

Serve ace after ace

...as you toast Andy Murray and co with this smashing selection of Wimbledon winners

If you're looking for something to sip while cheering on Andy Murray when Wimbledon kicks off tomorrow, I've found plenty of vino from the UK and beyond that pairs wonderfully with tennis.

Lanson is what you'll be drinking if you order Champagne at Wimbledon – it's currently the official Champagne supplier to the All England Club. Lanson Rosé remains the UK's favourite and this year has seen the launch of its Clos Lanson 2006 from its own 'secret garden' overlooking Reims Cathedral. But what else makes the perfect serve?

Of course, there's English sparkling wine, which I've long been a fan of. At a recent tasting I was blown away by Wiston's Blanc de Blancs



OLLY SMITH WINES FOR TENNIS

2010 (12%) for £39.95 from Corney & Barrow. Or for pink English fizz, Camel Valley 'Cornwall' Pinot Noir Rosé Brut 2013 (12.5%), £26.95 from camelvalley.com/shop, is adorable.

But how about picking your wine according to your favourite tennis star? Jo-Wilfried Tsonga is an easy pick as a Frenchman – see my bargain below. I'm a huge fan of Rafael Nadal and I'll be raising a glass of Majestic's hearty red El Chaparral de Vega Sindoa Old Vine Garnacha 2014 (£8.99 (14%)) to his speedy return to form.

Fan of Novak Djokovic?

Serbia shares a similar latitude with southern France and has a history of wine production sadly hit by phylloxera and the communist era. But watch this space – with impressive wines from Romania and Hungary already here in the UK, buyers will be scouring the lands eastwards for similar potential.

And as for my trip to the tournament, I'll be sipping the finesse and power of Lanson's Extra Age Brut blended from 2000, 2002 and 2004. And if Andy successfully claims his second Wimbledon title I shall happily bathe in it. Feel free to join me!

OLLY'S PICK OF THE BUNCH



£5.79

NICK KYRGIOS
Storm Tree
Semillon/
Chardonnay
2015 (12.5%)
Waitrose
Just like Aussie
Nick, don't
underestimate
this value
white blend. It
may yet prove
classic.



£8

SERENA WILLIAMS
New York State
White 2015
(12%)
M&S
Go USA! A
brilliant blend
punching
above its price
like a strike of
lime lightning.
Service!



£9.99

JO-WILFRIED TSONGA
Aldi The Lot
Series 'Metarie
de Bois'
Corbières 2012
(14.5%)
Aldi
It's a missile
with a payload
of deep fruit
and gamey
richness.



£47.99

WIMBLEDON WINNER
Lanson Extra
Age Brut
(12.5%)
On offer at Ocado
Complexity
woven from
top Grand and
Premier Crus
vineyards
shining with
zesty freshness.



£11.95

Mas Brunet
Cuvée du
Mazet,
Domaine de
Brunet 2013
(13%)
swig.co.uk
Sinewy,
balletic red
with gorgeous
dried herb
and arresting
earthy aromas.

WINE OF THE WEEK