

# WINES BY THE GLASS & BOTTLE

The wines offered in many establishments as 'House Wines' are all too often chosen to suit the convenience of Mine Host, yet this is not necessarily with the customers' best interest at heart. We are extremely proud of the quality and value of our House Wines and their total compatibility with our traditional and contemporary cuisine.

## CHAMPAGNE & SPARKLING WINE

	125ml glass	Bottle
1. BEAUMONT DES CRAYERES GRANDE RESERVE BRUT A multi award-winning champagne, whilst rich with biscuity fruit, it climaxes with an elegant crisp acidity.	£7.00	£40.00
2. PROSECCO BRUT JEIO BISOL, ITALY Light, uplifting and deliciously refreshing with gentle mousse and a lemon tang. A great aperitif from just north of Venice.	£4.50	£24.50

## WHITE WINES

	175ml glass	250ml glass	Bottle
European			
3. SAUVIGNON BLANC, DOMAINE MONTMARIN, FRANCE Expressive, herbaceous & very reminiscent of a Sancerre from the Cotes du Thongue	£4.00	£5.50	£16.00
4. PINOT GRIGIO – ANSELMIS, FRIULI, ITALY Dry, delicate, floral & instantly appealing on both the nose & palate.	£4.00	£5.50	£16.50
5. MACON PRISSE 'LES CLOCHETTES', BURGUNDY Uncomplicated & unwooded white burgundy, delivering tight clean fruit with a touch of minerality. Fabulous.	£5.00	£6.50	£22.50
New World			
6. CHARDONNAY, FINCA EL PICADOR, CHILE Mid weight, fresh styled Chardonnay with hints of apple on the nose and a refreshing crisp finish.	£4.00	£5.50	£14.00
7. LA PETITE FERME 'MAISON BLANC', FRANSCHHOEK, S AFRICA A real gem! Tropical notes on the bouquet with a creamy citrus palate, fabulous acidity. From the famous restaurant.	£4.50	£6.00	£16.50

## RED WINES

	175ml glass	250ml glass	Bottle
European			
8. CABERNET SAUVIGNON, DOMAINE MONTMARIN, FRANCE A richly flavoured cassis dominated Cabernet with good tannic structure and a long finish from the Cotes de Thongue.	£4.50	£6.00	£16.50
9. LA COPA GARNACHA, CAMPO DE BORJA, SPAIN Wonderfully upfront with heaps of perfumed Garnacha fruit, oozing notes of damson~violets and welcome spice & grip.	£4.00	£5.50	£14.50
New World			
10. MERLOT, FINCA EL PICADOR, CHILE Instantly appealing, lush almost warm Merlot fruit. A mix of Bordeaux elegance with New World concentration.	£4.00	£5.50	£14.00
11. CURRABRIDGE SHIRAZ~CABERNET, NEW SOUTH WALES A delicious blend of spicy~peppery Shiraz and cassis laden Cabernet delivering a great Australian all rounder.	£4.00	£5.50	£16.50

## ROSÉ WINES

12. FINCA EL PICADOR MERLOT ROSÉ, CHILE Exuberant blackcurrant and cherry fruit with a tangy hint of sweetness.	£4.00	£5.50	£14.00
13. PROVENCE ROSÉ – DOMAINE HOUCART, FRANCE Pretty on the eye and nose..... delightful strawberry flavours on the palate with an uplifting finishing acidity.	£4.00	£5.50	£19.50

# CHAMPAGNE

Guided by our Wine Merchant we have selected Champagnes and Sparklers that do not support massive marketing budgets but are chosen to reflect total quality and fair pricing.

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| 1.  | BEAUMONT DES CRAYERES GRANDE RESERVE BRUT<br>A multi award winning Champagne. Whilst rich with biscuity fruit, it climaxes with an elegant crisp acidity and lingering persistence.                             | Bottle<br>£40.00 |
| 14. | BEAUMONT DES CRAYERES GRAND ROSÉ<br>Salmon pink with a delicious strawberry scented nose. This has an intense nose & broad palate.  | £43.50           |
| 15. | BILLECART SALMON BRUT RESERVE<br>An outstanding Grande Marque Champagne, one of the finest and most elegant on the market.  | £60.00           |
| 16. | VEUVE CLICQUOT BRUT<br>A Grande Marque champagne that needs no introduction. Very genuine, elegant and dependable.  | £50.00           |
| 17. | LOUIS ROEDERER BRUT PREMIERE REIMS<br>Possibly the most exquisite of the Grand Marques, from the House famed for Cristal Champagne. Whilst restrained and gentle this wine displays a beautiful feminine style. | £58.00           |

# SPARKLING WINE

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| 2.  | PROSECCO BRUT JEIO BISOL, ITALY<br>Light, uplifting and deliciously refreshing with gentle mousse and a lemon tang. A great aperitif from just north of Venice.            | £24.50 |
| 18. | CAMEL VALLEY BRUT, CORNWALL, NV<br>Highly rated, traditional method sparkling wine made just outside Wadebridge in Cornwall. A regular Champagne beater in blind tastings. | £45.00 |

# WHITE WINES

Browns Hotel has, over the years, built up an enviable reputation for exceptional food. To compliment this our wines must also excel. Emphasis in particular for the white wines is to display perfect varietal expression, without being over concentrated and hence rendering them difficult to match with many dishes. Elegance, expression, balance and finish.

## EUROPEAN WHITE WINES

### France

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| 3.  | SAUVIGNON BLANC, DOMAINE MONTMARIN, FRANCE<br>Expressive, herbaceous & very reminiscent of a Sancerre from The Cotes du Thongue   | £16.00 |
| 19. | MUSCADET 'CLOS DE LA CHAPELLE', GILBERT CHON, LOIRE<br>Light & elegant Muscadet with crisp, floral fruit & tart green acidity. Muscadet may have gone out of fashion, but as a partner to shellfish, it is still hard to beat.                | £17.00 |
| 5.  | MACON PRISSE 'LES CLOCHETTES', BURGUNDY<br>Uncomplicated & unwooded white burgundy, delivering tight clean fruit with a touch of minerality. Fabulous.  | £22.50 |
| 20. | SANCERRE 'DOMAINE LA GEMIERE' DANIEL MILLET, LOIRE<br>A classic style of Sancerre displaying extreme elegance, with tight almost grassy and perfumed nuances, and a typical minerality on the finish. Ideal with fish and all seafood.        | £31.00 |
| 21. | CHABLIS, PASCAL BOUCHARD, BURGUNDY<br>The very epitome of a classic style of Chablis with green, tight, almost restrained fruit and enticing, uplifting acidity on the finish. Made by one of the top producers in Chablis.                   | £28.00 |
| 22. | PICPOUL DE PINET, DOMAINE FELINES JOURDAN, LANGUEDOC<br>Picpoul is really only found here in the Languedoc. Crisp and aromatic with a nutty overtone. This is perfect with fish.  | £21.50 |
| 23. | CHATEAU BROWN BLANC, GRAVES<br>65% Sauvignon Blanc and 35% Semillon fermented in oak barrels giving this wine lovely citrus, fig & smoky scents jumping from the glass. Medium bodied, textured, concentrated and ripe. Stunningly brilliant. | £59.00 |
| 24. | VOUVRAY AUBERT – MEDIUM DRY. LEON AUBERT, LOIRE<br>Delicious old fashioned Vouvray with a hint of sweetness..... crunchy Green apples and honey notes. The Chenin Blanc at its most appealing.  | £22.00 |
| 25. | MEURSAULT 'LES GRANDS CHARRONS', DOMAINE BOUZEREAU, BURGUNDY<br>Full bodied nutty Meursault with a balanced richly flavoured palate and a long lingering finish.  | £55.00 |

## Alsace

26. GEWURZTRAMINER PFAFFENHEIM £23.00  
A pungent, rich and aromatic white wine, great with Thai style dishes or smoked fish. Unmistakable spice and aromatic overtones yet a clean crisp finish making it suitable with most foods.

## Italy

4. PINOT GRIGIO, ANSELMINI, FRIULI £16.50  
Dry, delicate, floral & instantly appealing on both the nose & palate. A very 'In' grape!
27. GAVI RIVA LEONE, PIEMONTE £18.00  
Classic white from Piemonte delivering a very pure, herbaceous and Aromatic wine with great acidity and yet a lingering richness.

## Spain

28. MONTELCIEGO RIOJA BLANCO £15.00  
Wonderfully aromatic with a touch of lemon and citrus acidity to compliment a slightly herbaceous kick. This 2008 is fantastic.

## Germany

29. MOSEL RIESLING – SIEGEL £17.50  
Racy Riesling. Whilst hints of sweetness are apparent, the crisp & spicy acidity deliver an enticing sweet & sour appeal.
30. DR LOOSEN ESTATE RIESLING, MOSEL £20.00  
The definitive German Riesling made to exacting standards by 'Decanter Winemaker of the Year' Ernst Loosen. Delightfully fresh with crisp acidity and heaps of fruit.

## England

31. YEARLSTONE NUMBER 5, EXE VALLEY, DEVON £21.50  
The local wine produced in the Exe Valley, deliciously dry and refreshing with spicy tropical fruit notes. Great with poultry and fish.

## NEW WORLD WHITE WINES

### Australia

32. BROOKFORD COLOMBARD ~ CHARDONNAY, S E AUSTRALIA £13.50  
Typically Australian, with melon and peach flavours on both the bouquet and palate enhanced by the tinniest hint of vanillin oak.
33. COMMISSIONER'S BLOCK VIOGNIER £19.00  
Distinctive peachy~apricot traces on both the bouquet and the palate with the grape's hallmark waxy yet crisp textural finish. With shellfish, a must!

### Tasmania

34. SAUVIGNON BLANC 'DEVIL'S CORNER', TAMAR RIDGE £23.50  
A crisp and superbly refreshing grassy Sauvignon Blanc with a real zing on the finish!

## New Zealand

35. MARLBOROUGH SAUVIGNON BLANC 'KUKI' £24.00  
The very epitome of a Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc with both the bouquet and palate of gooseberries, asparagus, green pepper and lime.

## Chile

6. CHARDONNAY, FINCA EL PICADOR £14.00  
Mid weight, fresh styled Chardonnay with hints of apple on the nose and a refreshing crisp finish.
36. CASA SILVA VIOGNIER RESERVA, COLCHAGUA VALLEY £20.50  
As with all Casa Silva wines they aim to deliver perfect varietal expression This Reserva has the typical peachy ~ apricot notes with characteristic textural finish. A very complex and elegant wine from a top producer.

## Argentina

37. TORRONTES, MICHEL TORINO £20.00  
Intensely perfumed, almost Muscat in style, lovely fresh bouquet and finish. Perfect with spicy and Asian influenced food.
38. CRISTOBAL 1492 VERDELHO, MENDOZA £19.50  
A grape famed for its role in Madeira, here in Mendoza and at altitude it makes a beautifully refined and restrained white with ultra clean herbaceous and honeysuckle notes.

## South Africa

7. LA PETITE FERME 'MAISON BLANC', FRANSCHHOEK £16.50  
A real gem from the restaurant of the same name in Franschoek, Elegant yet restrained fruit extraction, clean acidity, great restaurant wine.
39. CHARDONNAY, MEERLUST, STELLENBOSCH £44.00  
Rich and Burgundian in style, this is a very complex full-bodied white, big toasty and vanilla backbone, with hints of tropical fruit and lime on the palate. A real classic from the Cape.

## ROSÉ WINES

Rosé wines have never before enjoyed a resurgence in popularity. No longer can they be regarded as a compromise between Red and White wines. In conjunction with the two wines on the House Wine page, the Rosés we offer epitomise all things good and positive in the current Rosé revival.

12. FINCA EL PICADOR MERLOT ROSÉ, CHILE £14.00  
Exuberant blackcurrant and cherry fruit with a tangy hint of sweetness.
13. PROVENCAL ROSÉ, DOMAINE HOUCART, FRANCE £19.50  
As beautiful on the nose as it is on the eye, with strawberry fruit notes and uplifting and enchanting acidity. The perfect summer Rose!

# RED WINES

The New World dominance of the red wine market is now shifting back towards the more restrained and perhaps more elegant classics, as mastered by the European Wine makers. We believe we have something for everyone and to compliment all flavour spectrums and the diversity of Brown's imaginative cuisine.

## EUROPEAN RED WINES

### France

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| 8.  | CABERNET SAUVIGNON, DOMAINE MONTMARIN, COTES DE THONGUE<br>A richly flavoured cassis dominated Cabernet with good tannic structure and a long finish.  | £16.50 |
| 40. | COTES DU RHONE VILLAGES, CHUSCLAN, RHONE<br>If what you want from your Cotes du Rhone is a mouthful of red cherry fruit with a warm alcoholic glow & a long spicy finish, then this wine delivers.   | £18.00 |
| 41. | BEAUJOLAIS VILLAGES 'CHATEAU DES LOGES'<br>Juicy and vibrant Beaujolais packed with red fruit aromas.  | £20.50 |
| 42. | FLEURIE 'LA ROILETTE', DOMAINE METRAT, BEAUJOLAIS<br>One of the prettiest of the Cru Beaujolais – this is the ultimate expression of the Gamay grape, red berry fruit and plenty of youthful charm.  | £29.50 |
| 43. | MARSANNAY – SEIGNEUR DE BLIGNY, BURGUNDY<br>Gentle yet not wanting, a classic red Burgundy from the Cotes de Nuits<br>Elegant, damson and wine-gum flavours with hints of truffles and spice.  | £32.50 |
| 44. | CHATEAU DE ROQUES, 1ER COTES DE BORDEAUX<br>If only all Bordeaux Chateau responded to the cry for quality as these producers do. Intense blackcurrant fruit, soft but structured tannins and warm cedar overtones.   | £26.00 |
| 45. | CHATEAU BROWN, GRAVES<br>The most impressive wine I have ever tasted from this estate. The dense ruby purple coloured wine offers up excellent aromas of cassis and redcurrants, cedar and tobacco, super concentration as well as purity, power combined with elegance. This is a stylish classic Graves. | £55.00 |
| 46. | CHATEAUNEUF DU PAPE – DOMAINE DU VIEUX LAZARET<br>A big, robust and mouth-filling Chateauneuf with distinctive damson, fig and date notes yet ultra-soft and voluptuous. The flagship red from the Rhone valley.   | £45.50 |

### Italy

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| 47. | VALPOLICELLA CLASSICO SUPERIORE, VALVERDE, TEDESCHI<br>Ruby red in colour with notes of cherry and currants, a good well-balanced and harmonious structure and an elegant soft oak finish. | £25.00 |
| 48. | BARBERA – RIVA LEONE, PIEMONTE<br>An abundance of Barbera fruit with flavours of dates, dried fruit<br>Violets and welcome spice... Big and persistent, almost reminiscent of a Rhone.     | £16.00 |

## Spain

9. LA COPA GARNACHA, CAMPO DE BORJA, SPAIN £14.50  
Wonderfully upfront with an abundance of perfumed Garnacha fruit. Whilst oozing notes of damson and violets, the conclusion combines welcome spice and grip.
49. URBINA CRIANZA RIOJA £25.00  
Deliberately intense fruit-driven and old fashioned in style, fully ripened Tempranillo fruit engulfed in soft fine-grained vanillin oak.
50. URBINA GRAN RESERVA RIOJA £42.00  
Fully developed, traditional style Rioja, deep almost Port like qualities, yet spirited spice and a harmonious balance of oak and lingering fruit. A wine of great finesse and wondrous length.

## Lebanon

51. CHATEAU MUSAR, BEKAA VALLEY £50.00  
A wine of legendary status made by Monsieur Hochar, of French origin. Immense depth and complexity, despite being light in colour, this wine has fantastic dried fruit and spicy notes.

## NEW WORLD RED WINES

### Chile

10. MERLOT, FINCA EL PICADOR, CHILE £14.00  
Instantly appealing, lush almost warm Merlot fruit. A combination of Bordeaux elegance with New World concentration.
52. CARMENERE RESERVA, CASA SILVA, COCHAGUA VALLEY £20.50  
Award winning wine, Carmenerere gets no better than this. Dark, robust with eucalyptus overtones and a touch of cassis.

### South Africa

53. THE RUINS ORGANIC PINOTAGE, EILANDIA £19.50  
Intense red berry fruit with a smoke & spice overtone. Very juicy fruit & an easy texture make this attractive wine very approachable.
54. LA PETITE FERME 'MAISON ROUGE', FRANSCHHOEK £17.00  
Made at this renowned restaurant of the same name, this red is made from a blend of Ruby Cabernet and Shiraz with bayleaf, eucalyptus, and red berry fruit and a touch of pepper.

### Australia

55. HELLFIRE BAY SHIRAZ GRENACHE, WESTERN AUSTRALIA £18.00  
A heady combination of black fruit with spice & leather on the finish. Produced by one of Western Australia's leading estates.
56. CRANEFORD PRIVATE SELECTION MERLOT, BAROSSA VALLEY £21.50  
A voluptuous red berry fruit Merlot with hints of chocolate and herbs, enhanced by 16 months in oak. The perfect accompaniment to roast duck, steak and cheese.

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| 11. | CURRABRIDGE SHIRAZ~CABERNET, NEW SOUTH WALES<br>A delicious blend of spicy~peppery Shiraz and cassis laden Cabernet delivering a great Australian all rounder.  | £16.50 |
| 57. | OMRAH PINOT NOIR BY PLANTAGANET, WESTERN AUSTRALIA<br>Unlike many New World Pinots this has true Burgundian characteristics, yet a concentration which eludes many. Perfect with game and dark meats. | £25.50 |

### California

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| 58. | SCOTTO LODI OLD VINE ZINFANDEL<br>Dark, ultra soft and voluptuous with herbaceous dried fruit notes yet climaxing with a pleasing hint of spice. Perfect with lamb and game. | £18.50 |
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### Argentina

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| 59. | MALBEC, MICHEL TORINO<br>The most prolific grape from South America, and used to a lesser degree in Bordeaux. Concentrated mulberry and perfumed fruit with a richness but soft textural finish. | £20.00 |
| 60. | KAIKEN CABERNET SAUVIGNON, MENDOZA<br>A blockbuster fruit laden and robust red, with very apparent mahogany~cigar box bouquet complimented perfectly by fully ripened cassis overtones.          | £22.00 |

## HALF BOTTLES

### White Wines

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| 61. | SAUVIGNON BLANC, MONTES, CHILE<br>A fresh grassy wine with good weight and zippy acidity. From one of Chile's best producers.     | £9.50  |
| 62. | MACON VILLAGES, MAISON AUUVIGUE, BURGUNDY<br>An appealing Chardonnay with green apple aromas and crisp, with lively acidity.      | £13.00 |
| 63. | SANCERRE 'LE PIERRIER', DOMAINE CHARLES THOMAS, LOIRE<br>Almost spearminty on the nose, this is a broad, yet herbaceous Sancerre. | £20.00 |
| 64. | CHABLIS, PASCAL BOUCHARD, BURGUNDY<br>Tight and green with distinctive steely minerality yet lingering and builds on the palate.  | £15.50 |

## HALF BOTTLES

### Red Wines

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| 65. | CABERNET SAUVIGNON, MONTES, CHILE<br>Vibrant, rounded Cabernet- cassis on the nose and palate.<br>Very complex given the price.                           | £9.50  |
| 66. | CHATEAU DE ROQUES, 1ER COTES DE BORDEAUX<br>Ripe and generous Claret with soft easy fruit. One of the region's<br>finest new estates.                     | £15.00 |
| 67. | RASTEAU COTES DU RHONE VILLAGES<br>Terrific fruit laden and mouth-filling Southern Rhone. Dried fruit<br>with hints of damson and traces of white pepper. | £12.00 |
| 68. | CHATEAU MUSAR, LEBANON<br>The great Domaine of Lebanon. Intense, spicy fruit, quite Rhone-like.<br>A must try wine!                                       | £25.00 |

## DESSERT WINES

A must to end the meal – 'The Finale' – these wines are as diverse as the puddings that our team create in the kitchen. Whether to compliment fruit – based, chocolate puddings or pastry – based puddings, the quartet below will compliment them admirably. We now serve all pudding wines in small 50ml glasses as not to overwhelm or detract from our desserts.

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| 69. | CHATEAU BELINGARD MONBAZILLAC<br>Similar to Sauternes in style. Intense honeyed fruit<br>with pear and peach notes dominant, balanced by<br>lovely refreshing acidity.                                | £4.50      | £18.50   |
| 70. | CAMPBELLS RUTHERGLEN LIQUEUR MUSCAT<br>This must be the world's sweetest wine. Concentrated<br>cooked fruit notes with hints of Christmas pudding,<br>honey and molasses forever in the mouth.        | £5.50      | £22.50   |
| 71. | RIESLING BOTRYTIS, TAMAR RIDGE, TASMANIA<br>Alive, oozing orange blossom and rose scented fruit.<br>The noble rot very apparent adding honey overtones,<br>with fantastic acidity and youthful charm. | £6.00      | £30.00   |
| 72. | CHATEAU FILHOT 1ER CRU SAUTERNES<br>Rich, luscious and very elegant, with complexity<br>and weight. The ultimate dessert wine!  | £6.50      | £35.00   |