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## THE RITZ LONDON ADDS ENGLISH WINES TO ITS *LIVRE DU VIN*



**London, August 2016:** During its 110<sup>th</sup> anniversary year as part of the best of British celebrations, The Ritz London is delighted to introduce English wines to the hotel's wine list for the first time. Carefully curated by Head Sommelier Giovanni Ferlito, nine references from the *Nyetimber*, *Gusbourne* and *Camel Valley* estates in Sussex, Kent and Cornwall have been added to the wine list by the bottle this summer:

### **Sparkling Wine:**

Nyetimber, Classic Cuvee, 2010  
Nyetimber, Rosé, NV  
Nyetimber, Blanc de Blancs, 2009  
Gusbourne, Brut Reserve, 2011  
Gusbourne, Rosé, 2012  
Gusbourne, Blanc de Blancs, 2011

### **White Wine:**

Bacchus "Darnibole", Camel Valley, 2014

### **Rosé Wine:**

Pinot Noir Rosé, Camel Valley, 2014

### **Red Wine:**

Pinot Noir, Gusbourne, 2014

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The new *Livre du Vin* now comprises of approximately 800 references, including 150 new wine and fine wine listings added earlier in 2016.

Commenting on the new addition Ferlito says; “I am very proud to introduce English wines to the *Livre du Vin* at The Ritz for the first time in the hotel’s history. I believe these wines complement the list beautifully and it’s exciting to now offer our guests an English sparkling wine option as an alternative to Champagne. Year on year, we continue to see improvements in the quality of the English wines produced as a result of changes in the climate and the terroir, enabling the grapes to reach a more optimum ripeness, as well as the increased investment in wine making techniques, which is why we’ve made the decision this year to list English wines. In 2016, we also recognise the need to offer our guests a more sustainable choice of wine with a reduced carbon footprint at The Ritz.”

Traditionally with a focus on the Bordeaux and Burgundy regions of France and its great verticals including Latour, Lafite, Mouton and Margaux to name a few, The Ritz London’s *Livre du Vin* now includes listings from important wine regions across the globe such as Languedoc, Jura and South West France, Corsica and Central and Southern Italy, Portugal, Georgia, Slovakia, Greece, Washington and Oregon in the US and now England.

The Ritz Restaurant is considered by many to be the most beautiful hotel restaurant in the world. The vast floor to ceiling windows, the rich and varied use of soft pink, pale green and veined white marble, and the dazzling garlands of chandeliers reflected in the wall of panelled mirror, combine to create one of the most spectacular interiors, as charming by day as by night. Executive Chef John Williams MBE has been at the helm of the hotel’s dining service for the past twelve years, and continues to build on the principals and beliefs of Escoffier with his menus, drawing inspiration from classic dishes and using the best quality British produce in season, always precisely executed and impeccably presented.

The Ritz Restaurant is open for lunch service daily, from 12.30pm to 2pm, and for dinner service daily, from 7pm to 10pm, with a ‘Live at The Ritz’ dinner dance each Friday and Saturday evening. A pre-theatre menu is available from 5.30pm to 6.30pm Monday to Saturday. For table reservations and booking information, please contact our Dining Reservations team on +44 (0)20 7300 2370 or at [dining@theritzlondon.com](mailto:dining@theritzlondon.com) or at [www.theritzlondon.com/ritz-restaurant/](http://www.theritzlondon.com/ritz-restaurant/).

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## NOTES TO EDITORS:

### ABOUT THE RITZ LONDON

2016 marks the 110<sup>th</sup> anniversary of The Ritz London, the iconic landmark conceived by renowned hotelier César Ritz in 1906. Perfectly located in a landmark position in the heart of London's West End, The Ritz is moments from the finest shopping destinations the Capital has to offer, including the luxury designer brands of Bond Street and Regent Street and the unique and quintessentially British boutiques of Jermyn Street. Throughout its distinguished history, the iconic hotel has been at the heart of London society and continued to play host to Royalty, aristocracy, stars of stage and screen and countless other discerning guests. The first hotel to have received a Royal Warrant from His Royal Highness The Prince of Wales, The Ritz has deservedly taken its place amongst the great hotels of the world and is the benchmark by which other hotels are measured. Following refurbishment it is sparkingly renewed though still retains the luxurious Louis XVI style interiors, meticulous service and the exquisite bar and restaurants for which The Ritz name is synonymous.

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