

The Auricle Drinks & Food List

The Auricle is the world's only "oenosthetic" wine bar, with a wine list curated by wine writer and sonic artist, Jo Burzynska. This includes fine local and international artisan-produced wines selected to complement the current exhibition and the music playing in the bar. In this month's list, the mid to high frequencies of Error Message and density of its distorted timbres are balanced by wines with both freshness and intensity. The Auricle is a charitable organisation, with all profits from the bar reinvested into the running the gallery.

SPARKLING

Ca' Di Rajo 'Lemoss' Frizzante, Italy NV

A delicious dry prosecco with a crisp palate of apple, pear and citrus and gently yeasty undercurrent. (Unfiltered)

glass / \$12 bottle / \$40

WHITE

Feature wine: Pegasus Bay Bel Canto Waipara Riesling 2014

A powerful dry Riesling in which tropical notes of ripe guava are counterpoised by fresh notes of grapefruit zest wrapped around an intense flinty mineral core. (S)

glass / \$15 bottle / \$63

Churton Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc 2014

A complex textural Sauvignon with grassy aromatics, notes of stone fruit and melon underpinned by a fresh line of citrus and mineral. (O/B)

glass / \$11 bottle / \$46

Te Karainga Martinborough Chardonnay 2014

An elegantly fresh fusion of peach, fresh lemon and nut from this reinvented Martinborough winery. (S)

glass / \$10 bottle / \$42

Lansdowne Estate Wairarapa Pinot Gris 2011

A great example of an aged Gris that still possesses plenty of freshness to its palate of crisp apple and pear fruit, a waxy hint and nutty and mineral nuances (S)

glass / \$11 bottle / \$43

ORANGE

Cambridge Road Cloudwalker Pinot Gris 2015

A beguilingly perfumed pinot gris with notes of earl grey, rose and ginger over pear and stone fruit, An intriguing textural wine in which prolonged skin contact has imparted its orange hue. Additive free for less headaches or those sensitive to sulphur! (O/NS)

glass / \$10 bottle / \$40

RED

Feature wine: Brezo Bierzo Mencia, Spain 2014

A silken-textured and violet-perfumed red with fresh and bright cranberry fruit made from Spain's Mencia grape. A great alternative to Pinot Noir (S)

glass / \$13 bottle / \$54

Johner Estate Humming Wire Wairarapa Pinot Noir 2013

An elegant and fragrant Pinot with notes of rose, exotic spice and mineral, raspberry coulis fruit and subtle savoury gamey undercurrent (S)

glass / \$11 bottle / \$46

La Corte Puglia Negroamaro, Italy 2014

For lovers of soft full bodied wines, this sunbaked southern Italian red with its dark fruit, notes of prune, chocolate and fruitcake spice is the opulent opposite to the other wines on the list.

glass / \$10 bottle / \$42

S: Sustainable O: Organic B: Biodynamic NS: No sulphur added

ECLECTIC WINES BY THE BOTTLE

WHITE

Domaine Binner Ca Gazouille Non Filtre, Alsace, France 2011

An edgy and lightly effervescent aromatic blend from this top Alsace natural wine producer, with tangy notes of lemon and apple wrapped round a mineral core. (B) (NS)

bottle / \$49

Domaine Bruno Lupin Cru Frangy Roussette de Savoie, France 2013

Pear, gingerbread, spice, honey and hint of nougat notes combine in a rare and delicious wine made from a grape indigenous to France's Savoie region (O)

bottle / \$62

Pegasus Bay Waipara Gewürztraminer 2012

For those looking for a richer white, this is a mouthfilling Gewürz with notes of musk, guava and citrus zest threaded with aromatic spice and jasmine florals. (S)

bottle / \$55

ORANGE

Cos Rami Bianco, Sicily, Italy 2013

A golden-hued skin contact blend of indigenous Inzolia and Grecanico grapes that's dry and ultra-crisp with notes of green apple, citrus and honey. (B)

bottle / \$91

RED

Folium Marlborough Pinot Noir 2013

A juicy, bright and silky Pinot with plum and cherry fruit and hint of mineral and spice. (O)

bottle / \$57

Niklaserhof Sudtiroler Lagrein, Italy 2012

A fresh and deeply flavoured with red berry fruit infused with notes of smoke and violets.

bottle / \$57

Umatham Zweigelt, Neusiedlersee, Austria 2012

Fine example from a leading Austrian estate of this indigenous red variety, that's full bodied with elegant cherry fruit and notes of peppery spice and chocolate (B)

bottle / \$65

Girolamo Russo "A Rina" Etna Rosso, Sicily 2013

A linear, mineraly and cherry-fruited Nerello Mascalese from the volcanic slopes of Mount Etna.

bottle / \$77

Ganevat De Toute Beaute Nature 2013

An intriguing blend by one of the Jura's great natural winemakers of Gamay from Beaujolais and an array of ancient grape varieties from the Jura in this dark fruited, earthy and delicious wine. (B)

bottle / \$120

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BEER, SOFT DRINKS & FOOD

BEER

Cassel's Real Ale (pint / half pint)	\$10 / \$5
Golden Eagle Coalface Stout (500ml)	\$12
Golden Eagle Pale Ale (500ml)	\$10
Harringtons Rogue Hop Pilsner (330ml)	\$7
Harry's Light (330ml)	\$6
Peckham's Apple Cider (330ml)	\$7

FILTER COFFEE	\$4
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SOFT DRINKS

Sparkling Apple Juice	\$5
Lime and soda	\$3

FOOD

Platter of fine meats and cheeses <i>with fresh crusty bread</i>	\$18
Platter of fine cold meats <i>with fresh crusty bread</i>	\$15
Platter of fine cheeses <i>with fresh crusty bread</i>	\$15
Real Ale Platter <i>with fresh crusty bread</i>	\$10
Vegetarian mezze <i>with vine leaves, hummus and preserved vegetables</i>	\$15
Bowl of Olives or Nuts	\$4

All profits from The Auricle Wine and Sound Bar go to the Cantabrian Society of
Sonic Artists Inc. for the running of the venue and its sonic arts gallery
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