



Specializing In Local Wines

At the Merchant Wine Tavern we strive to develop the best Nova Scotian wine cellar, in order to show case the quality wine our province has to offer. We have also put together an International list to cater to your every taste. We hope you enjoy your time here at the Tavern

Cheers

And the Staff

Wines of Nova Scotia

WHITE

L'Acadie Blanc, Domaine de Grand Prè

A local full-bodied favourite of complex character with pleasant aromas of fresh cut hay and herbal notes that is complemented by a rich, lively grapefruit acidity.

By the glass 7 Bottle 28

Ortega, Domaine de Grand Prè

This is a brilliant wine with intense aromas of pear, dried apricot and honey, layered with delicate floral notes and rose petal.

Produced in an off-dry style, the pronounced nose leads to an elegant, balanced and complex palate.

By the glass 9 Bottle 35

Chardonnay, Blomidon Estate Winery

This wine is a first for the province produced from all estate grown grapes. It was fermented in small American oak barrels to produce mouth filling, smooth and balanced flavours with a touch of oak integrated into its cool climate vibrant fruit aromas. 32

Muscat, Gaspereau Vineyards

A wine of prestige for Nova Scotia, it is a delight for all senses. Slightly pink in colour, the nose shows intense tropical fruit aromas of lychee fruit, passion fruit and hints of pink grapefruit and rose. Despite the illusion of sweetness displayed on the nose, this wine finishes dry with a long grapefruit finish. 36

Seigfried, Sainte Famille

A beautiful Riesling style wine exhibiting a bouquet of honey and citrus with a hint of peach in the finish. This wine is sold out in Nova Scotia and only available at the Merchant Wine Tavern. 36

Nova 7, Benjamin Bridge

An off-dry, gently frizzante, 100% Nova Scotia-grown New York Muscat and Pearl of Csaba. Beautifully aromatic, with intense Muscat-like florality and grapey character. The palate zings with high, green apple acid and is nicely balanced by that pinch of residual sugar.

The finish is evanescent 48

Ortega, Luckett Vineyard's

A unique grape coming long distance with its German heritage, our off dry Ortega is ringing off the hook with a spectrum of aromatic muscat, peach, rose and honey notes delivered with a citrus edge. Call on Ortega anytime with as the perfect accompaniment to vegetarian dishes, sushi and spicy Asian cuisine, or to celebrate a summer gathering on the patio. 45

L'Acadie, Luckett Vineyard's

L'Acadie Blanc is Nova Scotia's most talked about grape. Briefly aged in American oak to develop a hint of vanilla, this wine has a complex structure and crisp, refreshing notes. Short on words and long on taste, L'Acadie is a classic pairing with Nova Scotia lobster, Digby scallops, halibut, mussels and other Maritime seafood. 39

Scarlett Apple Cranberry Wine, Luckett Vineyard

Easy drinking and suitable for any occasion, our Cranberry Apple wine is as pleasing to the tongue as it is to the eyes. A graceful blend of south shore cranberries and Annapolis Valley apples create an appealing aroma and a charming, off-dry flavour. Invite Scarlett to your picnic or BBQ to enjoy alone or added to a cocktail, with grilled chicken and ribs, spicy Asian cuisine and light desserts.

By the glass 7 Bottle 28

Bin 15, Avondale Sky Winery

This wine, crafted from Ontario grown Sauvignon Blanc grapes blended with Nova Scotia L'Acadie, is characterized by gooseberry and hints of pineapple. This off-dry wine is fresh and easy. 29

RED

Marechal Foch, Domaine de Grand Prè

This wine has a fresh berry aroma that suggests strawberries, raspberries and blackberries with hints of green pepper and cherry. Soft tannins add structure to the plump fruitiness for a full round flavour and a long finish.

By the glass 7 Bottle 28

Castel, Domaine de Grand Prè

Rich, dense and deeply pigmented, this wine offers inviting herbaceous aromas of caraway and black pepper. It offers an expressive nose, a complex full-body and a balanced palate of ripe fruit and integrated tannins.

By the glass 9 Bottle 35

Phone Box Red, Lockett Vineyard

Our signature Red is dialed into the flavours of our finest wines. A masterful blend of Lucy Khulmann (40%), Triumphe (20%), Foch (20%), and Leon Millot (20%), Phone Box Red is aged in New American oak barrels to create robust, well-structured layers of ripe fruit flavours that answer the call of hearty stews, red meats and grilled dishes. 39

Triumphe, Lockett Vineyard

A medium-bodied red, Triumphe is an easy-drinking dry red with a pleasing complexity that never leaves you on hold. This ideal food wine has been aged in French oak to complement its ripe fruit flavours of blackcurrant and raspberry. Triumphe is a good call for Nova Scotian lamb, grilled and roasted red meats and game. 45

Baco Noir, Blomidon Estate Winery

Carefully matured in small French and American oak barrels, this wine shows an intense nose of sweet, dark berry fruits mingled with cedar vanilla oak spice. The palate is rich and complex

with flavours of blueberry, black cherry and anise. Some earthy and gamey notes lend complexity to this wine which is a fine showcase of the potential for this grape in Nova Scotia.

By the glass 9 Bottle 35

DeChaunac, Gaspereau Vineyards

This bright violet-coloured wine displays a nose rich in sweet cherry complimented by delicate overtones of both vanilla and cigar. Soft tannins and a balanced acidity round out the out the palate creating this medium bodied gem. 38

Leon Millot, Domaine de Grand Pré

Léon Millot is a sister variety to the Maréchal Foch grape. It produces a wine rich in raspberry and cherry fruit characteristics with subtle nuances of white pepper. This light-bodied, dry red wine is all brought together with a round mint chocolate finish. 32

Pete Luckett's Millot, Domaine de Grand Pré

A medium bodied red with earthy chocolate and plum aromas, aged in American oak for a smooth finish 45

Marechal Foch, Sainte Famille

This wine displays loads of ripe crushed raspberry, blackberry, and blueberry on the nose. A full bodied wine with hints of chocolate and medium tannins. 29

Taurus, Benjamin Bridge

Long, slow maceration, fermentation, and aging in new American oak has captured earthy black fruit notes and lively acidity of Marechal Foch, with leather and vanilla aromas, peppery flavours and supple texture. 48

The Landing, Avondale Sky Winery

This Wine is named for the Newport Landing, one of the sites the Planters arrived in Nova Scotia. It is crafted from Leon Millot Grapes grown in the rocky terrior of the South Shore of Nova Scotia at Abercrombie Farm. It is characterized by hints of cherry, rhubarb and blackberries. 37

ROSÉ

Rosé, Gaspereau Vineyards

Made from the free run juice of two impressive grapes, DeChaunac and Lucie Kuhlmann. This wine is salmon pink in colour with notes of cranberry and cherry on the nose. A silky mouth feel and berry fruit flavours make this harmonious, off-dry crowd pleaser. 34

Verrazano, Domaine de Grand Pré

This dry rose is made from a special blend of estate grown L'Acadie Blanc and Marechal Foch grapes. The resulting wine is bursting with delightful fruit flavours and a crisp pleasing finish.

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Nexus Rosé, Benjamin Bridge

A stylish, refreshing, deep pink, dry rosé, lush raspberry and citrus aromas, field berry, grapefruit and mint notes. 34

Summer Song Rosé, Muir Murray

A Scented, refreshing, glowing pink rosé, Complimented by its crisp natural acidity, this wine is made from the hybrid grape Marechal Foch and has well balanced picnic style fruity flavors.

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International Wines

WHITE

Chardonnay, Lindemans: South Australia

Displays lifted aromas of tropical fruit, melon and fig with an underlying hint of nougat, nutmeg, and cinnamon spice. It's soft, nutty character is the result of malolactic fermentation and use of American oak barrels

By the glass 7 Bottle 26

Pinot Grigio, Villa Albinoni: Italy

Crisp and dry with fresh lemon and lime flavors. The palate offers a refreshing hint of orange blossom paired with lively acidity.

A dry, soft and well balanced white

By the glass 7 Bottle 34

Sauvignon Blanc, SeaGlass: California

SeaGlass Sauvignon Blanc is ripe with the aromas of tropical fruit and bright citrus that leads into a pure and clean palate.

By the glass 7 Bottle 32

Viognier, Cono Sur: Chile

Aromatic and complex; this wine offers intricate aromas of tropical fruits, apricots, white peach, citrus fruits and a touch of spice. The palate is dense but ample acidity keeps it in balance. 26

Sauvignon Blanc, Brancott Estate: New Zealand

The aroma of lantana and wild herbs combines with tropical fruits and green apple. The palate is exuberant and intense with nettled fresh herbs that burst into existence and continue through the length of the palate.

A powerful and lengthy Sauvignon. 34

Chenin Blanc, False Bay: South Africa

Fine, mineral Chenin characters with gentle ripe apple aromas, honeyed aromatics and delicious greengage. Finishes with a citrus acidity.

A wine with great finesse and style. 34

Chardonnay Reserve, Don David: Argentina

A bright New World Chardonnay with ripe aromas of tropical fruit together with honey and butter. Soft and clean, the flavour profile shows pear and apple infusion with balanced acidity and a lingering finish. 40

White Bordeaux, Mouton Cadet: France

A brilliant, vivid color with pale yellow highlights. The complex nose reveals a mixture of boxwood, white fruit and citrus aromas. Harmonious on the palate, suggestive of grapefruit, mango and fresh apricot. The wine shows attractive length, with a finish that lingers on the fruit. 38

RED

Cabernet Sauvignon/Shiraz, Lindemans: South Australia

This wine boasts lifted aromas of blackberry, plum, and cedar. The Cabernet Sauvignon compliments the dark cherry, licorice and spice of Shiraz and provides an excellent structure for this blend.

By the glass 7 Bottle 26

Gamay, Louis Jadot Beaujolais- Villages: France

This brilliant garnet wine is fresh with ripe crushed strawberry but is underscored by zesty peppercorns, gentle tannins and a clean acidity.

It finishes on a succulent and refreshing note.

By the glass 7 Bottle 26

Primitivo, Ogio: Italy

The nose of candied cherries, clove, and submissive earthiness cooperates with its very generous, juicy ripe berry flavour. The finish is a rich sensation with a balanced acidity.

By the glass 7 Bottle 26

Quinta de Espiga: Portugal

A stylish blend of native grapes: Castelão (Periquita), Tinta Roriz, Touriga Nacional and Syrah. The resulting blend is deep ruby in colour and offers a smooth, full-bodied red with good complexity, notes of cigar box and deep fruit, and an impressive earthy quality.

By the glass 7 Bottle 26

Bordeaux, Mouton Cadet: France

A stylish, deep red color, clean and brilliant, and a full, rich bouquet marked by berry fruit aromas. Round and well-balanced on the palate, it is both supple and generous, displaying great elegance and refinement

By the glass 9 Bottle 36

Syrah, Seven Deadly Zins: California

An intense red blend with black cherries and raspberries. Mild tannins with vanilla and cocoa finish on the palate. It is elegant and round with a strong personality. 45

Nebbiolo D'alba, Veglio: Italy

Delightful and distinctively floral nose with bright fruit accompanied by subdued tannins and a crisp finish make this a distinctive wine. 38

Syrah Cabernet, "The Ruins", Bon Cap: South Africa

An easy drinking ruby red, this lovely 100% organic wine boasts aromas of ripe dark fruit and earthy flavors of sweet berries and roasted coffee beans. 38

Malbec, Trapiche: Argentina

This Malbec has a deep, ruby color with aromas of ripe, black cherries and spicy notes of incense and sandalwood. A long finish that is pure and balanced with sweet tannins and fresh acidity 50

Chianti, Ruffino: Italy

Brilliant ruby in color with appealing balance and a marvelous freshness that makes Chianti Ruffino a very pleasant and easy to drink wine. Persistent fruity sensations feature a long aftertaste, Near-unlimited match ability with food. 36

Malbec, Michal Torino Estate "Don David": Argentina

This wine has a lively red color with violet notes and plum aromas. The initial taste is full of toasted and vanilla flavors with an aftertaste of ripe tannins. 32

Pinot Noir, Louis Latour: France

Deep garnet and pronounced spicy floral notes can be found on the nose and on tasting. A powerful and round wine with balanced tannins. On the palate, fruity flavors of raspberry and spice reveal themselves. 40

Aperitif

Taylor Fladgate, Late Bottled Vintage

This ripe full wine displays notes of plum, black currant and spice.

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Grande Pre 41, Fortified White Wine

This wine is made from a small batch of New York Muscat grapes that was harvested in October of 2006. It displays interesting notes of dried fruit, apple, candied apricot honey and oak

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DESSERT WINES

Pomme D'or, Domaine de Grand Pré

This golden, burnt amber cepage is made from both old and new apple varieties grown locally in the Annapolis valley. This wine displays complex notes of baked apple, apricot and caramel, with a long finish.

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Gaspereau Vineyards Vidal Ortega Ice Wine

This wine displays notes of apple, pear and nectar. Harvested on December 7 2007 this wine is a delicious finish to any meal

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FEATURE

Ice Wine Martini

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Beverage List

Cold Drinks

Bottled Beer (Domestic and Imported)
Draft Beers (Domestic and Imported)
Espresso based beverages
House Italian Sodas
San Pellegrino sparkling H2O Lrg. & Small
Iced Tea

Hot Drinks

Espresso
Latte
Cappuccino
Coffee
Tea
Hot chocolate White and Choc.
Selection of herbal Premium teas

From The Tavern

B.Y.O. "Bring Your Own": We will serve wines that you bring.
Corking fee 12

We will store it for you!

Bottles purchased at the Merchant Wine Tavern can be stored in our climate controlled cabinets with your name and date opened indicated on the bottle. (Ask your server for details)

Want to try another wine by the glass? Ask your server about our featured winery of the month

Try any of our wines served by the glass in a 2oz tasting portion. 2.50

Enjoy!

Featured Wines

Each month our staff chooses a winery in order to showcase our local wineries.

Please ask your server for the Feature Winery of the month!

Tidal Bay, Domaine de Grand Pré

Nova Scotia's Premiere White Wine. There is no other grape growing region like Nova Scotia. A wine with unique character, Tidal Bay brilliantly reflects its birthplace: the terroir, coastal breezes, cooler climate and our winemakers' world-class craftsmanship.

It has a distinctive brightness in the glass. The nose is fresh yet complex. The palate is dryishly crisp, with body and fullness that lingers with every sip.

Pair With,

It is the perfect complement to Nova Scotia seafood or to share with friends.

By the glass 10 Bottle 38

Seyval Blanc, Domaine de Grand Pré

This light bodied white wine is crisp, refreshing and true to the varietal character of Seyval Blanc. It displays notes of green apple, honeydew melon and grapefruit, all balanced with a fresh acidity and a long finish.

By the glass 9 Bottle 34

Valley Mist, Muir Murray

Off-dry, with refreshing acidity to balance the wine. Aromas of stone fruit, slate, and citrus zest give way to citrus and mineral flavors in the palate. 30