

Verona Restaurant @ Gateway on Monash

Wine List - July 2009

Champagne & Sparkling

Billecart-Salmon Brut NV	Mareuil-sur-Ay (Champagne), FRANCE	\$120
Blue Pyrenees Vintage Brut '04	Pyrenees, VIC	\$43
Champagne Taittinger Brut Reserve NV	Champagne, FRANCE	\$95
<i>Clean & delicate, light in style showing bright fruit flavours, citrus, bread dough, & vanilla, with excellent balance.</i>		
Chandon Brut Rosé NV	Yarra Valley, VIC	\$45
Henkell Trocken Dry Sekt NV (200ml piccolo)	GERMANY	\$7
Leconfield 'Syn' Cuvee Blanc NV	South Australia	\$29
Stefano Lubiana Brut NV	Granton, TAS	\$45
<i>A visually attractive wine in the glass, displaying, plenty of creamy mousse and tiny fine beads. The nose offers soft yeasty characters with hints of elegant lemon and honey blossom. In the mouth fine dry bubbles give way to a toasty, nutty luxurious palate finishing with lingering fresh citrus.</i>		
Wild River Sparkling Brut NV	Yarra Valley, VIC	\$24

"My only regret in life is that I did not drink more Champagne" - John Maynard Keynes

Aromatics ~ Riesling, Pinot Gris & friends...

Best's Great Western Riesling '08	Great Western, VIC	\$34
Frankland Estate 'Isolation Ridge' Riesling '06	Frankland River, WA	\$42
Sorby Adams 'Jellicoe' Riesling '07	Eden Valley, SA	\$33
Tim Gramp Watervale Riesling '08	Clare Valley, SA	\$32
Alta Pinot Grigio '07	Adelaide Hills, SA	\$34
J.L. Wolf 'Villa Wolf' Pinot Gris '07	Pfalz, GERMANY	\$35
Mount Langi 'Cliff Edge' Pinot Gris '07	Grampians, VIC	\$36
<i>A delicate, fragrant nose introduces a palate of pears, quince & a rounded savoury note. Good acidity holds all the flavours together, making it a great match with food.</i>		
Wairau River Pinot Gris '07	Marlborough, NZ	\$38
<i>Displaying succulent ripe pear aromas & mouth filling aromatic flavours of spice & quince, with a truly satisfying rounded finish. The richly textured wine has a lusciousness displaying great weight & length.</i>		
Chapel Hill Verdelho '08	McLaren Vale, SA	\$29
Pierre Sparr Alsace One '05	Alsace, FRANCE	\$38
<i>A blend of Pinot Blanc, Pinot Gris, Muscat, Riesling, & Gewurztraminer - Floral, citrus & peach notes grace this gentle well balanced white, whose subtlety belies an underlying persistence, ending in a long, languid finish.</i>		
St Leonards Muscadello '08 (Spritzly & Sweet)	North East Victoria	\$27

Sauvignon Blanc, Semillon & Blends

Catalina Sounds Sauvignon Blanc '08	Marlborough, NZ	\$38
Larry Cherubino 'Straw Man' Sauvignon Blanc Semillon '08	Margaret River, WA	\$32
<i>From a great vintage in Margaret River - passionfruit & mineral nuances with citrus, accents of lime leaf & juniper. Softly textured with fine acidity. The oak adds fullness to the palate with subtle sweetness & spice.</i>		
Grant Burge 'Benchmark' Semillon Sauvignon Blanc '08	South Australia	\$24
Huia Sauvignon Blanc '08	Marlborough, NZ	\$39
Lethbridge Sauvignon Blanc '07	Geelong, VIC	\$37
<i>"Seriously good, Sancerre in style, one out of the box, Lethbridge have thrown down the Sauvignon Blanc gauntlet" Doug Neal, Divine magazine Oct 2007</i>		
Moss Wood 'Ribbonvale' Semillon Sauvignon Blanc '07	Margaret River, WA	\$42
Mount Pleasant 'Elizabeth' Semillon '04	Hunter Valley, NSW	\$29
Old Coach Road Sauvignon Blanc '08	Nelson, NZ	\$28
Pizzini Sauvignon Blanc '08	King Valley, VIC	\$31
Shaw & Smith Sauvignon Blanc '08	Adelaide Hills, SA	\$44
Skipjack Sauvignon Blanc '08	Marlborough, NZ	\$29
Sorby Adams 'Collage' Semillon Sauvignon Blanc '08	Eden Valley, SA	\$27
Voyager Estate Sauvignon Blanc Semillon '08	Margaret River, WA	\$39

"What contemptible scoundrel stole the cork from my lunch?" - W.C. Fields

Chardonnay

Bannockburn 'By Farr' Chardonnay '06	Bellarine Peninsula, VIC	\$95
Carlei 'Green Vineyards' Chardonnay '05	Yarra Valley, VIC	\$48
Catching Thieves Chardonnay '07	Margaret River, WA	\$28
Cockfighter's Ghost Chardonnay '06	Hunter Valley, NSW	\$32
Dog Point Chardonnay '06	Marlborough, NZ	\$47
<i>Grace over power, citrus, melon & stone fruit characters are interwoven w/ burnt-match, nutty toffee, & smooth, creamy oak.</i>		
Giant Steps 'Sexton Vineyard' Chardonnay '06	Yarra Valley, VIC	\$52
Grant Burge 'Benchmark' Chardonnay '08	South Australia	\$24
Moorooduc Estate 'Devil Bend Creek' Chardonnay '06	Mornington Peninsula, VIC	\$38
Nepenthe <i>Unwooded</i> Chardonnay '06	Adelaide Hills, SA	\$31
Plunkett 'Strathbogie' Chardonnay '06	Strathbogie Ranges, VIC	\$35
Provenance Chardonnay '06	Geelong, VIC	\$39
Red Hill Estate Chardonnay '06	Mornington Peninsula, VIC	\$34
Rockbare Chardonnay '08	McLaren Vale, SA	\$29
Scorpo 'Aubaine' Chardonnay '07	Mornington Peninsula, VIC	\$44
<i>Mineral, chalky & malty chablis-like aroma. The style extends to the palate, which is tight & mineral, almost eerily Burgundian. "Quite delicate, yet intense; long & well balanced; nectarine & grapefruit flavours; subtle oak, & a lingering finish." 94 Points,</i>		
Voyager Estate Chardonnay '04	Margaret River, WA	\$62

"Without question, the greatest invention in the history of mankind is wine. Oh I grant you that the wheel was also a fine invention, but the wheel does not go nearly as well with pizza"- Dave Barry

Pinot Noir & Rose

Yering Station ED Rose '07	Yarra Valley, VIC	\$29
Bass Phillip Premium 'Cuvee Rare' Pinot Noir '01	Gippsland, VIC	\$165
Carlei 'Green Vineyards' Pinot Noir '05	Yarra Valley, VIC	\$48
Hurley Vineyard 'Estate' Pinot Noir '06	Mornington Peninsula, VIC	\$68
<i>From the warm 2006 vintage there are intense aromas of ripe cherries, with brown spice, a hint of sage & earthiness. In the palate, it has powerful flavours of red cherries & black berries, which are very persistent & a little sweet toffee. Full-bodied, smooth & long, its soft & silky fruit tannins exist in natural harmony with nicely balanced oak.</i>		
Punt Road Pinot Noir '07	Yarra Valley, VIC	\$38
Stoniers Pinot Noir '06	Mornington Peninsula, VIC	\$47
Yabby Lake Pinot Noir '03	Mornington Peninsula, VIC	\$95

One of the Mornington Peninsula's brightest stars - rich, ripe & savoury; just waiting to accompany a great meal.

Grenache, Shiraz blends, & the Internationals

Buckshot Vineyard 'The Square Peg' Zinfandel '05	Heathcote, VIC	\$39
Cascabel Tipico (Grenache, Monastrell/Mouvedre, Shiraz) '04	McLaren Vale, SA	\$39
<i>Savoury, spicy, leathery overtones to the black fruits; excellent texture and structure; fine-grained tannins, long finish.</i>		
Castello di Farnetella Chianti DOCG '04	Tuscany, ITALY	\$43
<i>A predominantly Sangiovese based wine (with a small portion of Merlot), produced from hand-picked, low yield fruit. It has lovely dark cherry flavours, great depth & persistence. A fabulous food wine.</i>		
Hewitson 'Private Cellar' Shiraz Mourvedre '05	Barossa Valley, SA	\$95
<i>"Deep colour; super intense black fruits & dark chocolate, the mourvedre contributing to the texture as it should; an exciting wine with a great future." 97 points (James Halliday) - Take it from us, it's a superb drink even at this early stage!</i>		
Kid You Not Tempranillo Graciano '04	Central Victoria & King Valley, VIC	\$37
Pierre Amadieu Cotes du Rhone <i>Roulepiere</i> '06	Rhone Valley, FRANCE	\$34
<i>Fresh & ripe, with dark cherry, licorice & graphite flavors that race through the medium-bodied finish. Great food wine!</i>		
Pondalowie 'Vineyard Blend' (Shiraz, Cabernet, Tempranillo) '06	Bendigo, VIC	\$33
S.C. Pannell 'Pronto' (Grenache, Shiraz, Touriga) '06	McLaren Vale, SA	\$44
<i>A supple, smooth ride from start to finish; lovely red, perfumed fruit, with a dash of chocolate & fine grained tannins. 95points (</i>		

"I can certainly see that you know your wine. Most of the guests who stay here wouldn't know the difference between Bordeaux and Claret" - John Cleese (aka Basil Fawlty)

Shiraz & Shiraz Viognier

Best's Great Western 'Bin 1' Shiraz '06	Great Western, VIC	\$39
Charles Melton Shiraz '03	Barossa Valley, SA	\$79
Clonakilla 'Hilltops' Shiraz Viognier '04	Murrumbateman, NSW	\$56
Elderton Estate Shiraz '06	Barossa Valley, SA	\$47
Fox Creek 'Short Row' Shiraz '06	McLaren Vale, SA	\$49
Gipsie Jack Shiraz '06 (by John Glaetzer & Ben Potts)	Langhorne Creek, SA	\$33
Grant Burge 'Benchmark' Shiraz '07	South Australia	\$24
Lethbridge Shiraz '06	Geelong, VIC	\$51
<i>Very deep garnet colour. Rich quality cool climate fruit with black cherry, blood plum & spice characters. Great balance across the palate before a long finish. A wine with delicious balance & cool climate varietal fruit.</i>		
Mount Langi 'Billi Billi' Shiraz '05	Grampians, VIC	\$31
Mount Langi Ghiran 'Langi' Shiraz '03	Grampians, VIC	\$88
Tar & Roses Shiraz '07 (by Don Lewis & Narelle King)	Heathcote, VIC	\$35
Torbreck 'Woodcutters' Shiraz '07	Barossa Valley, SA	\$36
Turner's Crossing Shiraz Viognier '06	Bendigo, VIC	\$39
<i>Medium-bodied, fragrant & elegant; red & black cherry, with splashes of spice & exemplary length. 95/100-James Halliday</i>		
Ulithorne 'Fruix Frugis' Shiraz '05	McLaren Vale, SA	\$69
<i>Blackberry, plum & a mixture of chocolate & spice; Full bodied, yet elegant; ripe, balanced tannins with serious depth.</i>		
Voyager Shiraz '05	Margaret River, WA	\$53

Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot & Blends

Giant Steps Sexton Merlot '07	Yarra Valley, VIC	\$45
Schild Estate Merlot '06	Barossa Valley, SA	\$32
Yering Station Merlot '07	Yarra Valley, VIC	\$39
Balnaves 'The Blend' Cabernet Merlot '06	Coonawarra, SA	\$34
Best's Great Western Cabernet Sauvignon '06	Great Western, VIC	\$39
Catching Thieves Cabernet Merlot '08	Margaret River, WA	\$29
Cullen 'Diana Madeline' Cabernet Sauvignon Merlot '02	Margaret River, WA	\$145
Elderton 'Ashmead' Cabernet Sauvignon '98	Barossa Valley, SA	\$135
Gemtree 'Tatty Road' '07 (Cabernets, Petite Verdot, Merlot)	McLaren Vale, SA	\$33
<i>Rich chocolate & berry flavours dominate the front palate - juicy fruits bound together with an abundance of acid & tannin.</i>		
Grant Burge 'Benchmark' Cabernet Shiraz '06	South Australia	\$24
Katnook 'Founder's Block' Cabernet Sauvignon '06	Coonawarra, SA	\$36
Leconfield Cabernet Sauvignon '07	Coonawarra, SA	\$47
Moss Wood 'Ribbonvale' Cabernet Merlot '04	Margaret River, WA	\$67
Penfolds 'Bin 407' Cabernet Sauvignon '04	Magill, SA	\$74
Punt Road Cabernet Sauvignon '06	Yarra Valley, VIC	\$38
Reschke 'Vitulus' Cabernet Sauvignon '05	Coonawarra, SA	\$39
Sorby Adams 'Collage' Cabernet Merlot '05	Margaret River, WA	\$27
Sorby Adams 'Jellicoe' Cabernet Sauvignon '05	Eden Valley, SA	\$33

Dessert Wines

De Bortoli <i>Noble One</i> '05 (375ml)	Riverina, NSW	\$42
St Leonards Muscadello '08 (<i>Spritzly & Sweet</i>) (750ml)	North East Victoria	\$27
Two Hands 'Brilliant Disguise' Moscato '06 (500ml)	Barossa Valley, SA	\$29
Wellington Iced Riesling '05 (375ml)	Tamar Valley, TAS	\$36

Port, Muscat & Tokay (by the glass - 50ml)

Hanwood 12yo Grand Tawny Port		\$6.5
Galway Pipe Tawny Port (12-15yo)	Barossa Valley, SA	\$8
Penfolds Grandfather Fine Old Liqueur Tawny Port	Barossa Valley, SA	\$16
Seppelts DP 90 Show Tawny	Barossa Valley, SA	\$14
Chambers Muscadelle (Tokay)	Rutherglen, VIC	\$7.5
Chambers <i>Grand</i> Muscat	Rutherglen, VIC	\$19

"Wine is proof that God loves us all & wants us to be happy" - Benjamin Franklin

All prices listed are inclusive of the 10% G.S.T