



Please enjoy my carefully selected choice of wines from around the world as you dine on authentic Italian cuisine at our award-winning restaurant, Il Mare. In making this selection, I have tried to include something to suit all tastes.

Whether you are a wine connoisseur or a novice with an appetite for knowledge, I would be delighted to lead you on a world tour of the vines, unravelling the secrets behind what makes a great wine, recommending food pairings and, I hope, satisfying your passion for wine. If you would like to share with me your passion for wine or would like more information, please do not hesitate to contact me directly.

Yours sincerely,

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Wine Guru



# The Wine Chronicles

## CHARDONNAY

Wines made from Chardonnay are finely textured, beautifully aromatic, long on the finish, and ages particularly well. Their bouquet is dominated by hazelnut, honey and hawthorn or acacia, usually underlined by notes of butter, brioche and toast. Chardonnay often displays lively scents of ripe lemons, tropical fruit, especially pineapple and melon in Australia.

## SAUVIGNON BLANC

Possesses a very characteristic aroma, best described as lemon, grapefruit, Muscat, peach, blackcurrant bud, linden, passionfruit, fresh-cut grass, gooseberries or boxwood. Sauvignon is the king of dry white wines of Bordeaux where it contributes its acidity and freshness to blend with Semillon and Muscadelle.

## RIESLING

Riesling wines may be dry or sweet but they are always full-bodied, well-structured and aromatic. Their delicate, distinguished aromas are composed of subtle notes of lemon, Muscat and spices. One of the most distinct features of older Riesling is the smell of petrol. Riesling demi-sec and sweet wines are teeming with grapefruit and orange notes after some time in the bottle.

## PINOT GRIS

This wine aroma is often spicy and honeyed with floral and fruity notes such as pear and apple, and usually a hint of mushroom. The Pinot Grigio style of Italy is a light-bodied, often lean wine that is light in colour with occasional spritzy flavours that can be crisp and acidic.

## VIOGNIER

Viognier wines are golden, dry, soft and full, with an extremely rich nose of Muscat, apricot, acacia, honey and violet. The white grape alone gives rise to Condrieu wines and blended with the red grape, Syrah, to make Côte Rôtie.

## GEWÜRZTRAMINER

An extremely aromatic wine, its most frequent notes are lychee, rose and clove. Late harvested Gewürztraminer wines can present scents of apricot, peach, tropical and candied fruit.

## CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Cabernet Sauvignon is rich in tannin and colour, giving the wine solidity and wonderful cellaring potential. The well-known Haut Medoc grape is remarkably well-structured and elegant, displaying intense aromatic complexity. Young wines smell of red fruit – blackcurrant, raspberry and sometimes, bilberry in particularly sunny years. As the wine matures in new oak barrels, it becomes suppler and can develop superb such as coffee, caramel and dark chocolate.

## MERLOT

Merlot wine aromas are plums, fruitcake, leathery, gamey and meaty. The tannins may be softer and lesser-bodied than the Cabernet. Other characteristics may be blackcurrant, spice and coffee. Often blended with other Bordeaux varieties, this grape is softer with less stringent tannins.

## SYRAH/SHIRAZ

The wine from Shiraz is powerful and full-bodied, with concentrated aromas like raspberry, blackberry, liquorice, black pepper, plum, spice and prunes. With maturation, added complexity and further interesting earthy notes of wet leather, game flavours and aromas often become present.

## PINOT NOIR

Pinot Noir wines are light in tannins, possessing aromas and flavours of strawberry, cherry, plum, raspberry, mushroom and beetroot. Red berry characteristics become more prominent as the ripeness of fruit increases. Other notable flavours on further maturation include earthiness, barnyard, straw, spice and nuttiness.

## ZINFANDEL

The wine tends to exhibit a dark purple hue with hints of strawberry, plum, raisin, spice, leather and tar. Zinfandel has a mouth-filling characteristic that is sometimes described as being jammy or chewy. The wine colour is deep red, bordering on black. This is a spicy, peppery wine with a hint of fruity flavour. Berries or dark cherries are often the taste range but these characteristics intensity may vary.

# CHAMPAGNE

## VINTAGE CHAMPAGNE

Dom Pérignon Brut, Épernay, 2013

325,000

Pol Roger Vintage Brut, Épernay, 2016

105,000

## NON-VINTAGE CHAMPAGNE

Ruinart Blanc de Blancs Brut, Reims

99,500

Veuve Clicquot Yellow Label Brut, Reims

82,000

Moët & Chandon Brut Imperial, Épernay

71,000

Laurent-Perrier La Cuvee Brut, Tours-sur-Marne

71,500

Pol Roger Brut Reserve, Épernay

67,500

Perrier Jouet Grand Brut, Épernay

54,000

Taittinger Brut Reserve, Reims

52,500

## NON- VINTAGE CHAMPAGNE - MAGNUM (1.5L)

Moët & Chandon Brut Imperial, Épernay

153,000

## ROSÉ CHAMPAGNE

Dom Perignon Brut Rosé, Épernay, 2004

470,000

Laurent-Perrier Cuvee Rose Brut, Tours-sur-Marne, NV

122,000

Taittinger Brut Prestige Rose, Reims, NV

65,000

## SPARKLING WINE

Santa Margherita Brut, Prosecco Superiore di Valdobbiadene, DOCG, Veneto, Italy, NV

22,000

Freixenet Cava Rose Extra Dry, Catalonia, Spain, NV

16,500



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# WHITE WINE

## FRANCE

Puligny Montrachet AOC, Olivier Leflaive, Côte de Beaune, Burgundy, 2011	136,000
Olivier Leflaive Meursault, AOC, Cote de Beaune, 2021	119,000
Joseph Drouhin 'Drouhin-Vaudon', Chablis Premier Cru, AOC, Burgundy, 2018	51,000
Maison Louis Jadot Chablis, AOC, Burgundy, 2021	46,000
William Fevre Chablis, Burgundy, 2020	40,000
Pascal Jolivet Blanc Fume, AOC, Loire, 2022	39,000
Pascal Jolivet, Sancerre Blanc, AOC, Loire, 2020	39,000
Gewürztraminer, Leon Beyer, AOC, Alsace, 2015, 2018	40,000
Pouilly-Fuisse, AOC, Bouchard Aîné & Fils Mâconnais, Burgundy, 2022	43,500
Albert Bichot Macon-Village, AOC, Burgundy, 2020	23,000
Hugel & Fils Riesling Classic, AOC, Alsace, 2022	25,000
Hugel & Fils Classic, Gewurztraminer, AOC, Alsace, 2019	24,000

## AUSTRIA

Singing by LAURENZ V. Gruner Veltliner, Niederosterreich, 2021	21,500
Domaene Gobelsburg Riesling, Kamptal, 2023	19,000

## SPAIN

Bodegas Bilbainas Vina Pomal Blanco, DOC, Rioja, 2020	21,000
Abadia de San Campio, Albariño, DO, Rias Baixas, 2022	20,500
Torres Vina Sol Parellada, DO, Penedes, 2021	11,750

## GERMANY

Loosen Bros Dr. L Riesling, Mosel, 2021	16,000
Villa Wolf, Gewurztraminer, Pfalz, 2022	15,900



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## WHITE WINE

### ITALY

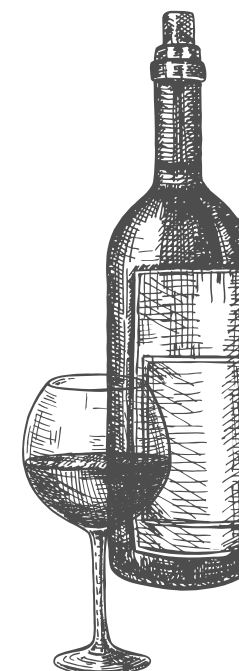
Alois Lageder Lowengang, IGT, Trentino-Alto Adige, 2020	74,500
Alois Lageder, Sauvignon Blanc, DOC, Trentino-Alto Adige, 2021	29,000
Marchesi Frescobaldi Castello di Pomino Bianco, DOC, Tuscany, 2021	21,500
Zenato Lugana di San Benedetto, DOC, Lugana, 2021	20,500
Santa Margherita, Pinot Grigio Valdadige, DOC, Trentino-Alto Adige, 2022	20,500
Tenuta del Melo Gavi, DOCG, Piedmont, 2021	18,000
Marchesi Frescobaldi 'Remole', Bianco, IGT, Toscana, 2021	18,000
Marchesi Antinori, Villa Antinori Bianco, IGT, Tuscany, 2022	16,000
Ruffino, Orvieto Classico, DOC, Umbria, 2019, 2022	15,000
Bottega, Soave Classico, DOC, Veneto, 2021	15,000
Villa Cardini, Garganega - Trebbiano, DOC, Veneto, 2021	12,000

### ARGENTINA

Familia Zuccardi 'Zuccardi Serie A', Torrontes, 2021	15,500
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### CHILE

Casillero del Diablo Reserva Sauvignon Blanc, Central Valley, 2022	15,500
Cono Sur Reserva Especial Chardonnay, Casablanca Valley, 2019	14,000
Valdivieso Sauvignon Blanc, Central Valley, 2022	11,500



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## WHITE WINE

### UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Stag's Leap Wine Cellars Karia Chardonnay, Napa Valley, California, 2019

58,000

Calera Central Coast, Chardonnay, California, 2022

34,000

### AUSTRALIA

Ian Botham Wines 76 Series Chardonnay, Margaret River, 2020

21,000

Yalumba Organic Chardonnay, South Australia, 2019

19,000

Sandalford Sauvignon Blanc - Semillon, Margaret River, 2023

15,500

Ian Botham Wines 'The All-Rounder' Chardonnay, South Eastern Australia, 2021

13,500

Deakin Estate Sauvignon Blanc, Murray Darling, 2022

13,500

### NEW ZEALAND

Cloudy Bay Sauvignon Blanc, Marlborough, 2022

53,000

Sileni Estates Cellar Selection Sauvignon Blanc, Marlborough, 2022

20,000

Hans Greyl Sauvignon Blanc, Marlborough, 2021, 2022

18,000

### SOUTH AFRICA

Rupert & Rothschild Nadine Chardonnay, Western Cape, 2021

35,500

Bellingham The Bernard Series Old Vine, Chenin Blanc, Coastal Region, 2021

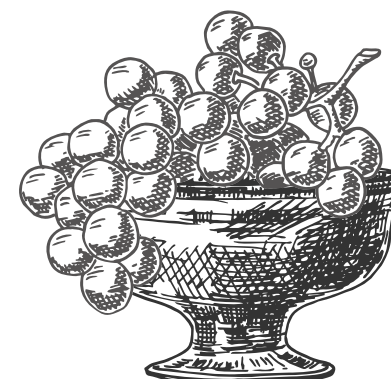
32,300

Nederburg The Winemasters Chardonnay, Western Cape, 2021

14,000

Babylon's Peak, Chenin Blanc, Swartland, 2022

14,000



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## ROSÉ WINE

Chateau d'Esclans Cotes de Provence 'Rock Angel', AOC, Cotes de Provence, France, 2022	35,000
Chateau Miraval, AOP, Cotes de Provence , France , 2023	27,000
Marcel Martin Rose d'Anjou, AOP, Loire, France, 2021	15,000



## RED WINE

### FRANCE

Château Latour Premier Grand Cru Classé, AOC, Pauillac, Bordeaux, 2004	595,000
Château Mouton Rothschild Premier Grand Cru Classé, AOC, Pauillac, Bordeaux, 2005	610,000
Château Margaux Premier Grand Cru Classé, AOC, Margaux, Bordeaux, 2004	530,000
Pavillon Rouge du Chateau Margaux, AOC, 2020	394,000
Olivier Leflaive Pommard, AOC, Cote de Beaune, 2018	102,000
Joseph Drouhin Nuits-Saint-Georges, AOC, Cote de Nuits, 2016	68,000
Chateau des Laurets Baron Selection Parcellaire, AOC, Puisseguin-Saint-Emilion, 2016	61,000
Domaines Barons de Rothschild Lafite Les Legendes R, AOC, Pauillac, 2021	46,000
Chateau Clarke, Listrac-Medoc, 2015	42,000
Vieilles Vignes Chateauneuf-du-pape, AOC, Rhone, 2017	41,500
Domaines Barons de Rothschild Lafite Les Legendes R, AOC, Medoc, 2019	24,500
Calvet Cotes du Rhone, 2023	16,000



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## RED WINE

### ITALY

Ornellaia, DOC, Tenuta dell'Ornellaia, Toscana, 2011, 2017	285,000
Baffonero, IGT, Maremma, Rocca di Frassinello, Toscana, 2011, 2013, 2017	225,000
Marchesi Antinori, Tignanello, DOC, Tuscany, 2020	115,000
Barolo, DOCG, Elio Altare, Piemonte, 2012, 2014, 2016, 2017	87,000
Marchesi Frescobaldi Castello di Nipozzano, Mormoreto, IGT, Tuscany, 2019	84,000
Villa Al Cortile, Brunello di Montalcino DOCG, Tuscany, 2011	62,500
Buglioni Amarone dellaValpolicella Classico, DOCG, Veneto, 2019	58,000
Marchesi Antinori Pian delle Vigne, Brunello di Montalcino, DOCG, Tuscany, 2018	58,000
Bottega, Prêt à Porter Riserva, DOC, Amarone della Valpolicella Classico, 2012, 2015	73,000
Marchesi Frescobaldi Tenuta Calimaia Vino Nobile di Montepulciano, DOCG, Tuscany, 2020	36,000
Dezzani, Barbaresco, DOCG, Piedmont, 2018	39,000
Ruffino Riserva Ducale, DOCG, Chianti Classico Riserva, 2016	33,000
Bottega Valpolicella Ripasso Superiore, DOC, Veneto, 2019	30,000
Zenato Ripassa Valpolicella Ripasso Superiore, DOC, Veneto, 2019	29,000
Elio Altare Dolcetto d'Alba, DOC, Piedmont, 2022	28,000
Marchesi Frescobaldi, Pater, Sangiovese, IGT, Tuscany, 2022	17,500



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### SPAIN

Vega Sicilia Alion, DO, Ribera del Duero, 2017	132,500
Vega Sicilia, Pintia, DO, Toro, 2016	95,000
Torres Mas La Plana Cabernet Sauvignon, DO, Penedes, 2011, 2012	77,000
Gratavinum 2017, DOC, Priorat, Catalonia, 2018, 2019	35,000
Dominio Romano Camino Romano, 2022	24,000
Bodegas Bilbainas, Vina Pomal Crianza, DOC, Rioja, 2017	20,500
Torres Altos Ibericos Crianza, DOC, Rioja, 2018	16,000

### CHILE

Valdivieso Caballo Loco Grand Cru, Sagrada Familia, Curico Valley, 2020	38,000
Casillero del Diablo Reserva Carmenere, Central Valley, 2020	15,000

### ARGENTINA

Flechas de los Andes, Gran Corte, Mendoza, 2018	51,600
Flechas de los Andes, Gran Malbec, Mendoza, 2017	31,000

### AUSTRALIA

Penfolds St. Henri Shiraz, South Australia, 2018	82,000
Glaetzer Amon-Ra Shiraz, Barossa Valley, 2012, 2014, 2016, 2018, 2019	60,000
Penfolds Bin 28 Kalimna, Shiraz, South Australia, 2020	39,200
Glaetzer Bishop, Shiraz, Barossa Valley, 2021	31,000
Sandalford Estate Reserve, Cabernet Sauvignon, Margaret River, Australia, 2018	22,000
Ian Botham Wines 80 Series Cabernet Sauvignon, Coonawarra, 2019	21,000



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## RED WINE

### NEW ZEALAND

Schubert Block B Pinot Noir, Wairarapa, Marlborough, 2016, 2018

54,500

Oyster Bay Pinot Noir Marlborough, 2020

22,000

Mud House Pinot Noir, Central Otago, 2021

20,500

### SOUTH AFRICA

Vilafonte Series M, Paarl, 2010, 2011, 2018

102,000

Boekenhoutskloof “The Chocolate Block”, Swartland, 2022

53,000

The Bernard Series Basket Press Syrah, Stellenbosch, 2012, 2015

46,000

Kanonkop Estate, Pinotage, Stellenbosch, 2021

46,000

Bellingham The Bernard Series Bush Vines, Pinotage, Stellenbosch, 2020

41,000

Babylon’s Peak, Pinotage, Swartland, 2021

14,500

### UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Calera Central Coast Pinot Noir, California, 2022

37,500

## DESSERT WINE

Marchesi Antinori Castello della Sala Muffato, IGT, Umbria, Italy, 2019

37,000

St. Stephan’s Crown Tokaji Aszú 5 Puttonyos, Hungary, 2013

21,000

Sandalford Element Late Harvest Margaret River, Australia, 2021, 2023

18,600



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## TALES OF THE WINE

Because all the best stories begin with a glass and end with a bottle.

### CHAMPAGNE

Pierre Mignon Grande Reserve Brut, Champagne, France, NV



7,000



34,000

### SPARKLING WINE

Santero Prosecco, Extra Dry, Veneto, Italy, NV

3,400

16,000

### WHITE WINE

Mud House Sauvignon Blanc, Marlborough, New Zealand, 2022

3,300

16,000

Cono Sur Bicicleta Reserva, Chardonnay, Central Valley, Chile, 2021

2,600

12,500

Torresella Pinot Grigio, IGT, Veneto, Italy, 2022

2,500

12,000

Bellingham Chenin Blanc, Western Cape, South Africa, 2023

3,100

15,000

### ROSÉ WINE

Torresella Pinot Grigio Rose, IGT, Veneto, Italy, 2022

2,600

12,500

### RED WINE

Vina Chocalan Reserva Merlot, Maipo Valley, Chile, 2022

2,800

13,500

McGuigan Black Label, Cabernet Sauvignon, South Eastern Australia, Australia, 2023

2,500

12,000

Piccini Chianti ,DOCG,Tuscany, Italy, 2021

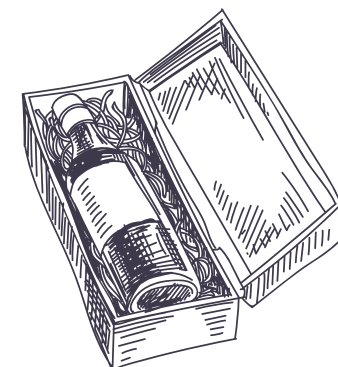
2,500

12,000

Creto In Italia, Montepulciano D' Abruzzo, DOC, Italy, 2021

2,900

14,000



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