



Welcome to our 2025 wine list

Our food and wine offerings are hugely important to us at Mackays Hotel, we think that by organising the wine list by style, rather than by grape variety or country — it is easier to find a wine that perfectly complements your meal. We generally find that the weight of a dish is the most important factor in choosing a wine to match, therefore it makes sense to have a crisp, clean white with a delicate starter or simple fish dishes. Or on the other hand, a rich, robust red with a hearty meat dish. Of course, you can still choose whichever wine you like with whichever dish you choose — rules are made to be broken!

This year, we have introduced new wines from Le Versant, France which are Vegan friendly. On the sparkling side, we have added the excellent Prosecco Rosé from Brilla which is also available by the glass! A “Le Verre de Vin” system has been installed which preserves still wines and sparkling — also, we can now offer around 20 wines by the glass to complement your meal.

We have a few interesting additions to our wine list this year. On the Whites we have from Italy, a Gavi La Principessa, from France a Pouilly Fume, and from Italy a fantastic Vermentino. On the Red we have a Pinotage, The Bean from South Africa, Appassimento from Puglia a Côtes-du-Rhône Rouge from Mazets St. Victor, France

You will also find some of our personal favourites on the list again this year, such as the fish friendly Green Lip Sauvignon Blanc from New Zealand. On the red side of things, we still love the great big Chocolate Box GSM (Grenache/Shiraz/Mataro), or the Gold IWC award-winning Beronia Rioja Reserva — especially if Mey Selection steaks are on the menu!

Enjoy!

Murray, Ellie, Jen and not forgetting Max, Bria, Finn and Ollie



White Wine

Crisp White

1. **Sauvignon Blanc Reserve,
Santa Ema, Chile**
Aromas of tropical fruits, such as pineapple and passionfruit, along with herbal notes. On the palate, it is crisp and refreshing with a lively acidity and a long finish.
2. **Pinot Grigio,
Ca'Lunghetta, Italy**
This Pinot Grigio has good weight, minerality and stone fruit flavours on the palate and finish.
3. **Chardonnay / Sauvignon Blanc
Fumaio, Italy**
Crafted with precision and finesse, this white wine showcases a graceful marriage of Chardonnay's creamy texture and Sauvignon Blanc's refreshing zest.
4. **Sauvignon Blanc 'Pennies from Heaven',
Elysian Springs, Australia**
Dusty aromas and flavours of green pepper, lemon and dried lime blossom. Medium-bodied with a nutskin finish and fruity tannins.
5. **Gavi (Vegetarian)
La Principessa, Italy**
Hints of lime, citrus and golden apple on the nose blend perfectly into an intense and fresh aroma. On the palate the softness is well balanced by a hint of acidity.
6. **Chardonnay 'Ardèche' (Vegetarian)
Louis Latour, France**
Beautiful yellow colour with green glints. Intense nose of apricots, ripe peach and exotic fruits. The palate has a fresh crisp acidity and a long lingering finish.
7. **Viognier (Vegetarian)
Le Versant, France**
Lovely and pure with a perfumed nose of honeysuckle and pear. This reflects onto the palate and is balanced by some tropical fruit and lovely mineral fresh acidity.

Fruity Whites

8. **Chardonnay, (Vegan)
D O Vale Central, Chile**
Fruity nose with hints of smoke, fresh pineapple and banana fruit.
9. **Sauvignon Blanc 'Green Lip' (Vegan)
Jackson Estate, New Zealand**
Tropical fruits are balanced with fine minerality.

Rich & Creamy Whites

10. **Pouilly-Fumé**
Domaine Bonnard, France
Lots of fresh, herbaceous fruit with a hint of liquorice on the nose.
Delicious with citrus and gooseberry flavours.
11. **Chenin Blanc,**
De Waal, South Africa
Refreshing, mouth-watering wine full of pineapples and other tropical fruits.
12. **Albariño**
Caractere Unique. France
Fresh cut grass and citrus fruit aromas support a fresh and light palate with lush acidity that leads into soft stone-fruit notes.
13. **Verdejo (Vegan)**
Beronia, Spain
An intense nose with aromas of ripe stone fruits and aromatic herbs with floral touches. On the palate, it is full, fruity and dry with a long finish.
14. **Chardonnay, (Vegetarian)**
Le Versant, (V) France
Complex aromas of fresh fruit, fresh with great roundness and balance, finishing with a hint of vanilla.
15. **Chardonnay / Viognier (Organic/Vegan/Vegetarian)**
L'Entente, France
This organic white blend has a bright nose of peach, apricot and white flowers. The palate is juicy and flavourful with notes of stone fruit, citrus and a hint of spice.

Fragrant & Aromatic Whites

16. **Chardonnay**
Santa Ema, Chile
Creamy with a balanced acidity and a long finish. Ideal to pair with seafood or grilled chicken.
17. **Vermentino (Vegetarian)**
La Pettegola, Italy
Delightfully fresh with an intense fruit forward bouquet of exotic fruit and spices typical of the Mediterranean coast. Fresh, crisp with well-balanced acidity with a clean finish.
18. **Sauvignon Blanc**
The Fishwives Club, South Africa
A delightful Sauvignon Blanc that bursts with ripe kiwi and gooseberry fruit.

Rosé Wine

Fruity Rosé

19. **Zinfandel Rosé**
Black Rock, USA
A lively, fruity Rosé wine with aromas of red summer fruits and an attractive, crisp sweetness on the palate.
20. **Grenache Rosé (Vegetarian)**
Le Versant, France
Delicately perfumed nose combining sweet hints of strawberries and raspberries with floral hints.
21. **Pinotage Rosé,**
The Fishwives Club, South Africa
Strawberries, cream and candy floss flavours. Yet still decadently dry.

Red Wine

Light & Fruity Reds

22. **Merlot**
The Fishwives Club, South Africa
A mellow merlot that invokes soft lingerings of plum, cherry and spice with wisps of soft French oak.
23. **Cabernet Sauvignon, (Vegan)**
Valdemoro, Chile
This wine has a deep ruby-red colour and aromas of ripe red fruit, blackcurrant and strawberry. Its' sprightly varietal character, medium-body and pleasant finish are evident on the palate.
24. **Pinot Noir 'Valmoissine' (Vegetarian)**
Louis Latour, France
Candied cherry fruits with a spicy perfume on the nose, a velvety textured palate brimming with ripe cherry and strawberry fruits laced with vanilla, leading to a rounded finish.
25. **Pinot Noir, (Vegetarian)**
Le Versant, (V) France
A strong and aromatic nose of red fruits mixed with liquorice notes. The palate is full bodied with round tannins.
26. **Shiraz,**
Franschhoek Cellar, South Africa
A full-bodied yet silky, soft wine, plum coloured with pepper, spice and black fruit aromas followed by long lasting, complex flavours of juicy fruit with layers of spice and well-integrated tannins. Fabulous!
27. **Beaujolais Villages,**
Henry Fessy, France
A soft, fresh and fruity wine from the Gamay grape, grown on the granite soils of the Beaujolais region and excellent with almost anything.

Spicy Reds

28. **Merlot Reserve,**
Santa Ema, Chile
Loads of ripe black fruits, liquorice, chocolate, coffee and vanilla.
29. **Malbec,**
Goyenechea, Argentina
A delicate nose with dry fruits, walnuts and light spices.
30. **Cabernet Sauvignon, (Vegan)**
Chocolate Box, Australia
Ripe blackcurrant is beautifully balanced with subtle vanilla and cassis.
31. **Valpolicella Ripasso**
Castleforte, Italy
A soft and smooth Ripasso with plenty of plum and prune fruit on the palate. Finishes long with soft tannins.

Spicy Reds continued...

- 32. Carménère Reserva, (Vegan)**
Torreón de Paredes, Chile
Notes of black ripe fruits, cherries, blackberries, cassis with black chocolate and vanilla notes from the oak ageing.
- 33. Côtes-du-Rhône Rouge**
Mazets St. Victor, France
A Grenache and Syrah blend with delicious dark bramble and blackcurrant flavours, juicy tannins and white pepper on the finish.
- 34. Pinotage 'Coffee'**
The Bean, South Africa
The idea was to create a wine with strong coffee and mocha flavours - toasted French oak staves were used and the result is a deep dark purple colour with mocha and roasted coffee bean flavours on the nose, fine silky tannins on the palate.
- 35. Garnacha**
Castillo de Monjardin, Spain
Bright ruby-red in colour with violet reflections, this wine offers fresh aromas of blackberries, plums, a hint of violets and toasted oak. On the palate the wine is medium-bodied with brisk acidity, a silky texture, perfect balance and a long length.
- Rich & Robust Reds**
- 36. Cabernet Sauvignon,**
Don Melchor, Chile
Deep in colour with a lovely, full flavour, cedar overtones and great length.
- 37. Amarone della Valpolicella,**
Villa Molino, Italy
Spicy, fruity flavour with hints of oak, blackberry, cinnamon, dried cranberries & chocolate.
- 38. Appassimento,**
Ca' Vittoria, Puglia, Italy
Intense purple hues, tending towards amber with a little bit of aging. This wine has a very solid structure, balanced between soft tannins and acidity. Fruity with notes of plum, cherry, marmalade, tobacco and spices.
- 39. Malbec, (Vegan/Vegetarian)**
Juan Benegas, Argentina
Light ruby colour with aromas strawberries and plum and light spice. Sweet tannins provide a soft and delicate wine.
- 40. Rioja Reserva, (Vegan)**
Bodegas Beronia, Spain
Made from 89% Tempranillo, 6% Mazuelo and 5% Graciano.

Dessert Wine

41. Muscat de St Jean de Minervois, France

Sweet and delicate with fragrant aromas of raisins, orange peel, toffee and cinnamon.

Champagne & Sparking Wine

42. Prosecco Spumante, Botter, Italy (Vegan)

Slightly aromatic nose, well-balanced fruit flavours and a light body.

43. Prosecco Rosé, Brilla, Italy (Vegan)

The palate is soft and fresh with a creamy finish.

44. Crémant Blanc, Simonnet-Febvre, France

Harmoniously balanced with fine bubbles.

**45. Champagne Brut, Laurent-Perrier, France
(Vegan/Vegetarian)**

A delicate and fresh nose with good complexity and notes of citrus fruit.

46. Champagne Brut, Dom Pérignon, France

Toasty aromas, wonderful apple, biscuit and lemon rind flavours.

Sparkling Wine & Champagne by the Glass

Bin 42 Prosecco Spumante, Botter, Italy

Bin 43 Prosecco Rosé, Brilla, Italy

White Wine by the Glass

Bin 1 Sauvignon Blanc, Santa Ema, Chile

Bin 2 Pinot Grigio, Ca'Lunghetta, Italy

Bin 8 Chardonnay D O Valle Central, Chile

Bin 9 Sauvignon Blanc, Green Lip, NZ

Bin 11 Chenin Blanc, De Waal, South Africa

Bin 12 Albariño Caractere Unique. France

Bin 18 Sauvignon Blanc The Fishwives Club, S A

Rosé Wine by the Glass

Bin 19 Zinfandel Rosé, Black Rock, USA

Bin 21 Pinotage Rose The Fishwives Club S A

Red Wine by the Glass

Bin 22 Merlot The Fishwives Club, South Africa

Bin 23 Cabernet Sauvignon, (Vegan) Valdemoro, Chile

Bin 26 Shiraz, Franschhoek Cellar, South Africa

Bin 28 Merlot Resere, Santa Ema, Chile

Bin 29 Malbec, Goyenechea, Argentina

Bin 40 Rioja Reserva, Bodegas Beronia, Spain

Dessert Wine by the Glass

Bin 41 Muscat de St Jean de Minervois, France

Sparkling Wine

Bin 42 Prosecco Spumante, Botter, Italy (Vegan)

Bin 43 Prosecco Rosé, Brilla, Italy (Vegan)