

THE GEORGE



of Stamford

FULL WINE LIST  
SUMMER 2021

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## Wine List

The aim of this wine list is to offer the most interesting wines we can find. 'Interesting' means characterful, individual, intriguing – not simply classic. Our pricing favours the better bottles – we use a 'cash mark-up system', taking a much lower percentage on the more expensive wines. We hope this encourages you to experiment. A \* by the wine means it is also available in magnum, although perhaps in a different vintage.

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## CHAMPAGNE – MAGNUMS

513	CHAMPAGNE LE MESNIL, Grand Cru, Blanc de Blancs	£124.00
514	CHAMPAGNE TAITTINGER, Brut Réserve	£134.00
515	CHAMPAGNE NOCTURNE by TAITTINGER	£134.00
516	CHAMPAGNE TAITTINGER ROSÉ, Brut Prestige	£134.00
517	CHAMPAGNE KRUG, Grande Cuvée	£500.00

## SPARKLING WINE

518	NYETIMBER, Classic Cuvée. England	£134.00
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## WHITE – MAGNUMS

519	2017 CHABLIS, 1er Cru Montée de Tonnerre, Duplessis. Burgundy <i>Excellent year for classic, stony-dry Chablis</i>	£115.00
520	2018 SANCERRE, Domaine Vacheron. Loire <i>A very refined example of Loire Sauvignon – very different to NZ style!</i>	£108.00
521	2015 CHABLIS, Grand Cru Les Clos, Duplessis. Burgundy <i>In this case the ripe vintage has meant early drinkability for this great vineyard</i>	£135.00
522	2017 MEURSAULT, Domaine JP Fichet. Burgundy <i>Modern style Meursault – ripe but elegant</i>	£165.00
526	2009 PULIGNY MONTRACHET, 1er Cru Le Cailleret, Domaine de Montille. Burgundy <i>Top quality white Burgundy – now perfectly mature</i>	£380.00

### White Magnums from Didier Dagueneau, Loire, France

Didier Dagueneau's son Benjamin runs the most revered estate in the Loire Valley. His Sauvignon Blanc is the most serious, concentrated and impressive you may ever drink. Not a bit like NZ examples, these wines are much more austere and mineral. They are also in huge worldwide demand from top sommeliers – hence the extreme prices. They are always in short supply.

556	2014 POUILLY FUME, Buisson Renard	£280.00
557	2014 POUILLY FUME, Silex	£340.00

## ROSÉ – MAGNUMS

527	2019 MIRAVAL ROSÉ. Côtes de Provence <i>This is the notorious 'Brangelina' wine – and surprisingly it's both excellent and good value</i>	£94.00
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## RED – MAGNUMS

530	2018 CHATEAU FONTARÈCHE, Vieilles Vignes. Corbieres, Languedoc <i>Soft, round, easy-drinking style with plenty of spice and character</i>	£68.00
531	2016 CHIANTI, Podere il Chiostrino. Tuscany <i>From the family vineyards of Ivo Vannocci; honest and full of flavour</i>	£68.00
535	2018 QUINTA DE LA ROSA. Douro, Portugal <i>Gutsy &amp; powerful but (unusually for Portugal) also sleek and polished</i>	£80.00
537	2011 LE SOULA, Gérard Gauby. Vin de Pays des Côtes Catalanes, South of France <i>Blend of Cabernet, Grenache, Syrah and Carignan grapes. A low-yielding, organic vineyard in Roussillon producing a dense, intense, seriously impressive red</i>	£102.00
538	2006 RIOJA, Tondonia Tinto Reserva. Rioja, Spain <i>The most traditional house in Rioja – long oak ageing; now pale, gentle and mature</i>	£110.00
539	2015 LA GROLA, Allegrini. Veneto, Italy <i>A turbo-charged Valpolicella – bright and lively but with power and intensity too</i>	£102.00
541	2012 Château St. PIERRE. Pomerol, Bordeaux <i>Merlot from a good, recent vintage but a very traditional Château – soft and spicy</i>	£125.00
545	2012 CHÂTEAUNEUF DU PAPE, Les Origines. Southern Rhône <i>Serious and intense, broad and spicy</i>	£130.00
546	2006 Château POTENSAC, Cru Bourgeois. Médoc, Bordeaux <i>Serious, dry, ‘proper’ claret from a highly regarded ‘Cru Bourgeois’ Château</i>	£135.00
565	2004 RISERVA ANFITEATRO, Vecchie Terre di Montefili. Tuscany, Italy <i>100% Sangiovese in modern style; serious, powerful and impressive.</i>	£145.00
566	2011 SAUMUR, Les Arboises, Domaine Guiberteau. Loire <i>Cabernet France just reaching maturity. Blackcurrent leaf and thirst-quenching freshness</i>	£190.00
567	2012 BEAUNE, 1er Cru Les Theurons, Louis Jadot. Burgundy <i>A very typical Beaune: medium-bodied, under-stated and subtly delicious</i>	£160.00
568	2012 CEPPARELLO, Isole e Olena, Paolo De Marchi. Tuscany, Italy <i>Top vintage of this ‘Super Tuscan’ from a great winemaker; decant in advance</i>	£195.00
569	2012 CHAMBOLLE MUSIGNY, Domaine Hudelot Noellat. Burgundy <i>Chambolle is always the most delicate style of Côte de Nuits</i>	£200.00
570	2006 Château LANGOA BARTON, 3ème Cru Classé. St Julien, Bordeaux <i>One of the most consistent properties in the Médoc. Léoville and Langoa Barton both produce classy claret of real structure and self-evident breeding</i>	£220.00
571	2011 Château TALBOT, 4ème Cru Classé. St Julien, Bordeaux <i>Renowned property and an excellent year. This really is not expensive for what it is</i>	£240.00
572	2012 NUITS-ST-GEORGES, 1er Cru Les Vaucrains, Louis Jadot. Burgundy <i>The sturdiest, most serious Burgundy appellation; but in a ripe vintage. Give it air</i>	£250.00
573	2010 CLOS DE VOUGEOT, Grand Cru, Domaine de Montille. Burgundy <i>A great vintage. This is young, but impressive. Decant it well in advance</i>	£500.00
574	2009 CLOS DE LA ROCHE, Grand Cru, Domaine Lignier-Michelot. Burgundy <i>Absolutely classic example of the ripe and charming 2009 vintage</i>	£570.00

## CHAMPAGNE

1*	CHAMPAGNE LE MESNIL, Grand Cru, Blanc de Blancs	£62.00
2	CHAMPAGNE LE MESNIL ROSÉ, Grand Cru, 'Sublime'	£67.00
3*	CHAMPAGNE TAITTINGER, Brut Réserve	£67.00
4*	CHAMPAGNE NOCTURNE by TAITTINGER	£67.00
5*	CHAMPAGNE TAITTINGER ROSÉ, Brut Prestige	£67.00
6	CHAMPAGNE BOLLINGER, Special Cuvée	£78.00
7	2008 CHAMPAGNE VEUVE CLICQUOT	£115.00
8a	2006 COMTES DE CHAMPAGNE, Blanc de Blancs, Taittinger	£250.00
8b	2004 COMTES DE CHAMPAGNE ROSÉ, Taittinger	£300.00
9*	CHAMPAGNE KRUG, Grande Cuvée	£250.00
10	2008 DOM PÉRIGNON, Vintage Brut	£250.00

## SPARKLING WINE

274	PROSECCO, Spumante, Ca'Morlin. Conegliano e Valdobbiadene, Italy <i>Fully sparkling version of this soft, light north Italian classic. Top quality</i>	£42.00
275	NYETIMBER, Classic Cuvée. West Sussex, England <i>Extremely crisp, but with real depth and richness. Compares well with serious Champagne</i>	£67.00
276	2009 NYETIMBER '1086', Prestige Cuvée. West Sussex, England	£196.00
277	2010 ROSÉ NYETIMBER '1086', Prestige Cuvée. West Sussex, England <i>Two world-class 'Prestige Cuvées' from Nyetimber, pioneers of top quality English sparkling wines. These two newly launched wines were named '1086' to honour the year the vineyard's estate was first mentioned in the Domesday book. They really do bear comparison with the very finest Champagnes</i>	£230.00

## FRANCE - The South

11	2020 PICPOUL DE PINET, Domaine Font Mars. Languedoc <i>The best of modern France; crisp and lively but no lack of character and interest</i>	£35.00
12	2018 DOMAINE FONTARÈCHE, Viognier. Vin de Pays d'Oc, Languedoc-Roussillon <i>Delicately perfumed example of the great white grape of the Northern Rhône</i>	£36.00
13	2017 LA BRISE MARINE, Château La Négly. La Clape, Languedoc <i>Salty-dry, spicy, lively blend of Bourboulenc and Roussanne</i>	£41.00
14	2014 LE SOULA BLANC. Vin de Pays des Côtes Catalanes <i>Serious, intense, dry white from biodynamic vineyards in the Roussillon. Organic</i>	£52.00

## BURGUNDY

15	2018 SAINT-VÉРАН, Domaine des Valanges, Michel Paquet <i>Clean and fresh but nicely rounded. Easy-drinking and charming white Burgundy</i>	£40.00
16	2017 MÂCON, Aux Bois D'Alliers, Cordier <i>An outstanding, small, organic estate. Ripe and buttery but no oak – perfect Mâconnais</i>	£47.00
17	2017 CHABLIS, 1er Cru Montmains, Duplessis. <i>Classic, crisp, stony-dry Chablis from an excellent vintage</i>	£58.00
18	2017 MONTAGNY, 1er Cru, Jean-Marc Boillot <i>From the Châlonnais region, south of the Côte de Beaune. Light and elegant</i>	£49.00
19	2016 HAUTES-CÔTE DE BEAUNE, Jean Philippe Fichet <i>A top producer in Meursault, using vineyards above Auxey-Duresses. Nuts and stone – complex and serious</i>	£49.00
20	2019 POUILLY FUISSÉ, Terroir de Fuissé, Domaine Cordier <i>The most famous village in the Mâconnais. Big and powerful, improves given time in the glass</i>	£50.00
21	2016 SANTENAY, Les Hâtes, Vincent et Sophie Morey <i>Village right next to Chassagne Montrachet and from a domaine based in Chassagne. This is a fine, delicately rich wine: creamy texture of perfectly judged oak maturation</i>	£54.00
24	2017 CHASSAGNE MONTRACHET, 1er Cru Les Embrazées, Thomas Morey <i>A ripe vintage; richness and intensity combined with delicacy and complexity</i>	£88.00
25	2016 PULIGNY MONTRACHET, 1er Cru Les Referts, Marc Morey <i>From a great vineyard within Burgundy's finest village; this is ultra-fine, elegant Chardonnay.</i>	£120.00

## RHÔNE

- 27 2017 CHÂTEAU PAUL BLANC, Mas Carlot. Costières de Nîmes £45.00  
*70% Roussanne, 30% Viognier: exotic perfume and impressive richness*
- 28 2018 CONDRIEU, Les Terrasses du Pilat, François Villard £72.00  
*Tiny and sought-after area, the home of the notoriously difficult Viognier grape.  
This one successfully combines heady perfume, delicacy and intensity*

## LOIRE

- 29 2018 MUSCADET, de Sèvre et Maine, Sur Lie, Domaine la Haut Févrie £38.00  
*The revival of a long neglected appellation; there's no better wine for seafood*
- 30 2018 SAUVIGNON DE TOURAINE, Xavier Frissant £39.00  
*Aromatic, bone dry, grassy, chalky: a mini Sancerre at a great price*
- 32 2015 VOUVRAY, Les Pierres Rousses, Gaudron £44.00  
*Medium-dry (but also lemony fresh) Chenin Blanc – top quality*
- 33 2019 SANCERRE, Terre de Maimbray, Reverdy £47.00  
*Top estate and excellent vintage. Ripe, intense, perfectly balanced*
- 34 2016 BLANC IVOIRE, Château Soucherie. Anjou £49.00  
*A modern expression of Loire Chenin Blanc – lively, citric freshness*
- 35a 2012 BUISSON RENARD, Blanc Fumé de Pouilly, Domaine Didier Dagueneau £140.00
- 35b 2012 PUR SANG, Blanc Fumé de Pouilly, Domaine Didier Dagueneau £150.00  
*The most sought-after producer in the Loire. Both, highly concentrated and serious Sauvignon*

## ALSACE – all these wines go very well with food

- 36 2014 TERROIRS DES CHÂTEAUX FORTS, Rolly Gassmann £41.00  
*Aromatic, very fruity (but ultimately dry) blend of various varieties; charming*
- 37 2016 TOKAY PINOT GRIS, Kientzler £44.00  
*Excellent version of under-rated variety. If they could call it Pinot Grigio  
no doubt it would sell by the bucket-load. Dry but full, rich but subtle*
- 38 2018 PINOT BLANC AUXERROIS, Domaine Albert Mann £45.00  
*Soft, spicy and gentle – but no lack of freshness. Alsace wine to suit all tastes. Organic*
- 39 2016 GEWURZTRAMINER, Rolly Gassmann £49.00  
*Intensely spicy (and medium dry) example of this most perfumed, idiosyncratic variety*
- 40 2011 KIENZTLER RIBEAUBILLE OSTERBERG Grand Cru Riesling £49.00  
*Dry with rich, with generous ripe fruit flavors*

## AUSTRIA AND GERMANY

- 302 2018 LOIS, Grüner Veltliner, Fred Loimer. Austria £42.00  
*Pale, green-tinted; light, fresh and thirst-quenching. Perfect lunchtime drinking*
- 303 2018 BERNKASTELER LAY KABINETT, Dr Loosen. Mosel, Germany £44.00  
*Charming, lively, easy-drinking off-dry Riesling in classic style*
- 304 2017 RODESHEIMER MAGDALENENKREUZ SPÄTLESE, Leitz. Rheingau, Germany £45.00  
*Much more weight and intensity than the Kabinett. Medium-dry but beautifully fresh*
- 305 2018 SAUVIGNON BLANC, Gamlitz, Sattlerhof. Styria, Austria £48.00  
*Sauvignon of rare intensity and refinement. Really worth the leap of faith!*
- 306 2015 RIESLING, Heiligenstein, Bründlmayer. Kamptal, Austria £50.00  
*Brilliant dry Riesling – and now gaining the complexity of maturity*

## SPAIN AND PORTUGAL

- 44 2018 QUINTA DE LA ROSA BRANCO. Douro Valley, Portugal £39.00  
*Grapes planted for white Port, now producing delicately rich white wine*
- 47 2019 LOURO DO BOLO, Bodegas Rafael Palacios. Valdeorras, Spain £45.00  
*Trendy Godello grape from the north west. Fresh, but ripe; really impressive. Organic*

## SOUTH AFRICA

- 49 2019 CHENIN BLANC, Artspace, Saronsberg. Coastal Region, SA £39.00  
*Bright, lively and (extremely) easy-drinking; just a hint of New World sunshine*
- 51 2019 VIOGNIER, The Foundry. Stellenbosch, £44.00  
*Brilliant example of the great Rhône grape. Less aromatic than some examples but concentrated, fresh and long. A really versatile food wine*
- 52 2019 JORDAN CHARDONNAY. Stellenbosch £45.00  
*Classic New World Chardonnay - buttery oak and richness and a lovely balance*
- 54 2019 OLD VINES WHITE, Mullineux. Swartland £49.00  
*Old vines making Chenin like you have (probably) never tasted – rich and impressive*

## NEW ZEALAND

- 56 2020 SAUVIGNON BLANC, 'Annabel', Staete Landt. Marlborough £41.00  
*Under-stated and unusually delicate example of this classic style*
- 57 2013 GRUNER VELTLINER, Blank Canvas. Marlborough £44.00  
*Beautifully refined example of the key Austrian grape. Savoury and gently spiced*
- 58 2018 CHARDONNAY, 'Josephine', Staete Landt. Marlborough £47.00  
*Chardonnay in a modern, fresh, delicate mode – and easy on the oak.*
- 59 2018 WILD SAUVIGNON, Greywacke. Marlborough £49.00  
*Wild yeast and oak fermentation make for a fascinating and unusual Sauvignon style*

## AUSTRALIA

- 60 2019 ROCKY GULLY RIESLING, Frankland Estate. Western Australia £41.00  
*Dry Riesling – crisp, lively and brilliant with or without food*
- 61 2019 CHARDONNAY, Three Lions, Plantagenet. Western Australia £43.00  
*A pretty classic example – full of open, delicious, fruit*

## SOUTH AMERICA

- 62 2019 SAUVIGNON BLANC, De Martino. Casablanca Valley, Chile £34.00  
*Very classy Sauvignon from coastal Casablanca. Less 'obvious' than NZ examples*
- 63 2018 TORRONTES, Colomé. Calchaqui Valley, Salta, Argentina £39.00  
*Torrantes is comparable to really dry Muscat: floral perfume and zingily fresh flavours*

## CALIFORNIA

- 65 2017 PINOT GRIS / PINOT BLANC, Au Bon Climat. Santa Barbara £48.00  
*Richly textured but unoaked. Lively but creamy. A very modern California white*
- 66 2018 WILD BOY CHARDONNAY, Jim Clendennen. Santa Barbara £49.00  
*Rich but balanced Chardonnay from the original 'wild boy' of the California wine scene*
- 68 2017 CHARDONNAY, Red Shoulder Ranch, Shafer. Napa Valley £71.00  
*Hedonistically rich and powerful – uniquely Californian and brilliant of that style*



## ITALY

71	2019 PINOT GRIGIO, Corte Giara. Veneto <i>Perfect example of the style; light, soft texture, gentle, easy</i>	£39.00
72	2018 VERNACCIA DI SAN GIMIGNANO, Falchini. Tuscany <i>Fresh, light and deliciously drinkable. From the famous 'town of towers'</i>	£40.00
73	2016 PECORINO, Gran Sasso. Terre di Chieti, Abruzzo <i>Rare native varietal. Spicy richness with appetizing freshness beneath</i>	£43.00
79	2019 GAVI DI GAVI, 'Vigneti Lugarara', La Giustiniana. Piedmont <i>The quintessential Italian dry white: clean, crisp, elegant</i>	£43.00
81	2017 SHARJS, Livio Felluga. Friuli <i>Blend of Chardonnay and Ribolla Gialla, aged in French oak. International style, very classy</i>	£46.00
82	2018 SOAVE CLASSICO SUPERIORE, "La Rocca", Pieropan. Veneto <i>The greatest expression of Soave. Garganega grapes aged in old oak. Rich but fine</i>	£52.00

## GREECE

83	2019 ASSYRTIKO, Domaine Lyrarakis. Crete, Greece <i>Greece's most prized white grape variety. Smoky, salty, spicy – outstanding food wine</i>	£40.00
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## ENGLAND

84	2018 HORSEMONDEN, Will Davenport. Kent, England <i>The most enjoyable English still white wine we have tried. Aromatically very like a Sauvignon Blanc (that's the Bacchus element) and although it's light and delicate there is genuine minerality and complexity. Organic</i>	£40.00
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## ROSÉ WINE AND CHAMPAGNE

254	2020 CHÂTEAU FONTARÈCHE ROSÉ, Vieilles Vignes. Corbieres. Southern France <i>Light, fruity, friendly, dry rosè – fantastic drinkability</i>	£34.00
255	2018 CÔTES DU RHÔNE ROSÉ, Domaine Grand Veneur. Rhône <i>Just a touch more weight and richness than 254</i>	£36.00
257*	2020 MIRAVAL ROSÉ. Côtes de Provence <i>This is the notorious 'Brangelina' wine – and surprisingly it's both excellent and good value</i>	£47.00
2	CHAMPAGNE LE MESNIL ROSÉ, Grand Cru, 'Sublime' <i>Blend of 50% Chardonnay and 50% Pinot Noir. Delicate, fresh and charming</i>	£67.00
5*	CHAMPAGNE TAITTINGER ROSÉ, Brut Prestige	£67.00
8b	2004 COMTES DE CHAMPAGNE ROSÉ, Taittinger <i>Seriously stunning Champagne with a price to suit</i>	£300.00

# Red wines

We serve red wine marginally cooler than room temperature.

## ITALY

85*	2016 CHIANTI, Podere il Chiostrino. Tuscany <i>From the family vineyards of Ivo Vannocci; honest and full of flavour</i>	£34.00
86	2020 PRIMITIVO, I Muri. Puglia <i>Juicy, ripe and ultra-easy-drinking Primitivo (Zinfandel in California)</i>	£39.00
87	2016 CANNONAU, Marghia, Jerzu. Sardinia <i>Cannonau is Sardinian Grenache (The main grape of southern Rhône) Broad and generous</i>	£42.00
88	2017 CHIANTI CLASSICO, Isole e Olena Tuscany <i>Savoury and spicy, this is perfect alongside any meat dish</i>	£49.00
89	2018 LA GROLA, Allegrini. Valpolicella, Veneto <i>A turbo-charged Valpolicella – bright and lively but with power and intensity too</i>	£51.00
90	2014 BARBARESCO, Sori Paolin, Cascina Luisin. Piedmont <i>The refined perfume and powerful but under-stated style of the Nebbiolo grape</i>	£54.00
91	2015 BARBERA D'ALBA SUPERIORE, G D Vajra. Piedmont <i>Barbera of this quality beats most Barolo – and you can drink it young</i>	£60.00
92	2017 AMARONE, Corte Giara. Valpolicella, Veneto <i>Air-dried grapes result in a uniquely intense and powerful style</i>	£60.00
93	2016 BAROLO, Albe, G D Vajra. Piedmont <i>Relatively approachable for a young Barolo: there's sweet, briary fruit alongside the characteristically tannic structure of the Nebbiolo grape</i>	£64.00
94	2015 SA'ETTA, Chianti Classico Riserva, Monte Bernardi. Tuscany <i>Sangiovese of power and elegance. Young, but impressive already. Organic</i>	£57.00
103	2015 BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO, Poggio San Polo. Tuscany <i>Exceptional vintage and modern producer. This is rich, complex and intense</i>	£80.00
104*	2008 CEPPARELLO, Isole e Olena, Paolo De Marchi. Tuscany <i>A renowned 'Super Tuscan'. Pure Sangiovese; savoury and serious; decant in advance</i>	£115.00

## SPAIN and PORTUGAL

106	2019 RIOJA, Inédito, Bodegas Lacus. Spain <i>Fresh, modern and very charming example of the Tempranillo grape</i>	£39.00
107*	2017 QUINTA DE LA ROSA. Douro, Portugal <i>Gutsy &amp; powerful but (unusually for Portugal) also rather sleek and polished</i>	£40.00
108	2015 CONTINO, Cvne, Reserva. Rioja, Spain <i>Perhaps the most elegant single estate wine in Rioja – comparable to fine Bordeaux</i>	£49.00
109*	2008 RIOJA, Tondonia Tinto Reserva. Rioja, Spain <i>Ultra-traditional Rioja – long oak ageing produces a gentle, soft, very complex style</i>	£55.00
110	2017 QUINTA DE LA ROSA RESERVA. Douro Valley, Portugal <i>The concentration of top quality Port, but without the sweetness and alcohol</i>	£56.00
111	2015 PRIORAT, Ferrer-Bobet. Spain <i>Old vine Carinena and Garnacha; intense ripeness but no rough edges. Organic</i>	£67.00

## SOUTH AFRICA

- 113 2020 GOATS DO ROAM, Western Cape £37.00  
*Syrah-based red from the innovative Charles Back of Fairview Estate.  
Ripe and rich with more with a hint of warm earthiness*
- 114 2016 CHAMELEON CABERNET MERLOT, Jordan. Stellenbosch £38.00  
*The Cape Chameleon Protection Fund benefits from the sale of this impressive blend*
- 115 2016 CABERNET FRANC, Chamonix. Franschhoek, South Africa £42.00  
*In the mould of a classic Stellenbosch Cabernet Sauvignon, but just a touch lighter  
and more elegant*

## LEBANON

- 117 2017 TERRASSES DE BAALBECK, Massaya. Beqaa Valley, Lebanon £49.00  
*Broad, savoury and complex blend of Rhône varieties*

## CALIFORNIA

- 120 THE WHOLE SHEBANG, XII, Bedrock Wine Co. Sonoma, California £43.00  
*Multi-vintage blend of Zinfandel, Carignan and others. Peppery, lively and generous*
- 121 2016 QUPE SYRAH, Bob Lindquist. Central Coast £49.00  
*Up-front, juicy, black fruit – Syrah may turn out to be California's trump card*
- 123 2018 PINOT NOIR, Au Bon Climat. Santa Maria Valley. Organic £51.00  
*From the cool Santa Barbara region, a Pinot of real delicacy and elegance*
- 124 2017 Zinfandel Old Vines, Turley. Napa Valley £51.00  
*Classic Zin (blackberry juice, spice, pepper): great food wine*
- 125 2016 CABERNET SAUVIGNON, Frog's Leap. Napa Valley £75.00  
*Expensive, for sure, but this matches both the style and quality of very serious Bordeaux*

## SOUTH AMERICA

- 128 2018 SYRAH GRAN RESERVA, Casa del Bosque. Casablanca Valley, Chile £39.00  
*Black fruit and pepper; classic Syrah in the style of Crozes Hermitage*
- 129 2018 MALBEC, Ultra, Kaiken. Mendoza, Argentina £40.00  
*Ripe, rounded, smooth – a very classic Malbec, the wine of the moment*
- 130 2019 PINOT NOIR, Montes Alpha. Aconcagua, Chile £41.00  
*Soft, ripe, charming Pinot from the ever-reliable Montes estate*

## AUSTRALIA

- 201 2019 PINOT NOIR, Giant Steps. Yarra Valley, Victoria £49.00  
*Bright, aromatic, lively Pinot from a top quality, cool climate region*
- 202 2018 JESTER SHIRAZ, Mitolo. McLaren Vale, South Australia £46.00  
*Big, ripe, juicy Shiraz – absolutely classic example*
- 205 2015 CABERNET SAUVIGNON, Plantagenet. Mt Barker, Western Australia £50.00  
*Unusually elegant Aussie red; oak and fruit stylishly blended*
- 206 2016 NINE POPES, Charlie Melton. Barossa Valley, South Australia £80.00  
*In homage to Châteauneuf du Pape. Broad, ripe, spicy - very impressive*

## RHÔNE

140	2017 CAIRANNE, La Côte Sauvage, Boutinot <i>Muscular and savoury Grenache from one of the best villages in the southern Rhône</i>	£42.00
141	2017 MASSIF D'UCHAUX, 'Garance', Domaine La Cabotte <i>Massif D'Uchaux is an excellent but little know sub-region of Côtes du Rhone Villages. Rich, open Grenache with backbone and complexity from Mourvèdre and Syrah.</i>	£43.00
142	2016 GIGONDAS, Aux Lieux Dits, Santa Duc <i>Almost always better value than Châteauneuf – and 90% of the quality</i>	£48.00
143	2017 CROZES HERMITAGE, Domaine des Lises, Maxime Graillot <i>Pure Syrah from the northern Rhône. An aromatic, fresh and lively style</i>	£54.00
146	2017 CHÂTEAUNEUF DU PAPE, Domaine Grand Veneur <i>Broad and spicy – the obvious choice with game or rich red meat dishes</i>	£60.00

## BEAUJOLAIS

148	2018 BEAUJOLAIS VILLAGES, Domaine Morel <i>Perfect example of bright, lively Gamay</i>	£39.00
151	2019 BROUILLY, Château de Pierreux <i>Serious example of the Gamay grape. Richness and freshness combined</i>	£43.00
152	2016 FLEURIE, Domaine de la Madrière <i>Strawberry perfume, medium-bodied, fresh and crunchy. To drink, not sip</i>	£44.00

## RED BURGUNDY

154	2015 ST AUBIN, 1er Cru Les Rouges Gorges. Henri Prudhon <i>Powerful, robust Pinot Noir from a lesser-known village on the Côte de Beaune</i>	£48.00
156	2015 MARSANNAY, En Chezots, Jean Fournier <i>Underrated village just north of Gevrey. Aromatic, serious, food-friendly</i>	£55.00
157	2017 CHOREY-LES-BEAUNE, Les Bons Ores, Domaine Jean Pierre Guyon <i>Lovely example of the ripe 2016 vintage. Unusually concentrated for a Chorey</i>	£58.00
159	2014 CHAMBOLLE MUSIGNY, Vieilles Vignes, Les Fremières, Digioia-Royer <i>There's rare power and weight in this Chambolle</i>	£62.00
160	2017 VOLNAY-SANTENOTS, 1er Cru, Ballot-Millot <i>Surprisingly powerful and serious for a Volnay. Decant an hour before drinking</i>	£70.00
162	2013 NUITS-SAINT-GEORGES, Vieilles Vignes, Robert Chevillon <i>Just reaching perfect maturity. Savoury, spicy and opening up given time in the glass</i>	£88.00
163	2016 GEVREY-CHAMBERTIN, La Justice, Marc Roy <i>Pure and delicate but rich and impressive at the same time. This is fine Burgundy</i>	£95.00
164	2009 CHAMBOLLE-MUSIGNY, Louis Jadot <i>The village of Chambolle makes for fine, aromatic Burgundy. This is no exception</i>	£105.00
165	2016 VOSNE ROMANÉE, 1er Cru Les Orveaux, Mongeard Mugneret <i>Youthful, of course, but the quality is already clear; precise and elegant</i>	£190.00
166	1999 VOLNAY, 1er Cru Clos du Château du Duces, Domaine Michel Lafarge <i>Volnay's best estate and one of its finest vineyards. Just reaching perfect maturity</i>	£130.00
167	2009 CLOS DE LA ROCHE, Grand Cru, Domaine Lignier-Michelot <i>Absolutely classic example of the ripe and charming 2009 vintage</i>	£290.00
168	2005 CHAMBOLLE-MUSIGNY, Clos de L'Orme, Domaine Sylvain Cathiard <i>A great year for long-lived Pinot Noir – and a fine estate. The price of rarity</i>	£300.00
169	2002 CLOS DE VOUGEOT, Grand Cru, Domaine Jean Grivot <i>Powerful, serious, "very" spicy style of Burgundy. Give it time to open in the glass</i>	£340.00

## FRANCE - The South

132*	2018 CHÂTEAU FONTARÈCHE, Vieilles Vignes. Corbieres, Languedoc <i>Soft, round, easy-drinking style with plenty of spice and character</i>	£34.00
134	2019 PINOT NOIR, Domaine de Bachellery. Pays D'Oc <i>Fragrant, herbal, spicy - surprisingly good Pinot Noir from the Languedoc</i>	£37.00
135*	2013 LE SOULA, Gérard Gauby. Vin de Pays des Côtes Catalanes <i>Blend of Cabernet, Grenache, Syrah and Carignan grapes. A low-yielding, organic vineyard in Roussillon producing a dense, intense, seriously impressive red. Organic</i>	£51.00
137	2017 LA FALAISE, Château de la Negly. Côteaux du Languedoc <i>Perhaps the best estate in the South of France. Syrah-based blend of real class</i>	£53.00

## RED BORDEAUX

175	2013 Château LA CROIX DES MOINES. Lalande de Pomerol <i>An approachable, charming Merlot from an area that still produces genuinely good value</i>	£44.00
176	2015 Château LES CHARMES-GODARD, Francs Côtes de Bordeaux <i>From the eastern edge of the Bordeaux region, this is plush and ripe - impressive already</i>	£47.00
177	2013 L'ESPRIT DE CHEVALIER. Pessac-Léognan <i>Second wine of the great Domaine de Chevalier The class is evident</i>	£52.00
178	2012 Château TRIANON, Grand Cru. St Emilion <i>More delicious, charming Merlot - it's easy to see why St Emilion is so (deservedly) popular</i>	£58.00
179	2007 Château POTENSAC, Cru Bourgeois. Médoc <i>An estate always offering great value. And an early-drinking vintage</i>	£61.00
184	2004 Château CANTEMERLE, 5ème Cru Classé. Haut Médoc <i>Cantemerle always offer genuine value. This is now soft and mature</i>	£73.00
185	2000 SARGET DE GRUAND LAROSE. St Julien <i>The 'Second Wine' of the excellent Gruaud Larose. Fully mature, spicy and earthy</i>	£85.00
186	2007 Château LANGOA BARTON, 3ème Cru Classé. St Julien <i>One of the most consistent properties in the Médoc. Léoville and Langoa Barton both produce classy claret of real structure and self-evident breeding</i>	£90.00
187	2010 RÉSERVE DE LA COMTESSE. Pauillac <i>The 'Second Wine' from the renowned Pichon Lalande, in a classic, serious vintage</i>	£95.00
190	2005 Château BATAILLEY, 5ème Cru Classé. Pauillac <i>Classic Pauillac nose with mature fruit flavours, a delicious glass</i>	£120.00
191*	2010 Château TALBOT, 4ème Cru Classé. St Julien <i>Renowned property and an early-drinking year. This really is not expensive for what it is</i>	£125.00
192	1998 Château CALON-SÉGUR, 3ème Cru Classé. St Estèphe <i>Now at its peak, a really classic claret: dry and savoury with cedar and tobacco</i>	£240.00
193	2002 VIEUX Château CERTAN. Pomerol <i>Always amongst the most elegant wines of the 'right bank'. Now gentle and delicate</i>	£250.00
194	1998 Château PALMER, 3ème Cru Classé. Margaux <i>Fully mature, this is gentle, aromatic, under-stated - very typical of the Margaux appellation</i>	£330.00
195	1966 Château CHEVAL BLANC, 1er Grand Cru Classé. St Emilion <i>Historic vintage of one of France's greatest estates. Also a rare example of Cabernet Franc dominated claret. Best to decant this fully mature wine a few moments before you are ready to drink it.</i>	£360.00

<b>PORT – glass measures 75 ml</b>		<b>Glass</b>	<b>Bottle</b>
600	QUINTA DE LA ROSA FINEST RESERVE, <i>For a non-vintage Port, this has superb ripeness &amp; structure</i>	£5.75	£42.00
603	QUINTA DE LA ROSA 20 YEAR OLD TAWNY, 50cl <i>A beautiful old-golden colour; gentle and ripe. Delicious served chilled</i>	£6.25	£48.00
605	2012 QUINTA DO PASSADOURO, Late Bottled Vintage <i>A new estate making modern-style Port - outstanding ripeness and intensity</i>	£6.25	£48.00
606	2007 QUINTA DE LA ROSA	£9.25	£80.00
607	1991 QUINTA DE LA ROSA		£85.00
618	1997 WARRE		£135.00
617	1994 QUINTA DE LA ROSA		£140.00

## **SWEET WINE - glass measures 75ml**

### **HALF BOTTLES and 50 cl BOTTLES**

662	2016 BANYULS, Cuvée Léon Parcé, Domaine de la Rectorie. Roussillon <i>Fascinating sweet red. Gently fortified. Brilliant with chocolate 50 cl</i>	£7.75	£34.00
663	2015 Berry Bros. & Rudd Sauternes by Château Climens <i>Selected for the renowned London merchant from one of the greatest estates</i>	£8.25	£40.00
664	MAURY, 'Solera 1928', Vignerons de Maury. Roussillon, France <i>Barrel-aged Grenache from the deep south: spicy, nutty, tangy sweetness</i>	£8.25	£40.00
670	2017 TOKAJI, 'Late Harvest', Oremus. Hungary <i>Subtle, honeyed richness with a lively, lemony freshness Light, delicately sweet Chenin Blanc. Perfect with fruit-based desserts</i>	£8.75	£45.00

### **BOTTLES**

694	2016 MUSCAT DE BEAUMES DE VENISE, Domaine Durban. Rhône <i>Lightly fortified. Perfumed and enticing – dangerously drinkable</i>	£5.50	£43.00
695	2017 CÔTEAUX DU LAYON, 'Patrimoine', Château Soucherie. Loire <i>Light, delicately sweet Chenin Blanc. Perfect with fruit-based desserts</i>	£6.50	£48.00
696	2009 Château CLIMENS, 1er Cru. Barsac-Sauternes <i>Second in reputation only to D'Yquem. Warm summer; luscious richness</i>		£140.00
697	2002 Château D'YQUEM, 1er Cru. Sauternes <i>No introduction required – great wine even in less-exalted vintages</i>		£350.00

## Half bottles white

### CHAMPAGNE

400	CHAMPAGNE LE MESNIL, Grand Cru, Blanc de Blancs	£31.00
401	CHAMPAGNE TAITTINGER, Brut Réserve	£36.00
402	CHAMPAGNE TAITTINGER ROSÉ	£39.00
403	CHAMPAGNE KRUG, Grande Cuvée	£120.00
404	CHAMPAGNE TAITTINGER Nocturne	£36.00

### NEW ZEALAND

420	2017 WILD SAUVIGNON, Greywacke. Marlborough <i>Wild yeast and oak fermentation make for a fascinating and unusual Sauvignon style</i>	£27.00
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### ITALY

423	2019 SOAVE CLASSICO, Pieropan. Veneto <i>Pure Garganega; dry and light but so much better than Pinot Grigio</i>	£24.00
424	2019 GAVI DI GAVI, 'Vigneti Lugarara', La Giustiniana. Piedmont <i>Quintessential northern Italian white; clean as a whistle</i>	£24.00

### FRANCE

425	2016 ST VERAN, Terres Noires, Domaine Deux Roches. Burgundy <i>Easy-drinking but concentrated; with a hint of oak</i>	£25.00
426	2018 SANCERRE, Terre de Maimbray, Reverdy. Loire <i>A very French style of Sauvignon Blanc. Bone-dry, the emphasis on minerality not fruit</i>	£25.00
427	2017 MEURSAULT, Les Chevaliers, Domaine Coche-Bizouard. Burgundy <i>Excellent, well balanced vintage – young but impressive already</i>	£39.00

## Half bottles red

### NORTH AMERICA

478	2016 PINOT NOIR, Domaine Drouhin. Dundee Hills, Oregon <i>Cool climate Oregon makes great Pinot – 'ripe' fresh and lively</i>	£33.00
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### ITALY

480	2018 CHIANTI CLASSICO, Isole e Olena. Tuscany <i>Great estate in the heart of Chianti. Spicy, savoury, food-friendly</i>	£26.00
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### FRANCE

493	2017 CHÂTEAUNEUF DU PAPE, Domaine Grand Veneur. Rhône <i>Broad and spicy – the obvious choice with game or rich red meat dishes</i>	£37.00
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## The Restaurant list of wines by the glass

1*	CHAMPAGNE LE MESNIL, Grand Cru, Blanc de Blancs	£11.50
3*	CHAMPAGNE TAITTINGER, Brut Reserve	£12.50
4*	CHAMPAGNE NOCTURNE by TAITTINGER	£12.50
2	CHAMPAGNE LE MESNIL ROSÉ, Grand Cru, 'Sublime'	£11.50
5*	CHAMPAGNE TAITTINGER ROSÉ, Brut Prestige	£12.50
	<i>The 'Sublime' is a little lighter; the Taittinger is surprisingly powerful</i>	
275	NYETIMBER, Classic Cuvée. West Sussex, England	£12.50
	<i>...or try one of the finest English sparkling wines, very much in Champagne style</i>	

### WHITE (glass measures 175ml)

62	2019 SAUVIGNON BLANC, De Martino. Casablanca Valley, Chile	£9.90
	<i>Very classy Sauvignon from coastal Casablanca. Less 'obvious' than NZ examples</i>	
11	2020 PICPOUL DE PINET, Domaine Font Mars. Languedoc	£10.25
	<i>The best of modern France; crisp and lively but no lack of character and interest</i>	
56	2020 SAUVIGNON BLANC, 'Annabel', Staete Landt. Marlborough, New Zealand	£11.50
	<i>Classic Kiwi Sauvignon – aromatic, intensely fruity, lemony fresh</i>	
51	2019 VIOGNIER, The Foundry. Stellenbosch, South Africa	£12.25
	<i>Brilliant example of the great Rhône grape. Less aromatic than some examples but concentrated, fresh and long. A really versatile food wine</i>	
38	2018 PINOT BLANC AUXERROIS, Domaine Albert Mann. Alsace	£12.50
	<i>Soft, spicy and gentle – but no lack of freshness. Alsace wine to suit all tastes. Organic</i>	
33	2019 SANCERRE, Terre de Maimbray, Reverdy. Loire Valley	£13.00
	<i>Top estate and excellent vintage. Ripe, intense, perfectly balanced</i>	
17	2017 CHABLIS, 1er Cru Montmains, Duplessis. Burgundy	£15.75
	<i>Classic, crisp, stony-dry Chablis from an excellent vintage</i>	

### ROSÉ (glass measures 175 ml)

254	2020 CHÂTEAU FONTARÈCHE ROSÉ, Vieilles Vignes. Corbieres. Southern France	£9.90
	<i>Light, fruity, friendly, dry rosé- fantastic drinkability</i>	
257*	2020 MIRAVAL ROSÉ. Côtes de Provence	£12.75
	<i>This is the notorious 'Brangelina' wine – and surprisingly it's both excellent and good value</i>	

### RED (glass measures 175ml)

132	2018 CHÂTEAU FONTARÈCHE, Vieilles Vignes. Corbieres, Languedoc	£9.90
	<i>Soft, round and easy-drinking; but plenty of spice and character</i>	
106	2019 RIOJA, Inédito, Bodegas Lacus. Spain	£11.00
	<i>Fresh, modern and very charming example of the Tempranillo grape</i>	
86	2020 PRIMITIVO, I Muri. Puglia, Italy	£11.00
	<i>Juicy, ripe and ultra-easy-drinking Primitivo (Zinfandel in California)</i>	
107*	2017 QUINTA DE LA ROSA. Douro, Portugal	£11.00
	<i>Gutsy &amp; powerful but (unusually for Portugal) also rather sleek and polished</i>	
129	2018 MALBEC, Ultra, Kaiken. Mendoza, Argentina	£11.25
	<i>Ripe, rounded, smooth – a very classic Malbec, the wine of the moment</i>	
140	2017 CAIRANNE, La Côte Sauvage, Boutinot. Rhône	£11.75
	<i>Muscular and savoury Grenache from one of the best villages in the southern Rhône</i>	
175	2013 Château LA CROIX DES MOINES. Lalande de Pomerol, Bordeaux	£12.25
	<i>An approachable, charming Merlot from an area that still produces genuinely good value</i>	



**Bin ends** - remnants from past lists - WILL GO OUT OF STOCK QUICKLY

**CHAMPAGNE**

702	CHAMPAGNE VEUVE CLICQUOT, Brut	£80.00
703	2009 CHAMPAGNE POL ROGER, Brut	£110.00

**WHITE**

712	2014 PASSADOURO, Douro	£36.00
713	2017 QUINTA DE LA ROSA BRANCO. Douro Valley, Portugal	£38.00
714	2016 CHÂTEAU PAUL BLANC, Mas Carlot. Costières de Nîmes	£39.00
719	2010 CROZES HERMITAGE, Domaine Mule Blanche, Paul Jaboulet Aîné. Rhône	£48.00
720	2018 ALBARINO, Neudorf. Moutere, Nelson, New Zealand	£50.00
727	2016 SAINT-ROMAIN, David Moret. Burgundy	£65.00

**RED**

814	2014/15 LA GROLA, Allegrini. Veneto, Italy	£50.00
816	2014 BANDOL, La Bastide Blanche, Cuvée Estagnol. Provence, Organic	£48.00
817	2014 QUPÉ SYRAH, Bob Lindquist. Central Coast	£48.00
820	2013 VALPOLICELLA, SURPERIORE , Stefano Campedelli . San Martino , Vento	£53.00
826	2011 DIE MARTHA, Hermanuspietersfontein	£46.00
829	2015 CEPPARELLO, Isole e Olena, Paolo De Marchi. Tuscany, Italy	£115.00
830	2014 VOSNE ROMANÉE, 1er Cru Les Orveaux, Mongeard Mugneret	£150.00



# Tasting Notes



## An undeniable treat ...

... spoil yourself and stay at The George Hotel of Stamford for a sheer bliss sojourn – relax, wine and dine, and worry only about what pleases you – for a change!

The George has a reduction of 20% Sunday to Thursday, and 10% on Friday and Saturday on our sumptuous, super-comfortable bedrooms until July 19 – providing an exceptional sleep experience, tea or coffee brought to your room in the morning, together with newspapers – and the delight of retiring after a superb Dinner or Luncheon without ‘the pressures of life’ crowding in! Heaven, or what?

A leisurely and simply delicious, super-tempting breakfast taken in The Garden Room, Under The Canopy awaits upon arising, or if you are blessed with sunshine and balmy temperatures, take your repast in The Courtyard.

Please contact The Reservations Team – 01780 750700  
– who are ever ready to discuss any queries you may have

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Chef Patron  
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