

Our wines and sakes have been specially selected to complement the diverse and distinctive flavours and textures of contemporary Japanese cuisine.

With a number of selected Whisky from Japan and wonderful new cocktails, our drink list is designed to experience new product from the land of the Rising Sun.

# Tsunami Champagne Cocktail

£10.00

### Japanese Champagne Cocktail

Nikka All Malt Whisky, Brown Sugar, Angostura and Palmers Brut Champagne

### Peach and Pear Bellini

Xante Pear Cognac, Peach and Palmers Brut Champagne

#### Koi

Junmai Daiginjo Sake, Edmond Briottet Curação Orange and Palmers Brut Champagne

### **Fujin**

Umeshu Plum Wine, Edmond Briottet Fruits de la Passion and Palmers Brut Champagne

#### Hani Sakura

Sarasara Sakura Blossom Sake Liqueur, Drambuie and Palmers Brut Champagne

Non Alcoholic

<u>£4</u>.50

### **Tokyo**

Cranberry, Strawberry, Lime and Fresh Mint.

### Ryuku Sunset

Cloudy Apple, Peach, Lemon and Grenadine

### **Kyoto**

Cloudy Apple, Lime, Fever Tree Ginger Beer, Fresh mint

#### Zen

Pineapple, Longan, Jackfruit and Lime

# Signature Cocktails

£9.50

#### **Korean Fashion**

Nikka Whisky from the Barrel, Red Ginseng Infusion, Umeshu Plum Sake Liqueur, Jujube and Rice Syrup

#### Marmalade No3

Portobello Gin, Jasmine Blossom Infusion, Campari, Freshly Squeezed Mandarin Juice, Kumquat Marmalade

#### Okinawa

Tanqueray Gin, Homemade Five Berry Liqueur, Honey and Sesame Paste, Jackfruit

#### **Umami** Cobbler

Marismeno Fino Sherry, Harveys Sherry, Freshly Squeezed Mandarin Juice, Yuzu, Jackfruit, Paprika

#### Sakurita

La Penca Mezcal, Freshly Squeezed Kumquat Juice, Chili, Kaffir Lime

#### **Electric Kamikaze**

Belenkaya Vodka, Electric Flower Infusion, Homemade Five Citrus Grass Cordial

#### **Royal Dynasty**

Ketel One Vodka, Elderflower Infusion, Aloe Vera, Rose Jam, Homemade Vanilla Syrup, Longan Fruit, Palmers Rose Champagne

### Little Roppongi

Belenkaya Vodka, Kaffir Lime Infusion, St~Germain Elderflower Liqueur, Nashi Pear, Lemon Grass, Fever Tree Ginger Beer

#### **Japanese Mary**

Choice of Vodka, Gin or Tequila, Homemade Spicy Tomato Mix, Spices, Pickles Add Sashimi selection for £12.00

### Sake

**Sake** is a naturally fermented alcoholic beverage from Japan. It has been enjoyed for 2500 years by its people and recently becoming a trend around the globe. Purely made from rice and water, Sake is a very pure and delicate drink with low acidity with higher amount of Umami to lift up flavours of food. Please try some taste of Japan to complete your Japanese gastronomic experience!

Sake tasting set (3 glasses x 35 ml)

#### Tasting set £7.50

Hakurakusei Junmai Ginjo / Takashimizu / Kishinamien Ume-shu

#### Premium tasting set £9.50

Atago No Sakura / Shichida 75 / Daruma Masamune

### Fresh & Crisp

Hakurakusei / Junmai Ginjo", Miyagi, abv 15.8% 125ml £ 9.75 275ml £ 19.50 720ml £ 47.00 Delicate fresh grapefruits nose, this is an extremely pure & clean sake to accompany with a range of dishes.

### Gassan No Yuki / Junmai Ginjo, Yamagata, abv 14.5%

300ml £20.00

Pure & clean sake with notes of citrus and minty flavours and pleasant lemon zest finish.

### Hakushika / Ginjo-Nama-Chozo, Hyogo, abv 13.5%

500ml £19.00

With a lively texture, subtle nose of white flower and easy to drink with its semi-sweetness.

#### Houraisen Wa/Junmai Ginjo, Aichi, abv 15%

720ml £75.00

Extremely velvety texture with freshness, tropical fruit notes with hint of apricot.

#### **Fruity & Aromatic**

**Atago no Sakura / Junmai Daiginjo\*, Miyagi,** *abv* 16% **125ml** £ **8.50 275ml** £**17.00 720ml** £**42.00** 

Sweet scent of Sakura (cherry blossoms), soft texture sake with a balanced structure.

### Hakurakusei / Junmai Daiginjo, Miyagi, abv 15.8%

720ml £60.00

Beautiful fragrance of muscat grapes and pineapple, refreshing, yet rich and complex and lingering finish.

#### Akashi-Tai / Daiginjo, Hyogo, abv 17%

300ml £25.00

Full and dry sake that has licorice nose, fragrant with coconut as well as nutty notes of almond.

#### Tamanohikari / Junmai Ginjo, Kyoto, abv 16.5%

750ml £33.00

It has herbal notes of mint as well as aroma of black berries, great balance of acidity, sweetness and Umami.

### Sake & Shochu

**Mineral & Steely** 

= Warm sake option

Sho Chiku Bai / Junmai, Hyogo, abv 14%

125ml £3.95

275ml £7.50

Warming and mellow sake with rounded texture.

🖒 Takashimizu / Kimoto Junmai\*, Akita, abv 15.5%

125ml £ 12.00

300ml £21.00

720ml £48.00

Silky in texture and mellow sake that has a hint of ripe banana with mild acidity, which comes from Kimoto, old brewing style.

Ozeki Karatanba / Honjozo, Hyogo, abv 15.4%

300ml £19.00

Classic type of sake that has full-body and nuttiness, crisp and dry with vanilla note.

### **Earthy & Full**

Shichida 75 / Junmai", Saga, abv 17%

125ml £7.50 275ml £16.00

720ml £40.00.

Full body sake made with almost un-polishing rice, yet has elegant texture with complex flavours of dried figs.

Daruma Masamune / 3 year Aged", Gifu, abv 16%

720ml £56.00

Beautiful amber colour, rich flavours of dried fruits and lingering finish.

**Speciality** 

Kishinamien Umeshu/Plum\*, Miyagi, abv 11%

125ml £ 8.50

275ml £17.00

720ml £40.00.

Rich sweetness with juicy plum, almond and refreshing acidity. Perfect with dessert.

Tamano Hikari/ Junmai Ginjo, Kyoto, abv 14.8%

300ml £16.00

It takes twice as long to produce this Sake, which reflects our extra care. The full-bodied taste gives a distinctive impact like Bourbon whisky.

Sayuri Nigori / Cloudy, Hyogo, abv 12.5%

300ml £17.00

Partially filtered sake with white milky colour, tropical, coconut water and peach with silky texture.

Ozeki Hana-Awaka / Sparkling, Hyogo, abv 7%

250ml £14.50

Nicely carbonated sake, gently sweet and great as aperitif or enjoyable with light desserts.

### Champagnes

### Brut Reserve, Palmer & Co, Reims, France NV

£9.50 £55.00

A rich and wide aromatic palette, of white fruits, pear, baked apple, apricot, subtle notes of honey, hazelnuts, dried currants and brioche.

#### Brut Rose, Palmer & Co, Reims, France

£11.00 £65.00

A full-bodied, well-structured rosé displaying good balance of vinosity and freshness. The fruity aromas of wild strawberry linger pleasantly.

#### Blanc de Blanc, Palmer & Co, Reims, France NV

£77.00

Delicious chardonnay grapes used in premier cru vineyards. Aromas of flower and honeysuckle, delicate citrus and exotic fruits with a hint of almonds

#### Laurent-Perrier Rose, Reims, France, NV

£96.00

Lively, well-rounded wine which combines structure and freshness. The forthright, slightly sharp attack is like breathing the heady aromas of a freshly-picked basket of berry fruits.

#### Dom Pérignon, Moët & Chandon, Reims, France, 2003/04

£170.00

Fresh, crystalline and sharp, the first nose unveils an unusual dimension. The wine reveals a light gentle maturity before exhaling peaty scents.

### Certified Biodynamic Wines

#### White

# 'Le Canon du Maréchal' Muscat/Viognier, Cazes,

£8.50 £34.00

Roussillon, France, 2013

White flowers and grapefruit and a lovely, refreshing acidity.

#### 'Terrassen' Kamptal Reserve Grüner Veltliner, Loimer, Austria, 2011

£52.00

Spicy, peppery, with exotic notes like grapefruit and pineapple. The very pure, juicy fruit and beautiful acidity make this a very lively, pleasurable wine to drink.

#### Red

### 'Red' Zweigelt/Blaufränkisch/St. Laurent, Heinrich, Burgenland, Austria, 2012

£11.00 £43.00

This vibrant blend from Burgenland has cherry and red fruit notes with just a hint of spice.

#### Russian River Valley Pinot Noir, De Loach, Caliifornia, USA, 2012

£56.00

Medium-bodied and silky, this Californian Pinot Noir is full of red cherries, candied fruit and pecans.

Rose Wines

#### Melbec Rose, Argento, Mendosa, Argentina 2013

£6.00 £22.00

Intense aromas of fresh red berries, with concentrated cherry fruit flavours and a hint of melon.

#### Clos de Crostes, Chateau les Crostes, Provence, France, 2012

£29.00

A beautifully pale and dry Provençal rosé with notes of soft strawberry, raspberry and cream which remains light and delicate throughout finishing with a fresh palate cleansing acidity.

### White Wines

#### **Light & Fruity**

### Chenin Blanc, Acacia Tree, Western Cape, S.Africa, 2013

£6.00 £22.00

Refreshing and fruity. It has flavours and aromas of sweet apples, citrus fruit and ripe melon. An easy drinking wine.

### 'Giunco' Vermentino di Sardegna, Cantina Mesa, Sardegna, Italy, 2013

£7.50 £30.00

Very fresh and easy going, this crisp and spicy selection offers bright accents of lemon zest, kiwi and hay.

#### Pinot Bianco, Crespia Bianchetto del Matauro, Marche, Italy

£32.00

Light and delicate with a lingering smell of fresh fruit and white flower (peach and Howthorn.

#### Pinot Grigio Alisia, Astoria Vini, Veneto, Italy

£32.00

Cold fermentation preserves all of the fine ripe pear fruit that is so distictive of this grape variety. The palate is clean yet soft and luscious with a perfect level of acidity to refresh the palate without detracting from the natural purity of fruit.

#### Pinot Gris, Innocent Bystander, Victoria, Australia, 2013

£41.00

Lemon peel, preserved ginger and cardamom. A really lively palate with a solid flick of crisp citrus, honeydew melons and fresh pear. This wine is tight but with a melting acidity that lingers like fresh lemonade.

#### **Crisp & Minerally**

# **Picpoul de Pinet, Domaine de la Mirande, Languedoc, France,2012** £6.50 £26.00 Savoury flavours of yellow plum and green pepper that are characteristic of good Picpoul.

### Sauvignon Blanc Reserve, St,Mark Languedoc-Roussillon, France, 2012

£7.00 £28.00

Herbaceous notes, yet with underlying ripeness. Rich citrus character on the palate is livened up by zesty acidity and a lingering finish.

### Sauvignon/Semillon DJL, Xanadu, Margaret River, Australia, 2013

£29.00

Citrus and crunchy tropical fruits give way to spice and dried herbs.

#### Sauvignon Blanc, Kahurangi Estate, New Zealand, 2013

£34.00

Classically aromatic and herbaceous with tropical fruit and green capsicum flavors followed by a balanced, crisp finish.

#### Sancerre, Domaine des Brosses, Loire, France, 2012

£44.00

Crisp acidity balanced by intense fruit and textbook minerality. The finish is elegant in texture with the typical purity and freshness of excellent Sancerre.

### White Wines

#### **Aromatic**

### 'Kung Fu Girl' Riesling, Charles Smith, Columbia Valley, USA, 2012 £6.25 £24.00

Showing notes of white peach, Linden leaves and slate. Lovely focused acidity, finishing very long, with mandarin orange and lots of minerality.

#### Viognier Gran Reserva Valdevisio, Curico, Chile, 2012

£6.50 £26.00

Lifted fragrant nose of apricots and dried stone fruits. Crisp and clean on the palate, well-structured with excellent fruit weight.

#### Riesling Réserve, Cave de Hunawihr, Alsace, France, 2012

£31.00

A bright and elegant straw yellow with citrus, pear and white flower notes.

#### Viognier, Fairview, Paarl, South Africa, 2013

£35.00

White pear and red apple aromas with a lovely spiciness coming through on the nose. Fragrant marmalade and pear fruit flavors on the palate.

#### Gewürztraminer Réserve, Cave de Hunawihr, Alsace, France, 2011

£42.00

Complex flavours of fresh almond and rose, revealing attractive notes of crystallised fruits.

#### Chenin Blanc, Pine Ridge, Napa Valley, California, USA

£44.00

Brilliant and refreshing, delightful aromas, opening with fresh lemon, juicy honeydew melon, pomelo and sweet mango, complemented by soft orange blossom and carnation floral notes.

#### **Rich & Full**

#### Haystack Chardonnay, Journey's End, Stellenbosch. S. Africa

£7.00 £28.00

Medium golden in colour, clear and bright. Medium-bodied, with zesty citrus flavours combined with savoury notes.

#### Chablis, Laroche, Burgundy, France, 2012

£9.50 £36.00

Pure fruit with balanced acidity and a dry, crisp finish. Classic fresh, mineral aromas and flavours of white fruits and spring blossom.

### Gavi di Tassarolo La Forance, C. Bergagilo, Piedmonte, Italy, 2012

£38.00

This is very fresh and floral, with hints of toasted almonds, apple and sage.

#### Albariño, Martín Códax, Rías Baixas, Spain, 2012

£41.00

Intensely perfumed, with hints of fresh herbs, green apples, citrus fruit and grapefruit.

#### Pouilly-Fuissé, Domaine Thibert, Burgundy, France, 2012

£49.00

Beautiful aromas of warm bread and butter, this Pouilly-Fuissé is smooth with tremendous length.

# 'Les Chenevottes' Chassagne-Montrachet 1er Cru,

£108.00

Domaine Marc Morey, Burgundy, France, 2009

An elegant style with a complex bouquet, wonderful minerality, toasty balanced oak and a long and supple finish. White burgundy at its finest.

### RedWines

#### **Soft & Juicy**

### Pinotage, Acacia Tree, Western Cape, South Africa, 2012

£6.00 £22.00

Friendly and approachable with ripe plum, blackcurrant fruit and soft round tannins.

#### Merlot, Wandering Bear, California, USA, 2012

£6.25 £24.00

Juicy with plum, cherries and a hint of chocolate.

### Merlot, Lyeth, California, USA,

£36.00

This medium-bodied wine fills the front to mid-palate with fresh strawberries and a touch of spice while its fine tannins are nicely integrated and lead to a long, smooth finish.

### Malbec, Kaiken Ultra, Mendoza, Argentina, 2012

£43.00

Full of juicy, elegant red fruit, a touch of exotic spice, silky tannins and a balanced structure.

#### Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon, Cafaro, California, USA, 2008

£95.00

Rich, lush and concentrated with plenty of ripe, dark berries and excellent structure.

#### **Light & Fruity**

#### Fleurie, Mommessin La Carisale, Beaujolais, France, 2013

£8.00 £32.00

Vibrant ruby-purple colour with sweet almost jammy raspberry aromas. The palate is dry but soft with bags of cherry and red berry fruit with crisp acidity.

'Satellite' Pinot Noir, Spy Valley, Marlborough, New Zealand, 2013 £9.00 £36.00 Fresh cherry/berry flavours supported by tangy acidity. Bright, vibrant wine with appealing flavours and a pleasantly drying finish.

#### Côtes du Rhône, Les Terres du Roy, Southern Rhône, France, 2011

£37.00

Dark ruby in colour. Young but supple tannins and richly textured on the palate. Dominant notes of cherry and spice. A great finish.

#### Givry Premier Cru, "Servoisine", Domaine Jablot, France, 2012

£53.00

A deep-coloured, full-flavoured Pinot Noir from what is considered to be the top estate of the area. A very classy, powerful and well-structured wine with firm tannins, showing violets and fresh Pinot Noir fruit on the nose and palate.

### **Red Wines**

#### **Full Bodied**

### Shiraz, 16 Stops, McLaren Vale, Australia, 2011

£7.00 £28.00

Youthful and vibrant Shiraz, with a lovely dark fruit and spiced plum character. It is ripe and silky, giving the wine a texture that is unusual at this price.

#### Goru, Ego Bodegas - Jumilla, Spain, 2012

£8.50 £34.00

An incredibly smooth and rich blend from southern Spain with notes of ripe red berries and blackcurrants finishing on vanilla, cinnamon and smooth tannins from a touch of oak.

#### Sorante Nero d'Avola, Tenuta Gorghi Tondi, Sicily, Italy, 2012

£36.00

An intense and perfumed nose of hot fruit, soft spice and hints of violets. On the palate it is broad and rounded with rich cherry, damson and a sweet spicy fruitcake finish.

### 'R' Valpolicella Superiore Ripasso, Alpha Zeta, Veneto, Italy, 2011

£37.00

Full-bodied with rich, concentrated red and black cherries.

### 'Lionheart of the Barossa' Shiraz, Dandelion Vineyards Barossa Valley, Australia, 2011

£39.00

Generous blackberry, raspberry and plums with lashings of sweet spice and dark chocolatey nuances.

### Minervois La 50/50, Anne Gros & Jean-Paul Toillot, Languedoc, France, 2012

£40.00

Carignan, Syrah and Grenache combine to give a very sophisticated and elegant red from top Burgundy producer Anne Gros with notes of fresh raspberry, cherry and an underlying earthiness.

#### Gran Reserva, Bodega Fernadez Pierola, Rioja, Spain

£45.00

Smooth, soft and developed dark fruit ooze from this 10 year old Gran Reserva with notes of chocolate, coffee and raisins, plenty of body and weight and the finest of tannins.

# Montagne Saint-Émilion, Château La Croix Bonneau, Bordeaux, France, 2009

£48.00

Spice, damson fruit and cassis aromas come from the Merlot, while firm tannins and a touch of red berry flavour come from a small amount of Cabernet Franc.

### Crozes Hermitage Rouge, Maison Nicolas Nerrin, Northern Rhône, France, 2011

£52.00

With a rich bouquet of red fruit, this Syrah is balanced, concentrated and full of cherry and spice. A great finish.

# ウィスキー (Whisky)



# History

Having long produced alcohol, principally from rice, the Japanese first discover whisky in 1853 with the arrival of American commodore Matthew Perry in Tokyo bay. At the end of the 19th Century, several Japanese companies already attempt to produce this spirit, but the first trials made from rice or corn are unsuccessful.

Whisky production in Japan began around 1870, but the first commercial production was in 1924 upon the opening of the country's first Distillery, Yamazaki. Broadly speaking the style of Japanese whisky is more similar to Scotch whisky.



# **NIKKA Distillery**

In 1918, **Masataka Taketsuru**, son of a sake brewing family, is recruited by the Settsu Shuzo Company to produce the first authentic Japanese whisky. With a background in chemistry, the young man decides to leave for Scotland, in the aim of discovering the secrets of whisky production.

The northern island of Hokkaido is where Taketsuru in 1934 finds the ideal site for the construction of **Yoichi**, a distillery built in the purest Scottish tradition.

The **Miyagikyo** distillery is built in 1969, in the heart of the natural environment, from which the whiskies draw their softness, their elegance, and purity.

All Malt 40% £7.50

Ripe apples and cinnamon, honey and a bit of creamy toffee, some tobacco, leather and the lightest hint of smoke. very mellow.

#### Nikka "From The Barrel" 51.4% £8.50

Nikka from the Barrel is big-boned and bursting with character. Not averse to a drop of water, either. A real star, winning top prize in its category at the World Whisky Awards in 2007 and 2010.

#### Taketsuru Pure Malt 43% £8.50

Taketsuru's no-age-statement blended malt contains a high percentage of malt from Miyagikyo, with the reminder coming from Yoichi. Aged on average for around 10 years in a variety of different cask types, including some sherry wood for extra richness

#### Coffey Grain Whisky 45% £9:00

A release of grain whisky from Japan's Nikka, produced mainly from corn using one of their continuous Coffey stills. Rather than the rare and limited releases they have done before, this is a larger release to further show off this key component in the Nikka family of whiskies.

#### Miyagikyo 12 Year Old 45% £9.50

Full-bodied, fruity and complex, with some sherry character, hints of toffee and some polished malt. Deservedly popular. World Whiskies Awards 2012 - Best Japanese Single Malt 12 years and under

#### Yoichi 12 Year Old 45% £9.50

The pot stills of the Yoichi distillery are still directly heated, proffering hot spots in the stills, which in turn gives the whisky some wonderful sweet, rich notes. The nose is crisp and fresh. Gentle, weaving smoke whirls above apple peels and crisp pears. The palate is of medium-body and very crisp. There are notes of peels and cut orchard fruits, a little floral note and a subdued peat smoke. The finish is of good length with a little spicy sweetness and smoke.

#### Taketsuru 21 Year Old 43% £15.00

February 2010 marked an extraordinary achievement for Nikka, as their Taketsuru 21yo scooped the title of 'World's Best Blended Malt Whisky' at the World Whiskies Awards for the third time in four years. Bravo, Nikka! It really is a fabulous whisky, and for those of you who enjoyed the brilliant 17 year old this offers just a bit more richness, a little hint more chocolate and coffee.

# **Suntory Distillery**

**YAMAZAKI** is Japan's first and oldest distillery, established in 1923 by Suntory's founder Shinjiro Torii. Inspired by traditional Scottish whisky, Torii envisioned a Japanese approach by choosing a terrain and climate completely different to those of Scotland to create a unique kind of whisky. Yamazaki is thus the birthplace of Japanese whisky.

The **HAKUSHU** distillery is without question one of the highest in the world. The malt whiskies born here are simultaneously blessed with a very particular microclimate, luxurious forests, and water offering a rare softness and purity, only made possible by filtration of rain and snow through thousand-year-old granite rocks.

#### The Hakushu Single Mat, Distiller's Reserve 43% £8.50

A crunchy entry in the Hakushu Range, combining whisky of a wide variety of ages, from across the casks used by the distillery to create a gently smoky dram, packed with fruity flavour

#### The Hakushu 12 Year Old 43%

£9.50

Pure and very clean. Sweet lime, green fruits then a hint of smoke and a buttery meadow sweet/chamomile note. On the nose: Light and grassy and slightly stony to start. In time there's sweet persimmon and nut.

#### Yamazaki 12 Year Old 43%

£9.50

'Yamazaki 12 year Old is a pioneering malt in Japan, for which Suntory deserve great credit. In its early days, it was rounded and delicate...now it is more intense, confident and elegant. 8/10' Michael Jackson, Whisky Magazine, Oct 2002. IWSC 2011 Gold Medal Winner - Best in Class

#### Hibiki 12 Year Old 43%

£9.00

A stunning 12 year-old blend from Hibiki, some of the whisky has been part-matured in plum liqueur casks. Lovely malt from Hakushu and Yamazaki, plus some aged grain from Chita, this terrific Japanese blend picked up the top prize in its category at the World Whisky Awards 2010 IWSC 2012 - Gold Medal - Whisk(e)y Worldwide

#### Hibiky 17 Years Old 43%

£15.00

The nose is quite full. There are notes of honey and wax, resin and oak. There are notes of gentle smoke and cacao, hints of cooked fruit and a nutty note. The palate is sweet and rich. There are crisp notes of mixed peels, raisin and custard with a little zest and plenty of oak. The finish is long with notes of oak and cocoa and sherried peels.

This Japanese blend was awarded an "Editor's Choice" from Whisky Magazine.

#### The Hakushu 18 Years Old 43%

£19.00

A massive step up in quality from the standard Hakushu 12 yrs, this 18yo is amazingly well-defined (as we've come to expect from Japanese whisky) with deliciously rounded fruit and cereal flavours, at times surprisingly reminiscent of the finest Irish potstill whisky.

#### Yamazaki 18 Year Old 43%

£19.00

A wonderful example of what Japanese whisky is capable of. We absolutely love this. Extremely smooth, with great complexity and a lovely balance of fruit, silky malt and a touch of smoke. San Francisco WSC - Double Gold Medal Winner.