

## A PROBLEM SHERRY'ED IS A PROBLEM HALVED

*Sherry* hails from the most south-west corner of Spain on the coast by the town of Jerez. Little known to many kiwi homes, 80% of sherry is actually made to be bone dry. Long gone are the days of Grandma's Bristol Cream. Sherry is a wonderful apéritif and is very food friendly.

Delgado Zuleta **Fino** Sherry - Jerez, Andalusia, ES

*Delgado Zuleta is the oldest, still active, producer of Sherry and have been doing so since 1744. Made in the same way as Manzanilla, Fino is aged inland, away from the salty breeze of the coast. Aged for approximately six years in the solera system of large 600 litre white American oak barrels.*

Bodegas Hidalgo 'La Gitana en Rama' **Manzanilla** Sherry -

Sanlúcar de Barrameda, Andalusia, ES

*Manzanilla sherries are very dry and clean tasting. Lightly fortified to 15% and barrel-aged for eight years where a thick coating of flor grows on top to preserve the wine from oxidation. This one is named after its popularity in a particular Spanish bar run by 'La Gitana,' the Gypsy Woman and en Rama refers to minimal filtration.*

Lustau 'Los Arcos' **Amontillado** Sherry - Jerez, Andalusia, ES

*Things start getting a bit more serious with Amontillado where the wine starts off as a fino before being fortified to around 18%. Here the flor dies off and the sherry slowly oxidizes, gaining a darker hue and richer, nutty aromas. This one has spent four years under flor and four years exposed to oxygen.*

Bodegas Hidalgo 'Wellington' VOS 20yr **Palo Cortado** Sherry -

Sanlúcar de Barrameda, Andalusia, ES

*The rarest of sherries, this Palo Cortado represents a cross between an Amontillado and a fuller Olorosso. This wine is produced from Palomino grapes from the Balbaina and Miraflores vineyards. The Hidalgo family have been making quality sherries for over 200 years. This wine bears the official V.O.S. qualification, certifying that it has been aged in American Oak for more than 20 years and is of exceptional quality.*

**\$24**

## LET'S GET FIZZICAL

***Sparkling wines** are a natural force of nature. Centuries ago the art of capturing bubble in the bottle was mastered by French monks. Today there are many ways of harnessing the organically produced carbon dioxide, each resulting in a different style of wine to suit every occasion.*

**Bird in Hand Sparkling Pinot Noir**, 2021 - Adelaide Hills, South Australia, AUS  
*Pinot Noir is harvested in the cool of the night, to retain freshness and flavour. The grapes are only left on skins for a short moment, just long enough to impart a splash of pink, leaving the wine fruity and delicate.*

**Greystone Pétillant Naturel**, 2021 - North Canterbury, NZ  
*Back to basics. Affectionately known as Pet-Nat, Pétillant Naturels are the most traditionally made sparkling wine. Full of flavour and texture from skin contact, Pet-Nats are only slightly sparkling due to the alcoholic fermentation not being completed before bottling. Made from local, organic Riesling with no additives, sulfur, fining or filtration.*

**Bernard Fouquet 'Aubuisieres' Vouvray Brut**, NV - Vouvray, Loire Valley, FR  
*Made Méthode Traditionnelle, Vouvray differs in that it is made from 100% Chenin Blanc and is delicate and fruit focused, reflecting the grapes and terroir over the wine making style.*

**Nautilus Estate Marlborough Méthode Traditionnelle Brut**, NV - Marlborough, NZ  
*Produced since 1989, Nautilus follows the Champagne méthode with precision and respect. 70% Pinot Noir and 30% Chardonnay are blended from various vintages and aged for four years on lees for richness and toasty character.*

**\$19**

## LA PRIMAVERA

*From Vivaldi's Four Seasons, La Primavera represents Spring as do these crisp, refreshing, dry **white varietals** from across Europe. These varieties show texture and versatility which reflect the transitional nature of the Spring season as we move into the warmer months.*

Pieropan **Soave Classico**, 2021 - Veneto, IT

*Historically a hugely popular wine, Soave doesn't often get the attention it deserves anymore. Made from the indigenous Garganega grape which grows on volcanic soils on the sunny Venetian hillside and blended with 15% Tebbiano di Soave.*

Quinta de Couselo 'Barbuntin' **Albariño**, 2021 - Rias Baxis, ES

*Quinta de Couselo is located in Santa Maria de Oia, a monastery built in the 12th century facing the Atlantic Sea. The vines are trained to grow along overhead pergolas avoiding contact with the ground moisture caused by high humidity and are cooled by the sea breeze. This classic style of Albariño has been fermented in tank and rested on fine lees for three months.*

Bernard Fouquet 'Cuvee de Silex' **Vouvray**, 2021 - Vouvray, Loire Valley, FR

*It has been suggested that Chenin Blanc was first discovered growing in the neighbouring province of Anjou in the 9th Century and made it to Touraine by the 15th where it has established itself in the region of Vouvray. Today many styles are made, this one has seen nine months on lees in stainless steel.*

Dr. Loosen 'Red Slate' **Riesling**, 2020 - Mosel, DE

*This Riesling has been produced with fruit that has been selectively hand-picked exclusively from estate vineyards with iron-rich Red Slate soils. These vines have been specifically farmed for producing dry wines. It is fermented with indigenous yeasts in neutral oak casks on lees for an extended period of time to allow balance in the wine as well and greater complexity.*

**\$17.5**

## A POCKET FULL OF POSIES

*Aromatic white wines are almost as much fun on the nose as they are to taste. Delicate and perfumed they can leave you dreaming of holidays and summers passed. Grown in many regions of the world they are most famously appreciated in Alsace where their four main aromatic varieties are known as noble grapes.*

Prophet's Rock **Pinot Gris**, 2021 - Bendigo, Central Otago, NZ

*Heavily influenced by winemaker Paul's time in Alsace this is an example of new world grapes meeting old world wine-making to show off texture and complexity as well as bright fruit characters.*

Kerpen 'Wehlener Sonnenuhr' **Riesling** Kabinett, 2019 - Mosel, DE

*Sonnenuhr, meaning sun dial is named after the steep slopes of the Mosel as they often directed to the South, ideal for the setting of sundials. A classic example of a German Kabinett, the wine is of low alcohol with bright fruit characteristics and sweetness complemented by high acidity.*

Pegasus Bay **Muscat**, 2018 - North Canterbury, NZ

*Production of this traditional French variety, Muscat Petit Grains, is small at Pegasus Bay as there are only a few rows in the vineyard. Delicately handled to preserve soft aromatics, the grapes are gently pressed and only the free-run juice is used. The wine is then fermented in tank to retain varietal purity and left to develop for four months until the ideal balance is achieved.*

Domaines Schlumberger 'Les Princes Abbés' **Gewürztraminer**, 2018 - Alsace, FR

*Incredibly delicate and exquisitely perfumed, this is a true Alsatian Gewürztraminer. Very little is done with the wine, reserving the pure aromas of the fruit. It spends a little bit of time on lees in stainless steel to add a wee bit of texture, complimenting the floral and fruit notes on the palate.*

## CHENIN YOU CRAZY DIAMOND

**Chenin Blanc**, also known as Vouvray is a versatile varietal. We see it in many forms; Sparkling, Dry, Off-Dry and Sweet. We see Chenin grown in the Loire Valley in France, a handful of producers here in New Zealand, and throughout South Africa, where over half of the Chenin Blanc vineyards in the world are planted.

Fromm **Chenin Blanc**, 2020 - Marlborough, NZ

*The fruit for Fromm's Chenin Blanc comes from the certified organic Wrekin Vineyard in the Brancott Valley. It has been handpicked, crushed and pressed before fermentation to bone-dry and then matured on fine lees for 12 months in a mix of stainless steel and old french oak before bottling.*

Mullineux 'Kloof Street' **Chenin Blanc**, 2020 - Swartland, SA

*Grapes for this Chenin Blanc come from vineyard parcels in different parts of Swartland. A minimalist but sustainable approach is followed in both the vineyard and the winery. A portion of the wine is fermented in stainless steel and the rest in barrels. apart from minimal amounts of Sulphur, nothing is added or removed from Mullineux's wines.*

Testalonga 'Baby Bandito Stay Brave' **Chenin Blanc**, 2021 - Swartland, SA

*Grown on bush vines that were originally planted in 1981, but were discovered abandoned and subsequently revived in 2014 by Craig & Carla Hawkins of Testalonga. The fruit was hand harvested and destemmed before undergoing fermentation on skins for 8 days. It has been matured in old oak for 4 months before blending and further aging in a large format fibreglass tank.*

Dacey **Chenin Blanc**, 2022 - Bannockburn, Central Otago NZ

*This fruit comes from Dacey's Inlet Vineyard in Bannockburn. 2022 vintage was about as close to perfect as possible with a lack of frost and wind, a warm and wet to start the season, a prolonged hot and dry mid season with a cool ripening period. Grapes were harvested early and foot stomped, left overnight and then whole bunch pressed, fermented with indigenous yeast. Fermentation was stopped early with residual sugar still present to give a sweeter version of the varietal.*

**\$17**

## NOT TOO CHABLIS

*Chablis is a wonderful region at the top of burgundy that produces very clean, dry styles of Chardonnay. Commonly unoaked and lighter in style, the region is so famous that that it is often referred to when describing wines from other countries who are inspired by the winemaking style.*

Pfaffl 'Haid' **Grüner Veltliner**, 2020 - Weinviertel, AU

*Indigenous to Austria and traced back to roman times, Grüner Veltliner was only officially given its name in the 1930's. This delicate white grape is best fermented in steel to keep it's true characters and has at times been mistakingly guessed as from burgundy.*

Seguinot **Chablis**, 2021 - Chablis, Burgundy, FR

*Produced by a family whose roots date back to the area since 1590, the wines today are made by a father, daughter trio. Together they make wines under four different appellations, this being their staple Chablis. Grown on the Kimmeridgian clay that Chablis is so famous for and classically unoaked.*

Kumeu River 'Estate' **Chardonnay**, 2021 - Kumeu, Auckland, NZ

*Yields of the fruit used for this 2021 Chardonnay was significantly lower, however the quality of fruit was excellent. It has been hand harvested and whole-bunch pressed before Indigenous yeast fermentation in barrels and allowed to fully complete malo-lactic fermentation. It then spends a further 11 months in barrel for maturation.*

Joseph Drouhin 'Drouhin-Vaudon' Vaillons **Chablis 1er Cru**, 2020 - Chablis, Burgundy, FR

*Joseph Drouhin was one of the first producers to set up in the region of Chablis since its abandonment in the 1800's. He has spent the last 40+ years learning the land and producing exceptional Chablis that undeniably speaks of the region it comes from.*

**\$24**

## WALK THE PLANK

**Oak!** *There are many different ways to use oak in wine and every barrel is unique. The two most commonly used are French and American. French oak imparts flavours of smoke and nuttiness whereas American oak offers flavours of vanilla coconut and dill.*

The Marlborist **Chardonnay**, 2020 - Marlborough, NZ

*A passion project of three Marlborough enthusiasts, Winemaker Rich Ellis, Viticulturalist Stu Dudley and Brand Manager Dave Nash. Chardonnay grapes are hand harvested from Rapaura and Brancott Valley vineyards, they are then blended, wild fermented and aged in old oak for 11 months. The result is a structured, complex Chardonnay which opens a window to showcase Marlborough in a glass.*

Mahi 'Twin Valleys' **Chardonnay**, 2018 - Marlborough, NZ

*This wine comes from a small parcel in the Twin Valley Vineyard, located in the Fareham Lane area of Marlborough. The grapes are whole-cluster pressed straight to French barriques and fermented for fifteen months using indigenous yeast.*

Riverby Reserve **Chardonnay**, 2020 - Marlborough, NZ

*Riverby Estate located on Marlborough's Jacksons Road is currently managed by descendants of the Matthews family who began farming the land over 100 years ago. The vines used to produce this wine were planted in 1989, making it one of the oldest blocks of Chardonnay in Marlborough. It is fermented then aged in Oak, 40% new for eleven months to produce a textural and complex wine.*

La Crema 'Sonoma Coast' **Chardonnay**, 2020 - California, USA

*La Crema meaning best of the vine, have been family owned and operated since 1979. Grown along the warm Sonoma coast which is relieved by cooling breezes coming across the ocean, the Chardonnay grows to full ripeness and shows stone and tropical fruit notes. The wine then spends seven months in French and American oak.*

**\$19.5**

## TE ARAROA - THE LONG PATHWAY

*An epic trail of quintessential **New Zealand wines** spanning the length of our two main islands. Undeniably Kiwi, these wines are classic examples of how excellent grape growing and winemaking can be accomplished while extending kaitiakitanga (guardianship of the land) to the beautiful vineyards of Aotearoa.*

Greywacke **Sauvignon Blanc**, 2021 - Marlborough, NZ

*Classic Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc from top-tier producer, Kevin Judd. A portion of the grapes are fermented in stainless steel to retain bright acid and youthful fruit while the other is left to spontaneously ferment in barrel, softening the wine before blending.*

Te Mata 'Elston' **Chardonnay**, 2021 - Hawke's Bay, NZ

*Established in 1896, Te Mata estate remains family owned to this day and has been producing the Elston Chardonnay since 1984. The wine is placed into seasoned and new French oak barrels where it rests on lees for ten months.*

Quartz Reef **Pinot Noir**, 2020 - Bendigo, Central Otago, NZ

*One of only six fully certified biodynamic vineyards in NZ, Quartz Reef let their wines truly reflect the land they come from. Such care is put into the growth of the grapes that very little work is required in the winery. The wine is rested in oak, some old, less new and left to gently age over 15 months before being bottled without fining or filtration.*

Boneline 'Iridium' **Cabernet Franc, Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon**, 2018

North Canterbury, NZ

*Grown in a natural amphitheatre that was created over hundreds of years by river terraces where the fruit bakes in the sun ripening to fullness. Made with minimal intervention the wine undergoes a slow, warm maceration period post-ferment releasing the last bit of colour, flavour and texture of the vintage.*

**\$19**

## HOW MANY DUDES YOU KNOW GROW LIKE THIS?

*A selection of **North Canterbury wines** that celebrate our exceptional local wine region. These wines not only express the story of the land but also that of the people who crafted it*

Pegasus Bay 'Bel Canto' **Riesling**, 2020 - North Canterbury, NZ

*With long lingering Autumns, North Canterbury is an ideal playground for Riesling. The Bel Canto is part of Pegasus Bay's Reserve Series and only made in exceptional years. Warm days and cool nights help to produce low yields of the optimally ripened, high quality fruit that express the qualities of our local Terroir.*

Greystone **Chardonnay**, 2020 - North Canterbury, NZ

*Greystone's vineyards are managed organically and regeneratively, to best look after the farm they call home. The aim is for their wines capture the heart and soul of North Canterbury in every glass. This Chardonnay is a blend of two main vineyard blocks. One block is limestone dominant, while the other is clay. Grapes from each block were fermented separately in French oak barriques then barrel aged for 10 months in oak before bottling without fining.*

Pyramid Valley **Pinot Noir**, 2019 - North Canterbury, NZ

*Produced with grapes sourced from four different vineyards across the Waipara region, all worked biodynamically. 30% whole bunch gives a deep, spicy profile, while each parcel of fruit contributes a signature quality to the blend balancing the other out.*

Terrace Edge **Syrah**, 2019 - North Canterbury, NZ

*The Chapman family's vineyard that overlooks and descends sharply towards the Waipara River creates an exceptional place for growing grapes. Organically farmed, hand tended vines and traditional winemaking result in flavoursome and complex wines that allow you to taste the landscape in which they originate. This Syrah is grown on a 45 degree North facing slope, the roots of the vines are forced to sink deep into the Glasnevin Gravels of the Waipara River Terraces.*

**\$22**

## WHERE THE WILD THINGS ARE

*An intriguing selection of wines that are made with **minimal intervention**. Wild fermented, unfined, unfiltered and with very little or no sulphur. These wines show unique character and a real sense of place. They reflect their true nature, are ever-evolving and tell their own story.*

Muddy Water **Skin Ferment**, 2021 - North Canterbury, NZ

*The Muddy Water Skin Ferment is dedicated to those who inspire the winemakers to tell the entire story of the grape. This 50:50 blend of Gewurtztraminer and Riesling is hand picked and whole bunch fermented on skins for between 12 and 28 days. Wild fermentation proceeds before the wine is rested in old oak for 5 months prior to bottling.*

Das Juice '**Maceration**,' 2021 - McLaren Vale, South Australia, AUS

*"Nothing added, nothing taken away." Das Juice is a project started by mates Tom and James, whom have worked in many areas of the wine industry. Arneis, Muscat, Sauvignon Blanc and Chardonnay are wild fermented individually on skins for 2-3 weeks before being pressed into tank and left to slowly ferment together.*

The Hermit Ram **Field Blend** Skin Fermented, 2019 - North Canterbury, NZ

*A curious and unique blend brings together Riesling, Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Cabernet Sauvignon and Gewurtztraminer. Theo proudly works with a scattering of local, organic growers to show the distinctive terrior of North Canterbury limestone soils. After fermenting on skins the wine is pressed off into amphorae, one of the oldest and most traditional winemaking vessels.*

Known Unknown 'Maraekakaho' **Gamay**, 2021 - Hawke's Bay, NZ

*Sourced from a single vineyard in Maraekakaho, half of the wine goes through partial carbonic maceration while the other half is whole-bunch fermented. The wines are then blended to illustrate two very different hands-off winemaking styles. Jules works with as little machinery as possible, trusting the fruit to guide the winemaking process.*

**\$19**

## WITCHCRAFT AND WIZARDRY

*A fascinating selection of **Biodynamic wines** showing four different varietals from four different producers who follow planting schedules based on astrological configurations and the moon cycle.*

Quartz Reef **Méthode Traditionnelle Rosé**, NV - Bendigo, Central Otago, NZ

*A biodynamic beauty produced from Pinot Noir vines that were first planted in 1998. A true Méthode Traditionnelle the wine goes through two fermentations, the first in tank and the second in bottle. The wine is then rested on lees for a minimum of 18 months for a toasty, biscuity richness.*

Felton Road **Chardonnay**, 2021 - Bannockburn, Central Otago, NZ

*An extreme amount of care and consideration goes into the production of Felton Road Chardonnay. From hand-picking the grapes to the hands-off philosophies in the winery. The wine is fermented with wild yeasts in its own time and goes through natural malo, resulting in a purely organic wine that sings of the region it comes from.*

Burn Cottage **Pinot Noir**, 2019 - Cromwell, Central Otago, NZ

*Burn Cottage were the first Biodynamic Vineyard of Central Otago when they started in 2002. So much attention goes into the land that the wine making its self tells its own tale with as little human intervention as possible. The vineyard is also home to many native New Zealand plants, Highland cattle, beehives and olive trees as part of an enclosed farm system.*

Rippon 'Rippon' Mature Vine **Pinot Noir**, 2019 - Wanaka, Central Otago, NZ

*Rippon's mature vine Pinot Noir is an expression of their older vines grown deep into schist beside the stunning lake Wanaka. Rippon have always followed organic practices and have been biodynamic since the early 2000's. Showing great appreciation for the land, they allow the wine to show the true terrior of their place.*

## ROSÉS AREN'T RED

*Rosé is made from red grape varieties using one of three methods. The most common is the skin contact method where the grapes are removed from their skins after a very short time frame, usually between 12-24 hours, just long enough to impart a small amount of colour, phenolics and tannin.*

Ricossa 'Sei Anime' **Rosé**, 2019 - Piedmont, IT

*This Rose from is produced from 100% Brachetto, an Italian varietal of red wine grape grown predominantly in Piedmont. Brachetto tend to produce light-bodied, highly aromatic wines with distinctive notes of strawberries. These vines are over thirty years old in the ancient production area of Sessame. Whole bunches are pressed for fermentation and matured in stainless steel tanks for seven months before bottling.*

Enzo Bartoli **Rosato**, 2020 - Piedmont, IT

*The Enzo Bartoli wine label produce a series of wines that represent the essence of Piedmont and this Rosé is no exception. The grapes for this particular wine grow in predominantly clay soils which produce wines that are light and fresh with a complex bouquet. The juice is allowed to rest on skins for a short period of time prior to fermentation in stainless steel tanks.*

Carrick Pinot Noir **Rosé**, 2022 - Bannockburn, Central Otago, NZ

*This Rosé is made from estate grown, single vineyard, organic Pinot Noir grapes that are hand harvested from the lower terrace of Carrick's Towan Vineyard. They are crushed to extract colour, then pressed. Following settling, the juice is racked to old oak barriques for fermentation and maturation. The wine is then blended with a portion of saignée from the Pinot ferments, and is the first to be bottled to capture its freshness.*

The Boneline 'Pink Noise' **Rosé**, 2021 - North Canterbury, NZ

*The Boneline pride themselves in practicing progressive wine making techniques partnered with history and experience. Their lime-rich soils and specific climate allows these experienced producers to take influence from the restrained French styles as well as the more brightly fruited styles of New Zealand to showcase their unique Terroir. This Rosé is made from mostly Pinot Noir and Merlot from vines first established in 1989. Fresh fruit characteristics combine beautifully with savoury textures and weight from barrel fermentation to give a delicious summer Rosé.*

**\$17**

## TERROIR - TŪRANGAWAEWAE

*The French term Terroir, which in wine broadly represents the concept that a great wine 'tastes like where it came from,' has been embraced by many New Zealand winemakers as an anologism for Turangawaewae - 'representing their place'. The unique set of conditions that make the wine unique to the specific place it was grown and made. This selection focuses on **Pinot Noir** from different regions around Aotearoa and how the soils under which these vines grow impact the grapes used to produce these wines.*

### **Maude Pinot Noir, 2021 - Wanaka, Central Otago NZ**

*Much of the Central Otago wine region, including Maude's Vineyards, is comprised of schist based soils. These soils have been produced at high pressures in the earth's crust, they are comprised of flaky layers of rocks and minerals. With its high content of Silica, Quartz and Mica, schist based soils produce luminous, layered and complex wines that show lift, precision and finesse.*

### **Forager Pinot Noir, 2020 - Waiau, North Canterbury, NZ**

*Isolated Hill in North Canterbury is the site that winemaker Dom Maxwell uses to not only produce the grapes that result in Forager Pinot Noir, but also the vineyard where this wine is fermented. This 0.7ha vineyard is planted over the limestone hills of Waiau. These soils allow natural drawing of water for the roots of the vine and aids in allowing the uptake of natural nutrients and minerals into the grapevine.*

### **Nautilus 'Southern Valleys' Pinot Noir, 2017 - Marlborough, NZ**

*The fruit for the Nautilus 'Southern Valleys' Pinot Noir is sourced from three Nautilus owned vineyards in the Marlborough region that are grown over a combination of clay and stony alluvium soils. The grapes grown on clay provide body, texture and structure, where as the grapes grown on the stony alluvial soils provide fruit lift and fragrance.*

### **Escarpment Pinot Noir, 2018 - Martinborough, NZ**

*Escarpement vineyards are planted on alluvial loam soils which have been formed over very deep gravels. This soil composition allows exceptional drainage which is one prerequisite for producing premium quality grapes. The aim for this Pinot Noir is to highlight the Martinborough terroir well as the winemaking philosophy of translating the natural balance that is seen in Martinborough.*

**\$22.5**

## RED-ITERRANEAN

*A little trip along the Mediterranean coast showcasing four interesting and **easy-drinking reds**. All of these regions have a different terrior, but one thing in common while they are in a hotter part of the world, they all benefit from being close to the ocean where the breezes in summer keep the vineyards cool.*

Menhir Salento 'Quota 29' **Primitivo**, 2019 - Puglia, IT

*Known in California as Zinfandel, Primitivo produces a rich, fruity, and full-bodied wine. Grown right in the heel of the boot, Puglia is very hot in summer but cooled by the ocean surrounding it on three sides. Here, the fruit bakes in the sun reaching full ripeness and often does not need much work in the winery at all.*

Château Grand Moulin 'Vieilles Vignes' **Corbieres**, 2017 -  
Languedoc-Roussillon, FR

*Grown near the beautiful, warm coast deep in the south of France, a blend of Carignan, Syrah, Grenache, and Mourvèdre are harvested from old vines of Château Grand Moulin's high terrace of the Orbieu. Grapes are hand harvested, sorted and destemmed prior to fermentation and aged in traditional, large wooden vats for 12 months before bottling.*

Honoro Vera **Monastrell**, 2019 - Calatayud, ES

*Grown on incredibly poor, chalky and stony soils. Each vine's roots must grow extremely deep to find moisture and nutrients. This makes for very concentrated, full-flavoured grapes that show incredible resilience to the conditions of the earth and the weather, which can have a dramatic 25-degree difference from day to night-time.*

Chateau Marsyas B-Qa de Marsyas **Red**, 2017 - Bekaa Valley, LB

*Cabernet Sauvignon, Syrah and Mourvèdre are grown on deep, iron-rich, red soils scattered with limestone deposits. This unique terrior often produces fruit with more savoury characters and ripe tannins, which are softened by eight months of barrel aging.*

**\$15.5**

## BETTER THAN DRINKING A RHONE

***Grenache, Syrah and Mourvèdre** grapes originate from the Rhone Valley where they are famously blended with up to 16 other native varieties in Chateauneuf-du-Pape. Here they are shown individually from new world countries alongside the quintessential blend.*

Yalumba 'Barossa Bush Vine **Grenache**', 2019 - Barossa Valley, South Australia, AUS

*Rich in history, the Barossa Valley has never been affected by Phyloxera and so now have some very gnarly, very old, bush vines. The fruit was sourced from various growers in the area with vines dating back as far as 1929 and matured for seven months in older French and Hungarian hogsheads.*

Honoro Vera **Monastrell**, 2019 - Calatayud, ES

*Planted on very poor rock and clay soils. The heat here is strong and the earth is so dry that the vines have to grow very deep into the land to reach water and nutrients. This results in a very small volume of deeply concentrated grapes that have very intense flavour.*

Elephant Hill **Syrah**, 2019 - Hawke's Bay, NZ

*Something few producers in New Zealand can do well, Syrah is the key varietal at Elephant Hill. Sourced from Gimblett Gravels, Bridge Pa and Te Awanga the grapes see many sunshine hours before maturing in French oak barriques, a quarter of which are new.*

Domaine du Vieux Lazaret **Châteauneuf-du-Pape**, 2020 - Rhône, FR

*Produced by the Quiot family this wine is made in the heart of Châteauneuf-du-Pape and is made up of 60% Grenache, 23% Syrah, 10% Mourvèdre, and 7% Cinsault. The grapes were completely de-stemmed and fermented for two weeks before being put into cement vats and foudres for 18 months of aging.*

**\$18**

## CAMINO DE SANTIAGO

*Camino de Santiago, known in English as the Way of St. James is a famous pilgrimage that encompasses several routes across Europe ending in Spain. These **premium red wines** echo not only the land from which they are produced, but the history, culture, and tradition of their own unique terrior telling stories much older than us.*

Marchand-Tawse **Bourgogne Côtes d'Or Pinot Noir**, 2019 - Burgundy, FR  
*Marchand-Tawse aim to maintain tradition while embracing innovation. To express terrior whilst fostering change. One of the ways they do this is by embracing organic and biodynamic farming practices. This Burgundy is grown on clay and stony limestone soils, spends 12 months in old French Oak and bottled*

Château Le Vieux Fort **Cru Bourgeois**, 2018 - Bordeaux, FR

*Located at the tip of the Médoc in the district of Valeyrac, where the Gironde estuary meets the Atlantic Ocean. The winery was established in 1925 by the Bergey family and is run today by the fourth generation. A classic Bordeaux blend made up of 55% Merlot, 40% Cabernet Sauvignon, 5% Petit Verdot and Cabernet Franc.*

Muga Rioja **Reserva**, 2017 - Rioja Alta, La Rioja, ES

*Founded in 1932 and still under family ownership, Muga farm 250 hectares in La Rioja Alta alone and have contracts with growers all over the Rioja DOC. Traditional in style, the wine comprises of all four varieties permitted for Rioja: Tempranillo, Garnacha tinta, Graciano and Mazuelo. The wine is aged for 22 months in oak casks before bottling, where it spends a further nine months.*

Azelia **Barolo**, 2018 - Piedmonte, IT

*Founded in 1920, current vintner Luigi, supported by his wife Lorella and his son Lorenzo follow 5 generations of winemaking tradition. This wine is produced from old Nebbiolo vines which yield very little fruit of impeccable quality. The grape skins are completely submerged for a long slow 60 day fermentation which allows for gentle extraction. The wine is then aged for 24 months in older oak barrels.*

**\$26**

## THE BORDEAUX-ZER

*The first thing classically put in the cellar are the wines based on the blend of Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Cabernet Franc and Malbec. Often called a **Bordeaux blend**, after the famous French region. The higher levels of tannin and acid allow these wines to age beautifully.*

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Paritua 'Red' **Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc**, 2018

Hawke's Bay, NZ

*This classic Bordeaux blend is grown about as far away from the region as you can possibly get. Traditional in style the wines are fermented and aged in French oak, 40% new for up to eighteen months before final blending resulting in 58% Merlot, 26% Cabernet Sauvignon, and 16% Cabernet Franc.*

Decibel 'Testify' **Malbec**, 2018 - Hawke's Bay, NZ

*A little bit special, the Testify wines are only made in the very best of vintages. Some of the Malbec is co-fermented with a little bit of Merlot and the wine is aged in oak, 20% new, for two years before blending and resting in tank for a further four months.*

Vasse Felix **Cabernet Sauvignon**, 2019 - Margaret River, AU

*A blend of 90% Cabernet Sauvignon, 8% Petit Verdot, 2% Malbec offering the classic aromas that Western Australia is known for. Matured in oak for eighteen months, 46% new, and resting a further two months in tank before bottling.*

**\$19**

## SWEET DREAMS ARE MADE OF THESE

*Late-harvest wines* have been produced for many years from grapes left to dehydrate on the vine, concentrating the sugars and flavours in each berry. In humid conditions these are often affected by *Botrytis Cinerea*, also known as noble rot, a Latin term meaning 'grapes like ashes' which refers to the grey development of mould on a bunch of grapes, producing sweetness and flavours of honeysuckle.

Baumard 'Carte d'Or' **Côteaux du Layon**, 2021 - Loire Valley, FR

*Produced in the cool valley of the Loire, along the river where Chenin Blanc grows in cool morning dew and warm, afternoon sun. The lower temperatures, especially at night, allow the grapes to retain their acidity resulting in a very delicate wine with gentle sweetness.*

Riverby Estate 'Noble **Riesling**', 2019 - Marlborough, NZ

*Riverby leave a few rows of Riesling to soak in the sunshine until the very end of summer. At this point noble rot starts to take over, grapes shrivel, water evaporates and the juice becomes a deeply concentrated liquid gold. The grapes retain high levels of acid, perfectly balancing the decadence of the wine.*

Chateau Villefranche **Sauternes**, 2019 - Sauternes, Bordeaux, FR

*Recognised as one of the oldest wine estates in the Sauternes region, Château Villefranche have been producing wine since the late 1700's. A classic Sauternes blend of Sémillon and Sauvignon Blanc for acidity with a touch of muscadelle adding perfume.*

Pegasus Bay 'Finalé' **Noble Semillon, Sauvignon Blanc**, 2019 - North Canterbury, NZ

*Delicately hand picked, only the most perfectly raisined grapes are selected. The juice is then delicately pressed and put into French barriques where it naturally ferments and matures over two years. Even then, only the six best barriques are chosen to be blended.*

**\$23**

*served as 4 x 30mls*

## PORT THE LOTION IN THE BASKET

*Hugely popular since the 1700's **Port** gained its name from the seaport city of Porto at the mouth of the Douro River, where much of the product was brought to market or for export to other countries in Europe. It is made in many different styles and in the very best years can be made as a single vintage.*

Galway Pipe 12yr **Grand Tawny**, NV - South Australia, AUS

*Galway Pipe was named after the governor of South Australia from 1914-1920, Sir Henry Galway. He would visit the winery and select the finest 'pipes' (500l barrels) of Grand Tawny. Made in the style of the Tawny ports of Portugal it is aged in barrel to gradually expose the wine to oxygen, resulting in a nutty flavour.*

Graham's Six Grapes **Port**, NV - Douro Valley, PT

*The six-grapes symbol is Graham's age-old mark of quality, used to identify the very finest wines from the best vineyards. This oak aged port is a multi-vintage blend of equal parts Touriga Franca, Touriga Nacional and Tinta Roriz that has been selected from the same parcels of fruit used to make vintage port.*

Taylors 10yr **Tawny Port**, NV - Douro Valley, PT

*One of the oldest of the founding Port houses, Taylors was established in 1692. The port is aged in large old oak casks before being blended with some of the vast amounts of reserve wine that mature in the cellars to maintain a consistent house style.*

Fonseca 'Quinta do Panascal' **Vintage Port**, 2001 - Douro Valley, PT

*The decision to bottle a Quinta do Panascal vintage is taken when the fruit from this single vineyard is judged to be of exceptional quality. Like a Fonseca vintage port, which is a blend of all the top vineyards, the wine spends two years ageing in wooden casks before being bottled and then a further 10 years minimum in the bottle.*

**\$25**

*served as 4 x 30mls*