

## OUR WINE LIST

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**Ours is a small and uncomplicated list. We feature our favourite wine styles from around the world, with a distinctive New Zealand focus.**

For the explorers amongst you we introduced, in mid-2015, the **Coravin** system to offer more unknown or rarer wines by the glass. This system works by displacing wine in the bottle with argon gas, without having to remove the cork. This means your wine will arrive at your table in the optimal condition — safe from premature exposure to oxygen, while allowing us to serve it by the glass.

If you have questions about our wine list in general, our Coravin wines or would like a recommendation with your meal, please do not hesitate to start up a conversation with us. We love talking about wine!

*"Water assumes cooking colours as the sun  
Directs the unwilling downcast clouds  
To pattern it constantly in change  
They call the sun a hotted kitchen range"*

— Extract from Wellington Harbour - A Shepherd's Pie by Denis Glover —

# Aperitifs

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<b>La Guita</b> , Manzanilla, Jerez, ES	12
<i>Tangy, salty, fresh &amp; delicate. These light finos from Sanlucar are full of umami &amp; will get the palate ready to eat!</i>	

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<b>Spritztraminer</b>	7
<i>A wine spritzer made with Gewürztraminer; floral, fruity, light &amp; pretty</i>	

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<b>Lillet Cocktail</b>	12
<i>Lillet Blanc, thyme tincture, soda spritz &amp; lemon</i>	

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<b>Pineau des Charentes</b>	12
<i>Served on ice. A slightly sweet regional French take on apero with bitingly fresh flavours.</i>	

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<b>Markus Molitor</b> , Bernkasteler Badstube Kabinett, 2014, Mosel, DE	14.5
<i>Classic German Riesling is a perfect way to whet the appetite; refreshingly light &amp; racy. Balanced by delicate sweetness &amp; lifted floral apple aromatics.</i>	

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<b>Rockford</b> , Alicante Bouchet, 2017, Barossa Valley, AU	12	67
<i>While most rosé credit their hue with skin, contact, the Rockford Alicante Bouchet can credit the flesh of the grape. The result is a fruit-driven, spicy wine, off-set with subtle sweetness.</i>		

## CHAMPAGNE TAITTINGER

*"Taittinger, in my eyes, is an oasis. Our rocks are a family, a history. Our coconuts are the best grapes. Our water is the best juice. Every day, I am trying to elaborate Taittinger as the last reliable, sexy and pleasant thing on earth. A wine to lift you in heaven and make you stay there!"*

— Clovis Taittinger, August 2016 —

	g	B
<b>Taittinger</b> , Cuvée Prestige, Brut, NV	21	115
<b>Taittinger</b> , Cuvée Prestige, Brut, NV (375ml)	-	69
<b>Taittinger</b> , Rosé Prestige, Brut, NV	-	160
<b>Taittinger</b> , Brut Millésime, 2009	32	170
<b>Taittinger</b> , Comtes de Champagne Blanc de Blancs, Brut, 2006	-	435

Pierre Taittinger had fallen in love with the Château and vineyards that comprise the modern day estate well before he purchased it in 1932. That initial passion that inspired Pierre to settle in Champagne has persisted through the generations; it is, after all, the last Grande Marque Champagne house to remain family owned and operated.

Beyond the idyllic beginnings, Taittinger bears a strong hallmark on the palate throughout the range. These wines, regardless of site or blend, are stamped with elegance and finesse, laid atop a powerful base. There is perhaps no more helpful insight into the juxtaposition of power and delicacy as 2009 Brut Millésime. The 50/50 blend of Pinot Noir and Chardonnay hailing from all Grand Cru Vineyards, shows the warmth of the vintage but remains lively and exuberant.

The strong backbone of these wines lends them to a wide array of fare including richer and more wholesome items; an obvious choice for a kitchen that works so harmoniously with bold flavours and wood fire.

# Champagne & Magnums

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<b>Gatinois</b> , Grand Cru, Brut, NV, <i>Aÿ, Vallée de la Marne</i>	105
<b>Domaine Vilmar &amp; Cie</b> , Grande Réserve Brut 1er Cru, NV, <i>Rilly-la Montagne, Montagne de Reims</i>	110
<b>Larmandier-Bernier</b> , Longitude, Blanc de Blancs, Extra Brut, NV, <i>Côte des Blancs</i>	115
<b>Veuve Clicquot Ponsardin</b> , Rosé, Brut, NV	169
<b>Pol Roger</b> , Blanc de Blancs, Brut, 2008	235
<b>Bollinger</b> , La Grande Année, Brut, 2007	310
<b>Dom Pérignon</b> , Blanc, Brut, 2006	435

## MAGNUMS

<b>Bollinger</b> , Special Cuvée, Brut, NV (MAGNUM)	340
<b>Veuve Clicquot Ponsardin</b> , Rosé, Brut, NV (MAGNUM)	350

# Sparkling

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PROSECCO	g	B
Sartori, Prosecco, V.S.Q.A Brut NV, Veneto, IT	9	52

MÉTHODE TRADITIONELLE		
Palliser Estate, Brut, 2014, Martinborough Terraces, NZ	14	81
Nautilus, Brut Rosé, 2014, Marlborough, NZ	12.5	70

..... NOBLE NOTES .....

Bubbles in your wine can arise from several different methods, resulting in quite different flavours. Méthode Traditionelle (the Champagne method) derives its bubbles from a second fermentation that happens in the bottle, after which the wine is aged for years on the fermentation lees to gain the classic complex, toasty, brioche aromas and creaminess on the palate. Prosecco's bubbles arise from fermentation in large tanks for a much shorter period before being bottled, which is why it is much fruitier and fresher without toastiness.

# Last Bottles

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WHITE	B
<b>Alphonse Mellot</b> , Domaine La Moussiere, 2014, <i>Sancerre, Loire Valley, FR</i>	90
<b>Vinoptima</b> , Ormond Reserve Gewürztraminer, 2004, <i>Ormond, Gisborne, NZ</i>	128
<b>Domaine Albert Ponnelle</b> , Puligny-Montrachet, 2011, <i>Côte de Beaune, Burgundy, FR</i>	153

RED	
<b>Giesen</b> , Single Vineyard Selection, Ridge Block, 2013, <i>Marlborough, NZ</i>	108
<b>Sierra Cantabria</b> , Reserva Unica, 2011, <i>Rioja, ES</i>	96

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NOBLE NOTES

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These bottles represent either rare finds of small quantities or discontinued wines from older vintages, which we have kept in the cellar. We endeavour to keep this up-to-date, but due to their limited numbers, please accept our apologies if your selection is no longer available.

## Crisp Global Whites

LISTED FROM LIGHTEST TO JUICIEST ↕

	g	½g	½B	B
<b>Terras Gauda</b> , O Rosal, Albariño/Caiño/Louero, 2016, <i>Rías Baixas, ES</i>	13	6.5	36	71
<b>Blank Canvas</b> , Grüner Veltliner, 2013, <i>Marlborough, NZ</i>	9	4.5	26	50
<b>Mullineux</b> , Kloof Street, Old Vine Chenin Blanc, 2016, <i>Swartland, ZA</i>	10	5	29	55
<b>Channing Daughters</b> , Vino Bianco, 2013, <i>Hamptons, Long Island, NY, US</i>	16	8	45	86

### NOBLE NOTES

The native Austrian variety of Grüner Veltliner has become a fast favourite on winelists over the world and it's easy to see why. Grüner offers so much versatility and superb drinkability. In 2013, Matt Thompson and Sophie Parker found a small parcel of excellent Grüner fruit in Marlborough and crafted a super-fine, savoury, peppery and mineral example right here in NZ. Four years old now, it is a beautifully balanced, elegant, svelte dry white in the Federspiel tradition. We highly recommend it!

# Rich Global Whites

LISTED FROM SILKY TO CREAMY ▼

	g	½g	½B	B
Anselmi, Capitel Foscarino, 2015, <i>Soave, IT</i>	14	7.5	37	68
Petane Station, Viognier, 2015, <i>Esk Valley, Hawke's Bay, NZ</i>	11.5	6	32	63
Hacienda El Ternerero, Rioja Blanco, 2014, <i>Rioja, ES</i>	10	5	29	56
Zephyr, Gewürztraminer, 2016, <i>Dillon's Point, Marlborough, NZ</i>	7	3.5	21	39
Gancedo, Capricho, Godello/Doña Blanca, 2015, <i>Val de Paxariñas, Bierzo, ES</i>	12	6.5	33	60

## NOBLE NOTES

A modern cuvée of 100% Viura from Rioja Alta, the Hacienda El Ternerero shows clever oak work adding great texture and complexity. Look for some notes of almond meal, apricot danish and fresh pineapple on the nose with a fruit driven palate of poached pears, peach and vanilla. A fun alternative for Chardonnay lovers!



# Riesling

LISTED FROM DRY TO MEDIUM-SWEET ↕

	g	½g	½B	B
Arthur Metz, Anne-Laure, 2015, <i>Alsace, FR</i>	-	-	-	51
Prophet's Rock, 2015, <i>Bendigo, Central Otago, NZ</i>	12.5	7	35	69
Black Estate, Damsteep, 2015, <i>Waipara, Canterbury, NZ</i>	9	4.5	26	50
Markus Molitor, Bernkasteler Badstube Kabinett, 2014, <i>Mosel, DE</i>	14.5	7.5	41	79

## NOBLE NOTES

Germany's Mosel Valley is home to an inimitable style of wine. Classic Mosel Riesling is the ultimate balancing act between razor-sharp cold-climate acidity, ravishing sweetness, very low alcohol with light body, yet a panoply of floral, honey and mineral flavours. Wehlener Sonnenuhr, one the world's most famous Riesling vineyards, is named after its resident stone sundial, set amongst the vines on extremely steep, terraced slate slopes which have been cultivated for centuries. This produces a wine best described as a rapier coated in honey.

# Pinot Gris/Grigio & Pinot Blanc

LISTED FROM   LIGHTEST TO RICH & FULL ▼

PINOT BLANC	g	½g	½B	B
<b>Escarpment</b> , Pinot Blanc, 2015, <i>Te Muna, Martinborough, NZ</i>	9	4.5	26	50
PINOT BLANC & PINOT GRIS BLEND				
<b>Colere</b> , Confluence, 2012, <i>Waihopai, Marlborough</i>	11	5.5	32	59
PINOT GRIS / PINOT GRIGIO				
<b>Erste + Neue</b> , Pinot Grigio 'Classic', 2016, <i>Alto-Adige, IT</i>	-	-	-	49
<b>Aurum Vineyard</b> , 2016, <i>Lowburn, Central Otago, NZ</i>	10	5	30	60
<b>Domaine Albert Mann</b> , Tradition, 2015, <i>Alsace, FR</i>	11	5.5	32	63
<b>The Elder</b> , 2015, <i>Te Muna, Martinborough, NZ</i>	12	6	37	73

## NOBLE NOTES

Where Pinot Gris is a lighter-skinned blue-pink mutation derived from Pinot Noir, Pinot Blanc is a green-yellow mutation derived from Pinot Gris. One step further removed from the original variety, it is less spicy, more textural and with crisp apple flavours. Think unoaked Chardonnay with a crispness, and you'll be in Pinot Blanc territory. Perfect with seafood.

# Sauvignon Blanc

LISTED FROM CLASSIC TO OAK-AGED ▼

	g	½g	½B	B
Greywacke, 2016, Marlborough, NZ	10	5	31	60
Gérard Fiou, Sancerre, 2015, Loire, FR	13	6.5	35	68
Craggy Range, Te Muna, 2017, Martinborough, NZ	10	5	30	55
Supernatural Wine Co., The Supernatural, 2015, Hawke's Bay, NZ	-	-	-	56
Le G de Château Guiraud, Bordeaux Blanc, 2014, Bordeaux, FR	-	-	-	70
Clos Henri, Name Me, 2013, Wairau, Marlborough, NZ	24	12	65	127

## NOBLE NOTES

The Spiritual home of New Zealand's most popular white wine variety is Central France's Loire Valley where villages like Sancerre, Pouilly Fume, Quincy and Reuilly produce some of the world's best examples of this variety. Sauvignon Blanc from the Loire sees wines with beautiful mineral lines, racy acid, citrus and soft green herbs and wonderful texture.

# Chardonnay

LISTED FROM CRISP & MINERAL TO FULL-BODIED & OAKED ↕

	g	½g	½B	B
Domaine Billaud-Simon, Chablis, 2015, <i>Burgundy, FR</i>	16	8	45	89
David Moreau, Santenay Blanc, 2014, <i>Côte de Beaune, Burgundy, FR</i>	21	11	59	107
Dry River, 2016, <i>Martinborough Terraces, NZ</i>	16	8	48	96
Dog Point Vineyard, 2014, <i>Brancott, Marlborough, NZ</i>	14	7	39	72
Bogle, 2016, <i>Clarksburg, California, US</i>	11	5.5	34	66
Millton Vineyards, Opou Chardonnay, 2016, <i>Manutuke, Gisborne, NZ</i>	12	6	34	63
Bell Hill Vineyard, 2013, <i>Waikari, North Canterbury, NZ</i>	-	-	-	214

## Rosé/Orange

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ROSÉ	g	½g	½B	B
<b>Château Roubine</b> , Cuvée "R", Cinsault/Grenache/Syrah, 2016, <i>Provence, FR</i>	10	5	27	50
<b>Quartz Reef Rosé</b> , Pinot Noir Rosé, 2017, <i>Bendigo, Central Otago, NZ</i>	12	6	32	63
<b>Famille Perrin Tavel</b> , Cinsault/Grenache/Mourvèdre, 2015, <i>Southern Rhône, FR</i>	11	5.5	31	60
<b>Rockford</b> , Alicante Bouchet, 2017, <i>Barossa Valley, AU</i>	12	6	34	67

## ORANGE

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<b>Millton</b> , Libiamo, Field Blend, 2015, <i>Manutuke, Gisborne, NZ</i>	11	5.5	31	61
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### NOBLE NOTES

Orange wine is all the craze in wine bars from London to Tokyo, New York to Sydney, but what is it? Quite simply, it is white wine that has been made by fermenting on the grape skins for extended periods, much like how you would make a red wine. This results in a wine with a much darker colour, often hints of spicy oxidation, richer flavours and distinctive dry, grippy tannins usually only found in reds. Savoury and rich, they call out for food!

# Pretty Global Reds

LISTED FROM SOFT TO DETAILED ▼

	g	½g	½B	B
Marcel Lapierre, Raisins Gaulois, Gamay, 2016, <i>Beaujolais, FR</i>	11	5.5	33	58
Riondo, Valpolicella Superiore, Castelforte, 2014, <i>Veneto, IT</i>	8	4	24	44
Erste & Neue, 'Puntay' Kalterersee Classico Superiore, Schiava, 2015, <i>Alto-Adige, IT</i>	14	7.5	38	71
Domaine Matassa, Coume de l'Olla, Rouge, 2015, <i>Côtes Catalanes, FR</i>	13.5	7	38	73
Tercius, Touriga Nacional 2012, <i>Tejo, PT</i>	-	-	-	49

## NOBLE NOTES

The region of Beaujolais offers a myriad of stylistic iterations of the Gamay grape, from the powerful and finessed to the juicy and perfumed. With low tannin and opulent fruit, the latter style can offer an excellent alternative to a rich white or rosé. For a bit of palate rejuvenation, opt for the Lapierre ‘Rasins Gaulois’ 2016 chilled. The cooler temperature focuses the fruit and structure, and makes it terrific for food matching.

# Plush Global Reds

LISTED FROM JUICY & ROUND TO RICH & FULL-BODIED ▼

	g	½g	½B	B
Arianna Occhipinti, SP68, Frappato/Negroamaro, 2016, <i>Vittoria, Sicily, IT</i>	14	7	40	76
Lopez Heredia de Viña Tondonia, Viña Cubillo, Crianza, 2007, <i>Rioja, ES</i>	13	6.5	37	71
Sottimano, Pairolero, Barbera d' Alba, 2015, <i>Piemonte, IT</i>	16	8.5	44	83
Terrazas de los Andes, Reserva, Malbec, 2015, <i>Mendoza, AR</i>	11	5.5	33	57
Seghesio, Sonoma Zinfandel, 2014, <i>Sonoma Valley, California, US</i>	17	8.5	48	93
Argiano, Brunello di Montalcino, 2011, <i>Tuscany, IT</i>	24	12	70	130

## NOBLE NOTES

Terrazas de los Andes Reserva is a classic example of Malbec from Argentina's renowned Mendoza region, nestled in the foothills of the Andes. Concentrated dark fruits of plum and blackberry are in abundance on the palate, coated with sandy tannins. On the nose fresh cracked black pepper, violet and cassis spring out of the glass. Perfect with a steak!

# Pinot Noir

LISTED FROM FRUIT-DRIVEN TO SAVOURY ▼

	g	½g	½B	B
<b>Peregrine</b> , 2014, <i>Central Otago, NZ</i>	16	8	45	89
<b>Rippon</b> , Rippon Mature Vine, 2013, <i>Wanaka, Central Otago, NZ</i>	22	11	66	110
<b>Pyramid Valley</b> , Calrossie Vineyard, 2015, <i>Marlborough, NZ</i>	17	8.5	48	90
<b>Greystone</b> , 2015, <i>Waipara, North Canterbury, NZ</i>	16	8	44	82
<b>The Don</b> , Martinborough, 2016, <i>Martinborough Terraces, NZ</i>	13	6.5	36	69
<b>Cristom</b> , Mount Jefferson, 2014, <i>Willamette, OR, US</i>	-	-	-	99
<b>Chantal Lescure</b> , Clos des Topes Bizot, 2014, <i>Côte de Beaune, Burgundy, FR</i>	-	-	-	99
<b>Ata Rangi</b> , 2015, <i>Martinborough, NZ</i>	29	14.5	80	150
<b>Domaine Drouhin-Laroze</b> , Gevrey-Chambertin, 2014, <i>Côtes de Nuits, Burgundy, FR</i>	-	-	-	175

## NOBLE NOTES

Martinborough Pinot Noir hardly needs an introduction here in Wellington. What often goes without mention, however, is the number of wine growers and makers dedicated to organic viticulture and low intervention wine making in the region. One such example is The Don Pinot Noir; a wine made from organic fruit and absolutely no additions or subtractions made to the final wine, not even sulfur!



# Cabernet Sauvignon Dominant

LISTED FROM ELEGANT TO BOLD ♣

	g	½g	½B	B
Château Blaignan, 2012, <i>Médoc, Bordeaux, FR</i>	-	-	-	72
Santa Ana, La Mascota, 2012, <i>Mendoza, AR</i>	10	5	29	55
Kidnapper Cliffs, Cabernet Merlot, 2013, <i>Gimblett Gravels, Hawke's Bay, NZ</i>	16	8	45	85
Te Mata, Awatea, 2015, <i>Hawke's Bay, NZ</i>	13	6.5	38	71
Leeuwin Estate, Art Series, 2012, <i>Margaret River, WA, AU</i>	-	-	-	143
Tenuta Moraia, Gattabuia, 2013, <i>Bolgheri, Tuscany, IT</i>	12	6	34	62

# Merlot & Cabernet Franc Dominant

LISTED FROM ELEGANT TO BOLD ▾

	g	½g	½B	B
Mosse, Bois-Rouge, 2015, <i>Anjou, Loire, FR</i>	-	-	-	60
Easthope Family Winegrowers, Moteo Vineyard Merlot, 2014, <i>Hawke's Bay, NZ</i>	13	6.5	37	72
Château Chapelle Maillard, 2015, <i>Bordeaux, FR</i>	10	5	27	50
The Gabion, 'Rachel's Block' Cabernet Franc/Merlot, 2010, <i>Matakana, NZ</i>	14	7	40	77
Gillman, Cabernet Franc/Merlot/Malbec, 2011, <i>Matakana, NZ</i>	-	-	-	133
Château De La Cour, Merlot/Cabernet Franc, 2012, <i>Saint-Émilion, Bordeaux, FR</i>	19	9.5	54	96
William Murdoch, Merlot/Malbec, 2010, <i>Hawke's Bay, NZ</i>	10	5	30	55
Church Road, TOM, Merlot/Cabernet Sauvignon, 2014, <i>Hawke's Bay, NZ</i>	-	-	-	320

## NOBLE NOTES

Cabernet Franc often gets overlooked alongside its more famous bedfellows Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot but it is widely planted across the world and produces wines full of heady strawberry and cedar aromatics, fine structure and supple tannins.

# Grenache & Mourvèdre Dominant

LISTED FROM MEDIUM TO FULL BODIED ▼

	g	½g	½B	B
Château des Tours, Côtes-du-Rhône, Reserve, 2012, Rhône, FR	-	-	-	125
A Tribute to Grace, Santa Barbara Country Grenache, 2015, Santa Barbara, California, US	18	9	50	98
Teusner, Joshua, Grenache Mataro Shiraz, 2015, Barossa Valley, SA, AU	-	-	-	80
Clos St.-Jean, Châteauneuf-du-pape, 2012, Rhône, FR	-	-	-	134

## NOBLE NOTES

Most recognised as contributing to the famous blends of the Southern Rhône and some of Spain’s greatest wines, Grenache gifts gorgeous bright and crunchy red fruits, spice and juiciness. Mourvèdre on the other hand plays a more savoury role with wines full of rustic, leathery spice, dried herbs and dark fruits aromatics, fine structure and supple tannins. They are wines with a serious side but also a flirtatious edge.

# Syrah & Shiraz Dominant

LISTED FROM FRUIT-DRIVEN TO SAVOURY ▼

	g	½g	½B	B
Cypress Wines, Terraces Syrah, 2013, Roy's Hill, Hawke's Bay, NZ	14	7	40	77
Molly Dooker, The Boxer Shiraz, 2016, McLaren Vale & Langhorne Creek, SA, AU	14	7	39	73
John Duval, Entity Shiraz, 2015, Barossa Valley, SA, AU	-	-	-	119
Romaneaux-Destezet (Hervé Souhaut), Sainte Epine, 2016, St Joseph, Northern Rhône, FR	-	-	-	170
Cedalion, Sam Harrop, Syrah, 2014, Waiheke Island, NZ	20	10	57	109
Jean-Michel Stephan, Côte Rôtie Coteaux de Tupin, 2014, Northern Rhône, FR	-	-	-	250

## NOBLE NOTES

Syrah and Shiraz are the same grape variety. Syrah cuttings were taken from the hills of Hermitage in the Northern Rhône of France to South Australia where it was given a new name. Eventually a new style of wine emerged. Classically, “cool-climate” Syrah is perfumed with hints of white pepper, whereas Shiraz is rich and sweet with black pepper.

## Sweet & Fortified

LISTED FROM MEDIUM TO FULL BODIED ▼

### SWEET WHITE

	g	B
<b>Château Garonelles de Climens</b> , 2013, <i>Sauternes, Bordeaux, FR</i> (375ml)	14	63
<b>Framingham</b> , Noble Riesling, 2017, <i>Marlborough, NZ</i> (375mls)	16	73
<b>Vinoptima</b> , Noble, Gewürztraminer, 2007, <i>Ormond, Gisborne, NZ</i> (375ml)	-	293
<b>Campbells</b> , Muscat, NV, <i>Rutherglen, VIC, AU</i> (375ml)	13	59

### SWEET RED & PORT

	g	B
<b>Passage Rock</b> , Late Harvest Cabernet, 2016, <i>Waiheke Island, NZ</i> (375ml)	12	58
<b>Churchill's Reserve</b> , NV, <i>Douro, PT</i> (200ml)	-	32
<b>Churchill's 10 year Tawny</b> , NV, <i>Douro, PT</i>	9	-

### SHERRY

	g	B
<b>Bodegas Hidalgo</b> , <i>Trina, NV, Pedro Ximénez, Xérès-Jerez, ESP</i>	12	-