

## La Vieille Ferme Rose 2024

Tesco

La Vieille Ferme is a hugely successful French wine brand produced by the Famille Perrin (of Château de Beaucastel fame) in Southern Rhone valley. This beautifully bright rosé is fresh and aromatic with a delicate bouquet and plenty of red and citrus fruit flavours.

£8.50

12.5%

Cinsault, Grenache, Syrah

Decanter review

*A rosé with all the freshness of grapes sourced at 300m altitude in the Luberon and Ventoux. The original rosé in the Perrin range, this wine was made to represent Rhône rosé and shows real left-bank typicity, with longer finesse compared to the boldness and structure of the right bank. Back in the 1970s the colour was darker, but today the wine has a classic pale peach-pink hue with pretty red fruit aromas. On the palate there is zesty yellow citrus and pink grapefruit acidity, and it's saline, pithy and crunchy with some fine minerality, elegant red fruit and structure."*

## Love by Leoube 2023

Tesco

This is a quintessential, dry Provence rosé style. Pale pink and with attractive fruit flavours of strawberry and white peach, it has fine overall balance. Drink anytime as an aperitif, or to accompany Mediterranean food. It's no wonder this wine has won multiple gold and silver medals.

Made from the emblematic grape varieties of Provence: Cinsault, Grenache and Mourvèdre.

£16.50

12.5%

## White wines

**Hubert Brochard Sancerre 2023 (£20 Waitrose)** is a distinguished Sauvignon Blanc from France's Loire Valley, showcasing the region's renowned terroir. 13.5%

Appearance: Pale straw with vibrant green highlights.

Aroma (Nose): Expressive bouquet featuring citrus fruits, green apple, and subtle hints of freshly cut grass.

Palate (Taste): Vibrant flavors of grapefruit, lime, and subtle mineral notes, balanced by crisp acidity and a refreshing, lingering finish.

Winemaking: Crafted from several Sauvignon Blanc parcels across three primary Sancerre terroirs, the wine undergoes gravity pressing without destemming to preserve finesse. It is matured on lees for four months in various containers, including stainless steel vats, barrels, amphorae, and concrete vats, to express the diversity of the terroirs.

Food Pairings: This Sancerre pairs excellently with seafood dishes, salads, or can be enjoyed on its own. Serving it chilled to around 12°C enhances its refreshing qualities.

This wine exemplifies the expertise of Domaine Hubert Brochard in producing wines that reflect the nuances and richness of Sancerre's terroirs.

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**La Perrière Touraine Sauvignon Blanc 2023 (Waitrose £8.50)** is an elegant expression of Sauvignon Blanc from France's Loire Valley, offering a tasting experience reminiscent of a Sancerre. 13%

Appearance: Pale gold hue, indicative of its freshness and vibrancy.

Aroma (Nose): Powerful and elegant, combining floral notes with fruity aromas such as citrus and tropical fruits, alongside subtle hints of white flowers.

Palate (Taste): Lively and refreshing, featuring flavors of grapefruit and a hint of pineapple, balanced by a beautiful freshness and crisp acidity.

Winemaking: Produced by La Perrière, part of the Saget La Perrière family, this wine is crafted exclusively from Sauvignon Blanc grapes grown in the Touraine region. The area is known for its limestone, clay, and sandstone soils, which contribute to the wine's minerality.

Food Pairings: This Sauvignon Blanc pairs excellently with shellfish such as oysters or scallops, as well as salads, light appetizers like smoked salmon tartare or goat cheese crostini, and lightly spiced dishes such as grilled white fish with lemon cream sauce or grilled vegetables with balsamic glaze.

This wine exemplifies the quality and character of Touraine Sauvignon Blancs, offering a delightful tasting experience that reflects the region's terroir and winemaking expertise.

## **Cave de Tain Grand Classique Crozes-Hermitage 2020**

Waitrose

4.5 out of 5 stars

28 reviews

£17.25

13%

Syrah

France

Red Wine. Sustainably grown. From this renowned terroir in the Northern Rhône Valley, the Syrah grape offers a crisp, supple and fresh wine, exhaling red fruits with a spicy touch. Savory mouthfeel, medium-bodied. Cold cuts, sausages, red meat grilled or stews.

## **Grant Burge Shiraz 2023**

Waitrose

“A sweet fruit palate with good flesh and soft tannin”

4.5 out of 5 stars [27 reviews](#)

£6.99 from £9.99

14%

Shiraz

South Australia: Barossa Valley

Grant Burge’s expertise shows in this lovely juicy red that blends fruit from different sites to give aromas of ripe plums, liquorice, vanilla, damp earth and wood spice. It has plum and vanilla flavours and a long finish