

DESSERT WINES

Fondo Antica, Baccadoro Passito

Sicily, Italy, NV 75m £5 500ml £27
The hills above Trapani in North-Western Sicily are home to the beautiful Fondo Antico vineyards. The winery is known for its crisp, refreshing wines – this is because the grapes grow at high altitudes and enjoy cool sea breezes blowing in from the Mediterranean. These wines are very much indicative of the new wave of Sicilian winemaking: exciting, accessible and, above all, great fun to drink. The Grillo Parlante is perfect with simple grilled fish while the Baccadoro Passito is the best liquid on earth for dunking almond biscotti.

Château d'Yquem Sauternes

Sauternes, Bordeaux, France, 1995 375ml £180
Château d'Yquem is an entity unto itself in Sauternes. It is the only château classified as *Premier Cru Supérieur*, or Superior First Growth, ahead of all the other *Premier Crus* in the 1855 Classification of Sauternes and Barsac. Without a doubt, this is the finest property in the region, producing the gold standard of botrytised dessert wine not only in Bordeaux, but in the entire world.

Quintarelli, Recioto della Valpolicella Classico

Veneto, Italy, 2004 375ml £150
Quintarelli understood that making a Recioto as a labour of love; rarely produced, this bottling appears three to four times a decade because it requires thirty pounds of grapes and at least 10 years of production to create one standard bottle. Quintarelli's hands-on selection and relentless patience in aging its Recioto separates it from others, and this sweet Recioto may just be the estate's most age-worthy and rare find. Quintarelli typically produces fewer than 300 cases in the years that the estate makes the wine.

Castellare di Castellina, San Niccolo, Vin Santo del Chianti Classico Tuscany, Italy 2012

375ml £45
Made from 60% Malvasia and 40% Trebbiano, the grapes used in the wine are harvested from various estate vineyards in Castellina. After harvest, the grapes are dried and fermentation is carried out slowly in small barrels known as *caratelli*. The wine is then aged in these barrels for an additional five years.

Prophet's Rock 'Vin de Paille' Pinot Gris

Central Otago, New Zealand, 2016 375ml £100
An ancient way of producing concentrated, sweet wines by drying the harvested grapes. After picking at optimal maturity, Pinot Gris from the steep Prophet's Rock Home Vineyard was then dried in the loft of the winery barn for 45 days. The dried grapes were whole-bunch pressed, and the tiny yield of juice was then slowly fermented using indigenous 'wild' yeast over 13 months. Only 763 bottles were made. Unicorn wine from New Zealand.

Royal Tokaji, Blue Label, 5 Puttonyos Hungry, 2009

250ml £33
The Royal Tokaji Wine Company, founded in Hungary in 1990, has become one of the most defining wineries in Tokaj. From the outset, Royal Tokaji decided to concentrate on producing single-vineyard wines, made from the first growth vineyards of Mézes Mály, Nyulászó, Szt. Tamás and Betsek. Acknowledged as one of the region's top winemakers, combining traditional techniques with modern technology to create the award-winning Royal Tokaji range of wines. Royal Tokaji is the acknowledged leader of the renaissance of this legendary Hungarian wine, which, in the words of the wine author and company co-founder Hugh Johnson, is "a wine that would make angels sing out loud in praise".

ARMAGNAC

all spirits served in 25ml servings
Baron de Sigognac V.S - £5 10 years - £6 20 years - £11
The Guasch family, owners of Baron de Sigognac, have been based in Gascony since the 12th Century. The Domaine is almost unique in the region, as all of its production is distilled into Armagnac and not wine. Today it is run by father and son team Jean-Claude and Thomas who look after the viticulture, vilification and distillation. Each year's production is aged independently and then blended with other Armagnac upon bottling under the supervision of Jean-Claude.

CALVADOS

Camut 6 years old £10

The Camut family has been producing calvados on their Pays d'Auge estate for almost 200 years. They were at the forefront of the development of this fine aged spirit suitable for the resurgent restaurant scene that followed the end of World War II in France.

Dupont V.S.O.P £6

The Louis Dupont Family estate consists of 30 hectares (74 acres) of orchards in the heart of the Pays d'Auge region of Normandy.

COGNAC

Ordonneau, Très Vieille Réserve, Domaine de la Grolette, £11
Ordonneau Très Vieille Reserve Cognac is the oldest in the small, quality range produced by this cognac house. Made solely from eau-de-vie from the Borderies terroir of Cognac, this Hors d'Age quality blend is a versatile cognac, and one that offers extraordinary value for money.

Rémy Martin

X.O £14 V.S.O.P £6

All Rémy Martin cognacs have the Cognac Fine Champagne appellation, meaning that they come exclusively from a blend of eau-de-vie from the Grande Champagne and Petite Champagne crus, with at least 50% of Grande Champagne. Thanks to chalky soils, these eau-de-vies have a great ageing potential and a particular aromatic intensity

RUM

Ron Zacapa Centenario

X.O £20 23 years £9

Ron Zacapa is famously aged in warehouses one-and-a-half miles above sea level among the soaring Guatemalan mountains and active volcanoes. Launched in 1976, it is produced from the first pressing of sugar cane juice rather than molasses.

PORT served in 75ml measures

Quinta do Vallado Tawny Port 10 years £5 20 years £10

Built in 1716, Quinta do Vallado is near the city of Regua. It is one of the oldest and most famous quintas of Douro valley and it belonged to the legendary Dona Antonia Adelaide Ferreira, better known as Ferreira

Warre's

L.B.V 2014 £5 Ruby £4

Warre's is the oldest, continuously British-owned brand, as well as one of the most distinguished. The firm that became Warre's was established in 1670. Two Englishmen, William Burgoyne and John Jackson opened offices in northern Portugal as Burgoyne & Jackson, which was initially a general trading company.