

wine list

red wines

brian mcguigan private bin shiraz, south east australia 2005 full-flavoured and spicy with ripe fruit flavours. soft and approachable.	13.50
côtes du rhône "tradition", domaine de la grand'ribe 2006 (organic) raspberry and redcurrant flavours wrapped in rich and spicy tannins, ideal with your lamb or beef.	17.50
dixons peak shiraz, south africa 2005/6 (organic) shiraz that's not built like an over blown front row forward is hard to find but this is it.	20.50
tizac malbec, catamarca, argentina (organic) 2006 from one of the world's highest vineyards where the sun is intense and the pests few. a joy to drink; soft, ripe and completely vice-less so your head will still love you in the morning.	17.50
château terrier de peuil, bordeaux (organic) 100% cabernet 2005 this is unusually fruit laden for bordeaux, with lots of blackcurrant, cassis and tobacco characters, the overall impression being of sumptuous fruit and a long lasting finish. even better in a decanter.	19.50
château lynch-moussas, 5ème cru classé, paulliac 1995 this property has been punching well above its price for a few years now and is certainly approaching the quality of its better-known cousin, lynch-bages. drink a true classic, but not with the bank manager or he'll get the wrong idea.	55.00
clos du clocher, pomerol, 1998 sumptuous mouth filling pomerol, with a lovely lingering finish	52.50
sarget de gruard-larose, st. julien, 2000 this chateau was one of the top performers of the great 2000 vintage. stunning stuff.	62.00
rioja graciano, magister bibendi (organic) 2003 a succulent and sumptuous rioja with a smooth strawberry and vanilla palate, absolutely delicious, it's organic too!	26.00
hautes côtes de beaune rouge, dom. didier montchovet 2002 (biodynamic) this is a light wine all about finesse, but it has a sumptuous quality too, cloves, strawberries and truffles sing out to you.	25.50
wolf blass, yellow label, cabernet sauvignon, s australia 2005 big, meaty, classic aussie cabernet. not for nothing the best known producer from down under.	19.75
sancerre rouge, moulin des vrillères, christian lauverjat 2005 a rare and delicate medium-bodied pinot noir. a real treat with warm salads and lamb.	25.00

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- ropiteau l'emage sauvignon blanc, vin de pays d'oc 2005** 13.50
delicious gooseberry notes and a crisp, dry finish.
- frascati superiore "terre laviche", casale mattia 2005 (organic)** 17.50
a perfect example of why organic grapes are the route to brilliant results. usually frascati is dull, watery blandness. this is intense and vital: a multitude of flavours with mineral characters and wild honeys develop the longer its open. you'd be hard pressed to get this much complexity from good chablis.
- pinot blanc, domaine jean ginglinger, alsace (organic) 2004** 19.50
amazing nose of vanilla, lemons & apricots. the palate is rich, dry and creamy; perfect with pork and spicy dishes.
- unwooded chardonnay, mont rochelle, franschoek, south africa 2006** 18.50
fresh zingy & thoroughly refreshing, this delightful chardonnay, with its lemon twist and sunshine flavours slips down beautifully.
- mâcon-villages, domaine guillot-broux (organic) 2004** 23.50
think of this not so much as macon-villages and more as a classic, rich white burgundy to rival pouilly fuissé. from a brilliant grower, it's one of the most rewarding bottles we've ever come across.
- sancerre blanc, moulin des vrillères, christian lauverjat 2004** 25.00
this classic wine has a typical gooseberry and nettle nose, with ripe cantaloupe melon fruit and racy sancerre acidity.
- bourgogne chitry, alice & olivier de moor 2004** 21.50
wonderful, fresh drinking burgundy. the chardonnay sings to you out of the glass, if only the aussies could do this!
- sauvignon blanc, forrest estate, marlborough, new zealand 2005** 27.50
from one of the best vineyard sites in marlborough, this intense, dry white wine has masses of vital herbaceous, gooseberry character and is mouth-wateringly moreish.
- meursault "tillets", domaine jean javillier (organic) 2004** 31.00
a stunning classic white burgundy from a single vineyard that's been organic for 30 years. the vines have deep roots which pack the grapes with flavour, all at a very reasonable price.

rosé wines

- crooked vine syrah rosé, vin de pays d'oc, 2005** 14.50
full pink colour with bright red berry fruits and a rich creamy texture on the palate.
- sancerre rosé, moulin des vrillères, christian lauverjat 2004** 25.00
one of the finest and most delicately beautiful rosés around. fantastic with light fish dishes and salads.

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stickies

de botorli, vat 5, botrytis semillon 2000 (half bottle)	15.00
orange blossom and honey scents with an unctuous richness cut by citrusy freshness. excellent with stinky cheese and sticky sweets.	5.00/glass
niepoort, port, lbv 2000	32.00
fantastic raisiny mouthful, if you haven't tried this wonderful port you're missing out.	5.00/glass
sandemans, silver jubilee vintage port 1977	98.00
one of the four best vintages of the last century and just about on top form. do give us time to decant it.	

champagne & fizz

champagne brut, 1er cru blanc de blancs, claude carré	32.00
this delicious soft and creamy champagne is loaded with tiny bubbles, brioche, honey and citrus flavours. knocks most branded champagnes into a cocked hat. a treat for the mind and the tastebuds.	7.00/glass
veuve cliquot ponsardin, brut	48.00
the champagne of the season. a glass of "the widow" will always set you up properly.	
bollinger special cuvée,20 brut	52.00
the classic bolly darling. drinks beautifully and lives up to it's reputation.	
gospel green, method champenoise cyder, lurgashall 2004	15.50
locally produced sparkling cyder, in the style of cidre bouché from normandy. " a delight, everything you could want on a summers day" jilly golden	3.50/glass
fernhurst brut, pinot noir, rosé	28.00
stunning locally produced sparkling rosé from the makers of gospel green cyder. made in van common, definitely not vin ordinaire.	