



WINNES

We are proudly supplied by one of the country's leading Independent Wine Merchants, Cheshire's Define based in Sandiway. Established by wine expert Jon Campbell at the turn of the century, they source exemplary wines from quality-driven domains from all corners of the wine world.

The team taste tirelessly to ensure their range of over 1200 wines provide the ultimate in value and satisfaction. This dedication is the key not only to their following in Cheshire, but also to their success in London, as suppliers to a number of Michelin-starred restaurants and the wine departments of Harrods and Fortnum & Mason. If there are any particular styles that you would like to see on our list, please ask, as we're pretty confident Define will have them! PS. Always look for a wine merchant with a big nose!

Please note that Jon is available to discuss bespoke wine options and packages for private events in our Tarporley Room.

#### Jolandie Fouche, Kloovenburg, South Africa

I'm mightily impressed by the wines from Kloovenburg, a respected Swartland estate owned by the du Toit dynasty. I think it's fair to say there's no shortage of testosterone here, with four giant sons the latest generation to be involved, including Pieter-Steph du Toit, the monster Springbok flanker, who crushed my hand when I met him in the vineyard, dodging deadly puff adders. It's admirable to see that these Boer giants have stepped aside to let a young, spirited female winemaker take the helm in the winery. Even after a few notable mistakes, with entire vats being sent off for industrial distillation, they realised that in Jolandie Fouche they had found a special talent. The Gatekeeper White is a limited release parcel, blending parcels of old vine Chenin Blanc, Grenache Blanc, Roussanne and Vereldho from vineyard blocks across the Swartland. Hand-picked in the early hours, with the free-run juice fermenting with wild yeast in old French oak barrels. Nicely textured, with pear, apple and stone fruit characters, with enough weight to stop you in your tracks, but a deftness of touch to suggest feminine hands are at work. **See Bin 11.**

#### Sami Ghosn, Massaya, Lebanon

Some of us are slightly concerned about the impact of Brexit- imagine starting a business amidst the tensions of the Middle East, with Hezbollah and Isis factions in your midst! Then imagine sourcing grapes from Muslim growers and turning them into wine! This gives you some idea of the determination of Massaya's founder Sami Ghosn, spreading the message of tolerance and conviviality and the spirit of Lebanon to the world. One of the wine world's most colourful characters, Sami spends much of his time travelling the world as an ambassador for his wines- and for Lebanon, whilst his team focus on expressing the special terroir of the Bekaa valley, some 1000m up on the border of Syria. Sami's brother Ramzi is the winemaker, with occasional help from the Brunier brothers of Chateauneuf du Pape fame. Blending varieties from the Rhone and Bordeaux, the Massaya wines capture the exotic perfume of the orient, with a range of wines redolent of sweet spice and wild herbs. Captivating wines worthy and deserving of support. The Provence-styled Rosé and Le Colombier red are available on the list. **See Bins 29 & 42.**

#### Jean-Christophe Delavenne, Champagne Delavenne

The well-known Grande Marque Champagnes buy in most of their fruit from growers situated across the Champagne region. Jean-Christophe is what is referred to as a Recoltant-Manipulant, (and a very fine one at that!) creating what has become referred to as Grower Champagne. Jean-Christophe is the fourth generation of Delavennes to tend their vines, and create Champagne only from grapes that they grow. Great care is taken to grow quality fruit, with an organic approach in the vineyard. When your name's on the label, and you're looking after vines planted by your grandfather, you care, and the resulting quality leaps out of the glass. No marketing budget here, no fancy shaped bottle, just class and purity. Their wines are classified as Grand Cru, based in the brilliantly named village of Bouzy, one of only 17 villages entitled to this top classification. Bouzy is famed for the quality of its Pinot Noir, and in particular a red wine called Bouzy Rouge, which is used to create the Rosé Champagne on our list. Worth a try if you're in a decadent mood! **See Bin 50.**

#### Vassilis Papagiannakos, Attica, Greece

Wine has been made in these parts (we're in the shadow of the Acropolis!) for millennia, although Vassili's family have only been at it for 100 years! We're on the Attica peninsular on mainland Greece, stretching out from Athens to the Aegean Sea. Vassilis recently invested in a new bioclimatic winery based in the heart of their vineyards, and creates a range of high quality, modernist expressions of traditional styles (even his Retsina is fabulous!). The hot, dry climate is sufficiently tempered by the Meltimi winds to also allow the production of fresh, crisp whites, with the inspired decision to plant Assyrtiko, a variety native to the island of Santorini, paying dividends. The wine magically absorbs a kind of saline minerality from the sea breezes, which works a treat with its orange and lime fruit. A fine, textured white, worth checking out if you're a Chablis fan. **See Bin 14.**

## WINES BY THE GLASS

175ml measure

### WHITE

VINA MARIPOSA BLANCO, SPAIN	£4.50
PACIFICO SUR SAUVIGNON BLANC, CHILE	£4.95
CAPE HEIGHTS CHENIN BLANC, SOUTH AFRICA	£4.95
BELLA MODELLA PINOT GRIGIO, ITALY	£4.95
FALSE BAY CHARDONNAY, SOUTH AFRICA	£5.95
VIDAL SAUVIGNON BLANC, MARLBOROUGH, NZ	£6.75
FOLLAS NOVAS ALBARINO, SPAIN	£7.95

### ROSÉ

MIRABELLO PINOT GRIGIO ROSÉ, ITALY	£4.95
CHÂTEAU SAINT PIERRE ROSÉ, PROVENCE	£7.95

### RED

MARIPUSA TINTO, SPAIN	£4.50
PACIFICO SUR MERLOT, CHILE	£4.95
CAPE HEIGHTS SHIRAZ, SOUTH AFRICA	£4.95
MAN MEETS MOUNTAIN MALBEC, ARGENTINA	£7.50
BAGLIO GIBELLINA U.PASSIMIENTO, SICILY, ITALY	£7.95

### SPARKLING (125ml measures)

LUNETTA PROSECCO, ITALY	£6.50
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(All of our wines by the glass are available in 125ml and 250ml measures upon request.)



# WHITE WINES

## HOUSE SELECTION

- VINA MARIPOSA BLANCO, SPAIN** £17.95  
Fresh and frisky, with crunchy green apple fruit and a twist of lime.
- PACIFICO SUR SAUVIGNON BLANC, CHILE** £19.50  
Beautifully balanced Sauvignon, with snappy grapefruit and citrus fruit and a herby complexity.
- CAPE HEIGHTS CHENIN BLANC, SOUTH AFRICA** £19.50  
A heady mix of tropical and citrus fruit, from dry-farmed vineyards in the esteemed Paardeberg region.
- BELLA MODELLA PINOT GRIGIO, ITALY** £19.50  
A supple, gentle, easy white. Perfectly chilled in every sense!
- FALSE BAY CHARDONNAY, SOUTH AFRICA** £24.00  
A quality, textured, unoaked Chardonnay, from hand-picked grapes fermented with wild yeast.
- VIDAL SAUVIGNON BLANC, MARLBOROUGH, NEW ZEALAND** £27.50  
Benchmark kiwi Sauvignon. Dry, focussed, intense and compelling.
- ORNEZON PICPOUL DE PINET, LANGUEDOC, FRANCE** £27.50  
A wine that evolved to match the local oysters and mussels from the Bassin de Thau in the Languedoc. A great aperitif too.

## ADVENTUROUS WHITES

- SILGA VERDEJO, SPAIN** £27.50  
A trendy variety from North-West Spain, ideally suited to Sauvignon fans.
- FOLLAS NOVAS ALBARINO, SPAIN** £30.00  
A pretty, elegant white, with notes of white flowers and lemon verbena. Harmonious on the palate, with a lifted finish.
- NALS MAGREID PINOT BIANCO, ITALY** £32.00  
Far more interesting than its cousin Pinot Grigio, from a group of dynamic growers in the foothills of the Dolomites.
- THE GATEKEEPER WHITE, SOUTH AFRICA** £29.50  
A wonderfully hedonistic white blend from the hugely talented Jolandie Fouche from Kloovenburg Estate.
- ARENILE PECORINO, ITALY** £28.50  
Pecorino's the grape - an emerging star from the Marche region. Fresh, floral and ripe fruited, with a tangy minerality.
- ECKER GRUNER VELTLINER, AUSTRIA** £30.50  
A fresh, crisp style of Gruner, with classic notes of stone fruit and white pepper on the nose and palate.
- PAPAGIANNAKOS ASSYRTIKO, GREECE** £33.50  
Crisp and intense white from the Attica peninsular, with orange and lime fruit and a classy, saline minerality.

## WORLD CLASSICS

- FOURNILLON CHABLIS, BURGUNDY** £32.50
- JOSEPH CATTIN GEWURZTRAMINER, ALSACE** £34.50
- DOMAINE DE JOUAN SANCERRE, LOIRE** £37.50
- TENUTA MELA GAVI, ITALY** £30.00
- GREYWACKE SAUVIGNON BLANC, NEW ZEALAND** £36.00
- NEWTON JOHNSON FAMILY VINEYARDS CHARDONNAY, SOUTH AFRICA** £43.50

# RED WINES

## HOUSE SELECTION

- MARIPUSA TINTO, SPAIN** £17.95  
Ripe cherry and berry fruit, with a soft, lightly spiced finish.
- PACIFICO SUR MERLOT, CHILE** £19.50  
A juicy, plush, plummy red that slips down all too easily. A good, versatile option.
- CAPE HEIGHTS SHIRAZ, SOUTH AFRICA** £19.50  
A black-fruited beauty with a decent peppery kick. The perfect burger accompaniment!
- ALTOPIANO MONTEPULCIANO D'ABRUZZO, ITALY** £24.00  
Wild strawberry and cherry fruit, with good body and a plush finish.
- MAN MEETS MOUNTAIN MALBEC, ARGENTINA** £25.00  
Fun, crunchy Malbec, with blueberry and bramble fruit and a touch of mocha.

## ADVENTUROUS REDS

- BAGLIO GIBELLINA U.PASSIMIENTO, SICILY** £30.00  
An increasingly popular style, with the grapes dried partially, and fermentation interrupted to leave a touch of sweetness. A blend of Nero d'Avola and Frappato delivering a delicious drop of super-smooth summer berry fruit.
- DELTA BLOCK ZINFANDEL, CALIFORNIA** £32.00  
A richly fruited red, with ripe red and black fruit with a spiced backdrop.
- HANEWALD-SCHWERDT SPATBURGUNDER, GERMANY** £32.50  
Spatburgunder is German for Pinot Noir, and this is a striking expression with silky, sultry cherry and berry fruit.
- MASSAYA LE COLOMBIER, LEBANON** £34.00  
An exotically scented red made from a blend of Rhone varieties with the addition of Tempranillo. Highly recommended.
- BRESSIA MONTEAGRELO CABERNET FRANC, ARGENTINA** £38.00  
At the premium level, Cabernet Franc is mounting a serious challenge to the supremacy of Malbec in Mendoza. Taste this and you'll see why!

## WORLD CLASSICS

- UN BON CANON COTES DU RHONE** £29.50
- CONTINO RIOJA RESERVA, SPAIN** £38.50
- CHATEAU TEYSSIER SAINT EMILION GRAND CRU, BORDEAUX** £36.50
- RECCHIA VALPOLICELLA RIPASSO, ITALY** £32.00
- AVIGNONESI VINO NOBILE DI MONTEPULCIANO, ITALY** £45.00
- THE SCOUNDREL SHIRAZ, BAROSSA, AUSTRALIA** £32.00
- BODEGAS COLOMÉ MALBEC, ARGENTINA** £37.50
- MOORODUC PINOT NOIR, MORNINGTON PENINSULA, AUSTRALIA** £42.50



## ROSÉ WINES

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| 39. <b>MIRABELLO PINOT GRIGIO ROSÉ</b>   | £20.00 |
| A delicately fruited rosé with a creamy mid-palate, and a crisp, dry finish.   |        |
| 40. <b>BURLESQUE WHITE ZINFANDEL</b>   | £23.50 |
| One for the sweeter teeth out there. A liquid version of (alcoholic!) strawberry ice-cream.  |        |
| 41. <b>CHATEAU SAINT PIERRE ROSÉ, PROVENCE</b>   | £28.50 |
| Pretty and aromatic on the nose, with a fine mix of white peach and guava on the palate, and a silky, dry finish.  |        |
| 42. <b>MASSAYA ROSÉ, LEBANON</b>   | £35.00 |
| A blend of Syrah and Cinsault from the Bekaa Valley. Provençal in feel, but with a waft of honey, and a lick of spice on the finish.   |        |
| 43. <b>DOMAINE OTT CLOS MIREILLE ROSÉ, PROVENCE</b>  | £55.00 |
| A dream bottle of Rosé for a true 'sod-it' moment. Mind-blowingly refined, delicate and sumptuous. FYI, this would cost you c£180 a bottle in Sandy Lane, Barbados. Just sayin'! |        |

## SPARKLING WINES

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| 44. <b>LUNETTA PROSECCO NV</b>                   | £26.50  |
| 45. <b>DOMAINE BRISSAC CREMANT DE LOIRE NV</b>   | £32.50  |
| 46. <b>LUNETTA ROSE SPUMANTE, ITALY NV</b>       | £26.50  |
| 47. <b>GUSBOURNE BRUT 2014, ENGLAND</b>          | £47.50  |
| 48. <b>GUSBOURNE ROSÉ 2013, ENGLAND</b>          | £52.50  |
| 49. <b>TAITTINGER BRUT RESERVE CHAMPAGNE NV</b>  | £55.00  |
| 50. <b>DELAVERNE GRAND CRU ROSÉ CHAMPAGNE NV</b> | £53.00  |
| 51. <b>TAITTINGER COMTES DE CHAMPAGNE 2006</b>   | £150.00 |

## ALT-WINE

Whites made with skin contact (aka Orange wines), wines made without sulphur. A movement, often referred to as 'natural wine', gaining momentum, massive in London, but struggling to break through in Cheshire- until now! Be prepared for some pretty funky flavours, a bit of head-scratching and perhaps an element of self-doubt. We regret we won't be able to refund you if you decide you don't like it- this is for the intellectually curious and adrenalin junkies out there!

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| 52. <b>FABRIZIO VELLA BLANCO, SICILY</b>  | £27.50 |
| A great introduction to the 'joys' of natural wine. It gets better as it warms up in the glass too (if you'll give it the chance!). A heady mix of citrus blossom, lemonz zest, tropical fruit and herbal notes.                  |        |
| 53. <b>CANTINE RALLO, AVO1 CATARRATTO ORANGE WINE</b>   | £44.00 |
| Grapes are carefully hand-picked at night, softly pressed, then fermented with the skins in acacia barrels. A fine mix of orchard fruit with hints of lychee and elderberry. Great texture, with a strangely elegant tannic grip. |        |
| 54. <b>LOVE POULSARD</b>  | £36.50 |
| A rare variety (Poulsard, not Love!) from the high slopes of the Jura, made without sulphur. Light, fresh, wild-fruited and perky.  |        |
| 55. <b>YANGARRA PF GRENACHE</b>   | £38.00 |
| Farmed using biodynamic methods (google it- not enough room to explain here!), without the addition of sulphur. A wine brimming with fruit and bursting with energy.  |        |

## FINE WINES

### WHITE

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| 56. <b>CARTOLOGY, ALHEIT VINEYARDS, SWARTLAND, SOUTH AFRICA 2016</b> | £65.00  |
| 57. <b>BACHEY LEGROS CHASSAGNE MONTRACHET 2017</b>                   | £80.00  |
| 58. <b>DOMAINE BELLANG MEURSAULT 2016</b>                            | £70.00  |
| 59. <b>DOMAINE ALEXANDRE CHABLIS PREMIER CRU FOURCHAUME 2017</b>     | £55.00  |
| 60. <b>DOMAINE BILLAUD SIMON CHABLIS GRAND CRU LES CLOS 2016</b>     | £130.00 |
| 61. <b>DIDIER DAGUENEAU SILEX POUILLY FUMÉ 2014</b>                  | £185.00 |

### ROSÉ

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| 62. <b>OTT 'CLOS DE MIREILLE' ROSÉ, PROVENCE 2018</b> | £55.00 |
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### RED

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| 63. <b>CHÂTEAU D'ARMAILHAC, PAUILLAC, BORDEAUX 2012</b>                      | £100.00 |
| 64. <b>CHÂTEAU HAUT MARBUZET, ST ESTEPHE, BORDEAUX 1996</b>                  | £110.00 |
| 65. <b>CHÂTEAU LYNCH BAGES, PAUILLAC, BORDEAUX 2000</b>                      | £300.00 |
| 66. <b>CHÂTEAU BEAUCASTEL CHATEAUNEUF DU PAPE, FRANCE 2008</b>               | £110.00 |
| 67. <b>NUITS ST GEORGES CLOS DE LA MARECHALE, J-F MUGNIER, BURGUNDY 2005</b> | £185.00 |
| 68. <b>LA RIOJA ALTA 904 GRAN RESERVA RIOJA, SPAIN MAGNUM 2009</b>           | £165.00 |
| 69. <b>RECCHIA AMARONE DELLA VALPOLICELLA, ITALY 2015</b>                    | £70.00  |
| 70. <b>BIONDI SANTI BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO, ITALY, 2013</b>                  | £190.00 |
| 71. <b>SASSICAIA, TUSCANY 2014</b>   | £225.00 |
| 72. <b>BODEGAS SOTTANO 'JUDAS' MALBEC, ARGENTINA 2015</b>                    | £80.00  |
| 73. <b>RIDGE MONTE BELLO, CALIFORNIA 2013</b>                                | £175.00 |

