

Champagne & Sparkling Wines



CHAMPAGNE
BOLLINGER

BOLLINGER began with Athanase de Villermont, the youngest son of a noble family with a brilliant destiny. A great soldier who shone during the American War of Independence, he inherited an extensive estate from his family in the Aÿ area. He immediately foresaw the extraordinary potential of the wines of Champagne, but as an aristocrat he was forbidden to become involved in trade. He then met Joseph Bollinger, a widely travelled German who had left his country of birth to learn about the Champagne wine trade, and Paul Renaudin, a local man who was fascinated by the world of wine. The firm of Renaudin-Bollinger & Cie was founded on 6th February 1829. Joseph took care of sales and Paul of the cellar. Athanase had founded a champagne House that was to endure through the centuries.

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Since 1862

ÉPERNAY - France

VINCENT TESTULAT also has a long history: the marque was established in 1862, while the cellars themselves are seventeenth-century. The fifth generation of the Testulat family is now in charge. Their seventeen hectares of vineyards lie in the Marne Valley, near Épernay, and are dominated by Pinot Noir and Pinot Meunier; the Rosé is a fifty-fifty blend of these two varieties, with all the biscuity richness one would expect. The Blanc de Blancs, from 100% Chardonnay, provides a contrasting style that majors on finesse.

Vintages correct at time of print

Champagne

	125ml	125ml	Bottle
1 Champagne V. Testulat Blanc de Blancs Epernay, Champagne, France NV Established in 1862, the Testulat family are now in their 5th generation. This 100% Chardonnay Blanc de Blancs is full of all the finesse and purity expected of the style.	13	17	64
2 Pol Roger Brut Reserve France NV With its fresh summer fruit flavours and tiny, persistent mousse, Pol Roger is one of the most well-made NV champagnes around.	-	-	82
3 Bollinger Special Cuvée Champagne, France NV Deliciously toasty, this iconic Champagne really lives up to the hype.	-	-	92
4 Bollinger PN17 TX Champagne, France 2017 Beautiful golden yellow in colour with an abundance of foamy apricot, peach and pineapple whilst remaining light and fresh.	-	-	150
7 Champagne V. Testulat Rosé Champagne, France NV Attractive pink champagne with refreshing, soft red fruit flavours, a fine mousse and a dry finish.	14	18.5	72
8 Laurent-Perrier Rosé Champagne, France NV Consistently appealing light, elegant fruit and delicate mousse.	-	-	105

Sparkling Wine

	125ml	175ml	Bottle
9 Prosecco Brut Itinera Veneto, Italy NV With a bright, clear colour and fine persistent mousse this Prosecco is harmonious and fruity, with a delicate flavour and a clean, crisp finish.	7.8	9.5	38
10 René Barbier Brut Reserva Cava Cava, Spain NV A very elegant Cava, with clean citrus on the nose, backed by soft fruit aromas of peach and melon; the palate is marked by purity and a fine mousse.	-	-	38
11 Steinbock Alcohol-Free Sparkling, Sel. Dr Fischer Germany NV This non-alcoholic beverage is low in calories yet still complex, refreshing and lively. Its fine mousse and harmonious acidity make it an ideal aperitif and a fitting companion to good cuisine.	6	8	32
12 Rotari Brut Rosé, Mezzacorona Trentino, Italy NV Elegant traditional-method rosé, showing the delicious red berry fruit of cool-climate Pinot Noir.	9.5	12	43
13 Cottonworth Classic Cuvée Hampshire, England NV Refined, creamy sparkling wine that offers a brilliant balance between chalky, fruity/floral and yeasty, bready notes. The mousse is extremely fine and the palate dry without being austere.	-	-	74

Fine and Rare Selection

We are delighted to offer you this range of fine wines from our cellar available in very limited quantities. The wines we offer by the glass are served through a Coravin Preservation System so you can be assured that your wine will reach you in as perfect a condition as the winemakers intended.



Fine Whites

	125ml	Bottle
14 Meursault Les Chevalières, Xavier Monnot Burgundy, France 2020 Expressive aromas of stone fruits, pears, white flowers and citrus, give way to a concentrated palate with layers of flavour, a great minerality and a firm core of acidity.	22.5	125
15 Sancerre La Croix du Roy, Crochet Loire Valley, France 2020 Notes of citrus fruits, blossom, peach and pear on the nose. Nice pure entry, fruity and crisp on the palate. Good length and mineral flavours.	12.5	65
16 Lethbridge Allegra Chardonnay Victoria, Australia 2016 With a strong cult following in Australia, coupled with tiny production quantities, we are honoured to be able to offer this rare and sort after single vineyard Chardonnay from renowned winemaker Ray Nadeson. Incredibly well structured and concentrated with no sign of slowing down in development.	-	105
17 Lucia Chardonnay, Pisoni California, USA 2020 Produced from select barrels of the Pisoni and Soberanes vineyards. These two vineyards combine to produce a complex and seamless wine, the higher-elevation Pisoni Vineyard contributing delicious notes of baked apple, pear and lemon curd, and the rocky Soberanes Vineyard providing signature notes of citrus blossom and wet stone	-	98
18 Chassagne Montrachet 1er Cru Les Chaumées, Philippe Colin Burgundy, France 2020 This high vineyard is at the northern end of Chassagne, at the top of the combe, towards St Aubin. Gone is the walled clos, but the 1.5-hectare parcel retains the name. Philippe controls all the production: about 35 barrels, 30% of them new. The wine is energetic with rich fruit – almost barley sugar – and a fine, well-defined finish	-	165
19 Puligny Montrachet 1er Cru La Truffière, Vincent Morey Burgundy, France 2021 Firm reduction again dominates the underlying fruit. The mouthfeel of the medium-bodied flavours offers another step up in refinement while exhibiting just as much minerality on the rich but well-detailed flavours that could also use a bit more depth on the balanced and lingering finish.	-	195

Fine Reds

	125ml	Bottle
20 Château Tronquoy-Lalande, Saint-Estèphe Bordeaux, France 2014 An absolutely delightful Saint-Estèphe with a supremely satisfying silkiness. There is real concentration to the dark fruit, intermingled with herbs, liquorice and spice which carry through on the lengthy finish.	17.5	90
21 Brunello di Montalcino, Poggio Antico Tuscany, Italy 2009 Rich, complex, concentrated nose full of ripe red fruit flavours, hints of liquorice, spices and coffee beans. Elegant and harmonious palate.	-	105
22 Riserva Costasera Amarone Classico, Masi Veneto, Italy 2016 Plums and baked cherries on the nose with hints of bay leaf. Magnificently rich and soft on the palate with rich cherry and blueberry flavours and some sweet spice. Long, dry finish with a touch of fresh blueberries.	-	120
23 Châteauneuf-du-Pape Boisrenard, Dom de Beurenard Rhône, France 2019 (Biodynamic) From the oldest vines on the estate comes this dense, inky, hugely concentrated mouthful of blackberry fruit. Fresher than so many luxury cuvées, this is benchmark stuff, with notes of blueberries and oriental spices adding complexity.	-	115
24 Ridge Lytton Springs California, USA 2019 A complex nose of bright red fruit, pepper and toasty oak is followed by a full-bodied palate combining rich raspberry and plum fruit with bold but well integrated tannins and a lingering finish.	18.5	99
25 Château Kirwan, Margaux Bordeaux, France 2017 A classic medium-bodied Margaux, showing good aromatic depth of cassis, blackberry and smoke, and a palate of charming freshness and succulence.	-	145
26 Corton-Bressandes Grand Cru, Lucien Le Moine Burgundy, France 2019 Bright red. Musky aromas of raspberry, mocha, minerals and earth accented by a whiff of cinnamon. Concentrated, structured and delicious. With its firm tannic spine, this wine shows classic Corton intensity and depth	-	265
27 Nuits-St-Georges 1er Cru Les Cailles Alain Michelot Burgundy, France 2019 True experts in the village of Nuits, the wines have recently gained in finesse and purity after Alain's daughter Elodie took over the winemaking, especially in this delightful Richemone which is on the Vosne side of the village.	-	142
28 Lucia Pinot Noir, Pisoni California, USA 2019 With a gorgeous blend of refined structure and succulent fruit, this complex Pinot Noir offers cherry and boysenberry aromas alongside sage and spice.	-	96



The style of white MEURSAULT typically has a clear oak influence, which have led to descriptions such as “buttery” to be applied. The smell of vanilla, butter, coconut and dill are all attributes of oak-aging; in malolactic fermentation the oenococcus oeni bacillus converts tart malic acid (the acid in apples) to smooth lactic acid (the acid in milk), resulting in a small amount of diacetyl, and creating a rounder, more creamy-feeling wine.

The style of white PULIGNY-MONTRACHET is often very mineral, with a more restrained oak character compared to the white wines of some of the other Côte de Beaune villages, and tends to be described as “elegant” rather than fruit-driven, although some aspects of the style (such as the level of fruitiness) varies somewhat between producers and specific vineyards.

BRUNELLO is often compared with the Pinot noir wines of Burgundy with its smooth tannins and ripe, fruit driven character. The high acidity of the wine allows it to pair well with food, especially grilled meat and game. Brunello di Montalcino are known for their ability to age with well made examples from exceptional vintages often showcasing development for several decades. Master of Wine Mary Ewing-Mulligan notes that most Brunellos often need at least 10 years before they shed their youthfulness and start to harmonize their flavors.

The wine classified as CHATEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE Appellation d'origine contrôlée (AOC) is produced from grapes grown in the commune of Châteauneuf-du-Pape and portions of the four adjoining communes in the Vaucluse. The vineyards cover an area of approximately 3,200 hectares. Of this total 1,659 hectares (52%) lie within the commune of Châteauneuf, 674 hectares (21.1%) within Courthézon, 391 hectares (12.3%) within Orange, 335 hectares (10.5%) within Bédarrides and remaining 129 hectares (4%) in Sorgues.

The Whites



VIIGNIER has the potential to produce full-bodied wines with a lush, soft character. The varietal has more natural aromatics that include notes of peach, pears, violets and minerality. However, these aromatic notes can be easily destroyed by too much exposure to oxygen, which makes barrel fermentation a winemaking technique that requires a high level of skill on the part of any winemaker working with this variety. The potential quality of Viognier is also highly dependent on viticultural practices and climate, with the grape requiring a long, warm growing season in order to fully ripen but not a climate that is so hot that the grape develops high levels of sugars and potential alcohol before its aromatic notes can develop. The grape is naturally a low-yielding variety, which can make it a less economically viable planting for some vineyards.

CHARDONNAY grapes are very neutral, with many of the flavours commonly associated with the grape being derived from such influences as terroir and oak. It is vinified in many different styles, from the lean, crisply mineral wines of Chablis, France, to New World wines with oak, and tropical fruit flavours. In cool climates (such as Chablis and the Carneros AVA of California), Chardonnay tends to be medium to light body with noticeable acidity and flavors of green plum, apple, and pear. In warmer locations, the flavours become more citrus, peach, and melon, while in very warm locations, more fig and tropical fruit notes such as banana and mango come out. Wines that have gone through malolactic fermentation tend to have softer acidity and fruit flavours with buttery mouthfeel and hazelnut notes.

JOEL GOTT is a fifth generation West Coast winemaker and restaurateur who has remarkable energy and flair when it comes to sourcing and blending his ridiculously good-value, expressive wines. The labels reflect the contents: stylish modern classics, restrained and yet with a typical Californian generosity.

	125ml	175ml	Bottle
29 Mahi Sauvignon Blanc Marlborough, New Zealand 2022 Musky aromas and flavours of lemon-lime, pepper and herbs, plus a subtle suggestion of ripe peach. Plush and broad but with harmonious spicy, grapefruit notes giving the wine lift. Fresh but fully ripe and nicely tactile, even plush, and long on the after-taste.	9.3	12	48
30 Viognier Pays d'Oc, Badet Clément Languedoc, France 2021 Bursting with typical flavours of apricot and peach alongside elegant floral notes. The palate is round, with a refreshing acidity and a perfectly balanced finish.	7.3	9.2	37
31 Morandé Chardonnay Gran Reserva Aconcagua, Chile 2020 A particularly sophisticated Chardonnay, offering subtle aromas of pear, apple and citrus, alongside floral and toasted hazelnut notes. A component aged on lees brings weight and texture, balanced by the citrus freshness on the palate.	8.2	10.4	44
32 Prunus Branco Dão, Portugal 2021 Well-rounded and harmonious, with notes of tinned peaches and fresh herbs, a fresh juicy palate and a long, mouthwatering finish.	6.3	7.6	31
33 Morgado da Vila Alvarinho Quinta da Lixa, Spain 2021 Aromas of orange blossom, ripe lemons and stone fruits are complemented by salty mineral notes and refreshing acidity.	8	10.4	43
34 White Rabbit Riesling Rhein, Germany 2021 A multifaceted Riesling, versatile with or without food. Redolent of cut grass and herbs with notes of white blossom and tropical fruit. Balanced and beautifully refreshing.	6.9	8.9	36
35 Conde Valdemar Rioja Blanco Rioja, Spain 2021 Fresh, intense aromas of fruits and white flowers, dominated by apple and pear nuances. Fruity and fresh on the palate with a crisp finish.	6.6	8.2	33
36 Castel Firmian Pinot Grigio Trentino, Italy 2022 Very clean, nicely balanced Pinot Grigio, with a gentle floral aroma, good medium weight in the mouth, and a refreshing finish.	6.8	8.3	35
37 Joel Gott Chardonnay California, USA 2021 This unoaked Chardonnay offers aromas of ripe pear and honeydew melon with floral notes. On the palate, the wine opens with bright citrus and tropical flavours, leading to a round mouthfeel balanced by fresh acidity, and a long finish.	-	-	47

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38 Lievland Old Vines Chenin Blanc Stellenbosch, South Africa 2021 The nose gives a mix of ripe pineapples, citrus and stone fruits. Full-bodied and with a rich, mouth-filling texture lifted by a refreshing acidity on the long, harmonious finish.	-	-	43
39 Chablis 1^{er} Cru Vau Ligneau, Hamelin Burgundy, France 2021 Spicy notes with flint and citrus fruit aromas on the nose, followed by a subtle palate showing beautiful minerality and notes of lemon.	-	-	73
40 Morandé Gewurztraminer Estate Reserve Aconcagua, Chile 2021 This superb expression manages to capture all of Gewurztraminer's exotic character while remaining fresh and elegant. Aromas of rose and orange blossom lead to flavours of lychee, mandarin and gingery spice, all coming together beautifully on the long, clean finish	-	-	35
41 Raventós de Alella Pansa Blanca Catalonia, Spain 2021 Intensely fruity upfront, with crystalline notes of ripe citrus and green apple. This leads on to a herbal, savoury and stony streak which runs through the backbone of the wine. The finish is long and elegant - a wine with real balance and poise.	-	-	39
42 Gavi di Gavi La Meirana, Broglia Piedmont, Italy 2022 Great texture and precision, with distinctive greengage and almond notes on the palate. Fresh and dry, this is particularly characterful Gavi.	-	-	48
43 Grüner Veltliner Zöbinger Kogelberg, P. Schweiger Kamptal, Austria 2021 An accessible introduction to the joys of Grüner: classic spicy, mineral flavours tempered by some upfront stone fruit character.	-	-	43
44 Muscadet Cuvée l'Origine, Domaine de la Foliette Loire Valley, France 2021 Perfect with shellfish, this crisp Muscadet has an almost saline finish thanks to the vineyard's proximity to the sea.	-	-	38
45 Picpoul de Pinet St Clair, Luvignac Languedoc-Roussillon, France 2022 Elegant aromas of citrus, pear and white flowers, and a crisp, mineral palate ideally suited to seafood.	-	-	34
46 Villa Bianchi Verdicchio Castelli di Jesi Classico, Umani Ronchi Marche Italy 2022 Fresh and fruity, with a typical combination of green apple fruit and a hint of bitter almonds. Bright and aromatic, lifted by a clean streak of acidity on the finish.	-	-	35
47 Quercus Pinot Bianco Primorska, Slovenia 2022 On the nose there are notes of apple, grapefruit and lemon, as well as a pleasant floral aroma. Smooth and full-bodied on the palate, with a long finish.	-	-	32

RAVENTÓS D'ALELLA is not just a unique project; it is also the ultimate expression of a new generation's obsession with wanting to show the world the true importance of a region and a wine variety. Alella and Pansa Blanca are, for this project, one and the same. The winery is nestled amongst old vineyards and forests of the interior of the coastal mountain range that divides the Alella Designation of Origin region.

RIESLING is a white grape variety that originated in the Rhine region. Riesling is an aromatic grape variety displaying flowery, almost perfumed, aromas as well as high acidity. It is used to make dry, semi-sweet, sweet, and sparkling white wines. Riesling wines are usually varietally pure and are seldom oaked. As of 2004, Riesling was estimated to be the world's 20th most grown variety at 48,700 hectares (120,000 acres) (with an increasing trend), but in terms of importance for quality wines, it is usually included in the "top three" white wine varieties together with Chardonnay and Sauvignon blanc. Riesling is a variety that is highly "terroir-expressive", meaning that the character of Riesling wines is greatly influenced by the wine's place of origin.

In cool climates (such as many German wine regions), Riesling wines tend to exhibit apple and tree fruit notes with noticeable levels of acidity that are sometimes balanced with residual sugar. A late-ripening variety that can develop more citrus and peach notes is grown in warmer climates (such as Alsace and parts of Austria). In Australia, Riesling is often noted for a characteristic lime note that tends to emerge in examples from the Clare Valley and Eden Valley in South Australia.



PRUNUS is from Portugal's historic Dão region created by former wine buyer Natalia Jessa. They are designed to represent the character of region within a modern, accessible style, as well as offering startling value for money.

The grapes come from 20- to 50-year-old vines planted on granite, clay and limestone soils. They were hand-harvested in the second and third weeks of September.

The Reds

BODEGA NORTON In 1885, the Buenos Aires to Mendoza railway opened, cementing the significance of this emerging wine-growing region high in the Andean foothills. Ten years later, Edmund Norton planted the first vines in Mendoza's Luján de Cuyo district. At 900-1,100 metres, the altitude moderates the temperature, causing an extended ripening season, and also exposes the vines to more ultraviolet light, which encourages the development of colour and tannin in the black-skinned varieties. The result is whites packed with vibrant flavour and good natural acidity, and well-structured, food-friendly reds.

Privada is selected from vines between fifty and eighty years old, growing in vineyards at up to 1,100 metres above sea level. Grapes are hand picked and selected into twenty-kilo baskets.



The **UMANI RONCHI** story began in 1957 when Gino Umani Ronchi established a small farm in the heart of the Verdicchio Classico region. It was just a few years later that the Bianchi-Bernetti family purchased the farm and although they retained the original name, they have certainly put their own indelible stamp on it. With 210 hectares under vine in Castelli di Jesi, Conero and Abruzzo, and a dedicated winemaking facility in each of these regions, they have achieved scale whilst still retaining an unwavering focus on typicity and quality. The result is a range of wines which highlights both the versatility and the quality potential of the Marche's and Abruzzo's native grape varieties.

The grapes come from vineyards located predominantly in the provinces of Chieti and Teramo, trained using the tendone system. Harvest was carried out by hand in late September and early October.

Family-owned and operated by the Lindner family, whose own mark on the region spans six-generations, **LANGMEIL** today embodies the ideals and experience passed down throughout the generations of Barossa's winemakers and grapegrowers before them. With a history dating back to 1842, Langmeil Winery is where a blend of Barossa's cultural beginnings with world-class winemaking can truly be experienced.

	125ml	175ml	Bottle
48 Finca Perdriel Malbec Mendoza, Argentina 2021 A ripe, succulent wine offering aromas of violets, spice and tobacco, leading to a round, mouth-filling palate, flavours of berry fruit and a persistent finish.	7.9	10.3	40
49 Morandé Cabernet Sauvignon Gran Reserva Valle Central, Chile 2020 A single-vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon of impeccable poise and pedigree, with focused cassis and black cherry fruit lent breadth and cedary complexity by well-judged oak. Firm tannin supports the natural juicy character giving a well-knit structure and excellent finish.	8.2	10.4	44
50 Promesa Rioja Crianza Rioja, Spain 2019 A classic style of Rioja, with strawberry, blackberry and rhubarb fruit flavours taking on a vanilla and cocoa smoothness during twelve months in oak barrels.	7.5	9.5	38
51 Montipagano Organic, Umani Ronchi Abruzzo, Italy 2020 Plentiful fresh red berries lead onto pleasing herbal flavours and subtle notes of spice from the oak. The palate is medium-bodied, with elegant, well-rounded tannins and a long, fresh finish.	6.5	8	32
52 Castel Firmian Merlot, Mezzacorona Trentino-Alto Adige, Italy 2021 Intense fragrance with a mixture of ripe fruits and a hint of oak. Dry, complex and well-structured palate.	6.8	8.3	35
53 Artisan's Blend Shiraz/Viognier, Deakin Estate Victoria, Australia 2021 This Rhône-inspired blend offers a brilliant mix of plum and blackberry fruit with sweet spice.	6.3	7.6	31
54 Guy Allion Pinot Noir Les Parcs Loire Valley, France 2021 Strawberry-fruited and creamy-textured, this is a joyously ripe, juicy Pinot with a good deal of cool-climate finesse.	8.2	10.7	44
55 Norton Privada Family Blend Mendoza, Argentina 2019 Excellent aromatic complexity with notes of ripe fruit, spices, and hints of smoke and coffee. Rich and generous on the palate with superb concentration.	-	-	54
56 Joel Gott Zinfandel California, USA 2019 This expressive Zinfandel has aromas of roasted plum and blackberry jam with hints of sweet spices. On the palate, the wine's bright red fruit flavours and acidity are complemented by a soft, round mouthfeel and a long finish.	-	-	46
57 Valley Floor Shiraz Langmeil South Australia 2020 A quintessential expression of Barossa Shiraz, with aromas of plum and mulberry offset by milk chocolate, cinnamon and pepper.	-	-	54

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	125ml	175ml	Bottle
58 Finca Valpiedra Rioja Reserva Rioja, Spain 2015 That rare thing: a single-vineyard Rioja, offering a powerful expression of black fruit, white chocolate, plums and spices.	-	-	57
59 Campofiorin, IGT Rosso del Veronese, Masi Veneto, Italy 2018 Attractive, aromatic nose dominated by cherries and spice. Well-balanced, palate with notes of ripe red fruit, cherry liqueur and blueberries. Long with hints of vanilla and cocoa.	-	-	49
60 Villa Antinori Chianti Classico Riserva Tuscany, Italy 2020 This is a rich, modern Chianti that marries ripe cherry fruit with well-judged smoky oak notes. The opulence on the palate is tempered by notes of clove and a firm structure supporting the plump fruit.	-	-	60
61 Château Terrefort-Lescalle Bordeaux, France 2020 A medium-bodied, approachable claret with juicy berry fruit backed up by savoury tobacco notes. Classically proportioned and balanced.	-	-	36
62 Regaleali Rosso Nero d'Avola, Tasca Sicily, Italy 2021 Notes of cherry, mulberry, black cherry, blueberry, vanilla and sage on the nose. Velvety and balanced in the mouth.	-	-	37
63 Fleurie La Madone, Duboeuf Beaujolais, France 2020 This famous cru lives up to its name with a smooth, elegant and floral wine of immense charm.	-	-	48
64 O Mouro Mencia, Belarmino Ribeira Sacra, Spain 2020 A delicious example of the region's Mencia grape, with all of the bright, juicy strawberry and red fruit flavours that you would expect from this variety, alongside clove and black pepper notes.	-	-	42
65 Mahi Pinot Noir Marlborough, New Zealand 2020 With a full, rich yet detailed bouquet, this wine is mouthfilling, ripe and supple with good complexity. Dark cherries and plums combine with soft tannins to give a well-rounded finish.	-	-	58
66 La Transición Garnacha, Soto Manrique Castilla y León, Spain 2019 With a full, rich yet detailed bouquet, this wine is mouthfilling, ripe and supple with good complexity. Dark cherries and plums combine with soft tannins to give a well-rounded finish.	-	-	35
67 Joie de Vigne Grenache/Pinot Noir France 2022 A juicy, medium boded wine combining the soft raspberry and strawberry character of Grenache with the bright cherry fruit and floral aromatics of Pinot Noir.	-	-	30

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MASI are perhaps known as a leading Amarone producer, having been instrumental in the development of this benchmark wine. Their work on other wine styles has been no less influential, however, in 1964 they launched the now-legendary Campofiorin, which revived the technique of a second fermentation with semi-dried grapes, adding depth and complexity to Valpolicella.

NERO D'AVOLA is the most important red wine grape in Sicily and is one of Italy's most important indigenous varieties. It is named after Avola in the far south of Sicily, and its wines are compared to New World Shirazes, with sweet tannins and plum or peppery flavours. The vine likes hot and relatively dry climates. The districts around Noto (above all Buonivini) and Pachino in the south of the province of Siracusa are reputed for the quality of their Nero d'Avola wines. The first American producer of Nero d'Avola is Chiarito Vineyards in Ukiah, California (Mendocino County). Nero d'Avola is also cultivated in Australia, particularly in the hot Riverland and Sunraysia areas where winemakers are producing light, juicy, fragrant wines (see Amato Vino, Chalmers Wines). The variety is also found in Malta, Turkey and recently in South Africa too.



MENCIA, known as Jaen in Portugal, is a grape variety native to the western part of the Iberian Peninsula. In Spain, it is planted on over 9,100 hectares (22,000 acres), with another 2,500 hectares (6,200 acres) in neighboring Portugal. It is primarily found in the Bierzo, Ribeira Sacra, Valdeorras, Monterrei and Dão wine regions.

Most wines produced from Mencia have traditionally been light, pale, relatively fragrant red wines for early consumption. In recent years, much more concentrated and complex wines have been produced by a new generation of winemakers. This has led to a renewed interest in Mencia and the denominaciones de origen using it, such as Bierzo, Valdeorras, Ribeira Sacra, Monterrei and the little-known Liébana.

Since the 1990s, the grape is increasing in popularity, and an increasing number of noted Spanish winemakers are now working with it.



The Roses

CHÂTEAU MINUTY was purchased in 1936 by the Matton-Farnet family and soon after, the vineyards were completely replanted with a focus on traditional, local grape varieties, painstakingly farmed to produce lower yields. By the 1960s, this quality-led approach had paid dividends as the wines of Château Minuty became a fixture on the lists of the finest restaurants of the Côte d'Azur. A négociant arm was added to the business in 1995, applying their quality-focus and production know-how to a complementary range of branded wines under the Minuty label. This foresight and dedication cemented their position as one of the most-recognised producers in the region, long before the explosion in popularity of delicate, pale rosés that has occurred in recent years.



Dessert Wine & Port

OREMUS In 1993, the Spanish wine producer Vega Sicilia founded Tokaj Oremus. While respecting the traditions and values of Tokaj, they brought with them their philosophy of perfection to Hungary. Oremus was selected as "Winery of the Year" in 2001. Before the WWII, the estate in Tolcsva with the beautiful Mansion on it was owned by Károly Kurucz, who was the first President of the Tokaj-Hegyalja Wine Growing Communities Council, founded in 1928. A total of 115 hectares of vineyards are found in 12 excellent growths all over the region, amongst them famous 1st Class Growths such as Deák, Henye, Cziróka, Gyopáros, Mandulás, Szentvér, Kútpatka and Oremus near Sátoraljaújhely, which gave the name to the winery. Oremus was the vineyard from which Chaplain Laczkó Szepsi harvested the botrytised grapes to make the first Aszú ever, to present it to Prince Rákóczi's wife Zsuzsanna Lorántffy for Easter in 1631. The grape variety for this first Aszú was – Oremus (today named Zéta).

	125ml	175ml	Bottle
68 Château Minuty Rose et Or Côtes de Provence Rosé Provence, France 2022 An even more intense and mouth-watering wine than the M, this really is Provence showing why it is the rose capital of the world. Beautifully textured with ripe stone fruit and zesty pink grapefruit.		-	66
69 M de Minuty Côtes de Provence Rosé Provence, France 2022 A beautiful pale pink colour, with aromas of redcurrants giving way to a fresh, yet well-rounded palate offering delicate flavours of peaches and candied orange peel.	9.5	12.5	49
70 Conde Valdemar Rioja Rosé Rioja, Spain 2021 Clear, pale salmon colour, with delicate raspberry fruit and the elegant herbal finish of Garnacha, overlaid with floral notes from the Mazuelo.	6.5	8.1	33
71 Terre del Noce Pinot Grigio Rosé Trentino, Italy 2022 Jam-packed with the ripe strawberry and raspberry fruit you would expect from this variety, but with far more intensity and structure than the norm. The finish is long, lingering and clean.	5.7	7	29

Dessert Wine

	75ml	Bottle
72 Dindarello, Maculan Veneto, Italy 2021	8	350ml 36
73 Tokaji Late Harvest, Oremus Hungary 2021	10	500ml 62
74 Rasteau, Vin Doux Naturel, Domaine de Beaurenard Rhône, France 2018	8.5	500ml 49

Port

	75ml	Bottle
75 Ferreira LBV Port Portugal 2016	5.5	750ml 42
76 Ferreira 10 Year Old Tawny Port Portugal NV	6.5	750ml 52
77 Ferreira Vintage Port Portugal 2017	16	750ml 124