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ENGLISH SPARKLING

THE CORAL ROOM rotates six small vineyard sparkling wines served by the glass, handpicked by our Master of Wine, Anne McHale. The list champions local English wine producers from the Home Counties and beyond.

Currently, we are delighted to be showcasing the following...

OXFORDSHIRE**Brightwell Vineyard Sparkling Chardonnay 2009 11**

Made in the style of a 'blanc de blancs' Champagne from 100% Chardonnay grapes, this savoury yet elegant English sparkling has even out-scored Champagnes in blind tastings. Brightwell Vineyard, situated 8 miles south of Oxford in the Thames Valley, enjoys ideal grape-growing conditions with flinty chalk greensand and gravel soils, and shelter from the surrounding hills of the Chilterns, North Downs and Cotswolds. The extra age on this wine makes it ideal with a rich seafood dish.

EAST SUSSEX**Ridgeview Estate, 'Bloomsbury' NV 13**

We proudly serve the aptly named Ridgeview 'Bloomsbury' as our house English sparkling. A Chardonnay dominant blend, it embodies elegance and crisp freshness. Pinot Noir and Meunier add depth and character. The refreshing style makes it a perfect aperitif or partner for light seafood dishes and savoury canapés. True pioneers of English wine, in 1995 Mike & Chris Roberts discovered the perfect site to realise their wine vision: a ridge with an unforgettable view, nestled at the base of the beautiful South Downs in the village of Ditchling. It is here that the second generation of the family continue to produce their wines.

WEST SUSSEX**Bolney Bubbly NV 15**

From one of England's longest-established vineyards, this fruity sparkler is made from the more unusual Seyval Blanc alongside the classics of Chardonnay, Pinot Noir and Meunier. It's got floral notes of elderflower and honeysuckle as well as zesty citrus fruit and a hint of brioche from 12 months of ageing. A delicious alternative to Prosecco if you're feeling adventurous!

KENT**Hush Heath Estate, Balfour Leslie's Reserve NV 16.5**

Named after the producer's wife Leslie, this delicious traditional method Kent sparkling is blended from the classic Champagne grape varieties, and is fresh and clean in style with hints of brioche and red apple. Award-winning winemaker Owen Elias has crafted it from fruit grown on vineyards at the exquisite Tudor-framed Hush Heath Manor, a beautiful 400-acre estate with a history dating back to 1503 and the home of the Balfour-Lynns. Enjoy this crisp bubbly with shellfish or white meats.

KENT**Gusbourne Estate, Brut Rosé 2015 17.5**

The original Gusbourne Estate in Appledore, Kent, dates back to 1410. In 2004, Andrew Weeber took over the estate with a clear vision and a single goal: to create English sparkling wines that would stand up alongside the very finest offerings from across the globe. This rosé, a classic blend of the Champagne grape varieties, is pure class. Delicate pink in appearance, it combines soft summer berries and floral notes on the nose with bright red fruits and crisp freshness on the palate, rounded off with a creamy texture on the finish.

WEST SUSSEX**Wiston Estate, Cuvée Brut 2009 18**

Owned and managed by the Goring family since 1743, Wiston Estate has a long and proud history, but it wasn't until 2006 that their Sussex vineyard was planted with the classic Champagne varieties on south-facing chalk slopes. Their Cuvée 2009, aged on the lees for an impressive 6 years and showing enticing notes of fragrant English orchard fruits, white chocolate, nougat, toasted hazelnuts and brioche, shows remarkable depth and complexity.