## ...'and the search goes on'

## Les Brasseurs de Gayant

In France this summer I was urged by my father-inlaw to try some local beers which I thoroughly enjoyed. On my return to the UK I looked up the brewery 'Les Brasseurs de Gayant' who base their know-how on tradition and their efficiency on a policy of sustained innovation. Passion for their craft leads them to favour quality over quantity, always in the pursuit of authenticity and new taste sensations. So, I shipped some samples.

This resulted in a tasting – the panel consisted of 8 beer enthusiasts (5 male and 3 female) who were all asked to mark the beers based on general guality and value for money. When totting up the results there were four stand-out beers which Martinez is now shipping as their first UK beer agency. These beers are:



\*Amadeus Wheat Beer 4.5% - £3.99 (75cl) Panel score 58/80

Contact Martinez Wines, 35 The Grove, Ilklev, West Yorkshire LS29 9NJ Phone: 01943 600000 Email: shop@martinez.co.uk website: www.martinez .co.uk

Shop Opening hours Mon 10-6 Tues 10-8 Thurs 10- 9 Fri 10-9



\*St Landelin Blonde 5.9%

£4.50 (75cl)

Panel score 62/80

\*La Goudale 7.2%

£2.55 (33cl)

Panel score 68/80

Sat 9.30-6 Sun 12-6

Wed 10-8

Wine Bar Opening Hours: Sunday and Monday closed; Tuesday to Friday 5pm - 11pm; Saturday 12noon – 11pm

For more information on the beers go to: www.brasseurs-gayant.com

French Beers

From Martinez



\*La Divine 8.5% £2.85 (33cl) Panel score 66/80



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#### WINTER ISSUE

Las Corazas Macebeo has been selected for Oz Clarkes `250 Best Wines 2012' book! £4.99 or £4.50 when you buy 3 bottles

### Tis the season to be jolly... it's party-time!

store and discuss your

requirements with us...where

vou can 'try before you buy' as

www.martinez.co.uk

buy online!

We can also send gifts

out with personal

message

Make sure you have got all the wines and spirits you need for vour Christmas festivities...let us help you put together a special selection that will cover all your needs from bubbles, white and red wines to ports, whisky and other spirits...(you have to leave a glass out for Santa!)

We have a greater selection of Ports and Whisky than ever before – which make perfect aifts.

Browse our new web-site and order online or pop into the

> **Top Quality Christmas Trees now** available, Nordmann Non-Drop 5ft, 7ft **ONLY £40-£50.**

#### **UP & COMING EVENTS**

**IARTINEZ** 

Mon 12 Dec: Sipping Society A regular event, held between 7.30pm -9.30pm on the 2nd Monday of every month. Places are limited so call 01943 600000 to book £10.00 per person.

Wed 14 Dec: Handbag & Bling Party 7pm Over 200 items to view, try and buy! Products available to take home...All cards accepted! Why not book a table and tapas? Call 01943 600000

Thurs 22 Dec: Swing into Christmas Beverly Bierne and her band playing jazzy Christmas tunes, Tickets £5.00

Wed 29 Dec: Speakeasy Buskers Nights a regular event on the last Wednesday of every month. Between 8pm-10pm. Want to perform? Book your performance slot now by ringing 01943 600000

Thurs 19 Jan: Call My Quaffe £20pp Can you tell which wine is in the glass? Price includes all wines Booking essential 01943 600000

'Avoid missing events held by Martinez in 2012 - sign up for the mailing list now at www.martinez.co.uk'

#### 'STOP PRESS'

Please note you can buy wines to take out from the wine bar at shop prices until 11pm Tuesday - Saturday

**Opening Hours for Shop Sales** (from Bar) Mon 10-6 Tues 10-6 (11) Wed 10-6 (11) Thurs 10-7 (11) Fri 10-8 (11) Sat 10-8 (11) Sun 12-6

all the 'Wines by the Glass' in our Wine Bar are available to taste. **REMEMBER – Free delivery for** mixed cases in local area! visit our new web-site

# CORPORATE

The festive season is upon us...if you haven't decided what presents you might be giving to your staff, customers, family and friends this year, we thought it might be a good time to tell you about the bespoke corporate gift services we offer:



- Personal consultation to determine your exact requirements
- Selection from over 600 wines well-priced range from £4.50 to £450
- Range of quality Malt Whisky, Cognac, Armagnac and other spirits
- Choice of gift packaging to meet your individual style and budget
- Opportunity to include a personalised message in each gift
- Free local delivery plus a competitively priced nationwide delivery service
- Also, for your parties and functions, we supply wines, beers and spirits on a 'Sale or Return' basis including free glass hire.



Please let us know how we can be of assistance to you at this busy time of year...our service couldn't be simpler... just supply a list of names and addresses; your personal message details and we will do the rest – wine selection; packaging and delivery.

# GIFT EXPRESS



Martinez Wines are regarded as an Ilkley institution after more than 27 years trading on The Grove. Our ethos is to source unique and individual wines of honesty, character and integrity at all different price levels – from £4 to £400!

- We offer a complete bespoke gift service catering for corporate and personal gifts with nationwide delivery.
- The wide selection of wines, speciality beers, spirits, ports and single malts at Martinez ensures a gift to match everyone's preference. We can help you and/or your company, delight friends, clients and employees with the gifts from the Martinez range.
- Your gifts can be packaged in one of our hand-made gift bags; cardboard gift boxes or wooden gift boxes to achieve that perfect presentation.
- Our team will pack your gifts and have them couriered anywhere within mainland Britain.
- Our delivery costs are charged at competitive rates and local deliveries of cases are free!

#### MARTINEZ GOES ECOMMERCE

You can now order and pay for your wines online at www.martinez.co.uk

FREE delivery within LS20, LS21, LS29, BD20 & BD23 (Minimum spend £50).

Nationwide delivery only £6.99 any quantity.

Feel free to mix and match a case.

### Wines by the Glass for December selected by the Martinez team

Jonny: Abadal Picapoll – Very dry, mineral led wine with undertones of cooked lemons. Martinez are proud to be the UK agents for Abadal. £4.25

Luke: Greywacke Sauvignon Blanc – Deliciously aromatic with a spicy twist of zesty grapefruit. The palate is succulent, tangy, long and concentrated, finishing with a hint of flinty minerality. £5.95 Phil: Chateau Rousseau de Sipian 2005 – still firm tannins but plenty of fruit. Drinking well now but easily has another 7 – 10 years of life left in it. £5.50

Chris: 'Prima' by Maurodos – Earthy minerals, espresso, truffle, liquorice and blackberry aromas lead to a ripe, dense, sweetly-fruited layered wine. £5.95

John: Selvapiana Chianti Rufina 2009 – Remember the rolling hills of Tuscany and re-live the memory with this exploding nose of blackberry fruit and flavours of ripe, juicy dark cherries. £5.25

Jackie: Guelbenzu 'Red' – a full-bodied red packed with spicy mulberry fruit flavours that you can almost chew and as with all good wines expect some deposit in the bottle. £3.95

Jason: Forge Mill Chenin Blanc – Nice soft creamy texture with guava and slightly under-ripe melons flavours and finishes with a gentle fresh acidity. £3.50

Ash: Parxet Cuvee 21 Cava – very pale with green hues, with very fine, persistent bubbles with a tendency to form a foam crown. The fragrant nose is full, fruity and intense. £4.75