

On Thursday, March 18th, the sun will shine bright and early to encourage you out to Lidl to make the most of the new Wine Tour that arrives that day! There is a strong Italian theme to whet your appetite, ably supported by some tasty support from elsewhere in the wine world. Below is a list of the wines I am most taken by.

### **Sparkling**

**Fior d'Arancia Colli Euganei** - 5.99 - I just adore this. A light, semi-sweet, orange-scented sparkling wine that will bring joy to the dullest of days or moods.

### **Whites**

**Puglia Fiano Appassite** - 7.99 - Fiano is one of Italy's superstar white grapes. This one is made from a proportion of dried grapes, resulting in tremendous depth of flavour.

**Falanghina Beneventano** - 7.99 - From volcanic vineyards inland from Naples, this is fine, Italian dry white - dry, understated and highly moreish.

**Lugana Giulio Pasotti** - 7.49 - Good, dry, mouthwatering Italian dry white.

**Zibibbo Duca del Castelmonte** - 7.49 - Not the first time I have mentioned this wine - I just really like the fact that it is grapey and fruity, yet finishes bone-dry.

**Haraszthy Sauvignon Blanc** - 7.99 - textbook Sauvignon Blanc, drier than many from New Zealand, very classy. Hungary is becoming increasingly exciting for wine-lovers.....

### **Rosé**

**Bardolino Chiaretto** - 6.99 - Hard not to associate this wine with warm weather and a leisurely afternoon in the sun. One word of warning - one bottle does not last long....

### **Reds**

**Langhe Nebbiolo** - 7.49 - Nebbiolo is the grape that produces Barolo - so deserves respect! Lovely example of the grape, much more accessible than young Barolo.

**Veneto Vignamatta** - 7.49 - If you like full-bodied reds that are not too dry, this could well be the one for you.

**Morellino di Scansano** - 7.99 - If you like Chianti and other Tuscan reds, this one (also made from Sangiovese) is also well worth trying.

**Dolcetto d'Alba Antica Cascina** - 5.99 - Dolcetto is a lovely grape, grown mainly in Piemonte where it makes delightful, relatively light, refreshing reds - ideally served lightly chilled

**Bastide Miraflores Pays d'Oc** - 8.99 - Impressive southern French red that mixes ripe, generous fruit with refreshing notes of pepper and spice.

Stay safe.....and refreshed

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