



**Monday, May 15 2023 at 8pm**  
**California, I need a Napa!**  
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## **White Wines**

### **First Press Napa Chardonnay 2019 14.5% (£17.00)**

Flying the flag for a more traditional California chardonnay, this has reassuring toasty oak and a rich, fruit-laden nose. With cantaloupe melon, baked apple and vanilla developing on the intense palate, the long length shows its inherent quality.

### **Epithany Santa Barbara Grenache Blanc 2018 13% (£15.50)**

A curious California white from Santa Barbara that has toasted lime and wax notes on the nose, a medium-dry and crisp style with sage and fennel notes on the finish.

### **McManis Viognier 2020 13.5% (£11.95)**

A classic heady viognier from California, with apricot and peach flavours and a soft velvety mouthfeel. This is a lovely fruit-forward glass to enjoy by itself, although it works well with roast chicken with plenty of aromatic herbs or with roast pork.

## **Red Wines**

### **Cline Sonoma County Pinot Noir 2020 14.5 % (£15.50)**

This vibrant California pinot's redcurrant and cranberry perfume carries on to a fine structured palate. A bright, refreshing and versatile red to partner anything from mushrooms and roots to meaty roasts.

### **Pedroncelli Sonoma County Cabernet Sauvignon 2019 14.5% (£18.00)**

Blackberry, blackcurrant and mulberry flavours are well balanced by subtle cedar and vanilla notes. A well-structured wine, with plum on the finish, offering great value from this premium sub-region of California. Blackberry,

### **Brazin Lodi Old-vine Zinfandel 2020 15% (£14.95)**

A wine that lives up to its name, this zinfandel from California is a full bodied, rich and powerful red, with concentrated blackberry and damson fruit profile, mocha and sarsaparilla sweet spice developing. A great red to pair with a steak, barbecue or burger, although the soft tannins mean it is a comforting glass by itself.

Cost of wines: £371.60

Presenter fee and ex's £250.00

Total: £621.60