10 - but as well as the delicious varietal wines, Paul and Line Maury also make terrific AOC wines from Paul's grandparent's estate south of Narbonne.

La Clape, a coastal mountain covered in Mediterranean scrub, is one of France's windiest and sunniest spots with a climate heavily influenced by the sea. It is famous for full-throttle Midi reds with bold fruit and herby garrigue notes.

## Calcaires d'Enserune, Languedoc Blanc, 2024

**Code: CSP424**  
**Bottle: £13.25 6% off 6: £74.73 12% off 12: £139.92**

This wine is often overshadowed by La Combe Saint-Paul's varietal wines, but it flew out the door last summer after a cracking review in the press which called the price absurdly low. This is the new vintage and it is every bit as good. Roussanne and Vermentino from La Clape with honeydew melon, papaya and pink grapefruit notes. Sunny and exuberant, it excels with spicy food. 12.5%. Now-2028

## Gres Rouges, La Clape, 2024

**Code: CSP624**  
**Bottle: £14.25 6% off 6: £80.37 12% off 12: £150.48**

This is a great value red that ticks all the boxes for a classic La Clape red: sun baked red and black fruit; wild herbs; ripe tannins and a fresh sea-breeze influenced finish. If you already buy the La Combe Saint-Paul whites (and many of our customers do), then this red should go down a treat. 14%. Now-2029



Paul & Line Maury of La Combe Saint-Paul

## Villa Orae, Sillons, La Clape, 2020

**Code:** ORA120

**Bottle:** £18.95 **6% off 6:** £106.88 **12% off 12:** £200.11

From a superb vintage, this is a blend of 50% Syrah, 40% Grenache and 10% Mourvèdre and is organically certified. The warmth of the beautiful South really shines through in this wine. Unoaked, it is a celebration of silky black fruit flavours, blackberries, and black cherry, with just a little spice on the finish. A truly joyous wine. Now-2028

*"Transparent crimson. Sweet start and lots of pleasure and saline interest already though with some tannic undertow. Good for now and the future! 16.5/20, Drink 2023-2028"*, Jancis Robinson MW, [jancisrobinson.com](http://jancisrobinson.com), May 2023.

## L'Insoupponné, La Clape, 2022

**Code:** CSP722

**Bottle:** £22.95 **6% off 6:** £129.44 **12% off 12:** £242.35

Paul and Line's top red is grown on clay-limestone soils in the heart of La Clape. 85% Syrah with Mourvèdre, given 10 months ageing in a mix of new and 2nd fill barrels. Big, bold and forward with polished black fruit and refined tannins. Very limited production. 14.5%. Now-2030



Key to the Wines:  Sparkling  White  Red  Rosé  Organic

# Domaine Fontanel, Roussillon

Domaine Fontanel has featured in the SVS range for no less than twenty-three years, under two different owners. Elodie and Mathieu Collet took over from the former vigneron, Pierre and Marie-Claude Fontaneil, in 2017. We loved Pierre's wines back in the day, but we love Elodie and Mathieu's even more. There is more expression and sense of place, with a lighter hand in the cellar. The wines are still bold and powerful — as the terroir demands — but there is now an extra dimension of energy and freshness to the fruit.

Located in the inhospitable hills around Maury and Tautavel in Roussillon, high above Perpignan, Fontanel make intense terroir-driven wines in one of France's most extreme wine regions. The soils in this Catalan corner of France are poor. Eight different winds criss-cross the region and rarely stop blowing hard. It's France's sunniest region with 325 days of sun, which sounds a blessing, but increasingly raises concerns about drought and wildfires. Making wine here is both a physical challenge and a labour of love.

## Amae, Côtes Catalanes Blanc, 2023

**Code: FON723**  
**Bottle: £22.25 6% off 6: £125.49 12% off 12: £234.96**

Amae (named after the initials of Elodie, Mathieu and their two children) is a rich, oaked blend of Roussanne (the Roussanne portion aged in new barrels) Grenache Blanc and Grenache Gris: think white Burgundy crossed with Châteauneuf-du-Pape Blanc, but with a distinct Roussillon flavour. Full-bodied, nutty and intense with a creamy edge from the bâtonnage. Silky smooth finish. Superb with roast pork rubbed with fennel and garlic. 13%. Now-2028

*"The honeysuckle and jasmine flowers of Roussanne; the waxy-potato-in-sour-cream of Grenache Blanc. Such a unique combination of flavours and textures that could only come from Roussillon. There are chive flowers and lemon zest in that sweet-earth-chestnut taste of baby Jersey potatoes. I can taste honey and lime under the floaty flirty gauze of jasmine. And lanolin from the Grenache Gris (thank you very much). The oak has made a firm imprint on the nose and palate, but just when you think about pronouncing that the wine is too oaky, everything else catches up and caboodles the oak into the boot. It might benefit from another year or two in bottle, just to bed the oak in. Drink 2026-2030, 17/20"* Tamlyn Currin, [jancisrobinson.com](http://jancisrobinson.com), 1st July 2025

## Hominus Sapanius, IGP Côtes Catalanes, 2022

**Code: FON422**  
**Bottle: £16.25 6% off 6: £91.65 12% off 12: £171.60**

The name is a nod to the hominids who roamed Tautavel half a million years ago. 70% Syrah, 15% Grenache, 15% Carignan, unoaked and grown near Tautavel (so it could actually be labelled as Côte du Roussillon Villages). Lots of dark berry fruit on the nose precedes a juicy, bright palate with pure bramble and damson character. The tannins are ripe and food-friendly without ever dominating. Great value and superb with braised lamb shanks or Toulouse sausages and puy lentils. 14%. Now-2028



Vineyards at Domaine Fontanel

## Arrels, Maury Sec, 2022

**Code: FON522**  
**Bottle: £22.75 6% off 6: £128.31 12% off 12: £240.24**

Arrels means "Roots" in the Catalan language. This is Elodie and Matthieu's love letter to the historic Catalan associations of Roussillon. Maury may be more famous for its fortified sweet wines but makes wonderful dry wines too, this a big wine made from 70% Grenache and 30% Mourvèdre with no oak influence. Deep, inviting nose with lots of morello cherry. Full-bodied and intense with lots of vigour and life. 14.5%. Now-2031

## Cistes, Côtes du Roussillon Villages Tautavel, 2021

**Code: FON221**  
**Bottle: £23.50 6% off 6: £132.54 12% off 12: £248.16**

Cistes takes its name from Cistus, the rock rose that grows around the vineyards. From halves of Syrah and Grenache given 12 months in oak. Full-bodied and bold; dense and brooding with the oak adding a polish and gloss to the still wild fruit. Approachable now with (hearty) food, it ages superbly if you have the patience. 14.5%. Now-2031

Elodie & Mathieu Collet of Domaine Fontanel



## Vin Doux Naturel & Rancio Sec

**Domaine Fontanel, Rancio Sec, 2018 (50cl)**

**Code:** FON818  
**Bottle:** £26.50

A stunning, rare-as-hens'-teeth, deliberately oxidised fortified, dry wine. Soft, golden colour with apricot fruit and spiced nutty fruit - 'rancio' refers to the complex flavours that develop with the long ageing in glass demijohns. Usefully, once open it will keep indefinitely in the fridge too. If you love top quality dry sherry then you must try this. 18%. Now-2030

**Domaine Fontanel, Maury Grenat, 2021**

**Code:** FON621  
**Bottle:** £24.75

Made from a single parcel of 70 year-old Grenache vines, aged in barrel for 18 months, it retains its sweetness by the addition of grape spirit arresting fermentation - much in the same way Port is made. Glossy cherry and blackcurrant fruit with hints of Agen prunes. Softer and smoother than actual Port, it is one of the few wines in the world that goes brilliantly with chocolate. 17%. Now-2029

Key to the Wines:  Sparkling  White  Red  Rosé  Organic

# Domaine du Grand Arc, Corbières

Sad news. Twenty two years after we first shipped Bruno Schenk's wines, this is the last time we will be able to offer them. Bruno is retiring and his children have made the decision that there are easier ways to make a living than tending vines in the hills of Corbières. With the impact of climate change and a domestic market on its uppers, it is not hard to see why. It is a victory for reason over romance.

Even so, it is a tremendous shame when such a wonderful domaine shuts its cellar doors for the final time. We have already sold the last of the Grand Arc Blanc but do have stock of the two reds. It is very much WIGIG time – so don't miss the opportunity to get a last case or two. The wines are on great form and will continue to age well in the cellar for a few years yet. Don't miss out.

## Reserve Grand Arc, Corbières, 2023 🍷

**Code:** DGA223

**Bottle:** £14.75 **6% off 6:** £83.19 **12% off 12:** £155.76

A blend of 50% Carignan, 35% Grenache Noir and 15% Mourvèdre. Aged in barrel, 20% new. Dense and full-flavoured, this delivers plenty of wine for the money and will keep well if you have the patience. Dark fruit and hints of the wild herbs tinged with oak. Impressive concentration. 14%. Now-2028

## Cuvée des Quarante, Corbières, 2022 🍷

**Code:** DGA322

**Bottle:** £16.25 **6% off 6:** £91.65 **12% off 12:** £171.60

55% Carignan with 35% Grenache and 20% Syrah, all in barrel, about 20% new. Deeply coloured, properly extracted red, burly but also light-footed: the dense, brambly fruit is leavened by spicy and heady aromatics. Drink with a daube of beef or venison. Will keep very well. 14.5%. Now-2030



Cathar castle near Cabrières

# The Big Beautiful South: Magnums and more

## Château de la Liquière, Cistus, Faugères Blanc, 2023 MAGNUM 🍷

Code: LIQ923  
Magnum: £48.00 6% off 3: £135.36 12% off 6: £253.44

Beautifully balanced, complex Languedoc white that ages very well in magnum. See page 16 for full note.

## Château du Seuil, Coteaux d'Aix en Provence Rosé, 2025 MAGNUM 🍷

Code: SEU925  
Magnum: £35.50 6% off 3: £100.11 12% off 6: £187.44  
Double Magnum Code SEU825: £89.95

Gorgeous organic rosé from the hills above Aix-en-Provence. Perfect for summer parties. See page 6 for full note. Also available in Double Magnum (code SEU825) for £89.95

## Château Ferry Lacombe, Naos, Côtes de Provence Rosé, 2024 MAGNUM 🍷

Code: CFL924  
Magnum: £40.95 6% off 3: £115.48 12% off 6: £216.22

A very impressive Provence rosé with concentration and freshness in spades. See page 6 for full note.

## Château Léoube, Côtes de Provence Rosé, Léoube, 2024, MAGNUM 🍷

Code: LEO924  
Magnum: £49.95 6% off 3: £140.86 12% off 6: £263.74  
Double Magnum Code LEO525DM: £150.00

Léoube's vineyards are closer to the Mediterranean than any other estate in Provence giving a taut, saline note to the very classy wine. See page 7 for full note.

## Château de la Liquière, Faugères Rouge, 2023 MAGNUM 🍷

Code: LIQ123M  
Magnum: £39.00 6% off 3: £109.98 12% off 6: £205.92

A very smart Faugères. Powerful and ripe with deep, savoury fruit alongside hints of rosemary and cocoa. See page 17 for full note.

## Mas des Brousses, Chasseur des Brousses, IGP Saint-Guilhem-le-Désert, 2023, MAGNUM 🍷

Code: MAB823  
Magnum: £38.95 6% off 3: £109.84 12% off 6: £205.66

50% old vine Merlot and 40% young vine Mourvèdre from the brilliant Xavier Peyraud. Super value for a magnum of this quality. See page 13 for full note.

## Mas des Brousses, Terrasses du Larzac, 2022, MAGNUM 🍷

Code: MAB922  
Magnum: £55.95 6% off 3: £157.78 12% off 6: £295.42

One of the finest wines in our portfolio – bar none – and delicious from magnum. See page 13 for full note.

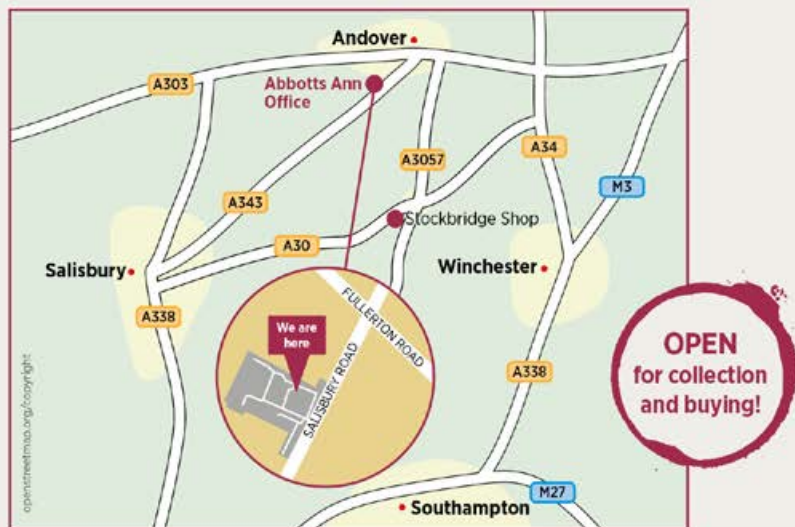


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