

## THE PARTNERSHIP OF FOOD & WINE

The following suggestions may be of help in the choice of wines. Much has been written about what should be served with what, but this is essentially a matter of personal taste, and these suggestions should only be used as a guide.

**AS AN APERITIF:** Dry or medium Sherry, Champagne/Sparkling Wine or a light,fruity,white wine.

**SHELL FISH:** Dry white wine.

**FISH:** Again,dry white wine such as a white Burgundy or a Loire wine. From the New World, a New Zealand Sauvignon or South African Chenin.

**CHICKEN & PORK:** Full flavoured white wine, New World Chardonnay or a light red such as a Montepulciano.

**LAMB:** A Rioja or New World Cabernet Sauvignon.

**GAME & ROASTS:** Full bodied red wine such as a Rhone Valley. From the New World, a spicy Shiraz or possibly a Chilean.

**PASTA DISHES:** Lots of options depending on the sauce, some suggestions are.....

**Cream sauce:** Light Italian dry white wine such as Pinot Grigio.

**Meat sauce:** Medium red perhaps a Merlot or Cabernet/Merlot blend.

**Pesto (Basil):** Chenin Blanc or Sauvignon Blanc.

**Seafood Sauce:** Dry white wine.

**Tomato Sauce:** Italian or New World red such as a Shiraz/Cabernet blend.

### SWEETS & DESSERTS:

As an alternative try the Sparkling Asti Martini.

If a particular vintage or shipper is unavailable, a suitable alternative will be offered.  
All quality wines on this list have an alcohol content of between 4% and 17.5% by volume.  
All prices are inclusive of VAT.

### DRAUGHT BEERS

	PINT	HALF
Dortmunder Lager	£2.65	£1.35
Guinness	£2.70	£1.10
Boddingtons	£2.20	£1.10
Becks Vier	£2.70	£1.35
Stella Artois	£2.80	£1.40
Peeterman Artois	£2.60	£1.30
John Smiths	£2.20	£1.10
Strongbow	£2.60	£1.30

### BOTTLED BEERS

Deluxe beers, Becks, Budweiser etc	£2.60
Magner's	£3.00
Bitburger Drive (non alcoholic)	£1.85
Peroni	£2.90
Corona	£2.90

### SPIRITS (25ml)

Whisky, Rum, Gin,Vodka	£2.30
Southern Comfort, Jack Daniels	£2.45
Tanqueray, Bulleit Bourbon	£2.60
Smirnoff Blue/Norsk	£2.55
Deluxe Whiskey	£2.85
Malt Whiskey	£2.85
House Brandy-Courvoisier	£2.25

### DELUXE COGNAC

Remy/Hine VSOP	£3.95
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### LIQUEURS

Tia Maria	£2.95
Baileys, Contreau, Drambuie, Grand Marnier	£2.80
Benedictine	£2.70
Vermouth, Sherry, Port	£2.35
Campari, Tequila, Archers	£2.45

House Wines by the Glass: 175ml: £2.40 250ml: £3.95

### MIXERS & MINERALS

Draught mixers- Carafe	£0.50
Mineral Water	£1.35
Mineral Water (Litre)	£3.95
Red Bull	£2.25
Bottles	£1.00
Coke, Diet, Appletiser	£1.20
J20	£1.50
Fresh Orange Juice	£1.50
Cordial splash	£0.50

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# THE AMBLEHURST HOTEL



*Wine List*

## HOUSE WHITE WINE

- 1. Pinot Bianco IGT Botter • ITALY** 2 £11.50  
*This elegant wine has lots of lively, fresh fruit aromas and flavours. A delicate fruity palate and a long dry finish, excellent value.*
- 2. El Emperador Sauvignon Blanc • CHILE** 1 £11.50  
*Crisp, clean, very fruity Sauvignon with a good structure throughout and a long lingering finish.*
- 3. El Emperador Chardonnay • CHILE** 2 £11.50  
*This Chardonnay is unoaked. It has a pale yellow colour with an attractive aroma of ripe pear with a tropical touch.*
- 4. Piesporter Michelsberg – Schmitt Sohne Qba • GERMANY** 4 £11.50  
*Produced from the steep slatey vineyards in the Mosel, this wine is well balanced with complex grape aromas and a slightly lemony finish.*

## HOUSE RED WINE

- 5. Montepulciano d' Abruzzo La Vigna Botter • ITALY** B £11.50  
*Intense ruby red in appearance showing violet highlights. On the nose it shows an attractive fruity bouquet and this also comes through on the palate.*
- 6. El Emperador Merlot • CHILE** B £11.50  
*This is pure unoaked Merlot. It has a brilliant yet deep colour with a ripe fruity aroma. The palate is soft, medium bodied and smooth with light tannins.*
- 7. El Emperador Cabernet / Carmenere • CHILE** C £11.50  
*Fine example of the firm Cabernet Sauvignon blending well with the softer interesting indigenous Carmenere grape.*

## HOUSE ROSE WINE

- 8. Baron d' Arignac Rosé • FRANCE** 3 £11.50  
*A refreshing and delicate Rosé which displays freshly picked summer fruit flavours on the finish.*

ALL HOUSE WINE AVAILABLE BY THE GLASS:  
 175ML: £2.40 • 250ML: £3.95



## WHITE WINE

- 9. Niel Joubert Chenin Blanc • SOUTH AFRICA** 2 £12.95  
*The ever-so-slightly "off dry" character of this wine provides a delightful fruitiness. Refreshing tropical fruit flavours with a lemon-zest finish.*
- 10. Pinot Grigio – Terre Degli Osci • ITALY** 2 £14.95  
*A popular dry white wine, clean, with good fruit and style that finishes well.*
- 11. Faustino Rivero Ulecia Blanco - Rioja • SPAIN** 2 £14.95  
*100% Viura, very aromatic, with fruity aromas of apples and bananas.*
- 12. Sauvignon Blanc Vin de Pays d'Oc – Patriarche • FRANCE** 1 £16.50  
*Citrus fruits on the nose, this wonderful wine is fresh and has a well balanced finish. Perfect on its own or with light chicken dishes*
- 13. Cape Campbell Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc • NEW ZEALAND** 1 £17.50  
*Pale lemon gold in appearance, the palate is medium in body with a crisp, refreshing gooseberry fruit character and a hint of herbaceousness on the finish.*
- 14. Aldridge Estate Semillon – Chardonnay • AUSTRALIA** 2 £13.95  
*A delicious tropical paradise. Full-flavoured with aromas of passion fruit, citrus and peaches. Rich and rounded, with a lovely long lasting finish.*
- 15. Chablis Victor Berard • FRANCE** 1 £22.50  
*Bone dry white wine that has a full steely palate. This highly popular wine is one of the classics of the world.*

## RED WINE

- 16. Aldridge Estate Shiraz – Cabernet • AUSTRALIA** C £14.50  
*Australia is well known for its Shiraz/Cabernet blend and its warm sun-baked climate is perfect to produce this blackberry and raspberry fruit driven little number.*
- 17. Faustino Rivero Ulecia Tinto - Rioja • SPAIN** B £14.50  
*A bright wine made from 80% Tempranillo and 20% Garnacha, Red berry aromas underscored by notes of liquorice.*
- 18. Chianti Doc Botter • ITALY** B £14.95  
*Easy drinking with ripe berry aromas and rich cherries flavours on the palate... Stunning*
- 19. Cabernet Sauvignon Vin de Pays d'Oc – Patriarche • FRANCE** C £15.50  
*This dark red wine has aromas of red fruits and wood shavings. It has a rich, red fruit and full bodied mouth feel and is great with roast beef, lamb and rich mature cheeses.*
- 20. Niel Joubert Pinotage • SOUTH AFRICA** D £13.95  
*Medium-bodied and silky-textured wine with oodles of soft dark fruits and finely balanced tannins, juicy plum and mulberry flavours. A classic example of this South Africa's very own varietal.*
- 21. Sutter Home Red Zinfandel • USA** C £17.50  
*This delicious wine displays classic varietal character with a fresh berry aroma and a hint of spicy black pepper. The flavours in this medium-bodied wine are bright and juicy, with a zesty spiciness and supple tannins.*
- 22. Chateauneuf du Pape – Reine Blanche • FRANCE** E £23.50  
*The warm climate and heat-retaining large rounded stones from this area, ripen the grapes to a high degree of maturity, thus producing a full bodied, spicy, Robust wine with a deep colour.*

## HALF BOTTLE SELECTION

- 23. Casa Rivas Merlot - Maipo Valley • CHILE** B £9.50  
*Lively purple-red in colour. Bright and vivacious with soft, ripe plum and summer fruit flavours.*
- 24. Casa Rivas Sauvignon Blanc - Maipo Valley • CHILE** 1 £9.50  
*Cooled by Pacific winds, the Maipo Valley is in a good situation to gently ripen Sauvignon Blanc grapes to perfection. This is clean and fresh with aromas of ripe grapefruit and lemon zest.*

## SPARKLING WINE & CHAMPAGNE

- 25. Asti Martini Spumante DOCG • ITALY** 7 £14.00  
*A good alternative for those who find other fizz too dry. A soft, fresh and grapey fizz with a flowery nose and a medium, sweet refreshing finish.*
- 26. Tosti Sparkling Pink Pinot Grigio • ITALY** 1 £18.00  
*Varietal characteristic of full body and structure typical of the wine. Fruity, with tasteful notes of pineapple & banana.*
- 27. Champagne Cuperly Brut Grande Reserve N/V • FRANCE** 1 £23.95  
*The house of Cuperly dates back to 1845 and still today remains within the original family. The blend is made from 40% Chardonnay and 60% Pinot Noir and the wine has a golden tinge with a persistent froth. On the palate this Champagne has a delicious fresh fruit flavour with a richness and complexity typical of Pinot Noir.*
- 28. Veuve Cliquot Brut N/V • FRANCE** 1 £34.95  
*Fuller and richer than most Non-Vintage Champagnes. A world famous Champagne, rich and creamy in style, with an explosion of citrus fruit and a delightful yeasty toastiness.*
- 29. Bollinger Brut N/V • FRANCE** 1 £41.50  
*Made in classic Champagne style, it displays a wonderful biscuity nose which is endowed with hints of white fruit. The rich full-bodied palate is perfectly balanced by fresh acidity and a soft delicate mousse.*
- 30. Laurent Perrier Rose Brut • FRANCE** 1 £65.00  
*One of the best selling Rose Champagnes in the world, this stunning rosé displays soft strawberry fruit aromas, a soft biscuity mousse and a long-lasting finish.*
- 31. Dom Perignon Brut Vintage • FRANCE** 1 £110.00  
*Named after the famous 17th Century Benedictine monk who has gone down in history as the person who "invented" Champagne. This wine shows incredible smooth and creamy fruit with an elegance and finesse equalled by very few other Champagnes.*

