

THE WINE LIST February 2024

This selection forms the basis of what is in stock most of the time. These are all good quality wines and spirits that offer excellent value – especially when compared with their prices charged in the UK. We prefer to show keen headline prices, rather than raise them so as to take off some notional "discount". The euro price you see is the price you pay.

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You probably know some of the choices already, but we will of course be happy to explain individual styles - and of course you can taste many of them as and when you come to the shop. We have no minimum order requirement and you can mix your bottles and cases as much as you like.

You can also have your favourite wines sent directly to our premises from the vineyards, so that you can simply hop across to collect these cases, taking advantage of low French prices. Please call or e-mail for further details.

We are here to help you. You can access our great deals with Eurotunnel – just click on its logo on our home page. And whilst here, enjoy lunch in one of the town's many restaurants: see **Our Guide** for notes on these as well as for places to stay and other places of interest.

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The attractive town of Ardres is easily accessible, being just 15 minutes from both the tunnel and Calais. **See Map**.

The Ardres shop is open Monday – Saturday 10.00 – 6.00 with no closure for lunch

If you are likely to be here outside these hours, please contact us in advance and we shall be happy to open up – always assuming one of us is available.

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We look forward to seeing you soon.

With my best wishes Guy Boursot

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WHITE WINES

La Fleur de Mondésir, Bergerac Sec, 2022

4,80€ £4.00

A pale coloured dry white with a light "citric" nose and a fresh character. Made from Sauvignon and Sémillon, this is clean and crisp and offers fantastic value. This Bergerac is good to enjoy by itself or with light styles of food.

Le Petit Pont, Réserve, Blanc, Vin de Pays d'Oc, 2022

4,90€ £4.10

A fresh and fruity dry white wine made from Vermentino and Chardonnay close to Béziers in the Languedoc. The wine has a vivacity and, some might say, an aroma of white fruits! Extra-ordinary quality at such a sensible price! Really easy drinking. (Lowest price in UK shops: £7.85)

Colombard/Sauvignon No 3, Domaine Uby (Gascogne), 2022

5,80€ £4.80

A dry fruity wine with a refreshing balance of freshness with exotic fruit aromas. Grapey enough to enjoy by itself or with lighter food. Drier than the No 4.

L'Infini Chardonnay, Domaine du Paradis (Languedoc), 2022

6,40€ £5.30

A light Chardonnay that is fresh and fruity. If you thought you didn't like Chardonnay, you should be pleasantly surprised by this! From the talented Jonquères d'Oriola winemaking family at Château de Corneilla just outside Perpignan.

Sauvignon de Touraine, Domaine de Marcé (Loire), 2022

6,90€ £,5.80

From the prime wine producing village of Oisly comes this Sauvignon made from 20 year old vines. The wine is fresh, fruity and not acidic - it can be enjoyed either with or without food. Now regularly awarded medals for its quality.

Picpoul de Pinet, Domaine Morin Langaran (Languedoc), 2022

7,40€ £6.20

Bone dry but with plenty of smooth fruit - the perfect accompaniment to fish and white meat. Also easy to enjoy by itself, serve it very cool to appreciate its refreshing character. Do not confuse this with some of the boring examples on today's market, this is from one of the two best producers of the area. Best when enjoyed young and fresh. Picpoul is the grape and Pinet is the town close to Mèze near Agde on the (Price in UK shops: £11.25) south coast.

Château de Fontenille, Entre Deux Mers (Bordeaux), 2022

7,90€ £6.60

4,90€

£4.10

An exciting and refreshing dry white Bordeaux made from 50% Sauvignon Blanc, 20% Sauvignon Gris, 20% Muscadelle and 10% Sémillon. The Sauvignon Gris adds fullness and exotic fruit aromas. Crisp and dry, this wine is perfect with lighter food or simply by itself. One of the best of the area, this is a consistent medal winner.

Gros et Petit Manseng No 4, Domaine Uby (Gascogne), 2022

7,90€

£,6.60

A wine with exotic fruit flavours but that is off-dry. An explosion of refreshing fruit in the mouth from this typical Gascony wine.

Touraine Oisly, Sauvignon, Coulée Galante, Domaine de Marcé (Loire), 2022 8,90€ 47.40

A richer style of Sauvignon, from Oisly, the village that produces probably the best Touraine Sauvignons. Put your nose to the glass and you will immediately sense the fullness of this impressive Sauvignon. Low acidity but beautifully balanced - made by Christophe Godet, this is impressive by all standards.

Bourgogne Aligoté, Domaine Maldant-Pauvelot (Burgundy), 2022

9,80€

£8.20

One of the most enjoyable Aligotés we have tasted in a very long time, and especially at this low price. The grapes are taken from vineyards in the Côte de Beaune, so this wine has the typical Aligoté dryness with a pleasing fruitiness. A revelation.

Comte Leloup du Château de Chasseloir, Cuvée des Ceps Centenaires, Muscadet de Sèvre et Maine, Sur Lie (Loire), 2018

10,40€ £8.70

At Château de Chasseloir there are five hectares of vines that are more than 100 years old. These grapes are picked by hand, and the wine has its lees stirred in tank for 9 to 10 months and finally it is aged for at least two years in bottle so as to create this very special cuvée. Dry but with body and complexity: fabl.

Château de Fontenille, Les Survivantes, Bordeaux Blanc Sec, 2020

11,70€ £9.80

This is a delicious wine made from old Sémillon, Sauvignon Gris and Sauvignon Blanc vines that has been aged for six months in oak to harmonise the flavours. Because the style is abnormal to the appellation of Entre Deux Mers, the wine has to be "declassified" to straight Bordeaux Blanc - but just taste it and you will see that this is in a superior league of quality. It has exotic fruit aromas and flavours whilst being dry and it is delicious served with lighter foods.

Terres Amoureuses, Domaine d'Altugnac (Limoux), 2022

12,20€ £10.20

One of our most delicious and easy to appreciate wines: a Chardonnay from Limoux, famous for its quality sparkling wines, that has been fermented and aged in new oak, thereby giving exotic fruit flavours, without being at all heavy. There is also a small proportion of Mauzac in the blend. This domaine is receiving accolade after accolade for producing seriously good wine at remarkably fair prices. It tastes more like an expensive Burgundy and we believe you will come back for more!

Lirac Blanc, La Fermade, Domaine Maby (Rhône), 2023

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12.80€ £10.70

Made predominantly from Grenache Blanc with Clairette, Picpoul and Viognier, the juice is cold fermented to retain freshness. It has light, floral aromas, with more softness and fullness in the mouth and finishes with a little spiciness – a lovely marriage of flavours that makes it so good to accompany various lighter foods. This wine is regularly applauded by the wine guides and critics.

Saint-Véran, Croix de Montceau (Burgundy), 2022

13,20€ £11.00

A fuller, smooth, yet juicy wine made from 50 year old Chardonnay vines from the Pouilly Fuissé area. Compare this against other Saint-Vérans and we don't think you'll find one of better value. Delicious – this will keep 3 years.

Petit Chablis, Vincent Tremblay, 2022

13,30€ £11.10

This is superb. Made by the highly reputed Gérard Tremblay, this is steely dry and crisp. 2022 was a warm year so the wine is slightly fuller than one from a more classic year. Tremblay's wines have the typical "minerality" but also have a deliciously full dry fruitiness on the palate, with a long aftertaste. Forget the bland Chablis sold by multiple retailers, this wine is classic proper Chablis.

Bourgogne Chardonnay, Cuvée Tradition, Elevé en Fûts de Chêne, Domaine Pardon et Fils (Burgundy), 2021

13,80€ £11.50

A lovely white Burgundy that has a little oak behind its light grapey flavour. Made in southern Burgundy, this hits way above its weight.

Château de Varennes, Savennières (Loire), 2021

16,30€ £13.60

A bone dry wine made from 100% Chenin Blanc that could age over the next 10 years with no problem, to become fuller and softer in style.

Viré-Clessé, Domaine Pardon et Fils (Burgundy), 2022

17,70€ £14.80

A deliciously soft and fruity wine taken from an old vineyard that was owned by the monks of Cluny in the Mâcon area. Easy to enjoy by itself or with lighter food.

Chinon, Les Blancs Closeaux, Domaine Pierre & Bertrand Couly (Loire), 2021 18,30€ £15.30

A classic dry 100% Chenin Blanc wine grown on clay and chalky soil. The wine's aroma is fresh but on the palate it has a fullness of style and dry fruit. This is a wine that can age well over many years.

Chablis, Domaine Fourrey et Fils, 2022

19,40€ £16.20

Frequently awarded medals, this fabulous Chablis is from the village of Milly made with all the classic style - crisp, dry and fruity. Clearly a cut above the average.

Casta Diva, Lirac Blanc, Domaine Maby (Rhône), 2022

19,80€ £16.50

This wine has probably been awarded every top medal there is to be won in any competition that it is entered for. A beautiful Lirac made from 68% Clairette and 32% Viognier and fermented in new oak casks. It is fresh yet it has lovely spicy fruit and oak flavours. The owner of the domaine, Richard Maby, is fanatical about opera (as you might have imagined!).

Château Jany, Sauternes (Bordeaux), 2022

Half Bottles

10,90€ £9.10

Sauternes is still known as the producer of some of the greatest sweet wines in the world. This sweet wine has a light, floral aroma and on the palate, the wine opens out to become richer. Made from Sauvignon and Sémillon.

Saint-Péray, Montis, Domaine Laurent Fayolle (Rhône), 2022

21.90€ £18.30

Made 100% from 40 year old Marsanne hillside vines grown one third on granite and two thirds on chalk. Owing to the chalk, this is a more structured and minerally style than Fayolle's white Crozes-Hermitage. A wine from the southern Rhône of very high quality with good potential age to keep for perhaps 10 years+.

Pouilly-Fuissé, Premier Cru, La Roche,

Domaine Pardon et Fils (Burgundy), 2022

26.90€ £22.40

This wine is made from ancient vines on one of the best vine plots in Fuissé. The soil here gives an opulence of fruit and minerality combined with a light oak backing. A very high quality white Burgundy.

Gewürztraminer, Vendanges Tardives, Robert Faller et Fils (Alsace), 2018 34,90€ £29.10 Aromatic, sweet lusciously flavoured and even, with the taste of "noble rot", this is not heavy but is a delight

Aromatic, sweet lusciously flavoured and even, with the taste of "noble rot", this is not heavy but is a delight to savour at the end of your special meal. As with most decent quality sweet wines, if there should be any left in the bottle, put it back in the fridge and it will keep for several days – often weeks.

Meursault, Les Grands Charrons,

Domaine Philippe Bouzereau (Burgundy), 2020

45,30€ £37.80

Philippe Bouzereau at Château de Citeaux makes classic Meursault: smooth and slightly "nutty" in style. Grands Charrons is a lieu-dit alongside Pousse d'Or, a well respected Premier Cru. This high quality wine has a long life ahead and is truly impressive.

From 60 year old vines, this is a magnificent Marsanne. Powerful but yet delicate and fresh. A fine wijne that will keep for 10 years – at least.

RED WINES

Le Petit Pont, Réserve, Rouge, Vin de Pays d'Oc, 2022

4,90€ £4.10

This extra-ordinarily delicious wine is made from Grenache, Cinsault and Cabernet Sauvignon. With an appealingly soft, full and juicy red fruit flavour, this is a great example of the new quality coming from the Languedoc. The bottle also has a stylish presentation. It's one of our best "must try" wines. (Price in UK shops: £,7.85)

Côtes du Rhône Rouge (Rhône)

4,90€ £4.10

2,90€ Half Bottles £2.40

A lighter style of fruity red wine from the Côtes du Rhône that is made predominantly from soft and slightly spicy Grenache. An honest inexpensive red from the co-operative in Saint-Priést that has a gentle fruity flavour and is really easy to enjoy. Good quality and well-priced.

Fitou, Mille et Une Parcelle Mont-Tauch (Fitou), 2020

7,60€ £,6.30

The area of Fitou in the Languedoc makes its reds from Carignan, Grenache and Syrah - grapes that give soft generous flavours. An easy drinking, slightly spicy red that we'd suggest shows at its best when served with red meat or cheese. Leave this open for an hour and it develops a smooth silky texture.

Château de Fontenille, Rouge Passion, Grand Bordeaux (Bordeaux), 2020

7,90€ £,6.60

Half Bottles Magnums

4,90€ 15,90€

£4.10 £13.30

A fuller style of red Bordeaux produced in the Entre Deux Mers region, which disallows red wines to be classified any higher than straight Bordeaux. It's 80% Merlot and 20% Cabernet Sauvignon and is a really good quality claret of fantastic value! A star.

Baroques, Coteaux du Pont de Gard, Domaine Maby (Rhône), 2022 ORGANIC 8,90€ £7.40

We are always struck on tasting this ruby red wine just how much succulent juicy mid-weight fruit there is. From the southern Rhône area but without its appellation. Made from Cinsault and Syrah, but unoaked so as to show off all its lively juiciness. We hope you will like this red as much as we do!

Coteaux Bourguignons Rouge, Domaine Pardon & Fils (Burgundy), 2022 8,90€ £7.40

A light to medium weight Pinot Noir from this relatively new appellation that offers good value Burgundy. With its juiciness, this is easy to enjoy.

Chinon, Le C, Domaine Pierre & Bertrand Couly (Loire), 2022

11,40€ £9.50

6,60€ £5.50

A classic Chinon made 100% from Cabernet Franc grapes grown on clay and sand soil. Pierre the father, used to head up the famous Couly-Dutheil producer but set up with his son about 15 years ago, making excellent quality and (better?) value wines.

Instant Bécot (Bordeaux), 2016

10,60€ £8.80

A very good wine from the famous Chateau Beauséjour-Bécot, Premier Grand Cru classé B in Saint Emilion. 85% Merlot, 14% Cabernet Franc and 1% Malbec, the wine ha a depth of flavour and can be enjoyed now. This is a great wine at a sensible price.

Saint-Emilion Private Selection (Bordeaux), 2021

11,40€ £9.50

A seriously understated wine being a bulk purchase from Grand Cru Saint-Emilion Château Lys de Bessede! A delicious softer style "claret" that can be enjoyed now and over the next two years.

Fleurie, Domaine Pardon (Beaujolais), 2022

11,60€ £9.30

We have so often been disappointed with the wines coming out of the village of Fleurie. but at last we have found a delicious fruity mid-weight wine that is not overly priced and is worthy of listing. Awarded a gold medal, this is a good honest Cru Beaujolais at a sensible price. Wonderful and really fruity!

Campus Domini, Château Massamier la Mignarde (Minervois), 2019

12,40€ £,10.30

This domaine has received numerous accolades including Best Wine of the World in International Wine Challenge's category Syrah-Grenache-Mourvèdre! Now served at the Elysée Palace, the Senate and 100 of France's starred restaurants. Made from these three grape varieties, this wine has a soft rich style but manages to remain fresh and has a brambly aroma of red fruits, herbs and spices from the warm south.

Moulin-à-Vent, Domaine du Dîme, Pardon & Fils (Beaujolais), 2022

12,50€ £,10.00

The wines from Moulin-à-Vent tend to be the richest in Beaujolais and have the capacity to age well: 5 to 8 years not being uncommon. This is a full wine that is more similar in taste to an older style Burgundy or a Rhône than a fresh lively Beaujolais.

Lirac Rouge, La Fermade, Domaine Maby (Rhône), 2022

13,90€ £11.60

Made from the classic GSM mix (Grenache, Syrah and Mourvèdre), this has lots of jammy fruit aroma, it's supple on the palate and has a very long and spicy finish – the hallmark of a grat Rhône wine.

Vacqueyras, Cuvée Prestige, Les Vignerons de Caractère (Rhône), 2022

13,90€ £11.60

The village of Vacqueyras in the southern Rhône produces wines of medium body but with the spiciness that is so typical of that region. You can almost feel the area's warmth in the richness and flavour of this gorgeous wine!

Crozes-Hermitage Rouge, Sens, Fayolle Fils & Fille (Rhône), 2022 ORGANIC 17,90€ £14.90

The Syrah grapes are taken from several terroirs and the juice is then vinified and matured in tank so as to retain freshness – indeed the wine has an aroma reminiscent of small red fruits. This rich fruity style of Crozes is made for instant pleasure and is much better than so many other wines from this well-known appellation.

Clos Trimoulet, Grand Cru Saint-Emilion (Bordeaux), 2019

18,40€ £15.30

Made from 80% Merlot and 10% each of the two Cabernets grown on chalky sandy soil. The vines have an average age of 40 years, and all this has created a fuller style of wine - great value for a wine of such standing. Thanks to the rigour exercised at this vineyard, it achieved HVE status three years ago.

Château Beaumont, Cru Bourgeois Haut-Médoc (Bordeaux), 2014

19,50€ £16.30

This chateau has for years produced good quality wines that are of excellent value. 47% Cabernet Sauvignon, 45% Merlot and 8% Petit Verdot grown on a gravel base – for those of you interested! Full but soft in style, This can be enjoyed now and over the next couple of years.

Santenay, Domaine Maldant-Pauvelot (Burgundy), 2017

21,70€ £18.10

A fuller style of Pinot Noir from the village of Santenay in the southern Côte de Beaune. Soft and juicy, this is a bargain for a wine of such high quality. Delicious to drink now.

Mercurey Rouge, Manoir de Mercey, Châteaubeau (Burgundy), 2020

23,80€ £19.80

Wines from the village of Mercurey in the Côte Chalonnaise can still offer good value. This wine is from adjacent to the excellent Château de Mercey.

Savigny-lès-Beaune, Domaine Maldant-Pauvelot (Burgundy), 2020

26,50€ £22.10

Grown on the limestone soil of Savigny, this red has a fullness of character that makes it good to enjoy now as well as to keep for five years. An excellent ripe-flavoured Savigny made by Jean-Luc Maldant at an affordable price.

Châteauneuf du Pape, Cuvée Tradition, Domaine Jean Royer (Rhône), 2021 27,30€ £22.80

This classy Châteauneuf regularly wins high marks in blind tasting competitions, whilst being one of the less expensive. Outstanding and seriously understated, this has been made in the, nowadays, all too rare traditional style with appealing red fruit and spicy flavours, whilst having an elegant fresh aroma. Delicious now and over the next 10 years. This is a gem and we advise you to stock up now.

Chassagne-Montrachet Rouge,

Domaine Philippe Bouzereau (Burgundy), 2019

28,30€ £23.60

Philippe Bouzereau is sited at the old Château de Citeaux in Meursault village centre and he makes some really good honest wines at sensible prices. From the Côte de Beaune this delicious wine is full of smooth Pinot Noir fruit and it will get even better. Leave your bottle open an hour so as to taste the best from this wine.

Beaune, Premier Cru, Les Theurons, Château de Citeaux (Burgundy), 2019

30,20€ £25.20

A wine with an amazing purity of Pinot fruit on the nose, elegant, soft and round on the palate, with an incredibly long "finish". This is Côte de Beaune Burgundy at its finest.

Charmes de Kirwan, Margaux (Bordeaux), 2019 (2nd wine of Château Kirwan, 3ème cru)

In wooden (6) cases

29,70€ £24.80

Charmes de Kirwan, as the second wine of the great Château Kirwan, is made from younger vines and tends to be a fuller style of Margaux – 2019 produced here richer wines with smooth fruit. Fantastic value to enjoy with your dinner guests between now and 2029.

Aloxe-Corton, Domaine Maldant-Pauvelot (Burgundy), 2021

32,90€ £27.40

A medium weight and very pure-fruity style of Pinot Noir from the genius Monsieur Maldant based in Chorey lès Beaune. This wine will get better still and remain in top form for another 5 years at least.

Château Pontac-Lynch,

Cru Bourgeois, Margaux (Bordeaux), 2019

32,90€ £27.40

The 18th century Pontac-Lynch is a highly regarded château situated in the commune of Cantenac in Margaux. Made from 40% Merlot, 35% Cabernet Sauvignon, 20% Cabernet Franc and 5% Petit Verdot, this is a richer style of smooth claret that may be enjoyed now and over the next seven years.

Château La Tour de By, Médoc (Bordeaux), 2012

34,00€ £28.30

Blason de l'Evangile, Pomerol (Bordeaux), 2013 (2nd wine of Château l'Evangile)

In wooden (6) cases

34,40€ £28.70

This is the second wine of the great Chateau l'Evangile in Pomerol, where there is no classification of Grand Cru etc. This is ready to enjoy now and will impress with its soft mature fruit flavours.

Réserve de la Comtesse, Pauillac (Bordeaux), 2013 In wooden (12) cases 48,40€ £40.30 (2nd wine of Château Pichon-Longueville-Lalande, 2ème cru)

This high quality wine is from the warm year, 2013, meaning that it is rich and soft and ready to enjoy now. Nowadays Pichon-Lalande is on top form and its wines have become collectors' pieces!

Domus Maximus, Massamier la Mignarde (Minervois la Livinière), 2019 49,90€ £41.60

This is one of the most decorated and awarded wines of the south, even winning Best Wine of the World in International Wine Challenge's category Syrah-Grenache-Mourvèdre! This is a smooth and concentrated wine made from 80% Syrah and 20% Grenache. The grapes were macerated for 20 days and then aged in new oak casks for 20 months. If you like "big" wine, this is something very special for you. Perfect with richer tasting meats such as duck.

Les Garouilhas, Château Massamier la Mignarde (Minervois), 2020

64,90€ £54.10

Sensational! 60% Syrah, 20% Grenache, 20% Carignan aged in oak for 2 years, this is a densely packed red with powerful grape, herb and oak aromas. Whilst this goes well with cheeses and red meats, especially those richer meats from the south, this big wine will get better and better over the next 20 years! Buy it now – drink it or put it away, you should not be disappointed. By way of reference, the critic Robert Parker stated: "This wine sets new bases in its appellation...".

Alter Ego de Château Palmer, Margaux (Bordeaux), 2013

78,00€ £65.00

The second wine of the great Château Palmer, this is a richer style of claret that has been made from 53% Merlot, 41% Cabernet Sauvignon and 6% Petit Verdot. It has then been aged 24 months of which the majority has been in wood. One of the great Bordeaux wines

ROSE WINES

Le Petit Pont, Réserve, Rosé, Vin de Pays d'Oc, 2022

4,90€ £4.10

Grenache and Cinsault are the two grapes that have gone into the making of this refreshing rosé. This is a good wine by any standards but it is baffling how such good quality can be produced at this very reasonable price. The wine is light and dry, fresh and "grapey" - perfect for easy summer drinking. (Price in UK shops: £7.85)

Le Syrah Rosé de Morin-Langaran (Languedoc), 2021

6,90€ £5.80

Full fruited dry rosé in a stylish clear bottle, produced on the Etang de Thau. The ultimate rosé - the body of a red and the freshness of a white, this is wonderful for enjoying at all times – even in winter!

Cabernet d'Anjou, Cuvée du Rossignol, Château la Varière (Loire), 2021

7,90€ £6.60

A fresh and grapey rosé with a little residual sugar, making it so very refreshing when served well chilled on a warm summer's day or as an aperitif. Made from the two Cabernet grapes. Pleasure in a glass!

Lirac Rosé, La Fermade, Domaine Maby (Rhône), 2022

11.80€ £9.80

A lighter paler style of dry rosé, with a soft fruity aroma of red fruits, made primarily from Cinsault and Grenache. Lighter in style than the Tavel rosé, this Lirac s just so lovely and refreshing – as recognised by many of the wine critics

Tavel Rosé, La Forcadière, Domaine Maby (Rhône), 2021

11.80€ £9.80

A full dry rosé, with an aroma of red fruits, made from nine different grape varieties, but predominantly Grenache Noir. Highly decorated by the world's wine critics, we feel you cannot fail to be impressed!

Château de Pourcieux (Côtes de Provence), 2022

13,80€ £11.50

This is a true Provençal beauty that is made from Syrah, Grenache, and Cinsault. A pale pink and dry wine with a fresh but full fruity style. Of excellent quality, we feel this to offer better value than many other better known wines from this area! As so many of you now agree, this rosé is one of the best you can buy, especially at this price!

M de Minuty Rosé, Château Minuty (Côtes de Provence), 2022

15,40€ £12.80

No particular comment required here as Minuty has become a well recognised brand name now. The château overlooks the Gulf of Saint Tropez and has a good temperate maritime microclimate which keeps the Grenache juice fresh and juicy.

Crémant de Bourgogne, Rosé, Bailly-Lapierre, Brut

10,90€ £9.10

The twin sister of our excellent sparkling Crémant made by the Méthode Traditionnelle in the Chablis region. Made from Pinot Noir and Gamay, this is pale pink in colour and with a soft fruity flavour, this is a light dry wine that is perfect for summertime enjoyment.

Les Bulles de Fontenille, Crémant de Bordeaux Rosé, Brut

13,90€ £11.60

Probably the best Crémant de Bordeaux you will taste at this price! This is a delicate pink in colour, dry and with fine bubbles. Made from 50% each Cabernet Sauvignon and Cabernet Franc, this bubbly has lovely soft fruit too, making it really easy to quaff on a summers' day or before a meal.

Richard-Dhondt, Cuvée Rosé, Premier Cru, Brut Champagne

24,90€ £20.80

This Premier Cru has a fuller pink colour than some rosé champagnes but retains a lovely freshness on the palate. Perfect with seafood and several lighter meat dishes, or simply lovely as a cool refreshing glass of dry fruity champagne. Try it – you should not be disappointed. Presented in a clear bottle with the very attractive RD label. From our ever-popular House champagne producers, the Richard family in Dizy.

DESSERT WINES

Château Jany, Sauternes (Bordeaux), 2022

Half Bottles 10,90€ £9.10

Sauternes is still known as the producer of some of the greatest sweet wines in the world. This sweet wine has a light, floral aroma and on the palate, the wine opens out to become richer. Made from Sauvignon and Sémillon.

Gewürztraminer, Vendanges Tardives, Robert Faller et Fils (Alsace), 2018

34,90€ £29.10

Aromatic, sweet lusciously flavoured and even, with the taste of "noble rot", this is not heavy but is a delight to savour at the end of your special meal. As with most decent quality sweet wines, if there should be any left in the bottle, put it back in the fridge and it will keep for several days – often weeks.

SPARKLING WINE & CHAMPAGNE

All of our sparkling wines are made by the "traditional" method, once known as the "champagne" method.

Charles de Fère, Tradition Chardonnay, Brut

8,60€ £7.20

For the price, or even at any price, this is a lovely wine with its delicate honeyed fruity aromas. In our view, it is better than so many cheap champagnes. If this were a champagne it would be called a Blanc de Blancs, being made entirely from white grapes – in this case, the classic chardonnay, that is used in Champagne.

Couronne d'Or, Chapin & Landais, Saumur Brut

10,80€ £9.00

An elegant dry sparkling wine produced in the Saumur region of the Loire, by the Méthode Traditionnelle (once called the Champagne Method). As close as it gets to Champagne, this is excellent for parties – without too great a price.

Crémant de Bourgogne, Rosé, Bailly-Lapierre, Brut

10,90€ £9.10

The twin sister of our excellent sparkling Crémant made by the Méthode Traditionnelle in the Chablis region. Made from Pinot Noir and Gamay, this is pale pink in colour and with a soft fruity flavour, this is a light dry wine that is perfect for summertime enjoyment.

Les Bulles de Fontenille, Crémant de Bordeaux Rosé, Brut

12,90€ £10.80

Probably the best Crémant de Bordeaux you will taste at this price! This is a delicate pink in colour, dry and with fine bubbles. Made from 50% each Cabernet Sauvignon and Cabernet Franc, this bubbly has lovely soft fruit too, making it really easy to quaff on a summers' day or before a meal.

80% of champagne's volume comes from 20% of the houses or négociants: the big names that we all recognise — Moet, Clicquot, Bollinger etc. Typically these houses maintain contracts with growers who supply them either in grapes or in bottle with the volumes required for the houses to fulfil their sales. We have included below some of these very growers, who produce wines with individual character and at very good value.

Richard-Dhondt, Cuvée de Réserve, Brut Champagne Bottles (Cuvée Supérieure) 21,30€ £17.80

Half Bottles 12,00€ £10.00

Magnums (Cuvée Supérieure) 48,80€ £40.70

This amazing champagne is made by a small Premier Cru and Grand Cru grower in the prime village of Dizy just outside Epernay. It's made from equal percentages of Pinot Noir, Pinot Meunier and Chardonnay, with 50% reserve (older) wine and then aged for a minimum of 18 months, giving soft fruity but toasty flavours. This is a superb find: good quality, sensibly priced with a smart label, reminiscent of Bollinger RD. Our producer has run out of Cuvée de Réserve until March at the earliest so we are replacing bottle size

If you want inexpensive champagne, we believe you will not find better than this. Exclusive to Boursot's.

Richard-Dhondt, Cuvée d'Or, Blanc de Blancs, Brut Champagne

with Cuvée Supérieure for the moment.

23,40€ £19.50

A fine elegant champagne made entirely from white grapes i.e. the Chardonnay. It is made by our friends, the Richard family in Dizy who also make Premier and Grand Cru wines and this is clearly evident in the quality of their "lesser" wines. Very enjoyable.

Richard-Dhondt, Cuvée Rosé, Premier Cru, Brut Champagne

24,90€ £20.80

This Premier Cru has a fuller pink colour than some rosé champagnes but retains a lovely freshness on the palate. Perfect with seafood and several lighter meat dishes, or simply lovely as a cool refreshing glass of dry fruity champagne. Try it - you should not be disappointed. Presented in a clear bottle with the very attractive RD label. From our ever-popular House champagne producers, the Richard family in Dizy.

Pol Roger, Brut Réserve Champagne

39,90€ £33.30

23,80€ £19.80 Half Bottles 84,90€ £70.80 Magnums

The epitome of classy Champagne from this small family-run House in Epernay: dry but with a clean fresh elegance. One of the best value Grande Marques, owing to its high proportion of aged reserve wines in its blends.

(UK price: £,42.99)

Richard-Dhondt, Brut Nature, Grand Cru, Millésime 2013 Champagne

44,30€ £36.90

A connoisseur Grand Cru champagne whose complex flavours will open up even further over the next five to ten years. The Chardonnay and Pinot Noir have been fermented with indigenous yeasts and then aged in oak. It is made almost as a fine wine. Extra-ordinary value for such quality. A revelation!

Pol Roger, Brut Vintage 2015 Champagne

In gift box

93,80€ £,78.20

Still young, this excellent champagne will develop over 20 years with a rich flavour and toastiness on the palate. Made from 60% Pinot Noir and 40% Chardonnay, all grown in Premier and Grand Cru vineyards. Great price!

BRANDIES – COGNAC, ARMAGNAC & CALVADOS

To most of us, the classification on brandies is confusing. VSOP generally has an average age of 10 years, XO has an average age of 20 years, Hors d'Age ("beyond age") implies very old and at least 10 years old...! Sadly for us, our longstanding Armagnac producer, Mr Magnouac, has decided to retire and has sold off all his production: it's the end of an era. However we have replaced him, as far as one can, with Veuve Goudoulin, a very good traditional style Armagnac producer.

Armagnac *** Delaitre, 40%

22,50€ £18.80

Armagnac has a little more earthiness in its flavour than Cognac. This is a good typical example.

Fine Calvados, Château du Breuil, Pays d'Auge, 40%

26,80€ $f_{.}22.30$

Produced in the best area of the Pays d'Auge in Normandy, where all Calvados has to be double distilled, this "fine" is matured in two types of oak, coming out as a smooth rounded style with apple aromas.

1996 Vintage Bas Armagnac, Veuve Goudoulin, 40%

In gift box

51,40€

£42.80

Bas Armagnac produces richer flavours than "straight" Armagnac owing to its more chalky soil. In our view, good Armagnac should have a depth of flavour and be a little more spicey than a Cognac for example. Veuve Goudoulin has an impressive selection of older Armagnacs from single years. The quality is excellent and is in a league apart from so many of those big commercial names. Great value too.

1992 Vintage Bas Armagnac, Veuve Goudoulin, 40%

56,90€

£47.40

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SCOTCH WHISKY & IRISH WHISKEY

The tax on spirits is still a lot lower in France than it is in many other European countries and for this reason, some of our customers like to buy their finer whiskies and other spirits from us.

Powers, Gold Label, Irish Whiskey, 43.2%

In gift box

29,90€ £24.90

Spicy, rich and vanilla-ey aromas in this triple distilled blended Irish whiskey which has been aged in American oak casks.

Jameson, Select Reserve, Black Barrel Irish Whiskey, 40%

In gift box

38,50€ £32.10

This is matured in sherry butts and Bourbon barrels "Black Barrel" refers to the supplementary toasting of the ageing barrels resulting in honeyed spicy aromas.

Aberlour, Single Speyside Malt Scotch Whisky,

Non-Chill Filtered, 12 years old, 48%

In gift box

39,90€ £33.30

Aberlour tends to stick to its tradition of double maturation, in both bourbon and sherry casks. The process of not chilling in the filtration preserves many fruit flavours despite its high alcohol content.

Chivas Regal, Mizunara, Scotch Whisky, 40%

In gift box

59,00€ £49.20

Mizunara is a variety of Japanese oak and this is the first whisky in which the ageing is partly done in

Mizunara oak which gives spicy notes. This Chivas develops fruity and rich notes from the Single Malt Strathisla, and complexity from the Longmorn. With its fruity and spicy flavours, it is said to make a good accompaniment to foie gras or Parma ham as well as, of course, to enjoy by itself for self-indulgence.

Talisker, Port Ruighe, Skye Single Malt Scotch Whisky,

Finished in Port Casks, 45.8%

In gift box

59,20€ £49.30

This whisky has a deep peat smoke character with a rich dried fruit sweetness followed by a satisfying peppery finish. Try this in combination with smoked salmon and brown bread!

Lagavulin, Single Islay Malt Scotch Whisky, 16 years old

In gift box

84,50€ £70.40

A fine whisky that has been aged in sherry casks. A rich peaty style.

WINE RELATED ACCESSORIES

This is a snapshot from our larger selection found on the web address below where you can also place orders and your items will be delivered to your home within a few days. Otherwise you can pick up these items from our Ardres shop.

Wine Shield Wine Savers, Box of 10

4,20€ £3.50

An alternative and proven way of keeping the remaining wine fresh once the cork has been taken out of a bottle. Float the special disk on the surface of the wine and voila!

Boursot's Bottle Cooler Sleeve, Black

12,90€ £10.80

Keep this in the freezer to pull out when you wish to chill a bottle rapidly. Fits wine or champagne bottles.

Decanter Dryer Stand, Vinology

17,60€ £14.70

An ideal folding dryer stand, to drain your favourite decanters after washing.

"Wine" - The Basics of Wine Book

19,60€ £16.30

This book covers everything there is to know about wine in an easy to use handy format. Intended for both the beginner who just bought his first bottle as well as the connoisseur looking for in-depth information. Written by three professionals from within the wine business, this book will increase your passion for the wonderful drink that is wine. An excellent present.

Nick Newman Wine Cartoons, Framed

42,00€ £35.00

Our much admired pen and ink cartoons that adorn our Ardres shop are now available for you to buy in wooden frames.

Also available unframed at 19,50€

Boursot's Exclusive Loose Leaf Cellar Book

64,90€ £54.10

A classic, retro style, cellar book we have had made especially for us. Combining style with practicality, it is expertly hand bound with gold speckled marbled paper and buckram, with 'Cellar Book' blocked in gold on the front. Inside, the 50 135g printed pages for logging your wines and tasting notes are held in with posts and screws and can be organised as you wish using the 3 dividers: such as into reds, whites and sparkling; countries; past and current stocks, etc. The first of the dividers is printed as a bookplate so that it can be personalised. This is a high quality book made in Britain, available in three different colours: cork, green and red. This Cellar Book will be useful as your collection grows and you can add in pages to the same file with the extension kits.. (Dimensions: 210mm high, 335mm long)

Wine Glass Chandelier, Leitmotiv

169,00€ £140.80

An unusual chandelier made up of cascading wine glasses that creates a great talking point, looking stunning in a cellar or over a dining table..

The chandelier comes with 3 tiers containing 31 glasses (all glasses are included). The diameter is 50 cm, H 38 cm. The electric flex is 150cm long. The chandelier takes one E27 max 40W bulb (not included). Some assembly is required.

Grape handled Pewter Wine Bucket for 6 bottles

169**,**00€ £140.80

This attractive oval wine bucket holds up to 6 still wine or sparkling wine bottles, with room for ice and water. Made from stainless steel, it measures 38cm wide including handles by 23cm high. The handles are decorated with grapes and vine leaves. Suitable for engraving.

Sterling Silver Tastevin Cufflinks

169,90€£141.60

These hallmarked, sterling silver cufflinks are modelled on the Burgundian style tastevins, and have the classical chain and lozenge bar. They come in a stylish walnut finish wooden box with mosaic detail and ivory, with a leather like interior. An ideal present for a wine aficionado!

There are more accessories on

www.boursot.fr/en/accessoires-de-vin/filtres/limit/all.html

H, M and **J** indicate that this wine is also available in Half Bottles / Magnums / Jeroboams We charge in euros. The sterling price is simply a guide, at $f_c = 1.20\epsilon$ and rounded to the nearest 10p

The majority of our wines and spirits are not found in the UK, but the prices for example (Price in UK shops: £16.95) under some wines indicate comparative net selling prices of the exact same wines and vintages in the UK - after discount, Special Offer etc - prevailing when this list was published. So you can see some examples of just how much you can save by shopping at Boursot's Wine Collection in France!

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