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Dan Sharp now works at Fred's in Sydney and he has chosen a great selection to suit this warmer time of the year. Elegant, flavoursome wines that pack a punch. He has chosen two Australian wines, one French and an Italian. First up is a very on trend Pinot Noir from Tasmania made by one of the most talented winemakers in the country. Shiraz is going through a face lift in this country, moving away for the blockbuster style, to a more elegant sophisticated offering. We have the perfect Syrah/Shiraz grown in Heathcote in Victoria, made by one of the best winemakers from the Northern Rhone in France. Alsace Riesling has become one of our go to wines, as it is just so versatile and lovely to drink, especially with a bit of age and we have one from the great 2014 vintage. Then we have a Super Tuscany from Italy. A Bordeaux blend that is just so fresh, vibrant and drinkable.

Enjoy, **Matt the Bullionaire**

2017 CLARENCE HOUSE ESTATE PINOT NOIR *Coal River Valley, Tasmania*

2015 GRILLOT SYRAH *Heathcote, Victoria*

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2017 CLARENCE HOUSE ESTATE PINOT NOIR *Coal River Valley, Tasmania*

From a small vineyard in the Coal River Valley in Southern Tasmania. The quality of the wines really picked up from the 2016 vintage, when Anna Pooley started making their wines, who is one of the most talented winemakers in the country.

This is one of the best value Pinot's we have come across in a while and also a bloody great glass of wine. It was the palate weight in the mouth that really impressed Dan, plus the captivating aromas of raspberry, dried flowers and spice cake. It has such an impressive volume, and finishes incredibly long, but with a cracking acidity.



2015 GRILLOT SYRAH *Heathcote, Victoria*

This exciting venture is a collaboration between one of the Northern Rhone's best winemakers, Alain Grailot; with an Australian Vineyard, owned by an Australian Importer. Over the past 4 years they have worked with a special 3.3 hectare plot in Heathcote and the wines have become better as each vintage passes.

This is just a fabulous glass of wine and a great example of the modern style of Aussie Shiraz. This wine bursts with flavours and aromas but there is nothing over the top, rather it is all about elegance and class. This is the type of wine you want to sit down with your partner and solve the world's problems, or at least whether you should open another bottle, or buy another case.



2014 DOMAINE BRUNO SORG RIESLING *Alsace, France*

Alsace is a thin, narrow region found on the border of Germany. They are a white wine region, with Riesling as the star. 2014 was a great vintage in Alsace and we were over joyed when we were offered this parcel of wine with a bit of age. Lime and green apples explode off the nose and palate, and you have these lovely toasted, honeyed characters which are now starting to come to the forefront. This is a wine that you will want to savour in a nice big glass and explore the different aromas and flavours that seem to change from moment to moment.



2015 MONTE BERNARDI TZINGARELLA (IGT) *Tuscany, Italy*

Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Cabernet Franc

This is a beautiful Cabernet blend that drinks well above its price. It is distinctly European or Tuscany in taste, but it is obviously made in a new world style with the power and flavour required. Thankfully they have avoided a heavy handed oak treatment, which is a common complaint of other Super Tuscans.

This medium-bodied wine is packed with fruit that is richly complex and smooth. Its tannins, acidity and cherry soul are unmistakably Tuscan with the added characters of fresh cassis, blackberries and minerality which are typical characters of Bordeaux.



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