

# Old White Lion Hotel Wine List

To help you find your ideal wine we have organised our wine list into grape varietal & Country of origin listed first, with a selection of Half Bottles at the beginning, you will also find some interesting Vegetarian, Organic & Fairtrade Wines. We hope you enjoy!

The wine list has also been organised into certain headings:-

**Rosé Wines** - Off Dry - Full Flavoured - Sweet

**White Wines** - Medium Dry, Herbaceous & Aromatic - Dry Delicate & Subtle - Juicy, Fruit Driven & Ripe

**Red Wines** - Light & Fruity - Spicy Peppery & Warming - Medium Bodied, Full Flavoured

Bin No.		Price	Guides to Wines
	<b>Half Bottles White</b>		
1	<b>Sauvignon Blanc - Chilean</b> <b>Luis Felipe Edwards 2009/10 abv 12.5%</b> A typical, zingy, fresh Sauvignon Blanc with lots of grassy, herbaceous aromas & a touch of lime sorbet, melon & passion fruit.	£7.45	2
2	<b>Chardonnay - South East Australian</b> <b>Hardys Nottage Hill 2009/10 abv 13.5%</b> A full-flavoured wine in which ripe pear and tropical melon characters integrate well with vanilla and butterscotch from a subtle oak influence. A match for chicken in rich creamy sauces.	£8.00	2
3	<b>Sémillon, Sauvignon Blanc &amp; Muscadelle Blend - French</b> <b>Chateau Septy, Monbazillac 2005 abv 13%</b> A great introduction to pudding wines with a wealth of intense sweet fruit, rich & impressive, a glorious finish to any meal.	£11.25	8 dessert
	<b>Half Bottles Red</b>		
4	<b>Cabernet-Shiraz - South East Australian</b> <b>Hardys Nottage Hill 2007/8 abv 14%</b> A deceptively easy-to-drink red with structure and class. Berry-fruit Cabernet complemented by warm, spicy, plummy Shiraz notes, with soft tannins would partner well with ratatouille or perhaps a pepper steak.	£9.15	M
5	<b>Merlot - Chilean</b> <b>Luis Felipe Edwards 2009/10 abv 13%</b> Bright ruby red this unoaked Merlot shows black & red cherries, spicy plums & blackcurrant all wrapped up in a velvety textured palate.	£7.45	M
	<b>Rosé Wines</b>		
6	<b>Pinot Grigio - Italian</b> <b>Rosato del Veneto 2010 abv 12%</b> Pinot Grigio is neither dark or light skinned (actually somewhere in between) as such it lends itself well to the production of pink wines. Just off-dry with delicious peach and strawberry flavours this fashionable combination is a good choice for many wine lists.	£13.00	2
7	<b>Shiraz Rosé - Australian</b> <b>McGuigan Black Label 2010 abv 12%</b> Bursting with fresh lively aromas of cherry & strawberry, zesty red fruit flavours are combined with a clean smooth finish.	£13.75	3
8	<b>White Zinfandel Californian</b> <b>Vendange Rose 2008-09 abv 11%</b> A delicious, medium-sweet rosé made using the Zinfandel grapes from the North Central valley. Allowed only a short maceration on the skins to impart the beautiful salmon-pink colour, & then cool-fermented to retain freshness & acidity playing tricks on the palate.	£14.00	5

# White Wines

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	<b>Very dry, delicate, light whites</b>		
9	<b>Grechetto - Chardonnay - Italian</b> <b>Vipra Bianca Umbria, Bigi 2009-10 abv 12.5%</b> A blend of 80% Grechetto & 20% Chardonnay with soft & gentle fruit reminiscent of white peaches. Highly recommended by our wine supplier.	£14.25	2
10	<b>Pinot Grigio - Italian</b> <b>Villa Mura delle Venezie IGT abv 12%</b> Light, fresh and beautiful aromatic white with just a hint of spice. The perfect aperitif on a hot summers day.	£14.40	2
11	<b>Chardonnay - French</b> <b>Chablis Paul Deloux White Burgundy 2006-08 abv 12.5%</b> The driest white Burgundy from the northerly sector. The wine is fermented without oak to preserve the characteristic flinty style.	£25.50	1
12	<b>Picpoul de Pinet - French</b> <b>Domaine Sainte-Anne 2009-10 abv 12.5%</b> 2007 saw its emergence as one of the most fashionable whites in wine bars in London, L.A. and New York. Surprisingly bright and fresh for a wine produced in such a warm climate, it's rather like a fuller bodied Muscadet with plenty of citrusy fruit. As such it makes for a good food wine and is particularly good with seafood.	£17.25	2

## Dry, herbaceous or aromatic whites

13	<b>Sauvignon Blanc - Chilean</b> <b>Concha Y Toro Sunrise Casablanca Valley 2010 abv 12.5%</b> Lovely aromas of grapefruit and tangy citrus fruit on the palate. Made in a refreshing and mouth watering style, this little gem is the ideal party white – perfect with nachos & Tex Mex Dishes.	£16.10	2
14	<b>Viognier - Argentinean</b> <b>San Juan- Alma Mora abv 14%</b> A combination of flowers fruit, orange blossom & ripe apricot with hints of pineapple. Refreshing & persistent.	£13.45	2
15	<b>Sauvignon Blanc - New Zealand</b> <b>Giesen The Brothers 2008 abv 13.5%</b> Pure, Juicy & Ripe with pungent aromas of gooseberry intertwined with zesty citrus. The palate has good fruit weight & texture with searing purity of flavour - a great alternative to Cloudy Bay at the right price point.	£20.00	2

## Juicy, fruit-driven, ripe whites

16	<b>Colombard-Chardonnay - South East Australia</b> <b>Hardys The Riddle 2009/10 abv 12%</b> The combination of the zingy character of Colombard with the fuller, richer style of the Chardonnay really works & without oak contact produces an easy drinking & refreshingly lively wine.	£13.50	2
17	<b>Riesling-Gewürztraminer - South East Australia</b> <b>Kell's Edge abv 13%</b> The Riesling-Gewürztraminer is noteworthy for its medium-dry style and delicious aromatic, floral and grapey character.	£13.25	4
18	<b>Chenin Blanc - South African</b> <b>Cullinan View, Robertson 2006-09 abv13%</b> South Africa's most popular grape variety producing a youthfully light and fresh wine	£13.25	3

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	<b>Full-flavoured, nutty, oaked white</b>		
19	<b>Chardonnay - Californian</b> <b>Bonterra Organic Chardonnay Mendocino Country 2009-10 abv 13.5%</b> Barrel fermented in oak. Elegant and flavourful, the tropical fruit and creamy mouth-feel of this Chardonnay are joined by a clean citrus zestiness. Try with seafood.	<b>£30.75</b>	<b>2</b>

## Red Wines

### Juicy, medium-bodied, fruit-led reds

20	<b>Cabernet Sauvignon - Chilean</b> <b>Errazuriz Mapuche Block Aconcagua Valley 2008/9 abv 13.5%</b> Plenty of blackcurrant & bramble fruit flavours on a well-structured palate. Aged for 6 months in Oak with 15% blend of Shiraz adds depth & complexity, a great Chilean wine - Vegetarian.	<b>£15.50</b>	<b>M</b>
21	<b>Cabernet Carmanere - Chilean</b> <b>Los Robles Fairtrade 2009 /10 abv 13.5%</b> Helping to build the El Corazon district of Curicó this wine portrays red berries, plum &	<b>£14.75</b>	<b>L-M</b>
22	<b>Pinotage - South African</b> <b>Kleine Zalze, Stellenbosch 2009-10 abv 14.5%</b> Winemaker Johan Joubert has produced a wine with a deep fruity nose & rich berry flavours with hints of prunes without too harsh tannins. Ideal with savoury meat and carvery dishes.	<b>£16.00</b>	<b>M</b>
23	<b>Bordeaux - French</b> <b>Chateau Tour Grand Mayne Cotes De Castillon 2007 AC abv 12.5%</b> Containing a very high proportion of Merlot making for a softer, juicy wine with supple velvety tannins. Next door to Saint-Emillion.	<b>£16.50</b>	<b>M</b>
24	<b>Bordeaux –French</b> <b>St Emillion Château Du Barry 2008 abv 13%</b> A richer softer style of Bordeaux wine, containing a higher proportion of Merlot and Bouchet grapes, which enhances the wines mellow softness.	<b>£24.75</b>	<b>L-M</b>
25	<b>Crianza Rioja Tinto - Spanish</b> <b>Don Jacobo 2006 abv 13.5%</b> Matured for a minimum of 12 months in oak followed by at least a year in the bottle before release 90% Tempranillo with a small addition of traditional Garnacha & Mazuelo Varieties.	<b>£19.00</b>	<b>M</b>

### Chilli Spicy, peppery, warming reds

26	<b>Shiraz - South East Australian</b> <b>Berri Estates, 2010 abv 14%</b> Medium-bodied and fruity with raspberry, cherry and plum, complemented by vanilla spices.	<b>£14.75</b>	<b>M-F</b>
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### Barrel Oaked, intense, concentrated reds

27	<b>Merlot - Californian</b> <b>Bonterra organic Merlot, Mendocino Country 2006-07 abv 14%</b> Commended in the 2006 International wine challenge, this wine is made from 86% Merlot and a touch of Cabernet Sauvignon and Syrah. It is barrel matured for 16 months in French oak.	<b>£28.00</b>	<b>M</b>
28	<b>Malbec - Argentinian</b> <b>Finca Flichman, Mendoza 2010 abv 13%</b> Malbec considered to be Argentina's best grape variety produces a rich, well-structured wine with a strong peppery, slightly earthy palate.	<b>£14.75</b>	<b>M</b>
29	<b>Pinot Noir - New Zealand</b> <b>Villa Maria Cellar Selection 2003-07 abv 13.5%</b> The fruit for this wine is sourced from 5 Vineyards, maximising fruit, colour & tannin extraction producing an outstanding example of New Zealand Pinot Noir.	<b>£26.75</b>	<b>M</b>

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	<b>Barrel Oaked, intense, concentrated reds cont.</b>		
30	<b>Chateau Neuf du Pape - France</b> <b>Le Prince du Logis Pierre de Laville 2009 abv 14%</b> Full bodied & concentrated made from a blend of Grenache, Syrah & Mourvèdre, this wine is a classic. Dark, ripe fruits show on the palate with a hint of pepper & spice.	<b>£30.50</b>	<b>F</b>
31	<b>Montepulciano - Italian</b> <b>D'Abruzzo Cerulli 2009 abv13%</b> A delicious generous Red full of soft, ripe juicy fruit, fragrant and warming.	<b>£15.00</b>	<b>M</b>

## Sparkling Wines

32	<b>Asti Spumante Sant'Orsola Italian abv 7%</b> Elegant, yet richly fruity bouquet matched by a deliciously concentrated flavour on the palate and a stylish grapey acidity on the finish. The classic sparkling wine from Piemonte and now DOCG status.	<b>£16.75</b>	<b>6</b>
33	<b>Pigalle Brut French abv 10.5%</b> A soft fruity style with a touch of crisp apple and nectarine flavours. Ideal for any celebration or party.	<b>£13.75</b>	<b>2</b>
34	<b>Colombard – Chemnin Berri Estates Curée Brut - South-Eastern Australia abv 11.5%</b> A soft fruity 'Aussie sparkler' with lively effervescence. The aromatic Sultana & the crisp Colombard & Chemnin Blanc grapes make a perfect combination.	<b>£15.75</b>	<b>2</b>
35	<b>Chardonnay Pinot Noir Jacobs Creek - Australian abv 11.5%</b> Displaying classic citrus flavours with a delicate crisp finish. Ideal with salads & seafood dishes, an aperitif for any occasion that calls for a celebration - Vegetarian	<b>£26.50</b>	<b>1</b>

## Sparkling Wines Rosé

36	<b>Berri Estates Brut Rosé - South Eastern Australia abv 11.5%</b> A bright, light crimson 'Aussie sparkler' made in a very easy drinking style suitable for all occasions brimming with summer fruit flavours.	<b>£16.75</b>	<b>2</b>
37	<b>Verve Du Vernay, Rosé N.V. French abv 11%</b> This wine is dry but very refreshing and crisp. Showing stunning aromas of soft strawberry with a good amount of acidity it would pair very well with salmon and soft cheeses. Good packaging & value too.	<b>£15.00</b>	<b>2</b>

## CHAMPAGNE

38	<b>Lanson Black Label NV Extra Quality abv 12.5%</b> A medium dry, light bodied champagne with a mild, fruity finish. The Lanson House style is soft and flowery.	<b>£40.00</b>	<b>1-2</b>
39	<b>Veuve Clicquot Brut N.V. Yellow Label abv 12%</b> A full bodied biscuity style. Derived from a black grape dominated blend of 70% Pinot Noir and Meunier together with 30% Chardonnay. Excellent!	<b>£45.00</b>	<b>1</b>

Whilst every effort is made to ensure wine & vintages are accurate, on occasions these are changed by our suppliers without notification. Similarly, abv may vary according to vintage. Please note we are unable to offer a refund for these. However your drawing our attention to any inaccuracies would be gratefully appreciated.

Finally we hope you enjoy your wines.

### Guide to Wines

**Red Wine character, body-(F) = full, (M) = medium, (L) = light**

**White Wine sweetness guide - (1) = dry, the sweeter the wine the higher the number**