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CATEGORIES FOR 2026

A. Mindful Drinking: Alcohol free (ABV less than 0.5%)
Alcohol free wines with an ABV of 0.5% and below, of any colour and style.

B. Mindful Drinking: Light and easy (ABV under 11%)
When less alcohol matters. Wines with an ABV of 11% and below, of any colour and style.

C. Easy Weekday: Fizz
Simple sparkling wines of any colour and from any country.

D. Easy Weekday: White
Simple everyday white wines to drink without food or with uncomplicated weekday meals.

E. Easy Weekday: Red
Simple everyday red wines to drink without food or with uncomplicated weekday meals.

F. Beyond Bottles: White: Alternative/Portable Packaging
White wines of any colour and style in portable or alternative packaging formats.

G. Beyond Bottles: Red: Alternative/Portable Packaging
Red wines of any colour and style in portable or alternative packaging formats.

H. Climate Friendly: White: Sustainable Accreditation or Packaging
White wines with a sustainability, organic or biodynamic accreditation. Wines produced sustainably including sustainable packaging.

I. Climate Friendly: Red: Sustainable Accreditation or Packaging
White wines with a sustainability, organic or biodynamic accreditation. Wines produced sustainably including sustainable packaging.

J. Buyer's Choice: White: Own Label
Own brand or private label wines.

K. Buyer's Choice: Red: Own Label
Own brand or private label wines.

L. Big Night In: White
Wines to share with friends and nibbles. Fun, fruit-driven and young white wines.

M. Big Night In: Red Wines to share with friends and nibbles. Fun, fruit-driven and young red wines.

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N. Aromatic & Asian Cuisine: White
White wines which match well with aromatic and Asian food.

O. Aromatic & Asian Cuisine: Rosé
Rosé wines which match well with aromatic and Asian food.

P. Rosé All Day
The best rosé wines from any country and at any price point.

S. Fire Up The BBQ: White
White wines which match well with robust barbequed foods to share with friends.

T. Fire Up The BBQ: Red
Red wines which match well with robust barbequed foods to share with friends.

U. Dinner Party: Sparkling: Wine £19+
Premium sparkling wines with an RRP of £19 and above, of any colour and from any country.

V. Dinner Party: White: Wine £15+
Premium white wines for special occasions and treats, with an RRP of £15 and above.

W. Dinner Party: Red: Wine £15+
Premium red wines for special occasions and treats, with an RRP of £15 and above.

X. Pass The Crackers
Wines of any colour and style, which are a perfect match with a variety of cheeses – including dessert and fortified wines.

Y. Best House Wine: On-Trade Category
Wines of any colour, style and price point; the best house wine in the on-trade.

Z. Sommelier's Choice: On-Trade Category
Premium wines hand-picked for the diner by your sommelier.

AA. Stylish Buys: Best Packaging and Design
An award for best packaging in wine. Note: only one bottle/alternative format required per entry.

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