

WINE LIST

The wine list at The White Swan Inn is simply a collection of wines of character and individuality rather than a list of well-known names. Each example should be exceptional of its type. So please be experimental. The more the expensive, the better the value due to lower mark-ups.

I hope you enjoy yourselves

Victor Buchanan

Fizz & Pop!

We Brits love our fizzy wines and Prosecco represents the new wave of fabulous sparkling whites; soft elegant and low in alcohol making it the perfect aperitif.

Pol Roger is one of the few remaining family owned grand marques and named as its biggest fan was Sir Winston Churchill who drank at least two bottles a day... 'Lucky Winston'!! If you look at the bottles you will see a black band around the neck in his memory.

Bin			125ml Glass	Bottle
1	Prosecco Bosca di Gici Adami Fresh & well balanced on the palate with crisp acidity and a clean finish. Dry in style but very fresh.	Italy	4.60	24.95
2	Jacques Boncoeur Brut 90% pinot noir, this is the probably closest we will ever get to Yorkshire champagne! Owned by our Yorkshire wine merchant James Goodhart (get it?). His champagne has won many blind tastings against a number of the grand marques champagnes!	France	7.65	44.95
3	Jacques Boncoeur Rose	France		46.75
4	Pol Roger Cuvee de Reserve	France		55.95
5	Billecart-Salmon Brut Rose	France		68.75
6	Laurent Perrier Vintage 2002 Our very finest quality Champagne, perfect for those very special occasions Blend 50% Chardonnay 50% Pinot noir	France		74.95

simply Dry, Light & Delicious Whites

The wines in this category are refreshing, and often have an excellent citrus acidity balance that adds an extra 'lift' on the palate. They range from the aromatic wines in New Zealand to the more minerals wines of Sancerre. They are all made as fresh as possible and if any wood has been used it's hardly detectible to even a trained palate. Excellent with white meats, fish, salads, pasta and light dishes.

Bin			175ml Glass	Bottle
House	Mas de la Tour Blanc 2009 Fresh apple, melon & citrus fruit. Light bodied with a clean finish.	France	3.95	15.95
8	Naked Grape Riesling 2009 Fresh and vibrant notes of peach & citrus fruits on the palate. Off dry, with well balanced acidity and refreshing on the finish.	Germany		22.95
9	Pinot Grigio delle Venezie, Sentito 2010 Zippy, green fruits and citrus characters. Smooth, refreshing and well balanced. Very easy to drink.	Italy	4.95	19.95
10	Rothschilds, Sauvignon Blanc Mapu 2010 Fresh gooseberry fruit and cut grass. Well balanced and clean on the palate, good quality.	Chile	4.40	16.95
11	Trebbiano D'Abruzzo Caldora 2009 Fresh and clean, apple and pear fruit shows good ripeness, balanced with fresh acidity and finishing dry.	Italy		20.45

Simply Dry, Light & Delicious Whites

Bin			175ml Glass	Bottle
12	<p>Sauvignon Blanc Wild Rock 'Infamous Goose' 2010</p> <p>Gooseberries galore! This bursts with gooseberry and citrus flavours mixed with sweet herbs and spices. It's mouth watering!</p>	New Zealand		24.95
13	<p>Isonto Chenin Blanc 2010</p> <p>Crisp, refreshing citrus characters with apples and a touch of tropical fruits and guavas.</p>	South Africa		18.95
14	<p>Sancerre Olivier Thierriaz 2010</p> <p>Aromatic, slightly herbaceous nose. Excellent mouth feel, smooth, creamy sauvignon with a nice citrus lift & balance.</p>	France	7.95	32.95
15	<p>Muscadet Chateau de la Jousseliniere 2010</p> <p>Vibrant citrus & gooseberry fruit on the nose. Citrus notes with crisp, well balanced acidity on the palate.</p>	France		20.95
16	<p>Henry Fessy Chardonnay 2010</p> <p>Made by the Merv Hughes with the famous Large moustache of Burgundy. Refreshing, un-oaked chardonnay. Pure, apple and melon fruit with underlying citrus and a touch of honeysuckle.</p>	France	5.25	20.95
17	<p>Basa Rueda Blanco, Telmo Rodriques 2009</p> <p>Crisp, aromatic wine with stone fruits. Deliciously juicy with a tropical lift and fantastic balance.</p>	Spain		24.95
18	<p>Cousino-Macul Sauvignon Gris, Chile 2010</p> <p>Refreshing floral, fragrant nose with a touch of spice. Added Tropical and citrus characters on the palate. Great Food wine.</p>	Chile		25.95

Just That Little Bit Fatter In style, Utterly Gorgeous Whites

Wines in this category offer a little more weight, fruit, and are slightly more voluptuous. Yet they still maintain a refreshing acidity balance. A mouth watering selection! The Gewurztraminer is excellent with slightly stronger flavoured dishes but most wines will hold up to lighter red meats.

Bin			175ml Glass	Bottle
19	Viognier Domaine des Lauriers 2008 <i>Tropical exotic scents and peachy in style.</i>	France		19.95
20	Chablis Seguinot-Bordet 2009 <i>Fresh green apple, citrus and melon fruit. Crisp acidity with a charming, palate cleansing finish.</i>	France		30.45
21	Warwick Estate Professor Black sauvignon Blanc 2010 <i>Thumbs up to Mike Radcliffe at Warwick Estate. Tropical fruit, gooseberry, peach and green fig flavours that are well balanced. Very impressive.</i>	South Africa		28.95
22	Viura Chardonnay Bodegas Ochoa Navarra 2008 <i>Still a family-run firm, the Ochoa family are personally responsible for making the wines. Pale yellow in colour, floral on the nose but with a hint of tropical fruit.</i>	Spain		21.95
23	Pinot Grigio Tamar Ridge 'Devils Corner' 2008 <i>Slightly quirky wine. Apple and pear fruit with some herbaceous characters. Refreshing with surprising depth. A real beauty.</i>	Tasmania		29.95

Utterly Gorgeous Whites

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175ml
Glass

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| 24 | Chateau Thieuley Bordeaux Blanc 2009
<i>Classic Bordeaux. Blend of semillon and sauvignon Blanc. Elegant, aromatic wine crisp and refreshing apple, citrus fruit flavours on the palate.</i> | France | 29.95 |
| 25 | Domaine de Talmard, Macon Uchizy 2009
<i>Excellent White Burgundy (Chardonnay) from Paul Mallory and Benjamin Talmard. Fresh citrus characters with added lemon grass. Enhanced on the palate with added citrus, stone fruits and a creamy, smooth complexity.</i> | France | 29.95 |
| 26 | Pouilly Fuisse, Vieilles Vignes Vincent Girardin 2009
<i>Generous nose of vibrant citrus and apple fruit flavours on the nose. Fairly rich and complex on the palate with subtle minerality.</i> | France | 39.95 |
| 27 | Chardonnay Laforet Bourgogne Blanc Joseph Drouhin 2009
<i>A MUST for the summer, excellent weight of rich, creamy honeysuckle with a hint of stone fruit.</i> | France | 69.95 |
| 28 | Gewurztraminer Joseph Cattin 2009
<i>Complex nose, slightly spicy with exotic fruit with abundant lychees and mango. Delicious.</i> | France | 28.95 |

Lovely Pink Wine

Rosé wine is becoming ever more popular. Some prefer a lighter style whereas others look for deeper more intense rosé, and there are various methods used, to create these different styles....

skin contact: The most common method. Red skinned grapes are crushed to create white juice. The red skins are then allowed to remain in contact with the juice to give colour. Typically contact lasts two-three days depending on the depth of colour the winemaker wants to achieve. The grapes are then pressed and skins discarded rather than left in contact throughout fermentation (as with red wine making).

saignée: Produced as a by-product of red wine. When a winemaker wants to get more tannin, colour and intensity into a red wine he will 'bleed the vats'. This technique results in pink juice running 'bleeding' from the vats which can then be fermented separately to produce rosé.

Blending: simply mixing of red wine to white to develop a rose coloured wine

Bin			175ml Glass	Bottle
30	Domaine de Montmarin 'Les Oliviers' Rosé 2010 Full of fresh raspberry and strawberry fruit characters, crisp acidity and has a clean refreshing finish	France	4.95	19.95
31	Rioja Marques de Riscal Rosado 2009 Made from Tempranillo - The Rioja grape. Medium bodied with crushed red berry fruits and a delightful, fresh acidity balance.	Spain		22.95
32	Pinot Grigio Sentito Blush 2010 Aromatic with refreshing red berries. Light, easy drinking Red Currants, cherries and a touch of cranberries	Italy		19.95

Utterly scrummy Reds

These tend to be lighter styled reds, slightly softer in style that go with lighter styled dishes and often more favourable with lunch time drinking. They tend to be from cooler climates, coastal regions or high altitude which helps the wines maintain their freshness.

Bin			175ml Glass	Bottle
House	Mas de la Tour Rouge 2010 Red berry fruit flavours, smooth & well balanced on the palate.	France	3.95	15.30
33	Merlot Rio Rossa 2010 Full body, with dark red berry flavours and plum highlights. Smooth & easy drinking! Fantastic with any meat especially pork.	Chile	4.95	19.15
34	Fleurie 'Vielle Vignes' Potel Aviron 2008 Classic floral nose - rose petal and red berry fruit. Well balanced with well integrated tannins. Fresh and fruity on the finish.	France		27.50
35	Beaujolais villages Henry Fessy 2009 Quite fresh with a ripe fruity nose, more than medium bodied, but smooth and well rounded.	France		24.95
36	Côtes du Rhône Première Côte 2009 Expressive, Wow factor wine with black cherry and black currant fruits, a deep, concentrated mouth feel and a silky finish.	France	6.25	24.95

Utterly Scrummy Reds

Bin			175ml Glass	Bottle
37	<i>Domaine de Valmoissine Pinot Noir 2009</i> <i>Floral Pinot with hints of wild fruit and strawberries on the nose, soft smooth tannins make this easy drinking, but structured wine.</i>	France		27.95
38	<i>Pomies de Aggasac Haut Medoc 2002</i> <i>Delicious, Red berry with brambles and cassis. Smooth and easy drinking with a touch of cedar.</i>	France		29.95
39	<i>Warwick Estate, Three Cape Ladies, 2008</i> <i>Rich, ripe, sweet black fruits, plums and added brambles, slightly herbaceous with a dash of spice. Smooth, creamy on the palate (30% new oak) with good structure and balance.</i>	South Africa		37.50
40	<i>Pinot Noir Wild Rock 'Cupids Arrow' Central Otago 2009</i> <i>Dry and medium bodied. A complex palate with subtle red berries and floral notes. Good finish.</i>	New Zealand		30.40
41	<i>Kratz Ironstone Zinfandel, California 2008</i> <i>Grown in vineyards that are over 45 years old, this medium-bodied Zin has exceptional varietal character with lovely aromas of dark fruit and blackberry. Subtle pepper spice mingles with richly concentrated fruit flavours of blackberry, ripe plums and fresh red raspberries. Barrel aging created its smooth, silky finish and unprecedented depth.</i>	America		29.95
42	<i>Merlot Malbec Wild Rock 'Gravel Pit' Central Otago 2009</i> <i>Great with red meat & Game dishes. An opaque colour with a blend of dark chocolate & thyme.</i>	New Zealand		25.60

Voluptuous & seductive, slightly Fuller Reds

These are wines that are more fruit driven often from slightly warmer climates that offer more forward fruit and are often a good a compliment for red meats, especially steak and game dishes

Bin			175ml Glass	Bottle
43	Garnacha Tempranillo Bodegas Ochoa Navarra 2008 Wow! Expressive raspberry and cherry fruits explode onto the nose. Dangerously smooth across the palate with a hint of licorice.	Spain		20.90
44	Côte du Roussillon Chateau La Roca 2008 Pure cassis and cherry fruit flavours. Light tannins on the long and fruity finish.	France		22.30
45	Rothschild's Cabernet Sauvignon Mapu 2010 Made by Monton Rothschild's estate in Chile this is a wonderfully full rich when with bags of ripe blackcurrant fruit and soft cedary tannins, it's a great wine on it's own but will go well with most red meat dishes.	Chile	4.95	19.95
46	Shiraz Solera Margaret River 2008 This is crammed full of fruit flavours, rich plums and blackberries, underpinned with hints of spice and white pepper.	Australia		21.85
47	Malbec Kaiken 2010 Simple Gorgeous! Rich dark and full bodied. With hints of black cherry and licorice. Voted best Malbec in the world 2005/06 Decanter International Wine Challenge.	Argentina	6.25	24.95

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48	<p>Rioja Marques de Riscal Reserva 2006</p> <p>A classic Rioja at its best! Raisin fruit on the nose leads to ripe fruit and tannins on the palate. Aged in oak barrels for 2 years in oak barrels to produce the superb Rioja style.</p>	Spain		36.95
49	<p>Chianti Colli senesi salcheto 2008</p> <p>Soft, supple and medium-bodied. Plum & cherry flavours on the palate. An overall smoothness and velvety richness on the finish.</p>	Italy		25.80
50	<p>Sangiovese, Caldora 2009</p> <p>Now, this wine really punches above its weight, the Chianti grape produces rich spicy flavours full of plum and cherries, with a really smooth and seductive taste, a superb wine that will go well with lamb and those slightly more exotic dishes.</p>	Italy		23.95
51	<p>Vacqueyras, Domaine de la Soléiade, Caractère 2009</p> <p>Superb vintage from Rhône valley, Beaucastel/Perrin stable. Spicy on the nose with hints of black pepper, rosemary and sweet marjoram. The fruit is complex mix of blackberries, cherries and cassis with firm tannins, beautifully made and stunning.</p>	France		35.95
52	<p>Cousino Macul, Antiguas Reservas Cabernet Sauvignon 2007</p> <p>Aged in French oak for 12 months this is a lovely medium bodied wine with a dark ruby colour. Soft on the palate with intense ripe blackberries with good complexity.</p>	Chile		27.95
53	<p>Amancaya Gran Reserva (Lafite) 2009</p> <p>Complex nose offers currant, graphite, tobacco, liquorice, cedar flavours. It's finely balance with 12 months in French oak. Claret in style but with an extra dimension and charming velvety texture. 50% Cabernet Sauvignon and 50% Malbec</p>	Argentina		34.95

Big Bottles

Why big bottles? Why Not!

As someone familiar said 'A magnum of claret, perfect for one!'

Well quite simply, wine keeps better in a big bottle and how many times do you have dinner with friends and just drink one bottle? Also, let's face it, they look fantastic and that adds to the enjoyment of any meal.

Bin

White Wine

Magnum

59

Macon Uchizy Domaine de Talmard 2009

France

54.95

Excellent White Burgundy (Chardonnay) from Paul Mallory and Benjamin Talmard. Fresh citrus characters with added lemon grass. Enhanced on the palate with added citrus, stone fruits and a creamy, smooth complexity.

Big Bottles

Bin	Red Wine		Magnum
62	Rioja Marques de Riscal Reserva 2005 <i>The Reserva wines of Marques de Riscal spend approximately 2 years in American oak barrels, producing a style that adheres to the principles of classic Rioja wines. The aroma of raisiny fruit with a touch of fresh liquer is reminiscent of merello cherries.</i>	Spain	67.75
64	Chateau Meaume Bordeaux Superieur 2006 <i>Classic claret, red berry & black cherry fruit. Drinking well.</i>	France	54.95
65	Sansonina Merlot 2001 <i>A well crafted wine with rich luscious fruit a pronounced nose and a rich finish. Very unique wine. On the palate, the wine is concentrated, full-bodied with an extraordinarily persistent aroma .</i>	Italy	95.00

Pudding Wine

Bin

50ml
glass Bottle

70	Sauternes la Fleur D'or 2009 <i>sweet with lovely vibrant honey & orange fruit flavours. Long on finish & drinking well now.</i>	France	5.95	32.95
71	Campbells Rutherglen Liquier Muscat, 2004 <i>smooth and sweet grapey flavours backed by well-balanced acidity, which leads to a clean and refreshing finish. Try drizzling over vanilla ice cream for a mouth-watering dessert!</i>	Australia	5.45	31.95
72	Botrytis Riesling from Tamar Ridge 2007 <i>Pale gold in colour with aromas of ripe apricot & glace pineapple, which leap out of the glass.</i>	Tasmania	7.95	47.45

Port

50ml
glass Bottle

73	Dows Tawny		3.95	34.95
74	Grahams Late Bottled Vintage		4.95	39.95
75	Taylor's Vintage 1985		7.95	79.95

ST EMILION COLLECTION

Perched on a hill-top overlooking the flood plains of Bordeaux, this medieval town is one of the prettiest places on earth. It also produces good wine.

British Connections with Saint Emilion go back a long way. 1999 marked the 800th year celebrations of the granting of the charter to the bourgeois of Saint Emilion by King John Lackland (of Magna Carta fame, and younger brother to Richard Coeur de Lion).

It is our common good fortune that most of this wine was purchased before the huge increase in demand led to corresponding price rise for fine wine – some London Restaurants parade a far inferior selection at three times the price! Be thankful you're in Yorkshire!

Saint Emilion is situated on the right bank of the Gironde and the wines generally use a higher percentage of Merlot than other Bordeaux regions. A typical cepage may be 65% Merlot, 25% Cabernet Sauvignon and 10% Cabernet Franc. The predominance of Merlot means that the wine matures more quickly than other Bordeaux and the complexity of the wine usually outshines the fruit. Most producers first ferment the wine in steel tanks for about a month before transferring it to French Oak barrels for about 18 months. The wine is then bottled and the ageing process continues.

St Emilion has changed from being the poor relation of the longer established 'Left Bank' wines of Bordeaux to being a wine of equal importance. Wines from here can be reclassified every eight or nine years whereas over the river the last classification was in 1855. It is unknown for those wines to trade on a reputation long since diluted by poor winemaking whereas great wine from St Emilion will usually be recognised on merit.

Fine wines

Bin			Bottle
300	Château Carteau Cotes D'angay Saint-Emilion Grand Cru	2000	55.40
301	Château Franc Pipeau Descombes Saint-Emilion Grand Cru	2000	59.00
302	Sanctus Saint-Emilion Grand Cru Grand Vin de Bordeaux	1999	59.00
303	Château Beausejour Becot Saint-Emilion Premier Grand Cru Classe	1999	89.00
304	Château Bernateau Saint-Emilion Grand Cru Classe	1998	59.00
305	Château Carteau Cotes D'angay Saint-Emilion Grand Cru	1998	59.00
306	Château Belleville Saint-Emilion Grand Cru	1998	49.00
307	Château Bergat Saint-Emilion Grand Cru	1998	59.00
308	Château Bernateau Saint-Emilion Grand Cru	1998	59.00
309	Château Fonplegade Saint-Emilion Grand Cru Classe	1997	59.00
310	Château Corbin Michotte Saint-Emilion Grand Cru Classe	1990	90.00

Fine Wines

These wines are sold as buyer beware:

Bin

			Bottle
311	Château Cheval Blanc Saint-Emilion Premier Grand Cru Classe	1995	199.00
312	Château Monbousquet Saint-Emilion Grand Cru	1978	165.00
313	Château Canon Saint-Emilion Premier Grand Cru Classe	1976	165.00
314	Château Angelus Saint-Emilion Premier Grand Cru Classe (Double Magnum)	1975	790.00
315	Château Clos Fourtet Saint-Emilion Premier Grand Cru Classe	1971	135.00

Fine Wines

Other Bordeaux

Bin			Bottle
500	Château Calon Segur Saint-Estèphe	2000	105.00
501	Château Calon Segur Saint-Estèphe	1999	95.00
502	Château Haut-Brion PessacoLeognan Cru Classe des Graves	1997	295.00
503	Château Leoville-Barton St Julien Cru Classe	1989	185.00
504	Château Palmer Margaux Medoc	1988	175.00
506	Château Giscours 3ieme Cru Labard	1975	205.00

Rhone

Bin

507 Hermitage Cave de Tain l'Hermitage 1988 78.25

Burgundy

508 Corton Bressandes Grand Cru 2002 62.95

509 Chorey-Les-Beaune 2002 69.00

Bright Pinot red with an expressive opulent nose. Excellent mature flavours. A very well-made Red Burgundy that is drinking perfectly now