

WSET Diploma Recommended Reading List

***** Essential reading for diploma students

**** start here for further general reading

***, ** subject specific material that will be of interest to students seeking more detail

* of interest, but may be too out of date, or too detailed.

General

Oxford Companion to Wine (3rd Edition) – Jancis Robinson *****
Oxford University Press 2006, ISBN: 0-19-860990-6

World Atlas of Wine (5th Edition) – Hugh Johnson & Jancis Robinson ****
Mitchell Beazley 2001, ISBN: 1-84000-332-4

Oz Clarke's Wine Atlas – Oz Clarke ****
Little, Brown 2002, ISBN: 0-316-86064-6

Wine Report – Tom Stevenson ****
Dorling Kindersley, *Released Annually*

Wine Behind the Label – Phillip Williamson & David Moore **
Williamson Moore, *Released Annually*

The New Sotheby's Wine Encyclopedia – Tom Stevenson **
Dorling Kindersley 2005, ISBN: 9-780751-337402

Useful Websites:

<http://www.wset.co.uk/>

Unit 1 *The Global Business of Alcoholic Beverages*

Harpers Country Reports ***
Harpers, *Updated annually in January*
(Available from www.harpers-wine.com)

Global Wine Statistical Compendium ***
AWBC, *Released Annually*

The Drinks Pocket Book (UK Only) **
WARC, *Released Annually*

World Drinks Trends **
WARC, *Released Annually*

Wine: A Global Business – Liz Thach & Tim Matz *
Miranda Press 2004, ISBN: 0-971587-02-7

Useful Websites:

<http://www.vinexpo.fr/>

<http://www.oiv.int/>

Unit 2 Wine Production

Understanding Wine Technology (2nd Edition) – David Bird *****
DBQA 2005, ISBN: 0-9535802-1-0

Grapes & Wines – Oz Clarke & Margaret Rand ***
Time Warner 2003, ISBN: 0-316-72653-2

The Art & Science of Wine – James Halliday & Hugh Johnson *
Mitchell Beazley 2006, ISBN: 1-845333-236-9

Viticulture Volume 2: Practices – BG Coombe & PR Dry *
Winetitles 1992, ISBN: 1-875130-01-2

Unit 3 Light Wines of the World

Element 1 Northern and Western Europe

France – General

Hachette Wine Guide *
Cassell & Co, *Released Annually*

Useful Websites:

<http://www.terroir-france.com/>

<http://www.onivins.fr/>

<http://www.vins-de-pays.info/>

France - Bordeaux

Bordeaux: Medoc & Graves – Stephen Brooke ***
Mitchell Beazley 2006, ISBN: 1-84533-004-8

Bordeaux (4th Edition) – Robert Parker **
Dorling Kindersley 2003, ISBN: 1-4053-0566-5

Bordeaux And It's Wines (17th Edition) *
Editions Feret 2004, ISBN: 2-902416-95-4

Bordeaux (2nd Edition) – David Peppercorn *
Mitchell Beazley 2003, ISBN: 1-84000-927-6

Wines of Bordeaux (6th Edition) – David Peppercorn *
Mitchell Beazley 2004, ISBN: 1-84000-862-8

Useful Websites:

<http://www.bordeaux.com/>

<http://www.vins-bordeaux.fr/>

<http://www.medoc.org/>

France – South West

Useful Websites

<http://www.vins-bergerac.fr/>

<http://www.vins-gaillac.com/>

France – Burgundy

Burgundy (3rd edn) Anthony Hanson
Mitchell Beazley 2003, ISBN: 1-84000-913-6

The Wines of Burgundy – Serena Sutcliffe
Mitchell Beazley 2005, ISBN: 1-84533-019-6

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Useful Websites:

<http://www.beaujolais.com/>
<http://www.bourgogne-wines.com/>

France – Alsace

Useful Websites:
<http://www.alsacewine.com/>

France – Loire Valley

Useful Websites:
<http://www.loirevalleywine.com/>

Germany

Deutsche Wein Statistik
Deutsche Weininstitutes, *Released Annually*
(Available for free access at www.deutscheweine.de)

The Wines of Germany – Stephen Brooke
Mitchell Beazley 2003, ISBN: 1-84000-791-5

The Rheingold – Owen Bird
Arima Publishing 2005, ISBN: 1-84549-079-7

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Useful Websites:

<http://www.winesofgermany.co.uk/>

United Kingdom

Useful Websites:
<http://www.englishwineproducers.com/>

Element 2 Central, Southern and South-Eastern Europe

France - Rhone

Wine of the Northern Rhone John Livingstone Learmonth
University of California Press 2005, ISBN: 0-520-24433-8

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Rhone Renaissance – Remington Norman
Mitchell Beazley 1995, ISBN: 1-85732-759-4

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Useful Websites:

<http://www.vins-rhone.com/>

France - South

Useful Websites:
<http://www.languedoc-wines.com/>
<http://www.coteaux-languedoc.com/>
<http://www.corsicanwines.com/>

Austria

The Wines of Austria – Phillip Blom *
Mitchell Beazley 2006, ISBN: 1-84533-132-X

Useful Websites:

<http://www.winesfromaustria.com/>

Hungary

The Wines of Hungary – Alex Lidell *
Mitchell Beazley 2003, ISBN: 1-84000-789-3

Useful Websites:

<http://www.winesofhungary.com/>

Romania

Useful Websites:
<http://www.wineromania.com/>

Bulgaria

Useful Websites:
<http://www.bulgarianwines.com/>

Italy

Barolo to Valpolicella (2nd Edition) – Nick Belfrage ***
Mitchell Beazley 2004, ISBN: 1-84000-901-2

Brunello to Zibibbo (2nd Edition) – Nick Belfrage ***
Mitchell Beazley 2003, ISBN: 1-84000-790-7

Wines of Italy (7th Edition) – Michele Shah *
Mitchell Beazley 2006, ISBN: 1-84533-215-6

Useful Websites:

<http://www.italianmade.com/>
<http://www.piedmontwines.net/>
<http://www.chianticlassico.com/>

Spain

The New Spain (2nd Edition) – John Radford ***
Mitchell Beazley 2004, ISBN: 1-84000-928-4

The Wines of Spain – Julian Jeffs *
Mitchell Beazley 2006, ISBN: 1-8453-3100-1

The Wines of Rioja John Radford *
Mitchell Beazley 2004, ISBN: 1-84000-940-3

Wines of Spain (9th Edition) – Jan Read *
Mitchell Beazley 2005, ISBN: 1-84533-018-8

Useful Websites:

<http://www.winesfromspain.com/>
<http://www.riberadelduero.es/>
<http://www.riojawine.com/>

Portugal

The Wines & Vineyards of Portugal – Richard Mayson
Mitchell Beazley 2003, ISBN: 1-84000-733-8

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Useful Websites:

<http://www.ivdp.pt/>

<http://www.viniportugal.pt/>

<http://www.ivv.min-agricultura.pt/> (Portuguese language only)

Greece

The Wines of Greece – Konstantinos Lazarakis
Mitchell Beazley 2005, ISBN: 1-84000-897-0

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Useful Websites:

<http://www.greekwinemakers.com/>

Element 2 Africa, Australasia and Asia

South Africa

John Platter's South African Wine Guide – John Platter
John Platter – *Released Annually*
(Previous releases available for free access at www.platteronline.com)

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Useful Websites:

<http://www.wosa.co.za/>

<http://www.grape.org.za/>

North Africa

Africa Uncorked – John and Erica Platter
Kyle Cathie 2002, ISBN: 1-85626-519-6

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Australia

Oz Clarke's Australian Wine Companion
Websters 2004, ISBN: 0-316-72874-8

The Wine Regions of Australia – John Beeston
Allen & Unwin 2001, ISBN: 1-8650-8404-2

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Wines of Australia (3rd Edition) – James Halliday
Mitchell Beazley 2005, ISBN: 1-84533-057-9

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Useful Websites:

<http://www.awbc.com.au/>

<http://www.wfa.org.au/>

<http://www.wineaustralia.com/>

New Zealand

Useful Websites:

<http://www.nzwine.com/>

Asia

Wines of Lebanon – Michael Karam
Saqi Books 2005, ISBN: 0-86356-598-0

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Useful Websites:

<http://www.winechina.com/>

http://www.kizan.co.jp/eng/japanwine_e.html

<http://www.israelwines.co.il/>

Element 4 The Americas

USA – California

The Wines of the Napa Valley – Larry Walker *
Mitchell Beazley 2005, ISBN: 1-84000-994-2

Useful Websites:

<http://www.wineinstitute.org/>
<http://www.napavintners.com/>
<http://www.scgga.org/>
<http://www.carneros.com/>

USA – Other

Useful Websites:

<http://www.oregonwine.org/>
<http://www.washingtonwine.org/>

Canada

The Wines of Canada - Michael Schreiner *
Mitchell Beazley 2005, ISBN: 1-84533-007-2

Useful Websites:

<http://www.winesofcanada.com/>
<http://www.winesofontario.org/>

South America - General

The Wines of South America – Monty Walden *
Mitchell Beazley 2003, 1-84000-609-9

The Wines of Argentina, Chile and Latin America – Christopher Fielden *
Mitchell Beazley 2003, ISBN: 1-84000-792-3

Chile

Useful Websites:

<http://www.winesofchile.org/>

Argentina

Useful Websites:

<http://www.winesofargentina.com/>

Other South American Countries

Useful Websites:

<http://www.winesfrombrazil.com/>
<http://www.inavi.com.uy/>

Unit 4 *Spirits of the World*

Distilling Knowledge: A Professional Guide to Spirits and Liqueurs – Dave Broom *****
WSET 2006, ISBN: 1-905819-00-5

Rum – Dave Broom *
Mitchell Beazley 2003, ISBN: 18-4000-730-3

The Complete Bartenders Guide – Dave Broom *
Carlton Books 2003, ISBN: 1-8422-2736-X

Cognac – Nicholas Faith *
Mitchell Beazley 2004, ISBN: 1-84000-903-9

Useful Websites:

<http://www.ginvodka.org/>

<http://www.scotch-whisky.org.uk/>

<http://www.cognac.fr/>

<http://www.crt.org.mx/>

Unit 5 *Sparkling Wines of the World*

World Encyclopedia of Champagne and Sparkling Wine – Tom Stevenson ***
Absolute Press 2002, ISBN: 1-899791-89-2

Useful Websites:

<http://www.champagne.fr/>

Unit 6 *Fortified (Liqueur) Wines of the World*

Sherry (2nd Edition) – Julian Jeffs **
Mitchell Beazley 2004, ISBN: 1-84000-923-3

The Port Companion: A Connoisseur's Guide – Godfrey Spence **
Apple Press 2002, ISBN: 1-8409-2374-1

Port and the Douro – Richard Mayson **
Mitchell Beazley 2004, ISBN: 1-84000-943-8

Useful Websites:

<http://www.ivdp.pt/>

<http://www.madeirawineguide.com/>

<http://www.sherry.org/>