The Cotswolds first-ever wine barn opens its doors

Cotswolds wine specialists have opened the doors of the firstever 'wine barn'.

Nailsworth-based Vinotopia Wine offers over 400 varieties of specialist wines, spirits and cigars from across the world, as well as indoor and outdoor seating.

Construction for the <u>300sq ft wine barn commenced in May 2023</u>, and sits alongside Nailsworth Garden Centre on Avening Road. The opening of the wine barn follows the wine merchant's successful boutique Wine Box store on the Nailsworth Mills Estate.

Andy Cole, managing director of Vinotopia said: "We've been incredibly fortunate to have grown such a wonderful, dedicated client base over the past few years since launching our quirky Wine Box home, and — as a result — with this fantastic new space, we'll be able to extend our offering ever-further.

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"We very much wanted to launch an attractive gastrodestination that not only enabled people to come along to discover wines and spirits they'd likely never heard of, but in an environment that they could actually sit amongst and enjoy the fruits of their discovery. With our wonderful indoor cosy seating and al fresco bistro tables alongside the River Frome, we very feel as though we've hit the nail on the head."

The Vinotopia Wine Barn boasts an attractive contemporary barn feel, with floor to ceiling windows, wood panelled interiors, ambient lighting and a log burner. The venue also offers an Enomatic Wine Dispenser machine which enables customers to

'try before they buy'.

Specialising in sustainable and organic wines, the Barn features a wide variety of wines exclusive to Vinotopia in the area, including Bauget Jouette Champagne, Figuiere Provence Rosés and Hundred Hills Preamble Sparkling Wine.

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Inside Vinotopia Wine Barn

(Image: Eve Dunlop)

The Barn will also play host to regular exciting events and pop-ups, teaming up with local and specialist wine/ spirit suppliers for exclusive tasting events, as well as regular festival-style pop-up dining dates with local, artisan food trucks.

Phase two for the Barn will also feature the opening of an artisan Food Hall. Due for opening in Autumn 2023, the Food Hall will be stocked to the brim with fresh, local and

artisanal produce, designed to pair perfectly with the wines and spirits next door.

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