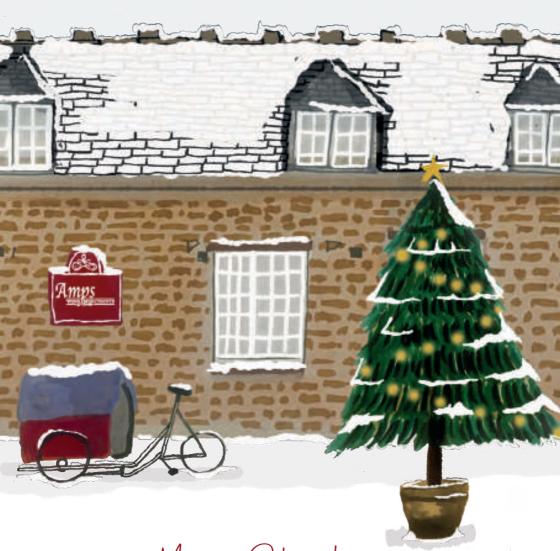


## **Christmas 2024**



Merry Christmas from all at Amps

## Welcome!

Welcome to our 2024 Christmas brochure, highlighting some of the best wines from our extensive selection to ensure your festive season is merry and bright. We're a small family business and like to support like-minded companies, so most of our wines are made by family producers we've worked with for many years.

Visit us in-store or call to chat with our friendly and knowledgeable team. We are ready to provide personal recommendations and help you find the perfect gifts. You can also explore our selection online and enjoy the convenience of next-day delivery.

Our seasonal offers are now available, allowing you to get a head start on your Christmas shopping, with deals running (while stocks last) until New Year's Eve.

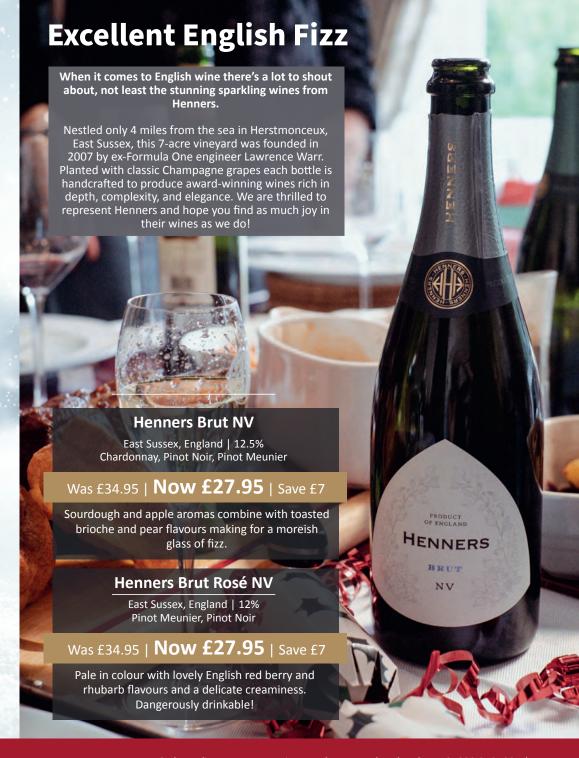
Thank you for choosing to shop with us.

The Amps Team



#### **Terms & Conditions**

- £175 must be spent in a single transaction to receive a voucher.
- One voucher awarded per transaction.
- Vouchers can be redeemed in January or February 2025 only.
- Vouchers are single use only, no minimum spend.
- One voucher redeemable per transaction.
- Vouchers cannot be used in conjunction with any other offer, against gift vouchers, events or mixed cases.



# **THE** Champagne for Christmas 2024

A Champagne that tells the story of the Taittinger house - the beautiful Château de la Marquetterie is the Taittinger family's pride and joy, surrounded by a vineyard called 'Les Folies'



This beautiful Champagne is celebrated for its remarkable richness and complexity. Vibrant and fruity aromas of peach and apricot jam, with gentle hints of toasted brioche and vanilla. It's full of golden peach flavours before a long and memorable finish, marked by subtle toasty oak. It will be delightful on Christmas morning with smoked salmon.

### Champagne Taittinger Les Folies de la Marquetterie NV

Champagne, France | 12.5% Chardonnay, Pinot Noir

RRP £75 | **Now £50** | Save £25 Or, better still buy 6 pay £45 each!

## **Fabulous Fizz Tasting**

Date: Friday 28th February | Time: 7pm prompt | Cost: £75 Venue: Amps Wine Merchants, 6 Market Place, Oundle, PE8 4BQ

- Philip Amps will present six exceptional Prestige Cuvee Sparkling Wines from various corners of the globe. Among them are renowned Champagnes: Dom Perignon, Louis Roederer Cristal & Taittinger Comtes Rosé, plus prestige English sparkling wines: Nyetimber 1086 & Nyetimber 1086 Rose, along with Ferghettina Franciacorta Ero Nero from Italy.
- This will be a small group tasting of just 14 people in the upstairs tasting room at our Market
- Feel free to bring your own nibbles to enjoy alongside the wines.
- Book online, by phone or in the shops.

# **Pop the Corks**

It's sparkling season, so add a little magic to your celebrations with excellent quality fizz at great prices.

## **Essential White Wine Offers**

A selection of stunning offers on white wines we know you'll love drinking this festive season. There are plenty more offers to discover online and in our shops.



Scan here to see all offers.



### Sibiliana Sensale Grillo Organic 2023

Sicily, Italy | 12.5% Grillo

## Was £10.99 | **Now £8.99** | Save £2

A brilliant all-rounder, this organic wine is dry and full of character. It punches well above its price tag.



## **Heaphy Sauvignon Blanc 2023**

Nelson, New Zealand | 12.5% Sauvignon Blanc

## Was £14.99 | **Now £11.99** | Save £3

Bright and breezy aromas, zesty citrus and ripe red apple flavours, all unique to this corner of NZ.







### Hancock & Hancock Fiano 2022

McLaren Vale, Australia | 12% Fiano

### RRP £16.99 | **Now £13.99** | Save £3

Ripe nectarine, nutty notes and sublime texture come together beautifully in this fresh dry white.







### **Bottega Vinai Pinot Grigio 2023**

Trentino, Italy | 12.5% Pinot Grigio

### Was £13.75 | **Now £9.99** | Save £3.76

Exceptional, flavoursome, grown-up... this is not your average PG!



#### **Kleine Zalze Vineyard Selection Chenin Blanc 2023**

Stellenbosch, South Africa | 13.5% Chenin Blanc

## Was £14.99 | **Now £12.50** | Save £2.49

A rich yet dry white with ripe tropical fruits, subtle oak and balancing freshness.



## **Quinta dos Roques Branco 2022**

Dao, Portugal | 13.5% Encruzado, Malvasia Fina, Bical

### RRP £19.99 | **Now £14.99** | Save £5

A Portuguese take on Chablis, featuring bright citrus and stone fruit flavours and a crisp, flinty mineral quality.

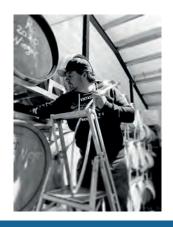
# Think you know **Riesling? Drink Again!**

Due to his uncompromising passion and skills, Sven Nieger has become something of a cult winemaker and has earned strong accolades from critics such as Jancis Robinson, **Robert Parker and James Suckling.** 

Sven Nieger is a maverick: his ambition is for his wines to reflect his embrace of organic viticulture and recognition of the benefits of environmental bio-diversity and minimal intervention.

Sven's main wine (Underdog) and his top wine (Unbestechlich) both have great structure, minerality and floral notes with a distinctive creamy texture and good acidity.

Enjoy these "new wave" Rieslings from Baden with a fish starter on Christmas Day, a charcuterie board or just savour on their own.





## **Sven Underdog Riesling 2019**

Baden, Germany | 12.5% Riesling

## RRP £22.95 | **Now £19.95** | Save £3

A delicate, fresh Riesling with herbaceous notes, grapefruit, and a very long finish. Never underestimate an underdog!

## **Sven Unbestechlich Riesling 2019**

Baden, Germany | 13% Riesling

### Now £34.95

'Unbestechlich' is German for 'Incorruptible', so named because this is a wine made with no compromises. Although dry this has an unwavering concentration of fruit and minerality which imparts so much texture, the finish is like biting into a fresh green apple... mouthwatering is the word!



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Sibiliana Sensale Nero d'Avola Organic 2023

Sicily, Italy | 13% Nero d'Avola

### Was £10.99 | **Now £8.99** | Save £2

Easy-going and mellow, with a mouthful of lightly spiced red berry fruit. Very drinkable and fantastic value.



### **Boutinot Les Coteaux Cotes du Rhone Villages 2022**

Rhone, France | 14% Grenache, Syrah

#### Was £12.50 | **Now £9.99** | Save £2.51

A longstanding team and customer favourite, loved for its deliciously smooth and rich flavour. Elegant red berry fruits, soft supple tannins and cherry fruit flavours. Find us better-value for £10!





## Rippa Dorri Roble 2022

Ribera del Duero, Spain | 14.5% Tempranillo

## Was £13.99 | **Now £10.99** | Save £3

This wine compares favourably to other wines from the same region at twice the price! Full flavoured with fantastic drinkability. Inviting cherries, plums and baking spices. If you're a Rioja fan, you'll love this.



France | 12.5% Pinot Noir

### Was £12.95 | **Now £10.95** | Save £2

This Pinot Noir comes from a renowned French producer, offering tremendous value. It's a delightful, lighter red wine that's soft and charming, bursting with lovely red berry flavours.



#### Cantina de Negrar Valpolicella Classico 2021

Veneto, Italy | 13.5% Corvina, Corvinone, Rondinella

#### Was £15.99 | **Now £13.99** | Save £2

A good value alternative to Italy's great Amarone wine, made with partially dried grapes to give the wine more richness. A soft mix of ripe red cherry, marzipan and sweet spice.





### **Cherubino Pedestal Cabernet** Sauvignon 2022

Margaret River, Australia | 14% Cabernet Sauvignon

## RRP £18.50 | **Now £14.99** | Save £3.51

Cherubino's signature grape is Cabernet Sauvignon and this wine perfectly captures the essence of the variety. It's both robust and velvety, with rich flavours of blackcurrant, cedar, and chocolate.

## **Amps Wines of the Year 2024**

Our enthusiasm for wine at Amps is second to none. We taste every bottle before it hits our shelves, guaranteeing that we only sell the wines we genuinely love and want to drink at home. With more than 800 wines in our range, choosing our wines of the year was tough, but the results are in.



#### **Henners Native Grace Brut NV**

East Sussex, England | 12% Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Pinot Meunier

Was £29.95 | **Now £22.95** | Save £7

Simply the most drinkable bubbles we have.

# Chateau de Burgozone Cote du Danube Viognier 2023

Danube, Bulgaria | 14% Viognier

#### £12.99

When I found out this amazing white wine was from Bulgaria, I said "wow, you wouldn't believe it". Intense nose of ripe peach, apricot, and white flowers. Hints of honey and spice add complexity.





#### **Domane Wachau Gruner Veltliner 2023**

Wachau, Austria | 12% Gruner Veltliner

#### £18.50

I've enjoyed this white wine while skiing in Austria and at home and it never disappoints. Equally good on and off the slopes, it works with a wide range of foods and is utterly delicious by itself.



#### Valenciso Rioja Blanco 2023

Rioja, Spain | 13.5% Viura, Garnacha Blanca

### Was £25.50 | **Now £19.50** | Save £6

An impressive alternative to white Burgundy with its balance, layers of flavours and texture...just stunning!

#### Lawson's Dry Hills The Pioneer Pinot Noir 2020

Marlborough, New Zealand | 14.5% Pinot Noir

#### £22.50

An exquisite Pinot Noir with a lovely deep red colour, berry fruits, hints of black cherry and faint coffee, with a touch of vanilla. It delivers what it promises with good length and a refined smooth elegant silky finish.



## **Cherubino Uovo Cabernet/Touriga 2021**

Frankland River, Australia | 14.5% Cabernet Sauvignon, Touriga Nacional

#### £22.95

A real charmer, like a silky melting pot of chocolate, coffee and ripe black fruit. The label might be minimalistic (a nod to how it's made in concrete eggs) but this red wine certainly does the talking!



### Marques de Murrieta Reserva Rioja 2018

Rioja, Spain | 14% Tempranillo

## £27.99

I'm a creature of habit and a bottle of Rioja will always make it onto the dinner table around Christmas... for me, the perfect red pairing for the best roast dinner of the year!



# **The Holly Case**

- Beppe Morchetta Brut Spumante, Italy
- Wild House Chenin Blanc, South Africa
- San Vigilio Pinot Grigio, Italy
- De Bortoli The Accomplice Chardonnay, Australia
- Motu Nui Sauvignon Blanc, Chile
- Sibiliana Sensale Grillo, Sicily

- Alianca Dao, Portugal
- Zorgvliet Silver Myn Argentum, South Africa
- Chateau La Garenne Bordeaux, France
- La Mecanique du Vin Carignan, France
- Sibiliana Sensale Nero d'Avola, Sicily
- Camino de la Cabana Merlot, Chile

# The Ivy Case

- Waterkloof Circle of Life White, South Africa Waterklo
- Esporao Reserva White Organic, Portugal
- OTU Sauvignon Blanc, New Zealand
- Royal Tokaji Dry Furmint, Hungary
- Montsable Chardonnay, France
- Chateau L'Ermite Blanc, France

- Waterkloof Circle of Life Red, South Africa
- Chateau L'Ermite Rouge, France
- Montresor Valpolicella, Italy
- Cherubino Pedestal Cabernet Sauvignon, Australia
- Esporao Monte Velho Tinto, Portugal
- Juan Gil Monastrell, Spain





12 BOTTLE CASE



RRP £123.92 | **Now £99** | Save £24.92

Our best-selling case, comprising a fizz, five whites and six reds.

For those who prefer, we offer cases that contain only white or only red wines, with pairs of each included.





12 BOTTLE CASE



RRP £182.74 | **Now £150** | Save £32.74

This impressive case of six whites and six reds is accompanied with tasting notes and ideal food pairings. For those who prefer, we offer cases that contain only white or only red wines, with pairs of each included.

## **Christmas Favourites**

Some wines have a way of winning over just about anyone, making them top picks during the festive season. As these have been enjoyed repeatedly by many, they promise a reliable and pleasurable experience. If you're not familiar with the tastes of someone you're buying a gift for, these wines also make excellent gift options.



Stellenbosch, South Africa | 14% Chardonnay

£12.99

A white packed with flavours of ginger biscuits, soft baked apples and vanilla, enhanced by lively tropical and citrus fruits. It is smooth with a little toasty oak and a creamy toffee finish. It's an excellent value pairing with Christmas Day turkey and all the trimmings.

## AJ Adam Im Pfarrgarten Riesling 2023

Mosel, Germany | 10.5% Riesling

Was £19.95 | **Now £15.95** | Save £4

Perfect balance between minerality and acidity, sugar and fruit. Lovely easy drinking style with a delicate elderflower scent and ripe stone fruit flavours. A fantastic match for honey-glazed ham.

#### Sottano Malbec 2023

Mendoza, Argentina | 13.5% Malbec

£13.99

Slip into something sumptuous and velvety with this tall, dark and handsome red. Brimming with blackcurrant fruit and dark chocolate, which makes a great pairing with steak or roast beef.

#### Boutinot La Cote Sauvage Cairanne 2021

Rhone, France | 14.5% Grenache, Syrah, Mourvedre

## Was £19.50 | **Now £14.99** | Save £4.51

If you're a fan of Chateauneuf-du-Pape, try this gem from a nearby village. It's one of our top sellers for a reason! This wine is rich, smooth, and full of dark plummy flavours, spice and liquorice. It pairs wonderfully with winter stews or red meats.

## **Montresor San Pietro Valpolicella 2023**

Veneto, Italy | 12.5% Corvina, Rondinella, Molinara

## Was £13.99 | **Now £12.50** | Save £1.49

A fresh, juicy red with ripe red cherries and subtle spicy notes. Perfect in front of the fire with a festive charcuterie board.

## **Game & Italian Supper**

Date: Friday 24th January | Time: 7pm prompt | Cost: £45 Venue: Churchfield Farm, Oundle, PE8 5AU

- An evening to raise money for The Game Conservancy Trust.
- A butchery demonstration of how to prepare game for cooking by local butcher Jamie Laxton.
- Local chef Keith Mickleburgh of Beetroot Catering will show us how to cook ten minute suppers from the prepared game.
- Philip Amps and Ashley Clarke of Amps Wine Merchants will match Italian wines to the food.
- We will then sit down to a game dish with a glass of wine.
- Book online, by phone or in the shops.

Please advise us of any food allergies when booking this event.



# Rioja'ing around the Christmas Tree

Valenciso was founded in 1998 through the partnership of Luis Valentin and Carmen Enciso, who both bring extensive experience from the Rioja region. Right from the start, they committed to sustainable viticulture, opting not to use irrigation or fining in their winemaking process. They use concrete tanks for fermentation, a traditional wine making method. They believe this method is best to produce wines that age well while preserving their freshness and vibrancy.

This commitment to quality, integrity, and a clear vision has earned this small winery a stellar reputation among the Amps team, Rioja lovers and wine critics alike. The quality of their wines truly speaks for itself.

#### Valenciso Rioja Reserva 2018

Rioja, Spain | 14.5% Tempranillo

Was £28.50 | **Now £21** | Save £7.50

A beautifully crafted wine that shows all the elegance of the Tempranillo variety, concentrated with blackberry, spice, fine tannins, great complexity and purity.



## Valenciso Rioja **Anniversary Cases**

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## **Special Price £160**

We are proud to be the exclusive stockists in the UK for these unique mixed vintage cases of Valenciso Reserva Rioja. Each wooden case includes two bottles each of the 2008, 2011, and 2018 vintages. Availability is very limited, so don't miss your chance to get one.

## **Festive Fine Wines**

Looking for a special wine to celebrate Christmas or shopping for someone who knows a thing or two about wine? Here are some exceptional quality wines that will be remembered and discussed long after the last glass is empty.

## Louis Jadot Le Clou d'Orge Ladoix Blanc 2022

Burgundy, France | 13.5% Chardonnay

#### £38

Ladoix is a tiny appellation sandwiched between two of the best-known village areas of Burgundy, the Grand Cru Hill of Corton and Nuits St Georges. The proximity of these two famous villages gives you an indication of the quality of Ladoix. This wine oozes class, made from handpicked fruit, followed by ageing in the best French oak barrels. Rich and ripe nose of peach and apricot, with hints of vanilla, lovely mouth filling texture, and a long mineral finish. A great wine has layers of flavour with each sip showing you more... this wine does just that!

## Chateau de Rochemorin Pessac Leognan 2016

Bordeaux, France | 13% Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot

#### £25.50

The 2016 vintage stands out as impressive and is currently very enjoyable, making it a lovely choice this Christmas. Elegant yet bold and rich, brimming with blackberry and blackcurrant fruit, enhanced by delicate toasty and spicy notes and a whisper of vanilla.

### **Folding Hill Estate Pinot Noir 2020**

Central Otago, New Zealand | 14% Pinot Noir

#### £34.95

From a family-run winery crafting exquisite Pinot Noir to rival Burgundy. Gentle aroma of plums and cherries, plus toasted cedar from barrel ageing. On the palate, you'll find a rich blend of deep dark fruits and light vanilla oak notes, which linger on the finish.



## **THE Dessert Wine for Christmas 2024**

The Monbazillac region of France might not be as highly regarded or known as Sauternes, its neighbour to the north west, but the wines of Chateau Tirecul certainly speak for themselves.

"It is an understatement to say that these are the greatest wines I've ever tasted from Monbazillac; in fact they are amongst the greatest sweet wines I have tasted ... from anywhere!" Robert Parker, The Wine Advocate

We have to say that this wine is always good, but the 2021 vintage is sensational ... without a doubt the best we've ever tasted since the legendary 2001 vintage and quite possibly even better than that... everything is perfect!

The seamlessness of this wine really stands out... all decent sweet wines are balanced by their mouthwatering freshness and this is absolutely on point. The fruit is wonderfully voluptuous but it's never too much, or 'showy'. So, we're going to look you in the eye and tell you to trust us on this one: open a bottle with your Christmas pudding and thank us later.



Chateau Tirecul La Graviere Monbazillac 2021 (50cl)

> South West France | 12.5% Semillon, Muscadelle

Was £29.95 | **Now £24.95** | Save £5

## Is it Christmas without Port?

Port is a quintessential Christmas treat, particularly when it's accompanied by an excess of cheese that you might not need but certainly want.



#### Quinta de la Rosa LBV Port 2018

Douro Valley, Portugal | 19.5%

Was £27.95 | **Now £19.95** | Save £8

For wine lovers, this port is an absolute gem. Its four years of ageing bring out a captivating complexity of gentle dark fruits, warm cinnamon spice, freshness, and a beautifully long finish.

## **Kopke 10 Year Old Tawny Port**

Douro Valley, Portugal | 20%

## RRP £27.50 | **Now £22.95** | Save £4.55

Tawny Ports are drier and lighter in style and should be served lightly chilled. Splendid with a cheeseboard accompanied by nuts and dried fruits, but also good with a slice of Christmas cake or a mince pie. Made by the oldest Port House, this is silky with rich raisined fruit, sweet spices, honey and caramel notes.







## **Vinte Vinte Chocolate & Port Tasting Packs**

#### £22

Each pack contains 4 x 5cl Ports and 4 x 25g Chocolate Bars, thoughtfully paired to create an indulgent tasting adventure.

- 1. Fonseca Bin 27 + Classic Dark Chocolate 70%
- 2. Taylors LBV + Classic Dark Chocolate 58%
- 3. Taylor's 10 Year Old Tawny + Classic Milk Chocolate 35%
  - 4. Taylor's Chip Dry + Classic White Chocolate

## **Vintage Port Tasting**

Date: Friday 4th April | Time: 7pm prompt | Cost: £80 Venue: Amps Wine Merchants, 6 Market Place, Oundle, PE8 4BQ

- A special tutored tasting of an interesting and exciting collection of vintage ports hosted by Philip Amps.
- Bring your own nibbles along to enjoy alongside the ports.
- Tickets limited to just 14 places.
- Book online, by phone or in the shops.



## **Spotlight on English Whisky**

I recently visited The English Whisky Distillery in Norfolk. We toured their facilities, seeing where their entire process takes place - from the arrival of locally sourced barley to distilling to bottling and maturation, everything is done inhouse. Their warehouses are a marvel, home to hundreds of barrels from around the world, including casks previously used for Bourbon, Sauternes, Ports and Sherry, which enable them to create truly exceptional whisky and many special cask releases. Find their core whisky range and outstanding liqueurs in both stores and on our website. - Maddy





## The English Sherry Cask (70cl bottle)

46%

#### £65

Voted World's Best Single Malt Whisky 2024... enough said! Limited availability.

## The Norfolk Nog (50cl bottle)

19%

#### £26.95

You'll never want to drink Bailey's again after this!





#### **The Tasting Collection Gift Pack**

## £22.50 (3x5cl bottles)

1 x Original Single Malt Whisky

1 x Smokey Single Malt Whisky

1 x Rum Cask Matured Single Malt Whisky

## Come and taste the range with a representative from the distillery

Date: Saturday 7th December

Time: 11am - 4pm

**Venue: Amps Market Place Store** 

**Booking not essential** 

## **Wine Experiences**

Make sure to explore the other fantastic events highlighted in this brochure. A wine course is a wonderful Christmas gift for anyone who loves wine, or for something more light-hearted, get your friends or family together for our popular Call My Bluff event.



events.

#### **Call My Wine Bluff**

Date: Friday 7th February | Time: 7pm prompt | £20 (£18 if booking 6 or more tickets) Venue: The Queen Victoria Hall, Oundle, PE8 4EJ

- An interactive evening based on the TV programmes 'Call my Bluff' and 'Would I Lie To You?'
- You will taste a selection of 6 wines from around the world all with interesting stories behind them.
- As you taste each wine, three members of the Amps team will take turns to tell you about it - but who is telling the truth and who is bluffing? It's for you to decide who is the most convincing!
- Whether you're a wine novice or fancy yourself as a connoisseur, this will be a fun evening for all to enjoy.
- You can book a table for your own team or we will put you into a team. The winning team will walk away with a prize, so it's all to play for!
- Feel free to bring your own nibbles along.
- Book online, by phone or in the shops.

## **WSET Wine Courses**



Are you a beginner or simply someone who loves wine and is looking to know more about it? We are an approved WSET education centre and have three passionate wine educators, who will help you gain an internationally recognised qualification.

## **WSET Level 1**

#### 2025 courses:

Saturday 8th February, 9am - 5pm

Saturday 12th April, 9am - 5pm

Venue: The Talbot Hotel, Oundle, PE8 4EA

coffee throughout the day)

**Cost:** £250 (includes a working lunch and tea/

## **WSET Level 2**

#### 2025 courses:

Saturday 8th, Saturday 15th and Saturday 22nd March

Venue: The Talbot Hotel, Oundle, PE8 4EA

Time: 9am - 5pm

£600 (includes a working lunch and tea/coffee

throughout the day)



If you can't decide what to buy, why not buy a gift voucher instead? Available to purchase online and in both shops, for any value that you wish.



#### **HOW TO FIND US**

Free parking for customers at both shops



Amps Wine Merchants, 6 Market Place, Oundle, PE8 4BQ Tel: 01832 273502

> Monday - Friday: 9 - 6 Saturday: 9 - 5



Amps Wine Merchants, Oundle Wharf, Oundle, PE8 4DE Tel: 01832 279164

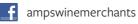
> Tuesday - Friday: 9 - 6 Saturday: 9 - 5

#### COLLECTION

Free collection on all orders from our shops.

#### **DELIVERY**

FREE delivery on all orders over £125 anywhere in the UK \* excluding highlands £7.50 delivery on local (\*see website) orders under £125. £10 delivery for nationwide orders under £125.





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