



Castle Stuart
RESERVE LIST



WHITE WINE

BOURGOGNE BLANC LES SETILLES 2014, OLIVIER LEFLAIVE £32.95

Stylish without ostentation, the Les Sétilles has impeccable pedigree, with the fruit coming from the younger vines from the legendary villages of Puligny-Montrachet and Meursault, all under the expert eye of the great Olivier Leflaive. A supple, mineral and creamy wine, with a very refreshing and well-balanced acidity supporting the delicious fruit.

SANCERRE DOMAINE DU NOZAY 2016, PHILIPPE DE BENOIST, LOIRE £39.95

Sancerre is one of the two great villages of the Central Loire, which is the ancestral home of the Sauvignon Blanc grape. Philippe de Benoist, the owner of Domaine de Nozay, with the consulting aid of his cousin, Aubert de Vallaine from Domaine de la Romanee Conti, produces a gem of a wine at this estate. Hard to beat, this Sancerre has ripe, grassy, herbaceous fruit, a beautifully complex, stony minerality and a complimentary nervy acidity running down its backbone.

PULIGNY-MONTRACHET 2015, DOMAINE FRANCOIS CARILLON £69.95

Puligny Montrachet is probably the greatest white wine village in the world, being home to 4 of the 7 Grand Cru white wines of Burgundy. This fabulous example from the very good 2015 vintage comes from one of its great producers, Domaine Francois Carillon, whose family have been wine makers in the village since 1611! As is evident in this vintage, this wine has very ripe, powerful aromas, with an exuberant nose of preserved lemon, pineapple, white flowers and oak vanillin, while the palate has a delicious crushed stone minerality and a teasingly long finish.

RED WINE

BELEZOS RIOJA RESERVA 2011, BODEGAS ZUGOBER, SPAIN £32.95

Situated in north central Spain, the Rioja region is the pre-eminent region in the country, producing delightfully fruity, yet long last wines, predominantly from the Tempranillo grape variety. Garnet red in colour with a little browning towards the edge due to its age, the Reserva wine has clean and intense aromas of ripe red fruit with spicy notes. The palate displays rich plum, dark cherry fruit and warm spices, accompanied by a fresh balancing acidity and ripe tannin structure which is long lasting on the palate.

L'HOSPITALET DE GAZIN 2012, POMEROL £49.95

This wine comes from a vineyard, not only in the greatest wine region of the world, Bordeaux, but one directly next to arguably its greatest wine, Chateau Petrus! This is the second wine from the wonderful Chateau Gazin, whose impeccably kept vines sit atop the plateau in Pomerol. Drinking very well now, this wine is medium bodied, deep ruby in colour with notes of meaty rich fruit. Plummy and sweet with excellent concentration and density on its succulent satin like palate, while retaining a delectable, flowery and fresh power to the finish.

OTHELLO 2012, CHRISTIAN MOUEIX, DOMINUS ESTATE, NAPA VALLEY £69.95

This wine comes from the majestic Dominus Estate ("Master" in Latin) in the Napa Valley, whose owner is the imperious Christian Moueix, whose family owns Chateau Petrus itself in Bordeaux and who was responsible for about 35 vintages of this nectar, until his retirement in 2014. Whilst not the great Dominus itself, it is similarly and predominantly Cabernet Sauvignon, this wine is made to be consumed a little earlier than its bigger sibling. The wine shows notes of raspberries, blackcurrant as well as black pepper and a hint of menthol and laurel. The palate is fine and elegant, displaying a lovely minerality on the finish.