

# **MAY 2018**

## **WINES (by the glass / carafe / bottle)**

### SPARKLING

125ml 750ml

#### **Crémant de Bordeaux, Effervescence de Remy Breque, Organic Brut, France**

**8.00 29.95**

This is extremely pleasant organic 100% Sauvignon Blanc produced "Méthode Champenoise", tiny 2000 bottles per year production. It's delicious, biscuity, aromatic aperitif with lovely aromas, texture & richness – great (far superior) alternative to Prosecco, Cava...etc \*Organic

### ROSE

175ml 500ml 750ml

#### **Eschenhof Holzer, Wagram Rose, Austria 2017**

**7.80 21.80 28.00**

This is a light floral scented rose made from the native Austrian Zweigelt grape. Perfect summer sipper with lots of berry fruit \*Organic

### WHITE

#### **Villa Saint- Jean, Pays D'Oc, Languedoc, France 2016**

**5.85 16.25**

**20.95**

Vibrant, fresh & full of life, bursting with citrus fruits & aromatic herbs

#### **Ciello, Bianco, IGP Terre Siciliane, Normanno, Sicily, Italy 2017**

**7.20 20.25**

**25.95**

Fun and delicious organic Cataratto with minimal intervention. Naturally cloudy, modern, fragrant and crisp with a pleasant trace of almond on the finish \*Organic

#### **Chateau De Bel, Echappée Bel, Bordeaux Blanc, France NV**

**8.25 23.50**

**29.95**

70% Muscadelle, 30% Sauvignon Blanc harvested across multiple vintages with the aim for a full, fruity white. Dry, yet very textural

and aromatic, mineral, floral with hay and lees on the nose, then white peaches and big tropical fruits on the palate.

Great quality and value is not often seen in Bordeaux, but this is a real winner...

### RED

#### **Domaine de Pellehaut, Harmonie de Gascogne, Gascony, France 2016**

**5.85 16.25**

**20.95**

A subtle blend of Merlot, Tennant, Cabernet Sauvignon, Malbec, Syrah & Pinot Noir. Ripe, rich & deep with lashings of black fruit, blackberry jam and toasted spicy notes. Can be served slightly chilled \*Organic

#### **Villa Schinosa, Laghiglione, Puglia, Italy 2016**

**7.75 21.70 27.95**

Villa Schinosa is located outside the spectacular coastal town of Trani. The aristocratic Capece Minutulo family of Naples bears a true love for farming and winemaking. A blend of Primitivo and Syrah, this shows rich aromas of black cherry and plum, with a light touch of exotic spice over velvety tannins

#### **Simonelli-Santi, Malintoppo, Val D'Orcia, Tuscany, Italy 2013**

**8.95 24.85 31.95**

From the vineyards of the gorgeous Valle de Orcia, the region which borders Brunello in Tuscany, this 100% Sangiovese is just divine and rivals Brunello at twice the price! Rich, figgy aromas combine with rosemary, salami, pepper, black cherries, and meaty savouriness that is distinctly Tuscan. An extremely complex wine that develops in the glass. If you are looking for a red that totally over-delivers on flavour and quality this is our true favourite!

WE ALWAYS HAVE A **SKIN CONTACT/ORANGE** WINE OPEN – PLEASE ASK! **WHITES**

## AUSTRIA

The Andert brothers (Erich & Michael) are undoubtedly up there with the finest "Natural" wine makers in Central Europe.

They have been working biodynamically since 2003. Erich says "It's fun to see how more & more animals feel at home in the vineyard.

The biodiversity creates a natural balance between beneficials, pests, promotes the health of the wine".

The Andert farm is tiny, although the brothers produce several different cuvees, the production is miniscule...as little as 200 bottles per vintage in some cases!!!

They believe, that working the way they do, the wines have more character, are more wholesome and stable.

No insecticides or herbicides or any synthetic agents are used, fertilization is exclusively with manure and harvest is done only by hand, fermentation is spontaneous and no sulphur is added.

We are very lucky to be able to put together a small selection of Andert wines for you to enjoy...they are in limited quantities.

We hope that you love these wines as much as we do!

## ANDERT BROTHERS

### **Andert Brothers, Pamhogna Weiss, Burgenland 2016**

**£49.95**

Another wine from impressively talented friends of ours – Erich and Michael Andert. This is a skin contact blend of Pinot Gris, Neuburger and Weissburgunder. This amber coloured wine shows aromas of dried herbs, sage, rosemary, chamomile and braised apple. The juice is totally unique - racy, fresh and alive with distinctive peppery edge and hints of pears. These guys are masters of their craft \*Natural / \*Skin Contact

### **Erich Andert, Gemitscher Satz (Field Blend), Pamhagen, Burgenland 2015**

**£39.95**

This is a co fermented field blend of grapes including Gruner Veltliner, Welschreising, Muller Thurgau, Pinot Gris, Gelber Muskateller, Muscat Ottonel, Malvasier, Weissburgunder, Neuburger and more...The vineyard is really throbbing with life – a place where nature lets rip! Its fermented wild in old oak with just a day or 2 maceration and no added sulphur. Erich tells us that the vineyard was planted by his parents in 1974 \*Natural / \*Skin Contact

### **Erich Andert, Andert-Wein, PM Mitohnealles, Burgenland 2015**

**£59.00**

This orange wine is rich and is almost throbbing with primal energy. Stunning golden-orange colour, smoky nose with notes of wild herbs, honey, sun-blushed fruit. The palate is smooth and almost velvety with suggestions of pink grapefruit, yet also salty with a bitter almond note on the finish and fennel after-taste. And the grape variety of the PM? Petit Manseng. The Andert brothers are one of our favourite producers in Austria, and they have precise understanding of skin contact winemaking...

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## OTHER AUSTRIAN "BEAUTIES"

### **Riesling Hand Crafted, Martin & Anna Arndorfer, Kamptal 2016**

**£34.95**

Organically farmed Riesling from the high terraces in the Stassertal. Naturally fermented and unfiltered with aromas of pink grapefruit and delicious spicy qualities \*Organic

### **Karl Schnabel Morillon, Styria 2014**

**£55.00**

Morillon is the Styrian name for Chardonnay. This natural orange biodynamically farmed wine has terrific energy - ripe citrus meets red apple with excellent minerality and a certain saltiness. Unfiltered and no sulphur added \*Natural / \*Skin Contact

## SLOVENIA

### **Nando, Rebula, Arda 2015**

**£44.95**

This is a golden wine made from native Rebula grape (same as Ribbola Gialla). Aromas of yellow plum and golden pear with dried spice. Fermented in stainless steel with 7day skin contact to add richness, texture. This astonishing wine was our big favourite at a recent tasting

\*Natural / \*Skin Contact

**Mlecnik, Cuve Anna, Vipavska Dolina 2015**

**£70.00**

Valter Mlecnik is one of the pioneers of skin contact wine making, alongside Gravner, Radikon etc. His wines are almost never exported, he makes tiny quantities and demand is super high. We are fortunate to land a handful of bottles. This cuvee is a field blend of Chardonnay, Malvasia, Sauvignosse, Rebula. It has 3/4days skin contact, with no temperature control. This is genuine and truly profound natural wine making. If you are curious and passionate about this kind of wine, catch it fast!

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SWITZERLAND

**Petite Arvine, John & Mike Favre, AOC Valais 2015**

**£36.50**

Swiss specialty; medium yellow colour with green accents, floral, fruity notes with pineapple, gooseberry, apricots, honey, mango and astonishing depth for such young wine!

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GEORGIA

**Iago Bitarishvili, Chinuri, Chardakhi 2015**

**£42.50**

In our opinion, Iago is one of the best winemakers in Georgia. He focusses solely on one grape variety – Chinuri. Only 5000 bottles are produced each year, considering all ancient Georgian procedures. Fermented in "Qvevri" it has characteristics of wild peppermint and pears. It is one of the world's finest "skin contact/orange" wines \*Natural / \*Skin Contact

**Pheasants Tears, Mtsvane, Kakheti Region 2016**

**£45.00**

Gela Pataliskvili is a winemaker committed to the organic, ancient tradition of the wine making practices in Georgia. This amber coloured Mtsvane is from old vines and is fermented in "Qvevri" buried deep underground. The wine is rich and creamy with vanilla, exotic spices, toasted almond and apple flavours \*Natural / \*Skin Contact

ITALY...

**Ciello, Bianco, IGP Terre Siciliane, Normanno, Sicily 2017**

**£25.95**

Fun and delicious organic Cataratto with minimal intervention. Naturally cloudy, modern, fragrant and crisp with a pleasant trace of almond on the finish \*Organic

**U Baccan, Pigato, Bruna, Liguria 2013**

**£49.95**

From 50+ year old Pigato vines (aka Vermentino). Taut, savoury, herb scented nose with wax and lemons. The palate is light and minerally with fine spices, green herbs and lovely lemony fruit. Remarkable, distinctive wine, yet subtle in its charms. Drinking beautifully right now! \*Organic

**Terra Minuta, Fiano-Greco, Valentina Passalacqua, Puglia 2015**

**£32.95**

Straw yellow colour with floral citrus fruits where the scents of Fiano marry the body of Greco and the mineral flavour from the soil \*Organic

**Ottavio Rube Bianco, Valli Unite, Piemonte 2016**

**£27.95**

From a small biodynamic farming co-op in the hills of Piedmont who espouse the one farm approach. Their wines are rustic and fun, this white is a blend of Cortese (the grape of Gavi) and Timorasso (an indigenous white grape), is unfiltered and unfinned. The initial fruity aroma, with fragrance of green apples, changes over time as the wine matures into a more complex and slightly spicy smell. Think yellow plums and wild herbs, a dry crisp mineral white \*Biodynamic

**Montenidoli, Vernaccia di San Gimignano Tradizionale, Tuscany 2015**

**£39.95**

Winemaker Elisabetta Fagioli is the living metaphor of her land she impresses with a quiet strength that sustains her winemaking. The land is in her blood, thanks to her family, who cultivated vines and olive trees in Custoza, near Verona since the 1700s. The Tradizionale is straw-yellow, almost gold in colour, full-bodied with herbal, almondy perfumes and wonderful rich notes of citrus on the palate. Magnificent minerality with a dry crisp aftertaste \*Organic

**Roero Arneis, Tistin, Marziano Abbona, Piedmont 2016**

**£32.95**

Arneis is the king of whites in the Roero. Candid and easy drinking, it reveals a vibrant personality that comes from the sandy soils where its grapes grow. Its intense aromas of flowers and white fruit and great drinkability make this an exceptionally pleasant and complex wine

**Grechetto, Propizio, Donato Giangiolami, Lazio 2015**

**£33.65**

Straw yellow with greenish hues, elegant personality, fresh and floral with scents of exotic fruits, hawthorn and pear, soft and savoury. Full of character smooth taste and hints of pineapple \*Organic

**Oris, Ciu Ciu, Falerio, Marche 2016**

**£26.95**

This wine is a careful blend of Pecorino, Passerina and Trebbiano grape varieties which gives us a wine that is fresh but not too acidic, with a good fruitiness and roundness. On the nose white fruit such as peach and pear with floral undertones really dominate and seduce you. Italian elegance bottled for us to enjoy! \*Organic

**Fiano, Particella 928, Cantina Del Barone, Campania 2014**

**£45.00**

This artisan wine is a superb example of natural wine making. Fiano can be simple, dry and fruity but given right environment, it can show you a wine of really delicious texture and flavour with complexity and personality in spades. Particella 928 is from a special single vineyard site where exposure means an extra level of maturity in the fruit and extra level of flavour in the glass, this pure Fiano is rich and delicious with unique flavours of smoked Mozzarella and hay \*Natural

**Baglio Bianco, Ciello, Sicily 2016**

**£32.95**

This skin contact orange wine is made from organic Cataratto grape. It has 3 days skin maceration and is almost bronze in colour with aromas and flavours of russet apples and red plums. Very approachable, downright easy drinking and a fantastic introduction to this style of wine \*Natural / \*Skin Contact

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**Pinot Grigio, Rosa Bianca, Veneto 2017**

**£23.95**

A light, soft and dry Pinot Grigio that is showing citrus fruit flavours and subtle floral aromas. Good acidity helps create a clean, refreshing wine

**Verdicchio Dei Castelli Di Jesi, Di Gino, Fattoria San Lorenzo, Marche 2016**

**£27.95**

With bags of character from a small estate in Marche; hints of apple, dried apricot, some spiciness (ginger) with marzipan-ripe finish \*Biodynamic

**Monte Di Grazia Bianco, Amalfi, Campania 2015**

**£39.95**

In the 1990's Alfonso Arpino, a doctor from the village of Tramonti, high above the town of Amalfi, took over his family's vineyard. He soon became passionate about wine-producing and bought further vineyards which contained ancient vines of over 100 years old. This is the blend of 3 heirloom grape varieties called Pepella, Biancatenara and Ginestra which are yielded in tiny quantities and are almost extinct. This is a bracing wine that sings of pepper, chalk and citrus flower with steely minerality. A great alternative to the likes of Chablis \*Natural / Biodynamic

**Marco De Bartoli, Integer, Zibibbo, Terre Siciliane, Pantelleria, Sicily 2015**

**£57.00**

From the Latin word "integer", that means "whole", these wines are made with local varieties, found in their natural environment, since centuries. Integer is made in an old fashioned way of wine winemaking. Slightly cloudy, light medium lemon yellow colour, intense and appealing with tart lemon, citronella, floral nose and is extremely tasty and appetizing; oily textured, citron, tart orange mineral palate \*Natural / \*Skin Contact

**Vodopivec, Vitovska Amphora, Venezia Giulia 2011**

**£65.00**

This is natural winemaking at its most intense; grapes are kept in contact with the skins for 6 months in amphora pots buried underground. The wine is then aged in large casks for 2 years; the final result is magnificent; the Vitovska Amphora is a revelation – the neat, clean aromas of tangerines, orange skins and apricot are followed by a rich, generous palate of citrus fruit, marmalade, fresh grapes, autumn fruits \*Natural / \*Skin Contact

**Le Coste, Bianchetto, Clementine Bouveron, Gradoli, Lazio 2015**

**£45.00**

Le Coste is a project that "started from zero" in 2004 by Gianmarco Antonuzzi and Clementine Bouveron. Around 14 hectares of land are managed within a contained "ecosystem", of vineyards, olive groves, chestnut trees, shrubs and oaks. Vineyards sit in close proximity to Lake Bolsena near Gianmarco's childhood town of Gradoli in the Lazio region. This is amongst the richest, nutrient rich soils you can find in the area. Le Coste Bianchetto is mostly Procanico with smaller portions of Malvasia, Moscato and other region varietals. This wine is a powerhouse of flavour. Golden in colour, savoury and reminiscent of chestnuts, herbs and almonds, fragrant and ever so pure \*Natural / \*Skin Contact

**Cantina Giardino, Irpinia, Campania**

Visiting Daniella and Antonio De Gruttola was one of our highlights of last year! They seek out old vines in Irpinia, high in the Campania hills. Vineyard work is all done by hand, organically, the fermentations are spontaneous and all their wines are produced in most natural way possible

**2015 "Coda Di Volpe Paski"**

**£58.00**

"Paski" is made from 60 years old indigenous grape known as Coda Di Volpe and is raised in large casks made of chestnut, bottled with no additives and is completely unfiltered. Intense straw-yellow colour, complex, yet fresh aroma with notes of honey and flowers in addition to minerals and hints of gunpowder

SPAIN

**Terras Gauda, Albarino O Rosal, Rias Baixas 2016**

**£39.95**

From Spain's greatest white wine region, bracing, rejuvenating style with intense, mouth-watering lemon, grapefruit and sea salt flavours. Extremely fresh, tangy and zingy-classic Galicia! Magical teamed with shellfish!

**Domino del Urogallo, La Fanfarria, Asturias 2014**

**£34.50**

Urogallo La Fanfarria Blanco is produced with the Albarin Blanco and Albiillo grapes are grown on extremely steep slopes in Asturias, not much wine is produced there. Super fresh, clean and saline with ripe apple fruit balanced by generous acidity of this northerly, fresh Atlantic climate. Fanfarria is an Asturian word which colloquially describes someone who is "messing" about all day. The label is a tribute to the regional wine administrators and politicians who tried to inhibit winemaker Nicolas' progress when he first started out with this project i.e. the President & VP of the D.O., the President of the local growers association etc.

\*Natural

**Bernabe Navarro, Benimaquia Tinajas, Alicante 2015**

**£36.50**

Rafa Barnabé makes a host of idiosyncratic, small-parcel, natural wines from his organic vineyards, This 100% Moscatel, made in amphora (tinajas) and offers great acidity, tart apple fruit, quince and wet-stone minerality. Refreshingly crisp, ripe and well-rounded \*Natural/ \*Skin Contact

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GERMANY

**Kloster Ebernach, Franziskus, Riesling, Mosel 2015**

**£28.95**

A Catholic monastery in the famed Mosel valley, making wines since 1673 (in a place with the vineyards dating back to the 12<sup>th</sup> century), extreme terroir in some of the northernmost vineyards in Europe, and a young Austrian wine maker (the only one in the neck of the woods) with big ideas: mix it all together and you have the very modern incarnation of Kloster Ebernach. This is a brand-new dry Riesling from Martin Cooper, and 35-year-old vineyards undergoing conversion to biodynamic certification. Barely any sulphur is used at any stage in production. Wine is naturally fermented in enormous, 200-litre old oak barrels, undergoing partial malolactic and ageing on the lees for 6 months. This 2015 vintage shows classic traits with ripe fruit and structuring acidity, making incredibly aromatic and age worthy wine \*Organic

FRANCE

**Domaine Aux Moines, Savennières-Roche-Aux-Moines, Loire 1998**

**£47.00**

Monique & Tessa Laroche - "mother-daughter" partnership are responsible for creating this wonderful Chenin Blanc grown on hillsides along the Loire. Golden yellow, rich but very elegant, complex aroma with dried fruits, acacia, honey, nuts and minerals. Relatively full-bodied with high acidity, dry and silky \*Organic

**Clos Lapeyre, Jurancon Sec, Jurancon 2016**

**£29.95**

Jurancon Sec achieves an aromatic intensity by picking late and using the lees to obtain colour and extract. Fresh and fruity, this delightful number dances a brisk citric tango on the palate. An expressive and intensely citrus nose, with notes of white fruits and green hazelnut with mineral finish. It is a well-balanced wine, long in flavour and is a beautiful expression of 100% Gros Manseng \*Organic

**Vin de Frantz, Un Saumon Dans la Loire, Loire 2016**

**£36.50**

A blend of organically farmed Sauvignon Blanc and Chenin. Aromas of apples, blossom and acacia leading into fresh, crunchy apple and green plum fruit flavours \*Organic

**Villa Saint- Jean, Pays D'Oc, Languedoc 2016**

**£20.95**

Vibrant, fresh & full of life, bursting with citrus fruits & aromatic herbs

**Picpoul de Pinet, Grange De Rocs, Coteaux de Languedoc 2016**

**£24.95**

Classic seafood white, dry & crisp with flavours of stone fruits and white flowers and a dash of lemon and lime

**Sancerre, Gerard Fiou, Loire Valley 2016**

**£39.95**

From the Silex terroir, this is Sauvignon Blanc of exceptional purity, in which the fruitiness and bite lead pride of place to minerality \*Organic

**Domaine Patrick Miolane, St Aubin, Burgundy 2014**

**£49.95**

Cracking white Chardonnay; rich in floral notes of white blossom, on the palate – release of buttery flavours and fruity freshness with distinctive toasty notes!

**Sauvignon Terrane, Cotes du Tarn 2016**

**£24.95**

A really fascinating aromatic profile here, slightly sandy with salty minerality, rich and lingering with a vibrant fruit intensity, pears, star fruit, gooseberry

**Domaine Fernande & Sons, Coteaux du Giennois, Loire 2016**

**£34.95**

This Coteaux-du-Giennois is a small area just to the north of Pouilly Fume and Sancerre in the Loire Valley. The soil is flint and offers a rather specific expression to this lovely 100% Sauvignon Blanc. This wine is very skilfully balanced with hints of the white pepper, boxwood, blackcurrant bud and citrus. Sauvignon Blanc fans will love this! \*Organic

**Nicolas Reau, Attention Chenin Méchant, Anjou, Loire 2016**

**£37.95**

Nicolas was a Jazz and blues pianist until he was 22 at which age he became a winemaker. He had always been passionate about wine, and when he was finding it difficult to earn his living in the music business, he took a dramatic career change. He studied winemaking and viticulture and worked with several local Anjou vigneron to acquire valuable experience. He bought his vineyard in 2002. The wine is light and very expressive – lime and orange peel mingle with mineral notes, there's a touch of cut grass and grapefruit on the nose, a dry but round palate and a crisp, clean finish. This 100% Chenin Blanc is simply delicious! \*Natural

**Andre Foussier, Valencay, Loire 2016**

**£30.95**

This is 70% Sauvignon Blanc, 20% Chardonnay, 10% of the local Menu Pineau. Light, fresh and delicious with an elderflower nose. Pleasantly aromatic with pear and subtle fruit. This is a sophisticated example of Loire Valley and is amazing value! \*Organic

**L'Ancieme Cordonnerie, Cuvee Ballerine, Languedoc 2016**

**£36.95**

This "orange" wine undergoes 4 weeks of skin contact in stainless steel. It is 100% Marsanne grape and it really lends itself to this style of winemaking. It's rich, complex and great with food, especially pork \*Skin Contact