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Wine List



# Introduction

It must be around 30 years when I first worked as a stagier for an Alsace wine producer, since my keen interest has become a great passion. So, as you can imagine, the production of our hotel wine list is an area of the business I love and absolutely refuse to let go of!

That said, I have made some good friends on the journey and I am particularly grateful to Peter Rowe of Liberty Wines for his help with this list. After many years of travels in the vineyards together, visiting producers and studying the wines of the world we have developed a great working relationship. While he does not always agree with me, he has acted as a great foil to my self-indulgent tendencies to ensure balance prevails without the loss of care and attention to detail and a personal touch in the selection!

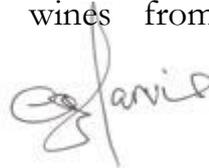
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## 😊 My Personal Selections

All wines are equal, but some wines are more equal than others! My Personal Selections are my favourite wines from the list! Simple as that!



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# Champagne & Sparkling

- 110. Prosecco, Beato Bartolomeo, Veneto Italy** £25.70  
This is a sparkling dry aperitif wine. Fresh and cleanly delicate on the palate with lingering flavours of crisp apples and pears; this is a wonderful wine for a tired palate.
- 1. Testulat NV Brut Blancs de Noir Champagne** £41.50  
The style is dry with forward fruitiness and delicate mousse, not completely dry. This makes it eminently drinkable as an aperitif.
- 123. Testulat Brut, Carte D'Or, Blanc de Noirs** £23.75  
A well balanced rich and fruity style with complex flavours vanilla, lime and peaches.  
half bottle
- 2. Rose Brut NV, Mauler Switzerland** 😊 £30.00  
A quite brilliant pink fizz from Switzerland of all places! Painstakingly produced according to the `Methode Traditionelle` from 10% Chardonnay, 40% Sauvignon and 50% Pinot Noir.
- 111. Billecart Salmon Brut** 😊 £52.80  
A very serious and pleasurable champagne. I like the fact this is from a small family run champagne house. This wine has all the pure, ripe fruit and toasty flavours you would associate with a Grande Marque.
- 112. Louis Roederer Brut Premiere NV** 😊 £53.95  
This is a structured and elegantly mature wine, with a lively attack and a smooth palate.
- 113. Veuve Clicquot Ponsardin Brut NV** £59.50  
Lively, elegant and dry champagne from the region biggest and best producers.
- 114. 2002 Bollinger Grande Annee** £98.45  
Elegant, stylish vintage Champagne.
- 115. 2003 Cuvee Dom Perignon** £175.00  
Marvellously complex. Deserves its reputation.
- 116. 2000 Louis Roederer Cristal** £191.50  
A dry firm flavoured wine. The ultimate in refinement. This legendary Cristal is absolutely superb.
- 120. Testulat Rose** £41.20  
The bouquet which is slightly spicy gives way to a basket of soft red fruit flavours.
- 121. Laurent Perrier Cuvee Rose** £87.50  
Traditionally produced. In many minds the finest rose champagne.

# White Wine

- 32. 2011 Saumur Blanc, La Cabriole Cave de Saumur Loire** £21.60  
Aromas of honey and honeysuckle can be found on the nose, on the palate it is light, dry and crisp with well balanced acidity and a long lingering finish of melon and quince.
- 34. 2011 Muscadet de Sevre et Maine, Chateau du Cleray** £25.20  
**Tirage sur Lie Loire** 😊  
This renowned property in the heart of the Pays Nantais ensures continuity of quality with a meticulous production method. The wine has been matured `sur lie and has a backbone and concentration of flavour that many Muscadets lack.
- 36. 2011 Viognier, Vin de pays d'Oc, Delas Freres France** £22.70  
The low yielding Viognier grape, traditionally grown in the Rhone region of southern France, produces a variety of styles. This is all spicy peaches on the palate, with a long finish. Ideal with Asian influenced dishes.
- 38. 2009 Trimbach Pinot Blanc Alsace** 😊 £24.30  
I've always had a passion for Alsace wines, and if we could sell more they would feature more prominently! An aromatic wine with a palate showing excellent weight of fruit, texture and complexity. The acidity is well integrated with apple, minerally fruit. A delicious refreshing, versatile wine with good length of flavour.
- 41. 2011 Unoaked Chardonnay, Omrah Western Australia** £27.30  
Deliciously fresh with hints of tropical fruit and cream. Typical bold purity of Australian Chardonnay, the cooler climate of Western Australia and the unoaked style produces a wine with real zip and vibrancy.
- 44. 2009 Riesling, Mount Langhi Ghiran Victoria** £28.40  
**Australia**  
Uplifted lemon/citrus aromas and a flinty, dry palate with excellent balance and a long, clean finish.
- 46. 2012 Lugana, Ca dei Frati, Lake Garda Italy** 😊 £27.00  
An outstanding wine, clean, fresh and very fragrant with beautiful balance on the palate between ripe, round fruit and a zesty, mineral freshness.
- 47. 2012 Sauvignon Blanc, Kim Crawford, Marlborough** £27.10  
**New Zealand**  
This is a classic Sauvignon Blanc with gooseberry and pink grapefruit perfumes. There is a little hint of tropical fruit but it is not overwhelming. Clean, fresh and crisp on the palate, with notes of passion fruit, gooseberry and a zingy herbaceousness. Good weight without being heavy, it has a long, clean finish.

- 48. 2011 Pinot Gris, Matakana Estates New Zealand** £26.50  
Rich and luscious flavours of ripe melon, succulent apple and lychee are wrapped in a soft creamy texture.
- 49. 2011 Pouilly Fumé Chateau Favray Loire** £32.40  
A round lush wine with depth of fruit and fantastic concentration. A beautifully balanced Sauvignon Blanc. Starting with an aromatic flowery/fruity bouquet and finishing with a clean, crisp, citrus style fruit, great length and limestone/minerally tones.
- 50. 2011 Watervale Semillon, Mount Horrocks, Clare Valley Australia** £28.95  
An attractive and complex wine with the fruit backed by stylish French oak and a rich, biscuity quality from the extended lees contact.
- 51. 2010 Sancerre La Croix du Roy, Lucien Crochet Loire 😊** £33.70  
Classic Sancerre from a quality producer. A lively richly perfumed and elegant wine, a more controlled and subtle expression of the grassiness found in New Zealand.
- 52. 2008 Rully Blanc Cuvee St Jacques Albert Sounit Burgundy** £33.20  
Has an upfront nose of grapefruits with some hints of floral and mineral elements. The wine is medium bodied and dry with sub tropical and citrus fruits bound up with green apply, mineral acidity. Clean, lively and stylish.
- 53. 2001 Grand Annee St Pierre, Rene Favre Fils, Valais Switzerland 😊** £34.00  
I compare this to a top flight white Burgundy, the smokiness of the oak enhances the aromatic and fruity bouquet of citrus fruits, apricots and pineapple with a dense, complex, delicate and harmonious palate.
- 54. 2010 Monthelie Blanc, Jean Claude Boisset Burgundy** £44.00  
A small village wedged between Volnay and Meursault. Golden in colour, with aromas of ripe citrus fruits and spice from the judicious use of new oak, this wine is intense and concentrated on the palate, with the characteristic mineral quality associated with good white burgundy. It finishes long and elegant.
- 55. 2006 Meursault, Les Narvaux, Domaine Girardin Burgundy** £59.60  
Spicy and rich hints of butterscotch and toffee emanating from the use of new oak.
- 56. 2010 Puligny-Montrachet Domaine Alain Chavy Burgundy** £51.70  
This Puligny is bursting with ripe tropical fruit characters, balanced by a concentrated limey acidity and lick of spicy oak.

- 57. 2006 Chablis Grand Cru Bougros, Domaine de Vauroux Burgundy** £54.60  
This is quintessential Grand Cru. Intense and elegant on the nose with a palate which is immensely concentrated and complex with layers of green apple and restrained minerality.
- 58. 2009 Pouilly Fuissé, Ampelopsis Domaine Saumaize Michelin Burgundy France 😊** £56.60  
Big, perfumed, spicy nose with plenty of pineapples and grapefruits. Just as generous on the palate with a multi layered complexity of tropical, white and stoned fruit, toasty vanilla and palate cleansing citrus rind acidity.
- 59. 2005 Condrieu La Petite Cote Domaine Yves Cuilleron Rhône** £58.80  
Pineapple and hay aromas with some floral and herbaceous nuances. Juicy, light and fresh; a wine with modest size and depth, but one with good mineral spine and liveliness.
- 60. 2008 Meursault 1er Cru Les Poruzots Domaine Francois Mikulski Burgundy** £74.00  
Full, generous nose of toasted almond and perfumed honey. Medium bodied and very complex in the mid palate, with a silky, glycerol texture intertwined ripe fruit and oak and all wrapped up with a clean, mineral acidity.

# White Wine Half Bottles

- 126. 2012 Pouilly Fumé, Domaine De Bel Air Loire** £15.90  
The wine is pure, expressive and concentrated on the palate with an intense yet elegant minerality and a leafy character that lingers long on the finish. It shows a good balance between classicism and modernity.
- 127. 2011 Pinot Grigio Franz Haas Alto Adige Italy** £16.20  
Pale yellow colour with greenish notes. Floral and bitter almond aromas on the nose, which develops with age. Flavours of lime and honey on the palate.
- 128. 2009 Chablis, Domaine Corrine Perchaud Burgundy** £17.00  
This wine is beautifully lifted on the nose, concentrated and elegant on the palate. It has great balance and lovely purity of fruit.
- 129. 2011 Gavi Di Gavi 'Vigneti Lugarara La Giustiniana Piemonte Italy** £16.80  
The wine is fresh and clean with good concentration on the palate with mineral and citrus notes. It has good richness and nicely moderated acidity.

# Red Wine

- 75. 2012 Cabernet Sauvignon/Merlot, Calbuco Chile** £20.15  
This is an outstanding Cab/Merlot blend, scented and full with a vibrant colour, soft, supple fruit on the palate and pleasing length.
- 79. 2012 Côtes du Rhône Domaine Brusset Rhône ☺** £23.20  
Ruby red in colour with enticing aromas of red berry fruits. The palate is round, with subtle flavours of raspberries and other red fruits. The wine is well balanced and the tannins smooth and approachable.
- 80. 2009 Shiraz Grenache Hellfire Bay Western Australia** £22.60  
Excellent depth of ruby red colour, with an attractive, open berry perfume. On the nose it's spicy and ripe, with perfumes of plums and blackberries which follow through to the palate. Smooth, rounded tannins with just enough structure to support the juicy fruit hold up to the finish.
- 81. 2011 Douro Red Quinto do Crasto Douro Portugal ☺** £23.70  
Deep, opaque red in colour with aromas of intense berry fruit with subtle oak complexity. On the palate it is rich, full and concentrated, showing great depth of fruit with well integrated American oak. Firm and dry.
- 82. 2009 Zinfandel, Sebastiani Sonoma County California** £24.70  
Lots of juicy fruits, red currants and red pears, vivacious young vibrant fruit. Unpretentious, Soft tannins, delicious easy drinking wine with just enough clout.
- 83. 2006 Chianti Classico DOCG, Casa Emma Italy** £29.00  
Casa Emma is rapidly gaining recognition as one of the top Chianti producers. This stunning wine has been aged in oak barrels for one year. Intense, pleasurable and fruity bouquet.
- 86. 2011 Fleurie Poncié Domaine du Vissoux Beaujolais ☺** £30.00  
Bright red cherry in colour, there are earthy elements to be found amongst the morello cherry aromas. Good concentration of fresh strawberry. Traditionally made Fleurie from a top producer.
- 87. 2010 Merlot Los Osos J. Lohr California USA** £28.70  
Dark, youthful and plum red in colour. It has complex aromas of blueberry, raspberry, violet and dried cherries with a bouquet of vanilla, caramel and toasted oak. The ripe and ample tannins and lovely Merlot fruit character are supported by good acidity. An excellent choice for hearty foods.

- 88. 2010 Palazzo Della Torre, Allegrini IGT Veneto** **£31.20**  
**Italy** 😊  
 A great single vineyard wine from the Valpolicella region, but outside the rules of the DO. Smooth full-bodied, made in an innovative ripasso style. The result is higher alcohol content. Rounder style, lower acidity and better structure than a Valpolicella Classico.
- 89. 2007 Rioja Reserva, Bodegas Izadi Spain** **£33.60**  
 A blend of Tempranillo tempered by a small amount of old vine Graciano, this is a complex wine of great personality. Intense ruby red in colour, with hints of red berries and smoky aromas on the nose. On the palate, the wine has multiple layers of flavour, fine tannins, and a long elegant finish.
- 91. 2009 Chateau Lalande De Gravet, St. Emilion Grand Cru Bordeaux** **£38.40** 😊  
 A rich intense wine, with fat and fresh berry fruit flavours, and long lasting flavour.
- 92. 2007 Chateau Du Glana, St Julien Bordeaux** **£44.00**  
 Quite silky and smooth with full bodied dark fruit flavours on the palate and an oaky opulence on the finish.
- 94. 2010 Gigondas Les Hautes de Montmirail Domaine Brusset Rhône** **£48.50**  
 Deep crimson in colour, with a rich, spicy, smoky aroma, showing hints of chocolate and blackberry. It has a rounded, powerful palate.
- 95. 2001 Pommard Les Perrieres, Domaine Jean-Michel Gaunoux Burgundy** **£52.00**  
 Vibrantly bright, with a touch of mahogany toward the rim. The nose is generous in its complexity with fine and elegant red berry fruits and hints of earthy spices. The palate is medium bodied, soft, juicy and lengthy showing piercing strawberry and cherry fruits layered over a carpet of mushrooms, strawberry leaf and forest floor complexity. The finish is firm, clean and lengthy.
- 96. 2003 Barolo DOCG Pressenda, Abbona, Piedmont** **£53.40**  
**Italy**  
 The wine of kings and the king of wines; this single vineyard premier cru Barolo is produced by Marziano Abbona who is recognised to be amongst the best wine producers in Piedmont. It has a harmonious structure with loads of soft berry fruit and a wonderfully intense nose.
- 97. 2008 Nuits-St-Georges Domaine Fernand Lecheneaut Burgundy** **£63.80** 😊  
 This outstanding wine has a deep ruby colour and evolved nose of red fruit and spice. Nuits` has a reputation for slightly aggressive tannins but this is not the case here, with wonderfully rounded ripe berry fruit and soft voluptuous tannins. Rich, long and elegant.

**98. 1999 Chateau Larrivet Haut Brion Pessac Leognan** **£67.70**  
**Bordeaux**  
Good colour, with a rich fat gently oaked nose. The wine is medium to full bodied, and is round ripe and very attractive. The finish is long persistent and vigorous.

**99. 2005 Shiraz, Jim Barry The Armagh Clare Valley** **£126.00**  
**Australia**  
Distinctive and full of personality. Packed ripe plum, cherry and spice flavours that wrap around a velvety supple structure.

# Red Wine Half Bottles

- 135. 2011 Chianti Cantine Leonardo Tuscany Italy** **£12.00**  
Lively and fresh in the mouth, with soft, rounded tannins. Good intensity, attractive structure and fine, long length.
- 136. 2011 Fleurie Domaine du Gry Sablon Dominique Morel Beaujolais** **£16.50**  
Soft and relatively full-bodied, with the rounded tannins typical of the region. It has good length and an attractive freshness on the finish.
- 137. 2008 Rioja Crianza Vina Izadi Spain** **£14.10**  
The Crianza is impressive intense youthful purple in colour, with the vanilla oak perfumes well integrated with the juicy black fruit on the palate and fine, savoury tannins.
- 138. 2009 Seghesio Old Vies Zinfandel Sonoma USA** **£27.50**  
Deep ruby in colour, this wine combines spicy, lush black fruit from Alexander Valley with cooler Dry Creek Valley fruit that offers structure and Zinfandel's classic briary and raspberry flavours. Full-bodied dark berry fruits are supported by silky oak tannins, layers of concentrated flavours and a long, spicy finish.
- 139. 2008 Amarone Della Valpolicella Classico Allegrini Veneto Italy** **£36.00**  
Intense ruby red in colour, with the characteristic Amarone perfumes of dried cherries, spicy and powerful which gives way to a wonderful fusion of concentrated fruit and fine, toasty oak that enhances a traditional style of wine. Allegrini's modern approach ensures that the volatility which often characterises lesser Amarone is never found in his. Intense and powerful through to the end, with a hint of spiced, sour cherries on the finish.

# Rosé

**72. 2010 Sancerre Rose, Domaine Pascal Gitton Loire  
France**

**£31.00**

Dry luscious and silky textured “off white” Pinot Noir. Delicious stylish wine and a great alternative to white wine with fish dishes.

# Dessert Wines

	Glass 125ml	Bottle
<p><b>151. 2011 Graves Supérieures, Jean-Christophe Barbe, Bordeaux, France</b></p> <p>Pale gold in colour, with a perfumed nose with all the aromas associated with Sweet Bordeaux Wines, including marmalade and dried apricots. On the palate, it is light and medium sweet, with more apricot flavours and a clean, refreshing finish.</p>	<p>£5.15</p>	<p>£25.45 75cl</p>
<p><b>152. 2010 Le Beryl Blanc Fairview South Africa</b></p> <p>A Traditional handcraft straw wine personifies the quintessence of gape. The grapes were carefully hand harvested into small baskets and transferred to an old barn when they were delicately laid out on beds of straw to desiccate</p>	<p>£8.20</p>	<p>£25.15 50cl</p>
<p><b>153. 2005 Monastrell Dulce, Bodega Castano, Yecla, Spain - Sweet Red</b></p> <p>A great match for our chocolate desserts, this wine is a deep, cherry-red in colour, with intense perfumes of spicy, raisined fruit on the nose. Candied peel, vanilla and cinnamon spices add a rich sheen to the voluptuous fruit palate. Ripe, chocolaty tannins and a clean acidity cut through the sweetness of the wine, preventing it from cloying. Long and spicy on the finish.</p>		<p>£27.15 50cl</p>
<p><b>154. 2010 Muscat De Beaumes De Venise Le Chant Des Griolles Paul Jaboulet Aine, Northern Rhone, France</b></p> <p>Sweet and luscious. Clear golden colour with attractive brightness. White peach, quince and exotic fruit aromas. Final note of honey and candied fruit. Ample, fresh attack with final warm rich notes of candied fruit.</p>		<p>£24.85 50cl</p>
<p><b>155. 2006 Vin Santo 'Tegrino' , Cantine Leonardo, Tuscany, Italy</b></p> <p>Deep amber in colour, with perfumes of dried fruit on the nose, together with figs, almonds and honey. Rich and velvety in the mouth, although sweet, it is well balanced with good acidity which prevents it from being cloying.</p>	<p>£8.60 50ml</p>	<p>£32.20 50cl</p>
<p><b>156. 2006 'Le Colombare' Recioto Di Soave , Leonildo Pieropan, Veneto, Italy</b></p> <p>Intense gold, almost amber coloured, reminiscent of exotic fruits and apricots on the nose, its initial impression on the palate is delicately sweet, followed by a succulent richness and a clean acidity on the finish.</p>		<p>£32.35 50cl</p>