Ronan was born in Scarborough, North Yorkshire and has been involved in the wine business for nearly 20 years.

His previous experience includes Le Manoir Aux Quat' Saisons, Pied à Terre and wine merchant OW Loeb.

He worked for the Gordon Ramsay group as Executive Head Sommelier for 8 years, mainly in the 3 Michelin star Royal Hospital Road plus created the wine lists and trained wine service teams for Claridge's, the Connaught, the Savoy, Boxwood Café, Maze and several overseas operations. He was also at the Greenhouse restaurant (which has the UK's largest wines list of 3,400 bins) and the Director of Wines and Spirits for the Hotel du Vin group (14 hotels). Also as the Head of Wines for the prestigious Dorchester Collection UK that consists of the Dorchester, Coworth Park and 45 Park Lane (with the 3 Michelin starred Alain Ducasse restaurant and Wolfgang Pucks restaurant – Cut).

Currently he runs his own consultancy and wine training company – The RS Wine Academy. Specialising in managing private portfolios, wine training to the trade and public and wine events.

He is also a Master Sommelier, previous winner of the UK Sommelier of the Year competition and competed twice representing the UK in the European Sommelier Competition.

When not drinking wine Ronan runs marathons and can be found deep diving shipwrecks from the south coast of England.