#### 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 1990 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

We accept payments using all major credit cards (excluding UnionPay) and EFTPOS

Please note Amex, Visa and Mastercard credit and debit payments will incur a 1.8% processing fee, and all EFTPOS

card transactions will incur a 1.2%

A 10% surcharge applies on Sundays, and a 15% surcharge applies on all public holidays"

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

# DRINKS IN THE NAME OF TEMPERANCE

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

| COFFE ALMOND NOGRONI lyre's rosso vermouth, tomato, lemon tonic                       | \$18 |
|---|------|
| ROSELLA NOGRONI<br>lyre's dry, lyre's aperitivo rosso, lyre's italian orange, rosella | \$18 |
| T GIMLET lyre's dry, tomato   | \$18 |
| GINGER ELDERFLOWER COOLER lyre's london dry, ginger, mint, elderflower tonic          | \$18 |

## 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.

| HANKY FUNKY  | \$29 |
|--|------|
| gin, sweet vermouth, fernet, strawberry, pink pepper, rose hip     |      |
| GODFATHER N*2  | \$29 |
| whiskey, coffee, miso, pink pepper, almonds, mirabelle             |      |
| CHIPOTLE MARGARITA   | \$29 |
| chipotle, peat, tequila, lime, chilly liquor                       |      |
| DELICIOUS HIGHBALL   | \$29 |
| calvados, peach, apple, bubbles                                    |      |
| CAFÉ CURRY   | \$29 |
| tequila, rum, pisco, pineapple, curry, coffee, almond              |      |
| HUNTER'S CLUB  | \$29 |
| gin, sherry, vanilla, lemon, raspberry, bubbles                    |      |
| COSMORITA  | \$29 |
| tequila, curacao, raspberry, cocoa butter, lemon gelato, cramberry |      |
| SYDNEY VICE  | \$29 |
| dark rum, light rum, pineapple, strawberry, coconut                |      |
| - 20 SUMMER  | \$29 |
| tequila, gin, pineapple butter, miso, brine                        |      |

# FORGOTTEN CLASSICS

| The bartender's pick for a true classic that stood the test of time. |      |
|--|------|
| GIMLET gin, tomato, basil  | \$29 |
| FLAMINGO white rum, pineapple, lime, grenadine                       | \$29 |
| TOREADOR tequila, mezcal, apricot, lime                              | \$29 |
| DAIQUIRI rum mix, lime, sugar  | \$29 |
| MEZCAL ROSITA espadin mezcal, vermouth mix, campari                  | \$29 |
| FRANK'S MANHATTAN bourbon, sweet vermouth, maraschino, angostura     | \$29 |
| WIBBLE sloe gin, dry gin, lemon, blackberry                          | \$29 |
| RP APPLETINI vodka, calvados, apple, lime                            | \$29 |
| DELICIOUS SOUR calvados, peach, lemon, sugar, egg white              | \$29 |
| BETWEEN THE SHEETS white rum, cognac, dry curacao, lemon             | \$29 |
| - 20 SAZERAC<br>rye whiskey, cognac, sugar, bitters                  | \$29 |

# WHITE WINES BY THE GLASS

| CHAM  | MPAGNE/SPARKLING  | I 20ML   |
|-------|---|----------|
| 2018  | Chandon 'Brut', Yarra Valley, Australia                     | 23       |
| NV    | Louis Roederer '245' Montagne de Reims                      | 37       |
| MV    | Krug 'Grande 'Ed.171' Montagne de Reims                     | 95       |
| NV    | Charles Heidsieck 'Blanc de Blancs' Montagne de Reims       | 56       |
| NV    | Egly-Ouriet 'Vignes de Vrigny' Montagne de Reims            | 75       |
| 2019  | Laherte Fréres 'Les Grandes Crayères' Côteaux sud d'Epernay | 59       |
| NV    | Billecart-Salmon 'Brut Rosé' Vallée de la Marne             | 58       |
| CURA  | TED SELECTION   | I 50ML   |
| 2024  | Riesling, RPBG by Jim Barry, Clare Valley, SA, Aus          | 23       |
| 2023  | Albariño, Neudorf 'Rosie's Block' Nelson, NZ                | 23       |
| 2022  | Sauvignon Blanc, J.de Villebois, Sancerre, Loire Valley, Fr | 32       |
| 2022  | Melon de Bourgogne, Éric Chevalier, Muscadet, Loire, Fr     | 24       |
| 2023  | Pinot Gris, Jean-Luc Mader, Alsace, Fr                      | 26       |
| 202 I | Chardonnay, Woodlands 'Brook Vineyard' Margaret River, V    | VA 29    |
| 2021  | Chardonnay, Domaine William Fèvre, Chablis, Burgundy, Fr    | 32       |
| PREM: | IUM SOMMELIER SELECTION 150M                                | иL/375ML |
| 2023  | Greco di Tufo, Quintodecimo 'Giallo d'Arles' Campania, It   | 55/138   |
| 202 I | Chenin Blanc, Domaine Guiberteau 'Le Bourg' Saumur, Fr      | 55/138   |
| 2020  | Viognier, Hans Herzog, Marlborough, NZ                      | 45/113   |
| 2022  | Riesling, Karthäuserhof 'Karthäuserhofberg' Spätlese, Ger   | 46/115   |
| 2020  | Chardonnay, Passopisciaro 'Contrada PC' Etna, Sicily, It    | 57/143   |
| 2022  | Chardonnay, Cloudburst, Margaret River, Western Australia   | 88/220   |
| ROSÉ  |   | I 50ML   |
| 2024  | MMAD 'Blewitt Springs' McLaren Vale, South Australia, Aus   | 23       |

# RED WINES BY THE GLASS

| CURA | TED SELECTION   | 1 50ML   |
|------|---|----------|
| 2019 | Pinot Noir, Torch Bearer 'Ese' Coal River, Tasmania, Aus      | 29       |
| 2023 | Gamay, Domaine Daniel Bouland 'Morgon' Beaujolais, Fr         | 30       |
| 2023 | Cabernet Franc, Murdoch Hill 'Vis à Vis' Adelaide Hills, Aus  | 25       |
| 2022 | Grenache, Willunga 100 'Smart Vineyard' McLaren Vale, Aus     | 28       |
| 2021 | Barbera, Albino Rocca 'Gepin' Barbera d'Alba, Piedmont, It    | 32       |
| 2022 | Cabernet Sauvignon, EVOI, Margaret River, Aus                 | 25       |
| 2022 | Malbec, BenMarco, Valle de Uco, Mendoza, Arg                  | 26       |
| 2023 | Shiraz, John Duval 'RPBG' Barossa Valley, Aus                 | 32       |
| PREM | IUM SOMMELIER SELECTION 150M                                  | иL/375ML |
| 2021 | Pinot Noir, Bass Phillip 'Estate' Gippsland, Aus              | 59/148   |
| 2021 | Pinot Noir, Rossignol Février 'Clos la Cave' Volnay, Fr       | 79/198   |
| 2017 | Pinot Noir, Zena Crown 'Vista' Eola Amity Hills, Oregon       | 82/205   |
| 2022 | Nerello Mascalese, Terre Nere 'Bellacolonna' Etna, Sicily, It | 55/138   |
| 2019 | Nebbiolo, F. Pricipiano 'Serralunga d'Alba' Barolo, It        | 62/155   |
| 2016 | Sangiovese, Lungarotti 'Vigna Monticchio' Umbria, It          | 65/163   |
| 2021 | Tannat Blend, Bodega Bouza 'Monte Vide Eu' Uy                 | 68/170   |
| 2020 | Grenache Blend, Clos I Terrasses 'Laurel' Priorat, Spain      | 61/153   |
| 2015 | Cabernet Blend, Château Pédesclaux, Pauillac, Bordeaux, Fr    | 79/198   |
| 2012 | Cabernet Blend, Opus One, Oakville, Napa Valley, USA          | 390/975  |
| 2020 | Syrah Blend, Domaine Billon 'Les Elotins' Côte Rôtie, Fr      | 69/173   |
| 2017 | Shiraz, Penfold's 'St. Henri' SA-Multi Regional, Aus          | 83/208   |
| 2018 | Shiraz/Cabernet, Yalumba 'The Signature' Barossa Valley, Aus  | 69/173   |
|      |   |          |

Monthly selection of spirits curated by our Bar Team, small selection of limited and rare editions or products that deserve to be highlighted, personally chosen with our special suppliers.

# Willet Family Estate y.o Straight Rye, Bardstown, Kentucky \$35 54.5% alc./vol

Willett is a well-known name in the Whiskey business and stands for a long tradition of dealing in Kentucky Bourbon and even in producing it. Indeed - the Willett Distillery in Bardstown is a very new one and started production in 2012, after the old family-owned distillery had been closed in the 1980s.

# George T Stagg Kentucky Straight Bourbon, Frankfort, Kentucky \*76 \*Uncut 138.8 proof

George T. Stagg was born December 19, 1835, in Garrard County, Kentucky. In November 1861 he enlisted in the Union Army during the U. S. Civil War when he received a field commission to first lieutenant in January 1862 and a promotion to Captain a year later. Stagg & Taylor formed E.H. Taylor, Jr. & Co. with Stagg as the President. Together they built the most dominant American distillery of the 19th century, now known as Buffalo Trace Distillery.

# Balvenie 18 y.o., "Pineau de Charentes", Speyside, Dufftown \$85 47.9 alc./vol

Established in 1892 by William Grant in a converted 18th century mansion, The Balvenie Distillery is one of the great success stories of Scotch whisky. Today the distillery is owned by the fifth generation of William Grant's family, making William Grant & Sons one of the longest single-family ownerships in the world.

Having spent his younger years learning the trade at Mortlach Distillery, Grant dreamed of one day running his own distillery. Through endeavour and thrift, he saved sufficient money to realise his dream, and in 1886 Grant and his nine children laid the first stone of the Glenfiddich Distillery in his native Dufftown.

# Clarendon 2004 17 y.o, Lionel Town, Jamaica \$65 57.1% alc./vol

In 1949, the Clarendon distillery, in the south of the country, was created. In 1953, the Canadians of Seagram became owners of Long Pond. Its rums were then used in the composition of their Captain Morgan blend, created in 1944. In 1955, it was Innswood's turn (in the south-east) to come into operation.

## 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 | \$20 |
| Belvedere (rye), Poland           | \$20 |
| Haku (rice), Japan                | \$18 |

## **GIN**

LONDON DRY

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.

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|---|------|
| Bulldog, Warrington, England              | \$17 |
| Tanqueray, Cameron Bridge, Scotland       | \$17 |
| Sipsmith, London, England                 | \$17 |
|   |      |
| CRAFTED                                   | 30ML |
| Tanqueray No 10, Cameron Bridge, Scotland | \$17 |
| Hendrick's, Ayrshire, Scotland            | \$19 |
| Monkey 47, Black Forest, Germany          | \$18 |
| Roku, Toribara, Japan                     | \$20 |
|   |      |

30ML

# GIN

| SLOE   | 30ML |
|--|------|
| Hayman's Sloe, England                         | \$18 |
| AUSTRALIAN                                     | 30ML |
| Archie Rose Dry, Sydney, NSW                   | \$15 |
| Four Pillars Olive Leaf, Yarra, VIC            | \$19 |
| Four Pillars Bloody Shiraz, Yarra, VIC         | \$18 |
| Four Pillars Rare Dry, Yarra, VIC              | \$19 |
| Burly Cucumber Gin, Burleigh Heads, QLD        | \$20 |
| Never Never Oyster Shell Gin, McLaren Vale, SA | \$19 |
| Never Never Sothern Strength, McLaren Vale, SA | \$18 |
| Never Never Pink Pepper, McLaren Vale, SA      | \$19 |
| Never Never Triple Juniper, McLaren Vale, SA   | \$18 |

## 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

\$198

'BANDAGES ON A MERMAID'S FLIPPER'

31.37 Isle of Jura, 30 y.o., Isle of Jura 'FLIES' CEMETERIES AND OLD SEA CHESTS

\$132

#### 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 2013 9 y.o, Signatory Vintage "Sherry Cask", Port Askaig | \$60         |
|--|--------------|
| Cao Ila Sansibar 1997 18 y.o, "Oloroso Sherry Butt", Port Askaig | \$82         |
| Ardbeg 19 y.o. "Traigh Bhan", Islay, Port Ellen                  | \$84         |
| Lagavulin 16 y.o., Islay,  | \$24         |
| Lagavulin 26 y.o., Islay   | \$457        |
| Laphroaig 10 y.o., Islay, Port Ellen                             | \$19         |
| Laphroaig 25 y.o., Islay, Port Ellen                             | \$150        |
| Bruichladdich 10 y.o., Islay, Port Charlotte                     | \$23         |
| Bruichladdich Port Charlotte 10 y.o., Islay, Port Charlotte      | \$26         |
| Bruichladdich 24 y.o, "Black Art", Islay, Port Charlotte         | \$89         |
| Secret Islay 2010 11 y.o, "Port Barrique"                        | <b>\$4</b> 8 |
| Bowmore 18 y.o 2001, Signatory Vintage "Sherry Cask", Bowmore    | \$120        |
|  |              |
| Port Ellen 35 y.o., Islay, Port Ellen (Extremely Rare)           | \$507        |

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.

HIGHLANDS 30ML

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, Forgue                      | \$24  |
|--|-------|
| Glendronach 15 y.o., "Parliament", Highland, Forgue                    | \$53  |
| Glendronach 18 y.o., "Allardice", Highland, Forgue                     | \$42  |
| Glendronach 1992 25 y.o.,"Ex Sherry-But" Highland, Forgue              | \$118 |
| Glendronach 1993 25 y.o.," Sherry Cask ", Highland, Forgue             | \$129 |
| Glendronach 1994 28 y.o, "Oloroso Puncheon", Highland, Forgue          | \$158 |
| Glenmorangie 18 y.o., Highland, Ross-Shire                             | \$54  |
| Glenmorangie 1997 23 y.o.,"Grand Vintage", Highland, Ross-Shire        | \$150 |
| Glenmorangie 12 y.o., "Qvinta Ruban", Highland, Ross-Shire             | \$25  |
| SV 2010 Ardmore 12 y.o, "Oloroso Sherry Butt", Huntly                  | \$34  |
| SV 2014 Ben Nevis 8 y.o, "2nd fill Oloroso Sherry Butt", Fort Williams | \$34  |

| SPEYSIDE  | 30ML  |
|---|-------|
| 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    | \$51  |
| Macallan 18 y.o., "Double Cask", Speyside, Craigellachie    | \$103 |
| Macallan 18 y.o., "Sherry Cask", Speyside, Craigellachie    | \$108 |
| BenRiach 1988 30 y.o., "Tokaji Cask", Speyside, Elgin       | \$152 |
| Balvenie 18 y.o., "Pineau de Charentes", Speyside, Dufftown | \$85  |
| Balvenie 14 y.o., "Caribbean Cask", Speyside, Dufftown      | \$26  |
| Balvenie 12 y.o., "Double Cask", Speyside, Dufftown         | \$27  |
| Secret Speyside 1998, "Oloroso Sherry Butt"                 | \$55  |

## WHISKY & WHISKEY

## **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., Black Label | \$20  |
|-------------------------------------|-------|
| Johnnie Walker, Blue Label          | \$58  |
| The John Walker                     | \$345 |
| The Last Drop, Vintage Blend 1971   | \$410 |

BOURBON 30Ml

Bourbon takes its name from Bourbon County, Kentucky, once the major transhipment 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      | \$70  |
|--|-------|
| Russel Reserve 10 y.o, Lawrenceburg                    | \$24  |
| Colonel E.H Taylor,"Small Batch ", Frankfort           | \$29  |
| Eagles Rare 10 y.o., Frankfort                         | \$26  |
| Eagles Rare 17 y.o., Frankfort                         | \$70  |
| Weller, "Special Reserve", Frankfort                   | \$20  |
| Weller, "Full Proof", Frankfort                        | \$55  |
| Weller 12 y.o., Frankfort                              | \$47  |
| Weller, "CYPB", Frankfort                              | \$61  |
| William Larue Weller, "Uncut 124.8 proof", Frankfort   | \$81  |
| Stagg Jr. Straight Bourbon, Frankfort                  | \$47  |
| George T Stagg, "Uncut 138.8 proof", Frankfort         | \$70  |
| Old Rip Van Winkle 10 Y.o., Frankfort                  | \$74  |
| Van Winkle Special Reserve 12 y.o., "Lot B", Frankfort | \$87  |
| Pappy Van winkle 15 y.o., "Family reserve", Frankfort  | \$163 |
| Pappy Van Winkle 23 y.o., "Family reserve", Frankfort  | \$305 |
| Noha's Mill, " <i>Small Batch</i> ", Bardstown         | \$35  |

| BOURBON   | 30M]  |
|---|-------|
| Michter's US*1, Louisville                          | \$21  |
| Michter's Bourbon 10 y.o., Louisville               | \$44  |
| Michter's 20 y.o., Louisville                       | \$220 |
| Woodford Double Oaked, "Rockpool Batch", Versailles | \$23  |
| Rock Hill Farms, "Single Barrel", Frankfort         | \$32  |
| WHISKY & WHISKEY                                    |       |
| RYE WHISKEY   | 30Ml  |

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                 | \$22  |
|--|-------|
| Sazerac, Frankfort                                 | \$20  |
| Sazerac 18 y.o., Frankfort                         | \$74  |
| Michter's US*1, Louisville                         | \$21  |
| Michter's Sour Mash, Louisville                    | \$23  |
| Michter's Rye 10 y.o., Louisville                  | \$44  |
| Van Winkle Family Reserve Rye 13 y.o., Frankfort   | \$100 |
| Thomas Handy Rye, "Uncut 130.9 proof", Frankfort   | \$92  |
| Willet Family Estate 4 y.o Straight Rye, Bardstown | \$25  |
| Willet Family Estate 7 y.o Straight Rye, Bardstown | \$45  |

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

\$20

#### WHISKY & WHISKEY

## 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 \$20 Redbreast 12 y.o., Cork \$21 Redbreast, "Lustau Sherry Cask", Cork \$22

## 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

\$20

## WHISKY & WHISKEY

## **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                  | \$35 |
|---|------|
| Lark, "Dark Lark", Tasmania                     | \$47 |
| Starward "Nova Red Wine Cask", Melbourne        | \$19 |
| Starward "Solera Apera Wine Barrels", Melbourne | \$21 |
| Waubs Haurbour, "Founder's Reserve", Tazmania   | \$50 |
| Waubs Haurbour, "Port Storm", Tazmania          | \$47 |
| Waubs Haurbour, "Rum Cask", Tazmania            | \$50 |

| JAPANESE WHISKY   | 30ML  |
|---|-------|
|   |       |
| Hakushu 12 y.o., Toribara                                 | \$74  |
| Hakushu 18 y.o. Peated, "100th Anniversary", Toribara     | \$473 |
| Hakushu, " <i>Distiller's Reserve</i> ", Toribara         | \$36  |
| Yamazaki 12 y.o., Shimamoto                               | \$74  |
| Yamazaki 18 y.o. Mizunara, "100th Anniversary", Shimamoto | \$473 |
| Hibiki Harmony, Shimamoto                                 | \$36  |
| Nikka <i>Miyagikio</i> , Miya                             | \$35  |
| Nikka <i>Yoichi</i> , Yoichi                              | \$57  |
| Nikka <i>Taketsururu</i> , Yoichi                         | \$34  |
| Ichiro's Malt & Grain, Chichibu                           | \$30  |
| Ichiro's Chichibu "Peated", Chichibu                      | \$69  |
| Ichiro's Chichibu 2016, "Heavy Peated", Chichibu          | \$68  |
| Ichiro's Pure Malt "MWR", Chichibu                        | \$55  |

## Ichiro's Malt & Grain Ltd. Edition Japanese Blended Whisky #332 \$476

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                     | \$22  |
| Diplomatico "Ambassador", Venezuela                            | \$60  |
| Plantation Panama 2008, "White Pineau Des Charentes", Barbados | \$26  |
| Diamond 2001 21 y.o, Guyana                                    | \$45  |
|  |       |
| RUM/RON NICARAGUA  | 30ML  |
| Flor de Caña 25 y.o., Chichigalpa                              | \$50  |
| 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 CARRIBEAN STYLES

30ML

The profile of a typical Barbadian rum might include a sweet, fruity note with undercurrents of spices and a smooth, warm finish—a versatility that makes these rums excellent for both sipping neat and for use in cocktails. In Barbados, rum is more than just a product; it's a way of life.

| Foursquare 14 y.o., "Touchstone", Barbados                     | \$34 |
|--|------|
| Foursquare 18 y.o., "Covenant", Barbados                       | \$40 |
| Plantation Three Stars, Barbados                               | \$16 |
| Plantation Dark, "Stiggins Fancy", Barbados                    | \$24 |
| Plantation Fiji 2001, "Rozelieures Fume", Barbados             | \$34 |
| Plantation Panama 2008, "White Pineau Des Charentes", Barbados | \$26 |
| Plantation Australia 2009, "Palo Cortado", Barbados            | \$29 |

## **RUM JAMAICAN STYLES**

30ML

The style is known to be heavier, owing to the fact that there are more pot stills in Jamaica than any other Caribbean island. Pot-still rums tend to be heavy and robust with big-flavours and plenty of Caribbean 'funk', distinguishing them from rums typically found in Spanish-speaking islands.

| Long Pond 2001 21 y.o, Jamaica                     | \$71 |
|--|------|
| Clarendon 2004 17 y.o, Jamaica                     | \$65 |
| Clarendon 1997 26 y.o, Jamaica                     | \$92 |
| Appleton Estate "Signature Blend", Jamaica         | \$17 |
| Appleton Estate 12 y.o. "Rare Blend", Jamaica      | \$20 |
| Appleton Estate 21 y.o. "Limited Edition", Jamaica | \$50 |
| Hampden 9 y.o, "Jamaica                            | \$3  |
| Neisson Rhum Blanc 52, Martinique                  | \$2  |

## **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.

## EL VALLE (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, Tequila      | \$19 |
|---------------------------------|------|
| Fortaleza, Reposado, Tequila    | \$26 |
| Fortaleza, Añejo, Tequila       | \$32 |
| Clase Azul, Reposado, Tequila   | \$63 |
| G4, Reposado, Tequila           | \$25 |
| Arette Suave, Blanco, Tequila   | \$24 |
| Arette Suave, Reposado, Tequila | \$25 |
|                                 |      |

# Clase Azul, Reposado "25th Aniversario – Limited Edition" \$263

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"

\$263

A limited release anejo 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.

# 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, <i>Extra Añejo</i> , Jalisco       | \$58  |
|--|-------|
| Don Julio 1942 " <i>Ultima Reserva</i> ", Jallisco | \$116 |
| Casamigos, <i>Reposado</i> , Jallisco              | \$19  |
| Patron Roca, <i>Silver</i> , Jalisco               | \$28  |
| Patron Roca, <i>Reposado</i> , Jalisco             | \$27  |
| Patron Roca, <i>Añejo</i> , Jalisco                | \$30  |
| Patron, <i>Extra Añejo</i> , Jalisco               | \$30  |
| Patron Piedra, <i>Extra Añejo</i> , Jalisco        | \$120 |

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

| El Jolgorio " <i>Jabali</i> ", Santa Maria Zoquitlan      | \$58 |
|---|------|
| El Jolgorio " <i>Tobazishe</i> ", Lachigui                | \$58 |
| Montelobos "Espadin", Santiago Matatlan                   | \$24 |
| Derrumbes "Cenizo Durangesis",Durango                     | \$22 |
| Derrumbes "Espadin-Tobala", Santiago Matatlan             | \$24 |
| La Venenosa Raicilla <i>"Sierra del tigre"</i> , Jallisco | \$32 |
| La Venenosa Raicilla <i>"Costa del Sur"</i> , Jallisco    | \$29 |
| Mezcal Vago " <i>Madrecuishe</i> ", Miahuatlán            | \$30 |

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

\$565

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.

| Remy VSOP, Grande Champagne & Petit Champagne      | \$18  |
|--|-------|
| Hine XO, Grande Champagne & Petit Champagne        | \$48  |
| Remy Martin XO, Grand Champagne                    | \$56  |
| Hennessy XO, Grand Champagne                       | \$56  |
| Martell XO, Grande Champagne & Borderies           | \$56  |
| Tesseron Lot No.53 XO Perfection, Grande Champagne | \$54  |
| Tesseron Lot No.29 XO Exception, Grande Champagne  | \$126 |

COGNAC 30ML

## Hennessey Paradis Rare

\$249

Hennessy 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

\$945

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

\$457

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.

ARMAGNAC 30ML

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.

| Darroze 20 y.o. , Le Grands Assemblages, Bas Armagnac | \$30  |  |
|---|-------|--|
| Darroze 30 y.o , Le Grands Assemblages, Bas Armagnac  | \$35  |  |
| Delord Frêres Ténarèze Armagnac 1985                  | \$35  |  |
| Château Laballe. Bas Armagnac 1960                    | \$211 |  |

CALVADOS 30ML

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 \$20

GRAPPA/MARC 30ML

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.

| Nardini Grappa bianca, Veneto, italy                        | \$20  |
|---|-------|
| Nardini Grappa riserva 3 y.o, Veneto, Italy                 | \$21  |
| Grappa di <i>Gaia &amp; Rey</i> , Tuscany, Italy            | \$32  |
| Antinori di <i>Tignanello</i> , Tuscany, Italy              | \$26  |
| Marc de Bourgogne 2000, Domaine de la Romanèe-Conti, France | \$89  |
| Marc de Bourgogne 2001, Domaine de la Romanèe-Conti, France | \$83  |
| Fine de Bourgogne 2000, Domaine de la Romanèe-Conti, France | \$113 |

PISCO 30ML

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 \$15

#### 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, Punt e Mes, Italy       | \$16 |  |
|----------------------------------|------|--|
| Cocchi Americano Bianco, Italy   | \$17 |  |
| Cocchi Americano Rosa, Italy     | \$17 |  |
| Cocchi Vermouth di Torino, Italy | \$17 |  |

## **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/bittersweet, commonly referred to in Italy as Amari, and others have high levels of sugar, with a smooth, velvet-like mouth-feel.

| AMARI (BITTERS)         | 30ML |
|-------------------------|------|
| Amaro Averna, Italy     | \$17 |
| Amaro Montenegro, Italy | \$17 |
| Amaro Nonino, Italy     | \$20 |
| Fernet Branca, Italy    | \$17 |
| Cynar, Italy            | \$17 |

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 lead 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 | \$17 |
|----------------|------|
| Ricard, France | \$17 |

## 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 4.5% alc./vol.

## **LAGER**

| ASAHI SUPER DRY 330ml, 5% alc./vol.         | \$15 |
|---|------|
| ASAHI SOUKAI LIGHT<br>330ml, 3.5% alc./vol. | \$15 |
| SYDNEY BEER CO. LAGER 375ml, 4.5% alc./vol. | \$15 |

# BEER SELECTION

| ALE  |         |
|--|---------|
| LORD NELSON THREE SHEETS<br>375ml, 4.9% alc./vol.  | \$15    |
| BALTER XPA<br>375ml, 5% alc./vol.  | \$15    |
| CIDER  |         |
| THE APPLE THIEF GRANNY SMITH APPLE CIDER 375ml, 4.5% alc./vol.   | \$15    |
| NON-ALCOHOLIC  |         |
| HEAPS NORMAL ANOTHER LAGER<br>375ml, 0,5% alc./vol.  | \$10    |
| APPLE THIEF NON-ALC. CIDER   | \$12    |
| 375ml, 0% alc./vol.  |         |
| WATER  |         |
| Nordaq Fresh Mineral Water, Still or Sparkling   | \$11 pp |
| Eco-friendly, filtered water system from Sweden with a taste that actually enhances the true flavour of great food and fine wines. |         |



## SUPPER CLUB

## **SMALL PLATES**

A Plate of Olives 9

Mixed Nuts with Ancho and Chipotle 9

Rockpool Beef Jerky 9

Sydney Rock Oyster with Mignonette 8 each

50g White Sturgeon Caviar with Potato Crisps 270

## **EMPANADAS SERVED WITH PEBRE**

Wagyu Brisket 24

Corn and Cheese 24

#### TOASTIES

Triple Cheese with Chilli Jam 29

Rockpool Cheeseburger with Bacon and Dill Pickles 32

## **SIDES**

Hand Cut Chips with Brisket Gravy 16

Onion Rings with House made Ketchup 16

Radicchio, Cos and Endive Salad with Burnt Honey Vinaigrette 14

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