



# The Rams Head Denshaw



## Red Wines & Port

### Brambly, blackcurrant and late summer fruits 250ml Bottle

861 Southern France **Bellefontaine Cabernet Sauvignon, VdP d'Oc** £5.00 £14.95  
Soft and juicy red from the warm Languedoc area in Southern France. Drink with an array of food from chicken to red meats and cheeses.

868 Chile **Sierra Grande Merlot** £4.70 £13.95  
Soft and easy drinking fruity red wine from Chile's Central Valley.

896 California, USA **Winston Hill Zinfandel** £17.95  
A classic Californian Zinfandel - rich, sweet fruit, finished with ripe tannins and lovely soft, smooth mouthfeel typical of the Californian style.

12 Bordeaux, France **Dubosq Claret** £19.95  
This is what good, honest everyday drinking Claret should be about. It has abundant, rich and gutsy fruit and plenty of class, as it should have, as it is made from de-classified grapes from the highly rated Chateau Haut Marbuzet in Medoc.

359 South Africa **Peacock Ridge Merlot** £25.95  
Top notch Merlot from grapes grown on the lower slopes of the Waterkloof Estate in Stellenbosch. Nutty cedar oak supported by leafy blackcurrant aromas. Fantastic with duck and pork dishes or beef in red wine.

489 Chile **Coyam, Carmenere Cabernet Merlot Mourvedre** £37.95  
Intensely violet in colour, this wine expresses a harmony of ripe black fruit such as berries, cassis, and forest fruits, delicately blended with oak, saddle leather and notes of vanilla. The palate is well balanced with soft, round tannins, and a long finish that shows both character and personality.

618 Australia **Balgownie Estate Cabernet** £30.95  
The star of the show! Bendigo in Victoria used to be a gold rush town. These days it is better known as one of Australia's best areas for high quality, expressive red wines. Great with big red meats and robust flavours.

### Spice & Liquorice Flavours

857 Rhone, France **Cotes du Rhone Villages, Darraud** £17.95  
Soft fruit style but with good gutsy character. Perfect with red meats and cheese.

853 South Africa **False Bay Pinotage** £5.70 £16.95  
A wine with a heady mix of fruit, rich chocolate and plums but which is at the same time soft and appealing. Ideal with big roasts.

854 Mendoza, Argentina **Nieto Reserva Malbec** £19.95  
The Malbec grape, grown in Cahors in France, does particularly well in the Mendoza area of Argentina. Of course Argentinian beef is renowned around the world and it is no coincidence that Malbec is great with steak.

729 Spain **Rioja Artesa Crianza** £6.75 £19.95  
An attractive and modern style of Rioja with fresh plum and red berry aromas complemented by spicy vanilla oak.

855 Australia **Soldiers Block Shiraz** £5.70 £16.95  
This is not a big, blockbusting Shiraz but more restrained, almost European style which will match most red meat dishes really well.

907 Australia **Rockbare Shiraz** £27.50  
Just fantastic Aussie Shiraz with all the rich, blackcurranty flavours and spice you expect from a top wine. Sink into this velvety Shiraz and relax!

535 South Africa **Circumstance Merlot** £29.95  
Sensational Merlot from the Waterkloof Estate in South Africa. Dense black cassis and bramble fruit aromas combined with plums, spice and a creamy oak on the palate. Superb with game dishes.

707 Rhone, France **La Cote Sauvagne, Cairanne** £28.95  
Sensational single village Cotes du Rhone made using a blend of Syrah and old vine Grenache grapes which has been aged in good oak barrels for over a year to mellow. Superb with any red meat or hard mature cheese.

859 Rhone, France **Chateauneuf-du-Pape, Dom Chante Cigale** £39.95  
Hugely powerful and majestic wine from a classy single property in the Southern Rhone. Great with game and lamb and powerful enough for most red meats, and even black pudding.

32 Italy **Barolo, Revello** £33.95  
Powerful, rich red wine from an excellent producer. Red meats, pasta and cheeses.

27 California, USA **Clos du Val Zinfandel** £30.95  
Made by one of the star winemakers in California, this is silky soft, with superb ripe, juicy fruit and is just crying out for some red meat or cheese.

### Finesse, Complexity & Red Berry Flavours 250ml Bottle

451 Beaujolais **Fleurie, Reine de L'Arenite, La Madone** £23.95  
The Queen of Beaujolais produced in the traditional manner from Gamay grapes grown on the pink, crumbly "Arenite" soil below the statue of La Madonna on the hill overlooking the vineyards. Lovely bubblegum and raspberry, jammy red fruit flavours.

935 Chile **Taball Special Reserve Pinot Noir** £23.95  
Superb Pinot Noir from the Limari Valley, way up in the far North of Chile. Lovely raspberry fruited wine with great balance.

29 Western Australia **Fonty's Pool Pinot Noir** £24.95  
Made by a joint venture between Cloudy Bay / Cape Mentelle and the Wemyss family from Scotland! This is a stunner of a Pinot with real Burgundian quality, lovely earthy Pinot Noir aromas and a moreish brambly fruit flavour which is great with most red meats, including game.

21 Burgundy **Beaune 1er Cru Les Epenottes, Bernard Vallet** £47.95  
The Vallet family have been producing great wine in Gevrey Chambertin for generations and the latest in the line, Bernard Vallet, has learned much from his predecessors. Elegant, complex and beautifully structured Pinot Noir from a great vintage.

### Rioja - the jewel of Spain's wine industry and a personal favourite here at The Rams Head

We just love the Riojas from the house of La Riojanas, based in the heart of Rioja country in Cenicero, near Logrono. Crianza has been in American oak barrels for 6 months and 6 months in bottle before release, Reserva for 2 years in oak and a year in bottle and Gran Reserva for a minimum of 5 years (3 in oak and 2 in bottle)

858 Rioja, Spain **Puerta Vieja Crianza** £22.95  
This wine is made in a very modern winery but in the traditional complex Crianza Rioja style. It has delicious dried red fruit flavours, lovely vanilla oak and impressive concentration on the finish. Great with game and cheese and especially good with our Suckling Pig speciality!

397 Rioja, Spain **Monte Real Reserva** £34.95  
At least 2 years in American oak gives this fabulous, classic Rioja Reserva a sheen and quality which is hard to match from anywhere else in the world.

16 Rioja, Spain **Monte Real Gran Reserva 1998** £41.95  
How many places do you know that offer three great old vintages of Gran Reserva Rioja? Gran Reserva has spent at least three years in American oak casks before bottling thus shows lovely, soft velvety fruit and bags of class.

8 Rioja, Spain **Monte Real Gran Reserva 1964** £129.95  
Old vintage Rioja is just sublime. It takes on very soft, gamey, almost Pinot Noir character. This wine is now over 40 years old but is still delightfully youthful for such a mature wine.

### Wiese & Krohn - Port

**Dry White Port 125ml (Alc 20% Vol)** £4.95  
Bottled after 8 years in cask, this is a delicious aperitif which is best served chilled.

**Late Bottled Vintage 2004 125ml (Alc 20% Vol)** £5.25  
Traditional Port which has had between 4 and 6 years in cask before bottling, unfiltered to preserve the Xmas cake fruit style. This is what used to be called "crusted" Port.

1154 **20 Year Old Tawny 75cl bottle** £39.95  
This Port has been aged for an average of at least 20 years in cask, which really softens the tannins giving a Port of light, tawny appearance which is just beautiful anytime.

1155 **Vintage 2000 Quinta do Retiro Nova 75cl bottle** £55.95  
2000 was a superb vintage and this wine from grapes grown exclusively on the estate is excellent now whilst young, but will also benefit from anywhere between 10 and 15 years in bottle.

Colheita Ports are a real speciality. They are Vintage dated Tawny Ports and each one is deliciously different.

Colheita Vintage Dated Tawny 1994 125ml glass (Alc 20%) £6.95  
638 Colheita Vintage Dated Tawny 1976 75cl bottle £94.95  
636 Colheita Vintage Dated Tawny 1960 75cl bottle £109.95