

NEWBURY TASTING SOCIETY

MYSTERY WINE EVENING 22 June 2018

There are 4 white and 4 red wines to identify, numbered 1 to 8. Tasting notes are provided in the following list, labelled A to K (no I). All you have to do is identify which wine is which, and write your answers on the separate form. Please note that there are a few extra wines described which we do not have this evening.

| | Name | Region | Grapes | Year | ABV | Notes |
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| A | Peter & Ulrich Dry Riesling | Mosel, Germany | Riesling | 2017 | 12 | This wine is crisp and elegant with notes of ripe apple, peach and apricot. A perfect balance between rich fruit flavours and refreshing acidity with just a hint of minerality on the finish. |
| B | Errazuriz Wild Ferment Chardonnay 2016 Casablanca Valley | Casablanca Valley, Chile | Chardonnay | 2016 | 13 | Naturally occurring yeast in the grape skins are used instead of cultivated yeasts. This wine is unbelievably well balanced, with subtle tropical stone fruit in the form of apricot and peach mingling with subtle oak characters and a rich creaminess. |
| C | The Ned Sauvignon Blanc | Marlborough, New Zealand | Sauvignon Blanc | 2017 | 13 | This is a single vineyard Sauvignon, zesty and fruity with a brilliant smoky herbal twist, this delicious fresh white has characteristic lime and gooseberry flavours. |
| D | Pinot Grigio Superiore | Veneto, Italy | Pinot Grigio | 2017 | 12.5 | A vibrant Pinot Grigio that offers much more character and class than some. Showing citrus fruit flavours and subtle floral aromas. Good acidity helps create a clean, refreshing wine. |
| E | Chateau Tour Bayard | Montagne St Emilion, France | Malbec, Merlot, Cabernet Franc | 2014 | 14 | This is a smooth and powerful wine with big flavours of blackcurrant, liquorice and sweet spices, a forward nose with kirsch, orange zest and blueberry notes. The palate is medium-bodied with fine tannin and well-judged acidity and fine mineralité. |
| F | Wakefield Estate Shiraz Clare Valley | Clare Valley, Australia | Shiraz | 2016 | 14 | The nose shows classic aromas of stewed plum, blackberry and violets and the palate is inviting, filled with ground coffee, vanilla and clove characters mingling with ripe blackcurrant fruit. |
| G | Nero Oro Appassimento | Sicily, Italy | Nero d'Avola | 2016 | 13.5 | Fragrant dried cherry and violet aromas lead into an intense, ripe palate bursting with port-like, plummy flavours, red fruits and vanilla. |
| H | Rey Noble Garnacha | Navarra, Spain | Garnacha | 2015 | 13.5 | A vibrant, unoaked red made from Garnacha grown in the Navarra region of Spain. Brimming with juicy fruit flavours, raspberry and ripe cherry aroma and pure fruit, mineral and earthy flavours |
| J | Vinalba Reserve | Mendoza, Argentina | Malbec, Touriga Nacional | 2015 | 14 | Heady violet and mulberry aromas fill the nose, and the rich black fruit from both Malbec and Touriga Nacional combine on the palate to dominate and leave a rich, long finish. |
| K | Porta 6 Reserva | Lisboa, Portugal | Syrah, Cabernet Sauvignon, Touriga Nacional | 2015 | 14 | Deep ruby colour, ripe red and forest fruits with spicy accent. Round and smooth with mild tannins and medium acidity. |