## Rosey + Diane 5/9/23

## WHITE WINES

1. Name: HOLE IN THE CLOUDS (Sauvignon Blanc 2022)

Country: New Zealand

Price: £16.99 (offer price £7.99 - buy 3) (mixed case of 12 or more £14.99 a bottle)

**Tasting Notes:** 

Aroma: guava, lime, mango, cut grass, citrus

• Colour: pale green straw

A dry white wine

Juicy mouthful of tropical and citrus fruits. Plenty of zing.

12.5% ABV

• It's a blast as a glass on its own, and equally delicious with salmon with saucy salsa, barbecued prawns, chicken or Thai green curry.

The latest release of this delicious, exhilarating Marlborough Sauvignon. Think 100% fruit and freshness – all guava, passion fruit and lime. That's down to great quality fruit and picking just at the right time. A fabulous white that's hard to put down!

Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc is a phenomenon. This northern-tip region on New Zealand's South Island delivers wines bounding with fabulous ripe tropical fruit and zingy citrus freshness. The grapes that go into this wine have been lavished with the greatest TLC, to ensure ultra-healthy, perfectly ripe berries, every one. What's in the bottle will prove that. Chill it down, unscrew the cap and unleash the flavours. You'll smell that fruit before the glass nears your nose.

2. Name: SUNDAY BAY (Sauvignon Blanc)

Country: New Zealand

Price: £14.99 (offer price £5.99) (mixed case 12 or more £12.99 a bottle)

Tasting Notes:

- Aroma: lively tropical fruits, pink grapefruit and herbaceous hints
- Colour: pale green straw
- A dry white wine
- Flavours of lively tropical fruit, nettle freshness and hints of passion fruit
- 12% ABV
- It's very moreish solo or makes the perfect partner to all sorts of seafood, spicy stir-fry or Thai fish
  cakes.

Sunday Bay is a phenomenon. Kiwi Sauvignon is by far our most popular style, and our range is full of standout examples. So it's a huge statement that Sunday Bay, year after year, is the one our customers rate highest and re-order most. It's made by an award-winning family winery, who were some of the first pioneers of the Marlborough region. Their Sunday Bay is a classic Sauvignon. Exuberant grapefruit and grassy nettle character with a bright citrus zip; all the usual Marlborough pizzazz and more.

3. Name: WOLF POINT (Sauvignon Blanc 2022)

Country: Chile

Price: £9.99 (offer price £5.99) (mixed case of 12 or more £8.99 a bottle)

Tasting Notes:

- Aroma: upfront lemony, grassy and light tropical fruit
- Colour: pale green straw
- A dry white
- Very zingy taste, with bright lemon and herbaceous notes
- Vegetarian/vegan
- 12.5% ABV
- Drink on its own or with lighter vegetarian dishes and seafood.

Chile has gained a 5-Star reputation for super-fresh, elegant Sauvignon Blancs. This wine is from a winery founded in 1966 by Pablo Morande, and winery Empresas Lourdes. In 2000, they built an underground, gravity-fed cellar, complete with concrete eggs, ceramic tanks and the ability to make experimental batches from unusual varieties. No wonder Pablo won 'Winemaking Legend' in 2022. Grapes for this white are from the coastal-cool vineyards of the Aconcagua Valley, which bring out the bright citrus and herbaceous fruit of this grape.

## **RED WINES**

4. Name: PILLASTRO (Primitivo 2021)

Country: Italy (Puglia)

Price: £12.99 (mixed case of 12 or more £10.99 a bottle)

Tasting Notes:

Aroma: powerful berry fruit with a rich wrap of spicy vanilla

Colour: deep blackish scarlet

Full bodied red

- Round with mature raspberry flavours and spiced plum notes
- 13.5% ABV
- Vegan
- A great match to spicy tomato pasta.

Pillastro is a best selling Italian red – customers love all that richness, warmth and bold, ripe fruit. It comes from Puglia, in Italy's deep south, best known for big, smoky wines made from the prized local variety Primitivo. This 2021 is from Angelo Maci, a hero in the region for standing up to the big guns and championing the small grower. He started the cellar 40 years ago with 15 growers, now there are 1,000. A leading figure in the quality revolution, he's now teamed up with his daughter, Melissa, as winemaker.

Primitivo is a red wine grape variety that is also known as Zinfandel. It is the third-most planted grape in Puglia, in southern Italy. Primitivo makes wines that are big, jammy and rustic with high alcohol, chewy tannins and a sweet finish.

5. Name: WILLY WILLY (Shiraz 2021)

Country: Australia

Price: £11.99 (offer price £5.99)

Tasting Notes:

Aroma: spiced plum and blackcurrant and hints of vanilla

- Colour: deep purplish red
- Medium to full bodied
- · Rich, ripe mouthful of black fruit with a twist of pepper
- 14.5% ABV
- Smooth enough to drink on its own or goes down a storm with sausage and mash

Willy Willy Shiraz is named after the swirling red dust storms that often occur in Riverina at the end of a long dry summer. An Aboriginal legend tells the story of Brolga, a graceful young dancing girl who was transformed into a beautiful bird by a spirit disguised as a willy willy storm. Born from the same russet earth, this is a full-flavoured, juicy Shiraz. Boldly fruity and spiced.

6. Name: ARQUERO (Malbec 2022)

Country: Argentina

Price: £13.99 (offer price £5.99) (mixed case of 12 or more £11.99 a bottle)

**Tasting Notes:** 

Aroma: ripe blackberry, violets and gentle spice

- Colour: deep purple with violet hints
- Red medium to full bodied. This is a supple-fruit, oak-aged Malbec
- Velvety with ripe bramble fruit, mulberry, a floral note and spice
- 13.5% ABV
- Vegetarian/vegan
- · Ideal with grilled meats or on its own

Argentina's Malbec is one of the trendiest wines on the planet. Most come from Mendoza, but northwest lies the San Juan region. With vineyards at around 700 metres and clear skies, it provides ideal conditions for vines. No wonder its wines are so tasty, but without much marketing nous, they remain a bit of a secret. Here you'll find Bodegas Antigua, founded in 1990 by Don Luis Victor Chirino. His HQ is a historic building and local landmark – erected in 1918 and one of the first in San Juan to be earthquake proof! After restoration it's been transformed into a magnificent cellar.