



Wine Tasting

18th April 2023

(updated 19th April 2023)

Wine Appreciation Meeting 18th April 2023

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	U3A			Attending	Room	Wine
	No.			14/02/23	Paid	Paid
				Meeting		£4.00
1		Allen	Pat	No	Yes	
2		Arkell	Ken	No	Yes(B)	
3		Booth	David	No	No	
4		Booth	Jocelyn	No	No	
5		Close	Mary	No	No	
6		Collins	Pat	Yes	Yes	Yes
7		Cook	Alison	Yes	Yes	Yes
8		Cook	Steve	Yes	Yes	Yes
9		Cutler	Ann	Yes	Yes	Yes
10		Davies	Gwyn	Yes	Yes	Yes
11	177	Green	Judith	Yes	Yes	Yes
12	176	Green	Roger	Yes	Yes	Yes
13		Hoad	Marilyn	No	Yes	
14		Nicoll	Sheila	Yes	Yes	Yes
15		Pither	Valerie	Yes	Yes (B)	Yes
16		Searle	Sharon	No	Yes (B)	
17		Searle	Russell	No	Yes (B)	
18		Webb	Chris	Yes	Yes (B)	Yes
19	316	Worthington	Val	Yes	Yes	Yes
20	315	Worthington	Geoff	Yes	Yes	Yes
21		Bryson	Angela	Yes	Yes	Yes
	Guest		Nadine	Yes	n/a	Yes

Room Fees: Paid in cash unless marked (B) = BACS

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Financial Control

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	Room Fee	Wine Fee	Cost	Meeting	YE (8/2023) Outlook
		(collected)	Wine + Nibbles	Balance	
					Carried forward 128.00 (note 1)
4 th October	165.00 (note 2)	48.00 (note 3)	46.00	+2.00	
8 th November		44.00	51.50	-7.50	
13 th December	15.00	59.00	84.25	-10.25	
10 th January		55.00	0.00 (note 4)	+55.00	
Various dates	75.00 (5 x 15.00)				
12 th January	10.00 (AB)				
14 th February		33.00	49.71 + 5.00 = 54.71	-21.71	
14 th March		44.00	46.03 + 5.00 = 51.03	-7.03	
18 th April		56.00	49.00 + 5.00 = 54.00	2.00	
	265.00			+12.51 ytd	
Invoice 30 th Nov	115.00				
	150.00				
Invoice 18th March	216.00				
	-66.00				72.51 (128.00 – 66.00 +12.51)

Notes:

- 1: Carried forward from previous year and held by Havant U3A Treasurer
- 2: All as cash apart from one chq for £15.00 from Marilyn Hoad
- 3: All in cash apart from one BACS transfer of £4.00 from Valerie Pither
- 4. Russ & Sharon would not accept payment for the products they supplied for the tasting.

Today's Tasting

White Wine:

Chardonnay (unoaked), France Chardonnay (lightly oaked), France Chardonnay, Australia

Red Wine:

Zweigelt, Austria Nerrello Cappuccio, Sicily Alicante Bouschat. Portugal



Chardonnay, Gold Label, Pays d'Oc, Southern France 100% Chardonnay, 2021, 13.0%, M&S, £7.00

Made from Chardonnay grown in the sunny South of France and left unoaked to create a stylish and versatile white.

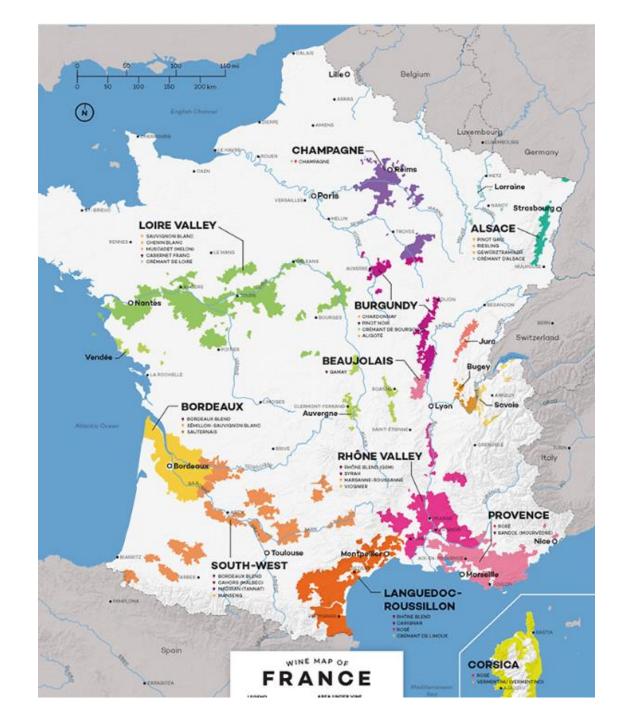
A beautifully balanced dry Chardonnay with elegant flavours of ripe peach and buttered toast as well as a refreshing, gently spicy finish.



Pays d'Oc is the IGP for red, white and rosé wines that are made in a large area on the southern coast of France.

The catchment area for the IGP corresponds roughly to the Languedoc-Roussillon wine region – one of the largest winegrowing areas in France.





Chardonnay, Classics Bourgogne Blanc, Burgundy, France % Chardonnay unspecified, 2021, M&S, £12.00

This well balanced Chardonnay is from the heart of the Burgundy region, where local winemaker Alain Pierre aged a small portion of the wine in oak to give it extra richness and body.

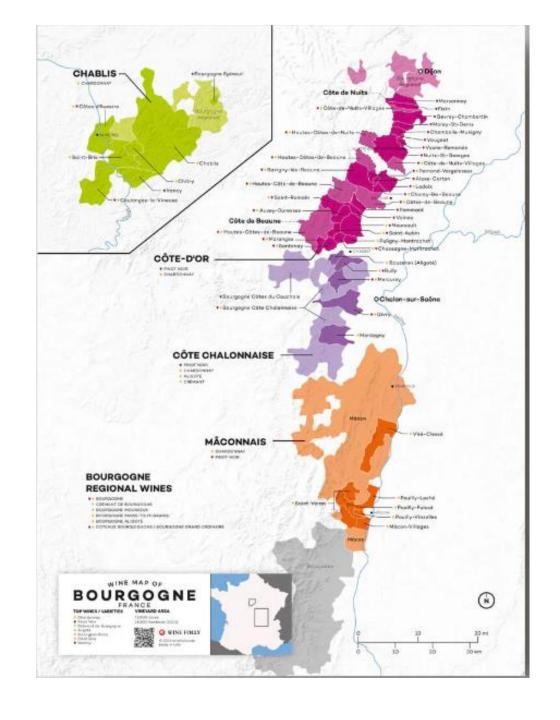
A vibrant, fresh and modern wine with flavours of ripe citrus and white peach.



The French Wine region of Burgundy (aka "Bourgogne") may be small in size, but its influence is huge in the world of wine.

The complexity of Burgundy can cast fear into the heart of even a seasoned wine pro, but fear not – the region need only be as complicated as you want it to be.

Yes, it is home to some of the most expensive wines in the known universe, but there are also tasty and affordable wines.



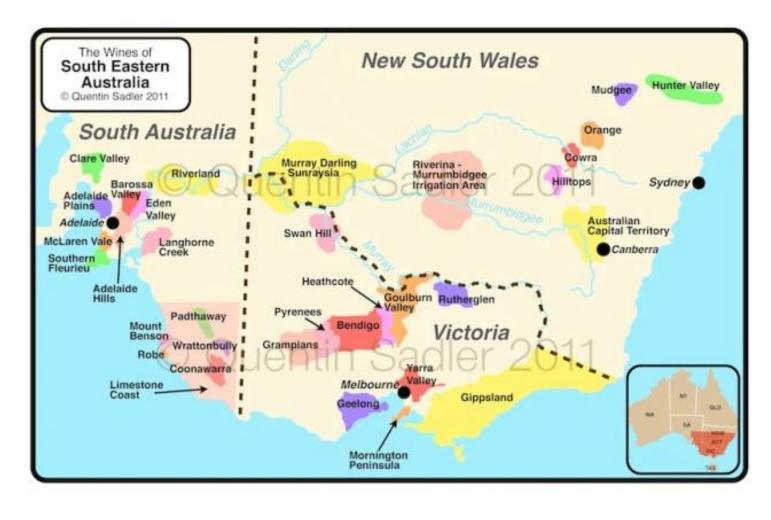
Chardonnay, Pichi Richi, Riverina, NSW, Australia 85% Chardonnay, 6% Viognier, 4% Colombard, 3% Sauvignon Blanc, 1% Verdelho, 2016, 13.5%, M&S, £6.50

This flavourful Chardonnay was made from selected grapes grown in a scenic region famed for its soft and generously flavoured wines.

This dry, fresh and vibrantly fruity white bursts with zesty flavours and a delicious hint of creamy vanilla.



The State of NSW, lying on the continent's east coast, boasts an incredibly diverse range of climates, including coastal, like the Shoalhaven Coast region lying south of Sydney, to Alpine, across the top of the Great Dividing Range, where hardy growers persist at over 500m above sea level.



The area around Sydney has the longest history of grape growing in Australia. The original grape vines came with the First Fleet and were planted at Sydney Cove in 1788. New South Wales is Australia's most populated state but it is represents only about 30% of Australia's total production on an annual basis.

Zweigelt, Qualitatswein aus Niederossterich, Austria 100% Zweigelt, 2021, 13.0%, M&S £8.50

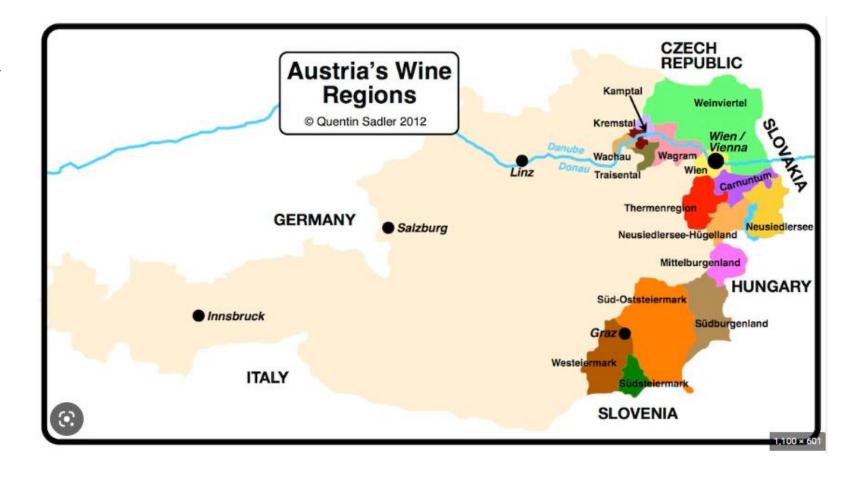
Zweigelt is the most widely planted red wine grape in Austria, it originated from a crossing of <u>Blaufrunkisch</u> and St Laurent in 1922. The variety is grown in every Austrian wine region, the finest examples from Burgenland and <u>Neusiedlersee</u>.

Zweigelt wines are light bodied, contain very few tannins and have bright fruity flavours of cherry, plum and forest fruits, similar in style to Beaujolais and Zinfandel.

It is one of the few reds which pairs well with meat and fish.



Austria is considered by many to be one of the best-kept wine secrets in Europe. Its wealth of indigenous grapes and quality-conscious, small family producers make it a treasure trove for those wanting to expand their wine horizons with delicious, foodfriendly bottles.



Niederösterreich is the biggest regional wine-growing area in Austria with 28,145ha under vine and is home to eight winegrowing regions which can be named on the bottle, provided the wine meets certain quality standards.

Nerello Cappuccio, Sicily 100% Nerello Cappuccio, 2021, 13.5%, M&S £7.00

In Sicily's mountainous soils of Mount Etna the Nerello Cappuccio grapes shelter under their vines leafy canopy to protect them from the hot Sicilian sun.

Usually used as a blending grape which adds colour and alcohol to the wine.

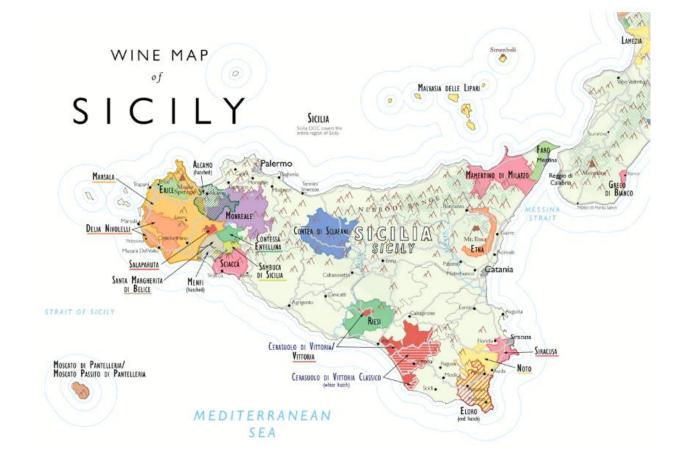
This rare varietal exclusive to M&S reflects the grapes assets, deeply coloured and fruity but without harsh tannins, which makes it a versatile wine to sip or pair with Sicilian Caponata or tomato based pasta.



The west of Sicily is home to Marsala, but it also has an amazing selection of wines from elegant and fresh white wines to full-bodied red wines and includes sweet wine from a volcanic island.

The southeast of Sicily is famous for its red wines made from Nero d'Avola and Frappato.

Finally, we come to Mount Etna towering over the northeast, its volcanic soils, and elegant, fresh red and white wines made from Nerello, Mascalese and Carricante.



Sicily is Italy's largest wine region with 242,000 vineyard acres(98,000 hectares). There are 23 DOC's and one DOCG. 34% are organic.

Alicante Bouschat, Portugal 100% stated variety, 2021, 14.0%, M&S £8.00

Alicante Bouschat is one of the few grape varieties to have red pulp and red skin, it has usually been used as a blending wine.

In the Portuguese region of Alentejo the variety thrives, making delicious deeply coloured full bodied wines, the red soil increasing their density and richness. Part of this wine is fermented in marble lagares adding even more complexity.

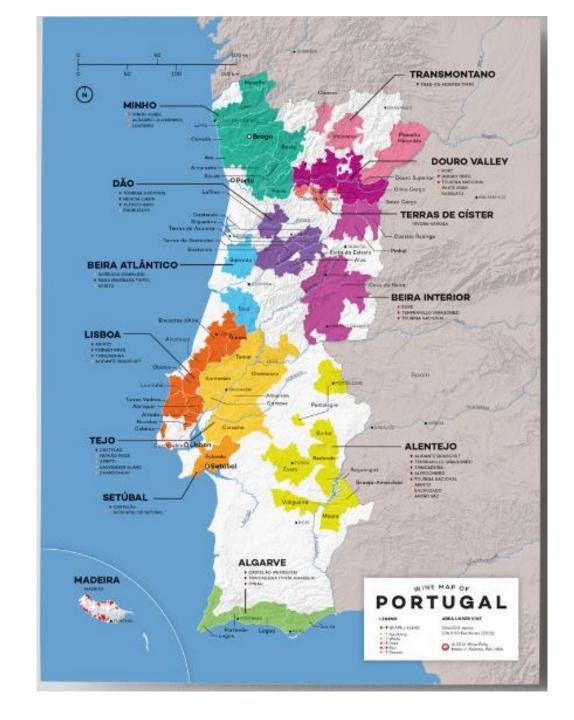
This deeply coloured bold red wine has blackberry and black cherry flavours and pairs well with grilled meat an d spicy vegetables.



Alentejo Region

The Alentejo province stretches south from the Tagus to the Algarve and east to the border with Spain and covers almost a third of continental Portugal.

The vineyard area is now divided into seven diverse sub-regions and the undulating hills are home not only to vines, but to olives, cork oaks, wheat and sheep. Despite the challenging climate here (summer temperatures regularly reach 35°C and often more and droughts like those experienced in 2005 are not uncommon), this is a dynamic region, referred to sometimes as Portugal's 'New World'.



Subject for May 9th

Alfresco wines?
Rose/Prosecco/Cava?
Non alcoholic wine?

Scheduled Meetings:

May 9th
June 13th
July - garden party hosted by Alison & Steve

