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Rosé

2015 Pinot Noir Rosé, Puy de Dome £29.00
A pale refreshing rosé from high vineyards in the Auvergne (Central France)

2015 Domaine Montrose, Prestige Rosé £31.00
Made from Grenache (70%) and Rolle (25%) with 5% Syrah the wine has a pale colour, lovely citrus and spice aroma and perfect balance on the palate. Very moreish!

201 Whispering Angel Rosé, Côtes de Provence, £47.00
This silver/pink rosé from Sacha Lichine of Caves d'Esclans is wildly fashionable for its very appetising floral aroma and refreshing clean style.

Lighter, aromatic reds from the Old World

2015 Pinot Noir, Puy de Dome £27.50
This old-world Pinot from high vineyards in the Auvergne (Central France) has a purity of fruit and peppery finish which we like very much.

2015 Beaujolais "Le Ronsay" Jean Paul Brun £33.00
Brun is a genius and this wine expresses his style very well. Fresh crunchy fruit and sour cherry aromatics. Can be drunk slightly cooled on a hot day!

2016 Valpolicella, Allegrini £36.00
Crunchy red cherry fruit gives this great example a refreshing quality. On a hot day ask for the bottle to be served cool-not cold!

Lighter and aromatic reds from the New World

2016 Felicité Pinot Noir, Newton Johnson Vineyards, £29.50
South Africa
This is an elegant, delicious rather Old world style Pinot from cool climate Hemel en Aarde.

2015 Graciana, Familia Cecchin, Maipu, Argentina £33.00
Graciana is a rare grape which produces aromatic spicy wines with gentle tannins. This organic version is very supple and attractive but not beefy like Argentinian Malbec.

2014 Tom's Block Pinot Noir, Neudorf, New Zealand £52.00
Glorious Pinot fruit from a top grower in Nelson.

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Medium and full bodied reds from the Old World

- 2017 Mesta Organic Garnacha, Ucles £22.50
A mighty wine at a modest price! Packed with ripe fruit and about 14.5% alcohol.
- 2016 "Il Barroccio" IGT Terre Siciliane £23.00
Made from Nero d'Avola grapes sourced from western Sicily. A medium bodied wine with dark fruits and plum character and smooth tannins.
- 2016 Château Fontarèche, Corbières, Vieilles Vignes £24.00
This is a lovely round and generous wine with hints of spice and "garrigue" made from Mourvedre, Syrah, Grenache and Carignan.
- 2015 Cahors, Chateau du Caillau, Malbec £26.00
*The Old World's answer to South American Malbec.
A lovely rich round wine with bags of black fruit character on the nose and palate*
- 2014 Vina Falernia, Elqui Valley, Chile £32.00
*Made by a winemaker of Italian origin who uses some dried grapes in the mix which gives a touch of Amarone "sweet and sour cherries" style to this wine which is very attractive.
Rich but not heavy.*
- 2015 Lote 3, M. O. B. Dao, Portugal £29.50
Portuguese reds can be blockbusters, like unsweetened Port, but we chose this one for its civilised leathery tannins. With a dry finish and elegant supple structure.
- 2016 Negroamaro, Imuri, Puglia £28.00
*Made in Southern Italy from old bush vines, this wine has freshness and balance as well as surprisingly modest alcohol (13%)
Flavours of blackberries combine with more savoury notes in a very rounded whole.*
- 2016 Pala, I Fiori, Cannonau di Sardegna £30.50
We bought this wine for its striking peppery dark fruit character and balance, but apparently
- 2014 Château Mourges du Gres, Les Galets Rouge £31.00
*Glorious wine from Costières de Nimes made from Syrah with some Grenache, Mouvedre and Carignan.
Dark fruits, Mediterranean herbs and supple tannins make up a delicious mouthful.*
- 2015 Vena Rossa, Castello di Luzzano, Lombardy £31.00
If you like Barbera from Piemonte this should appeal. A touch rounder from the addition of 40% Bonarda. Green fruit and aromatics

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NV Bedrock Wine Co. The whole Shebang, Cuvée X1,
California £33.00

From a very smart Californian source this wine is made from Zinfandel and plenty of other varieties as the name implies. The wine has voluptuous blackberry fruit and mouth filling round tannins.

2014 Faugère, Domaine des Trinités, £34.00

Hillside vineyards, biodynamic practices, poor schist soils and cool hillside sites, conspire to make a wine which has a ripe spicy nose and supple and characterful palate. Made from Syrah (60%) Grenache Noir (25%) Carignan (10%) and Mourvèdre (5%)

2015 Barbera d'Asti, Cipressi "Nizza" £45.00

Very fine and elegant Barbera fruit in a perfectly rounded and balanced Piemontese package.

2012 Solanera Vinas Viejas, Yecla £37.50

This opulent Spanish red from the little-known region of Yecla and made mostly from the Monastrell grape (Mourvedre) is a favourite with Parker who gives it 94 points and says, "this amazing red wine displays notes of lead pencil shavings, acacia flowers, black raspberries, blueberries and blackcurrants."

2014 Crozes Hermitage, Les Amandiers £44.00

Bags of fine Northern Rhône character, spice and fruit in this great vintage.

Medium & full bodied reds from the New World

2015 The Liberator Francophile Syrah, Stellenbosch,
South Africa £23.50

Black fruits, savoury notes and a slightly spicy finish are the hallmarks of this characterful Syrah.

2014 Gouguenheim Syrah, Valle Escondido, Argentina £30.00

From a high-altitude vineyard near Mendoza, a very sleek Syrah with lovely plum and chocolate fruit.

2016 M de Gras, Merlot Reserva £30.50

Very generous and concentrated chocolaty Merlot fruit from Chile's Colchagua Valley.

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2014 Lake Breeze, the Bullant Shiraz, Langhorne Creek, S. Australia £36.00

Rich powerful wine with plums and chocolate overtones and an earthy complex finish.

2014 Journey's End Merlot, Stellenbosch, South Africa £49.00

A big rich and round wine with nice upfront fruit and some minty undertones on the nose. Fruit cake and herbal eucalyptus notes. Gentle ripe fruit on the palate, with firm tannins and a supple sweetness that gives the wine a lingering aftertaste.

2013 Ata Rangi Célèbre, Martinborough, New Zealand £59.00

A gorgeously expressive blend of Merlot, Syrah and Cabernet Sauvignon, giving plum, spice and herbal flavours in a rich and generous combination.

More mature reds from the Old World

2008 Urbina Crianza, Rioja £35.00

This much-loved Rioja has an aromatic almost Burgundian style.

2012 Châteauneuf du Pape, Jean Paul Versino £62.00

An outstanding young winemaker using some old vines Grenache and Mourvedre and low yields to give this wine a high-toned intensity which is very attractive.

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Port

Grahams 20-year-old tawny

Typical Graham richness and remarkable freshness abound in this oak aged tawny

£7.00 Glass

2000 Woodhouse Vintage Port

This Port is now drinking very well.

75cl £85.00 or £8.50 Glass