

# brief

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Wine and Spirit List

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“Wine is one of the most civilized things in the world and one of the most natural things of the world that has been brought to the greatest perfection, and it offers a greater range for enjoyment and appreciation than, possibly, any other purely sensory thing”  
- Ernest Hemmingway -

Here in Bref, our love of wine isn't just about the drink in the glass, it serves as a companion to our great cuisine, we pay extra attention to the hands that worked the land, tend to the vines, nurture the juices to create a harmony pairing with our food.

France is our first love, which is entirely fitting as Darren lived and worked there for a few years. During annual visits to the classic regions, and in particular, to the lesser-known villages where wonderful wines are made by modest people who coast safely under the radar of wine speculators and trend-chasers, we indulge our passion, renew our friendships and learn lessons with every new vintage.

In putting this list together, with a strong offering by the glass and in smaller formats, we invite you to join on an adventure featuring the Chef and the Oenologist.

**Izzat Shamsuddin, Wine Director**

**Darren Chin, Chef-Patron**

## Legend:

BD – Bettane et Desseave, France    BH – Allen Meadows's Burghound    D – Decanter  
JM – Jasper Morris    JG – Jamie Goode    JH – James Halliday's Australian Wine Companion  
JR – Jancis Robinson    JS – James Suckling    RC – Raymond Chan Wine Reviews, New Zealand  
RP – Robert Parker's Wine Advocate    TA – Tim Atkin MW    WE – Wine Enthusiast  
WF – The Wine Front    WS – Wine Spectator    V – Vertde Vin  
🌱 – Biodynamic    🍃 – Organic    🌿 – Sustainably Farmed

All prices in Ringgit Malaysia and subject to 10% Service Charge and 6% Govt SST, when applicable

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# OFFERINGS BY THE GLASS

“By the Glass” usually means cheap, mass-produced wine at a heavy mark-up. At Bref, we believe it could be so much more. Like a statement of intent, or a nice, warm hug to welcome you to our house. Because we care, and so do our friendly, hardworking winemakers.

## CHAMPAGNES

Score      125ml (RM)      750ml (RM)

### 1. NV Champagne Vilmart & Cie Grande Reserve

#### Premier Cru Brut, Rilly la Montagne, Reims.

The pale colour with traces of silver announce a majority of Pinot Noir with an excellent maturity. It's followed by a delicate effervescence. The fine bubbles, persistent and its elegance to the surface. The first impression on the nose, is marked by a great intensity. It will open up on a rich bouquet of pastries, with notes of frangipane and honeysuckle, with attractive aromas of pepper mint fragrance

WS 93      108      588

## WHITE

### 2. 2022 Loimer, Langenloiser Gruner Veltliner, Kamptal Austria.

Aromas of green apple lemon minerals white pepper pineapple and herbs. Dry. Nice acidity which carries the wine. Medium alcohol. Medium length. Very good wine. Excellent with various foods.

Fallstaff 92      58      288

### 3. 2021 Domaine Andre Bonhomme, Vieilles Vignes Vire-Clesse, Maconnais, Burgundy, France.

Potent, complex, 'serious' nose with strong winemaking influence. There are luxurious aromas of peach, butter-slathered puff pastry, toasted almonds, vanilla pod and fresh cream. A very intense, concentrated, powerful style that pushes the boundaries.

WS 90      78      428

### 4. 2020 Domaine Zind-Humbrect, Riesling Roche Granitique, Alsace, France.

Flinty reduction and lemony zestiness create a very appetizing nose. The palate delivers more of those zesty, juicy, mouth-watering lemon notes while the full, rounded body adds a stony depth to those ripe Amalfi lemon flavors. There is tautness, even on this generous body. The dry finish tapers beautifully into a notion of ripe lemon zest.

WS 94      68      388

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## REDS

	Score	125ml (RM)	750ml (RM)
<b>5. 2020 Montalto Pennon Hill, Pinot noir. Mornington Peninsula, Australia.</b> Beautiful Pinot Noir from Australia, this has a combination of Raspberry infused Cherry with trace of earthiness on the palate. Bright Acidity that is versatile to pair with either dark or white meat.	WS 92	58	328
<b>6. 2019 Chateau La Tour du Roch-Milon, Cabernet Sauvignon blends, Pauillac, Bordeaux, France.</b> The nose is fruity, fresh, elegant and reveals a lovely multi-layered, fine/racy texture and some depth. There are notes of violet, boysenberry and more slightly raspberry, fairly ripe red currant, blueberry combined with hints of star anise, caramelised almond, a discreet hint of sweet blond tobacco.	CT 90	78	428
<b>7. 2020 Domaine Ferrand, Chateauneuf-du-pape Rouge, Rhone Valley, France.</b> Soft textured, lush, ripe, fresh and sweet, the dark spicy red fruits and peppery, olive tinged edge shines through on the nose, palate and rich finish. The touch of spice and green leafy herbs in the endnote add a lot of complexity. The wine is made using mostly Grenache, with Syrah, Mourvedre, and various other allowable, grape varieties		68	388
		120ml (RM)	750ml (RM)
<b>8. Donnafugata, Kabir, Moscato di Pantelleria, Sicily DOC, Italy.</b> This luscious dessert wine from the island of Pantelleria opens with a pale golden color and explosive aromas of freesia flowers, jasmine, honey, peach blossom and sweet exotic fruit. It's a dense and syrupy wine that is meaty and solid in the mouth without being cloying or sticky.		68	358
		50ml (RM)	
<b>9. Real Companhia Velha, Tawny 20 year Douru, Portugal.</b> This rich wine is still just fruity while having delicious flavors of raisins and spice, plus layers of wood aging. It's a wine to savor, with its nuts, prunes and final acidity.	WE 90	48	

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## BY THE GLASS, CARAFE OR BOTTLE

Special seasonal selection by the Wine Sommelier, curated with a Romantic conversation about Oenologist with the Chef.

WHITE	120ml (RM)	375ml (RM)	750ml (RM)
10. 2021 Rose Rock by Drouhin, Chardonnay, Oregon, USA	128	368	668
11. 2017 Domaine de Chevallier Blanc, Sauvignon blanc. Pessac-Leognan, Bordeaux, France.	188	558	1098
<b>RED</b>			
12. 2019 Telmo Rodriguez, Pegaso Barrancaos de Pizarra, Garnacha, Vino de la Tierra de Castilla y Leon, Spain.	98	288	558
13. 2020 Catena Zapata, Argentino, Malbec. Mendoza, Argentina.	128	378	738
14. 2021 Domaine Rapet, Aloxe-Corton, Burgundy, France.	120	380	700
15. 2017 Grattamaco Rosso Superiore, Cabernet Sauvignon. Bolgheri, Italy.	168	458	888
16. 2017 Yves Cuilleron, Cote-Rotie, 'Madinierre' Rhone Valley, France.	208	618	1188
17. 2017 Vega Sicilia Valbuena No 5, Tempranillo, Ribera del duero, Spain.	238	700	1388

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## BUBBLES BY THE BOTTLE

Concise, accessible, interesting, and always in keeping with chef Darren Chin's philosophy of perfectionism, and respect for craft and for nature.

CHAMPAGNE	Score	750ml (RM)
18. NV Veuve Cliquot Ponsardin, Brut, Reims, Champagne, France.	WE 90	568
19. NV Telmont Reserve, Brut, Damery, Champagne, France.	D 90	688
20. NV Telmont Reserve, Rose Brut, Damery, Champagne, France.	WE 88	888
21. NV Piper-Heidseick, Rose Sauvage, Brut, Reims, Champagne, France.	TA 93	688
22. 2017 Pierre Peters L'esprit, Blanc de Blancs, Brut, Le Mesnil-Sur-Oger, Cote de blancs, Champagne, France.	WE 90	1,388
23. NV Jacquesson, Cuvee 745 (2017), Extra Brut, Dizy, Champagne, France.		888
24. 2015 Pol Roger Blanc de Blanc, Brut, Epernay, Champagne, France.	WE 94	1188
25. 2013 Dom Perignon Cuvee, Brut, Epernay, Champagne, France.	JM 96	1588
<b>CREMANT</b>		
26. 2020 Domaine Barmès Buecher, Cremant d'Alsace, Brut Nature, Alsace, France.		388
<b>AROMATIC VARIETALS</b>		
27. 2018 Domaine Zind Humbrect, Gewurztraminer, Rouche Roulee, Alsace, France.	WS 91	428

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## WHITE WINES

### CHARDONNAY

28. 2021 Escarpment by Torbreck, Chardonnay, Martinborough, New Zealand

Score

750ml (RM)

WE 93

368

29. 2021 Maison Louis Latour, Chablis 1er Cru Fourchaume, Burgundy, France.

WE 90

488

30. 2020 Maison Louis Latour, Pouilly-Fuisse, Burgundy, France.

TA 91

398

31. 2018 Domaine Michel Lafarge, Meursault, Burgundy, France.

WE 95

888

### SAUVIGNON BLANC

32. 2021 Cloudy Bay 'Tekoko' Marlborough, New Zealand.

Fallstaff 95

488

33. 2021 Schubert 'S' Sauvignon Blanc, Wairarapa, New Zealand.

Fallstaff 91

328

## RED WINE

### PINOT NOIR

34. 2017 Frederic Magnien 'Champs Pedrix' Vosne-Romanee, Burgundy, France.

788

35. 2020 Domaine Marchand-Grillot Gevrey-Chambertin, Burgundy, France.

688

36. 2019 Jean-Claude Boisset, Nuits-Saint-Georges 1er Cru 'Le Coteau des Bois' Burgundy, France.

CT 91

628

37. 2011 Louis Latour 'Domaine Latour' Aloxe-Corton, Burgundy, France.

JM 91

888

38. 2014 Carabello-Baum Chateau de Pommard Clos Marey-Monge *Monopole*, Burgundy, France.

D 89

688

39. 2013 Carabello-Baum Chateau de Pommard Clos Marey-Monge *Monopole*, Burgundy, France.

WE 91

758

40. 2012 Carabello-Baum Chateau de Pommard Clos Marey-Monge *Monopole*, Burgundy, France.

D 90

788

41. 2011 Carabello-Baum Chateau de Pommard Clos Marey-Monge *Monopole*, Burgundy, France.

858

42. 2008 Carabello-Baum Chateau de Pommard Clos Marey-Monge *Monopole*, Burgundy, France.

CT 93

888

43. 2018 Cloudy Bay 'Te Wahi' Marlborough, New Zealand.

658

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	Score	750ml (RM)
<b>CABERNET SAUVIGNON &amp; BLENDS</b>		
44. 2011 Château Malartic Lagraviere, Pessac-Leognan, Grand Cru Classe, Bordeaux, France.	V93	598
45. 2016 Château Talbot, Quatrièmes Grand Cru Classe, Saint Julien, Bordeaux, France.	WE 93	988
46. 2016 Serget Guard-Larose, Saint-Julien, Bordeaux, France.	Fallstaff 92	558
47. 2011 Chateau Montrose Deuxièmes Grand Cru Classe, Saint-Estephe, Bordeaux, France.	Fallstaff 92	1208
48. 2013 Chateau Brane-Cantenac Deuxièmes Grand Cru Classe, Margaux, Bordeaux, France.	WS 90	788
49. 2016 Chateau Haut-Battailey, Cinquièmes Grand Cru Classe, Pauillac, Bordeaux, France.	Fallstaff 94	508
50. 2019 Stag's Leap, Artemis, Napa Valley, USA.	D91	988
51. 2020 Vino Von Siebenthal, Parcela #7, Panquehe, Chile.		468
<b>SYRAH, SHIRAZ AND IN BETWEEN</b>		
52. 2021 M. Chapoutier, Gigondas, Southern Rhone, Rhone Valley, France.	WS 94	338
53. 2020 Domaine Vieux Telegraphe La Crau, Chateauneuf-du-pape Rouge, Rhone Valley, France.	WS 93	818
54. 2017 Henschke Keyneton 'Euphonium' Barossa Valley, Australia.	WE 94	788
55. 2019 Grant Burge 'The Holy Trinity' Barossa Valley, Australia.	WS 90	368
56. 2021 Ministry of Clouds, Shiraz, McLaren Vale		368
<b>MERLOT &amp; BLENDS</b>		
57. 2020 Chateau La Patache, Pomerol, Bordeaux, France.	Fallstaff 92	488
58. 2018 Fugue de Nenin, 2 <sup>nd</sup> vin Chateau Nenin, Pomerol, Bordeaux, France.	WE 90	488
59. 2018 Chateau Pavie Macquinn, Premier Grand Cru Classe B, Bordeaux, France.	WS 94	1088
60. 2020 Ornellaia 'Le Volte dell' Ornellaia' 3 <sup>rd</sup> vin Ornellaia, Toscana IGT, Italy.	WE 92	388

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## ITALIAN VARIETALS

	Score	750ml (RM)
61. 2018 Tenuta Tignanello, Marchesi Antinori, Chianti Classico Riserva, Toscana, Italy.	WS 93	468
62. 2019 Tenuta Tignanello, Marchesi Antinori 'Tignanello' Toscana, Italy.	Fallstaff 96	1168
63. 2019 Bibi Greatz, 'Testamatta' Toscana, Italy.	WE 92	888
64. 2011 Poderi Oddero, Barolo Riserva Vigna Rionda Piedmont DOCG, Italy.	RP 95	2088
65. 2016 Giacomo Borgogno & Figli, Piedmont DOCG, Italy.	WE 93	758
66. 2018. Fattoria Poggio di Sotto, Brunello di Montalcino, Toscana DOCG. Italy.	Fallstaff 98	1688
67. 2018 Lisini, Brunello di Montalcino, Toscana DOCG, Italy.	Fallstaff 94	688
68. 2018 Allegrini, Amarone Della Valpolicella Classico, Veneto DOCG, Italy.	Fallstaff 95	788

## SPANISH & SOUTH AMERICAN VARIETALS

69. 2016 Tinto Figuero 15 Meses en Barrica, Tempranillo Reserva, Ribera del Duero DOCa, Spain.	WS 92	738
70. 2018 Bodega Mattarromera Crianza, Tempranillo, Ribera del Duero DOC, Spain.	WS 92	588
71. 2017 Alvaro Palacios Camins, Carignan, Gernache, Priorat DOCa, Spain.	WS 90	468
72. 2020 Catena Zapata 'Catena Alta' Malbec, Mendoza, Argentina.	WS 93	428
73. 2019 Clos Apalta 'Le Petit Clos' Carmenere blends, Apalta Valley, Colchagua Valley, Chile.	Fallstaff 93	458
74. 2019 Clos Apalta, Carmenere blends, Apalta Valley, Colchagua Valley, Chile.	RP 95	1188

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## SAKE

Score

720ml (RM)

75. 2019 Kuheiji 'Betsu Atsurae' Junmai Daiginjo 35%,  
Yamadanishiki, Hyogo, Japan.

588

76. 2019 Kuno Kuheii, Honten Kurodasho 'Tako'  
Yamadanishiki, Aichi, Japan.

658

## MAGNUM FORMATS

### BUBBLES

1500ml (RM)

77. NV Larmandier-Bernier 'Latitude' Extra Brut, 1er Cru  
Blanc de blancs. Cote de blancs, Champagne, France

D 95

1388

### RED

78. 2018 Vega Sicilia, Alion, Tempranillo,  
Ribera del Duero, Spain.

WE 95

1688

79. 2012 Il Poggione Vigna Paganelli, Sangiovese,  
Brunello di Montalcino Riserva DOCG, Tuscany, Italy.

WE 95

1588

80. 2019 Grattamacco Rosso Superiore, Cabernet Sauvignon  
blends. Bolgheri DOC, Italy.

Fallstaff 96

2088

## BYO POLICY

Corkage Fees:

RM 90++ per 750mL bottle,

RM 130++ per 750mL bottle of sparkling wine,

RM 200++ per bottle of hard liquor.

Buy a 750mL bottle off our list, and we will waive one corkage fee on a 750mL bottle.

No waiver applicable to corkage fees for hard liquor.

## COCKTAILS

Glass (RM)

### Cucumber's Gin Spritz

*Tanqueray Gin | Cucumber | Lime*

48

### Jasmine

*Tanqueray Gin | Strega | Jasmine Leave*

52

### Caprese

*Jim beam | Basil Leave | Tomato*

52

### Forest

*Vodka | Midori | Pineapple | Egg white*

55

### Classics Cocktails

*Please refer to our friendly servers*

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## SPIRITS

Shot / 30mL (RM)    Bottle (RM)

### VODKA

Belvedere pure, <i>Poland</i>		
Grey Goose Original, <i>France</i>	38	580
Reyka, <i>Iceland</i>	38	580
	46	688

### GIN

Hendrick`s, <i>Scotland</i>	38	650
Roku, <i>Japan</i>	36	550
Chase Pink Grapefruit & Pomelo, <i>England</i>	48	800
Citadelle Artisanal Dry, <i>France</i>	38	550
Sorgin Yellow, <i>France</i>	48	700
Four Pillars Navy Strength, <i>Australia</i>	48	780

### RUM

Black Tears Spiced, <i>Cuba</i>	28	490
Diplomatico Reserva Exclusiva, <i>Venezuela</i>	35	620
Plantation Stiggin`s Fancy Pineapple, <i>Trinidad</i>	38	600

### AGAVE

Don Julio Anejo, <i>Mexico</i>	28	480
Don Julio Reposado, <i>Mexico</i>	28	450
Montelobos Espadin, <i>Mexico</i>	32	480

### WHISKY

#### Single Malt Whisky

Glenfiddich 12y <i>Speyside, Scotland</i>		
Macallan Double cask 12y <i>Speyside, Scotland</i>	42	650
The Balvenie 16y <i>Speyside, Scotland</i>	52	880
Lagavulin 16y <i>Islay, Scotland</i>	98	1700
	48	900

#### Blended Whisky

Johnnie Walker Gold Label, <i>Scotland</i>	48	700
Monkey Shoulder, <i>Scotland</i>	38	580

### BOURBON

Woodford Reserve, <i>United States</i>		
	48	650

### JAPANESE WHISKY

Nikka From the Barrel, <i>Japan</i>	38	588
Kakubin Suntory Whisky, <i>Japan</i>	30	550

### COGNAC

Hennessy VSOP, <i>France</i>		
Martell Cordon Bleu, <i>France</i>	48	750
Remy-Martin VSOP, <i>France</i>	88	1800
	48	700

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