



DIRECT WINE SHIPMENTS



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PIEDMONT

WHITE

12-545 **Marco Porello Arneis 2023, Piedmont, Italy** **£15.99**

Grapes: Arneis.

Arneis, ('little rascal' in Piedmontese), is found primarily in Piedmont, in particular the denominations of Roero & Langhe. Porello is a wonderful family owned estate. A dry white wine. The aromas are floral and fruity. The palate is fresh, with flavours of white and citrus fruits and almonds on the finish. "88/100. Yellow spring flower & white stone fruit aromas form the nose. The round, medium-bodied palate recalls ripe yellow pear, apricot & a hint of almond." (Wine Enthusiast) Alc13%

RED

12-210 **Marco Porello Mommiano Barbera 2023, Piedmont, Italy** **£15.99**

Grapes: Barbera

A single vineyard Barbera with pronounced, aromatic, red and black cherry fruit, supported by some dusty mineral and a touch of herb. Vibrant, juicy, fine tannins, lovely clarity and brightness. From a wonderful small production family estate. Alc 14.50%

12-181 **Paitin Rivoli Dolcetto d'Alba 2022, Piedmont, Italy** **£16.99**

Grapes: Dolcetto

Dolcetto d'Alba opens with gorgeous, sweet aromatics. Tar, smoke, and blueberries emerge from the glass in a Dolcetto with surprising structure and power. There is no shortage of character and personality here. This is a terrific showing from the Pasquero family.

Food match: Perfect with white meat, Risotto, vegan and vegetarian pasta dishes."

"92/100 a beautiful nervy wine that marries pliant varietal fruit with a great deal of structure. Bright red cherry fruit, bloody orange, mint & white pepper lend brilliance to this vibrant, super expressive Dolcetto, terrific & also distinctive." (Antonio Galloni, Vinous) Alc 14.50%

12-093-22 **Ascheri Langhe Nebbiolo San Giacomo 2022, Piedmont, Italy** **£20.99**

Grapes: Nebbiolo

"88/100. Fruity and open, this charming red offers cherry, raspberry and earth flavors, with ample structure in the background. Juicy finish." (Bruce Sanderson, Wine Spectator) "88/100...freshness and bright primary intensity." (Monica Larner, Parker's Wine Advocate) Alc 14.50%

12-105-21 **Ascheri Verduno Pelaverga 2021, Piedmont, Italy** **£21.99**

Grapes: Pelaverga

"90/100. one of the most offbeat and underappreciated grapes in northern Italy...a personal favorite of mine. Pelaverga makes lightweight reds that are always characterized by a lifted note of crushed white pepper. In this case, that distinctive peppery note is fleshed out by pomegranate and sweet cassis." (Monica Larner, Parker's Wine Advocate, 23rd Jun 2022) Alc 14%



12-235-20 **Ascheri Barolo DOCG 2020, Piedmont, Italy**

£36.99

Grapes: Nebbiolo

"A Barolo produced in the traditional way with a blend of different vineyards. Rich and intense garnet red colour. A complex bouquet of sweet spices, dried flowers, leather and undergrowth. Harmonious, well structured with elegant tannins and great balance and complexity An equally elegant and powerful wine." Serve at: 14°/16°C Try it with: roasted, skewered and grilled red meat and hard cheese.

12-088-19 **Ascheri Barolo Pisapola 2019, Piedmont, Italy**

£54.99

Grapes: Nebbiolo

Produced only in the best vintages. Intense garnet red colour with an ethereal and elegant bouquet. Ripe fruit, violet and sweet spices notes give a round, harmonious, velvety wine with an excellent persistence an austere, but harmonious and pleasant wine. A forward and stylish Barolo. Excellent with roasted or grilled red meats and game. Alc 14.50%

12-085-19 **Ascheri Barolo DOGG Sorano 2019, Piedmont, Italy**

£64.99

Grapes: Nebbiolo

"Produced only in the best vintages Garnet red colour. An ethereal bouquet of intense tar with a scent of dry flowers, underwood, leather, truffles and sweet spices. A rich palate with balance and mature tannins contributing to its harmony, distinction and intensity. A remarkably classy wine, with exceptional richness and tipicity." Try it with: grilled red meats and game. Serve at: 14°/16°C. Alc 14%

12-356-17 **Pio Cesare Barolo 2017, Piedmont, Italy**

£72.99

Grapes: Nebbiolo

"94+/100. This is the wine to buy in commemoration of the 140th anniversary (1881-2021) of the historic house of Pio Cesare. The most traditional and classic of the wines in this important portfolio...imparts delicate and fine tones of wild fruit, cassis, tar, smoke and crushed rose. The wine is buttoned up and straitlaced, especially now in its youth." (Monica Lerner, Parker's Wine Advocate, 17th June 2021) Alc 14.50%



12-193-21 **Paitin Serraboella Barbaresco 2021, Piedmont, Italy**

£49.99

Grapes: Nebbiolo

Serraboella is the most famous cru in the Southern Neive. A long hill exposed to West that gently bends towards South getting steeper. On this very side: the steepest and the warmest, our Barbaresco has a unique expression. Power, volume are laced by a elegant texture.

"94/100....shows all the muscle and power of this site in it`s dark honed fruit & incisive tannins...virile, powerful Barbaresco...shaping up to be a jewel of a wine...gorgeous young Barbaresco that marries power & finesse in grand style...fabulous showing for a wine that was bottled a day before my visit. 2026-2041." (Antonio Galloni, Vinous, Oct 2023)

12-185-20 **Paitin Barbaresco Basarin 2020, Piedmont, Italy**

£55.99

Grapes: Nebbiolo

"94/100. Bright cherry and raspberry fruit announces this succulent Barbaresco, whose fleshy texture and lively acidity provide an ideal setting for the fruit. Black tea, mint and iron accents emerge on the endless finish. 252 cases made." (Bruce Sanderson, Wine Spectator) "93/100. Fine-grained and textured with depth and length. Beautiful fruit too, and a silky finish. Very attractive." (James Suckling)

12-350-17 **Pio Cesare Barbaresco 2017, Piedmont, Italy**

£72.99

Grapes: Nebbiolo

"92/100...subtle & fine in personality...plenty of Nebbiolo elegance & complexity. Past vintages.. have shown enormous consistency when it come to their inner finesse, & this hot, more challenging vintage is no different. That's quite an accomplishment..Tart cherry & cassis segue to spice, campfire ash, tobacco & dried lavender flower. Perhaps the tannic power of the wine is more robust but not by too much." (Parker`s Wine Advocate, 17th June 2021) Alc 14.50%



VENETO

WHITE

- 12-515 **Vivolo di Sasso Pinot Grigio 2022, Veneto, Italy** **£9.99**
Grapes: Pinot Grigio
Soft, fresh, & subtle. Honeyed, floral aromas, are joined on the palate with apple & lemon flavours. Well priced. Alc 12%
- 12-766 **Pasqua Chapter Pinot Grigio 2022, Veneto, Italy** **£10.99**
Grapes: Pinot Grigio
"BEST BUY this accessible Italian Pinot Grigio would pair with Thai spring rolls or chicken salad...with bright notes of citrus and melon on the close." (Wine Enthusiast) Vegan Friendly. Alc 12%
- 12-785 **Romeo & Juliet Passione e Sentimento Pinot Grigio 2022, Veneto, Italy** **£11.99**
Grapes: Pinot Grigio
Named after Romeo & Juliet. Fresh, medium bodied, well balanced. Alc 12%
- 12-763 **Cecilia Beretta Luna Pinot Grigio 2022, Veneto, Italy** **£11.99**
Grapes: Pinot Grigio
The Cecilia Beretta family estate has been a centre for advanced agricultural studies since 1998. Shows floral and almond notes, with ripe citrus fruit and a subtle minerality. Alc 12%
- 12-790 **Pasqua Capitolo Soave 2023, Veneto, Italy** **£10.99**
Grapes: Garganega, Trebbiano di Soave
Notes of yellow-fleshed fruits such as Golden Delicious apples, white peaches with delicate hints of white flowers. Fresh, tangy and well-balanced. Serve with antipasti, risotto and seafood dishes. Alc 12%
- 12-768 **Cecilia Beretta Brognoligo Soave 2022, Veneto, Italy** **£14.99**
Grapes: Garganega
"Brognoligo: a small sub-area within the Soave Classico region. Made from the top quality grape Garganega, partially dried on the vines. Partly barrel fermented." This Soave pairs well with light antipasti, delicate dishes such as tagliolini with shrimp or seafood risotto as well as fish entrées such as seabass and crab. Vegan Friendly
"88/100. Strong notes of vanilla, nutmeg & cinnamon dominate the ripe yellow fruit aromas on the nose. Enters big & round..finishing long." (Vinous) 13.50%



12-777 **Romeo & Juliet Passione e Sentimento Bianco 2022, Veneto, Italy** **£14.99**

Grapes: Garganega

A seductive white wine, with intense aromas of citrus and hints of apricot and peach, the palate is well balanced with a rich lingering finish. The grapes selected and harvested in advance, are left to dry for a short period in boxes, losing weight and concentrating flavours and sugars. There is then maceration on the skins for 12 hours to increase the complexity and structure. The wine is made in stainless steel tanks. After fermentation, a part of the wine is aged in oak barrels. The wine is then blended and bottled. Vegan Friendly

"91/100. Grown in the Valpolicella zone, Garganega grapes are partly dried, losing 20% to 30% of their weight before fermentation. The result is very unique, full of dried apricot and honey. This unusual process for dry whites adds a creamy, rich mouthfeel balanced by the bright acidity." (Christelle Guibert, Decanter) Alc 13%

12-570 **Tommasi Le Fornaci Lugana 2022, Veneto, Italy** **£16.99**

Grapes: Turbiana

Intense and bright yellow on the nose it is fruity and fragrant, with notes of tropical fruit and grapefruit. The taste is dry and harmonious and it has an elegant freshness. It is intense, persistent and mineral with the typical hint of almond finish. Ideal as an aperitif, with appetizers and finger food, it enhances preparations based on lake and sea fish. Excellent with savory first courses, risotto, delicate meats and with fresh cheeses. Alc 12.50%



ROSÉ

12-710 **Cecilia Beretta Freeda Organic Rosé 2022, Veneto, Italy** **£15.99**

Grapes: Corvina, Sauvignon, Carmenere

Corvina meets the aromatic freshness of Sauvignon and the spicy round character of Carmenere. Freeda is a perfect combination of fruity and spicy aromas with a strong minerality and freshness. The finish is long and harmonious."Excellent with lobster risotto, oysters, grilled sea bass or long lazy evenings. Alc 12.50%

12-762 **Pasqua 11 Minutes Rosé 2022, Veneto, Italy** **£17.99**

Grapes: Corvina, Trebbiano di Lugana, Syrah and Carmenere

The new superstar rose. The name "11 Minutes" refers to the duration of the skin contact. Floral, elegant with length. Fine fruit, spice notes and structure. This is a wonderful aperitif and accompaniment to salad, fish and white meat dishes. Vegan Friendly.

"91/100" (The Drinks Business) Alc 12.50%



RED

- 12-255 **Pasqua Bardolino 2022, Veneto, Italy** **£10.99**
Grapes: Corvina, Rondinella, Molinara
Ruby red wine with fragrances of currants and cherries. On the palate the wine is fruity, well-balanced, with medium structure. Bardolino pairs well with savory light Italian pasta dishes, vegetable entrees such as melanzane alla parmigiana (aubergines parmesan style), light meat dishes and fresh cheeses. Alc 12%
- 12-258 **Pasqua Morago Appassite 2021, Veneto, Italy** **£13.99**
Grapes: Merlot, Corvina, Croatina
Merlot and Corvina grapes, selected and hand harvested with great care, are then left to dry for 1 month in wooden trays. Maturation in oak tonneaux (at second use) for 3 months. Afterwards the grapes are blended and malolactic fermentation follows to harmonize and soften the wine. Deep ruby red in colour. The nose has intense aromas of red berries with hints of spices. The palate is balanced with velvety tannins, and it has a soft and round finish. Great with red meat and game or with aged cheese. Alc 14%
- 12-256 **Romeo & Juliet Passione e Sentimento Rosso 2021, Veneto, Italy** **£14.99**
Grapes: Merlot & Corvina
From partially dried grapes (Merlot & Corvina). 3 months in oak. The wine name is derived from 'appassimento', the traditional Valpolicella method of partially drying grapes before fermentation. Full of concentrated black and red cherry flavour, & hints of leather & spice. Layered texture, with muscular tannins providing a long finish. "91/100" (James Suckling) Alc 14%
- 12-045 **Villa Borghetti Valpolicella Classico 2022, Veneto, Italy** **£15.99**
Grapes: 70% Corvina Veronese, 20% Rondinella, 10% Corvinone
The family's experience based on almost one hundred years of history. It's a modern wine made from traditional Veronese grapes. The wine itself is a forthright, medium-bodied red, with a pronounced bouquet of raspberries and other red fruits. On the palate it is tangy and well-balanced, with brisk acidity and a long finish. Ideal with tasty pasta dishes, roast meats, game and cheeses. To be served at 16°C. Alc 12.5%
- 12-259 **Pasqua Valpolicella Ripasso Superiore 2021, Veneto, Italy** **£18.99**
Grapes: 60% Corvina, 20% Rondinella, 10% Corvinone, 10% Negrara "
Ruby-red, this wine offers intense aromas of wild cherries, redcurrant and hints of toasting. A rich and full-bodied wine, with sweet and round tannins on the palate. Serve at 18-20°C. Excellent with savory first course dishes or meat, such as roast lamb, barbecued meats and seasoned cheese. "87/100. ...a popular best buy in Italy...offers a nice glimpse into the generous aromas and flavors of Ripasso (with a double fermentation on Amarone pomice). Big picture aromas of prune, cherry & dark spice make the bouquet...pleasurable to drink thanks to its soft tannins and thick, generous consistency." (eRobertParker) Alc 13.50%
- 12-135-20 **Tommasi Valpolicella Ripasso Classico Superiore 2020, Veneto, Italy** **£21.99**
Grapes: 70% Corvina, 25% Rondinella, 5% Corvinone
A deep, bright ruby red in color, it is rich and intensely spicy on the nose, with notes of cherry jam, tobacco and black pepper. On the palate it is full-bodied yet elegant, with gentle, silky tannins and a very long finish. It is excellent with boiled, braised or grilled meats. 92/100 James Suckling Alc 13.5%



12-251 **Pasqua Amarone della Valpolicella 2018, Veneto, Italy** **£33.99**

Grapes: 65% Corvina, 25% Rondinella, 5% Corvinone, 5% Negrara

Carefully selected grapes are laid down to dry in the drying loft for about 3 months where the bunches lose about 25-30% of their weight. After pressing in mid-January, alcoholic fermentation in steel vats begins (25-30 days). Continuous punching down is carried out to encourage extraction of colour & tannin. When finished, the wine is transferred to French oak barrels where the malolactic fermentation takes place that gives softness to the wine.

Intense red colour. The nose is fruity with notes of blackberries and dark chocolate. On the palate this Amarone is elegant and refined with silky tannins. 2018 – 92 points James Suckling. Alc 15%

12-130-19 **Tommasi Amarone della Valpolicella 2019, Veneto, Italy** **£43.99**

Grapes: Corvina, Corvinone, Rondinella, Oseleta

"Very intense ruby red color, the nose reveals an enticing range of steeped cherry and fig cake flavors with accents of dried thyme, pomegranate and espresso. In the mouth it is creamy and with lightly firm tannins and acidity that's just at the right level to accentuate and perpetuate the flavors. The whole tasting is embellished with a very pleasant tannic texture, which fades towards a spiced finish of excellent persistence. Its elegance and structure make it perfect with game, red meats or mature cheeses. It is also an ideal accompaniment for lengthy conversations." Alc 15%

12-270-13 **Mai Dire Mai Amarone 2013, Veneto, Italy** **£109.99**

Grapes: 65% Corvina, Corvinone, Rondinella, Oseleta

MAI DIRE MAI is born out of the coming together of the time-honoured experience of the Pasqua family and the exceptional terroir of the Montevegro vineyard: the 23- hectare vineyard is situated on the top of a hill at an altitude of 350 metres between Val d'Illasi and Val di Mezzane, the soil of which is basalt and calcareous in origin, ensuring an optimal mineral content. An iconic line characterised by its elegance, complexity and unique palate.

A highly concentrated wine with great structure, elegance, strength and personality. The nose reveals intense aromas of underbrush, morello cherry, cedar wood, cocoa and hints of leather. The palate is warm and rich, enveloping and complex, with notes of ripe black fruit, cloves, dark chocolate and mocha. A highly complex and fresh-tasting wine owing to its notable acidity. The tannins are decisive yet elegant with a charming and lingering finish.

Falstaff Wein Guide Italien 2023 - 91 points; Vinibuoni d'Italia 2023 - Golden star; I Vini di Veronelli 2023 - 93 points; Wine Enthusiast - 93 points". Alc 16.50%

12-275-20 **Mai Dire Mai Fear No Dark 2020, Veneto, Italy** **£55.99**

Grapes: 95% Cabernet Sauvignon, 5% Oseleta

The wine comes from an iconic vineyard, in Montevegro, acclaimed by the critics for its Amarone Mai Dire Mai. The grapes are hand-picked with careful selection. The maturation is for 16 months in 500 litre tonneaux and 225 litre barriques, both new French oak.

The nose reveals fruity notes with hints of small black fruits and berries. Balsamic notes, medicinal herbs and a hint of underbrush are also perceived. On the palate, however, it is dry and soft with silky tannins and an aftertaste of strawberries and currants.

Gold Medal - The Drinks Business Global Cabernet Sauvignon Masters 2024. Alc 14.5%



TUSCANY

WHITE

12-535 **La Bastarda Bianco 2020, Tuscany, Italy** **£10.99**

Grapes: Trebbiano Toscano and Moscato Siciliano

La Bastarda was created by blending a Tuscan white wine produced with Trebbiano grapes and a Sicilian wine obtained from Moscato grapes. It was born to create a wine that could maintain the principal characteristics of the Trebbiano Toscano, yet at the same time enhancing its aromatic bouquet by the addition of a Sicilian Moscato. Fruity with hints of apple, pineapple and tropical fruits together with pleasant floral notes. "90/100. A sliced-apple and pear-skin character with medium body and bright acidity. A clean and fresh finish." (James Suckling) Alc: 12.50%

12-520 **Le Berne Borbotta Viognier Bianco 2023, Tuscany, Italy** **£15.99**

Outstanding. Viognier is a vine not commonly grown due to its low productivity, but when it is well tended and produced unblended it can give amazing results, mainly thanks to the particularly intense tropical & almond notes and great persistence in the mouth. From the Natalini family; 4 generations of winemaking in the Vino Nobile di Montepulciano region. Alc 12.5%

RED

12-310 **Il Bastardo 2022, Tuscany, Italy** **£10.99**

Grapes: Grapes: Sangiovese & Syrah

"Il Bastardo" was created by blending a Tuscan wine produced from Sangiovese grapes and a Sicilian wine obtained from Syrah grapes. It was born with the aim of creating a wine that could maintain the principal characteristics of a Tuscan Sangiovese, yet at the same time enhancing it with the addition of a Sicilian Syrah. Deep ruby red colour, intense and fruity bouquet with notes of strawberry and cherry. In the mouth, the wine shows good structure with an excellent roundness and softness, a lively acidity and a fruity finish. "BEST VALUE. A youthful, fruity style, boasting black cherry, black currant and violet aromas and flavors, turning juicy and fresh on the finish. Drink now." (Wine Spectator) "GOLD MEDAL" (Austrian Wine Challenge). Alc 13%

12-315 **Masi Renzo Chianti Corniolela 2022, Tuscany, Italy** **£11.99**

29-025 **Masi Renzo Chianti Corniolela 2021, Tuscany, Italy** (37.5cl) **£6.99**

Grapes: 95% Sangiovese, 5%, Colorino

Vinified by using grapes from the best areas of Chianti, the fruit come primarily from the Rufina region. Intense, ruby red colour. Structured and concentrated wine, it shows scents of little red berries and flowers as typical of Sangiovese, yet with lively acidity. Medium to full bodied red with intense red and black cherry tones. Produced for early drinkability: however, this Chianti can be cellared for a few years. It marries with grilled meat, "Ribollita Toscana" & young Pecorino cheese very well. One of the best value Chianti we've come across. From the award winning and highly respected Paolo Masi. Alc 13%

12-317 **Masi Renzo Chianti Corniolela Riserva 2020, Tuscany, Italy** **£14.99**

Grapes: 95% Sangiovese, 5%, Colorino

The Riserva is produced in very good vintages only, from Sangiovese grapes grown by selected producers of the Chianti areas, mainly from Rufina and surroundings. Ageing in French oak barrels for 14 months. Deep ruby red colour. Concentrated nose, showing plum and berry character. On the palate full and round, with soft tannins and a long fruity, peppery finish. 2021: "91/100. Lifted, floral notes with raspberries, violets, sage and crushed mint leaf. Medium-bodied, chewy yet juicy on the palate with brisk acidity. Energetic." (James Suckling, 28 Sep, 2023). Alc 14%



12-336 **Fattoria di Basciano Chianti Rufina 2021, Tuscany, Italy** **£14.99**

Grapes: 95% Sangiovese, 5%, Colorino

The wine ages in used one or two year old French oak barrels for 12 months.

Plenty of black-cherry, red cherry & bitter chocolate on the nose. Lovely combination of bright fruit, crisp acidity & well-crafted, moderately dry tannins that give it a long and lively finish.

Well balanced and structured wine, it makes a perfect match with grilled and roasted meats, aged cheeses.

"GOLD MEDAL. 90/100." (GILBERT & GAILLARD) "GOLD MEDAL. Best Chianti of show." (Mundus Vini)

Alc: 14%

12-344 **Fattoria di Basciano Chianti Rufina Riserva 2018, Tuscany, Italy** **£22.99**

Grapes: 93% Sangiovese, 7% Colorino

A classic Chianti with layers and depth of flavour. Deep ruby red colour. Concentrated nose showing plum and berry character. On the palate full and round, with soft tannins and a long, fruity, peppery finish. This wine is released after about 30 months of ageing; more years of cellaring will contribute to develop both structure and complexity. Extremely rich and structured wine, we suggest to match it with roasted meats, stewed meats and aged cheeses. "94/100" (Luca Maroni) Alc 14.50%

12-338 **Fattoria di Basciano Il Pini 2021, Tuscany, Italy** **£22.99**

Grapes: Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Syrah

A blend of Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot and Syrah in equal quantities is an excellent expression of the terroir at Fattoria di Basciano. The three varieties are fermented separately; the maceration (skin contact) lasts for about 25 days. The blend is made before transferring the wine in barrels. The ageing is eighteen months long and takes place in half new and half one-year used French oak barriques. The wine stays in bottle for six months before being released. Deep ruby red colour. Very aromatic nose, showing plum, berry and well-integrated hints of vanilla. On the palate, it is ripe, full-bodied, with silky tannins and a long finish. Very structured and complex wine, it matches with red meats, stewed meats, game, roasted meats and aged cheeses perfectly. Alc 15%

12-375-17 **Barone Ricasoli Chianti Classico Gran Selezione Colledilà 2017, Tuscany, Italy** **£65.99**

Grapes: 100% Sangiovese

"94/100...from a site at 380 meters in elevation called Monte Morello with calcareous alberese soils. These conditions give extra focus and linearity to the wine with layered aromas of crushed stone and spice...equally fruity with blackberry, wild cherry & crushed rose petal. Colledilà is a classic and lasting expression from Gaiole in Chianti. 2021-2032. (Parker's Wine Advocate, 15th Apr 2021) Alc 14.00%



12-005-21 **Fattoi Rosso di Montalcino 2021, Tuscany, Italy** **£23.99**
Grapes: 100% Sangiovese
Aromas of fresh berry fruits and soft morello cherry. The wine is harmoniously dry, vigorous and fresh with good aromatic persistence. Appealing & ready to drink. A wine to drink with mid structured dishes, among them: pasta with meat sauce, chicken, mushroom and truffle, risotto, and with main dishes of pork or veal. It pairs well with aged Pecorino cheese.
Serving Temperature: 18°C. Uncork the bottle at least 1 — 2 hours before serving.
2020 "92/100. Boasting the structure of a Brunello, this full-bodied red starts off with subtle aromas of ripe black-skinned berry, forest floor and leather. Savory and enveloping, the chewy palate doles out fleshy black cherry, baking spice and tobacco. Velvety tannins provide support." (Wine Enthusiast 05.01.22.) Alc 14.5%

12-015-18 **Fattoi Brunello di Montalcino 2018, Tuscany, Italy** **£44.99**
Grapes: 100% Sangiovese
An intense ruby red with reflections of garnet. The aroma is intense, persistent, full and ethereal, revealing the aromas of spices, forest floor, small red fruit and rich perfumed roses. The wine is elegant, harmonious, with long aromatic persistence, balanced tannins and well rounded, with a dry and persistent finish. Try with red meats, game, mushroom and truffle dishes, aged cheeses such as Parmigiano Reggiano and Pecorino. An excellent wine for meditation.
Serving Temperature: 18° C. It is advisable to uncork the bottle at least 2 — 3 hours before serving. The wine benefits from being decanted in order to aeriate the wine.
"92/100...bouquet is packed with dark fruit...baked plum & blackcurrant..second wave of savory spice, earth...silky." (Monica Larner, Parker's Wine Advocate) Alc 14.50%

12-020 **Le Berne Vino Nobile di Montepulciano 2021, Tuscany, Italy** **£24.99**
Grapes: Grape variety: Sangiovese (Prugnolo Gentile)
Ageing: 24 months in wood (60% in 25 hl oak barrels, 40% in small French oak barrels). Bottle ageing: 6 months minimum. Vino Nobile has a ruby red colour of good concentration, intense aroma with evident fruity notes and hints of wild berries, cherry and vanilla. In the mouth is full and round, persistent with a good tannic component. It is a classic pairing with roasted red and white meats, all the cheeses among which it prefers the "Pecorino di Pienza"
"90/100. Crafted from 'middle-aged' 30-year-old vines, this Vino Nobile leads with aromas of dried rose and warm stones, then a flood of ripe blue plum and black cherry carries through to the palate. While this seems superficially fruity upfront, dry and chalky tannins lend some gravitas, and a twist of citrus zest refreshes." (Michaela Morris, Decanter, 17 Feb 2024) Alc 15%

12-025 **Le Berne Vino Nobile di Montepulciano Cervognano Alto 2020, Tuscany, Italy** **£50.99**
Grapes: 100% Sangiovese
The story of the Natalini family is a classic example of generational transition from farming to winemaking, starting at Podere le Bèrne in the early 60s and four generations working for a traditional, authentic Vino Nobile. This is the new entry of the house, from the single vineyard of Cervognano. A beautiful expression of one of the most amazing terroirs for Sangiovese. Cherries, blueberries, violets, a hint of eucalyptus and graphite as well as a sweet cinnamon spice make for an incredibly refined bouquet. Beguiling red berry flavours and floral notes on the palate, which, together with fine-grained tannins, lead to a long finish of majestic quality. A fantastic progression of crunchy cherry and red flowers that lead to a fine grained tannin and a lingering finish of majestic quality. A real treat with all kinds of stews and red meat. Alc: 14%



UMBRIA

WHITE

12-550 **Palazzone Terre Vineate Orvieto Classico Superiore 2023, Umbria Italy £15.99**

Grapes: 50% Procanico, 30% Grechetto, and 20% Verdello & Malvasia.

Organic. Intense straw colour with an elegant nose that gradually releases a vivid scent of white fruit. On the palate the impact is dense and dry, recalling the bouquet, while perfectly balancing the tart finish. This wine is best suited to savoury pasta recipes, especially with meat or fish and it also goes well with peppery foods.

2021: "90/100...perfumed mix of dried peaches & apricot laced with gingery spice...washes across the palate with soothing textural waves of lime tinged orchard fruits..salty flourish gives way to nuances of soft melon as the Terre Vineate finishes dry yet fresh and just begging me to take another sip." (Vinous)

12-565 **Palazzone Campo del Guardiano Orvieto Classico Superiore 2021, Umbria, Italy £22.99**

Grapes: 50% Procanico, 30% Grechetto, and 20% Verdello & Malvasia

From a single vineyard at 300 metres. 20 year old vines. Sedimentary clay and limestone soils. 8 months aged on the lees, and 18 months in bottle before release. One of the finest Italian whites. Complex and structured. Round with ripe yellow apple, yellow peach, almond, honey & mineral notes. Fresh acidity brightens the creamy flavours. The complexity, the aromas and the freshness of the fruit remain intact for years proving the wine's astonishing capacity to age beautifully. Truly delicious. Try with dishes that are not only powerful but also restrained and delicately balanced; dishes of veal, fowl, and pork, in the finest Umbrian tradition.

RED

12-110 **Palazzone Sangiovese 2022, Umbria, Italy £17.99**

Grapes: Sangiovese

Aromas of wild cherry, red rose, pomegranate, spiced orange peel and toast. Sangiovese from Umbria shows a slightly broader and richer side, with comparable depth and complexity as you might expect from neighbouring Tuscany. Aged for 12 months in barrel. This wine is suited to homemade pasta with meat sauce such as hare or wild boar, grilled meat or chicken, and lamb roasted in the oven.



MARCHE

WHITE

12-585 **Saladini Pilastris Falerio 2022, Marche, Italy** **£13.99**

Grapes: Passerina & Pecorino

"Like a super charged Pinot Grigio."

From the 300 year old estate of Count Saladini Pilastris in Northern Italy comes a delicious organic white wine that is perfect for the spring and summer months. Falerio, a blend of Passerina & Pecorino, is fresh and crisp with delicate apple and pear fruit on the palate. Ideal for serving alongside a wide range of fish and white meat dishes.

"Lively & full of fruit with more character than one has a right to expect at this price. Floral on the nose with apple..faint herbal note ..surprising body with healthy acidity..ideal with white meats or fish, & pasta." (Michael Palij Master of Wine).

12-587 **Saladini Pilastris Pecorino 2022, Marche, Italy** **£14.99**

Grapes: Pecorino

Organic. "The Pecorino grape is native to the Ascoli region. It thrives best in the fresh environment of the mid-mountain slopes, which experience wide temperature variations. This early-ripening grape produces a wine of great structure and character. Intriguing minerality, with notes of citrus characterize this high quality wine."

"88/100. certified ORGANIC since 1994. It's Pecorino has good varietal typicity: mid-straw yellow hue, a nose fragrant with firm lemony fruit, jasmine and herbs, and some peachy ripeness. It's steel aged with no oak and has good weight. Crisp and aromatic, it's worth trying as an alternative to Sauvignon Blanc or Pinot Grigio." (Amy Wislocki, Decanter 30.01.21.) 13.50%

RED

12-405 **Saladini Pilastris Rosso Piceno 2022, Marche, Italy** **£13.99**

Grapes: Sangiovese & Montepulciano

Organic. Montepulciano and Sangiovese are the components of the generous blend of this wine. Clean and racy with an harmonious and balanced finish. An abundance of red cherry and plum fruit with a deep richness. Smooth, medium to full bodied red. Mellowed on oak barrels perfect with all kinds of roast meat and game.

"Excellent value." (Decanter World Wine Awards) Alc 13.5%



ABRUZZO

RED

12-252 **Pasqua Chapter Montepulciano 2022, Abruzzo, Italy** **£10.99**

Grapes: Montepulciano

This is a characterful, easy drinking red wine with gentle tannins, excellent structure and a bright intense colour. It offers sensations of ripe red fruits as well as spicy hints. Alc: 12.50%

12-398 **Tor del Colle Montepulciano d'Abruzzo Riserva 2019, Abruzzo, Italy** **£11.99**

Grapes: Montepulciano

If you don't know Montepulciano, it is Italy's answer to new world wines - Big, oaky and rich with cherries, blackberries and liquorice notes with hints of vanilla. Aged for 12 months in oak. It has the magic Italian food friendliness making it great with rich red meat dishes, pasta, stews and hard cheese. Alc 13.50%



MOLISE

RED

12-043 **Palladino Biferno Rosso DOC 2018, Molise, Italy** **£12.99**

Grapes: 50% Montepulciano, 50% Aglianico

Blend of Montepulciano & Aglianico grapes traditionally grown in Molise, south of Abruzzo. Aged for 18 months in large oak barrels, and then for 18 months in stainless steel tanks. Blueberries, cherries & oak on the nose, leading into a soft, medium-bodied, velvety plush palate. Alc: 13%



PUGLIA

RED

12-479 **Lapaccio Primitivo Salento 2021, Puglia, Italy** **£12.99**

Grapes: Primitivo

Lapaccio has its origin in the Salento area, the real heart of wine production in Apulia. In this region the family started making wine over 90 years ago before moving from here to Verona. This area is particularly renowned for the cultivation of the Primitivo grape. Here viticulture has ancient origins, dating back to time of Magna Grecia. The climatic conditions in Salento are well-suited to strapping offerings such as this. Maraschino cherries and black-blooded plums flood the perfume and the palate, with the latter showing great depth and focus. Ideal for tasty pasta, grilled meats and seasoned cheeses. Serve at 16-18°C. Alc 13.50%

12-166 **Surani Costarossa Primitivo di Manduria 2022, Puglia, Italy** **£13.99**

Grapes: Primitivo

From the famous denomination of Manduria. A rich, full-bodied red with dark fruit flavour of blackcurrant, fig & damson, with spicy notes. One for red meats, stews and bbq
"16.5/20. 12 months in oak barriques. Juicy, sweet red compote fruit – much like Zinfandel or Grenache. Mouthwatering finish is nicely done. Can imagine this converting new world drinkers to Italian wine." (Jancis Robinson's Purple Pages) Alc 14%

12-488 **Desire Lush & Zin 2023, Puglia, Italy** **£14.99**

Grapes: Primitivo

A prime example of Primitivo at its best; soft and velvety, with rich, concentrated flavours of red berries, plums, vanilla and spice, hints of coffee and cinnamon. *"4 STARS..deliciously approachable...inviting aromas of dark plums, black cherries, wild berries, vanilla, coffee & subtle dried herb notes...smooth & rounded on the palate...engaging ripe fruit flavours & soft tannins & subtle oak...vibrant depth of flavour, personality & a pleasing dry finish."* (Gavin Hubble WINE GUY, New Zealand). Alc: 13.5%



12-040 **Appassimento Rosso Wrap Around 2021, Puglia, Italy** **£11.99**

Grapes: Indigenous Puglian varieties

The grapes are dried out in ventilated lodges over the winter months (Appassimento method). Grapes lose around 30% of their water content. Complex with notes of ripe dark cherries, fresh herbs & vanilla. Alc: 14.5%

12-018 **Velarino Nero di Troia 2022, Puglia, Italy** **£11.99**

Grapes: Nero di Troia

"Nero di Troia is a little known but very impressive Puglian grape possibly over shadowed by the more well known Primitivo and Negroamaro. It dominates in the northern part of Bari and in northerly Foggia. Super-charged lush ripe fruit with damson, sour cherries, liquorice and dried herb flavours. Aged in 25 and 50hl tanks for 8-10 months." Alc 14.50%

12-399 **Tor Del Colle Brindisi Riserva 2019, Puglia, Italy** **£11.99**

Grapes: Negroamaro, Malvasia Nera, Sangiovese

From the Puglia, Italy's stiletto heel. Aged for 12 months in oak, then 12 months in tank. Bright and rich with a big mouthful of sweet ripe dark fruit, dried fruit (fig, prune) & vanilla.

"SILVER MEDAL" (International Wine & Spirit Competition). Alc 13.50%

12-400 **Lupo Meraviglia Due di Due Rosso 2021, Puglia, Italy** **£11.99**

Grapes: Negroamaro & Malvasia

Fruit is sourced in the warm southern areas of Brindisi & Lecce. Originally made using wide 'Palmenti' stone basins to crush the grapes invigorating oxygen dissolution & pigmentation extraction. Today stainless steel 'Palmenti' are used to the same effect!

Full bodied & concentrated offering gob-smacking dark berry fruit flavours & notes of spice. Perfect with steak, lamb, venison & bbq pork. Alc 14%

12-035 **Lupo Meraviglia Tre di Tre 2019, Puglia, Italy** Magnum **£26.99**

Grapes: 40% Negroamaro, 40% Aglianico and 20% Primitivo.

Uses a "salasso" technique, the French call it saignée, to bleed off 20–30% of the liquid early in the winemaking process. costly to discard this, but doing so increases the skin-to-juice ratio, providing deeper colour and fruit, making for a more powerful, intense wine.

The nose reveals aromas of red fruit and jam that blend with sweet and spicy notes Big, rich with panoply and dried and dark fruit. It exhibits great structure and persistence with a pleasant tannic finish. Pairs perfectly with first courses, red and grilled meats "99/100" (Luca Maroni) Alc 14.5%

Bottle Size: 1.5L



CAMPANIA

WHITE

- 12-610 **Terre d'Aione Greco di Tufo 2023, Campania, Italy** **£15.99**
Grapes: Greco di Tufo
"One of the finest whites and denominations of southern Italy. 25 year old vines. 3 months lees ageing (adding richness & complexity). 500-550 metres above sea level. Reveals varietally pure aromas of white fruit, pear, citrus and crushed stone or mineral. Medium to full bodied. Complex and elegant." Perfect with sushi, soup, grilled fish, semi-matured cheese, Bufalo Mozzarella & white meat dishes. "95/100. BEST WHITE WINE" (5 Star Wines 2023) Alc 13%
- 12-540 **La Capranera Fiano 2022, Campania, Italy** **£15.99**
Grapes: Fiano
Fiano is considered a "classical vine" of southern Italy that likely has its origins in ancient Roman viticulture and perhaps may have even been cultivated by the ancient Greeks before them. "88/100. A bright white with a chalky underpinning, this shows a lively mix of ripe green apple, blood orange & delicate herbs in a light-bodied frame." (Wine Spectator) Alc 13%
- 12-530 **San Salvatore Falanghina 2022, Campania, Italy** **£19.99**
Grapes: Falanghina
"Falanghina is an ancient grape variety which may have provided a basis for the classical Falernian wine, and has considerable character. A pure Falanghina aged for 6 months on the fine lees in stainless steel tanks. Bouquet of apricot, elderberry and Mediterranean herbs. It is fresh and elegant with good flavour and a long satisfying finish."
"90/100...nectarine and clementine fruit flavors that are bright and juicy, with pretty cherry blossom, sliced almond and pickled ginger accents. Chalk-tinged finish." (Wine Spectator). Alc 13%



RED

12-010 **Terre d'Aione Aglianico 2019, Campania, Italy** **£13.99**

Grapes: Aglianico

From the Carpineto family of Avellino; making wines for 6 generations. 15 year old vines. 500 plus metres above sea level. 12 months ageing before bottling. Aglianico is known for producing wines with great structure, complex aromatic profile etc. Notes of ripe cherries/plums, spices, tobacco, chocolate & undergrowth. Full body, dense texture but a lively acidity adds freshness & overall balance. Ideal with red meat & hard cheese. "3 STARS" (Vinibuoni d'Italia) Alc 13%

12-225 **La Capranera Aglianico 2022, Campania, Italy** **£15.99**

Grapes: Aglianico

Aglianico is one of southern Italy's finest varieties.

"88/100. Fragrant with spice box, tea rose and licorice string notes, this vibrant red features a ripe and brambly mix of raspberry and red currant fruit. Juicy finish." (Alison Napjus, Wine Spectator) Alc 14.50%

12-220 **San Salvatore Ceraso Aglianico 2022, Paestum, Italy** **£20.99**

Grapes: Aglianico

A fruity expression of this variety; the wine opens with a dark colour profile with plenty of blackberries and black plums. Notes of caramelization of marron glace and rosehip. Fresh acidity and flavours reminiscent of berries and black pepper. Ceraso is an elegant wine, persistent thanks to its minerality. Pairing It accompanies all dishes with strong flavours, especially medium and mature cheeses, grilled meat and fish.

"90/100. A fresh, medium-bodied red, with licorice snap & tar-tinged smoke accents to the core of brambly blackberry, boysenberry & black currant fruit flavors. Reveals light, taut tannins & hints of violet and spice on the finish. Drink now through 2027." (Wine Spectator). Alc 14.5%



SICILY

WHITE

12-620 **Cantine Colosi Grillo 2022, Sicily, Italy**

£12.99

Grapes: Grillo

A wine that perfectly tells what Sicily is, with the scents of earth burned by the sun and invigorated by the wind: salt, citrus and aromatic herbs, dried straw and hawthorn. This wine is an explosion of flavours, thanks to the bond among freshness, minerality and smoothness. Fragrances of white and tropical fruit prevail. Harmonious, fresh and elegantly soft. Perfect with seafood, shellfish, pasta and delicate cheeses. Alc 13%

RED

12-410 **Cantine Colosi Nerello Mascalese 2022, Sicily, Italy**

£12.99

Grapes: Nerello Mascalese

"One of the oldest and most typical native grapes of Sicily. This red wine has elegant and velvety tannins with a good acidity, minerality and persistence. With an intense and fruity aroma with hints of cherry, blackberry and sour cherries followed by sensations of tobacco, carob and vanilla." Excellent with red meats, elaborate sauces, pasta dishes and aged cheeses. Alc 13.50%

12-420 **Cantine Colosi Nero d'Avola 2022, Sicily, Italy**

£14.99

Grapes: Nero d'Avola

An ancient grape variety for a modern wine. The Nero d'Avola (also known as Calabrese) is the most representative red wine grape varietal in Sicily. Dark- red wine, vinificated and aged exclusively in stainless steel in order to maintain unaltered the characteristics of this grape. On the nose is particularly fruity with scents of sour cherry, prunes and blackberries with more complex aroma of black pepper, black olives and ink. Soft and round on the palate. It's perfect with traditional Mediterranean dishes, Timballi and dishes with spicy flavour. Alc 14%

12-425 **Cantine Colosi Salina Rosso 2022, Salina, Sicily, Italy**

£17.99

Grapes: Nerello Cappuccio & Nerello Mascalese

Obtained from Nerello Cappuccio and Nerello Mascalese grapes cultivated on the island of Salina it is an intense ruby wine, with a fruity aftertaste, it has hints of morello and wild cherry. The bouquet brings the fragrance of the wild flowers in the mediterranean scrub. Perfectly balanced, it can support a few years of aging. Excellent meat and cheese dishes with a distinctive taste. Alc 14%



SARDINIA

WHITE

12-955 **Sella & Mosca Vermentino di Sardegna 2023, Sardinia, Italy** £12.99

Grapes: Vermentino

Mediterranean and forthright, this wine is an extremely versatile and easy-drinking Vermentino di Sardegna DOC. Grown on the North-Eastern lands of the Sella & Mosca estates overlooking in the sea, the Vermentino here has its ideal habitat. Attractive and rich. The aromatic herbs and mineral slate stand out. A juicy, aromatic gem of a wine with grapefruit and lime aromas with hints of almond, stones & citrus zest. On the palate the citrus notes predominate with pear and some tangy tropical fruit. Despite being easy-drinking, a distinct Mediterranean personality stands out. For medium to full flavoured fish dishes. Alc 12.50%

12-960 **Sella & Mosca Cala Reale Vermentino di Sardegna 2023, Sardinia, Italy** £13.99

Grapes: Vermentino

Only the best Vermentino grapes become Cala Reale. Grown on ancient marine soils, they are harvested and brought to the cellar for pressing followed by cold maceration. The brief ageing in steel includes a period of elevage on the fine lees. Deep straw- yellow in colour with brilliant green hues, it has an intense bouquet that combines a seductive tropical note with more classic nuances of Mediterranean scrub, berries and herbs. The scents of ripe fruit, which predominate on the palate, merge with a lush, salty sapidity that runs through an elegant and precious mouthfeel. The long and mineral finish is decidedly fresh and savoury. "16.5/20. Aromatic white and tropical fruit. Also, orange juice with a hint of what reminds me of Moscato. Rich fruit with a lemony twist... abundance and fullness..but with plenty of freshness." (Jancis Robinson's Purple Pages). Alc 13.5%

RED

12-450 **Sella & Mosca Medeus Cannonau di Sardegna 2023, Sardinia, Italy** £13.99

Grapes: 100% Cannonau (Grenache)

Medeus Cannonau, stands out for its finesse and elegance. It comes from warm, sandy soils and vineyards not far from the sea and caressed by the northeast wind. It expresses the youngest and fruitiest notes of the vine, making it intense and warm, and combines delicate floral and ripe fruit sensations with the more classic hints of Mediterranean vegetation. Its brilliant ruby-red colour, the intense aromas of ripe red fruit accompanied by slight balsamic notes and the fresh, savoury notes. Light, soft and enveloping tannins, all come together to yield a full, robust, warm, balanced wine with good freshness and depth. The finish is long and silky in texture. Alc: 13%

12-455 **Sella & Mosca Terre Rare Carignano del Sulcis 2022, Sardinia, Italy** £18.99

Grapes: Carignano

An ancient varietal from the Sardinian tradition, perhaps first planted here by the Phoenicians, Carignano displays on the island's many Mediterranean characteristics. Typical of the southern most areas of the Sulcis, it comes from the coastal estate extending from Capo Teulada to the Iglesiente mountain range. Here the vines are goblet-trained, close to the ground, in the traditional manner, and yield generous, original fruit. The bouquet presents the nose with a variegated and impressively intense assortment of aromas that change in the glass, reminiscent of pomegranate, currants, wild blackberries and aromatic herbs, before giving way to softer, sweeter hints of fig and a final nuance of licorice. To the palate it is warm and generous, with a smooth structure and extremely fine tannins, polished and flavourful. The long finish is reminiscent of spices and ripe fruit. "89/100. Crushed blackberries, sage & wet stone...flows across the palate with tart wild berry fruits guided by brisk acidity. Inner violet florals resonate as the 2022 finishes chewy & potent, with a black licorice flourish that lingers long." (Eric Guido, Vinous, October 2023) Alc 13.5%



SPARKLING

28-015 **Cecilia B. Spumante Bianco, Veneto, Italy** **£10.99**

Grapes: 40% Chardonnay, 30% Glera & 30% Pinot Nero

Apple blossom & delicate peach nose; bright & fresh. This off dry sparkling is balanced with a good level of acidity & a fine mousse. A delightful aperitif with light starters or be paired with classics such as shellfish & smoked fish and delicate pasta dishes. Alc 11%

28-135 **La Pieve Pergolo Prosecco Spumante, Veneto, Italy** **£12.99**

Grapes: 100% Glera

A lovely Prosecco with light floral aromas and flavours of ripe apple and pear.

"87/100. green apple and floral aromas. Bright and fresh. Finishes with decent length and a hint of sweetness." (Stephen Tanzer) Alc 11%

28-000 **Pasqua Prosecco Spumante, Veneto Italy** **£13.99**

Grapes: 100% Glera

Produced in the Treviso area, where there are the best soils & climate conditions that grant a wine unique in characteristics. The nose is fruity, with good intensity. It has a fresh flavour, & to the palate is pleasant and harmonious. An ideal aperitif wine, it goes well with appetizers, white meats and fish. Serve chilled at 6-8° C. "88/100. This pretty, polished sparkler has delicate aromas of white spring flowers and orchard fruit. Dry and tangy, the fruity palate offers creamy white peach, pear and green melon alongside crisp acidity." (Wine Enthusiast 2021) Alc 11%

28-235 **Romeo e Julietta Prosecco, Veneto, Italy** **£14.99**

Grapes: Glera

This classic Brut style Prosecco is 100% Glera grape, harvested in the province of Treviso and vinified using the Charmat method. The result is a fresh and fruity sparkling wine, with intense aromas of pear and apple. An ideal aperitif wine, it goes well with appetizers, white meats and fish. Serve cold at 6-8° C. Alc 11%

28-055 **Cecilia Baretta Prosecco Superiore Conegliano Valdobbiadene Millesimato 2022, Veneto, Italy** **£16.99**

Grapes: 100% Glera

The finest Prosecco. In 2009, the Ministry of Agriculture classified Prosecco Superiore Conegliano Valdobbiadene as a Denomination of Controlled and Guaranteed Origin (D.O.C.G.), the highest level of quality for Italian wines. The bouquet is intense and fruity with aromas of tropical fruit, acacia and notes of white flowers. On the palate is refreshing with a crisp acidity and notes of citrus fruits. Lively and spirited, it combines mineral richness with delicacy. The perfect aperitif, or a great way to start a meal that will also accompanies light dishes like a chicken salad or other pasta dishes. Serving temperature: 7-9° C. Alc 11%

28-245 **Vino Pomona Prosecco, Veneto, Italy** 20cl **£4.99**



DESSERT WINE

- 55-410 Porello Birbet 2021, Piedmont, Italy £11.99**
Grapes: Brachetto
Made from long bunched Brachetto grapes. Partially fermented to retain a fresh, fruity sweetness. Ripe, refreshing flavours of raspberries, blackberries and blackcurrants. The low alcohol, great acidity, slight fizz and fruity concentration complement the sweetness perfectly. This is great on its own plus it will partner desserts such as fruit salads beautifully. Alc: 5%
- 55-445-18 Tommasi Fiorato Recioto della Valpolicella 2018 Veneto, Italy 37.5cl £22.99**
Grapes: Corvina, Rondinella, Molinara
A long standing speciality of the Veneto. Like Amarone the backbone comes from Corvina grapes which are dried after harvest to concentrate them before pressing & fermentation. With sweet & intense aromas there's a real warmth to this alongside the candied, dried fruit flavours. A deep and intense ruby red in color, it is very elegant and complex with its rich notes of fruit preserved in alcohol: cherry is at the forefront, accompanied by hints of vanilla and sweet spices. On the palate it is broad and harmonious, with well-balanced sweetness and a persistent finish. Excellent at the end of a meal, with desserts and dry pastries; it is ideal for serving with dishes based on berry fruits or dark chocolate: Perfect with blue cheeses. Extraordinary alone, as a meditation wine. Alc 13%
- 55-400-04 Corte Sant'Alda Recioto 2011, Veneto, Italy 50cl £49.99**
Grapes: 60% Corvina 40% Rondinella
As for Amarone, selected grapes are harvested by hand and placed in small crates for drying in accordance with the traditional, natural system without any forcing. Fermentation in wood vats begins spontaneously thanks to the natural presence of native yeasts. Tannin extract, sugars, low temperatures and the surrounding environment – such as the small 1.18 hl oak vats where the wine still undergoing fermentation is left to rest – influence fermentation trends themselves so that they are slow and complex through to natural and independent completion, thereby leaving the characteristic residual sugar that clearly identifies the wine. Full-bodied, intense and complex perfumes are especially matched by never-excessive sweetness. Balances sweetness, concentration, and density with shape, freshness, and flair. A rich and stylish example of Recioto. Organic & Biodynamic. Alc 15%
- 55-440 Fattoria di Basciano Vinsanto 2016, Tuscany, Italy 37.5cl £18.99**
Grapes: Trebbiano Toscano, Malvasia del Chianti
This Vin Santo is produced in a very small quantity and in the best vintages only. This dessert wine is mostly the outcome of the passion, attention and creativity of everyone who contribute to create it. Antique gold colour with amber hues. Very intense, complex and persistent nose with dried fruits, vanilla, orange peel aromas and flavours, incense. On the palate sweet, full bodied, balanced and with a long finish. Thanks to its high residual sugar, it is a classical dessert wine, matching with dry pastry, pastry with cream and tarts perfectly. Excellent with blue cheeses, such as Gorgonzola and Roquefort. Alc 15.5%
- 55-415 Colosi Malvasia delle Lipari DOC Passito NV, Sicily, Italy 37.5cl £21.99**
Grapes: 95% Malvasia delle Lipari, 5% Corinto Nero
Outstanding dessert wine from late harvested, naturally dried grapes. Obtained from Malvasia and Corinto Nero grapes, grown in the age-old tradition of the Aeolian Islands, it has a warm velvety taste, slight hints of tannin, excellent and balanced structure with a golden-amber colour, there are hints of fresh fruit: apricot, fig, almond, ranging to honey, followed by floral sensations of jasmine. It goes well with dry sweets, desserts and ice cream. Particularly recommended with marbled cheeses. Excellent on its own, for a quenching break.
"92/100...notes of popcorn, almonds, toasted coconut & brown butter, before some sharp streaks of lime & spearmint. The nuts & mint stick around on the palate, where a hint of licorice provides a medicinal quality to contrast with the buttery croissant finish." (Wine Enthusiast)

MARSALA

32-999 **Tenute Orestiadi Marsala Vergine DOP, Sicily, Italy**

£19.99

Grapes: 100% Grillo

Authentic expression of centuries of history, Marsala Vergine, presents itself with golden yellow hue tending to amber. The bouquet is complex and intriguing with layers of wood combined with spicy nuances of vanilla, cinnamon, cloves, toasted almonds, dried figs and tobacco. The palate is harmonious in alcoholic structure, powerful, dry and complex.

Food Matching: Moderately dry, fresh and balanced wine that is perfectly suited to the typical sweets of the Sicilian tradition based on ricotta or almond, and to blue or aged cheeses. Alc 18%

OLIVE OIL

50-901 **Fattoria di Basciano Extra Virgin Olive Oil, Tuscany, Italy**

50cl **£10.99**

50-905 **Pasqua Poggio delle Stelle Extra Virgin Olive Oil, Veneto, Italy**

50cl **£14.99**



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