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REGIONAL DISCOVERY RED COLLECTION

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“March brings us the ultimate treasure trove of wines taking you on an extraordinary sensory and culinary journey. From Napa Valley to Barossa Valley, discover the flavours of an endless summer with our new Regional Discovery Red Collection.”

George Samios, Cellardoor.co Wine Director

\$200

RRP \$345.94
SAVE 45%



BEAULIEU VINEYARD NAPA VALLEY MERLOT 2016

The Region: Napa Valley, USA

The Aromatics: Elegant dark aromas of black cherries, ripe plums, cherry compote and toasty brioche pastry envelop in the glass for a rich bouquet.

The Flavours: Plush textured flavours supported by the fresh acidity are heralded by hints of sweet spice, orange rind and wild sage backed up by a core of dark berry fruits.

The Longevity: Enjoy now

We love this wine with... Rigatoni with gorgonzola sauce

RRP \$35.99



PEPPERJACK RED BLEND 2018

The Region: Barossa, SA

The Aromatics: A magic medley of dark red cherries, cranberries and ripe raspberries sing on the bouquet enhanced by warm spices and hints of mocha.

The Flavours: The palate is rich and structured showing bright fruits with silky and plush tannins delivering length and finesse. The wine finishes soft but filled with flavour.

The Longevity: Enjoy now

We love this wine with... Mexican beef-cheek tortillas

RRP \$30.99



SALTRAM 1859 BAROSSA SHIRAZ 2018

The Region: Barossa Valley, SA

The Aromatics: The nose entices with fragrances of blood plums and fresh cherries complemented by hints of strawberries and pepper spices.

The Flavours: “Bright, precocious and unadulterated Barossa shiraz. Staining purple, blackberry, cassis and ripe plum, with a soft, saline texture and sapid fruit tannins.” 92 points, *Halliday Wine Companion*

The Longevity: Enjoy now or cellar up to 2021

We love this wine with... Slow-cooked lamb shanks in red wine sauce

RRP \$20.99



ST HUBERTS YARRA VALLEY CABERNET MERLOT 2016

The Region: Yarra Valley, VIC

The Aromatics: The nose is quite a complex offering of cassis, briary fruits, dark chocolate and cedar. Dark fruits from the Merlot are evident, with Cabernet providing a leafy background note.

The Flavours: “A flavourful, medium-bodied Cabernet blend drawing on the currant of the mainstay, the plumminess of the merlot and a potpourri of herb-soussed tannins, melded with coconut roughed oak...” 92 points, *Ned Goodwin*

The Longevity: Enjoy now or cellar up to 2023

We love this wine with... Eggplant parmigiana

RRP \$26.99



WOLF BLASS GOLD LABEL REGIONAL RESERVE BAROSSA SHIRAZ 2016

The Region: Barossa Valley, SA

The Aromatics: An intense and complex mix of blue fruits and dark red plums fill the glass with a hint of spice and delicate, well-integrated oak notes.

The Flavours: The blue fruits continue from the nose to deliver a rich, well-balanced palate with a plush mouthfeel, bright fruit flavours, and a long, even finish.

The Longevity:

We love this wine with... Spiced lamb kofta with beetroot hummus

RRP \$28.99



ABEL'S TEMPEST TASMANIA PINOT NOIR 2016

The Region: Tasmania

The Aromatics: Aromatics of cherries and redcurrants dance across the fresh and floral nose in complement with the background line of whole bunch spice.

The Flavours: This is a fruit-driven Pinot with flourishing cherry flavours balanced by subtle toasty oak and silky tannins giving way to a lengthy and satisfying finish.

The Longevity: Enjoy now

We love this wine with... Cheese and charcuterie platter

RRP \$32.99



SPOTLIGHT ON NAPA VALLEY

“No, if anyone orders Merlot, I’m leaving.” These famous words uttered in the 2004 film *Sideways* inadvertently caused sales decreases for a grape already in the Napa Valley shadows of its Bordeaux cousin Cabernet Sauvignon. But just one glass of the 2016 Beaulieu Vineyard Napa Valley Merlot 2016 in this collection makes you realise why the *Sideways* effect got it all very wrong.

Napa Valley first gained international wine notoriety when it beat out French red and white wines in blind tastings during the 1976 Judgment of Paris. But its wine legacy actually dates back to the mid-1800s where grapes flourishing in Napa’s Mediterranean climate are influenced by the fog that blankets vineyards throughout the valley in the summer. The region is home to some of America’s most coveted and collected wines with the most famous sub-regions being Rutherford, Oakville and Stags Leap.

Yes, Napa is best known for its diverse styles of complex, age-worthy Cabernet Sauvignon and rightly so – from the savoury, peppery and

smokey mountainous wines to the valley’s more opulent blackberry and mocha flavoured reds. But the fruit hailing from this stunning region nestled 40 miles inland and north of San Francisco means Napa is also a beacon for light Sauvignon Blanc, full-bodied Chardonnay, silky Pinot Noir and spicy Zinfandel too.

But back to Merlot. Great Napa wines can be as big as Cabernet when aged in American oak. But it’s the region’s signature soft, velvety tannins and notes of black cherry, blackcurrants, plum, dark chocolate, cedar, and espresso that make single varietal Merlot just magic. And we couldn’t think of a better red to take pride of place at your Easter table next month.

WE HOPE YOU ENJOY OUR REGIONAL DISCOVERY RED COLLECTION.



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