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Complex organic gems

MATETIC EQ GRANITE PINOT NOIR 2016

Sustainable, DO Valle de Casablanca, Chile 21952 (XD) 750 mL \$22.95

Valle Hermoso was first planted in 2006 very close to the sea in the Casablanca zone, 10 kilometers from the Pacific. This pinot comes from there, and it reveals a maritime influence in a fruit-focused wine. Ripe red fruit flavors rely on firm, tense acidity – a column of acidity that travels across the palate. With 30% stems to support the structure (which they do very well), this is a weighty wine with good body, but it hasn't lost its freshness. [Drink through 2023.] Score: **94** (Patricio Tapia, guiadescorchados.cl, 2020)

Medium-bodied & Fruity New at Vintages Ørganic product

VILLA TRASQUA CHIANTI CLASSICO 2017

DOCG, Tuscany, Italy 121160 (XD) 750 mL \$18.95

Dried cherries, peppercorns, grilled herbs and potpourri on the nose. It's mediumbodied with firm, fine tannins and fresh acidity. Deliciously earthy and savory. From organically grown grapes. Drink now. Score: **92** (jamessuckling.com, Aug. 11, 2021)

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Under the Tuscan Sun

Legendary for its stunning landscapes, Tuscany is equally admired for its roster of native grapes and signature blends.

Amidst the sun-dappled hills, parasol pines, cypress trees and olive groves of central Italy, vineyards have been planted and wine made since at least the 12th century (and possibly far longer). Much has happened in that time – the region has seen such luminaries as Dante, da Vinci, Michelangelo and Galileo – yet the landscape and essential character of Tuscany remain the same. Here, we tour Italy's most renowned region and the wines for which it's famous.











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What began as a white wine in the 14th century has gone on to become one of the world's most famous reds. The modern version is made primarily from Sangiovese, which is Tuscany's signature grape variety. The most highly regarded wines come from Chianti Classico: a handful of villages from Siena in the south to the hills above Florence. Wines labelled Riserva must be aged for two years, while those labelled Gran Selezione must come from the Classico zone and be aged for 30 months. Chianti is an elegant wine typically evocative of red fruit, dried herbs, leather, balsamic vinegar and game.



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Medium-bodied & Fruity 121160 (XD) 750 mL \$18.95 Featured as our Wine of the Month & Organic product

CLEMENTE VII GRAN SELEZIONE CHIANTI CLASSICO 2015 DOCG

(Castelli del Grevepesa)

The 2015 Chianti Classico Gran Selezione Clemente VII is a powerful, rustic wine. Red fruit, white pepper, sage, mint and iron give the 2015 its distinctive feral personality. I am not sure the searing tannins will ever fully soften. The 2015 is very much a Chianti Classico for rich fare at the dinner table. Drinking window: 2021-2030. Score: **92** (Antonio Galloni, vinous.com, Sept. 2020)

Full-bodied & Firm 573493 (XD) 750 mL \$34.95 <

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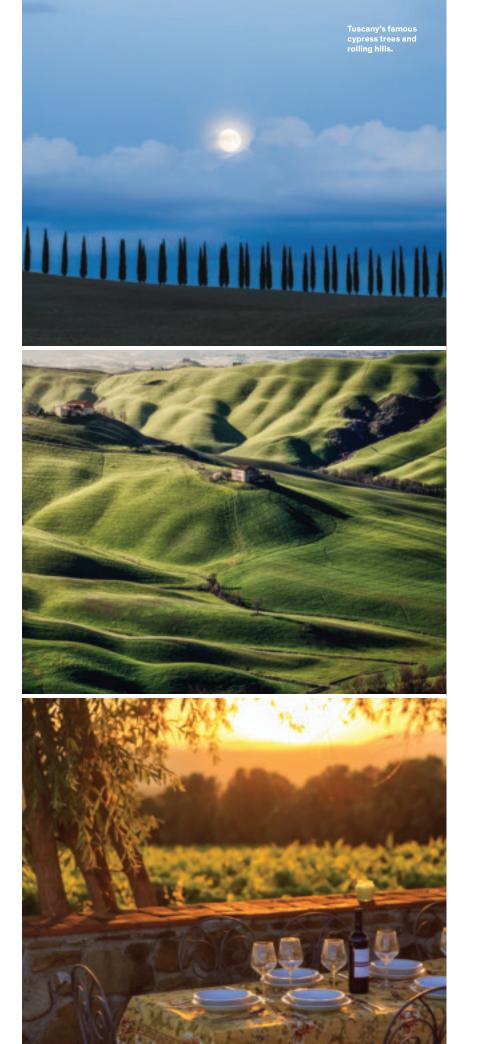
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ROCCA DELLE MACÌE FAMIGLIA ZINGARELLI RISERVA CHIANTI CLASSICO 2018 DOCG

From a renowned producer of Chianti Classico, this Riserva always impresses. It's matured in French oak barrels for two years, adding toasty vanilla spice to the vibrant notions of cherry, plum and violets. Savour it through 2024 with pasta bolognese or steak Florentine.

Medium-bodied & Fruity 930966 (XD) 750 mL \$24.95 🗸









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Surrounding the hill town of Montalcino in the province of Siena grows a locally specialized clone of the Sangiovese grape. Noted for its quality, by the late 14th century it was known as Brunello and in 1865 it was first labelled as such on a wine bottle. Brunello di Montalcino, which is typically more robust than Chianti, is traditionally aged for at least three years in large oak casks. Bold and sophisticated, the wines evoke ripe cherry, plum, dried herbs, leather, cured meat and terracotta.

CANTINA DI MONTALCINO BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2016 DOCG

This has a complex nose of black plums, cloves and cigar smoke. Lots of chocolate. It's full-bodied with good depth and intensity. Firm but ripe tannins. Chocolate and cherries on the finish. Drink after 2024. Score: **95** (jamessuckling.com, Nov. 11, 2020)

Full-bodied & Firm

17704 (XD) 750 mL \$39.95 -



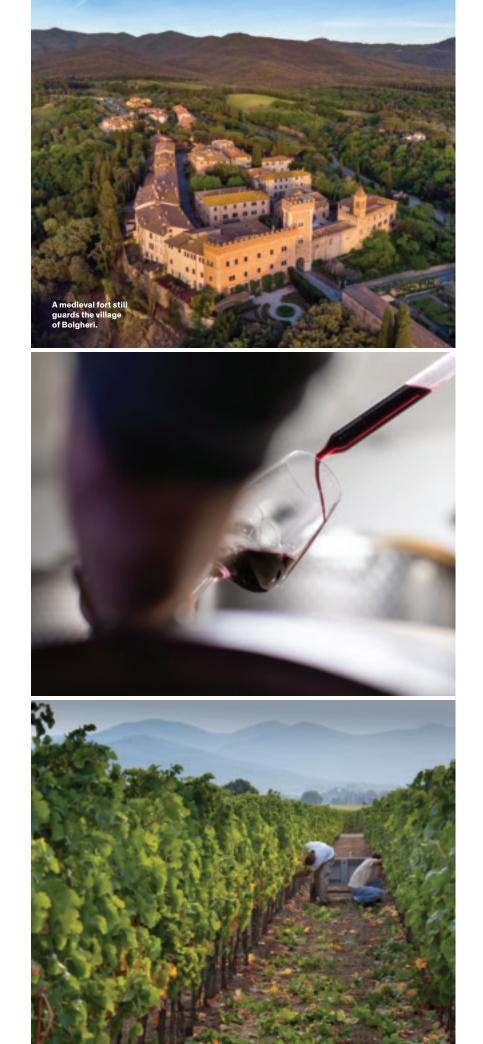
GAJA CA'MARCANDA PROMIS 2019 IGP Toscana

In the creation of this wine, the legendary Gaja family takes Merlot, Syrah and Sangiovese and ferments and matures them separately for 12 months in oak before blending and bottling. The result is a taut, structured affair that brings elegance and intensity in equal measure. Pour with steak Florentine or garliccrusted rack of lamb.

Full-bodied & Firm 174334 (XD) 750 mL \$63.95 <



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In the 1970s, a handful of maverick Tuscan winemakers began blending the local Sangiovese with French grape varieties, most notably Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot. Their creations were initially branded as heresy, but the quality of the wine was undeniable, and in 1992, the wines were given their own official designation: Indicazione Geografica Tipica (IGT). In 1994, vineyards surrounding the village of Bolgheri, whose gravelly soils near the coast of the Tyrrhenian Sea are reminiscent of Bordeaux, were granted Denominazione di Origine Controllata (DOC) status. Noted for their power and structure, the wines of Bolgheri are aged two years before release.



ORNELLAIA 2018 DOC Bolgheri Superiore

The 2018 Ornellaia is an introvert at this stage. Medium in body, with terrific persistence and impeccable balance, the 2018 is not in any mood to show all its cards today. Hints of red berry fruit, mocha, spice, licorice and dried flowers emerge with a bit of coaxing. I won't be surprised to see it put on weight with more time in bottle. There is certainly plenty to look forward to. Readers should expect a silky, aromatic Ornellaia in line with vintages such as 2004 that are more about finesse than raw power. This is the first time in which Merlot drives the blend in Ornellaia. Drinking window: 2025-2040. Score: **97** (Antonio Galloni, vinous.com, Jan. 2021)

Medium-bodied & Fruity 722470 (XD) 750 mL \$249.95 -





CAPEZZANA BARCO REALE **DI CARMIGNANO 2018** DOC

(Conte Contini Bonacossi)

This wine comprises 75% Sangiovese, 15% Cabernet Sauvignon, 5% Cabernet Franc and 5% Canaiolo, all grown on the Medici property in the hamlet of Artimino some 20 kilometres north of Florence. It was vinified in stainless steel and matured in Allier oak barrels for three months. Expect zingy cherry, blackcurrant and evergreen notes and pour with eggplant parmigiana.

Medium-bodied & Fruity 508531 (XD) 750 mL \$22.95 🖌 **Grganic product**

CAPEZZANA Barco Reale di Carmignano Investicione di Origine Controllato

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Tuscany is home to a wealth of red wines above and beyond the household names. Some of these, such as Morellino di Scansano ("Morellino" being a local name for Sangiovese in the village of Scansano), are established enough to have their own Denominazione di Origine Controllata e Garantita (DOCG) designations. Others are newer or lesser-known wines based on local and/or international grape varieties. A few even employ some surprising vinicultural techniques, such as the ancient "governo" method that incorporates dried grapes into the winemaking.







POGGIO CIVETTA GOVERNO ALL'USO 2019 IGT Toscana (Farnese)

The governo method involves partially drying a portion of the fruit for use in the winemaking process, adding extra richness and mouthfeel. This blend of 70% Sangiovese with 20% Merlot and 5% apiece of Cabernet Sauvignon and Syrah will conjure fresh cherry, cherry preserves, currants and spice. Pour with pasta in a sun-dried-tomato marinara sauce.

[Luca Maroni did not include a tasting note.] Score: **98** (lucamaroni.com, July 27, 2021)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

14362 (D) 750 mL \$22.95

Late arrival. Product may not be available at release time.





It is the region which formed Italy's language, its literature, and its art, and has thus assumed a central place in the country's culture and self-image. The landscape, immortalized in the work of artists from Giotto to Michelangelo ... has remained largely unchanged to this day."

Oxford Companion to Wine (Fourth edition)

Olives are another celebrated Tuscan crop.



ZINGARI 2018 IGT Toscana (Petra)

A fresh, vivid red with cherries, currants and hints of hazelnuts and chocolate. Medium body. Racy finish. Like the vivid acidity that runs through this. Drink or hold. Score: **92** (jamessuckling.com, July 28, 2020)

Medium-bodied & Fruity 244228 (D) 750 mL \$19.95 <



VITICCIO MORELLINO DI SCANSANO 2017 DOCG

This is a very structured red with chewy tannins and lots of fruit and tannins. A little extracted, so it needs time to soften. Should come out nicely. Drink [starting] in 2021. Score: **90** (jamessuckling.com, Aug. 3, 2020)

Full-bodied & Firm 574186 (XD) 750 mL \$21.95



POLIZIANO ROSSO DI MONTEPULCIANO 2019 DOC

A straightforward, fruity red with light hazelnut and cherry aromas and flavors. Medium body, light tannins and a fresh finish. Drink now. Score: **90** (jamessuckling.com, Aug. 10, 2020)

Medium-bodied & Fruity 22795 (XD) 750 mL \$20.95



Letters of the Law

Since the 1960s, Italian wines have been labelled according to official regulations for things such as geographical origin, grape variety, maximum yield and minimum ageing requirements. Here's what those labels mean.



Denominazione di Origine Controllata e Garantita (DOCG)

Intended as the highest classification tier for Italian wines, this category includes all the requirements of the DOC tier in addition to government-licensed panel tastings of the wines to ensure quality.

Denominazione di Origine Controllata (DOC)

This category requires a wine to be produced in a specified geographic region and meet defined quality standards, including rules for permitted grape varieties, harvest yields, alcohol content, and minimum ageing in barrel and bottle.

Indicazione Geografica Tipica (IGT)

Introduced in 1992 to allow greater freedom for Italy's winemakers (particularly those making Supertuscans), this category focuses on region of origin rather than grape variety or wine style.

Vino da Tavola

The most generic category, this is essentially a catch-all for wines that don't meet the requirements of the other classifications.



POGGIO AL TUFO VERMENTINO 2020 IGT Toscana (Tommasi)

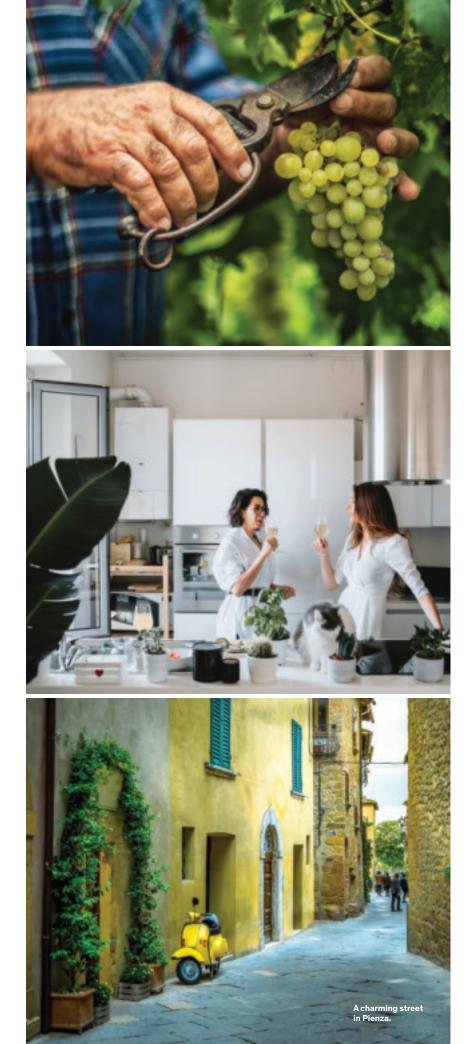
Aromas of sliced apple, lime and a tinge of almond skin. Medium-bodied with a very focused bead of lime driving through the palate. Same dry-almond character at the end, together with a hint of salt. Very vermentino. Lots of tension here. Drink now. Score: **91** (jamessuckling.com, Aug. 4, 2021)

Light & Crisp 23041 (XD) 750 mL \$17.95 **I** New at Vintages

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Although modern Tuscany is best known for its red wines, its white wines have just as long a history and can be just as impressive. Historically, the predominant grape varieties for white wines were Vernaccia and Trebbiano, and many of the wines were sweet. Today the wines are typically dry, and some of the best modern Tuscan whites are made from Vermentino (a variety indigenous to neighbouring Liguria), Chardonnay and others. As with the red wines of the region, these are versatile, food-friendly wines made for the dinner table.



DUCA DI SARAGNANO VECCIANO TOSCANA BIANCO 2020 IGT Toscana

A blend based on Chardonnay, this vivacious wine was awarded **99** points by Luca Maroni (lucamaroni.com, Feb. 17, 2021). It shows a complex interplay of spring flowers, mint, sultana, fresh apricot and lime, with a mineral undercurrent adding further intrigue. Pour alongside Tuscan-style chicken in a whitewine broth with olives and rosemary.

Light & Crisp

23042

(XD) 750 mL \$25.95 🗸

Late arrival. Product may not be available at release time.



A DIFFERENCE-MAKER'S DOZEN

Meet four of the 13 certified-sustainable Ontario wineries who are bettering the planet with practices that extend from soil to shelf.

To become certified sustainable, a winery must adopt a rigorous, comprehensive program of environmentally responsible technologies and practices. The wines produced by SWO-certified wineries proudly display the green-leaf logo; a guarantee that the winery has observed all the strict requirements for "a sustainable soil-to-shelf path throughout the winemaking process." To date, 13 Ontario wineries have sought SWO certification. Space restraints mean we can only highlight four here, but all are deserving of recognition. Be sure to also check out Château des Charmes, Henry of Pelham Family Estate, Hidden Bench Estate Winery, Malivoire Wine Company, Pelee Island Winery, Pillitteri Estates Winery, Reif Estate Winery, Southbrook Organic Vineyards and Strewn Winery.



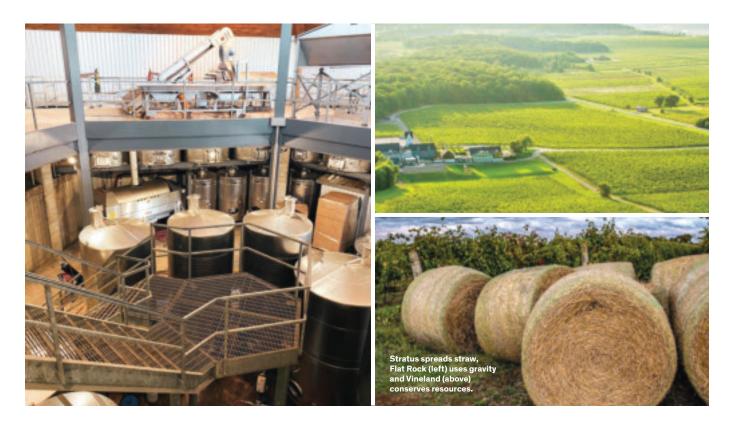


2019 PINOT GRIS

VOA BEAMSVILLE BENCH VOA ESTATE GROWN







Cave Spring Vineyard's comprehensive approach to sustainable winemaking provides an excellent overview of many of the processes and strategies employed by sustainable-wine producers, both in the vineyard and winery. They use a mixture of grasses to help control weeds and erosion and they encourage many endangered species, such as the little brown bat, to make their homes in the vicinity of the vineyard. The bats, and others, repay their hosts by consuming large numbers of insects, alleviating the need for chemical intervention. Cave Spring uses indigenous yeasts for fermentation and ages their wines almost exclusively in old neutral oak, helping preserve oak forests around the world. The winery's main warehouse is powered entirely by solar panels.

With an influence that reaches back to 1979, **Vineland Estates Winery** has long been a driving force in Ontario winemaking. Their sustainable initiatives include switching lights from conventional to LED, reducing water usage by reevaluating their cleaning procedures and introducing low-flow water taps where possible, improving insulation, installing timers and motion sensors, and upgrading their equipment. Their sustainable efforts go further than just reducing chemical agents in farming or reducing waste and wastewater. They also incorporate fair wages and working conditions and are committed to contributing to their community. Vineland supports several charitable causes through their Legacy and Game Changer programs.

Founded in 1999, **Flat Rock Cellars** has always been committed to preserving the integrity of the land. Measures include employing geothermal systems to heat and cool the winery and using gravity throughout the winemaking process to limit energy use. Flat Rock's four pillars of sustainability (success, people, community and environment) are an essential component of every aspect of their business. Their Green Roof Patio sits atop their barrel cellar and warehouse, which is built right into the geological bench formation on the property. This allows them to take advantage of a naturally insulated underground space to age and store their wines.

When **Stratus** opened to the public in 2005, it was the world's first LEEDcertified winemaking facility. They recycle vineyard waste (specifically trunk and vine cuttings) through an ancient technique called pyrolysis. This process turns green matter into biochar by heating it in an oxygen-reduced, self-contained "oven." The biochar is then added to Stratus's compost pile and eventually spread throughout the vineyard. The benefits of biochar include creating water balance in the soil, preventing nutrient leaching and putting charcoal back into the soil rather than into the air.





CAVE SPRING ESTATE PINOT GRIS 2019

Sustainable, estate grown, VOA Beamsville Bench, Niagara Escarpment

"Our culture at Cave Spring has always placed an emphasis on minimizing our environmental impact in the vineyards and cellars. SWO gives us a credible means of communicating our efforts to customers. It's been indispensable to helping define our wine-growing philosophy for wine lovers in all markets." Thomas Pennachetti, vice-president, sales and marketing

Aromatic & Flavourful

25235 (XD) 750 mL \$24.95 **/** New at Vintages

VINELAND CABERNET 2017

VQA Niagara Escarpment

"We're interpreting our responsibility to the community and to the land we farm as a moral imperative. Going through the process of having all our practices scrutinized by a third party was not comfortable, but it was a necessary step." Brian Schmidt, winemaker

93 points (Vic Harradine)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

25237 (D) 750 mL \$19.95 **/** New at Vintages

FLAT ROCK CHARDONNAY

VQA Niagara Peninsula

"Flat Rock's success comes from the land, and preserving this inherited ecosystem is a responsibility we don't take lightly. We have always been a leader in sustainable innovation, and the SWO certification allows us to share this passion for the environment with our fans. We value SWO for its rigorous audit process that encourages continued improvement of the Flat Rock vineyard and winery." **Ed Madronich, president**

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Full-bodied & Rich 286278 (XD) 750 mL \$19.95 A Vintages Essential

STRATUS GAMAY 2019

Unfiltered, VQA Niagara-on-the-Lake

"Sustainability has been at the forefront of our wine story since we started in 2000. As part of our ongoing commitment, we seek out innovative, adaptive techniques to improve our winemaking practice and minimize our impact on our land. Being one of the founding SWO-accredited wineries is right and natural." **J-L Groux, director of winemaking**

91 points (Janet Dorozynski, DipWSET, Ph.D.)

Medium-bodied & Fruity 312082 (XD) 750 mL \$29.20 <

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VINTAGES WHAT'S ON

A snapshot of exciting events, great wines to try, new collections, special offers and more.

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When: March 3, 7:00 p.m. • Where: YouTube Live

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Raise a Glass to Women in the Industry

Join Tawse winemaker Jessica Otting, Steam Whistle brewmaster Erica McOustra and Appleton Estate master distiller Joy Spence at a special round-table discussion moderated by Debbie Shing, sommelier and co-founder of Vinequity. These industry-leading women will reveal their own journeys, discuss diversity in the drinks industry and provide inspiration for making impactful choices.

When: March 8, 7:00 p.m. • Where: YouTube Live

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DRINK NOW: Enjoy tonight. There is no benefit to cellaring.



DRINK OR HOLD: Can be enjoyed now, but may be matured further by cellaring.

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CHAMPAGNE

DRAPPIER BRUT NATURE PINOT NOIR CHAMPAGNE AC, France

(André et Michel Drappier)

... terrifically complex and expressive nose, very yeasty and autolytic ... yeasty, fresh brioche, sourdough character. The palate is full, dense, highly concentrated, complex, guite a tour de force of flavour and complexity, with excellent length. I find this very sophisticated and complete, and I don't miss any sugar from the dosage – the fruit here is ripe enough to go it alone ... Score: 94 (John Szabo, MS, winealign.com, Aug. 26, 2021)

Rich & Complex \$64.95 🗸 750 mL (XD) 179275

SPARKLING WINE

ALVENTO SPARKLING ROSÉ 2018 🝁 Charmat method,

VQA Niagara Peninsula, Ontario

Bursting with Niagara verve and energy, this sparkler has generous raspberry and strawberry

and zesty, with a rich mousse and a velvety

tones with a fine mineral underpinning. It's fresh



mouthfeel. A great companion for brunch or picnic-style dining. Light & Fruity \$24.95 🥑 750 mL (D)

CANADA – WHITE WINE

ONTARIO

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ADAMO LEPP DAVID'S VINEYARD RIESLING 2020 *

VQA Niagara Lakeshore, Niagara-on-the-Lake

This Riesling is sourced from vines over 10 years of age planted in clay, sand and loam. It has nice intensity and shape, with lemon, lime and grapefruit citrus tones atop apple, pear and mineral. Zesty acidity provides excellent tension and lift. Try this long, refreshing wine with grilled sausages or mushroom enchiladas.

Aromatic & Flavourful 750 mL (D) \$19.95



ADAMO







ANGELS GATE MOUNTAINVIEW CHARDONNAY 2016 🍁

VQA Beamsville Bench, Niagara Escarpment Aged for one year in French oak, this is a richly framed Chardonnay with impressive green apple, peach, citrus and pear tones atop butterscotch and toast. Pair it with pork chops or grilled sausages.

Full-bodied & Rich \$23.95 750 mL (D)





QUEYLUS TRADITION CHARDONNAY 2019 🍁

VQA Lincoln Lakeshore, Niagara Peninsula Made from organically grown grapes and fermented with indigenous yeast from the vineyard, this complex, elegant wine is a celebration of the precision of place that can be achieved with the careful encouragement of terroir. Lemon, lime, apple and pear notes with nuanced oak spice and sharply defined mineral make this lithe, fresh wine an exemplary Niagara Chardonnay.

Full-bodied & Rich \$29.95 🗸 750 mL (XD) 417774



CAVE SPRING ESTATE PINOT GRIS 2019 *

Sustainable, estate grown, VQA Beamsville

Bench, Niagara Escarpment This wine is sourced from the limestone-clay soils of the Cave Spring Vineyard, fermented using indigenous yeast and aged for 10 months on the fine lees prior to bottling. It's ripe and dry, with bright, fresh acidity and a rich mouthfeel. Look for pear, citrus and tropical fruit tones with a touch of spice and mineral and pair with roast pork, smokedsalmon pasta, or vegetarian curry.





FLAT ROCK CHARDONNAY *

VQA Niagara Peninsula Ontario has seen its international reputation for quality cool-climate Chardonnay soar. If you're still looking for somewhere to build your own opinion, you'll be hard pressed to find a sounder foundation than this Flat Rock. Vibrant, with brioche toast, yellow plum, spice and herbs, it's rock solid. Pair with crab legs or grilled chicken.

Full-bodied & Rich \$19.95 🗸 750 mL (XD) 286278 **Featured in Local Talent** A Vintages Essential



BRITISH COLUMBIA

MISSION HILL RESERVE SAUVIGNON BLANC 2020 🍁 BC VQA Okanagan Valley

From the Okanagan Valley, British Columbia wine region, Mission Hill 2020 Reserve Sauvignon is superb with pinpoint balanced acidity, lemongrass, tropical fruit, white florals and mineral flavours finishing long on the palate. Aged six months in French oak barrels and then stainless-steel tank. Pair with pan-fried pickerel. The SB grapes for this vintage were sourced from the Black Sage Bench. Drink date: 2021-2022. Score: 89 (natalie maclean.com, Sept. 30, 2021)

Aromatic & Flavourful \$22.95 750 mL (XD) 57430

CANADA - RED WINE

ONTARIO

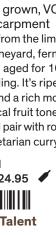
DI PROFIO GAMAY NOIR 2019 🍁 Mia Cara Vineyard, VQA Creek



Shores, Niagara Peninsula Hand-picked and hand-sorted from the Di Profio family's Mia Cara Vineyard, this small-batch, singlevineyard Gamay Noir offers up ripe raspberry and blackberry fruit framed by spice and rich vanilla. Pair with bistro-style foods, charcuterie, or seared tuna.

Light-bodied & Fruity 750 mL (XD) \$22.00 25236







CANADA - RED WINE CONT'D

ONTARIO

EASTDELL PINOT NOIR 2017 * VOA Niagara Peninsula

Ruby colour with a faint tawny hue, the wine has a gently earthy, strawberry nose; it's medium-bodied, dry, savoury, raspberry and red plum flavours; wellbalanced and varietally correct with a fresh acidic finish. It costs \$15.95 at Vintages outlets and works well with roast chicken or poached salmon. Score: 89 (tonyaspler.com, March 22, 2019)

Medium-bodied & Fruity \$15.95 750 mL (XD) 613059



PELEE ISLAND J.S. HAMILTON RED 2019 *

VQA South Islands, Lake Erie North Shore This curious red blend comprises Shiraz, Petit Verdot and Malbec; grapes not typically associated with Ontario but perfectly content in Canada's southernmost wine region. Fresh, food-friendly and great fun, it will make an impression and have you seeking it out again and again. Ripe, juicy dark fruit and fine structure make this a good option for grilled beef or lamb.

Medium-bodied & Fruity 750 mL (XD) \$18.95 🗸 581181



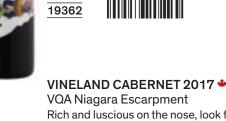
STRATUS GAMAY 2019 🍁

Unfiltered, VQA Niagara-on-the-Lake I've tasted the 2019 Stratus gamay over the course of several days and must say that it just gets better and better. Time in bottle, coupled with aeration have served the wine well. Medium-bodied with great depth and red fruit and berry concentration, with juicy, balanced acidity and soft, supple tannins. This wine is evolving nicely with a few more good years ahead and a perfect example of why Ontario is so well suited to #gogamaygo. Score: 91 (Janet Dorozynski, DipWSET, Ph.D., winealign.com, Sept. 13, 2021)





SPECIAL BLEND 2019 * VQA Ontario Specially developed for the LCBO, the Jack Rabbit line puts the emphasis on offering easy-drinking, approachable wines. This blend of Baco Noir and Cabernet Franc will have a good depth of dark and red fruit, with vanilla accents. A great wine for burgers or braised beef. Medium-bodied & Fruity 750 mL (D)





Rich and luscious on the nose, look for fruitforward aromas of black cherry and dark bramble berry decorated with mocha and hints of pencil shavings. It's über-flavourful on the palate with a surge of black currant, espresso roast, crème de cassis and hints of crunchy pie cherry persisting through the lengthy finish and aftertaste adorned with medium-full bodied texture and good tang and acidity throughout. Pick up a few as the pricequality balance tips well in your favour. Pour with grilled red meat you pull off your barbecue. Drink now. Exceptional Value! Score: 93 (Vic Harradine, winecurrent.com, May 9, 2021)

THE HARE WINE COMPANY JACK RABBIT

\$19.95 🗸

Medium-bodied & Fruity 750 mL (D) \$19.95 🗸 25237 Featured in Local Talent

BRITISH COLUMBIA

BLACK HILLS ESTATE PER SE 2019 * BC VQA Okanagan Valley

Winemaker Ross Wise has redesigned Per Se to be more of a right bank Bordeaux red with a touch of Bolgheri, and in 2019, the blend is 76/24 cabernet franc/merlot. It opens with fresh raspberry and black cherry with impressive silky tannins. There are low level savoury sagebrush notes that add depth, and some French oak that is seamlessly integrated. There is a modest amount of tannin yet to disperse, but this is a wine of finesse heading for stardom. Score: 90 (Anthony Gismondi, gismondionwine.com, Aug. 16, 2021)

Full-bodied & Smooth 750 mL (XD) \$56.95 19038





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USA – WHITE WINE

CALIFORNIA

BREAD & BUTTER SAUVIGNON BLANC 2019 Carneros, Napa Valley



This wine is harvested by hand and fermented in stainless steel to maximize the fruity aromas and flavours. Look for ripe guava, apricot, honeysuckle, green apple, lemon zest and a hint of candied lemon peel, and pour with falafel or panko-crusted seafood.

Aromatic & Flavourful 750 mL (XD) \$18.95

CANNONBALL CHARDONNAY 2020 California

This bright, open, expressive Chardonnay is produced from fruit sourced from coastal vineyards in Mendocino, Monterey, San Luis Obispo and Sonoma. It's floral, rich and vibrant, with apple, pear, lemon and toast. A great choice for pork chops or grilled chicken.



Full-bodied & Rich 750 mL (XD) \$19.95



CONUNDRUM WHITE 2020

California (Charles F. Wagner, prop.) Though the exact mix is kept under wraps, this super-popular, unorthodox blend includes Chardonnay, Sauvignon Blanc, Semillon, Muscat Canelli and Viognier sourced from prime California sites stretching from Napa Valley to Santa Barbara County. A refreshing wine loaded with tropical fruit, peach, melon, spring flowers and honeyed lychee. Pair with Thai or southern Indian cuisine, spicy seafood dishes, or soft, salty cheeses.



STAGS' LEAP WINERY CHARDONNAY 2019*

Napa Valley

Linear and tight chardonnay with sliced apple and lemon. Pear and mineral undertones, too. Medium to full body, firm acidity and freshness. Crisp. Only 25% new oak. Pretty vivid. Drink now [till 2023+]. Score: **94** (jamessuckling.com, Sept. 22, 2020)

Full-bodied & Rich 750 mL (XD) \$39.95 655381

USA – RED WINE

CALIFORNIA

AVALON APPELLATION SERIES CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2018 Napa Valley

A serious cabernet sauvignon that hasn't been excessively fussed over. Showcasing both varietal and regional character. The oak is fairly restrained here and the wine is quite dry. Well structured with a mineral, graphite edge that balances the black fruit. Somewhat austere at present but pleasantly so with a memorable finish. Best: 2023-2029. Score: **92** (Sara d'Amato, winealign.com, April 10, 2021)

Full-bodied & Firm 750 mL (XD) \$35.95



BOGLE VINEYARDS CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2018* California

As always, there's plenty to enjoy in this Vintages customer favourite. It's made in an appealing, crowd-pleasing style, with blackberry, cassis, tobacco, oak and chocolate framed by lots of youthful energy. A wine for roast meats and grilled vegetables. A great value, and a fun wine.

Full-bodied & Smooth 750 mL (D) \$22.95 904565 Featured in Hand-Picked Gifts





USA - RED WINE CONT'D

CALIFORNIA

HESS COLLECTION ALLOMI CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2019 Sustainable, Napa Vallev

(Donald Hess) The Allomi Vineyard is situated in Pope Valley, which is located in northeastern Napa. The area's gently rolling hills and consistently warm temperatures allow Cabernet to ripen steadily and evenly, acquiring great complexity and depth of flavour. This wine shows cassis, blackberry, clove, vanilla, spice box and tobacco, with a plush texture. It will cellar through 2028.

Full-bodied & Firm \$44.95 750 mL (XD) 906420



IRONSTONE OLD VINE ZINFANDEL 2018* Lodi

Produced from 40- to 60-year-old Zinfandel vines. Juicy with spiced plum, dark berry, dark cherry, baking spice, white pepper and smoky, toasty oak flavours on the palate. Tannins are rounded. Pair with grilled ribs. Drink: [Now]-2024. Best Value Wine. Score: 90 (nataliemaclean.com, April 2, 2021)

Full-bodied & Smooth \$17.95 🥑 750 mL (D)





IRONY SMALL LOT RESERVE PINOT NOIR 2018*

Sustainable, Monterey County (Delicato Family Vineyards) The fog-cooled vineyards of Monterey make for as Burgundian a terroir as you'll find in California, which is why this Pinot Noir is reminiscent of classic red Burgundy. Look for vibrant red and dark berry fruit, touches of beetroot, and earthy notes in an elegantly structured frame and savour with pork chops or blackened salmon and roasted vegetables.





NAPA KING RANCH **CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2017** Napa Valley

(Smith-Anderson Wine)

This rich, lush wine is sourced from sites in Yountville and Oakville and includes a splash of Petit Verdot. Aged for one year in a combination of French and American oak, it's crafted to have broad appeal, with dark fruit, oak spice and chocolate notes. A wine for barbecued foods or hearty stews.

Full-bodied & Firm \$35.95 🗸 750 mL (D) 16460



NOBLE VINES COLLECTION 181 MERLOT 2018* Lodi

(Delicato Family Vineyards)

This is a full-bodied and concentrated wine. Deep, potent black-fruit flavors blend seamlessly with notes of dark chocolate, cinnamon and vanilla. Best Buy. Score: 91 (Jim Gordon, Wine Enthusiast, Nov. 1, 2020)

\$19.95 🥑

Full-bodied & Smooth 750 mL (XD) 226530



ALLEY

MOON

VALLEY OF THE MOON **CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2018** Sonoma County

Valley of the Moon is owned by Tony Stewart of British Columbia's Quails' Gate Winery. The 2018 Cabernet has excellent balance and purity of fruit, with upfront notes of cassis, ripe dark fruit, underbrush, peppercorns, cinnamon, coffee and chocolate, with a characterful Sonoma elegance.

[The San Francisco Chronicle Wine Competition did not include a tasting note.] Score: Best of Class (San Francisco Chronicle Wine Competition, 2021)







OREGON

CARABELLA ESTATE PINOT NOIR 2016

Chehalem Mountains, Willamette Valley Some bright, raspberry and red-cherry aromas here with a layer of flowers and fresh herbs. The palate has a plush and lithe feel with a very composed and stylishly vibrant finish. Really approachable and elegant. Drink or hold [till 2024+]. Score: 92 (jamessuckling.com, Nov. 30, 2018)

Medium-bodied & Fruity \$44.95 🗸 750 mL (XD)







ARGENTINA – WHITE WINE

ATAMISQUE SERBAL **VIOGNIER 2019** Tupungato, Mendoza



This viognier continues to be one of South America's great values for money. It's perfumed with floral and tropical fruit tones. The texture is smooth, without the faintest trace of bitterness, the variety's greatest sin in this part of the world. Pure fruit and freshness in this wine. Score: 90 (Patricio Tapia, guiadescorchados.cl, 2020)

Aromatic & Flavourful \$16.95 750 mL (XD) 21984



COELHO ATRACAO PINOT NOIR 2019 Willamette Valley

Rich red-cherry and berry-tea aromas in this selection of three parcels. The palate is soft and creamy and there's a smooth run to the finish with poached-cherry and raspberry flavors. Drink now [or cellar through 2026]. Score: 90 (jamessuckling. com, Aug. 22, 2021)

Medium-bodied & Fruity \$25.95 🗸 750 mL (D) 15663



SUSANA BALBO SIGNATURE WHITE BLEND 2020

Valle de Uco, Mendoza

A pioneering, mould-breaking white blend that seems to get better with every vintage, this is a cuvée of Semillón with 33% Sauvignon Blanc and 25% Torrontés. Subtly wooded in new French oak, it combines flavours of lime, greengage, lemongrass and vanilla spice, with an undertone of flinty reduction. Drink date: 2022-2028. Score: 96 (Tim Atkin, MW, timatkin.com, Argentina Special Report 2021)

Aromatic & Flavourful \$21.95 🗸 750 mL (XD) 558734



ERATH ESTATE SELECTION PINOT NOIR 2017

Dundee Hills, Willamette Valley The Erath story began in 1969 when Dick Erath (one of the pioneering winemakers in the Willamette Valley) planted his first vines. The 2017 vintage of this Pinot Noir is ripe and silky, with boisterous notes of black cherry, plum, baking spice, coffee and toast. An elegant, refined wine for salmon or duck, this will cellar and evolve through 2028.





ARGENTINA – RED WINE

ALAMOS SELECCIÓN MALBEC 2018

La Consulta, Uco Valley, Mendoza A youthfully plump rendition of this wine that has very attractive, ripe purple berries and plums that lead to a smoothly arranged palate with fleshy, rich and succulent appeal. Very long and pure. Drink or hold [till 2023]. Score: 93 (jamessuckling.com, March 27, 2019)



Full-bodied & Smooth



ARGENTINA - RED WINE CONT'D

CATENA PARAJE ALTAMIRA MALBEC 2018 Paraje Altamira, Valle de Uco, Mendoza This takes a spicy stance with attractively matched oak and plums, currants and violets. The palate has such succulent, dark-plum flavors with long, polished tannins. Impressive poise and depth here.

Drink or hold [through 2024]. Score: 95 (james

Medium-bodied & Fruity 750 mL (XD) \$22.95 🗸 492413

suckling.com, April 2, 2020)



DOMAINE BOUSQUET **GRAN MALBEC 2018**

Vegan, Gualtallary, Tupungato, Valle de Uco, Mendoza

For this Gran Malbec, Domaine Bousquet gets the grapes from two blocks of its vineyard in Gualtallary - among the first in the zone - planted in 1998. This year it also includes 10% merlot and a few drops of syrah. Here the malbec has all the exuberance that Gualtallary commands and imposes with fresh fruits, herbal notes, and a touch of spices, while the palate has a firm, tense texture. A red bearing the Gualtallary signature. [Drink till 2028.] Score: 94 (Patricio Tapia, guiadescorchados.cl, 2020)

Full-bodied & Smooth \$24.95 750 mL (XD) 21983

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ELODIA SINGLE VINEYARD LOS CHACAYES MALBEC 2018 Valle de Uco, Mendoza



Finca Mantrax is located in the Los Chacayes zone, about 1,300 meters above sea level in the Uco Valley. Its soils are characterized as being rich in stones, all of colluvial origin. That, plus the cool mountain climate make the malbec from this area a bit wild ... the tannic pressure is evident, along with the force of its fruity expression. This is a sharp photograph of place in a warm year that seems to have given the fruit an extra sweetness. A wine to keep in the cellar [till 2028+]. Score: 95 (Patricio Tapia, guiadescorchados.cl, 2021)

Full-bodied & Smooth 750 mL (XD) \$28.95 23426



LOS HAROLDOS ESTATE BLEND 2019* Valle de Uco, Mendoza

65% Malbec, 20% Cabernet Sauvignon, 15% Petit Verdot. Fascinating nose of dark cherries, blackberries, plums, spices, cinnamon and a touch of licorice and coffee. Very elegant and juicy. Score: 91 (Decanter World Wine Awards, 2020)

Full-bodied & Smooth \$14.95 750 mL (D) 512202

PASARISA MALBEC 2019* Mendoza (Esmeralda)

This has a very fresh and vibrant feel with a sappy element. Very rich and ripe with attractive plums and berries. So moreish and drinkable with a bold, punchy, dark-plum and cocoa finish. Drink or hold [through 2023+]. Score: 92 (jamessuckling.com, April 2, 2020)

\$16.95 🗸

Full-bodied & Smooth 750 mL (XD) 21986

CHILE – RED WINE

LA CAUSA CINSAULT/PAÍS/ CARIGNAN 2019 Valle del Itata

(Miguel Torres) 72% Cinsault, 18% País, 10% Carignan ... the value is outstanding and it also underscores the revaluation of Chilean vine resources and terroir potential which is underway in the country ... warm, sweet, haunting and undemonstrative aromas; the palate is supple yet intense, concentrated and tenacious. Food-friendly, harmoniously ripe and naturally articulated, this is a great buy. Best in Show. Score: 97 (Decanter World Wine Awards, 2021)

Full-bodied & Firm \$22.95 750 mL (XD) 23434



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*Late arrival. Product may not be available at release time.



ALYAN GRAN RESERVA **CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2018**

Sustainable, Valle de Colchagua Aromas of sweet plums and fresh herbs follow through to a medium to full body, round and juicy tannins and a long, flavorful finish. Drink or hold. Score: 91 (jamessuckling.com, April 17, 2020)

Full-bodied & Smooth 750 mL (XD)







CLOS DE LUZ MASSAL 1945 CARMENÈRE 2018

Almahue, DO Valle de Cachapoal This is from a selection of very old carménère vines planted on sandy colluvial soils on the flatlands that belong to the Edwards family in Almahue, in the center of the Cachapoal Valley. This wine belongs to a new wave of the variety in Chile, more focused on the freshness of the fruit and leaving the fear of vegetal tones behind. Harvested early by hand, this wine shows red fruits, intense texture, and a strong herbal component. [Drink 2024+.] Score: 94 (Patricio Tapia, guiadescorchados.cl, 2020)

Full-bodied & Smooth \$24.95 🗸 750 mL (XD) 11861

MATETIC EQ GRANITE



PINOT NOIR 2016 Sustainable. DO Valle de Casablanca

Valle Hermoso was first planted in 2006 very close to the sea in the Casablanca zone, 10 kilometers from the Pacific. This pinot comes from there, and it reveals a maritime influence in a fruit-focused wine. Ripe red fruit flavors rely on firm, tense acidity - a column of acidity that travels across the palate. With 30% stems to support the structure (which they do very well), this is a weighty wine with good body, but it hasn't lost its freshness. [Drink through 2023.] Score: 94 (Patricio Tapia, guiadescorchados.cl, 2020)

Medium-bodied & Fruity 750 mL (XD) \$22.95 21952

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ERADUS

UNDURRAGA TERROIR HUNTER **CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2018**

Alto Maipo, Valle del Maipo

Pirque, close to the foothills of the Andes Mountains, tends to produce fruit-driven wines seasoned with the typical notes of Alto Maipo cabernets such as menthol and earthy tones. In this case, herbal notes join those delicate aromas to peer out from behind a thick curtain of ripe red fruits before mingling all together in a body of tannins so silky and polished they seem to lay out a skating rink for the fruits to glide across. This is an HD photo of Pirque, an area that now produces some of South America's most character-filled cabernet sauvignons. [Drink till 2026+.] Score: 96 (Patricio Tapia, guiadescorchados.cl, 2021)

Full-bodied & Firm \$24.95 750 mL (XD) 630350

NEW ZEALAND - WHITE WINE

ERADUS SAUVIGNON BLANC 2021

Awatere Valley, Marlborough, South Island Fabulously aromatic and dazzling, the wine shows passionfruit, Granny Smith apple, white floral and kaffir lime notes on the nose, followed by a powerfully expressed palate delivering terrific fruit purity and intensity. Wonderfully flavoursome with zesty acidity, finishing long and super tasty. At its best: now to 2024. Score: 94 (Sam Kim, wineorbit.co.nz, June 2021)

Aromatic & Flavourful 750 mL (XD) \$19.95 225557

AUSTRIA – WHITE WINE

DOMÄNE WACHAU TERRASSEN **FEDERSPIEL GRÜNER VELTLINER 2020**

Vegan, sustainable, Qualitätswein Classic, balanced, and stylish, with a bright mineral nose that joins citrus on the fresh and crisp palate. People need to pay attention to these wonderful and reasonably priced Austrian wines. Score: 94 (Anthony Dias Blue, tastingpanelmag.com, Sept./Oct. 2021)

Light & Crisp \$17.95 750 mL (XD) 31534





FRANCE – WHITE WINE

BURGUNDY

CHANSON MÂCON-VILLAGES 2016 AC

Grown in clay and limestone soils between the communes of Mâcon, Lugny and Tournus, this wine promises notions of wildflowers, citrus and delicate minerality. Savour it with lake fish or lemon chicken.

21745





ROUX PÈRE & FILS BOURGOGNE CHARDONNAY 2018 AC

This entry-level white Burgundy hits the spot with its balance and precision. Apple, pear, citrus and nutty flavours are all pleasingly defined, and the texture is caressing and buttery. A wine for pork or chicken dishes, it will also be a fine companion to a wide assortment of cheeses.

DOMAINE DU PRÉ BARON TOURAINE

This fresh, crisp, characterful Touraine Sauvignon

Blanc has impressive depth and intensity. It shows

\$17.95 🥖

SAUVIGNON BLANC 2020

(Jean-Luc Mardon, vign.)

Full-bodied & Rich \$20.95 750 mL (XD) 446369

LOIRE

Sustainable, AC

potato salad.

750 mL (XD)

107128

Aromatic & Flavourful



TARIQUET

MIDI

DOMAINE DU TARIQUET SAUVIGNON **BLANC 2020**

Vegan, sustainable, IGP Côtes de Gascogne (Famille Grassa, prop.-récolt.) From vines averaging 20 years of age, this is a tangy, zesty Sauvignon Blanc with a robust herbal character underlying the fresh, bright melon, citrus, tropical fruit and mineral tones. You might say it's loaded for bear. (No surprise; Domaine du Tariquet was founded by a bear tamer, after all.) Pair this with salmon.

[The Berliner Wein Trophy did not include a tasting note.] Score: Gold (Berliner Wein Trophy, 2021)

Aromatic & Flavourful \$13.95 750 mL (XD) 484139

SOUTH OF FRANCE

GUILLAUME AURÈLE VIOGNIER 2020 IGP Pays d'Oc

This wine is made from fruit grown in three oceanside villages in the sunny South of France. Expect juicy peach and honey lifted by bright, crisp acidity. A versatile Viognier for tuna steaks, roast pork or chicken curry.

Aromatic & Flavourful \$12.95 750 mL (XD) 380741

FRANCE – RED WINE

BORDEAUX

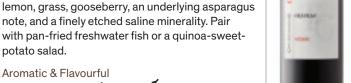
CHÂTEAU TOUR CASTILLON 2016³ Cru Bourgeois, AC Médoc (Pierre Montagnac)



Some oak on the nose, but also generous and ripe blackberries. A bold and well-structured wine with plenty of moderately dry tannins and the ripeness to carry them. This, together with the long, harmonious finish, suggests it has good aging potential. A blend of cabernet sauvignon, merlot, cabernet franc, petit verdot and carmenere. Drink or hold. Score: 92 (jamessuckling.com, Feb. 3, 2019)

Medium-bodied & Fruity			
750 mL	(XD)	\$19.95	•
22949			





OURAINE







BEAUJOLAIS

DOMAINE DE NUGUES **BEAUJOLAIS-VILLAGES 2019** AC

Made from Gamay grown on vines of an average age of 45 years, this fruity wine was aged for seven months in stainless steel and offers berry, cherry and subtle spice notes. A nice red for roast chicken or salmon.

Medium-bodied & Fruity \$19.95 750 mL (XD)





SOUTH OF FRANCE

ATIPIC 2019 IGP Pays d'Oc (Cave de Roquebrun)

This unusual wine is built around Cabernet Sauvignon and employs both carbonic maceration (often seen in Beaujolais) and traditional vinification methods. Look for ripe dark fruit wrapped in gently chewy tannins, and pour with roast lamb.

ATIPIC

Medium-bodied & Fruity				
750 mL	(XD)	\$13.95		
21268				



FABRÈGUES PINOT NOIR 2019 IGP Pays d'Oc

The warm, sunny South of France isn't widely known for Pinot Noir, but this one was grown in cooler sites atop clay and limestone hills reminiscent of Burgundy. Expect ripe plum and cherry embroidered with earthy and floral notes and pair with braised beef and root veggies.

Medium-bodied & Fruity 750 mL (XD) \$16.95 21267

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RHÔNE

COUDOULET DE BEAUCASTEL **CÔTES DU RHÔNE 2019** AC

(Famille Perrin)

A well-balanced, perfectly ripe, very fresh expression this year. Fine tannins, with good grip, harmonious acidity and dark streak of concentrated fruit into the finish. You'll be glad you bought some of this. Not hugely deep or hugely complex, but beautifully balanced. 30% Grenache, 30% Mourvèdre, 10% Syrah, 10% Counoise, 10% Vaccarèse/Terret Noir/Muscardin, 3% Cinsault, 7% white varieties ... Drinking window: 2020-2024. Score: 92 (Matt Walls, decanter.com, Oct. 4, 2020)

Full-bodied & Smooth \$29.95 750 mL (XD) 48884



LAFAGE

RICOLAS



A blend of 60% Grenache and 40% Syrah, this wine will reveal complex notions of mocha, vanilla, mulberry, blueberry and plum. Expect a satiny mouthfeel with just a touch of tannic grip, and pair with ribs.

[The Concours Général Paris did not include a tasting note.] Score: Gold (Concours Général Paris, 2020)

Full-bodied & Smooth \$21.95 🗸 750 mL (XD) 286344 & Organic product

ROUSSILLON

DOMAINE LAFAGE CUVÉE NICOLAS **VIEILLES VIGNES GRENACHE NOIR 2019** Sustainable, IGP Côtes Catalanes

All Grenache brought up in demi-muids and aged on lees for 8 months ... killer bouquet of kirsch liqueur, savory spices, cured meats, and peppery garrigue. Rich, medium to full-bodied, and gorgeously textured, it has wonderful richness with no sensation of weight or heaviness. It's another insane value from this team. Maturity: 2021-2026. Score: 95 (jebdunnuck.com, March 22, 2021)

Full-bodied & Smooth \$19.95 🗸 750 mL (XD) 354191







GEORGIA – RED WINE

MILDIANI SEMI-SWEET RED **KINDZMARAULI 2019*** Kakheti

(Tsinandali Old Cellar) Vintage after vintage, this soft, ripe, guite intense semi-sweet wine never fails to impress. Plentiful plum, berry jam and sweet cranberry make it an easy match for mature cheeses, dried fruit and roasted nuts, but it will also delight when paired with grilled duck with a rich cherry or plum sauce.

Light-bo	died & F	ruity	
750 mL	(MS)	\$19.95	
682781			



GERMANY – WHITE WINE

BADEN

KÖNIGSCHAFFHAUSER VULKANFELSEN **TROCKEN PINOT GRIS 2020***

Qualitätswein

(Winzergenossenschaft Königschaffhausen) Grown on the steep slope of an extinct volcano, this dry Pinot Gris offers juicy apple, pear, fresh herbs and smoke. Pair with pork chops and applesauce.

Light & Crisp \$17.95 750 mL (D) 597500



GREECE – RED WINE

BOUTARI NAOUSSA XINOMAVRO 2019 PDO Naoussa, Macedonia

Boutari was founded in 1879 and is one of Greece's most renowned wineries. This 100% Xinomavro is crafted in a fruity, easy-to-enjoy style, with a lithe mouthfeel, moderately grippy tannins, and complex notes of berry fruit, plum, vanilla and earth. Pair with moussaka or lamb stew.

Medium-bodied & Fruity 750 mL (XD) \$18.95 🗸 23218







TUSCANY

DUCA DI SARAGNANO VECCIANO TOSCANA BIANCO 2020* IGT Toscana

A blend based on Chardonnay, this vivacious wine was awarded 99 points by Luca Maroni (lucamaroni. com, Feb. 17, 2021). It shows a complex interplay of spring flowers, mint, sultana, fresh apricot and lime, with a mineral undercurrent adding further intrigue. Pour alongside Tuscan-style chicken in a white-wine broth with olives and rosemary.

Light & Crisp





POGGIO AL TUFO **VERMENTINO 2020** IGT Toscana (Tommasi)

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Aromas of sliced apple, lime and a tinge of almond skin. Medium-bodied with a very focused bead of lime driving through the palate. Same dry-almond character at the end, together with a hint of salt. Very vermentino. Lots of tension here. Drink now. Score: 91 (jamessuckling.com, Aug. 4, 2021)









ITALY – RED WINE

ABRUZZO

RIPA TEATINA ROCKY MARCIANO MONTEPULCIANO D'ABRUZZO 2014 DOC

(Novaripa)



This wine is made from grapes picked by hand in Abruzzo, birthplace of the father of legendary boxer Rocky Marciano. Smooth and persistent, it evokes ripe red fruit, vanilla and savoury spices. Pour with pork-and-lamb meatballs atop egg pasta in tomato sauce.

[SMVC did not include a tasting note.] Score: 96.2 (Selections Mondiales des Vins Canada, 2020)

Medium-bodied & Fruity \$23.95 🗸 750 mL (XD) 23032



PUGLIA

FERRO13 HIPSTER NEGROAMARO 2020 IGT Puglia

With a portfolio that includes wines with names such as Boss, Hashtag and Hacker, Ferro13 is a winery that has combined a desire for crafting quality wines with a winsome sense of humour. Each wine is a character that showcases a specific Italian grape and region. The Hipster's dark cherry, blackberry, dark plum and dried herbal tones highlight Negroamaro from Puglia.

Medium-bodied & Fruity \$17.95 750 mL (XD) 23061

SICILY

FERRO13 NERD NERO D'AVOLA 2020 DOC Sicilia

The wines of Ferro13 showcase Italy's principal grapes and regions. The Nerd celebrates Nero d'Avola: the leading red grape in Sicily, long used as a blending grape. Once prized for the tannic grip, body and colour it brings to these blends, in recent years it's become a star single-varietal wine, with its floral, dark fruit tones given full rein.

Medium-bodied & Fruity \$16.95 750 mL (XD) 23060



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TUSCANY

CANTINA DI MONTALCINO BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2016 DOCG

This has a complex nose of black plums, cloves and cigar smoke. Lots of chocolate. It's full-bodied with good depth and intensity. Firm but ripe tannins. Chocolate and cherries on the finish. Drink after 2024. Score: 95 (jamessuckling.com, Nov. 11, 2020)

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CAPEZZANA BARCO REALE DI CARMIGNANO 2018 DOC

(Conte Contini Bonacossi)

This wine comprises 75% Sangiovese, 15% Cabernet Sauvignon, 5% Cabernet Franc and 5% Canaiolo, all grown on the Medici property in the hamlet of Artimino some 20 kilometres north of Florence. It was vinified in stainless steel and matured in Allier oak barrels for three months. Expect zingy cherry, blackcurrant and evergreen notes and pour with eggplant parmigiana.



\$22.95 🖌 750 mL (XD) 508531

Medium-bodied & Fruity

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CLEMENTE VII GRAN SELEZIONE CHIANTI CLASSICO 2015 DOCG

(Castelli del Grevepesa)

The 2015 Chianti Classico Gran Selezione Clemente VII is a powerful, rustic wine. Red fruit, white pepper, sage, mint and iron give the 2015 its distinctive feral personality. I am not sure the searing tannins will ever fully soften. The 2015 is very much a Chianti Classico for rich fare at the dinner table. Drinking window: 2021-2030. Score: 92 (Antonio Galloni, vinous.com, Sept. 2020)

Full-bodied & Firm \$34.95 🗸 750 mL (XD) 573493 Featured in Under the Tuscan Sun



ITALY - RED WINE CONT'D

TUSCANY

GAJA CA'MARCANDA PROMIS 2019 IGP Toscana

In the creation of this wine, the legendary Gaja family takes Merlot, Syrah and Sangiovese and ferments and matures them separately for 12 months in oak before blending and bottling. The result is a taut, structured affair that brings elegance and intensity in equal measure. Pour with steak Florentine or garlic-crusted rack of lamb.

Full-bodied & Firm 750 mL (XD) \$63.95 174334 Featured in Under the Tuscan Sun



LE SERRE NUOVE DELL'ORNELLAIA 2019 Second wine of Ornellaia,

DOC Bolgheri Rosso A blend of Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot ... reveals the sharp contours and etched character of the Cabernet Franc, especially with black licorice and black pepper. The results are linear and pure. Elegant fruit notes of blackberry and dark currant add to the thick layering of the wine. Drink date: 2022-2033. Score: **94** (Monica Larner, robertparker.com, May 6, 2021)

Medium-bodied & Fruity 750 mL (XD) **\$74.95**



ORNELLAIA 2018 DOC Bolgheri Superiore

... Medium in body, with terrific persistence and impeccable balance, the 2018 is not in any mood to show all its cards today. Hints of red berry fruit, mocha, spice, licorice and dried flowers emerge with a bit of coaxing. I won't be surprised to see it put on weight with more time in bottle. There is certainly plenty to look forward to. Readers should expect a silky, aromatic Ornellaia in line with vintages such as 2004 that are more about finesse than raw power. This is the first time in which Merlot drives the blend in Ornellaia. Drinking window: 2025-2040. Score: **97** (Antonio Galloni, vinous.com, Jan. 2021)

Medium-bodied & Fruity 750 mL (XD) **\$249.95**

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POGGIO CIVETTA GOVERNO ALL'USO 2019* IGT Toscana

(Farnese)

The governo method involves partially drying a portion of the fruit for use in the winemaking process, adding extra richness and mouthfeel. This blend of 70% Sangiovese with 20% Merlot and 5% apiece of Cabernet Sauvignon and Syrah will conjure fresh cherry, cherry preserves, currants and spice. Pour with pasta in a sun-dried-tomato marinara sauce.

[Luca Maroni did not include a tasting note.] Score: **98** (lucamaroni.com, July 27, 2021)

Medium-bodied & Fruity 750 mL (D) **\$22.95**



POLIZIANO ROSSO DI MONTEPULCIANO 2019 DOC



A straightforward, fruity red with light hazelnut and cherry aromas and flavors. Medium body, light tannins and a fresh finish. Drink now. Score: **90** (jamessuckling.com, Aug. 10, 2020)

Medium-bodied & Fruity 750 mL (XD) \$20.95 22795 Featured in Under the Tuscan Sun



ROCCA DELLE MACÌE FAMIGLIA ZINGARELLI RISERVA CHIANTI CLASSICO 2018 DOCG

From a renowned producer of Chianti Classico, this Riserva always impresses. It's matured in French oak barrels for two years, adding toasty vanilla spice to the vibrant notions of cherry, plum and violets. Savour it through 2024 with pasta bolognese or steak Florentine.

Medium-bodied & Fruity 750 mL (XD) **\$24.95** 930966 Featured in Under the Tuscan Sun

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VILLA TRASQUA CHIANTI CLASSICO 2017 DOCG

Dried cherries, peppercorns, grilled herbs and potpourri on the nose. It's medium-bodied with firm, fine tannins and fresh acidity. Deliciously earthy and savory. From organically grown grapes. Drink now. Score: **92** (jamessuckling.com, Aug. 11, 2021)

Medium-bodied & Fruity 750 mL (XD) **\$18.95**



VENETO

FABIANO RUGOLA AMARONE DELLA VALPOLICELLA CLASSICO 2016 DOCG

Luca Maroni awarded this wine **93** points (lucama roni.com, Aug. 4, 2021), noting that it offers great richness and power, superb concentration, and a balsamic note amid ample fruit and spice tones. Enjoy it tonight with a slow-cooked beef stew or cellar for another 4-6 years.

Full-bodi	ied &	Smooth	
750 mL	(D)	\$44.95	
96867			



VITICCIO MORELLINO DI SCANSANO 2017 DOCG

This is a very structured red with chewy tannins and lots of fruit and tannins. A little extracted, so it needs time to soften. Should come out nicely. Drink [starting] in 2021. Score: **90** (jamessuckling. com, Aug. 3, 2020)



MICHELE CASTELLANI COLLE CRISTI AMARONE DELLA VALPOLICELLA CLASSICO 2016 DOCG

A ripe, rich red with dried-berry, mushroom and fig character. Full body. Layered and lavish. Drink or hold. Score: **93** (jamessuckling.com, Nov. 7, 2019)



ZINGARI 2018 IGT Toscana

(Petra) A fresh, vivid red with cherries, currants and hints of hazelnuts and chocolate. Medium body. Racy finish. Like the vivid acidity that runs through this. Drink or hold. Score: **92** (jamessuckling.com, July 28, 2020)

Medium-bodied & Fruity 750 mL (D) **\$19.95**



PORTUGAL - RED WINE

FIUZA EMINENTE RESERVA TINTO 2018

Estate bottled, Vinho Regional Tejo This is a bold, ripe wine, vibrant with black fruits. A smooth texture and firm tannins give it density as well as a succulent, rich character. While the wine is ready to drink now, it could also age for at least three years. Score: **90** (Roger Voss, *Wine Enthusiast*, April 1, 2020)

Full-bodied & Smooth 750 mL (XD) \$15.95 646042



PORTUGAL - RED WINE CONT'D

MONTE DA RAVASQUEIRA MR CLÁSSICO 2019

Vinho Regional Alentejano A blend of Trincadeira, Aragonez (Tempranillo), Syrah and Alicante Bouschet, this wine was forged in stainless steel. Elegant and exuberant, it brings dark berry and plum fruit along with subtle spice. Pour with sausage pizza.

Medium-bodied & Fruity 750 mL (D) \$13.95 548842



LA CARBONERA LAS PISADAS 2016 DOCa Rioja

(Familia Torres)

100% Tempranillo. Inviting aromas of fennel and thyme alongside sweet spice from oak and a raspberry coulis undertone. Fresh and juicy with velvety tannins and a complex and layered profile. The finish is textbook quality. Bravol Score: **95** (Decanter World Wine Awards, 2020)

Full-bod	ied & Sm	nooth	
750 mL	(XD)	\$19.95	
23634			



ROMANIA – WHITE WINE

COTNARI GRASA DE COTNARI 2019 DOC Cotnari

Extremely rare, Grasa only has about 450 hectares of total acreage in the world, and all of it in Romania. It's made in dry and botrytis-affected semi-sweet styles. This example falls into the latter category and will be profoundly aromatic and floral, with a sweet core and vanilla tones. The sweetness, finely balanced by a spine of bright acidity, makes this a perfect choice for blue-veined cheeses.

Aromatic & Flavourful			
750 mL	(MS)	\$13.95	
73205			



SPAIN – RED WINE

BURGO VIEJO CRIANZA 2018 DOCa Rioja

I find balance, seriousness and some restraint in the 2018 Crianza. It has moderate alcohol and contained ripeness, integrated oak and a polished palate with fruit and spice flavors that make it quite recognizable as Rioja. It has some tannins that would welcome food and/or a little bit more time in bottle. It's 90% Tempranillo and 10% Graciano matured in American oak barrels for one year. Drink date: 2021-2024. Score: **90** (Luis Gutiérrez, robertparker.com, Oct. 30, 2020)

Medium-bodied & Fruity 750 mL (XD) **\$14.95**



LORCA MONASTRELL 2019 DO Bullas

(Bodegas del Rosario)

A medium-bodied red with dark-berry, black-pepper and walnut aromas and flavors. Just a hint of vanilla and wood makes it interesting. Drink now. Score: **91** (jamessuckling.com, Nov. 2, 2020)

Medium-bodied & Fruity 750 mL (XD) \$15.95 552901

LOS FRAILES CALIZA 2018 Sustainable, La Parada de Tordos Vineyard, DO Valencia



I loved the subtly Mediterranean nose of the 2018 Caliza, a pure Monastrell from limestone-rich soils on the Casa Los Frailes property. It has a bright ruby color and a lively palate with freshness and very fine tannins. It's varietal and shows the soil and vintage character. This was my clear favorite from the 2018 "soil" bottlings. Drink date: 2020-2025. Score: **93** (Luis Gutiérrez, robertparker.com, Sept. 10, 2020)



Full-bodied & Smooth 750 mL (XD) \$29.95 23806 Grganic & biodynamic product



NAVAJAS TINTO CRIANZA 2016

Estate bottled, DOCa Rioja This wine is mostly Tempranillo with a splash of Mazuelo (Carignan). It's lean and focused, with bright red cherry framed by wood spice, lifted mint, vanilla and leather notes. Well-balanced and structured. Pair with grilled sausages or roast beef.





SEÑORÍO DE P. PECIÑA CRIANZA 2015 DOCa Rioja

(Hermanos Peciña)

Youthful by the standards of some of the wines in Hermanos Peciña range, this will definitely develop further in bottle if you can keep your hands off it. Made from Tempranillo and 5% Graciano and Garnacha, all aged in older American wood, it's a fresh, spicy rose petal-scented red with a balsamic top note. Drink date: 2021-2028. Score: **91** (Tim Atkin, MW, timatkin.com, *Rioja Special Report 2021*)



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ADAMO ESTATE PARKE VINEYARD GROWER'S SERIES PINOT NOIR 2017 *

VQA Twenty Mile Bench, Niagara Escarpment Medium-bodied & Fruity 14269 (XD) 750 mL \$29.95

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VQA Beamsville Bench, Niagara Escarpment Medium-bodied & Fruity 25232 (XD) 750 mL \$30.00 <

DEALS TO DISCOVER

Harvesting the Gewürztraminer grapes late in the season means the team at Pelee Island Winery can make a wine with extra depth and a subtle suggestion of sweetness to go along with all those lychee and spice flavours. This one also comes in at a sweet price.



PELEE ISLAND LATE HARVEST GEWÜRZTRAMINER 2018 * VQA Ontario

Aromatic & Flavourful 25240 (D) 750 mL \$15.95

STANDOUT SELECTIONS

Prince Edward County vineyards are cooled by breezes that come in off Lake Ontario; few of them more so than those of Lighthall Vineyards, situated in southern PEC just a stone's throw from the lake. The result is this elegant, expressive Chardonnay.



LIGHTHALL CHARDONNAY 2018 * VQA Prince Edward County

Light & Crisp 25243 (XD) 750 mL \$35.00 🗸

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WINERY FOCUS

One of Ontario's most historic wineries, Marynissen Estates Winery planted classic European vinifera varieties in their vineyards back in the 1970s. The Heritage Collection bubblies pay homage to those roots. The Charmed is a blend of Riesling, Gewürztraminer and Muscat, while the Charmed Rosé adds red wine grapes (possibly Pinot Noir, but for this inaugural vintage it's a secret) into the mix. Both are lively, easygoing, and a great way to toast local wine history.



MARYNISSEN HERITAGE COLLECTION CHARMED SPARKLING 2020 ** Charmat mathed

Charmat method, VQA Ontario

Light & Fruity 25233 (D) 750 mL \$19.95 🗸 MARYNISSEN HERITAGE COLLECTION CHARMED SPARKLING ROSÉ 2020 ** Charmat method, VOA Ontario

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478222 750 mL \$69.95



TOMATIN 14-YEAR-OLD PORT CASK FINISH HIGHLAND SINGLE MALT SCOTCH WHISKY

This whisky is aged in Bourbon and Tawny Port casks. The 14-year-old was the first Tomatin to age in Port casks, soaking up the nuanced aromas and sweet flavours imparted through nearly 50 years' use ageing Port. A smooth, balanced, lithe dram, with red berry, honey, toffee and nuts.

435834 750 mL \$122.80



CROWN ROYAL EXTRA RARE 18-YEAR-OLD CANADIAN WHISKY

A blend of three top-flight whiskies, this is a true gem. It's smooth and rich, with vanilla, deftly fashioned oak influence, caramel and spice. A fantastic, contemplative sip.

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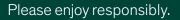
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