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La gloire du vin de la Loire

13 Feb 2013 by Jancis Robinson & Richard Hemming

[Dom de la Bergerie - Jacky Marteau, Sauvignon 2012 Touraine](#)

Very expressive tropical citrus - grapefruit, pineapple. Seems more like top-quality Cape Sauvignon, which is certainly no bad thing. (RH)

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Couch potato

2011 Touraine Sauvignon Blanc, Domaine Jacky Marteau

Nettle aromas and the gooseberryish character of Loire Valley sauvignon blanc with a refreshing dry aftertaste – a white to give sancerre a run for its money. £7.99, Marks & Spencer



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If you are always on the look-out for great buys cheap, don't miss the spry, juicy little white [Domaine Jacky Marteau Sauvignon Touraine](#) from the Loire Valley at \$12.95. Or the surprisingly well structured, complex if not hugely deep [Azul Portugal 2007 Vinho Tinto](#) from Portugal's Bairrada region. Again, only \$12.95.

That's it for this release. I hope to see some you Monday (Sept 17) at the sold-out Penfold's Single Bottle dinner, which by the way, has changed location to [House of Moments](#) in the Riverdale area of Toronto. I can't make it to the [Boekenshouts Kloof event](#) with Marc Kent but I have enjoyed his wines immensely and he is one of those engaging and very interesting winemakers who is totally tuned into the global wine scene.

See you next time,



2011



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Daily Mail Weekend, 17 September 2011 - 5 Great Wines Under a Tenner

Posted by Matthew in [Uncategorized](#) on 09 17th, 2011 | [no responses](#)

This week's wines are all evocative, thought-provoking and exciting - I hope that they will all make you smile.

2010 Domaine Jacky Marteau, Sauvignon Blanc, Loire Valley, France (£7.99 Marks & Spencer). Jacky is a bona fide sauvignon specialist and this wonderful, young wine is bursting with vibrancy and electrifying citrus notes. Pour this as a very smart aperitif of with fresh, zesty, seafood starters and your guests will go into raptures.

The Telegraph

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Wine

Victoria Moore's summer wines

In the first of a two-part guide, Victoria Moore picks her top wines ideal for a glorious season of long lunches, barbecues and garden parties



By **Victoria Moore**

7:00AM BST 04 Jun 2011

Domaine Jacky Marteau Sauvignon Blanc 2010

(13.5%, £6.49, M&S)

A nettley, grassy Loire sauvignon blanc that works as a brain-rinser or with goat's cheese salad.



Daily Mail Weekend, 12 March 2011 - 6 Iconic French Wine Styles

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French wines are uniquely elegant, mesmerising and delicious. This week I have chosen six classics, to complement this week's French recipes, which simply could be made anywhere else on the planet.

2009 Touraine Sauvignon Blanc, Domaine Jacky Marteau, Loire, France (£7.99, Marks & Spencer). This bright, citrus-imbued, nerve-tingling sauvignon from the Loire is every bit as dramatic and enlivening as its more famous neighbouring wines from Sancerre and Pouilly-Fumé. Marteau is a master and this is the perfect wine for seafood.



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of the
week

Domaine Jacky Marteau Touraine 2010

MARCH 25, 2011 | FRANCE, SAUVIGNON BLANC, WHITE WINE

£8.90 – Haynes, Hanson & Clark

There is so much beautifully crafted Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc on the market these days that even the bottles in the local corner shop are decorated with more rosettes than a Crafts winner. This ubiquity has come about because those crafty Kiwis constantly deliver a familiar and vibrant drink of fresh, ice-cool fruit. So relaxed are we with this experience that we fail to notice our regular dinner party transformation from rational Guardian-quoting aesthete to fist shaking Mad Mullah-bashing fanatic. But what is missing from these bottles is the wow factor of surprise, the head-turning Eureka moment of pleasure where your senses are thrilled as you take in an abundance of unfamiliar flavour. To do this with an overexposed grape and for under a tenner is a truly fabulous thing but here is one example. It hails from Touraine, the less glamorous part of the Loire Valley (Sancerre is the equivalent of Prada there), and it is made by boutique winery Domaine Jacky Marteau. Inside the glass you get the full whack of ripe apples, lime, gooseberry and a clear flinty aftertaste. It's an absolute delight and will inspire you to Cross Your Paws, Beg and Roll Over in front of your spouse in order to get another glass.





Malcolm Gluck on wine

AMAZING M&S OFFER for July: not 5% off, not 10% off, not even 20% off. Exclusively for Oldie readers, a case of handsome wines is yours at a munificent 24% discount

This case of wines, two bottles each of three whites and three reds, would normally set you back £85.88. *Oldie* readers, however, pay only £65 for the case, delivery included. Now certain cynics might think (as I would, were I a reader and not the author of this column) that this must be a bunch of wines past their best, no doubt several years old and prime candidates for the knacker's yard, which is why the retailer is very happy to knock pounds off the price just to see it off his hands (having

found a gullible fool in yours truly).

Not a bit of it. Every wine in the case is young, frisky and fresh, and of the 2010 vintage. Each bottle, furthermore, was chosen from several score wines on the M&S list, and so it was that your critic was forced to sniff, gargle and expectorate the contents of many bottles (from a total listing of 127 wines to be precise) before settling on the wines here. The result is a case nicely representative of the new world of wine. This may seem an odd thing to say with two wines from France in the selection, both from very long-established areas (the elegant Loire and the raffish

Rhône), but I stand by the assertion. All the wines in the case are made by forward-, not backward-looking, producers and the evidence is apparent at first nosing and even more striking on first slurp and gargle. (I am assuming that no *Oldie* reader – certainly not of this column – simply tips a wine glass up and throws the contents down his or her throat. By the same token, such a barbarian would attend a concert wearing ear muffs.)

To acquire the case [log on to www.marksandspencer.com/oldie](http://www.marksandspencer.com/oldie) or telephone 0845 609 0200 and quote product code 810951, with a credit or debit card handy.

WHITES

Balbi Pinot Grigio 2010 (£6.99) Argentina 17 points

Classic apricot and citrus, deliciously textured and firm. The grape has become an international cliché (not to say a bit of a whore, ready to be anyone's darling) but in the hands of the delightfully monickered winemaker Gerardo Danitz Bgas of producer Santiago Graffigna it becomes deliciously classy and elegant and nothing like the blatant adolescent pinot grigios beloved of the short-skirted office crowd at the wine bar on a Friday night.

Casa Leona Chardonnay 2010 (£6.49) Chile 16 points

This has a Euro-style undertone of vegetable but it comes coated with warm southern hemisphere sunshine. It is a meticulously made wine, the grapes being picked during the cool of the night to retain freshness. The resultant must was kept on its lees for six months and this sort of tricky palaver requires fussy management. The result is a chardonnay of complexity and seriousness without solemnity. At the price, it's sufficient to force any ambitious white burgundy grower to throw in the towel and consider raising potatoes.

Domaine Jacky Marteau Sauvignon Blanc 2010 (£7.99) France 18 points

This is one of my contenders for the sauvignon-blanc-of-the-year award. It is a quite beautiful steely-with-a-hint-of-minerality white wine. It offers a teasing genteel perfume leading to an opulence of fruit which is never OTT and the texture is high class and meaningful. There is a subtly herbaceous finish. Monsieur Marteau (who himself has a very steely gaze) and crew deftly hammer out tremendous wines, quite capable of fooling drinkers into believing them to cost three times what they do. Indeed, even a knowledgeable quaffer might think this wine a Sancerre with a big name and colossal price tag.

REDS

Reserve de la Saurine Rouge 2010 (£5.99) France 16 points.

This is one of those unique frogs with its own individual croak and method of attack. It is absurdly drinkable for a Rhône artefact especially one composed of that hearty, often intimidating, triad of grapes: grenache, carignan and shiraz. In warm weather it is splendid to quaff lightly chilled and if you are in the garden with a barbecue, this red will prove extremely versatile. I would happily

drink it with the usual meats and sausages but also salmon steaks and sea bass.

Brindley Range Shiraz 2010 (£8.49) Australia 17.5 points

GORGEOUS! Rich as Manchester City, plump as Stephen Fry (before he shook off so much poundage), elegant as Prince Charles in his three-piece suit with fob watch, and fruity as the late Clement Freud. This is an overwhelmingly lush red yet it is neither fey nor soppy. Shiraz has become, as we all know, as pertinent a symbol of Aussie UK-based culture as Germaine Greer and Clive James. This example has the chutzpah of the former and the wit of the latter.

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2010

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Life & style

Victoria Moore on wine

[Victoria Moore](#), [The Guardian](#), Saturday 8 May 2010

" ... you'll find a lot of fresh, cool, summer field grassiness in **Domaine Jacky Marteau Sauvignon Blanc 2009** (£6.49, [Marks & Spencer](#); 14% abv). It has only just been bottled, is one of my buys for the season and should be in store any time now. "

Woman & Home, Swap Shop by Tim Atkin, May – June 2010
Touraine Sauvignon Blanc 2009



SWAP SHOP

Our expert Tim Atkin has great (and cheaper) alternatives to classic wines

Most of us are creatures of habit. I've eaten the same breakfast cereal, bought the same daily paper and gone on holiday to the same part of the south of France for as long as I can remember. If someone suggests I make a change, it brings me out in a clammy sweat.

People form similar attachments to wines, especially if they are brands or well-known regions or grape varieties. I like to taste as many different things as I can – partly because it's my job, but also because I like to experiment with wine – but I realise that I'm unusual. The majority of wine drinkers stick to what is familiar.

This explains the popularity of established classics such as Chablis, Rioja, Sancerre, Châteauneuf-du-Pape and claret (red Bordeaux), plus a handful of more recent New World interlopers, such as New Zealand Sauvignon Blanc and Australian Shiraz.

I'm not asking you to be revolutionary here. All I want you to do is expand your wine drinking horizons ever so slightly. Rather than recommend a bunch of grape varieties that are totally unfamiliar, I've suggested a series of alternatives to what many of you probably drink already. The idea is to help you to focus on a new region or country without troubling your comfort zone unduly.

The other thing I've tried to do is save you money. Famous areas are often in a position to charge a premium, such is the demand for their wines, in much the same way that house prices are based on location, location, location. So take a deep breath, grab a glass and prepare to taste something (slightly) different for a change. **w&h** timatkin.com; thewinegang.com



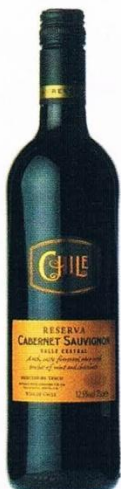
Wine of the month

2007 CÔTES DU RHÔNE, CLOS DU MONT-OLIVET (£7.49 EACH FOR TWO, 14%, MAJESTIC)

You don't even have to leave the Rhône Valley to find something that's as good as many a neighbouring Châteauneuf-du-Pape. Smoky and rich, with a spicy, lavender and thyme-like perfume, this is fantastic value from the vaunted 2007 vintage. It tastes even better with a garlic-studded leg of lamb.



Asda Tempranillo, Valencia (£3.29, 12.5%) This is essentially made from Tempranillo, Rioja's main grape. The wine is soft, juicy and unoaked, with strawberry and raspberry notes, and is arguably the best value red in the UK at the moment.



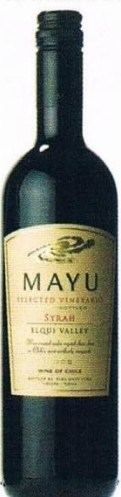
2009 Tesco Chilean Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon, Colchagua Valley (£5.10, 12.5%) You wouldn't mistake a Chilean Cabernet Sauvignon for a red Bordeaux, but this is a great way to save money and drink a fruit-packed, unoaked alternative from the Cono Sur winery.



2009 Touraine Sauvignon Blanc, Domaine Jacky Marteau (£6.99, 13.5%, M&S) The price of Sancerre has become so inflated recently. For an alternative, this full-bodied Loire Sauvignon Blanc is a very intense mouthful, bursting with gooseberry fruit and tangy acidity.



2008 Windy Peak Pinot Noir, Yarra Valley (£7.99, 13%, Sainsbury's) All right, it's not Gevrey-Chambertin, but this Aussie Pinot Noir is one of the best around at this price. Supple and slightly sweet, with hints of vanilla oak, mint and sun-ripened tomatoes, it's a well-priced alternative to Burgundy.



2008 Mayu Selected Vineyards Syrah, Elqui Valley (£8.99, 14%, Waitrose) This Pacific Ocean-influenced Syrah is a Chilean marvel. Savoury and meaty with classic pepper spice aromas, a touch of oak and fresh acidity, it's as good as a top Aussie Shiraz.



2008 Mad Bay Unwooded Chardonnay, Western Australia (£9.29, 13.5%, Tesco) Like most Chablis, this Western Australian Chardonnay is unoaked. It's very subtle, with bright, pear and stone fruit flavours, plus the acidity and freshness brought by coastal breezes.



2004 Jansz Premium Vintage Cuvée, Tasmania (£16.99, or £13.59 by the case, 12.5%, Oddbins) Tasmania is now one of the best places in the Southern Hemisphere to grow first-rate alternatives to Champagne. This Chardonnay and Pinot Noir blend is elegant and well-balanced.

2009

The Telegraph

By Susy Atkins 7:00AM GMT 04 Dec 2009

Touraine Sauvignon Blanc 2008, Jacky Marteau, Loire, France (Marks & Spencer, £6.49)

Lively, lemon-faced sauvignon blanc with a mineral dash and long, refreshing finish. Clean, vivacious dry white for matching with simple white fish and seafood starters

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June 16, 2007

Top 100 summer wines: under £8

In part two of her guide to the season's best wines, Jane MacQuitty selects the 25 best bottles for under £8

[Jane MacQuitty](#)

Whites

2006 Touraine Sauvignon Blanc, Domaine Jacky Marteau, France, Marks & Spencer, £5.99.

A good touraine sauvignon, from an excellent vintage like 2006, is a mouthwatering summer treat. What you get here is much sancerresque verdant zip and zing, supported by delicious steely, minerally flavours, as well as some wonderful fine, fat, ripe, 14 per cent alcohol fruit that is just the ticket with bold summer dishes such as watercress soup and grilled asparagus.


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2. Sauvignon de Touraine 2006 Jacky Marteau 14%

Grape: Sauvignon Blanc; France mid-Loire

M&S (£5.99) £5.39

19/5/07 I cannot recall a better time to buy French wine. The reason is simple: the outstanding quality of 2005 reds and 2006 whites – the two vintages coming on shelves over the coming months. M&S has noticed a substantial increase in demand for Loire Sauvignon Blanc and has considerably increased its range. Best value by far is its Sauvignon de Touraine 2006 from Jacky Marteau (whose Gamay reds are better than most). This Sauvignon has cracking green fruit flavours, real density of fruit and good tension – a good wine for before meals or on a particularly hot day.

ROSÉ

1 **Malumbres Rosada Navarra, 2006**

Instantly appealing grapey rosada from northern Spain which will make a brilliant summer aperitif. (P)

ref WO-SP4171 £4.95 bottle £59 down

3 **Côtes de Provence Rosé, Domaine Houchart, 2006**

Much overpriced rubbish is sold under this AC on the Côte d'Azur but this estate made delicious, elegant rosé in 2006 and the price is extremely good. (P)

ref WO-PC14441 £5.25 bottle £63 down

REDS

LIGHT-BODIED REDS

† **NEW Touraine Gamay, Domaine de la Bergerie, 2006 (Jacky Marteau)**

A delightful Loire summer red. Fragrant, fruity, soft, round but never heavy.

ref WO-106811 £5.25 bottle £63 down

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for mixed cases...

MEDIUM-BODIED REDS

2 **The Society's French Full Red, Vin de Pays des Côtes Catalanes**

With its ripe fresh fruit and easy-going style, this proved unbeatable value for money for the second year running.

ref WO-PC371 £4.25 bottle £51 down

4 **The Society's Argentine Malbec**

A burst of brambly fruit on nose and palate gives this immediate appeal, a charm it retains on the second and third glass too. (P)

ref WO-AR1301 £4.95 bottle £59 down

5 **The Society's Chilean Pinot Noir, Leyda Valley**

With black-cherry scented aroma and sweet fruit, this confirms that Chile can produce the best bargain-price pinot noir and that Society buyer Toby Moorhall is the man to find it. (P)

ref WO-CE4081 £5.95 bottle £71 down

6 **Château de la Grave, 2004, Côtes de Bourg**

Proper full-flavoured Claret with grip and length on the palate that delivers a lot of flavour for the money.

ref WO-CB2621 £6.25 bottle £75 down

7 **The Society's Rioja Crianza**

A model Rioja with attractive sweet fruit rounded by vanilla from oak ageing.

A champion for the second year running.

ref WO-SP3501 £6.25 bottle £75 down

FULL-BODIED REDS

8 **The Society's Australian Shiraz**

We all thoroughly enjoyed this no-nonsense rich, spicy red with its touch of vanilla and generous Australian flavour. (P)

ref WO-AU7501 £5.95 bottle £71 down

9 **Skittlebutt Cabernet-Merlot-Shiraz, 2004, Margaret River**

A deliciously scented Western Australia red with full almost jammy blackberry fruit. T1 2005 follows. (S)

ref WO-AU9891 £6.95 bottle £83 down

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SUMMER IN A GLASS

Victoria Moore



Jacky Marteau
Sauvignon de Touraine
2006, France

£5.99, Marks & Spencer

A white for those rare garden afternoons, this has lots of verve and grassy character.

Goats' cheese salad

★★★★☆

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Food & Drink Two great years one great time to stock up



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nicely proves my point about 2006 reds, even if its **Domaine de la Croix de Chaintres 2005 Saumur Champigny** from Filletteau is worth the extra £3 a bottle.

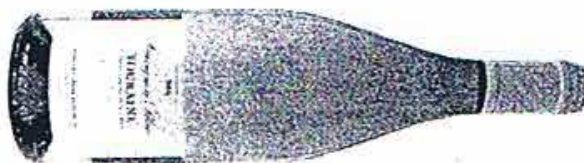
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It's all things wine and wonderful



The Loire whites were delicious – including my choice, **Domaine Jacky Marteau Touraine sauvignon 2006** (£6, Marks & Spencer), which I noted was “crisp yet creamy, concentrated, very stylish and great value”.

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Nothing wrong with a little name-dropping



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WINE

Other favourite M&S wines

WHITES

Sauvignon de Touraine 2006, £5.99.
Zesty white Loire from Jacky Marteau.

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2005

Manchester Evening News, Quotidien Régional,
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I'm a game boy for gamay

I KNOW it's a bit awkward of me, but by February I'm tiring of those whopping winter reds, Australian shirazes and the like, showing off their 14 per cent alcoholic muscle like some demented Vin Diesels.

Maybe it's a wish for the sap to start rising (the spring's, not my own), but I crave gamay.

The Beaujolais grape's name was tarnished by the lapse from fashion of the nouveau stuff and the Villages wines often fetch £8 plus – too much, in my view, for simple, up-front tastes. Still, I want gamay now.

Marks and Spencer's much-improved wine list offers a rock bottom price **Gamay de l'Ardeche 2004**, from that western Rhone terrain that's a magnet for canoeists and potholers.

This pale, strawberry, 12 per cent quaffer needs to be chilled and drunk flirtatiously.

The romance won't last – gather its rosebuds while ye may.

I've established a more lasting relationship –

DRINKS

and at £4.99 a bottle it's not costing me the earth – with M&S's **Touraine Gamay 2003** from Domaine Jacky Marteau's gravelly Loire slopes. Lovely cherryish, redcurrantish easy-drinking here that belies its 13.5 per cent.

You see, I'm heading for an infidelity. My new favourite is another 14 per cent Puglian corker from southern Italy, hot on the heels of last week's brace from Winos in Oldham.

Marks have reduced the **Rustica Primitivo, Salentino, 2003** from £4.99 to £3.99. Vanilla from oak-ageing and savoury stewed plums are here in abundance. Primitivo is basically the same as American Zinfandel. Look out for it.

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Something For The Weekend: 2001 Touraine Gamay 2002 Montana Reserve 2002 Chain of Ponds Novello Bianco

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Saturday: 2001 Touraine Gamay, Domaine Jacky Marteau, £4.49, Marks & Spencer.

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Made from the unfancied gamay grape more often encountered in Beaujolais, this nubile Loire quaffer comes from Jacky Marteau of Touraine. Like a youthful Fleurie, with a degree of aromatic spiciness and redolent of soft, summer-pudding fruits, this is a red to be plugged with a light snack.

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