



## WINE LIST

	By glass	Bottle
<b>House dry</b> Cuvee Richard. France Well balanced, vibrant, easy drinking wine with fresh tingling acidity. Uncomplicated.	2.60	13.00
<b>Sauvignon Blanc</b> <b>Esperanza. Argentina*</b> A fresh and zesty Sauvignon with concentrated aromas of mango, pineapple and fresh limes.	2.75	14.50
<b>Le Charme. France</b> Having tasted this, we all wanted more! Intense gooseberries on the nose, clean and crisp with a great long finish. You will want another.	2.95	16.00
<b>Dream Bay. New Zealand</b> What the Kiwis do best. Vibrant, fresh, clean acidity with a superb rounded finish. This gives Cloudy Bay a run for the money.	4.50	24.95
<b>Chardonnay</b> <b>Coldridge. Australia*</b> A soft, buttery Chardonnay, hints of apples with a smooth mouthfeel and a rich fruity finish. Superb to drink on its own.	2.75	14.50
<b>Bottle Tree. Australia</b> This is unoaked Chardonnay, big woggles of fruit yet it still manages to be elegant and zesty with a hint of gooseberry and ripe tropical fruits.	3.10	17.00
<b>Yering Frog. Australia</b> Yet another Aussie! Forgive us, but this is a big hitter - intense depth, big fruits, chunks of pineapple and oak. Like a lot of Australians, no shrinking violets here.		19.75
<b>Tanners White Burgundy. France</b> Tanners are not ones to put their name to many labels. However this exceptional Burgundy is one of them. A touch of oak added to the succulent grapes makes this a fantastic find.		22.50
<b>Classic Wines</b> <b>Pinot Grigio "La Francesca". Italy*</b> Textbook wine. Clean, fresh & dry with a hit of green apples and pears, touch of minerality. Definitely the wine of choice with the girls at the moment!	3.10	17.00
<b>Chenin Blanc La Grille. France*</b> Plenty of white flower and peach characters from the grapes make this a pleasant, summery white with lots of character. Perfect for the ABC's (Anything But Chardonnay)!	3.10	17.00
<b>Gewurztraminer Materne Haegelin. France</b> Put aside any prejudices and give this wine a go. Intense and floral on the nose, yet the finish is sharp aromatic. Perfect with spicy foods		21.50
<b>Gavi La Lancellota. Italy</b> Superb Italian, deliciously crispy with citrus flavours and touches of apricot and peach.		21.00
<b>Chablis. Domaine Des Marronniers, Prehy. France</b> Classically elegant - steely, minerally and flinty. This is what Chablis is all about. Enjoy it.		24.00
<b>Sancerre. Domaine Jean Thomas, Verdigny. France</b> Old name but made in the new style. Clean, fresh, full of gooseberries and fresh - cut grass characteristics. This wine is a fine example of Sancerre.		27.50

Wines marked \*are what we call 'pouring wines'. This is what we will serve you if you ask for a particular grape.

We use multiples of 125ml for our wines, if you ask for a large one, you are getting a double!



### Interesting Wines

#### **Viognier des Frères Couillaud. France**

Made in the Nantes area of France by three brothers, this classy number really shows how underrated a grape this is. Elegance, freshness and soft floral overtones. A gem of a wine.

22.00

#### **Gruner Veltliner - Domane Wachau. Austria**

A wonderfully refreshing white from Austria's principal grape variety. Crisp, fresh and spicy with a delicious white flower and cracked pepper edge.

19.00

#### **Zeta Albarino. Spain**

Tasted this on its home ground – a stunningly complex white, with floral fruits, yet dry and an amazing mouth feel. This has character and should be given serious consideration.

22.50

### Rosé

#### **Pinot Grigio Rosé - Breganza. Italy\***

Easy drinking rosé. Apricot, peach and pineapple on the nose, soft velvet flavours on the palate. When the sun shines, this delivers what you want. Lazy days on the terrace - come on!

3.10

17.00

#### **Domaine Liboreau - Merlot Cabernet Sauvignon. France\***

This IWC medal winners home is near La Rochelle. It is packed full of strawberry and forest fruit flavours with a crisp finish. This is a much fuller and richer rosé than the one above.

3.10

17.00

#### **Marquise 2006. France**

Made from 100% Cabernet Franc in the Loire. This has a vibrant redcurrant hue with a hint of summer lilac. Beautifully rounded and très elegant.

19.00

#### **Visionario Rosato. Italy**

Gold medal winner in Italy, this rosé is from the Milan area and is luscious and refreshing. A perfect accompaniment with our sharing platter.

19.00

### Champagne

#### **House Champagne - Baron de Beaupre**

As with most fizz, this is a blend of Chardonnay & Pinot Noir. The finish is creamy and biscuity with lingering bubbles. Terrific value for money.

29.95

#### **Taittinger Rosé**

Classy Champagne house. Their wines are highly regarded around the world.

The pink is sublime, a hint of blackcurrant with an elegant softness in the finish. A charming fizz.

45.00

#### **Bollinger - Special Cuvée**

Grande Marque Champagne, which owes a lot to AbFab for keeping its name in the spotlight.

'Bolly' is a truly consistent fizz, using 80% of previous Grand Crus in the making of the wine.

45.00

#### **Dom Perignon**

Possibly the world's best known Champagne. From the Moët stable comes this prestigious label.

An effervescent wine of a golden hue with glints of silver and green and very delicate, numerous and vivacious bubbles that form an unbroken ring in the glass.

115.00

That's the blurb, all we know is that it is OUTSTANDING and expensive!

### Dessert wines

#### **Chateau Dereszla - Tokaji 2000. Hungary**

One of the worlds greatest sweet white wines. Picked berry by berry, it has intense fresh fruit aromas with a full hit of honey at the end. This is Heaven in miniature! (18.5cl)

15.00

#### **Avondale Muscat Blanc. South Africa**

Golden hue with intense flavours of lychee, lime and marzipan.

It leaves your tastebuds screaming for more. (35cl)

18.00



## Fox & Barrel Red wines

### House red

#### **Pampas Shiraz/ Malbec. Argentina**

Great blend which gives a full, meaty yet rounded wine with a touch of plums and leather. 2.60 13.00

### Shiraz and the blends

#### **La Charme. France\***

The sister wine of our Sauvignon. Vin de Pays D'Oc in the South of France is its home. Ripe and spicy, hints of red peppers, very easy drinking. 2.85 15.00

#### **Slowine Shiraz. South Africa**

Shiraz is always a top selling red. We have chosen this one as it is not too jammy, yet has a really big spice finish. 3.25 17.75

#### **Porcupine Ridge. Boekenhoutskloof - Shiraz Viognier. South Africa**

These grapes if blended in France would give us Cote Roti at twice the price! Here the blend gives us spice from one and perfume from the other. Trust us, this is good. 3.65 19.95

### Merlot

#### **Les Fontanelles. France\***

Southern France again provides us with this classic single varietal wine. Elegant and jammy with a hint of blackberry and smoke. 2.95 16.00

#### **Zilzie Selection 23, Victoria. Australia**

Merlot does well in this part of Oz. The sun ripens the grapes and the wine has aromas of plums and cherries with a squeaky clean finish. 19.00

### Pinot Noir and similar style

#### **Alto Pampas. Pinot Noir, Argentina\***

Perfect lighter wine. Soft garnet hue, with a hint of chocolate and a delicate spicy edge to the finish. A very pleasing number. 2.95 16.00

#### **Pirie South, Tasmania. Australia**

Not many wines have we tried from Tasmania. However this 'bonzer' wine has bright raspberry and cherry-laden fruits with a hint of almond pastry. Perfect for the summer. 25.00

#### **Avondale Pinotage, Paarl. South Africa**

Pinotage has indifferent press. However the fresh raspberry and strawberry notes, married with a hint of wood delivers a beautifully structured and lengthy wine. Star performer. 3.65 19.95

### Tempranillo

#### **Orquesta Tempranillo/ Cabernet. Spain\***

Spanish wines like a bit of oak, this is no exception. As an entry level wine, you cannot fault it. Smooth, warm, vanilla and very simple. A no brainer. 2.85 15.00

#### **Rioja Reserva 2003 Berberana. Spain**

Big boy Rioja. As expected lots of oak, delicious vanilla overtones backed up with some juicy strawberry fruits. 25.00

We also feature two wines of the month which are written up on the blackboard at the bar.



## Cabernet Sauvignon

### Vistasur. Chile\*

A highly concentrated wine with lots of blue and blackberry fruits, leaving you with a lovely silky smooth mouthful of wine.

2.95 16.00

### Montes " Limited Selection". Chile

Blend Cabernet with Carmenere and you get this stunning red from Chile.

Bags of fruit with a delicious sprinkling of chocolate. One to go with the lamb.

3.60 19.00

## Italy

### Chianti Riserva, Villa Tropani

A classic Chianti showing bitter cherries, sweet spice and enough tannins to go with any steaks or roasts. The ageing on this rounds the edges and heightens the flavours.

18.00

### Feudi di San Marzano, Negroamaro, Puglia

The Negroamaro grape is native to Puglia in the heel of Italy. It brings an intense earthy jamminess which is incredibly rounded and very heady.

18.00

### Valpolicella Ripasso Villalta 2005

Ripasso' means to 'pass over' which in this case is Valpolicella over semi-dried Amarone grapes. It gives a rich & concentrated smooth and chocolaty finish. Bellissimo!

19.00

### Amarone Righetti 'Capitel de Roari' 2003

As different from basic Valpolicella as gravy is to water! Amarone gets its concentration from sun drying the grapes in baskets which gives an intense black cherry and raisin experience.

37.50

## France

### Cotes du Rhone 2004. E Guigal

Several generations of family help in the production of this Mohammed Ali of Rhone wines. Knockout berries, full on spice perfect with rich sauces. A proper heavy weight all time great.

20.00

### Château du Monthyl 2003 Médoc

A robust blend of stewed fruits with scents of cedar, fruit cake and almonds. It has, as you would expect from a Cabernet led wine, good length and grip, yet the finish is really quite subtle. Great value for the money.

22.00

### Chateauneuf-du-Pape, Domaine Lucien Barrot

This is a powerful, yet softly structured Châteauneuf. Juicy blackcurrant and blueberry flavours fill the mouth with aromas of leather, smoke and Asian spices fill the nostrils. Good heady stuff!

35.00

### Chateau Sansonnet 2001 Saint Emilion Grand Cru

Visited this vineyard less than a mile from St Emilion itself in May 2007, what a cracking set up. The wine is rich, decadent with aromas of meat and fruit. Full bodied with a plummy finish.

Robert Parker scored it 88, I just think it's stonking!

45.00