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# Welcome!

# Pick 'n' Mix - 2 for £15

Perfect for stocking up your wine rack, upcoming street parties, gatherings with friends or a mid-week pick-me-up!

# Welcome to our first brochure of 2022.

I hope you all remain safe and well. As the government has now removed the majority of Covid-19 restrictions, we are again planning our events and all will be run so everyone feels safe to attend. We have many dates already in the diary for both face to face and online events. Many people now prefer the online sessions, as they can be shared safely with friends in the comfort of their own home, with no taxi drivers or babysitters required. Please see our website for a full list of events.

As we have been able to travel again, we have been tasting hundreds of bottles, searching out new and exciting wines to show you. With many regions across the world hit by spring

frosts in 2021, some wine will be in very short supply this year, so the search is on to find alternatives to your favourites. As ever keep an eye on our website and emails for these new arrivals.

We look forward to seeing you all soon. Best wishes - Philip Amps.

#### HOW TO SHOP WITH US

**IN STORE:** Covid-safe stores at Oundle Market Place and Oundle Wharf. (Address and opening times on the back cover of this brochure). FREE parking at both stores.

**BY PHONE:** Chat with us and we can recommend wines that you'll enjoy. Oundle Market Place: 01832 273502 | Oundle Wharf: 01832 279164

**ONLINE:** You'll find all our products, offers and more on our website **www.ampswinemerchants.co.uk** 

**BOOK AN APPOINTMENT:** Meet one of the team to help you choose. You can book an appointment in either store at any time that we're open.

#### Collection

Free collection on all orders from our Oundle Market Place store.

#### Delivery

FREE delivery on all orders over £100 anywhere in the UK. £5 delivery on local (\*see website) orders under £100. £7.50 delivery on nationwide orders under £100.





# Easter: Wine & food pairing suggestions

Lamb: The traditional Easter Sunday lunch features roast lamb. As it's guite a delicate meat you don't want to overwhelm it with something too big or oaky.







### **Maison Jaffelin Pinot Noir** 2020, France

Pinot Noir



A charming, soft red made from fruit grown in Burgundy and the south. The influence of southern climate creates ripe, jammy dark fruits such as blackcurrant, blackberry and black cherry.

Fish: It's traditional to enjoy fish on Good Friday but these will work equally well with any kind of fish starter on Easter Sunday too.

# Pazos de Lusco Albarino 2020, Spain



Albarino from the acclaimed Rías Baixas region doesn't get much better than this! Gorgeous ripe pear and apple mixed with fresh herb and floral scents. Fresh and well balanced with soft apricot fruit and a citrus streak.



# Rosé 2021, South Africa

😻 Mourvèdre

Quite simply, this is plush, pale and posh – if you enjoy rosé from Provence, this is a must try! Beautifully dry with elegant aromas of pomegranates and raspberries, fresh fruit and dried apricot flavours and delicate minerality.

Ham: Honey roasted ham paired with a white wine that is neither searingly dry nor overly sweet, is a winning combination.



## **Kloster Eberbach Trocken Riesling** 2020, Germany



£16.95 loved unanimously

by the team when we first tasted it. Classic and finely-balanced Riesling from a renowned estate in the Rheingau region. Gentle floral aromas with a touch of aromatic spice, stone fruit and ripe pear on the palate with limey freshness.

Chocolate: Why choose wine or chocolate when you can have both?

🐝 Muscat



A delightful rose petal scented sweet wine that never fails to impress when paired with chocolate! £15.99 Simnel cake + hot cross buns: Either of these sweetly spiced and fruit treats traditionally enjoyed at Easter will taste even better with a glass of something equally indulgent!







Aged for 5 years before release. this is gold in colour with notes of toasted almonds and honey. Slightly caramelized flavours, fresh and polished. Certainly a sweet wine but with nice balancing acidity.

Fonseca Guimaraens Vintage Port 1998, Portugal (37.5cl bottle)



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Field Blend

What a special treat this is with chocolate! A vintage port made in a non-classic year with gorgeous concentration, depth and layer £14.99 upon layer of glowing fruit

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flavours.

# The **Queen's** Platinum Jubilee

Is there a better way to raise a toast to Her Majesty than with a glass of fine English fizz? Corks will be popping with these celebratory offers!



Hambledon in the South Downs is England's oldest commercial vineyard. This wine unfolds to reveal layers of floral, fresh sourdough and stone fruit aromas then a richly flavoured palate with great length.

#### **Nyetimber Classic Cuvee MV**, West 12% **Sussex**

Chardonnay, Pinot Noir,

**Pinot Meunier** The iconic British sparkling wine that continues to impress! Think honey, almond, luscious lemon pastry and baked apple flavours with a great combination of intensity, delicacy and length.



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RRP £35

Nyetimber Blanc de Blancs 2014, West Sussex

Chardonnay

A classic vintage Blanc de Blancs, this is a beautifully balanced, classy and complex expression of Chardonnay with hints of brioche and lemon peel.



12%

RRP £47.50

Now

The Queen's Platinum Case - 12 bottles



- 1. Chateau Minvielle White Bordeaux, France The Sauvignon Blanc we should be drinking!
- 2. Hesketh Chardonnay, Australia So much texture and so much bright fruit.
- 3. Cieck Erbaluce di Caluso, Italy Incredibly obscure but incredibly good!
- 4. Imperatori Malvasia, Italy A melody of floral and white peach characteristics.
- 5. Sardegna Sa Raja Vermentino, Italy New kid on the block for us... a classic for Sardinia.
- 6. Montresor Bardolino Rosé, Italy Feels like summer is on the way.
- 7. Raats Dolomite Cabernet Franc, South Africa At home in Loire, fantastic from South Africa.
- 8. Jaffelin Pinot Noir, France Amazing bang for your buck Pinot Noir from France.
- 9. Sardegna Sa Raja Cannonau, Italy Rich and elegant, another Sardinian gem.
- 10. Chateau Minvielle Bordeaux Rouge, France Juicy, soft and plush fruit, easy drinking.
- 11. Emiliana Salvaje Syrah, Chile Dark brooding fruits and pepper wrapped up in a velvety body.
- 12. Borsao Seleccion Tinto, Spain Spanish fiesta before Spanish siesta kind of wine!

White & rosé only or red only option available (you will receive pairs instead).

# Celebrating **English Wine**

When it comes to English wine there's a lot to shout about, so we've rounded up our current favourites!

£23.9

Lyme Bay, Devon: At this winery in picturesque Devon, they like to do things a little differently. Since 2015 they've been working with some of the best English winegrowers to craft award winning still and sparkling wines. Being one of a few wineries that work with growers nationwide, they have access to the best fruit grown on different soils or in different microclimates throughout the country, rather than just relying on what is grown in their own vineyards.



herbaceous note.

# Lyme Bay Pinot Noir 2020



Made from the best quality fruit and partially aged in new oak barrels, this wine displays an array of black cherries, raspberries, vanilla

oak and mild tobacco on the nose. Rich but a balanced flavour with red fruits, black cherry and toasty oak.

Chardonnay 2020 Chardonnay

An elegant, dry and lightly oaked Chardonnav. A complex nose of creamy green & red apples, toast, peaches and a hint of mango. Ripe stone fruit characters combine with the subtle creaminess of the oak creating layers of flavour and complexity. A crisp and complex framework makes

this wine an excellent match with food. and it also has the structure to support extended ageing.



Henners, East Sussex: A 7 acre vineyard based just 4 miles from the sea in Herstmonceux, East Sussex. It was created in 2007 by ex-Formula One engineer, Lawrence Warr, who named the winery in honour of his French ancestor, Henners Dubois. The vines thrive in an idyllic microclimate created by the vineyard's proximity to the sea, low altitude and steep, sunny, south facing slopes. All the wines are hand-crafted from start to finish, with the emphasis very much on quality rather than quantity, resulting in an award winning range of wines.

Was £18.50

Now

£15

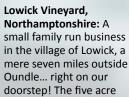
Save £3.50

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# **Henners Gardner** Street White 2020

Bacchus, Chardonnay

This has the classic fresh. floral, elderflower note we have come to know of the Bacchus grape... arguably England's signature grape variety and answer to Sauvignon Blanc! The addition of Chardonnay here adds an abundance of red apple fruit mixed with a touch of stone fruit, a whisper of fennel and good palate weight. It's simply delightful.



doorstep! The five acre vineyard, previously an underused and overgrown meadow, is located on the grounds of an 18th century house. In 2011 when a wine loving father tested the soil, he decided to plant the first vine. Five thousand vines later, a dream turned into reality when the first vintage was produced in 2015.

## **Henners Gardner** Street Rosé 2020

Pinot Noir, Pinot Meunier Meunier

A modern marriage of bright Pinot Noir and plush Pinot Meunier varieties. Seaside salt and mandarin zest on the nose. There's beach pebble minerality texture to the palate along with a blood orange tang. Persistent zing and lift to the finish.



Was £19.75 Now

£16.99

Save £2.7







**Lowick Vineyard Solaris 2015** 



This debut vintage has pretty aromas of elderflower and rose petal. A juicy, rich honeysuckle, melon and elderflower flavour with hints of grapefruit and soft sweetness through to a lingering fruity finish. 10.5%



ave £3.5

# Spring Savings

Our range is blooming with seasonal savings!

#### Pierre Mignon Grande Reserve Premier Cru Champagne Brut NV, France

Pinot Meunier, Chardonnay, Pinot Noir

A crisp, well balanced fizz with fresh citrus fruits, touches of brioche, a creamy mousse and a long finish. It's got a very mellow drinkability about it, which will have you reaching for another glass!

Mushrooms & Champagne are a great pairing.



## Siegel Handpicked **Reserva Sauvignon** Blanc 2021, Chile

Sauvignon Blanc

This wine jumped out at us in a recent tasting so we had to get it in! Lovely delicate aromas of orange blossom and ripe fruit. The palate has this elegant cool tropical fruit, a saline middle and a vibrantly crisp finish.

A great pairing for a fish and chip supper and very drinkable on its own!

′ 13.5%

RRP £30

Now

£25

Save £5

Pinot Grigio 2019, Australia Pinot Grigio Bright and crisp this is an

**Robert Oatley Helmsman** 

all-round delicious wine for sipping with friends.

> A lovely aperitif with an oregano and tomato bruschetta

Was £11.25 Now £8.50

## Motu Nui Sauvignon Blanc 2021, Chile

Sauvignon Blanc A delightfully aromatic Sauvignon Blanc, similar to what you would find in New Zealand's Marlborough region. Bright, aromatic and crisp.

Simple fish with lemon or a goats cheese salad.

£8.99

Save £6

Buy 6 pay £7.99 each HOTU NUI

# Borsao Seleccion Tinto 2020. Spain

Was £9.50

Now

£7.99

Save £1.51

BORSAO

Garnacha, Syrah, Tempranillo

A fruity little number, full of juicy cherry, plum and blueberry fruit, with warm chocolate and spicy flavours. Here's what world renowned wine critic Robert Parker had to say about this wine: "Possibly the single greatest value dry red wine in the world, this is an unbelievable wine... I don't understand how anyone can make wines this good to sell at this price."

> A perfect pairing to chicken dishes, paella or chorizo.

There's a medley of juicy

compote fruit and sweet

spice. Soft, lighter in style

and not too serious.

red berry fruit flavours,

# Sepp Moser Organic Zweigelt 2020, Austria



Now £10.99 An organically produced red from a characterful,



12%

Was £12.75

Enjoy slightly chilled alongside pizza, or pasta with a tomato based sauce.

# **Montresor Bio Corvina** 2020, Italy



Part of this producer's new range of organic, characterful and contemporary wines. This red is bright and berryfruited, light, fresh and very drinkable! An ideal choice for this season.

Great with pasta and grilled meats.



## Hancock & Hancock Tempranillo 2019, Australia

(\*\*) Tempranillo

Made from the main grape variety found in the Rioja region, this is produced in the warmer climate of McLaren Vale in South Australia. The result is a full bodied and luscious beauty, full of dark berry fruit and delicate spice.

Burgers or roasted red meats.









Was £9.99

£8.50

Save £1.49

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# **New Wines**

Montresor Bardolino Chiaretto Rosé 2021, Italy £10.99

Corvina, Rondinella, Molinara

A pale, delicate rosé made in a crisp style. It's fresh and zesty with berry and pomegranate fruit followed by a dry, cherry finish.

Salads and light starters, or grilled fish dishes.



12.5%

Hesketh Lost Weekend Chardonnay 2020, Australia

Chardonnay

Fresh, aromatics of lime leaf, honeydew melon and a hint of buttery toast. Flavours of lime, nectarine and fresh lemon. Crisp acidity with slight notes of brioche and creaminess on the finish.

Crumbed fish tacos with homemade slaw and lemon mayo.



Chardonnay 2020, France

**Maison Jaffelin** 

arrivals.

Chardonnay Blending fruit together from Burgundy and the south, creates a deliciously easy drinking style with all the freshness and ripeness you expect from an unoaked Chardonnay. Superb value!

It's been so good to get back out to producer

£11.50

CHARDONNA

£14.50

tastings again so we can sniff out new wines

for you! Here's a selection of our latest

Roast chicken dishes.



Cieck Erbaluce di Caluso 2020, Italy

We'd never heard of the grape variety either but all you need to know is that it's downright delicious! From Piemonte in the North, this is a zippy, fresh, lemon zest and limey wine with a tiny spritz on the end of your tongue. The ultimate springtime wine.

Any kind of seafood.

# Wakefield Estate Shiraz 2019, Australia

Shiraz

Made by Australia's most awarded winery - a soft Shiraz with lively flavours of juicy red berry fruits, plum and spice. These fresh characteristics play alongside subtle chocolate and savoury characters from the oak maturation.

#### Casas del Bosque Reserva Carmenere 2019, Chile



This is a classic Carmenere - soft and plump with aromas of black cherries, plums and a hint of green bell pepper. Flavour-wise there's more of those fruits.

Herby lamb or roasted vegetables.



# Lanzerac Pinotage 2019, South Africa





Nobody's been bottling Pinotage longer than Lanzerac and this wine shows a wealth of experience with this proud South African grape variety. A full bodied, complex wine with beautiful balance between ripe raspberry, plum and cherry fruit and wood, showcasing good structure that will allow it to age well. With age it will develop velvet density and luxurious chocolate and caramel flavours.

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(II) Good old fashioned sausages and mash.

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CONTRACT.

# Boutinot Cotes du Rhone Villages 'Les Six' Cairanne 2018, France

Grenache, Syrah, Mourvedre, Cinsault, Counoise, Carignan

If you're looking for a red to rival the big names of the Rhone, then Cairanne is it. There's a real buzz about this small village and that's because it was recently awarded 'cru' status elevating its quality to the likes of Chateauneuf du Pape. This particular wine is named 'les six' as it includes all six red varieties permitted to be grown in the village. The result is a stunning rich blend, full of peppery red and black fruits with a silky smooth mouthfeel and memorable finish.

Drink with herby lamb or grilled

meat and roasted vegetables.

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Carranne Carranne

£15.50

# Amazing **Australia**



**Jeanneret Wines:** Established in 1992, Jeanneret is a family winery with 60 acres of low yielding vines in Clare Valley. The vineyards are farmed organically and the family motto is 'naturally perfect' - they aim to make wines which reflect the time and place they come from. The estate is headed up by self-taught winemaker Ben Jeanneret whose ethos is to produce generous wines full of flavour to be enjoyed amongst friends.



# Big Fine Girl Riesling 2021

This wine bursts with aromas and flavour yet maintains elegance, hence the name. Crisp and dry Riesling with a beautiful nose of limes, lemons and lychees. Massive volume of delicious ripe and rich fruit flavours balanced by mouth-watering zestiness.

£15.50

Simply pair with fish and chips.

# Cabernet/Shiraz 2018

Cabernet Sauvignon, Shiraz

What a wine this is! Rich nose of blackcurrant and ripe red berries, with loads of sweet spices to back up the fruit. The palate is textured and has great firmness and grip from the Cabernet. The Shiraz adds red fruit and a big whack of savoury depth.



Beefburgers or sausages and mash.

# Cabernet/Malbec 2018

Cabernet Sauvignon, Malbec As the saying goes, opposites attract and, viticulturally speaking, that's the case here with two grapes that couldn't look more different but blended together, the result is amazing! A medley of big spicy notes, rich cassis and red berries on the nose. The palate is textured with great grip from the Cabernet and a big fleshy middle thanks to fruity Malbec.

£17.50

Delicious with roast beef or lamb.

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# **Spring** Selection Boxes

# The Spring Six - 6 bottles



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White & rosé only or red only option available (you will receive pairs instead).

# Amps **Best** Sellers

This collection of wines are our best sellers for a reason. Have you tried them yet?

### Domaine de Pellehaut Blanc 2021, France

Colombard, Sauvignon Blanc, Ugni Blanc, Gros Manseng, Chardonnay

A brilliant southern French wine that sweeps you away in a whirlwind of floral and fruity fragrances. Lovely concentration of ripe yet super fresh citrus fruit flavours, good balance and length.

Fish or prawns make an excellent match.



## **Funkstille Gruner Veltliner** 2021, Austria

🔅 Gruner Veltliner

£11.99 This has been a customer favourite since day one! With subtle exotic hints, ripe pear and fresh melon flavours, it's a deliciously dry and tasty wine made from Austria's signature grape variety. The refreshing, zippy finish will have you reaching for a second glass!

winner with fish & chips!



£9.75

PELLEHAU

Cielo Baccolo Bianco 2020. Italy

Garganega, Sauvignon Blanc



The ripe fruit will match well with lightly spiced dishes.

£11.95

## **Domaine Balland Le Balbuzard Sauvignon** Blanc 2020, France

Sauvignon Blanc

This is a great value alternative to Sancerre from the Loire Valley. Citrus fresh, green fruit flavour and lots of personality.

Seafood & Sauvignon Blanc are an unbeatable combo!

# Alberca Malbec 2021. **Argentina**



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A really pure expression of Malbec, deep red almost purple in colour and wonderfully aromatic with lifted violet, red currant and cassis notes.

> Tastes great with a juicy steak or spicy chorizo & bean stew.



#### £14.25 **Bardos Romantica** Crianza 2018, Spain



This wine is handcrafted from some of the oldest vineyards in the Ribera del Duero region and achieves wonderful elegance and complexity. A full bodied, beautifully balanced wine. Ripe dark fruit aromas, smooth to taste with dark

fruit jam flavours coupled with interesting leather and tobacco notes. Smooth and elegant from 14 months ageing in old French oak barrels.

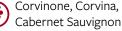
Drink with roast pork or mature cheeses.

# £10.50

BARDOS

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#### **Mabis Biscardo** Neropasso 2019, Italv \*\* Corvinone, Corvina,



The Biscardo family have been making wine for over 150 years, with brothers Maurizio and Martino currently running the operation. They've got it just right with this wine, it's really soft and drinkable,

dangerously so, with flavours of plum jam, black cherry and spicy notes. Try it and you'll be coming back for more!

We recommend with tomato based pasta dishes or red meats.



# **Boutinot Cairanne Cotes du Rhone** Villages 2018, France

Grenache, Syrah, Mourvedre

£15.95 If you like Chateauneufdu-Pape, you need to try this! Full flavoured, rich and smooth. Intense morello cherry fruit and a touch of spice on the nose, ripe berry,

Delicious with rich stews, game or red meats.

accanne liquorice and a hint of spice



on the palate.



£12.25

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# EVENTS 🕈



# **WSET Wine Courses**

> Are you a beginner or simply someone who loves wine and is looking to know more about it? We are an approved WSET education centre and have two passionate wine educators, who will help you gain an internationally recognised qualification.

or

# **WSET Level 1**



#### Dates:

Monday 9th May, 6.30pm - 9.30pm (Session 1) + Monday 16th May, 6.30pm - 9.30pm (Session 2)

Tuesday 4th July, 9.30am - 4.30pm

Venue: Oundle vicinity TBC

**Cost:** £170

Learn the basics of food & wine matching, the main grape varieties and storing/serving of wine.

# WSET Level 2

# Dates:

Tuesday 20th September (Session 1) + Tuesday 27th September (Session 2) + Tuesday 4th October (Session 3) Venue: The Falcon Inn, Fotheringhay, PE8 5HZ Time: 9.30am - 4.30pm Cost: £400

> Gain confidence choosing wine by understanding the styles behind the labels through a greater depth of knowledge.

ROGRAMME PROVIDER



# Upon successful completion you will receive a **WSET certificate** and lapel pin.

# South African Wine Dinner

#### Date: Thursday 7th April

Venue: The Montagu Arms, Barnwell, PE8 5PH Time: 7pm prompt Cost: £50 per person

- Join us for an evening of five impressive South African wines handpicked to match a delicious three course dinner.
- Aperitif on arrival at 7pm, with dinner starting promptly at 7:15pm



# World Class Wine Dinner

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#### Date: Friday 6th May

Venue: The George Hotel & Brasserie, Buckden, PE19 5XA

Time: 7.30pm prompt

Cost: £99 per person

- > We invite you to join us for a fabulous dinner in the orangery at the recently refurbished George Hotel at Buckden.
- > We will showcase twelve world class wines from unexpected places, paired with four wonderful courses.
- Aperitif on arrival at 7:30pm, with dinner starting promptly at 7:45pm
- Tickets very limited.

# The Annual Spring Tasting

Date:Friday 27th MayVenue:St Peter's Church, OundleCost:FREE ENTRY

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An opportunity to taste 70 wines from around the world, to suit every palate and pocket. It doesn't matter if you're a wine buff or a wine novice – the wines will be arranged on tables around the room with friendly help behind each one.

Simply come in, pick up a glass and choose the wines you wish to taste – try before you buy! In your tasting booklet you will find an order form so that you can order wine on the night enabling you to take advantage of special one off discounts.

Want to plan what to taste in advance? Simply provide us with an email address on booking and we'll send you a preview copy of the tasting sheet a couple of days before the main event!

## WHERE TO FIND US



Address:	Amps Wine Merchants
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## **OPENING HOURS**

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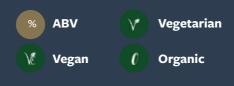
Address: Amps Wine Merchants Oundle Wharf, Oundle, PE8 4DE

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Tuesday - Friday: 9am - 6pm Saturday: 9am - 5pm

#### Free parking for customers at both stores





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