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**A** RECORD 12,285 visitors from all areas of the wine trade flocked to London's Docklands in May to taste wines from around the world at the London International Wine and Spirits Fair. Delegates attending a computer fair in the opposite hall looked longingly at the wines being poured just out of their reach. This was strictly wine trade only, with serious business being conducted along the length of the exhibition. What follows is a taste of the varied new releases on show.

## WHITES

### ■ Champagne Gosset Celebris

Rosé 1998 ★★★★★

A new vintage of the Celebris Rosé from Gosset – a classy blend of 61% Chardonnay, 32% Pinot Noir and 7% red wine from seven grand cru vineyards. An elegant summer fruit nose with creamy, biscuit and brioche flavours. This cuvée is bottled in an exact reproduction of the original Gosset bottle dating from the 18th century. £60; McK

### ■ Champagne Duval-Leroy

Lady Rosé ★★★★★

Several houses unveiled new cuvées at the show, including this stunner from Duval-Leroy made from 100% Pinot Noir, using the rosé de saignée method. The nose is laden with ripe berry fruit and delicate brioche notes and this leads to a full, creamy palate. 'Lady Rosé' was created in a sec rather than brut style to provide the perfect match for desserts and chocolate and is bottled exclusively in half bottles – just enough to enjoy with cakes at teatime. £11.99; Duval Leroy UK: +44 (0)20 8982 4216

### ■ Markus Molitor Zeltiger

Sonnenuhr Riesling Auslese Feinherb 2001 ★★★★★

This fine Mosel estate has over eight generations of winemaking tradition to rely on and produces an extensive range of top-class German wines. This gorgeous Auslese has a concentrated nose with an emerging petrolly character and rich lime and grapefruit aromas. Intense fruit on the palate is rounded off with zesty acidity and a honeyed finish. Drink 2-5 years. N/A UK (some of the range available at B&B)

### ■ Papagiannakos, Savatiano, Greece ★★★★★

Savatiano is one of the most widespread



THE LONDON INTERNATIONAL WINE & SPIRITS FAIR 18 - 20 MAY AT ExCeL

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## All the fun of the fair

Decanter tasted dozens of wines at the London International Wine and Spirits Fair this summer. Here we recommend a selection of the best wines on show

native varieties in Greece, and was just one of many interesting wines from this promising Old World wine region. Very attractive nose, spice and lime bouquet with hint of soft apricot fruit. Lively acidity and firm structure, delicate soft fruit, zesty and fresh on the finish. £6.10; EcW

### ■ Caymus, Conundrum, California 2001 ★★★★★

In 1988, John Bolta, winemaker at Caymus, began to craft the style of the non-traditional white wine Conundrum. After experimenting with 11 different grape varieties; Sauvignon Blanc, Chardonnay and the floral Muscat Canelli became the key ingredients, with some Semillon and