

ROCKPOOL BAR & GRILL HOUSE RULES

Best manners and temperance are always expected.

Don't look fiercely at people, or talk loudly or harshly, but cultivate a smiling countenance and a quiet, but firm tone of speech.

Gentlemen don't approach ladies; and if you are so lucky to have one approach you, endear her as you would your mother.

No hooting, no hollering.

Don't bring yourself into prominence before a crowd at the bar. Be polite and approachable but let them advance to you.

Gentlemen don't interrupt or join any conversation, but if it is general, you may seem interested.

Leave your attitude, with your hat at the door.

Back slapping after six drinks should be tempered with mercy.

Remember, nothing is on the house but the roof.

And before you ask....

There are 2682 Riedel Riesling glasses in our chandelier; yes, it is purely ornamental; yes, we clean it regularly, (using a ladder- the old fashioned way!); and no, Sydney is not on an active geological fault line and thus you are not at risk whilst sitting at the bar....

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We are still heartily of the opinion that decent libation supports as many million lives as it threatens; donates pleasure and sparkle to more lives than it shadows; inspires more brilliance in the world of art, music, letters, and common ordinary intelligent conversation, than it dims.

— *Charles H. Baker Jr., Culinary and Cocktail Commentator, 1895-1987*

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10% discretionary service charge applies to all groups of 6+.

10% surcharge applies on Sundays.

15% surcharge applies on all public holidays.

DRINKS IN THE NAME OF TEMPERANCE

Non-alcoholic beverages for whenever the stoic urge to abstain takes a hold of you...

BICICLETTA \$18

lyre's orange sec, lyre's Italian orange, blood orange soda

ROSELLA NOGRONI \$18

lyre's dry, lyre's aperitivo rosso, lyre's italian orange, rosella

LOWER EAST SIDE FIZZ \$18

lyre's london dry, mint, lime, soda

MULE \$18

lyre's london dry, lime, ginger, soda

NUTTY SOUR \$18

lyre's amaretti, lemon, sugar, egg white

REFINED CLASSICS

The part of the menu that is constantly changing and some old favourites that have stood the test of time. A diverse selection of cocktails based on seasonal ingredients. Look inside to view a horoscope of gaiety, joy, revelry, carousing and happy madness.

CHAMPAGNE MARTINI	\$29
<i>vodka, champagne, mirabelle, coffee</i>	
VODKA SONIC #2	\$29
<i>vodka, rhubarb, mirabelle, koji, bubbles</i>	
CHIPOTLE MARGARITA	\$29
<i>chipotle, peat, tequila, lime, chilly liquor</i>	
PENDENNIS HIGHBALL	\$29
<i>gin, lime, apricot, peychaud's bitters, bubbles</i>	
GOLDEN TICKET	\$29
<i>tequila, rum, dulce de leche, coffee, almond, banane</i>	
HUNTER'S CLUB	\$29
<i>gin, sherry, vanilla, lemon, raspberry, bubbles</i>	
PEARBALL	\$29
<i>fortified wines, chardonnay, vanilla, pear, bubbles</i>	
SYDNEY VICE	\$29
<i>dark rum, light rum, pineapple, strawberry, coconut</i>	

FORGOTTEN CLASSICS

The bartender's pick for a true classic that stood the test of time.

DAIQUIRI	\$29
<i>rum mix, lime, sugar</i>	
MEZCAL ROSITA	\$29
<i>espadin mezcal, vermouth mix, campari</i>	
FRANK'S MANHATTAN	\$29
<i>bourbon, sweet vermouth, maraschino, angostura</i>	
DEATH IN THE AFTERNOON	\$32
<i>champagne, absinthe, sugar</i>	
DELICIOUS SOUR	\$29
<i>calvados, peach, lemon, sugar, egg white</i>	
TORONTO	\$29
<i>rye whiskey, fernet branca, maple</i>	
PENICILLIN	\$29
<i>scotch, lemon, ginger, peat</i>	
ARSENIC & OLD LACE	\$29
<i>gin, cocchi americano, violet, absinthe</i>	
PENDENNIS CLUB	\$29
<i>gin, apricot, lime, peaychaud's bitters</i>	

WINES BY THE GLASS

CHAMPAGNE/SPARKLING		120ML
2019	Chandon 'Rockpool 'RPBG' Cuvée' Brut, Yarra Valley, Vic	21
NV	Billecart-Salmon, Vallée de la Marne, Champagne, Fr	37
NV	Laherte Frères, Blanc de Blancs, Brut Nature, Champagne, Fr	41
MV	Henri Giraud 'MV18' Aÿ, Champagne, Fr	86
2013	Dom Pérignon, Vallée de la Marne, Champagne, Fr	90
NV	Ruinart, Brut Rosé, Montagne de Reims, Champagne Fr	58
WHITE		150ML
2023	Riesling, Singlefile, Great Southern, Western Australia, Aus	22
2023	Gruner Veltliner, Sinapius 'Clos Planted', Tasmania, Aus	21
2022	Sauvignon Blanc, Pascal Reverdy, Sancerre, Fr	32
2022	Vermentino, Jankara, Gallura 'Superiore' Sardinia, It	27
2022	Pinot Gris, Jean-Luc Mader, Alsace, Fr	25
2021	Chardonnay, Woodlands 'Brook Vineyard' Margaret River, WA	29
2020	Chardonnay, Domaine William Fèvre, Chablis, Fr	32
WHITE – PREMIUM SOMMELIER SELECTION		150ML/375ML
2011	Semillon, Brokenwood 'ILR' Hunter Valley, Aus	52/130
2020	Riesling, Karthäuserhof 'Karthäuserhofberg' Spätlese, Ger	46/115
2014	Viognier Blend, Tablas Creek, Paso Robles, USA	36/90
2017	Chenin Blanc, Domaine de Bellivière 'Prémices' Jasnières, Fr	43/108
2020	Chardonnay, Leeuwin Estate, Margaret River, WA	88/220
2021	Chardonnay, Bachelet-Monnot, Chassagne-Montrachet, Fr	91/228
ROSÉ		150ML
2023	Chateau d'Esclans 'Whispering Angels' Provence, Fr	26

WINES BY THE GLASS

RED	150ML
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2021 Pinot Noir, Seville Estate, Yarra Valley, Aus	29
2023 Cabernet Franc, Murdoch Hill 'Vis à Vis' Adelaide Hills, Aus	24
2022 Barbera, D.Fletcher 'Cantina della Stazione' Barbera d'Alba, It	29
2018 Tempranillo Blend, Cune 'Reserva' Rioja, Sp	33
2019 Cabernet Sauvignon, EVOI, Margaret River, Aus	24
2018 Malbec, Bodega Catena Zapata 'Angelica', Mendoza, Arg	32
2017 Shiraz, Yalumba 'RPBG' Barossa Valley, Aus	31

RED - PREMIUM SOMMELIER SELECTION	150ML/375ML
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2021 Pinot Noir, Bass Phillip 'Estate' Gippsland, Aus	59/148
2021 Pinot Noir, Domaine Rossignol Fevrier 'Clos la Cave' Volnay	79/198
2021 Nebbiolo, A.Gaja 'Sito Moresco' Langhe, Piedmont, It	73/183
2020 Syrah Blend, Domaine Billon 'Les Elotins' Côte Rôtie, Fr	69/173
2019 Grenache Blend, Domaine Santa Duc, Gigondas, Fr	76/190
2018 Sangiovese, Castello Romitorio, Brunello di Montalcino, It	56/140
2010 Cabernet Sauv., Parker Estate 'First Growth, Coonawarra, Aus	88/220
2004 Cabernet Blend, Château Sociando-Mallet, Haut-Médoc, Fr	95/238
2017 Shiraz, Yalumba 'Octavius' Barossa Valley, SA	3L 69/173

INTRODUCING OUR SPIRIT SELECTION

We search high and low for our spirit selection, so that our guests may experience something new and interesting every time they visit our bar. We trawl auction houses, wine merchants and the internet in quest of rare and specialty spirits from around the world.

Our selection will be an ever changing being, as we strive to keep it fresh and up to date, whilst always challenging your palates to try something new.

We hope that you enjoy the fruits of our research...

VODKA

Vodka is perhaps the simplest of all spirits, made for hundreds of years throughout Eastern Europe. Vodka may be made from any source of starch, though it is most made from wheat or rye – which is malted and mashed, then left to ferment. The ferment is then run through a still several times, to higher and higher strengths of alcohol, evaporating all impurities (otherwise known as congeners) until it reaches a sufficient purity. It is then filtered and watered down to around 40% alcohol, ready to be mixed with anything and everything.

30ML

Grey Goose (grain, wheat), France

\$19

Belvedere (rye), Poland

\$19

Haku (rice), Japan

\$19

GIN

Derived from the Dutch spirit Genever, this famous incarnation made its way across the English Channel to ravage 1700s London. Gin is made by infusing a grain alcohol with "botanicals" such as juniper, citrus peels and various other flavourings and re-distilling by various means. While juniper is the predominant flavouring, each brand has their own special recipe using all sorts of other botanicals.

The London Dry style is a crisp, citrus and juniper-lead gin. Distilled gin, a relatively new category, often introduces interesting aromatics to their makeup, such as fresh grapefruit zest, cucumber and rose petal.

LONDON DRY	30ML
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Bulldog, Warrington, England	\$16
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Tanqueray, Cameron Bridge, Scotland	\$16
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Sipsmith, London, England	\$16
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CRAFTED	30ML
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Tanqueray No 10, Cameron Bridge, Scotland	\$17
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Hendrick's, Ayrshire, Scotland	\$17
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Monkey 47, Germany	\$17
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Ki No Bi Dry, Kyoto, Japan	\$19
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GIN

SLOE 30ML

Hayman's Sloe, England \$18

AUSTRALIAN 30ML

Rainfall Distillery "Rockpool Gin", Peerabeelup, WA \$17

Archie Rose Dry, Sydney, NSW \$16

Four Pillars Olive Leaf, Yarra, VIC \$18

Four Pillars Bloody Shiraz, Yarra, VIC \$18

Four Pillars Rare Dry, Yarra, VIC \$18

Never Never Juniper Freak, McLaren Vale, SA \$18

Never Never Oyster Shell Gin, McLaren Vale, SA \$18

Never Never Triple Juniper, McLaren Vale, SA \$18

WHISKY & WHISKEY

SINGLE MALTS

A single malt whisky is one that is produced only from malted barley at one single distillery. Since The Glenlivet released the first legal single malt in 1824, the category has developed a cachet of elegance and complexity that has never wavered. The great beauty of malt whisky lies in the fact that there are so many different styles and flavour characteristics within the category. We've searched high and low to bring you a unique and evolving whisky collection.

EXCLUSIVE AND RARE WHISKYS

30ML/45ML MEMBERS

Through our partnership with the Scotch Malt Whisky Society, we are happy to offer a selection of rare and exclusive single malts: single barrel, non-chill filtered, cask strength, from some of Scotland's finest producers. Our knowledgeable staff can help decipher the whimsical names and explain the origins of these high quality tipples.

53.333 Caol Ila, 29 y.o., Islay <i>'BANDAGES ON A MERMAID'S FLIPPER'</i>	\$198
18.36 Inchgower, 13 y.o., Highland <i>'DEPTH OF FLAVOUR'</i>	\$39
44.141 Craigellachie, 14 y.o., Speyside <i>'HEART-WARMING!'</i>	\$40
31.37 Isle of Jura, 30 y.o., Isle of Jura <i>'FLIES' CEMETERIES AND OLD SEA CHESTS'</i>	\$132

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SCOTCH WHISKY

ISLAY AND THE ISLANDS

30ml

The most distinctive and complex whiskies of all are those that hail from Islay, an island located just off the west coast of the mainland. They are known for their strong peatiness, backed up by coastal influences such as sea air, iodine and seaweed. All along and up the coast the harsh environs take hold of the whiskies, from Arran to Orkney, creating robust, warming drams, perfect for the hip flask on that trek to the end of the Loch.

Cao Ila 11 y.o, Artist Collection “Sherry Cask”, Port Askaig	\$48
Ardbeg 19 y.o. “Traigh Bhan”, Islay, Port Ellen	\$80
Lagavulin 16 y.o., Islay,	\$26
Lagavulin 26 y.o., Islay	\$435
Laphroaig 10 y.o., Islay, Port Ellen	\$19
Laphroaig 17 y.o., Islay, “Francis Mallman Edition”, Port Ellen	\$90
Laphroaig 25 y.o., Islay, Port Ellen	\$143
Bruichladdich 10 y.o., Islay, Port Charlotte	\$23
Bruichladdich Port Charlotte 10 y.o., Islay, Port Charlotte	\$25
Bruichladdich 24 y.o, “Black Art”, Islay, Port Charlotte	\$85

Port Ellen 35 y.o., Islay, Port Ellen (Extremely Rare) \$483

For the 17 years before its closure in 1983 Port Ellen created some of the best made whisky in all of Scotland. The 14th release of this fabled malt exhibits toasted nut quality and exceptionally balanced oak and warm peat. Rare and delicious.

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HIGHLANDS AND SPEYSIDE

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These are epitomised by those from its famous sub region known as Speyside, which has the highest concentration of malt distilleries; over half of those throughout Scotland in fact. Because they cover such a wide region, the styles vary greatly, but quite often they tend to be light to medium bodied, showing grassy and floral notes, dried fruit and heather honey, backed up by tones of orchard fruits and spice.

Glendronach 12 y.o., “Original”, Highland, Fergie	\$23
Glendronach 18 y.o., “Allardice”, Highland, Fergie	\$40
Glendronach 21 y.o., “Parliament”, Highland, Fergie	\$50
Glendronach 1992 25 y.o., “Ex Sherry-But ” Highland, Fergie	\$112
Glendronach 1993 25 y.o., “Sherry Cask ”, Highland, Fergie	\$123
Glendronach 1994 28 y.o., “Oloroso Puncheon”, Highland, Fergie	\$155
GlenAllachie 12 y.o., Speyside, Aberlour	\$21
Glenfarclas 15 y.o., Speyside, Ballindalloch	\$30
Macallan 12 y.o., “Sherry Cask”, Speyside, Craigellachie	\$26
Macallan 12 y.o., “Double Cask”, Speyside, Craigellachie	\$26
Macallan 15 y.o., “Double Cask”, Speyside, Craigellachie	\$49
Macallan 18 y.o., “Double Cask”, Speyside, Craigellachie	\$98
Macallan 18 y.o., “Sherry Cask”, Speyside, Craigellachie	\$103
Macallan, “Classic Cut”, Speyside, Craigellachie	\$43
BenRiach 1988 30 y.o., “Tokaji Cask”, Speyside, Elgin	\$145
Cragganmore 29 y.o., “Adelphi”, Ballindalloch	\$66
Balvenie 14 y.o., “Caribbean Cask”, Speyside, Dufftown	\$26
Balvenie 12 y.o., “Double Cask”, Speyside, Dufftown	\$24

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HIGHLANDS AND SPEYSIDE 30ML

Glenmorangie 18 y.o., Highland, Ross-Shire	\$ 54
Glenmorangie 1997 23 y.o., “ <i>Grand Vintage</i> ”, Highland, Ross-Shire	\$1 50
Glenmorangie, “ <i>Signet</i> ”, Highland, Ross-Shire	\$67
Glenmorangie, “ <i>Spios</i> ”, Highland, Ross-Shire	\$25

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BLENDED SCOTCH WHISKY 30ML

Blends are made exactly as the name suggests. They are a blend of lighter, grain whiskies and any number of different single malts, to form a satisfying and individual whole that is more easily enjoyed by a wider demographic.

Johnnie Walker 12 y.o., <i>Black Label</i>	\$ 19
Johnnie Walker, <i>Blue Label</i>	\$55
The John Walker	\$329
The Last Drop, Vintage Blend 1971	\$390

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BOURBON

30ml

Bourbon takes its name from Bourbon County, Kentucky, once the major transshipment site for distilled spirits heading down the Ohio and Mississippi rivers to New Orleans. Barrels shipped from its ports were stamped with the county's name, and Bourbon and whiskey soon became synonymous. A Congressional proclamation issued in 1964 declared Bourbon an 'All American product', whereby strict laws governing its production came into force. 51 percent of the grain used in making the whiskey must be corn; must be aged for a minimum of two years in new charred oak barrels and nothing can be added at bottling except spring water. Though technically bourbon can be made anywhere, Kentucky is the only state allowed to put its name on the bottle.

Wild Turkey Master's Keep, "Voyage", Lawrenceburg	\$67
Russel Reserve 10 y.o., Lawrenceburg	\$23
Colonel E.H Taylor, "Small Batch ", Frankfort	\$29
Eagles Rare 10 y.o., Frankfort	\$25
Eagles Rare 17 y.o., Frankfort	\$67
Weller, "Special Reserve", Frankfort	\$19
Weller, "Full Proof", Frankfort	\$54
Weller 12 y.o., Frankfort	\$46
Weller, "CYPB", Frankfort	\$60
William Larue Weller, "Uncut 124.8 proof", Frankfort	\$77
Stagg Jr. Straight Bourbon, Frankfort	\$45
George T Stagg, "Uncut 138.8 proof", Frankfort	\$72
Old Rip Van Winkle 10 y.o., Frankfort	\$72
Van Winkle Special Reserve 12 y.o., "Lot B", Frankfort	\$83
Pappy Van Winkle 15 y.o., "Family reserve", Frankfort	\$155
Pappy Van Winkle 23 y.o., "Family reserve", Frankfort	\$290

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BOURBON	30ml
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Michter's US*1, Louisville	\$20
Michter's Bourbon 10 y.o., Louisville	\$42
Michter's 20 y.o., Louisville	\$131
Woodford Double Oaked, "Rockpool Batch", Versailles	\$25
Rock Hill Farms, "Single Barrel", Frankfort	\$31

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RYE WHISKEY	30ml
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In the United States, "rye whiskey" is, by law, made from a mash of at least 51% rye. (The other ingredients of the mash are usually corn and malted barley.) Rye whiskey was the prevalent whiskey of the North-Eastern States, especially Pennsylvania and Maryland, but largely disappeared after Prohibition. One to have withstood the post-prohibition years is the mercurial Rittenhouse, whilst New York based Tuthilltown Spirits is the first newcomer to this category since the 21st Amendment took effect in 1933.

Russel Reserve 6 y.o, Lawrenceburg	\$23
Sazerac, Frankfort	\$19
Sazerac 18 y.o., Frankfort	\$70
Michter's US*1, Louisville	\$20
Michter's Sour Mash, Louisville	\$22
Michter's Rye 10 y.o., Louisville	\$42
Van Winkle Family Reserve Rye 13 y.o., Frankfort	\$77
Thomas Handy Rye, "Uncut 130.9 proof", Frankfort	\$88

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TENNESSEE

30ML

Tennessee whiskies such as Jack Daniel's are produced in exactly the same way, except that they are filtered through maple charcoal prior to bottling.

Jack Daniel's Single Barrel, Lynchburg

\$19

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WORLD WHISKEY

It shouldn't come as a surprise that countries other than Scotland have been making brilliant whiskey for several decades. Whether you like the tradition and pride of Irish whiskey or the analytical approach taken by the Japanese in order to mimic the Scottish styles or our very own world class Australian malts, we have collected our favourites and added a few odd balls from across the continents.

IRISH WHISKEY

30ML

From just across the water comes a completely different dram all together: The Irish Pure Pot Still. Made in just a handful of distilleries these days, the Irish were responsible for one of the liquor industry's greatest breakthroughs: Continuous Distillation. This meant that a spirit could be produced faster, in higher volumes and with greater purity than its counterparts to the east. The result is a lighter, malty, smooth and at times honeyed spirit.

Jameson Black Barrel, Cork

\$19

Redbreast 12 y.o., Cork

\$20

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CANADIAN WHISKY

30ml

Canadian distillers make predominantly rye based whiskies also. The distillers can also age their whiskies in sherry or assorted fruit wine casks to bolster their particular flavour profile. The resultant spirit is smooth with a lighter body than the spicy, complex straight American rye style.

Canadian Club 12 y.o., Ontario

\$19

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AUSTRALIAN WHISKY

30ML

Australian distillers are making quite an impression on the global stage, producing spirit to rival some of the world's finest producers. None more so than whisky makers from places like Sullivans Cove, Belgrove, Lark, Overeem, and Nant.

Lark, "Classic Cask", Tasmania

\$33

Lark, "Dark Lark", Tasmania

\$45

Starward "Nova" Red Wine Cask, 41%, Melbourne

\$19

Starward "Solera" Apera Wine Barrels, 43%, Melbourne

\$21

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JAPANESE WHISKY	30ML
Kurayoshi 12 y.o., Kurayoshi	\$49
Hakushu 12 y.o., Toribara	\$70
Hakushu 18 y.o. Peated, "100th Anniversary", Toribara	\$450
Hakushu, "Distiller's Reserve", Toribara	\$34
Yamazaki 12 y.o., Shimamoto	\$70
Yamazaki 18 y.o. Mizunara, "100th Anniversary", Shimamoto	\$450
Hibiki Harmony, Shimamoto	\$34
Nikka Miyagikio, Miya	\$33
Nikka Yoichi, Yoichi	\$37
Nikka Taketsururu, Yoichi	\$32
Nikka Yoichi, "Apple Brandy Cask Finish", Yoichi	\$54
Togouchi 15 y.o., Hatsukaichi,	\$45
Ichiro's Malt & Grain, Chichibu	\$29
Ichiro's Chichibu "Peated", Chichibu	\$66
Ichiro's Pure Malt "MWR", Chichibu	\$52

Ichiro's Malt & Grain Ltd. Edition Japanese Blended Whisky #332
\$435

This incredible 2019 release whisky just won best limited release at the World Whiskies Awards. One of only three bottles to land in Australia. Bottled at 48.5%, this super-rare release will only increase in value. "Flavourful and harmonious.

Well-balanced with baking spices, persimmon tannin, white pepper and fresh ginger. Ends with milk chocolate and barley sugar".

RUM/RON/RHUM

Even though the Caribbean is undoubtedly the spiritual and cultural home of rum, the category has no appellation and can therefore be made anywhere that sugar cane is grown. Molasses– the fermentable by-product of sugar production, is believed to have first been discovered by the slaves who worked the cane fields of the Caribbean soon after Columbus brought the first cuttings of the grass to Hispaniola, present day Haiti, in the late 15th century.

RUM/RON SPANISH STYLES 30ML

Diplomatico “Reserva Exclusiva”, Venezuela \$21

RUM/RON NICARAGUA 30ML

Flor de Caña 18 y.o., Chichigalpa \$23

Flor de Caña 25 y.o., Chichigalpa \$48

Flor de Caña “V Generaciones” 30 y.o., Chichigalpa \$292

This single barrel 30 year-old rum which was distilled in 1988 is the oldest rum from Flor de Caña to date. Matured in ex-bourbon, it is bottled at 80 proof. The name of the rum pays homage to the five generations of the Pellas family who have overseen the brand since its inception in 1890. There were only 411 bottles of V Generaciones produced, and we are lucky enough to have two of the few that made it to Australia. The bottle is topped with actual volcanic stone from San Cristóbal, the highest volcano in Nicaragua. Deep notes of tropical fruit and cocoa on the nose, with swirls of burnt brown sugar, cherry and orange on the palate.

RUM/RON/RHUM

RUM CARRIBEAN STYLES	30ML
Gosling's <i>Black Seal</i> , Bermuda	\$16
Appleton Estate " <i>Signature Blend</i> ", Jamaica	\$16
Appleton Estate 12 y.o. " <i>Rare Blend</i> ", Jamaica	\$25
Appleton Estate 21 y.o. " <i>Limited Edition</i> ", Jamaica	\$46
Clarendon, " <i>The Nectar of Daily Drams</i> ", Jamaica	\$25
Hampden 9 y.o., " <i>The Nectar of Daily Drams</i> " 15 th Anniv., Jamaica	\$30
Foursquare 14 y.o., " <i>Touchstone</i> ", Barbados	\$38
Foursquare 18 y.o., " <i>Covenant</i> ", Barbados	\$38
Plantation Three Stars, Barbados	\$16
Plantation Dark, " <i>Stiggins Fancy</i> ", Barbados	\$20
Plantation Fiji 2001, " <i>Rozelieures Fume</i> ", Barbados	\$32
Plantation Panama 2008, " <i>White Pineau Des Charentes</i> ", Barbados	\$26
Plantation Australia 2009, " <i>Palo Cortado</i> ", Barbados	\$29

TEQUILA

Tequila is made from the distilled juice of the blue agave. The heart of the plant, known as the piña, is the main source of the fermentable sugars necessary to make tequila. Tequila is categorised by the level of agave it contains and the amount of time it is aged, whereby 100% Blue Agave is regarded as the finest. Silver tequila, also known as Plata or Blanco, is generally aged for less than 3 months and bottled immediately. Those silver tequilas that are 100% agave show the true flavour components of the plant more than any other tequila category – peppery, spicy and perfect for cocktails. The aged varieties exhibit more complex spice and richer flavours; Reposado (meaning ‘rested’) and Añejo (meaning ‘aged’). Both take on more characters from barrelling and show tones of vanilla, caramel, nut and spice.

THE TEQUILA VALLEY

30ML

The area surrounding the town of Tequila features fertile dark brown earth. The tequila produced from distilleries that source Agave from this area tends to be earthy, vegetal and herbaceous when bottled young.

Fortaleza, Blanco	\$20
Fortaleza, Reposado	\$25
Fortaleza, Añejo	\$30
Clase Azul, Reposado	\$60

Clase Azul, Reposado “25th Aniversario – Limited Edition” \$149

A limited release reposado tequila to celebrate Clase Azul legacy. Part of the agave used to make this blend was milled using a traditional stone mill called a tahona, a practice that dates back to the origins of tequila

Clase Azul Añejo “Día de los Muertos” \$250

A limited release añejo tequila celebrating the famous Day of the Dead. The first of five instalments of this release, this incredible tequila is aged for 14 months in first fill bourbon barrels.

TEQUILA

THE TEQUILA VALLEY

30ML

Tapatio Excelencia, *Extra Añejo*

\$34

LOS ALTOS (THE HIGHLANDS)

30ML

The Los Altos region of Jalisco is typified by its red soil. This soil isn't known for being as fertile for other crops, but it does wonders for the Agave tequila. Consequently, the best agave comes from this area.

Don Julio 1942, *Extra Añejo*

\$55

Don Julio 1942 "*Ultima Reserva*"

\$110

Casamigos, *Reposado*

\$20

Patron Roca, *Silver*

\$26

Patron Roca, *Reposado*

\$26

Patron, *Extra Añejo*

\$30

Patron El Cielo, *Platinum*

\$32

Patron Piedra, *Extra Añejo*

\$120

Espolon, *Blanco*

\$16

Espolon, *Añejo*

\$24

Mezcal is also protected by an Appellation of Origin status (granted in 1995). It is produced in many regions of Mexico, most notably Oaxaca. Mezcal typically exhibit earthier, smokey profiles and develop richer agave flavour.

Del Maguey “ <i>Minero</i> ”, Oaxaca	\$26
Siete Misterios “ <i>Doba Yej</i> ”, Oaxaca	\$25
El Jolgorio “ <i>Jabali</i> ”, Oaxaca	\$55
El Jolgorio “ <i>Arroqueno</i> ”, Oaxaca	\$55
El Jolgorio “ <i>Tobaziche</i> ”, Oaxaca	\$55
Montelebos “ <i>Ensamble</i> ”, Oaxaca	\$23
Montelebos “ <i>Espadin</i> ”, Oaxaca	\$29
Quiriquiri “ <i>Mexicano</i> ”, Oaxaca	\$29
Clase Azul “ <i>Cenizo</i> ”, Durango	\$93

BRANDY

COGNAC

30ML

Cognac is the most famous and revered of all the world's brandies, produced under very strict guidelines in only six designated sub regions within the area of Cognac. The best ones hail from a small area in the centre of Cognac, known as Petite and Grande Champagne. However, each sub region of Cognac has its own recognisable style. Cognac is primarily made from the Ugni Blanc, Folle Blanche and Colombard grapes; it is double distilled in pot stills; and is aged in French 'Limousin' oak. The relative qualities of cognacs depend on the length of time they have been aged. Classifications range from VS (Very Superior), which may contain brandies as young as three years old. The next is VSOP (Very Superior Old Pale) where the youngest spirit has spent at least five years in wood. Cognacs with a minimum of six years in their blends may be called XO.

L'Or De Jean Martell

\$538

An exceptional cognac created from series of unique encounters. The precious union of Grande Champagne and Borderies is a blend of elegance, power and richness. Over 400 extremely rare eau-de-vie, some over a century old, come together in this prestigious cognac. Upon tasting, Cellar master Benoît Fil presents an unrivalled sensory experience. A melodious symphony of fresh citrus notes, bergamot, blackberry, plum, gingerbread, hazelnut and precious wood such as myrrh, with a long finish of dry spice echoing on for days.

Hine VSOP, Grande Champagne & Petit Champagne	\$17
Hine XO, Grande Champagne & Petit Champagne	\$54
Remy Martin XO, Grand Champagne	\$53
Hennessy XO, Grand Champagne	\$53
Martell XO, Grande Champagne & Borderies	\$51
Tesseron Lot No.53 XO Perfection, Grande Champagne	\$51
Tesseron Lot No.29 XO Exception, Grande Champagne	\$120
Bisquit & Dubouché XO, Grande Champagne	\$58

BRANDY

COGNAC

30ML

Hennessey *Paradis Rare*

\$237

Hennessey Paradis Rare Cognac is a blend of over 200 Eaux de Vie aged in Hennessy's cellars for up to a century. The cognacs are blended and allowed to age slowly in old oak casks, a process that gives Hennessy Paradis Cognac its rare, fine aroma and golden color.

Hennessey *Richard*

\$900

Blend of Hennessey's oldest eau de vie from the Paradis. On the nose there are hints of pepper, leather, vanilla, spices and floral scents. Persistent and harmonious to the end. One of the greats.

Remy Martin *Louis XIII*

\$435

A unique blend of up to 1,200 of the house of Remy Martin's rarest and oldest eaux-de-vie from Grande Champagne. The sheer luxury and intense flavours found in this bottle have been nurtured by many generations of cellar masters since 1874. Today, Cellar Master Baptiste Loiseau is setting aside the finest eaux-de-vie as a legacy for his successors over the coming century. Rich in aromas of Myrrh, Plum, Honey and Jasmine. A complex, warm, spicy and harmonious palate with an extremely long finish.

BRANDY

ARMAGNAC

3 OML

Armagnac hails from the Gascony region in south west France. There are three main areas of production within this region – Bas Armagnac, Tenareze and Haut Armagnac, of which the first is considered the best. Main differences between Armagnac and Cognac include: Cognac is largely made from the ugni blanc grape whereas the base wine of Armagnac is made from several local varieties; it is aged in a local black oak and not in limousin oak as Cognac is; the continuous still is used as opposed to the pot still; it is generally more fragrant, showing more biscuit and violet characters, while also being drier because it isn't adjusted with sugar like many cognacs.

Delord Frères Ténarèze Armagnac 1962	\$50
Delord Frères Ténarèze Armagnac 1966	\$45
Delord Frères Ténarèze Armagnac 1985	\$33
Château Laballe Bas Armagnac 1960	\$201

CALVADOS

3 OML

Calvados is a French brandy made from distilling apple cider. The Appellation Contrôlée is situated in Normandy, North West France, within which the Pays d'Auge is the principal region of production, along with the Domfront, whose Calvados distillate is also based on a minimum of 30% pear cider.

Avallen	\$19
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BRANDY

GRAPPA/MARC

3 OML

Grappa is the national brandy of Italy. It is distilled from the skins, pips, and stalks of grapes. Sometimes known as Pomace Brandy, young grappa is very fiery, but it mellows when matured in wood. The French also produce a pomace brandy, known as Marc. This method of brandy making spread throughout neighbouring Central Europe.

Grappa di Castellare, Tuscany, Italy	\$19
Grappa di Ben Rye, Sicily, Italy	\$21
Grappa di Ornellaia, Tuscany, Italy	\$30
Antinori <i>Tignanello</i> , Tuscany, Italy	\$25
Marc de Bourgogne 2000, Domaine de la Romanèe-Conti, France	\$85
Marc de Bourgogne 2001, Domaine de la Romanèe-Conti, France	\$79
Fine de Bourgogne 2000, Domaine de la Romanèe-Conti, France	\$108

PISCO

3 OML

Pisco is South American brandy but is probably more akin in flavour and body to white tequila and possibly Cachaça. Debate still rages as to whether its origins lie in Chile or Peru, its two main centres of production. Its etymology lies in the Quechuan Indian language of Peru and Bolivia, and from the traditional terracotta pots used for aging the spirit, also called Piscos. Made from aromatic varieties of muscat grapes, Peruvian Pisco stays as true to tradition as possible, nowadays aged in stainless steel vats, so that oak plays no part in the aging process, resulting in a clear clean and pungent spirit, perfect for mixing with a wide range of fruits and juices.

Barsol, Peru	\$16
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APERITIF WINES

Aperitif wines also belong in the aromatized category. They are produced in a similar fashion to vermouth, but most of them contain greater amounts of sugar and quinine and have distinctive flavours, each being a product unto itself.

Carpano, <i>Punt e Mes</i> , Italy	\$16
Cocchi Americano Bianco, Italy	\$16
Cocchi Americano Rosa, Italy	\$16
Cocchi Vermouth di Torino, Italy	\$16

APERITIF & DIGESTIF

DIGESTIF

A digestif is an alcoholic beverage designed to be drunk after a meal. The term digestif can be wide sweeping and generic, often overlapping the sections outlined in this menu, with common digestifs being Cognac, Grappa, Eau de Vie and even aged quality Rums and Tequila. Some liquors, however, are taken specifically for their calmative qualities, and their abilities to aid digestion after a meal. Often these contain higher levels of alcohol, and are quite herbaceous and often bitter/bitter-sweet, commonly referred to in Italy as Amari, and others have high levels of sugar, with a smooth, velvet-like mouth-feel.

AMARI (BITTERS)	3 OML
Amaro Averna, Italy	\$16
Amaro Montenegro, Italy	\$16
Amaro Nonino, Italy	\$19
Fernet Branca, Italy	\$16
Cynar, Italy	\$16

APERITIF & DIGESTIF

PASTIS

30ML

During the late 18th Century, absinthe was very much de rigueur amongst French bohemian society. Absinthe is a highly alcoholic beverage containing aniseed and wormwood, Artemisia Absinthium, a hallucinogenic herb that led to the downfall of Vincent Van Gogh, among many others. The volatile nature of absinthe was clearly illustrated by the fire at the Pernod factory in August 1905 that took four days to extinguish, one of the protagonists of the temperance movement leading to the ban of absinthe in 1915, a ban that lasted up until the 1990s in Australia.

In 1932, without the aniseed elixir to sate his needs, the industrious Paul Ricard created a new wormwood-free subspecies of liquor: Pastis. Most popular in the southern regions of France, in particular Marseilles, modern day pastis is predominantly flavoured with star anise, can often include cardamom, tarragon, liquorice root, and must contain at least 100g of sugar.

Pernod, France

\$15

Ricard, France

\$15

BEER SELECTION

Our beer selection, like our wines, spirits and cocktails, is a constantly evolving list, changing with the ebb and flow of the seasons and always striving to find great examples across all different styles. Keep an eye out for our regular specials: fantastic, obscure, and often limited-release beers at great prices.

ON TAP (390ml)

RESCHS LAGER	\$14
4.5% alc./vol.	

LAGER

ASAHI SUPER DRY	\$15
330ml, 5% alc./vol.	

ASAHI SOUKAI LIGHT	\$15
330ml, 3.5% alc./vol.	

SYDNEY BEER CO. LAGER	\$15
330ml, 4.5% alc./vol.	

BEER SELECTION

ALE

LORD NELSON THREE SHEETS \$15
375ml, 4.9% alc./vol.

CIDER

THE APPLE THIEF GRANNY SMITH APPLE CIDER \$15
375ml, 4.5% alc./vol.

NON-ALCOHOLIC

HEAPS NORMAL ANOTHER LAGER \$10
375ml, 0% alc./vol.

APPLE THIEF NON-ALC. CIDER \$12
375ml, 0% alc./vol.

WATER

Nordaq Fresh Mineral Water, Still or Sparkling \$10 pp

Eco-friendly, filtered water system from Sweden with a taste that actually enhances the true flavour of great food and fine wines.

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