



Mermaid Wine List

The Mermaids wine list is created with a lot of careful thought, numerous tastings and a sea of discovery by the whole team who have enjoyed fully contributing to the selection process

We are pleased to offer a mixture of some old favourites, but in common with the philosophy of The Mermaid, we are keen to source and introduce, new exciting tastes and flavours which will complement our cuisine. Here, in Ellington, you can enjoy the excitement of sampling wines from Croatia, Romania or Lebanon, alongside a finalist in “The Wines from Spain Awards” 2015, which is just one of our wines now exclusive to The Mermaid

Please feel free to ask our Front of House staff for any guidance in matching a wine to your selection of food. We will be more than pleased to assist

We are happy to be able to confirm those wines that are suitable for Vegans with this symbol 

We hope you enjoy travelling through our list!

The Mermaid Team.



Mermaid White Wines by The Glass

Garganega "Ancora" 2016 (Italy) ABV 12%

This dry white has aromas of golden delicious apples and sweet spice. The palate is clean and crisp, yet with texture and weight. Includes notes of apricot, flowers, ginger and honey with a lemony finish.

125ml - £4.00 / 175ml - £5.50 / 250ml £7.80



Sauvignon Blanc "Fresh as a Daisy" 2015 (Australia) ABV 12.5%

The palate displays tropical fruits such as passionfruit with a lively acidity that drives a long refreshing finish

125ml - £4.80 / 175ml - £6.40 / 250ml £8.80

Grillo "Vitese" Colomba Bianca 2016 (Sicily) ABV 13%

Grillo is the flagship of Sicily's indigenous white varieties, with its aromatic and floral nose. Fresh and harmonious, with ripe melon and green apple flavours, a well-structured palate, the Vitese Grillo has a long and elegant finish.

125ml - £4.50 / 175ml - £5.90 / 250ml £8.40

Chardonnay "Galetis" 2013 (France) ABV 12.5%

Aromas of melon, vanilla and hints of exotic durian fruit combined with flavours of ripe apricots & light oak

125ml - £4.80 / 175ml - £6.40 / 250ml £8.80



Mermaid Rose Wines by The Glass

White Zinfandel "Big Top" 2015 (California) ABV 10%

Juicy red strawberry jam palate, tantalising nose of strawberries & cream. Off Dry with strong flavours.

125ml - £4.60 / 175ml - £5.90 / 250ml £8.40



Rose "Les Boules" (France) 2014 ABV 12.5%

Le Boules evokes a pastoral tableau of the French Payson. This strawberry scented rose from the Pays d 'Oc is made from a blend of Syrah & Grenache. Dry, fruity & appealing

125ml - £4.50 / 175ml - £5.60 / 250ml £7.90





Mermaid Red Wine by The Glass

Rioja "Rivallana" 2015 (Spain) ABV 13%

An intense oak aged Rioja with deep flavours of cherries, plums and vanilla. Aged in French and American oak barrels for a full year before bottling.

125ml - £4.70 / 175ml - £6.20 / 250ml £8.80

Malbec "Sierra Los Andes" 2015 Mendoza (Argentina) ABV 14%

Spicy & sweet aromas with red fruit notes and floral violet hints. A very soft, velvety and fresh finish.

125ml - £4.95 / 175ml - £6.40 / 250ml £8.90



Pinot Noir "Esprit de Montaigu" 2015 (France) ABV 12.5%

Delectable on the palate with fruity and chocolate flavours. Aromas of soft red fruits with a beautiful light ruby colour.

125ml - £4.80 / 175ml - £6.30 / 250ml £8.80

Nero D'Avola "Vitesa" Colomba Bianca 2016 (Sicily) ABV 14%

A brilliant, deep red Nero d'Avola with rich, juicy flavours of ripe plum and black cherries interlaced with subtle violet notes. Concentrated on the palate, the deep fruit flavours are backed by soft, ripe tannins and a spicy character on the finish.

125ml - £4.95 / 175ml - £6.40 / 250ml £8.90





Mermaid White Wines

Clean & Crisp

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£19.80



11. *Malvasia “Vina Kozlovic” Istria 2014 (Croatia) ABV 12%*

A bright, transparently, green-yellow colour. Intense aroma with many layers. A profound scent of Peach followed by refined herbal notes. On the palate, nectarine, melon and red apples. The finish gives way to a light nuttiness. The Kozlovic family invite you to sample the fruits of their labour.

£32





5. *Rey Santo Verdejo, Javier Sanz, Rueda 2015 (Spain)*
ABV 13%

A clean, fresh, bright wine full of vibrant aromas of pineapple, kiwi, passionfruit combined with a wet stone mineral complexity. Rich and well-structured with a pure persistent finish

£25



14. *Grüner Veltliner "Langenlois", Weingut Rabl, Kamptal 2014 (Austria) 2015 ABV 12.5%*

A spicy opening with yellow apple, wood apple, soft honeydew melon, a well-defined body with good fleshiness, juicy cascading acidity - a dynamic palate with a savoury peppery spicy finish.

£37



15. *Chateauneuf-du-Pape, Chateau Mont Redon, Rhone (France) 2014 ABV 13%*

A white Chateauneuf-du-Pape. This producer started his work way back in 1344 - one of the oldest wine estates in France producing rich, full bodied heavy wines. The large "Galet" stones, strewn over the growers' plateau, reflect the sun's heat back under the vines to warm the grapes evenly, producing a high-quality harvest.

£68



Dry & Mineral

3. *Grillo "Vitese" Colomba Bianca 2016 (Sicily) ABV 13%*

Grillo is the flagship of Sicily's indigenous white varieties, with its aromatic and floral nose. Fresh and harmonious, with ripe melon and green apple flavours, a well-structured palate, the Vitese Grillo has a long and elegant finish.

£23

8. *Picpoul de Pinet "Tournee du Sud" 2015 (France)*

ABV 12.5%

The literal translation of Picpoul is 'lip-stinger' because of its freshness. A Mediterranean white with all the salty, lemony, floral finesse of the zippy picpoul grape. Slightly steely and lemony on the nose with an unusual depth on the palate which finishes with a long refreshing taste which is fantastic with seafood.

£27



6. *Pinot Grigio "Villa Molino" 2015 (Italy) ABV 12%*

Straw yellow in colour with golden hues. A delicate bouquet on the nose with a stony palate. Fresh & well balanced with good acidity.

£28



13. Sancerre “Domaine du Pre Semele” 2014 (France) ABV 13%

A classic Sancerre from the hamlet of Maimbray in the upper Loire Valley. Brothers Julien & Clement offer a wine with hints of freshly picked gooseberry, zesty acidity and summer herbs

£50

17. Riesling, Setzberg Spitz Smaragd, Weingut Johann Donabaum, Wachau 2013 (Austria) ABV 13%

Ripe nectarine and yellow peach flavours with a balanced undertone of minerality & white pepper spice. Fine acidity & body, a very elegant and complex wine with a lovely whistle clean finish. A great Riesling expression.

Johann is carving out a formidable reputation for concentrated, mineral-laden white wines. His wines are always in high demand and despite this his prices remain competitive for their quality.

£82



16. Meursault 1er Cru “Les Charmes-Dessus” Vincent Girardin 2005 (France) ABV 13.5%

The sixty-five-year-old vines are located in the village of Meursault, in the south of the Cote De Beaune on low slopes of clay and limestone offering a Southeast exposure. The Chardonnay grapes are harvested by hand and lightly pressed at a low pressure to allow a slow extraction. The wine is transferred to French oak casks to ferment with wild yeast for a minimum of 16 months. Honey and toasted bread aromas. Elegant and strong structure on the palate. This wine is made with care and a lot of pride and excels when matched with fish or poultry.

£120



Fresh, Fruity & Tropical

2. Sauvignon Blanc "Fresh as a Daisy" 2015 (Australia)

ABV 12.5%

Sourced from distinctive Australian Sauvignon Blanc wine regions, ripe berries with fresh, lifted aromatics were picked in the early morning to ensure their crisp fruit flavours are showcased while enjoying. The palate displays passionfruit, pineapple with a lively acidity that drives a long refreshing finish.

£24

4. Chardonnay 'Galetis' 2013 (France) ABV 12.5%

Aromas of melon, vanilla and hints of exotic durian fruit combined with flavours of ripe apricots & light oak. A very interesting style of Chardonnay.

£24.50



18. *Pouilly-Fuisse Prestige, Domaine Ferrand (France) ABV*

13.5% 2015

A rich complex wine with a complex nose of vanilla and exotic fruits. On the palate it is viscous and buttery with a hint of apricots & coconut with a nutty toffee finish. A delicious accompaniment to foie gras or shellfish.

£77



9. *Sauvignon Blanc "Moko Black" 2014 (New Zealand) ABV 12.5%*

The full-face Moko, featured on the label, was a mark of distinction for Maori men. Zesty citrus with white stone fruits. Lush with hints of gooseberry. This wine has a wonderful balance, soft texture and a clean, refreshing finish.

£27



10. *Guindalera "Calvente Moscatel" Alexandria 2013 (Spain)
ABV 13%*

Wine Exclusive to The Mermaid

On the nose with Peach, Grapefruit, Pineapple and Orange Blossom. On the palate is elegant, fresh and balanced with hints of Peach and Pineapple.

One of the few Spanish wines to be included in the prestigious guide "1001 Wines to try before you Die". An exceptional dry white Muscat from vines up to 120 years old, nestling in the hamlet of La Guindalera. The grapes are hand-picked and brought down from the Granada mountains by mule. The secret is in the vines, which at 3500ft bake in the sun during the day, the temperature dropping dramatically at night. This means that the grapes preserve their natural acidity and brightness of flavours.

£33.70



The Sweet Tooth

**7. *Riesling Kabinett "Kreuznacher Kronenberg" 2012*
*(Germany) ABV 9%***

Produced in Nahe, a small wine growing region alongside the Rhine from 100% Riesling vines which cling to steep volcanic slopes dotted along the river. Served from an elegant blue bottle cascades a bouquet of summer flowers, wonderful for the sweeter tooth.

£32

**12. *Gewürztraminer Reserve "Cave Tradition Turckheim"*
*Alsace 2013 (France) 13%***

Wonderfully aromatic with a luscious spicy palate. Fragrant with rose petal, grapefruit & melon and a hint of sweet spice.

Produced by winemaker Jean Michel Lihmann whose philosophy is to produce a wine with perfect acidity and fruit balance.

One of the Mermaids favourites, an incredible wine for the price.

£40





Mermaid Rose Wines

17. White Zinfandel "Big Top" 2015 (California) ABV 10%

The Big Top White Zinfandel Rose is a major crowd pleaser from the sunshine state. Luscious strawberry ice cream on the nose supported by a bright, berry fruited palate and an off-dry finish. Hugely juicy and really sweet! Perfect to enjoy chilled with friends.

£25



18. Rose "Les Boules" (France) 2014 ABV 12.5%

Le Boules evokes a pastoral tableau of the French Payson. This strawberry scented rose from the Pays d 'Oc is made from a blend of Syrah & Grenache. Dry, fruity & appealing.

£23





Mermaid Red Wines

Full & Bold

19. Rioja "Rivallana" 2015 (Spain) ABV 13%

An intense oak aged Rioja with deep flavours of cherries, plums and vanilla. Aged in French and American oak barrels for a full year before bottling.

£26

45. Cabernet Franc "Trapiche" 2013 (Argentina) ABV 14%

This full bodied powerful fruity wine is a taste to experience. Strong aromas of black fruits and red bell pepper with spicy notes. With soft tannins and a long lasting finish, this wine is beautifully balanced. In 1883, Trapiche was the first winery in Argentina with a train station to allow wine barrels to be easily loaded for quick distribution to the global market.

£28

53. Syrah Gran Reserva, Vina Echeverria, Aconcagua 2014 (Chile) ABV 14.5%

A bold wine with a dark chocolate and cigar box character. Extremely smooth and silky. A very elegant & mature wine with hints of mint & coffee. An incredible wine, you will not be disappointed.

£30



43. Brouilly "Chateau Thibault Loron et Fils" (France) ABV 12.5%

A real head turner. Concentrated notes of summer pudding.

£35

53. Durif 3 Bridges "Westend Estate" 2014 ABV 14.5%

Full & bold fruity red wine with a nose of blood plums & blackberries. The palate of vanillin dark chocolate is rich and concentrated with a firm lingering finish exhibiting ripe fruit and well-integrated oak.

£46



26. ***Borsao, Campo de Borja, Aragon 2008 (Spain) ABV 14.5%***

A fantastic wine with a deep cherry colour, intense and vivid. It possesses a powerful nose of ripe red fruits and hints of new oak. Full bodied and richly flavoured, very well balanced with a persistent long spicy finish.

£55

50. ***Cabernet Sauvignon, Leabrook Estate 2005 (Aus) ABV 14.5%***

Rich, mouth-filling, fruit driven, with firm, fine tannins balancing a superb rich smoothness. This is the epitome of the Cabernet Sauvignon grape variety in Australia, it competes against the best France has to offer.

The grapes are sourced from the cool climate of the Adelaide Hills, Langhorne Creek, and the plains of Adelaide. Combined together by winemaker, Colin Best and his wife Chris, they have produced wine of supreme quality for 30 years - a real family affair!

£65

27. ***Chateauneuf-du-Pape, Château Fortia 2011 (France) ABV 14.5%***

This outstanding wine is produced from 65% Grenache, 20% Syrah and 15% Mourverde with notes of wild strawberries, leather and spices. Round, rich tannins with a soft unctuous finish.

Baron Pierre Le Roy de Boiseaumarie achieved several marks of honour for great courage as a pilot in WW1. After the war, he married Melle Bernard Le Saint the owner of Château Fortia and created the Chateauneuf-du-Pape appellation rules which exist today.

£85





Fruity & Juicy

21. *Malbec "Sierra Los Andes" 2015 (Mendoza, Argentina)*

ABV 14%

In the nose, it shows intense spicy and sweet aromas together with red fruit notes and floral violet hints. With a soft, velvety and very well balanced fresh finish. Beautiful with red meats or pasta.

£23



40. *Red Blend 'Smooth Operator' 2014 (Australia) ABV 13%*

Sourced from distinctive Australian wine regions, ripe and intensely flavoured fruits. Exposed to American oak before extended maturation to create raspberry, blueberry & vanilla spiced notes

£29.50

41. *Primitivo Di Manduria 2013 (Italy) ABV 14%*

A beautifully balanced red, with poise and refinement despite its full-bodied style. Aged in French and American barrels for six months. It has an intense bouquet of dark berry fruits, with blackcurrants, blackberries and black cherries bursting through on the palate. Perfect with lamb and game with rich sauces.

£35



47. *Monastrell, 'Bodegas Juan Gil' 2013 (Spain) ABV 15%*

A densely-coloured wine with a high impact impressive nose. Spice, cedar, toast, and chocolate are layered with blackberry and plum. The palate has lots of juicy ripe plum with a tannin that builds to the finish. A complex wine with great balance, concentration, and length.

£48



Oaked, Smoked & Peppery

20. *Nero D'Avola "Vitesè" 2016 (Sicily) ABV 14%*

A brilliant, deep red Nero d'Avola with rich, juicy flavours of ripe plum and black cherries interlaced with subtle violet notes. Concentrated on the palate, the deep fruit flavours are backed by soft, ripe tannins and a spicy character on the finish.

£25

23. *Tempranillo Reserva "Castillo de Manzanares" 2006 (Spain) ABV 13.5%*

Aged for over 3 years in oak barrels and bottle resulting in a luscious intense red. Rich in fruit aromas with a lingering, slightly spicy finish. A bin end so we are able to offer it at a very reduced price

£32

24. *Tempranillo Reserva "Castillo de Manzanares" 2004 (Spain) ABV 13.5%* Please see description above.

£36

42. *Pinotage "Olifantsberg" 2013 (South Africa) ABV 13%*

Medium Body with a fresh berry nose with a hint of smoke. A very well balanced and smooth palate complimented by a sweet spice to go well with a fusion of spiced food.

£38



49. *Cote de Bergerac "Chateau de Peytirat" 2012 ABV 12.5%*

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A silky smooth wine with hints of blackberries, raspberries and stone fruit, from the Cabernet Franc, Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot grape. The strength of the wine effortlessly compliments charcuterie, duck, red meats and is also great with strong cheeses.

£22



60. *Pinotage "Barista" 2014 South Africa ABV 13%*

A burst of intense rich coffee and chocolate aromas with ripe nuances of mulberry, plum & Maraschino cherries. Winemaker Bertus Fourie, has concentrated on drawing out the coffee like aromas by toasting the inside of the barrels during maturation.

£32

52. *Rioja Reserva "Ondarre" 2010 (Spain) ABV 14%*

Bright ruby-red in colour, a gentle sweet cherry & raspberry flavour with hints of cedar oak & minerals. Finishes with bright, tangy cut, soft tannins and a hint of zesty white pepper.

£35



51. *Saint-Emilion, Chateau Fleur de Lisse 2010 (France) ABV 12.5%*

Classic aromas of damsons, liquorice, green peppers, and clove scented oak. 70% Merlot and 30% Cabernet Franc. On the palate, it is rich, powerful, soft, smooth and structured. Enhanced by a long finish it is highly recommended to accompany Beef.

£47



46. *Grand Malbec "Piattelli" 2014 (Argentina) ABV 14.5%*

A rich and fragrant wine which represents the best of the crop. An intense red with aromas of strong black fruits, vanilla oak, and a touch of smoke. These aromas are transferred on the palate to give the wine superb structure with a full body that doesn't disappoint. A soft fruit-forward flavour leads to a strong and well balanced finish. You will be left wanting more.

£47





48. *Barolo "Alasia" 2011 (Italy) ABV 14%*

Light red colour with hints of orange. The nose is very complex and spicy. Palate is rich and full bodied with sweet tannins and a dry finish. Fantastic with cheese.

£53

29. *Chateau Musar 2000 (Lebanon) ABV 14%*

In character the wine is dense, richly-textured, with intense 'baked fruit' flavours of plums, damsons, cranberries, fig and dates.

The Hochar family produce a wonderful wine from a Lebanese winery in Ghazir, 15 miles north of the capital Beirut. Serge Hochar the founder has two sons, Gaston and Marc. Gaston manages the day to day running of the winery - Marc its commercial aspects. Marc explains "My brother looks after the liquid. I look after the liquidity" The Musar grapes are grown in the fertile, sunny Bekaa Valley at an altitude of 3000 ft. blessed with 300 days of sunshine a year. All the grapes are hand harvested by local Bedouins between August and October.

A stunning wine, called "Angels Tears" by a Mermaid team member, is only released after a 7-year maturation.

£120



Elegant & Delicate

22. *Pinot Noir “Esprit De Montaigu” 2015 (France) ABV 12.5%*

Delectable on the palate with fruity and chocolate flavours. Aromas of soft red fruits with a beautiful light ruby colour.

£26

44. *Tempranillo Navarro “Ochoa” 2011 (Spain) ABV 13.5%*

Intense ruby colour with hints of cherry. Slightly oaked and very smooth.

£39

28. *Chorey-les-Beaune, Vieilles Vignes, Grand Vin De Bourgogne 2007 (France) ABV 13%*

Rated as the best available Chorey-les-Beaune wine. Full of fresh black fruits and very well aged. On the palate the wine is rich, velvety and spicy with very subtle oak notes. Made from 100% classic Pinot Noir grape. Delivering power with finesse, silk and grace with wonderful depth, defiantly a wine to be experienced.

£69



Mermaid Dessert Wines

Moscato Passito "Palazzina" 2012 (Italy) ABV 13.5%

Deliciously well balanced with sticky honey and white apricot aromas.
125ml glass £7.60 / Bottle £22.50

Late Harvest Sauvignon Blanc, Echeverria 2011 ABV 13.5%

Complex nose with clear overtones of mature peaches, apricots and honey, with a delicate background of botrytis. Rich, intense and full bodied, with a long and elegant finish where fruits and botrytis express their identity in full harmony.

125ml glass £11.50 / Bottle £33



Quady Muscat "Elysium" 2015 (California) ABV 15%

Elysium is Greek for 'Perfect Bliss', fitting for this excellent wine. Virtually black in colour with intense rose aroma. This wine can stand up to chocolate dishes or is wonderful drizzled over ice cream.

125ml glass £11.80 / Bottle £35



Tokaj, Noble Late Harvest, Katinka (Hungary) 2013 ABV 12%

Light golden straw colour, medium bodied, reflecting its 12 months in barriques with appealing vanilla and caramel notes. Lightly sweet showing dried orange, tobacco and white chocolate on a light spicy background. Perfect balance of complexity & elegance.

125ml glass £11 / Bottle £31

Sauternes, Grand Vin de Bordeaux, Dulong Reserve (France) ABV 13%

The Dulong family have been hand harvesting their grapes since 1873. This luscious dessert wine has an explosion of crystallised mandarin, apricot jam and citrus. A honey nose, rich and smooth.

125ml glass £11.50 / Bottle £33



Champagne

Champagne Moutard Brut, Grande Cuvee (France) ABV 12%

A cuvée with a Pinot Noir base and aged on the lees for at least three years. Fine, rich, developed nose with fragrances of butter, almond and brioche. Aged for at least 3 years until available.

£65



English Sparkling White Wine

Sugrue Pierre, South Downs Brut 2011 (England) ABV 12%

In our view, one of the best sparkling wines to be produced in England if not the world. Beautiful fresh green apple with soft stone fruit and crisp acidity. A lingering lemon biscuit flavour with delicate light bubbles. A sparkling wine that is long, complex and simply delicious!

A blend of 55% Chardonnay, 40% Pinot Noir and 5% Pinot Meunier, partially fermented in old barriques.

£115



Champagne Moutard Prestige Rosé, NV (France) ABV 12%

Subtle with complexity, floral notes blend with the essence of fresh red fruits- raspberries and wild strawberries evolving towards peppery and spicy aromas. A beautiful Champagne with a distinctive style.

£70





Prosecco

Prosecco "Fili" NV DOC (Italy) ABV 11.5%

The award winning Sacchetto winery was founded by Sisto Sacchetto in the early 1920's. Today his son, Filberto and his son Paulo, continue the family tradition and create this wonderful Prosecco in the hills of the Veneto vineyards of North-East Italy. The palate is caressed with fine bubbles releasing refreshing hints of pure pear, apple and peach.

Medium Glass £6.80 / Large Glass £9.60 / Bottle £29



Prosecco Raboso, Botter Rose ABV 11%

A light style with plenty of strawberry, raspberry and forest fruits. Casa Vinicola Botter was founded in 1928 by Carlo Botter and this family run winery is now in its third generation. Alessandro, Annalisa and Luca are now in charge of production in the Veneto and are following in grandfather Carlo's footsteps.

Medium Glass £6.80 / Large Glass £9.60 / Bottle £29

Prosecco Sacchetto, Vno Frizzante 11%

Hits of pear, apple and peach combined with small delicate bubbles and a wonderful long, creamy finish.

200ml Bottle £6.50