

DOUCET

Drinks List

Sunday 20 November 2022

Soft	Glass	Bottle
Elderberry and rhubarb spritz	3	
Apple juice from Trill Farm, spruce tips and wild fennel	3	
Oolong and green tea kombucha with lemon verbena	3	
Coffee, tea, infusions	3	

Cider and Perry

The fine cider movement was born by cider makers applying the same meticulous attention to detail to apples and orchards as the best winemakers do to their grapes and vineyards. These are not ciders that taste like wine, but they share the same delicious complexity. The south west has a huge resource of old orchards and some of the most exciting cider makers in the country – we encourage you to give them a try!

Find & Foster Appellation 2019, Devon		21
<i>Apples given the full Champagne treatment (i.e. a second fermentation in the bottle) creating a bone-dry, classy fizz.</i>		
Smith Hayne Methode Traditionelle 2020, Devon	4	16
<i>Made in the same way to the Appellation above but slightly fruitier and just off-dry.</i>		
Find & Foster Huxham 2020, Devon	5	19
<i>A keeved-cider made in the Normandy style therefore retaining a lot of the primary apple flavours and coming in at a very modest 3.5% alcohol.</i>		
Smith Hayne Vintage 2020, Devon		12
<i>Medium dry, zesty and lightly sparkling cider that is fantastic value for money.</i>		
Wilding Commix 2020, Somerset		14
<i>Fruity, well balanced, easy-drinking cider. Lightly sparkling and incredibly delicious.</i>		
Butford Organics Hendre Huffcap Perry 2020, Herefordshire		16
<i>Bottle-conditioned perry (i.e. we're talking pears here not apples). Medium with a creamy mousse.</i>		

Sparkling wine

Two classy classics and one deliciously different example from the UK, plus one not-too-shabby French option. If you like fizz don't ignore the fantastic champagne-method ciders listed above.

Offbeat Wines Wild Juice Chase 2020, English blend		26
<i>Triomphe D'Alsace grapes transformed into a fresh and lightly sparkling red. England's answer to Lambrusco.</i>		
Domaine des Roches Neuves Bulles de Roche 2019, Loire Valley		32
<i>Mainly Chenin Blanc with a little Cabernet France and Chardonnay from Loire Valley superstar winemaker Thierry Germain. Crisp and mineral although still with a little toasty richness.</i>		
Langham Estate Corallian Classic Cuvée Brut NV, Dorset		44
<i>A blend of the three champagne varieties, Chardonnay-dominant and with the base aged partially in old oak barrels giving the finished wine a deliciously nutty character.</i>		
Langham Estate Rosé Brut NV, Dorset		48
<i>Mainly from the exceptional 2018 vintage, one of the UK's best sparkling rosés. A small portion of still wine is blended in to give colour and red fruit flavours.</i>		

White wine	Glass	Bottle
Offbeat Wines Cascade 2021, English blend <i>A blend of 7 varieties, each handpicked and foot-trodden and given a little skin maceration. Fermented in old Burgundy barrels and amphora, aged for 9 months then blended. Hazy, textured and with vibrant fruit. A wine with enthusiasm.</i>		29
La Combe Saint-Paul, Vermentino 2021, Languedoc-Roussillon <i>Great value for money southern French white which matches ripe fruit with plenty of crisp acidity.</i>		15
Domaine Rapet Bourgogne Aligoté 2018, Burgundy <i>Fantastic Aligoté with plenty of weight from the sunny 2018 vintage to match the grape's characteristic acidity.</i>		25
Immich-Batterieberg Briedeler Herzchen Riesling 2019, Mosel <i>Modern dry German Riesling, full of fruit but still retaining the trademark refreshing acidity. Also the only wine we know with a label picturing two cherubs firing hearts out of a canon-shaped wine bottle.</i>		26
Thorne & Daughters Rocking Horse 2021, Cape Blend <i>The flagship wine of John and Tasha Thorne-Seccombe, who studied viticulture at Plumpton College before returning to South Africa. A modern Cape blend of Semillon, Roussanne, Chardonnay, Chenin blanc and Clairette.</i>	8	33
Edi Simcic Chardonnay 2017, Goriška Brda <i>The Brda hills of Slovenia border north-east Italy. Simcic is one of the top wine estates in the area and produce a full-bodied, rich and nutty chardonnay.</i>		34
Les Grangeons de L'Albarine Altesse de Beauregard 2018, Savoie <i>Altesse from 70 year old vines, vinified and aged in large, old oak barrels for just over a year. A complex wine which combines fruit, bitterness and salinity. One for lovers of Jura and central Loire whites.</i>		38
Domaine Agnès Paquet Auxey-Duresses 2018, Burgundy <i>Auxey-Duresses is located along a side valley next to Meursault, a cooler location now benefiting from the warming climate. Agnès Paquet has transformed the domaine since taking over from her parents. Textbook white burgundy.</i>		41
Red wine		
Offbeat Wines 369 NV, English blend <i>A blend of three varieties (Pinot Meunier, Pinot Noir, Triomphe) with three fermentation techniques. A lighter-styled red, with crunchy fruits - back in the day one would call this a perfect luncheon wine.</i>		32
Le Tende Bardolino Classico 2021, Veneto <i>Corvina and Rondinella from organic vineyards just east of Lake Garda. Full of bright, juicy ripe fruits this wine feels like it has sucked up the Italian sun and transported it into the bottle.</i>		18
Mas des Brousses Chasseur des Brousses 2019, Languedoc-Roussillon <i>An unusual blend of Merlot, Mourvedre and Grenache. Like the wine above this is a joyous, fruity wine but with a little more body and heft.</i>		21
I Fabric Chianti Classico 2019, Tuscany <i>Organic Sangiovese from Lamole, one of the highest subzones in Chianti Classico. Strawberry and cherry fruit, gentle tannins and plenty of freshness from the cooling attitude.</i>		28
Clos du Rouge Gorge Jeunes Vignes 2018, Roussillon <i>Grenache from star winemaker Cyril Fal. Tiny yields and made as an almost tea-style infusion giving a supremely elegant wine completely unlike the rich, rustic wines usually associated with the grape</i>		36
Domaine Faiveley Mercurey La Framboisière 2018, Burgundy <i>La Framboisière, a monopole in the Côte Chalonnaise which belongs exclusively to Domaine Faiveley, is a vineyard which produces a joyous Pinot Noir full of red fruit flavours, particularly in the sunny, early ripening, 2018 vintage.</i>	9	37
David & Nadia Elpidios 2018, Swartland <i>A Rhone-style blend based on Grenache and Syrah from one of the top wine estates in South Africa.</i>		38
Domaine Jean-Noël Gagnard Chassagne-Montrachet Cuvée L'Estimée 2018, Burgundy <i>Chassagne is famous for white wines, however that is not the whole story. This cuvée, which comes from six organically tended parcels, emphasises fruit over tannin and shows how just delicious Pinot Noir from the village can be.</i>		46