

# SALE STARTS

# 9am Monday 6th January .....And ends Sunday 9th F<u>ebruary</u>

When you order, do please give us your phone number and email address. If you have a complex order or are seeking to buy wines available in small quantities we will only be able to take your order and then confirm it later. We will attempt to process all orders fairly in the order in which they are received, but as they arrive by phone, email, fax, online and in person, inevitably this is not easy. Also, do expect a brief delay in receiving your order.

#### Please do not call us earlier if your list happens to arrive before the 6th.

Finally, if you wish to buy and collect from either the warehouse in Twyford or shop in Stockbridge, please agree your order by telephone or email beforehand, including a collection date, so we can have your order ready for you. (We will only have some of the wines on sale in Stockbridge).

Many wines in good quantities will be available to buy on the website.

- Bin ends are in normal type
- Temporary discounts are in bold. These prices are valid until Sunday 9th February and quoted stocks may not last until then.
- Dramatic discounts at a minimum of 20% off are in red (and bold if temporary)

# Terms & Conditions of Sale

All wines are offered subject to availability

Delivery Charges\* to one address are as follows:

1-5bottles	£12.95
6-11 bottles	£9.95
1 case of 12 bottles	£6.95
13-24 bottles	£8.50

Please note: **FREE delivery for orders of £120.00** or more (to one address), or over £75 in the Winchester area.

(\*Delivery prices vary for delivery to the Highlands, Islands and Northern Ireland - please ask us for a quote).

# DAILY DRINKING - up to £10.00 a bottle

#### WHITE

#### **VALLE FRIO, CHARDONNAY, MAULE, CHILE, 2022**

**Nas £9.95** Now: £7.95 Code FRI722

Ripe, rounded Chardonnay with a hint of oak. The Valle Frio reds sail out the door - time to give their Chardonnay a fair wind.

At best: This year Available: 150 bottles

The latest 2024 vintage arrived from Goedverwacht estate (the source of the Great Expectations label), so just tidying up the last of the 2023s.

GREAT EXPECTATIONS, CHENIN BLANC, ROBERTSON, SOUTH AFRICA, 2023

Was: £10.50 Now: £8.95 Code: GDV723

Textured. Stone fruit.

At best: This year Available: 15 bottles

GREAT EXPECTATIONS, SAUVIGNON BLANC, ROBERTSON, SOUTH AFRICA, 2023

Was: £10.95 Now: £9.25 Code: GDV223

Quite exotic - tangerines and passion fruit. Excellent texture for a wine at this price.

At best: This year Available: 17 bottles

GREAT EXPECTATIONS, CHARDONNAY, ROBERTSON, SOUTH AFRICA, 2023

Was: £10.95 Now: £9.25 Code: GDV123

Very lightly oaked, popular Chardonnay.

At best: This year Available: 29 bottles

LE PETIT PONT BLANC, IGP PAYS D'OC, FRANCE, 2023

Was: £10.95 Now: £9.25 Code: PEP123 Bright and flavoursome fruit cocktail of a Languedoc white based on Rolle (Vermentino)

At best: This year Available: 84 bottles

LA COMBE SAINT-PAUL, ROLLE IGP PAYS D'OC, FRANCE, 2022

Was: £10.95 Now: £9.50 Code: CSP222

Open, stone fruited attack gives way to a gentler, pine-scented, well-textured mid-palate.

At best: This year Available: 8 bottles

L'ESTABEL, LANGUEDOC BLANC, GRAND CUVEE COMTESSE, FRANCE, 2023

Was: £11.95 Now: £9.95 Code: LIQ123

Grown on schist in Cabrières, a blend of Grenache Blanc and Clairette with a little Bourbolenc. White flowers, grapefruit and lime. Refreshing and lightly aromatic.

At best: Now-early 2026 Available: 144 bottles

RED

LA PURISIMA, MONASTRELL, YECLA, SPAIN, 2020

Was: £10.25 Now: £6.50 Code: PUR120

From vines on the Yecla plateau in Murcia at 500-900m, a simple but smartly dressed bottle. Ripe fruit with plenty of blackberries and raspberries, soft tannins and a gentle vein of acidity. Spanish Monastrell (= Mourvèdre) is such a bargain - little known but delicious.

At best: Drink this year Available: 21 bottles

**VALLE FRIO, PINOT NOIR, MAULE, CHILE, 2021** 

Was £10.50 Now: £7.95 Code FRI321

One of our best selling wines, a ripe, soft and juicy strawberryish Chilean Pinot - but this time we just shipped too many pallets from Chile. Time to reduce the stacks - fill your boots.

At best: This year Available: 300 bottles

LA PURISIMA, SYRAH, YECLA, SPAIN, 2021

Was: £10.50 Now: £8.50 Code: PUR421

Appealingly perfumed. With blueberry and blackberry flavours, this is juicy and bright.

At best: This year Available: 49 bottles

LA SALETTE, CÔTES DE GASCOGNE ROUGE, FRANCE, 2022

Was: £10.95 Now: £9.50 Code: SAL622

Strawberries and raspberries, a plush core, and minimal tannins, a light red from 50% Tannat

plus 25% each of Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot. We move to 2023.

At best: This year Available: 42 bottles

#### ROSÉ

Great discounts here - buy in now so you have rosé ready when the weather warms up.

# DOMAINE DES DIEUX, ROSÉ (SYRAH-GRENACHE-MOURVÈDRE), WALKER BAY, SOUTH AFRICA, 2023

Was: £13.95 Now: £11.50 Code: DDD523

The team at Des Dieux, with vineyards high in the Hemel-en-Aarde Valley, are aspiring to make a rosé comparable to grand Provence examples - but at a fraction of the price. It's a Provençale-style blend of Syrah, Grenache and Mourvèdre given a bit of barrel ageing. Pale salmon pink. Pronounced aromas of flat peach and red berry with a whiff of oak. The palate is creamy with flavours of tangerine, orange blossom and nectarine. This is delicious on its own but has the weight to stand up to strongly flavoured food: anything spicy or from the BBQ would be ideal.

At best: Now-2025 Available: 144 bottles

#### CANTINA LA MADELEINE, JULÌ, PINOT NERO ROSATO, UMBRIA, ITALY, 2023

Was: £16.75 Now: £12.95 Code: MAD523

A surprise: who would have thought one would find an elegant Pinot Noir rosé in southern Umbria, near Narni? It's named after Giulia, the eldest daughter of the D'Alema family, who runs the seven hectares of vines with her mother. This is beautifully ripe and rounded, silky, with juicy red cherry and redcurrant flavours. So prettily scented, a delicious treat.

At best: This year Available: 180 bottles

#### CLOS FLORIDENE, LE ROSÉ DE FLORIDENE, BORDEAUX, 2023

Was: £16.50 Now: £13.20 Code: FLO523

A well-known, stylish rosé from the Dubourdieu family. Based on Merlot, with a pretty perfume of red fruit, it's subtly pleasing, with hints of stone fruit and flowers. A good all-rounder, enjoyable to drink on its own but with enough substance to accompany food well: a classy alternative to Provence rosés.

At best: This year Available: 120 bottles

#### OTT BY OTT. CÔTES DE PROVENCE ROSÉ. FRANCE. 2022

Was: £19.95 Now: £17.95 Code: BYO522

Based on Cinsaut and Grenache, a classic Provence rosé crafted by the Ott family.

At best: This year Available: 24 bottles

#### LANGUEDOC-ROUSSILLON AND RHÔNE - WHITE

#### CHÂTEAU DE LA LIQUIÈRE, FAUGÈRES, AMANDIERS BLANC, 2022

Was: £15.95 Now: £13.50 Code: LIQ622

Organic. Roussanne, Grenache Blanc, Vermentino, Marsanne, Clairette and Bourbolenc. Tasted recently and drinking so well, fragrant and stone-fruited with splendid intensity of fruit.

At best: This year Available: 29 bottles

#### DOMAINE BEGUDE, CHARDONNAY, L'ETOILE, LIMOUX, 2022

Was: £16.95 Now: £14.50 Code: BEG222

Organic. Star barrel-fermented Chardonnay grown in the cool foothills of the Pyrenees, from very low yields - less than half those in Burgundy. It goes into 500 litre demi-muids, half new, and is fermented only with indigenous yeasts. This opens up with tropical fruits, but has plenty of nervous energy, great texture and splendid length. Will drink now but a Burgundy beater if you lay it down as it develops beautifully, with ripe citrus and buttery notes coming to the fore. Ridiculous value for a smart barrel-fermented French Chardonnay.

At best: Now-2028 Available: 72 bottles

#### CLOS DE L'AMANDAIE, AOP LANGUEDOC, AMANDAIE BLANC, 2022

Was: £17.95 Now: £14.25 Code: CLA222

We just haven't achieved traction for this excellent blend, so here's a big discount to encourage sales. 80% Grenache Blanc and 20% Roussanne, vinified in a mixture of concrete and fibre glass eggs and given extended lees stirring to deliver weight and complexity. Stone fruit, mediterannean herbs and something floral - orange blossom? Excellent, gastronomic white. At best: Now-2027

#### MAS DES BROUSSES, BLANC, IGP SAINT-GUILHEM-LE- DESERT, 2022

Was: £20.50 Now: £16.40 Code: MAB622

Can't believe this. We shipped one vintage, no-one bought it, then we put it in a sale and everyone loved it; so we shipped a lot more of the next vintage – and no-one bought it, so here it is back in a sale! From a potpourri of aromatic varieties - Gros and Petit Manseng, Rolle, Chenin Blanc and Roussanne - lightly oaked, it shows a delightful tension between open, ripe orchard fruits and honeyed richness. A grand white.

At best: Now-2026 Available: 120 bottles

#### FONTANEL, AMAE, CÔTES CATALANES BLANC, 2022

Was: £20.50 Now: £17.50 Code: FON722

Halves of Roussanne and Grenache Blanc aged in old barrel: grapefruit, flat peaches and Mediterranean herbs. Great depth.

At best: Now-2027 Available: 19 bottles

#### LANGUEDOC-ROUSSILLON & PROVENCE - RED

Some really radical discounts here to clear the stacks ahead of buying the region's wines soon.

#### CAZABAN, JOURS DE VIGNE, IGP PAYS D'AUDE, 2021

Was: £15.50 Now: £11.50 Code: CAZ121

From halves of Grenache Noir and Carignan. Light (just 12.5%) airy wine, wild strawberry and

cherry-scented and flavoured.

At best: This year Available: 6 bottles

#### PÉGALINE, PIC SAINT-LOUP, PEGALINE, 2020

Was: £15.95 Now: £11.75 Code: PEG220

This wine has a technical problem - it's called reduction, and it means the wine, when opened, smells farmyardy. It needs vigorous double decanting, i.e. poured into a jug and then back into the bottle - or leaving open overnight - for that to blow off. It's an annoying problem, hence this organic red being sold at cost. 60% Syrah, 23% Mourvèdre and 17% Grenache, a typical Pic Saint-Loup blend. Melange of red and black fruit with black pepper and garrigue hints. The Syrah shows that malted note characteristic of Pic Saint-Loup cellars and the Mourvèdre brings umami sayoury notes.

At best: Now-2026 Available: 26 bottles

#### PEGALINE, PIN-SAULT, VIN DE FRANCE, 2021

Was: £15.95 Now: £11.95 Code: PEG121

Organic. A blend of Cinsault and Pinot Noir, hence the name. Perfume combines the bright strawberry of Cinsault with a little Pinot earthiness. Juicy, sappy, light and crunchy, with dancing red-berried fruit.

At best: This year Available: 23 bottles

#### CHÂTEAU DE LA LIQUIÈRE, FAUGÈRES, AMANDIERS ROUGE, 2022

Was: £15.95 Now: £12.95 Code: LIQ222

A blend of Syrah, Grenache and Carignan grown on schist soils and completely unoaked. Always a winner, with clarity and purity to the raspberry and red cherry fruit. Very representative of the schist terroir. Delicious.

At best: Now-2026 Avaialbe: 144 bottles

#### CLOS DE L'AMANDAIE, AOP GRES DE MONTPELLIER, AMANDAIE ROUGE, 2019

Was: £17.95 Now: £14.25 Code: CLA319

About 33% each of Grenache and Syrah, 25% Carignan and 9% Cinsault, the Syrah in old oak barrels, the rest in concrete. Pure, lightly heated red fruits dominate, accented by black olive and liquorice. Supple fruit tannins. Gorgeous, life-giving wine.

"Meaty nose verging on gamey. Lots of interest here! Quite a bit of tannin and ambition but a serious red wine for the cellar. Tastes a bit more Syrah than Grenache!" 16+/20, Drink 2024-2029", Jancis Robinson MW, jancisrobinson.com, 11th May 2023

At best: Now-2027 Available: 96 bottles

#### CAZABAN, PARTI PRIS, IGP PAYS D'AUDE, 2021

Was: £20.50 Now: £14.95 Code: CAZ421

Pinot Noir: a light and fascinating expression of the grape. From vineyards at over 200m. of altitude on the slopes of the Montagne Noire, aged all in old foudres (big barrels). Floral aromatics and fresh and delicate flavours of strawberries and red cherries.

At best: This year Available: 27 bottles

#### FONTANEL, CÔTES DU ROUSSILLON VILLAGES TAUTAVEL, CISTES, 2020

Was: £20.95 Now: £17.50 Code: FON220

From halves of Grenache and Syrah, the latter aged in barrel, the former in tank. Hints of vanilla over luxuriant fruit. Mouthcoating concentration. Not in the least sweet or jammy but instead showing the juiciness of blackcurrants. Top Roussillon red.

At best: Now-2027 Available: 16 bottles

#### MAS DES BROUSSES, TERRASSES DU LARZAC, 2021

Was: £23.50 Now: £20.50 Code: MAB221

Brilliant Mourvèdre based red. We move to 2022

At best: Now-2028 Available: 7 bottles

#### CHÂTEAU DE LA LIQUIÈRE, FAUGÈRES, LES MALPAS, 2021

Was: £26.95 Now: £21.95 Code LIQ021

Les Malpas refers to the two highest plots of Syrah in the estate, both at on schist at 400m. above sea level. Superb Northern Rhône quality. Dark fruit, smoky but with vibrant acidity.

At best: Now-2029 Available: 17 bottles

#### RHÔNE - RED

#### DOMAINE DES ESPIERS, CAIRANNE, 60/40, 2021

Was: £20.50 Now: £16.40 Code: ESP321

We love (and so do you) all the Espiers reds, but this one has stuck around for some unfathomable reason. From a cooler vintage, it shows fresh raspberry and cherry flavours, with attractive freshness. An elegant southern Rhône.

At best: Now-2028 Available: 57 bottles

#### AMADIEU, CAIRANNE VIELLES VIGNES, 2020

Was: £19.50 Now: £16.50 Code: AMB320

Splendid bio-dynamic red from about 50% Grenache, 20% of Mourvèdre and Syrah and 10% Carignan; about 15% goes into old barrels. Ripe cherry scent – and then a gorgeous mouthful of black cherries tinged with Kirsch. Superb ripeness but almost juicy freshness too. Always a wine which lasts beautifully.

At best: Now-2028 Available: 54 bottles

#### AMADIEU, RASTEAU, LA COPADO, 2020

Was: £20.50 Now: £17.50 Code: AMB420

Rich, very ripe and spicy southern Rhône.

At best: Now-2027 Available: 5 bottles

#### VENDÔME, CROZES-HERMITAGE, LES COULAIRES, 2021

Was: £22.50 Now: £18.95 Code: VEN121

Pure Syrah, quite fresh, from a cool northern Rhône vintage.

At best: Now-2027 Available: 9 bottles

#### DOMAINE MONIER-PERREOL, ST. JOSEPH. 2019

Was: £29.95 Now: £25.00 Code: MOP519

Beautiful, well-oaked organic Syrah from vineyards high above St Desirat: savoury black fruit.

At best: Now-2028

Available: 6 bottles

#### VERZIER, PREMIÈRE LUEUR, IGP COLLINES RHODANIENNES, 2020

Was: £29.95 Now: £23.50 Code: VER320

Vineyards were planted in Seyssuel by the Romans but abandoned after phylloxera; and only revived from the late 1990s. From young vines, farmed organically, planted on schistous soils over gneiss on the south-west facing Roche Couloure slope at around 275m. Given 12 months in *demi-muids*, this shows a skein of vanilla over high-toned, crunchy fruit. Classic lowish (12.5%) northern Rhône Syrah, vibrant and thrilling. Such purity.

At best: Now-2027 Available: 29 bottles

#### DOMAINE MONIER-PERREOL, ST. JOSEPH, TERRE BLANCHE, 2019

Was: £36.50 Now: £29.95 Code: MOP119

Beautiful, well-oaked organic Syrah from calcareous vineyards above St Desirat: classy oak and savoury black fruit.

At best: Now-2028 Available: 36 bottles

#### **BURGUNDY - WHITE**

CLOTILDE DAVENNE, BOURGOGNE ALIGOTÉ, 2022

Was: £16.50 Now: £14.25 Code: CLO622

A classic Aligoté showing bright flavours of green apple and citrus, with a silky mouthfeel. We move to 2023.

At best: Now-early 2026 Available 5 bottles

FOURREY, CHABLIS, 2020

Was: £17.75 Now: £15.50 Code FRR120

Odd leftover bottles - a bargain.

At best: Now-2026 Available 3 bottles

DOMAINE D'ELISE, PETIT CHABLIS, 2021

Was: £18.95 Now: £16.50 Code: ELS121

Odd bottles of an over-looked past vintage. At best: Now-2026 Available: 7 bottles

JEAN MARIE CHALAND, MÂCON-VILLAGES, LES TILLES, 2021

Was: £21.95 Now: £17.95 Code SAB121

Very superior Mâcon, unoaked but with good weight from old vines. Citrus and lightly creamy. Refined.

At best: Now-2026 Available 47 bottles

ROBIN, CHABLIS, 2021

Was: £22.50 Now: £18.95 Code ROB221

Pure and fine Village Chablis.

At best: Now-2026 Available 10 bottles

FOURREY, CHABLIS, 1ER CRU CÔTE DE LECHET, 2021

Was: £25.50 Now: £21.50 Code FRR721

A 1er Cru which always shows well young, gently creamy.

At best: Now-2027 Available 6 bottles

DENIS CLAIR, HAUTES CÔTES DE BEAUNE BLANC, 2021

Was: £26.95 Now: £22.95 Code: CLB021

Fresh, barrel-fermented Chardonnay: citrus with an oatmeal hint.

At best: Now-2027 Available: 37 bottles

JEAN-MARIE CHALAND, VIRÉ-CLESSÉ, L'EPINET, 2021

Was: £27.95 Now: £23.50 Code: SAB321

From a very small plot planted in the 1940s on gravel and red clay soils; a third goes into oldish oak barrels for a year on the lees. We always rate this organic, barrel-fermented Burgundy, but perhaps buy too much of it. Citrus, with exotic fruit accents, plus creamy roundness.

At best: Now-2027 Available: 60 bottles

FAIVELEY, MERCUREY, CLOS ROCHETTE, 2021

Was: £36.50 Now: £30.50 Code: FAJ121

Lightly oaked, elegant Chardonnay from this well-known Faiveley site

At best: Now-2027 Available: 18 bottles

#### BEAUJOLAIS & BURGUNDY - RED

Sorry, very little here - we are selling all of it!

JEAN GUITON, SAVIGNY-LES-BEAUNE, 2020

Was: £28.95 Now: £24.50 Code: GUI220

More concentrated than usual from this hot vintage - and drinking well.

At best: Now-2027 Available: 13 bottles

HUBER-VERDEREAU, MONTHÉLIE, LA COMBE DANAY, 2020

Was: £35.00 Now £30.00 Code: HUB620

Super value, fleshy and savoury Pinot.

At best: Now-2027 Available: 4 bottles

JEAN GUITON, PERNAND-VERGELESSES 1ER CRU, LES VERGELESSES, 2020

Was: £36.50 Now: £30.00 Code: GUI020

A stand-out in Guillaume Guiton's range this vintage, from a super site and very old vines. Aromatic, black fruit with a hint of spice, concentrated with a long finish.

At best: Now-2030 Available: 72 bottles

ALSACE, LOIRE, SW FRANCE AND BORDEAUX - WHITE

LES CHARDONS, SAUVIGNON BLANC, VDP DE LOIRE, 2022

Was: £12.50 Now: £10.50 Code: AUM322

Fruity Loire Sauvignon.

At best: This year Available: 6 bottles

CHAUVINIERE, MUSCADET SEVRE ET MAINE SUR LIE. 2022

Was: £12.50 Now: £10.50 Code: HUC122

Classic Muscadet - we move to 2023

At best: This year Available: 4 bottles

FORGES, CHENIN DE LOIRE, 2023

Was: £13.50 Now: £11.50 Code: FOR823

Unoaked Chenin Blanc, full of Seville orange and lime flavours, with just a hint of honey on

the finish.

At best: Now-early 2026 Available: 13 bottles

MEYER, PINOT GRIS, ALSACE, 2022

Was: £16.50 Now: £13.95 Code: MEY222

Well-textured, dry, high quality organically grown Pinot Gris from our long-term partner

At best: Now-2026 Available: 23 bottles

BLANCHET, POUILLY-FUMÉ, LES PERNETS, 2022

Was: £18.50 Now: £15.95 Code: BLA122

The Blanchet family make such an authentic wine, so true to the appellation, with bite and stony character, and always at a very fair price. Bright citrus over a mineral acid thread. We move to

the more expensive 2023 vintage.

At best: Now-early 2026 Available: 45 bottles

#### SW FRANCE, BORDEAUX AND LOIRE RED - RED

CLOTILDE LEGRAND, SAUMUR-CHAMPIGNY, LES TERRAGES, 2017

Bottle £17.95 Now: £15.25 Code: LEG317

Clotilde Legrand's Loire Cabernet Francs have been a big success this year. Melting, cooked red fruits are given interest by developing savoury notes. Mid-weight, poised.

At best: Now-2026 Available: 15 bottles

CHÂTEAU ROCHER GARDAT, MONTAGNE SAINT-EMILION, 2020

Was: £17.95 Now: £15.50 Code: ROG120

90% Merlot and 10% Cabernet Franc into 30% new barrels. Crushed black fruit, a hint of cassis

with a savoury note. Concentrated, meaty, with correct tannins. We move to 2022

At best: Now-2026 Available: 9 bottles

#### ITALY AND AUSTRIA - WHITE (Italian unless stated)

#### LE TENDE, CUSTOZA, 2022

Was: £13.95 Now: £11.15 Code: LET122

Custoza is a Veneto blend: Le Tende's organic example is about 45% Garganega (the grape of Soave) with Cortese, Trebbiano and Trebbianello (= Tocai Friulano). Lime and grapefruit with a note of pear. Mid-weight, refreshing, a classic northern Italian white.

At best: This year Available: 32 bottles

#### MAINENTE, SOAVE, CENGELLE, 2022

Was: £12.50 Now: £10.95 Code: MAI122

The last few bottles of this best-seller; deliciously fruity Garganega.

At best: This year Available: 5 bottles

#### PARISIO, GAVI, 2022

Was: £14.50 Now: £12.50 Code: PAR122

A juicy example of this popular northern Italian DOC.

At best: This year Available: 7 bottles.

#### MAINENTI, SOAVE CLASSICO, PIGNO, 2022

Was: f14.95 Now: f12.75 Code: MAI322

From red and black volcanic soils in a single vineyard in Pigno, known as one of the best terroirs in the hilly Classico zone; a ripe, almost lightly honeyed mouthful of lemon and ripe lime.

At best: Now-2026 Available: 7 bottles

#### PARISIO, GAVI, COSTA DONNIO, 2022

Was: £15.95 Now: £12.75 Code: PAR322

From the Parisio family's best parcels of hillside vines at 300 metres grown on marls with patches of marine fossils. The vines average 30 years; and the wine is given at least four months of ageing on the fine lees. Both of these factors deliver considerable depth to the wine, and the calcareous soils give it an incisive, mineral edge, even though the fruit is exotic - pears and stone fruit with tropical hints. Opulent and exciting.

At best: Now-early 2026 Available: 57 bottles

#### SAX, RIESLING, RIED LOISERBERG, KAMPTAL RESERVE, AUSTRIA, 2022

Was: £17.50 Now: £14.95 Code: SAX422

From 50+ year old vines, a fine, dry, single vineyard Kamptal Riesling. Pink grapefruit with a smoky note. Opens out impressively.

At best: Now-2027 Available: 21 bottles

#### **CORTE MAINENTE, SOAVE, NETRROIR, 2022**

Was: £16.95 Now: £13.95 Code: MAI422

Fascinating Soave from Garganega late-picked for full maturity; 20% left in the estate's drying room for a month to desiccate, concentrating sugar and flavour; plus a little skin contact and lees ageing. Half is in concrete and half is aged in old barrels. Very ripe, with impressive intensity of green plum, ripe melon and pineapple flavours just tinged with subtle oak. Vibrant, rounded, powerful and exotic.

At best: Now-2025 Available: 84 bottles

#### ARTISAN WINES, CHARDONNAY, RIED KAISERBERG, AUSTRIA, 2021

Now: £14.95 Code: ART921

Impressive barrel-fermented Chardonnay, easily the equal in quality to £30 Burgundies - but

just that bit riper and more powerful.

At best: Now-2027 Available: 7 bottles

#### ITALY - RED

#### TALOSA, CHIANTI COLLI SENESI, 2021

Was: £13.50 Now: £11.50 Code: TAK321

85% Sangiovese based, fresh, juicy, correct, with just a hint of Sangiovese's savouriness.

At best: Now-2026 Available: 8 bottles

#### MICHELE BIANCARDI, ANIMA DI NERO, NERO DI TROIA, IGT PUGLIA, 2018

Now: £13.95 Code: BIA418

100% Nero di Troia, given a year in very large oak vats. Black cherry and blackcurrant. Lots of

heart and spice.

At best: Now-2026 Available: 10 bottles

#### BEGALI, VALPOLICELLA CLASSICO SUPERIORE, SIORA, 2021

Now: £15.95 Code: BEF721

From Corvina, Rondinella etc., about 30% of the bunches dried for twenty days, so halfway to an Amarone, all into barrel. The oak influence shows, over brambly and ripe cherry fruit flavours. There's a pleasing savoury element; and attractive freshness. Long, aromatic finish; the whole rich and concentrated without being in the least heavy.

At best: Now-2028 Available: 96 bottles

#### TALOSA, VINO NOBILE DI MONTEPULCIANO, ALBORETO, 2019

Now: £19.95 Code: TAK219

100% Sangiovese grown on sandstone and clay, given two years in oak; 70% in large neutral vats and 30% in small French barrels. Just on the turn between bold red fruit and the attractive savouriness which develops with time in bottle. Tannins and acidity melding with the fruit. Super. At best: Now-2028 Available: 31 bottles

#### FIORANO, SER BALDUZIO, IGT MARCHE ROSSO, 2017

Was: £24.95 Now: £19.95 Code: FIO417

From a special selection of late-picked Montepulciano grapes, aged in Slavonian oak barrels, 1/3 new. A deeply coloured, huge wine, with terrific concentration and smart oak. Gloriously lush and concentrated coulis of blackberries, raspberries and blackcurrants wrapped in woodsmoke. Showstopper.

At best: Now-2027 Available: 22 bottles

#### I FABBRI, CHIANTI CLASSICO, TERRA DI LAMOLE, 2020

Was: £27.50 Now: £22.95 Code: IFA

"Delicious, all-the-boxes-ticked Chianti Classico. New leather, sour cherries, liquorice and thyme. The gently powdery, supple, sensuous tannins suck on the fruit, pulling it from sweetness and audaciously charming red-berry friendliness into Chianti classic sour reds and savouriness. Mouth-watering and vigorous. Tingling with joyous life. 17/20, 2024-2027", Tamlyn Currin, jancisrobinson.com, 1st December 2023. 90% Sangiovese, 10% Canaiolo, about half in cement and half in French oak. Such an appealing scent – cherries and red berries. Classic sour cherry character, with just a little of that Sangiovese savouriness peeping out already. Supporting tannins there. Very aromatic, all the way to a very long finish.

At best: Now-2028 Available: 120 bottles

SPAIN- WHITE

#### LA PURISIMA, FILARMONIA BLANCO, YECLA, 2023

Was: £12.50 Now: £10.50 Code: PUR623 From a blend of Airen, Sauvignon Blanc and Verdejo. Clean and crunchy, lots of lime and

apple notes with just a touch of blossom and elderflower. Light and airy.

At best: Now-early 2026 Available: 144 bottles

### South Africa - Red

Some overstocks here, so several at big discounts

#### PIEKENIERSKLOOF, GRENACHE NOIR, PIEKENIERSKLOOF, 2021

Was: £16.50 Now: £13.20 Code: PIK821 From vines averaging over 25 years old, but incorporating parcels going back to 1973; all

into old, effectively neutral, oak. Luscious raspberry and red cherry fruit. So expansive – just flowers on the palate. Perfect fresh acidity and very soft tannins. Delightfully transparent; and with a lowish alcohol level.

"A crowd-pulling Cape red from a large estate high above Citrusdal that has more Grenache planted than any other in South Africa. The vines are a good age, too, averaging 25 years. Jewel-like ruby colour matched by an ethereal, raspberry perfume and luminous, silky palate with raspberry and cherry fruit, earthy sweet spice and white pepper. Irresistible", Joanna Simon, The Festive Red Wine Guide, joannasimon.com, December 2023.

At best: Now-2026 Available: 96 bottles

#### DOMAINE DES DIEUX, JOSEPHINE PINOT NOIR, HEMEL-EN-AARDE RIDGE, 2020

Was: £18.95 Now: £15.15 Code: DDD620

A concentrated and savoury Pinot, rich and velvety. As the vines here age, this wine is getting more refined: French oak, about a quarter new. Overt raspberry and cherry fruit, wrapped in coffee-scented oak. Lots of appealing fat. Terrific aromatics on a long finish. Classy and complete.

At best: Now-2027 Available: 120 bottles

#### PIEKENIERSKLOOF, HEIRLOOM RED, PIEKENIERSKLOOF, 2020

Was: £19.95 Now: £15.95 Code: PIK920

60% Shiraz, 30% Grenache, 10% Mourvedre; 40% new barrels, 60% older. Quite a roasted nose; gorgeous gush of vanilla-tinged red berries and cherries accented by black olive and saddle leather. Ready, satisfying.

At best: Now-2026 Available: 47 bottles

## THE AMERICAS - Red

#### CARINAE, MALBEC HOMMAGE, MENDOZA, ARGENTINA, 2014

Was: £22.50 Now: £18.95 Code: CAF414

Amazing old-vine Malbec from 93 year old vines in a high altitude vineyard just south of Mendoza; tiny yields, a strict grape selection, aged in new and second fill French barrels. Concentrated, with fine-grained tannins, offering black fruit - with a liqueur element - spiced with mocha and tobacco. Available: 11 bottles

At best: This year

#### CARNEROS, AVANT GARDE PINOT NOIR, CALIFORNIA, USA, 2020

Was: £24.95 Now: £21.95 Code: CAR120

Excellent cool climate Pinot.

At best: Now-2026 Available: 6 bottles

#### CARINAE, KANOBOS, MENDOZA, ARGENTINA, 2014

Was: £25.50 Now: £20.00 Code: CAE514

About 60% Malbec, 30% Cabernet Sauvignon and 10% Syrah, a selection of the best grapes of the vintage, aged in new barrels for 18 months. Inky. Sumptuous aromas of black fruit compote and mocha. Hugely powerful and intense, yet fresh and balanced - and both the Cabernet and Syrah contribute cassis flavours. Very lush black cherry and blackcurrant core, spiced with nutmed. Very concentrated; and delivering a long finish with liquorice, very dark chocolate and mint. Super, mature wine but - WARNING - ugly metal medal on the bottle, sorry.

At best: Now-2026 Available: 23 bottles

## AUSTRALIA. NEW ZEALAND AND CHILE - White

#### PANDOLFI PRICE, A TI, ITATA, CHILE, 2021

Was: £14.95 Now: £11.50 Code: PAP421

It's always tricky introducing new wines if they are a bit wacky: this is a highly unusual blend - but one that testifies to the mix of ancient vine varieties and modern additions in the cool south of Chile. It's based on Chardonnay and Sauvignon Blanc, but also includes some Pinot Noir, Syrah, Pais and Cinsault, all vinified as white wine. It's weighty, but also delivers drive and zip. Grapefruit vies with melon and tangerine. Bright and aromatic.

At best: Now-early 2026 Available: 72 bottles

#### JULES TAYLOR, PINOT GRIS, MARLBOROUGH, NEW ZEALAND, 2022

Was: £16.50 Now: £13.95 Code: JUL122

Dry, savoury Pinot Gris with concentration from Marlborough.

At best: Now-2026 Available: 36 bottles

#### HODDLES CREEK, PINOT GRIS, YARRA VALLEY, AUSTRALIA, 2022

Was: £20.95 Now: £16.95 Code: HOD422

This proclaims "whole bunch fermented" on a band on the front label - and one can see that in the coppery tinge. A full-bodied, fruit-laden palate encompassing green melon and red berries; lots of volume; and a dry, long finish. 95/100, James Halliday in The Australian, May 2023

At best: Now-2026 Available: 7 bottles

#### **HODDLES CREEK, CHARDONNAY, YARRA VALLEY, AUSTRALIA 2021**

Was: £21.95 Now: £17.95 Code: HOD121

Really classy, barrel-fermented Chardonnay from high, damp and cool vineyards in the Upper Yarra Valley. Strong dairy element on the nose. Mid weight, showing a perfect equilibrium between creamy richness and the bite of ripe lime and tangerine. Poised, very complete and long; altogether a winner. Comparable to a £30 Burgundy, no question.

At best: Now-2027 Available: 96 bottles

#### AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND - RED

#### MOUNT RILEY, PINOT NOIR, MARLBOROUGH, NEW ZEALAND, 2020

Was: £15.50 Now: £12.40 Code: MOU620

Classic Marlborough Pinot, fresh but with overt raspberry fruit.

At best: This year Available: 26 bottles

#### WICKHAMS ROAD, PINOT NOIR, GIPPSLAND, AUSTRALIA, 2022

Now: £15.50 Code: WIC622 Was: £18.95

Cool climate Pinot from vineyards near the coast east of Melbourne given six months in barrel, 10% new. Rose petal, spice and earthy aromas. Open, embracing mouthful, Heated red fruit with savoury aromatics and length. Great value for the typicity and generosity.

At best: Now-2026 Available: 65 bottles

#### **SPARKLING**

DRUSIAN, VALDOBBIADENE PROSECCO SUPERIORE, BRUT, RIVE DI COLLALTO, ITALY, 2021

Was: £17.50 Now: £14.00 Code: DRU3NV A truly dry Prosecco from the Collalto hill near Conegliano, ripe and structured. Citrus and apple

flavours, savoury edge. Available: 7 bottles At best: This year

#### SWFFT & FORTIFIED

#### FONTANEL, MAURY GRENAT, FRANCE, 2019

Was: £21.50 Code: FON719 Now: £17.95

An overlooked box of this deliciously raspberryish fortified Grenache from Roussillon. Drink

instead of port - and great with dark chocolate.

At best: Now-2026 Available: 5 bottles

## COURIER CASUALTIES

Courier casualties are from cases damaged by our couriers (or occasionally in our warehouse) with stained and damaged labels.

#### WHITE

#### LA COMBE SAINT-PAUL, ROLLE IGP PAYS D'OC, FRANCE, 2023

Was: £10.95 Now: £9.25 Code: CSP223X

Open, stone fruited attack gives way to a more gentle, pine-scented, well-textured mid-palate.

Fruity but finishes dry. This is a fine all-rounder.

Available: 4 bottles. Scratched and stained label At best: This yea

#### LES CHARDONS, SAUVIGNON BLANC, IGP VAL DE LOIRE, FRANCE, 2022

Was: £12.50 Now: £9.50 Code: AUM322X

Fruity Loire SB.

At best: Drink This year Available: 1 bottle Scratched and stained label

#### LES ROCHES SAINTES, PICPOUL DE PINET, FRANCE, 2023

Now: £10.25 Code: LRS123X

Bright citrus (lemon and lime) and a small hint of something herbal, vibrant and refreshing.

Available: 1 bottle Scratched and stained label At best: Drink This year

LE TENDE, CUSTOZA, ITALY, 2022

Was: £13.95 Now: £10.50 Code: LET122X

Pretty scent of citrus and green herbiage; and then builds well on the palate, showing lime and grapefruit with a note of pear. Mid-weight, refreshing, a classic northern Italian white.

At best: Now-2026 Available: 1 bottle. Lightly scuffed label

ESK VALLEY, PINOT GRIS, HAWKES BAY, NZ, 2022

Now: £11.25 Code: FSK422X

Notes of acacia and conference pear greet you with delicious red apple following. The acidity

balances these rich flavours beautifully.

At best: Now-2026 Available: 1 bottle. Scratched and stained label

PIEKENIERSKLOOF, GRENACHE BLANC, SOUTH AFRICA, 2023

Was: £13.95 Now: £11.10 Code: PIK123X

Open, stimulating scents of grapefruit peel and nectarines. Ripe (pink?) grapefruit heart, plus

notes of quince and melon.

At best: Now-2026 Available: 1 bottle. Lightly scuffed label

DOMAINE DE L'AUMONIER, TOURAINE SAUVIGNON, FRANCE, 2023

Was: £14.95 Now: £12.70 Code: AUM123X

From organically farmed (and certified) vines, this is a long-established best-seller here, admired

for its overt fruitiness.

At best: Drink This year Available: 1 bottle. Lightly scuffed label

GARRIGUETTES, CÔTES DU RHÔNE BLANC, FLEUR DE LUNE, FRANCE, 2023

Was: £15.50 Now: £13.10 Code: GAR623X

From approximately 50% Clairette, 30% Grenache Blanc and 20% Viognier, a fresh and vibrant

Côtes de Rhône.

At best: Drink This year Available: 4 bottles. Lightly scuffed and scratched labels

FIORANO, DONNA ORGILLA, OFFIDA PECORINO, ITALY, 2021

Now: £14.02 Code: FIO621X

From organically farmed grapes, scent of jasmine and citrus peel; a silky mouthful of green

melon and cucumber.

At best: Drink This year Available: 2 bottles. Lightly scuffed labels

DOMAINE VENDOME, VIOGNIER, LE PUITS DES MEJEANS, IGP COLLINES

RHODANIENNES, FRANCE, 2023

Was: £18.50 Now: £15.70 Code: VFN623

Bright peach and apricot fruit. The stone fruit notes sustain for a long time on the palate with

just a note of blossom to round them out.

At best: Drink This year Available: 2 bottles. Lightly scuffed labels

MAS DES BROUSSES, BLANC, IGP SAINT-GUILHEM-LE-DESERT, FRANCE, 2022

Was: £20.50 Now: £15.95 Code: MAB622X

Lightly oaked and shows open, ripe orchard fruits and honeyed richness.

At best: Drink Now-2026 Available: 3 bottles. Stained and scratched labels

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JARDIN PRIVADO, CABERNET SAUVIGNON, CENTRAL VALLEY, CHILE, 2021

Was: £12.50 Now: £10.50 Code: FON421X

Not a fruit bomb, but appealingly balanced, with a bright cut to the black fruit. With wellintegrated oak and some decent tannins.

At best: Drink Now-2026 Available: 1 bottle. Lightly scuffed label

#### LA PURISIMA, FILARMONIA, YECLA, SPAIN, 2022

Was: £12.50 Now: £10.50 Code: PUR322X

Very ripe fruit - plum, blackberry and dark cherry - all underpinned by hints of vanilla

and cinnamon.

At best: Drink Now-2026 Available: 1 bottle. Lightly scuffed label and stained

#### ARTISAN WINES, SANKT LAURENT PURE, BURGENLAND, AUSTRIA, 2020

Was: £13.50 Now: £11.40 Code: ART120X

Frank scent of crushed black fruit; and then sappy, blackberry and sour cherry flavours. Open and juicy, with splendid aromatics for a wine at this price and a lightly peppery finish.

At best: Drink Now-2026 Available: 1 bottle. Lightly scuffed label and stained

# DOMAINE FONTANEL, HOMINUS SAPANIUS, IGP CÔTES CATALANES, ROUGE, FRANCE. 2021

Was: £14.95 Now: £12.70 Code: FON421X

Cherry and herbal aromas with a roasted note; and delivers a lively gush of black cherry and

brambly fruit.

At best: Drink Now-2026 Available: 1 bottle. Lightly scuffed and stained label

#### LE LUPINAIE, CILIEGIOLO, ROSSO MAREMMA, ITALY, 2023

Was: £15.50 Now: £13.10 Code: LUP323X

The name translates as "cherry" and never has a grape been more accurately named: it's cherry scented and crushed cherry flavoured - and a particular type of black cherry, not sweet but dark and fleshy.

At best: Drink Now-2026 Available: 1 bottle. Lightly stained label

#### CHATEAU BEAUREGARD DUCASSE, GRAVES, FRANCE, 2020

Was: £15.50 Now: £13.10 Code: BDU820X

Deeply hued. Youthful but already delicious and interesting: red cherry and berry heart enlivened

by a hint of liquorice.

At best: Drink Now-2026 Available: 1 bottle. Lightly scuffed label.

#### LA CHAPELLE DES BOIS, FLEURIE, GRAND PRE, FRANCE, 2022

Was: £15.95 Now: £13.50 Code: CHB122X

Vibrant red-berried and black-cherried fruit. Very traditional example.

At best: Drink Now-2026 Available: 1 bottle. Lightly stained label

#### **SPARKLING**

#### THOMAS-HATTÉ, CHAMPAGNE, TRADITION, BRUT, FRANCE, NV

Was: £28.95 Now: £24.60 Code: HAT1NVX

Splendidly rounded, creamy and mature.

At best: Drink Now-2026 Available: 1 bottle. Lightly scuffed and scratched label

#### SWEET AND FORTIFIED

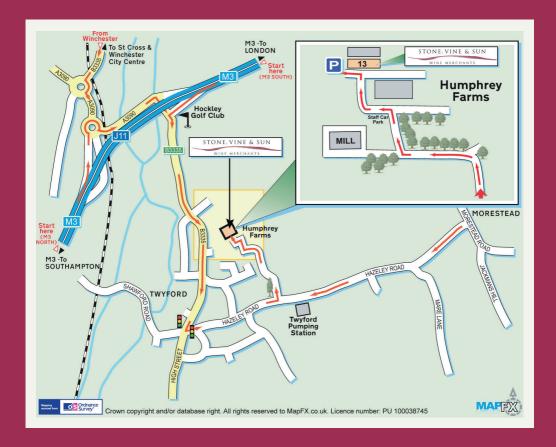
#### HALF BOTTLE KALIAN BERNASSE, MONBAZILLAC, FRANCE, 2022

Was: £9.75 Now: £8.20 Code: KAL122X

Based on Sémillon with a little Muscadelle, this is a very sweet and rich, showing barley sugar and marmalade. Very pure and transparent.

At best: Drink Now-2028 Available: 1 bottle. Lightly scuffed label

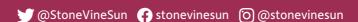
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