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# wines of the month

Wines with history

**BOGLE VINEYARDS  
CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2020**

Sustainable, California  
904565 (D) 750 mL \$22.95 ✓

The family-owned and -operated Bogle opened its doors in 1978, but the father-and-son team of Warren and Chris Bogle had begun growing grapes a decade before. In 2020, the grapes hung late into the season, reaching full ripeness without losing any of their balance. Plush dark fruit is beautifully partnered with baking spice, caramel and grippy tannins in this wine. Enjoy through 2026+.

Full-bodied & Smooth  
**Featured in California**

**CASTELLI DEL GREVEPESA  
CLEMENTE VII RISERVA CHIANTI  
CLASSICO 2018**

Sustainable, DOCG, Tuscany, Italy  
643205 (XD) 750 mL \$24.95 ✓

Bright red-berry and stony-mineral character to this with a tinge of vanilla accompanying the fruit from start to finish. Medium- to full-bodied with still quite tight tannins and the same blend of vivid, creamy red berry through the finish. Nicely proportioned. Drink or hold [to 2030]. Score: 93 (jamesuckling.com, Aug. 9, 2022)

Full-bodied & Firm



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# THE NEW RELEASE COLLECTION

## CAB-IFORNIA

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# CAB- IFORNIA

In Napa, Sonoma and beyond,  
**Cabernet Sauvignon** is  
California's world-renowned  
jewel in the crown.





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To taste the best wines from the finest regions is to excite the imagination, transcending logic, awakening emotions and inspiring our senses as few other passions can. Rich, complex California Cabernet Sauvignon, with its elevated notes of cassis, dark fruit, earth, cedar and mocha, is one such wine. Emerging as a true contender on the world stage in the early 1970s, Cabernet played a lead role in California's shocking usurpation of France's position as the world's pre-eminent wine nation at the 1976 Judgment of Paris.

Napa and Sonoma may be home to California's most sought-after and world-famous expressions, but Cabernet shines across the state in a variety of styles and at a range of price points. Read on and discover some of the basics about one of the most popular and important wine styles in the world, and meet three producers whose efforts are ensuring the region's continued longevity.

# NAPA

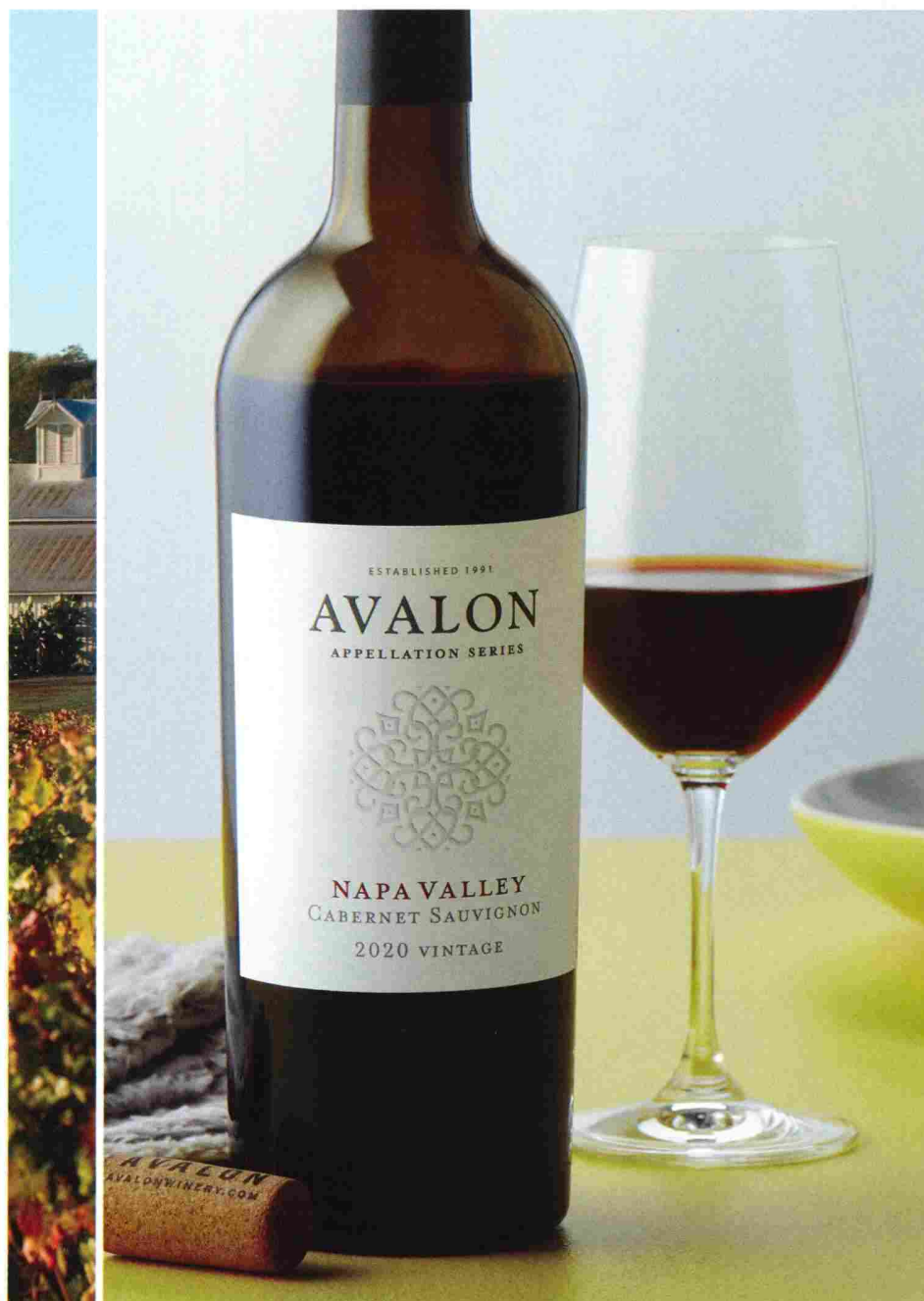
“...inspires for the sheer quality of the wines that emanate from this small sliver of American paradise.”

Joe Czerwinski  
robertparker.com, May 31, 2022



Autumn in Napa Valley.





Napa Valley is one of the world's most exciting wine regions. Visually stunning, it encompasses all things premium, from boutique and cult wineries to a world-class reputation for artisanal dining. Though small, Napa possesses a healthy mixture of soil types including volcanic, loamy-clays and Cabernet-loving gravel. The valley's fog-cooled, sun-kissed vineyards produce a rich selection of iconic and trophy wines that command serious attention from connoisseurs and casual wine fans alike, but the king of Napa is unquestionably Cabernet Sauvignon. Depending on where in the valley it's grown, Napa Cabernet can be powerful or elegant, but it always reveals ripe fruit, with a purity of Cabernet's benchmark cassis flavour that's the envy of every Cabernet producer in the rest of the wine world.

**AVALON APPELLATION SERIES  
CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2020**

Napa Valley

A lavishly flavoured, genuine Napa expression. There's plenty of structure and more than a nod towards refinement, with upfront ripe black fruit, well-incorporated herbs, chocolate, spice and minerality. Decant for an hour tonight or cellar through 2030 and perhaps a touch beyond. Ideal for hearty stews or grilled steaks.

**Full-bodied & Firm**

16457 (XD) 750 mL \$39.95 ✎



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**TAROT NAPA VALLEY  
CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2018**

Napa Valley  
(Secret Indulgences)

[Each individual label in every case of 12 bottles features a different character from the Tarot deck.] Rich, luscious aromas of mocha, bramble berry, ripe Bing cherry and mineral notes waft easily from the glass. It envelops the palate with of surge of pure ambrosia made up of dried cherry/berry fruit, black plum compote, mulberry and crème de cassis. This glides over the palate with good texture, good mouthfeel and plenty of charm and appeal. This is medium-full bodied and showcases fine-grained, polished tannin that gives structure and body to the wine. Pour with a premium cut of beef or lamb, grilled medium-rare. Drink or cellar [through 2030+]. Score: **93** (Vic Harradine, winecurrent.com, Dec. 7, 2021)

Full-bodied & Firm

16563 (XD) 750 mL \$49.95 ✓

**ST. SUPÉRY ESTATE BOTTLED  
CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2019**

Napa Valley

Aromas of blackcurrants, blackberries, roasted walnuts, vanilla and licorice with some earthy character. Fresh and juicy on the palate with a full body and polished tannins. Long finish with an array of ripe-berry flavors. Drink or hold [into early 2030s]. Score: **92** (jamesuckling.com, March 3, 2022)

Full-bodied & Firm

423822 (XD) 750 mL \$72.95 ✓

**CAYMUS CABERNET SAUVIGNON**

Napa Valley  
(Wagner Family of Wine)

From one of Napa's pioneering families and possessing all the signature lush flavours and aromas of premium Cali Cabs (crème de cassis, cocoa, anise and cardamom), this is definitely a trophy wine.

Full-bodied & Firm

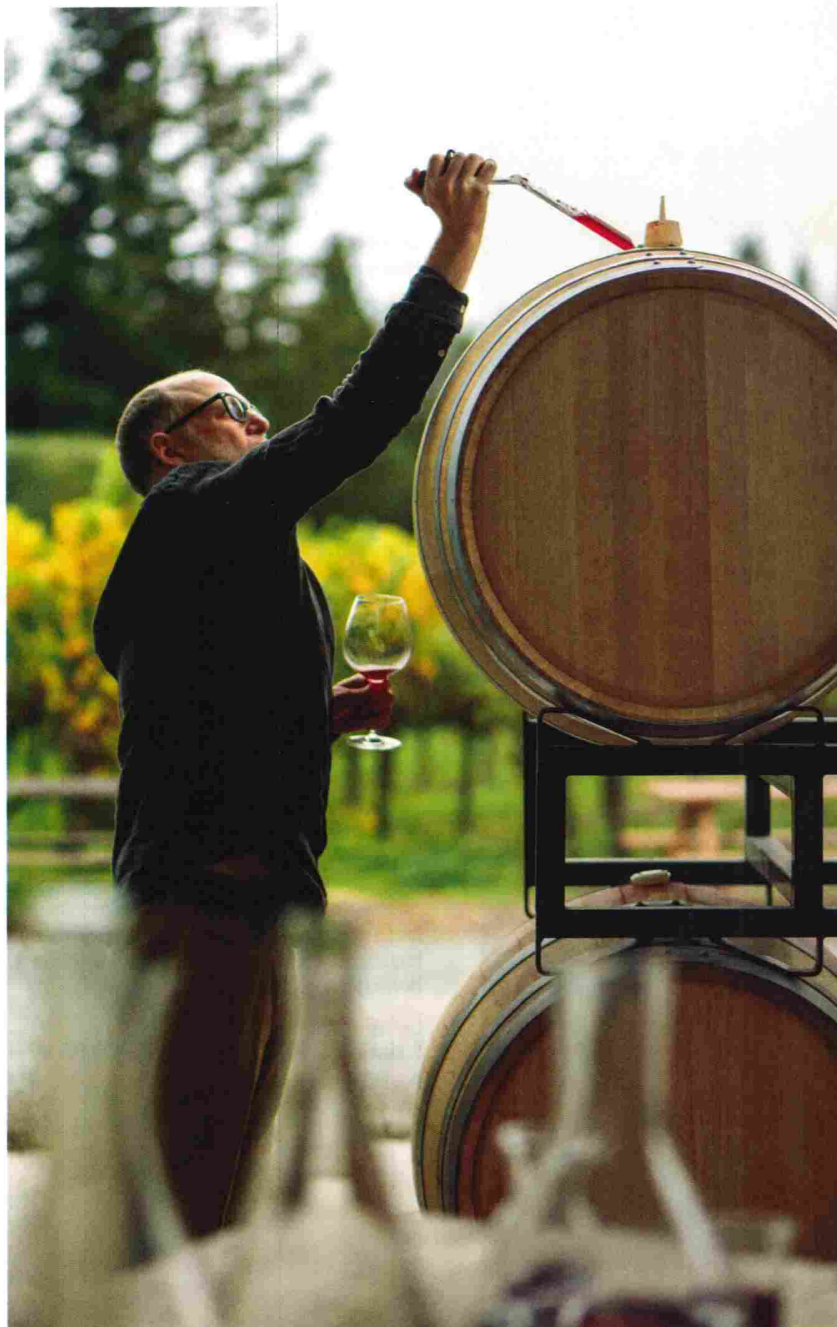
222877 (D) 750 mL \$109.95 ✓

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# SONOMA

“Sonoma remains an extraordinary region to explore for its breathtaking diversity of micro-regions, sites and wines.”

Antonio Galloni  
vinous.com, Jan. 14, 2021



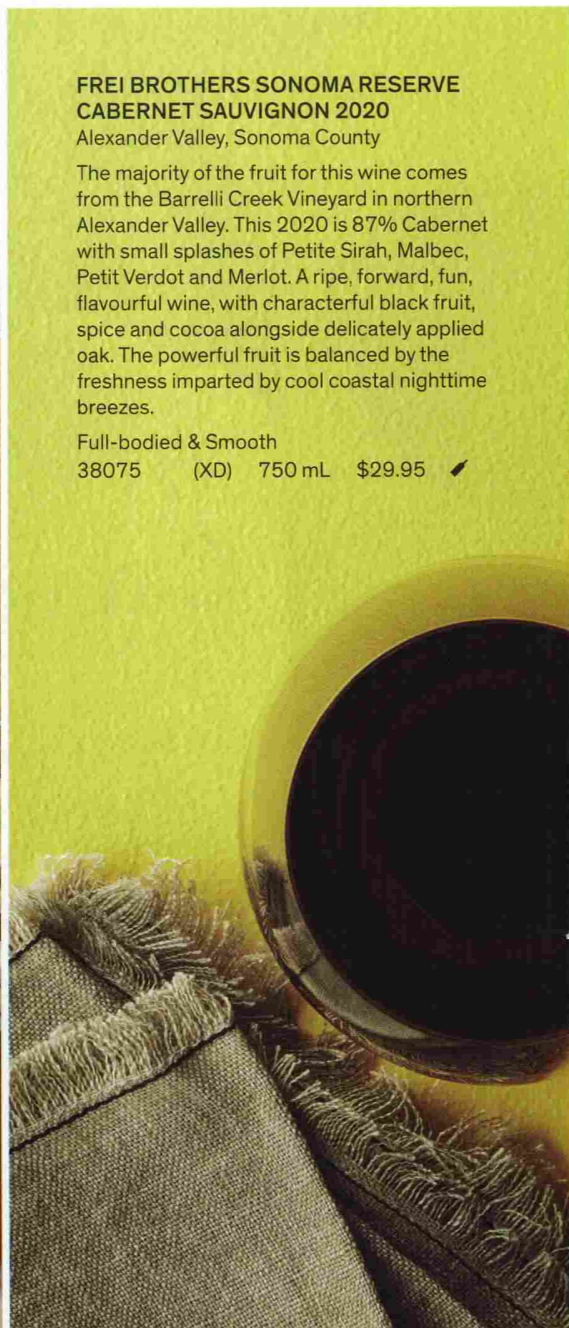
## FREI BROTHERS SONOMA RESERVE CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2020

Alexander Valley, Sonoma County

The majority of the fruit for this wine comes from the Barrelli Creek Vineyard in northern Alexander Valley. This 2020 is 87% Cabernet with small splashes of Petite Sirah, Malbec, Petit Verdot and Merlot. A ripe, forward, fun, flavourful wine, with characterful black fruit, spice and cocoa alongside delicately applied oak. The powerful fruit is balanced by the freshness imparted by cool coastal nighttime breezes.

Full-bodied & Smooth

38075 (XD) 750 mL \$29.95





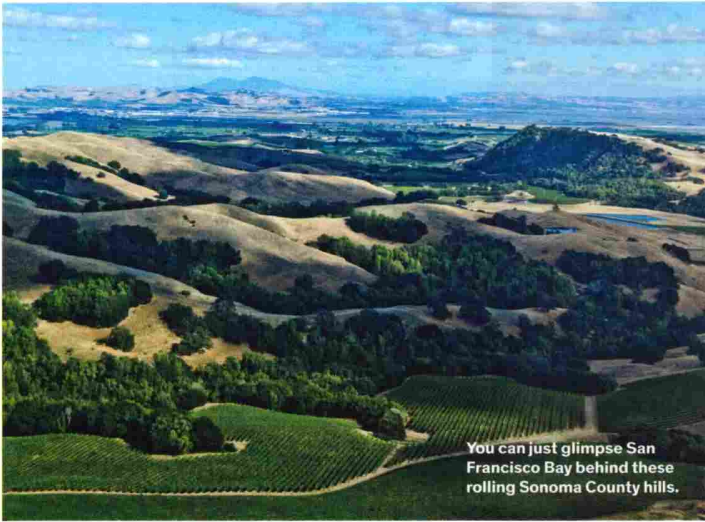
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Sonoma is where California's tradition of fine-wine production began. But in keeping with its laid-back feel, its Cabernets carry a lighter price tag than their Napa counterparts, offering exceptional value even among the premium tiers. Sonoma is a complex tapestry of rolling hills, benchlands, forests and valleys extending from the Pacific Ocean to the Mayacamas Mountains. Though larger in size than Napa, it's home to fewer wineries (425 to Napa's 450). This sense of space contributes to the region's relaxed character. With more soil types than France, these dramatically varied landscapes and mesoclimates allow for an astonishing range of top-quality wines to be produced, including concentrated, structured, ageable Cabernet Sauvignon.







**BERINGER KNIGHTS VALLEY  
CABERNET SAUVIGNON**  
Sonoma County

In 1868, Jacob Beringer left Germany and settled in California, where he built the now-historic Beringer Vineyards winery. This vibrant Cab shows chocolate, prune, licorice, cinnamon and tobacco. Cellar 3-5 years or decant and pair with roast beef, grilled quail or Beemster cheese.

Full-bodied & Firm  
352583 (XD) 750 mL \$51.95 ✓

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**BENZIGER CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2019**  
Sustainable, Sonoma County

Benziger was certified biodynamic in 2001, and this Cabernet first appeared on Vintages shelves in 2004. The wine shows considerable balance of polish and intensity, with ripe dark fruit, oak spice, mocha, tobacco and forest floor. Try it with a vegan southwestern black-bean casserole. A wine with another 5 years ahead of it.

Full-bodied & Smooth  
597237 (XD) 750 mL \$27.95 ✓

**🌿 Organic & biodynamic product**

# MONTEREY AND “CALIFORNIA”

“California boasts climatic conditions that are ideal for the cultivation of grapes and the production of high-quality wines.”

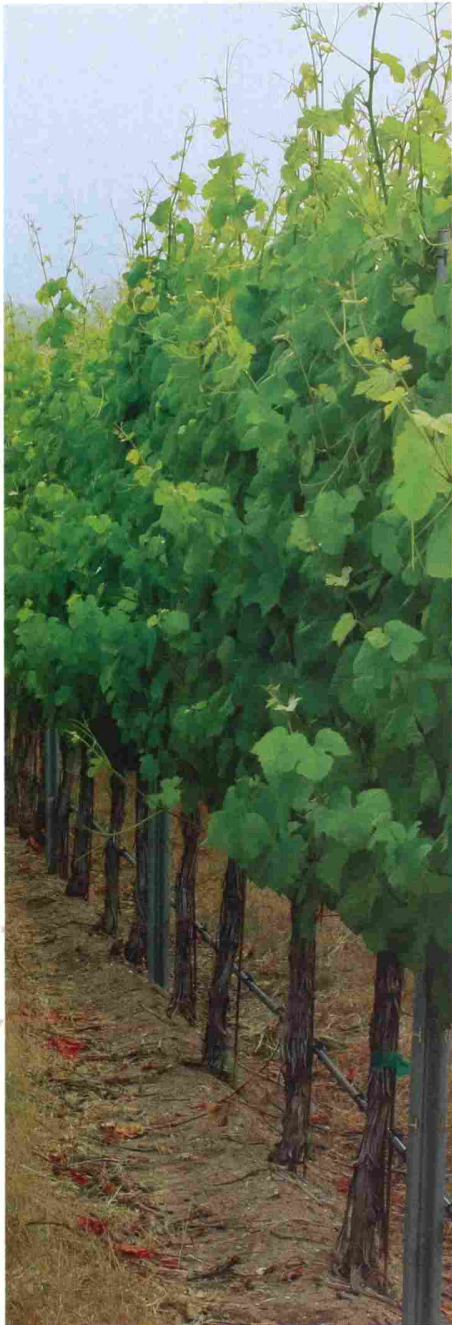
Antonio Galloni  
· [vinous.com](https://www.vinous.com), Jan. 20, 2022

Monterey is famous for cool-climate Chardonnay and Pinot Noir, but the region includes warmer areas perfect for Bordeaux varieties. Monterey Cabernet is structured and full-flavoured, with superb balance and freshness. Many top-flight wines, such as Unshackled, are blends of fruit from prime sites in different California AVAs and so must say “California” on the label rather than a specific regional designation. Such blends allow winemakers to take full advantage of California’s exciting range of nuanced, expressive Cabernet fruit.



A vineyard in the Santa Lucia Highlands, Monterey County.





**BLUE CANYON MONTEREY  
CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2020**

Estate grown, Monterey County

This intriguing, easy-to-enjoy Cab has good structure and presence while also showcasing freshness and aromatic lift born of the cool coastal breezes and fogs that grace the vineyard. It shows ripe, generous dark fruit, well-framed oak spice, coffee, chocolate and vanilla tones.

Full-bodied & Smooth

17815 (D) 750 mL \$21.95 ✎



**BOGLE VINEYARDS  
CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2020**

Sustainable, California

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**Full-bodied & Smooth**

904565 (D) 750 mL \$22.95 ✎

**Featured as our Wine of the Month**

**UNSHACKLED  
CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2021**

California  
(The Prisoner Wine Company)

This is the fourth vintage of Unshackled. The 2021 features 82% Cabernet Sauvignon, with small amounts of Petite Sirah, Petit Verdot, Malbec, Cabernet Franc, Merlot and Tannat making up the balance. It shows gorgeous depth of flavour, with plum, cassis, blackberry, dried herbs, clove, mocha and vanilla. A robust, pleasure-focused wine with wide appeal that's perfect for grilled meats. Enjoy by 2026.

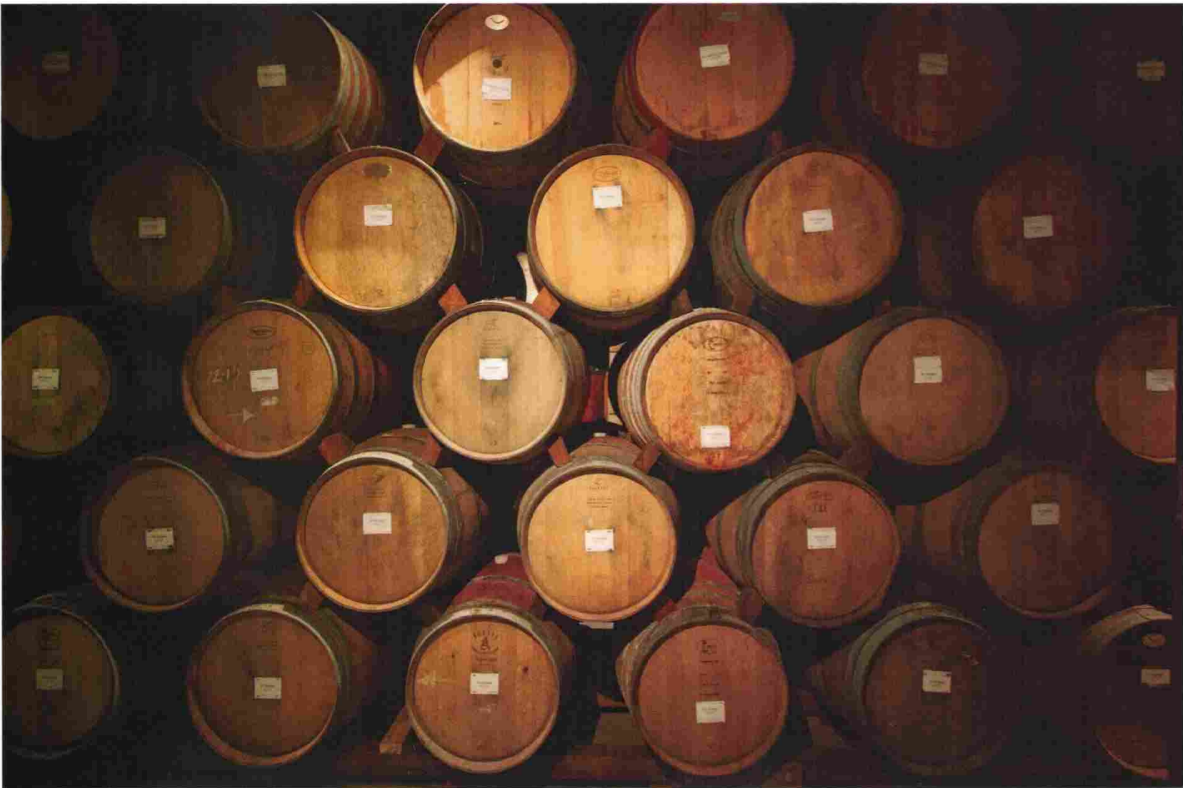
**Full-bodied & Firm**

17812 (XD) 750 mL \$32.95 ✎













**DECOY CABERNET SAUVIGNON**

California  
(Duckhorn Portfolio)

From the famed Duckhorn, the Decoy Cabernet Sauvignon is crafted in a seductive, approachable style, with complex dark fruit, chocolate, minerality, cedar and toast. Perfect for pot roast.

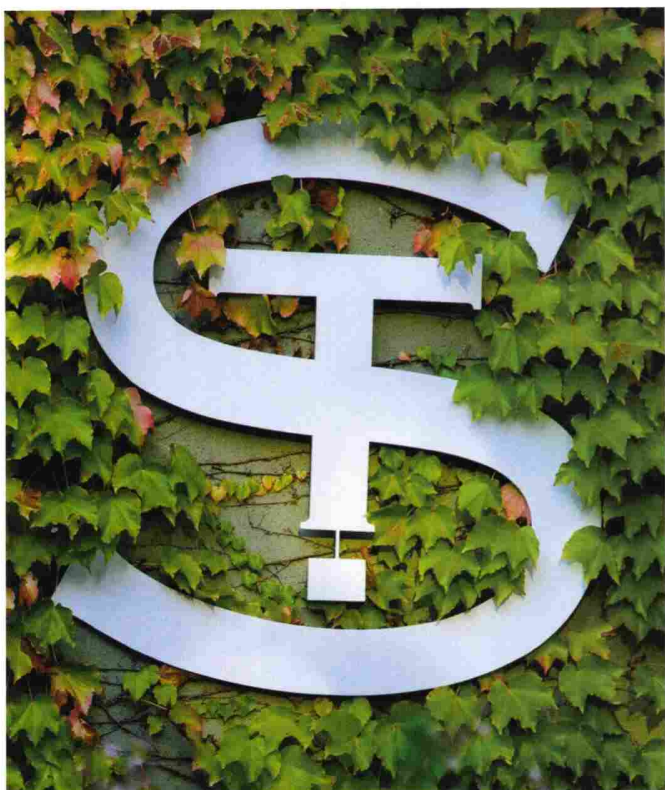
Full-bodied & Firm

186171 (XD) 750 mL \$39.95 ✓

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# MEET THE MAKERS

These three producers embody the innovative, pioneering spirit that put California Cabernet on the map.

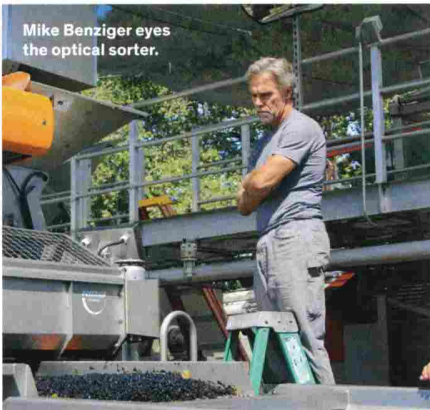


## St. Supéry

Napa Valley

Napa's St. Supéry has quite the history. Its original owners, the Skalli family, began making wine in 1920 in Algeria, expanding to Corsica in 1961, Napa in the 1970s, and the Languedoc in their native France in the 1980s. Renowned wine star Michel Rolland joined the Napa team as a consultant in the 1990s. That's one heck of a story, but wait, it gets better. Their Napa winery, which was awarded Napa Green certification for its land in 2008, was purchased by the House of Chanel in 2015, putting an exclamation point on decades of reflecting the iconic, premium, luxury aspect of Napa winemaking.





Mike Benziger eyes the optical sorter.



## Benziger

Sonoma

In 1973, newlyweds Mike and Mary Benziger moved from New York to Northern California, seeking the perfect site to establish a winery. They purchased the Wegener Ranch on Sonoma Mountain in 1980. Originally called Glen Ellen Winery & Vineyard, it was renamed Benziger Family Winery in 1987. Benziger began employing biodynamic farming techniques in 1995, becoming Demeter-certified biodynamic in 2000 and releasing their first certified wine in 2001. As part of their biodynamic approach, they employ sheep to trim and weed the vines through grazing and Highland cattle to provide organic manure and a sense of calm and peace to the property. There's also an insectary on the grounds that attracts and supports a wide variety of beneficial creepy crawlies that help naturally maintain the health of the vines.

## Unshackled

St. Helena

Unshackled is another rule-bending blending project from the producers of The Prisoner wines. The Prisoner sources fruit from over 100 growers across California's Central and North Coast areas including places such as Monterey, Lodi, Paso Robles, Sonoma and Mendocino. No surprise then that such a unique, dynamic wine should be made by a winemaker who is herself a blend of influences. Director of wine-making Chrissy Wittman began her career with a focus on ecology and systematic biology. Her work analyzing soils awakened a curiosity and love for wine. She returned to her alma mater, California Polytechnic State University, to add a master's degree in agriculture to her Bachelor of Science.



As I look at ... Sonoma and Napa Valley ... the number of new, high-quality wineries that continue to pop up is one of the main reasons I remain so excited about the future of California wine."

Antonio Galloni  
vinous.com, July 6, 2018

# LOCAL TALENT

Let the sun shine at Southbrook.  
CLOCKWISE: Cave Spring wine-  
maker Gabriel Demarco. Vineland  
Estates winemaker Brian Schmidt.



“How do we sustain our art form within the limitations of Mother Nature?” asks Gabriel Demarco, winemaker at **Cave Spring Vineyard**. “Sustainability addresses, from a wine perspective, global issues facing the current and coming generations. It takes time, research, and collaboration to find the best approaches in the vineyard and winery – and such attention to detail isn’t easy, but it’s worth it. In the big picture, it’s important to play a leading role in solving our pressing environmental issues. And at the vineyard level, sustainability impacts wine quality. Sound, ripe fruit means more complex and compelling wines.”

“My brothers and I feel that sustainability is table stakes and that it always has been,” explains **Henry of Pelham** co-owner Daniel Speck. “Ours is only the current generation of a family of farmers that has

been working on this property in one way or another since 1794. We are as much preserving an asset as we are a part of our heritage. We want to continue to make wines that reflect the unique taste profile that only our vineyards in the Short Hills Bench can, so we’re motivated by many things to take care of it. Sustainable practices dovetail perfectly with the hand-craftsmanship involved in premium wines. Technology is important, but nothing is a greater indicator of quality, and by default, sustainability, than evidence of footprints in the vineyard.”

“Sustainability constantly challenges people to evaluate how their farming and manufacturing processes could be improved upon, and their waste reduced,” says Casey Hogan, winemaker at **Southbrook**. “It ensures conservation of important resources, the future of healthy land and continuation of a prosperous

business model. It also impacts the future of wine quality through farming and production practices that don’t threaten the ecosystem, so that we can continue farming and making great wine for many vintages to come.”

“Another way to describe sustainability is that we are taking responsibility for the future health and well-being of our land, our people and our business,” says **Vineland Estates** winemaker Brian Schmidt. “We must be willing to accept personal responsibility for the long-term health of these things. When it comes to wine quality, there are direct links between soil health and vine health, where the presence of mycorrhizal fungi and other living things support and contribute to long-term healthy vineyards. Healthy vines grow healthy grapes, and healthy grapes make better wine.”



# the finer points



## CAVE SPRING CSV RIESLING 2019

Sustainable, Cave Spring Vineyard, VQA Beamsville Bench, Niagara Escarpment

*"Our brand and entire philosophy are built around the remarkable terroir of Cave Spring Vineyard, situated at the base of the Niagara Escarpment on the Beamsville Bench. The CSV moniker is reserved for wines that capture the highest expression of our vineyard's terroir. For me it's remarkable that, no matter the vintage, the texture and complexity of the terroir always shines through in these wines. I like to pair this wine with spaghetti tossed in an almond pesto."* **Gabriel Demarco, winemaker**

**94 points (Jamie Goode)**

Aromatic & Flavourful

566026 (XD) 750 mL \$31.95 ✂

## HENRY OF PELHAM ESTATE CABERNET/MERLOT 2019

Sustainable, VQA Short Hills Bench, Niagara Escarpment

*"The 2019 vintage is a sleeper. This wine typically features more Cabernet Franc in the blend, but in 2019 it's Cabernet Sauvignon that is a greater factor, and it shows. It is juicy and fresh when opened, but when decanted (even sipped over a couple of days), the dark berry flavours grow by the hour! If the wine is newly opened then medium-rare roast beef would be a great pairing. If the wine has been decanted a while, Peking duck with hoisin for a salty-sweet combo would be perfect."* **Daniel Speck, co-owner**

**90 points (David Lawrason)**

Medium-bodied & Fruity

395855 (XD) 750 mL \$27.95 ✂

## SOUTHBROOK TRIOMPHE GAMAY 2021

Vegan, sustainable, VQA Niagara Peninsula

*"This wine is produced using organic farming practices that keep yields naturally low, leading to heightened concentration of flavours. It's fermented using wild yeasts and aged in neutral oak to bring texture to the wine while keeping the bright fruit flavours at the forefront. I love a fresh, fruity Gamay like this one with a Neapolitan pizza; crispy black bubbles on the crust piled with fresh mozzarella (or vegan mozzarella) and a sprinkling of fresh herbs."*

**Casey Hogan, winemaker**

Light-bodied & Fruity

26503 (D) 750 mL \$28.95 ✂

🌿 **Organic product**

## VINELAND ESTATES PINOT GRIGIO 2021

Sustainable, VQA Niagara Escarpment

*"The vines that grew the grapes to make this wine were planted in 1996. These quarter-century-old vines hold the wisdom of the years. There is an adage that says old vines make great wine – and it's true, as the root system that supports these vines travels deep and wide ensuring consistency and complexity year after year. The bright acidity and fleshy texture of this Pinot Grigio can just as easily be appreciated on its own sitting on a sunny patio with friends as it can be paired with effortless chicken or fish dishes. Chop up a spring salad with the freshest ingredients you can find and simply enjoy."*

**Brian Schmidt, winemaker**

**92 points (Vic Harradine)**

Light & Crisp

330944 (D) 750 mL \$17.95 🍷

FOR COMPLETE TASTING NOTES, SEE PAGES 32 TO 33.

# VINTAGES WHAT'S ON

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

## FROM THIS RELEASE

### Green is good

Turning off lights, being mindful of water use and raising a glass of organic or sustainable wine are three easy ways to mark **Earth Day** on **April 22nd**.



**IN THIS RELEASE**, check out Local Talent (page 24) for four wines from Ontario producers or try one of the options at right – just a sampling of the planet-friendly wines you'll find in every new release.

**BISQUERTT FAMILY VINEYARDS  
CRAZY ROWS CARIGNAN 2020**  
Sustainable, DO Valle del Maule, Chile  
30217 (XD) 750 mL **\$16.95**

**GÉRARD BERTRAND ORANGE  
GOLD ORGANIC ORANGE WINE 2021**  
France  
23729 (XD) 750 mL **\$26.95**

**INVIVO X, BY SARAH JESSICA PARKER  
SAUVIGNON BLANC 2021**  
Sustainable, Marlborough,  
South Island, New Zealand  
14278 (XD) 750 mL **\$23.95**





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# EUREKA!

## THE CALIFORNIA WINE DISCOVERY



**SOAK UP THE SUNSHINE DURING THIS EDUCATIONAL**, immersive walk-around tasting event that showcases more than 400 wines from the Golden State, hosted by California Wines. During the two-and-a-half-hour experience, sample wines from many regions and appellations and meet winery representatives to learn more about what makes their wines so special. Explore the wine sensory garden and learn about California Wines' commitment to climate action.

Visit <https://bit.ly/calwinetickets> for details and tickets.


**When:** May 8, 2023

**Time:** 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

**Where:** Beanfield Centre,  
Exhibition Place, Toronto






## product notes

 Look for this icon to find Ontario VQA and BC wines.

### DRINKABILITY INDEX

This index is intended as a guideline and reflects the collective view of our purchasing panel.

-  **DRINK NOW:** Enjoy tonight. There is no benefit to cellaring.
-  **DRINK OR HOLD:** Can be enjoyed now, but may be matured further by cellaring.
-  **HOLD:** This wine may be enjoyed now, but it will develop favourably under ideal cellaring conditions.


### SUGAR CONTENT

Residual sugar content (e.g., **5 g/L**) is displayed on shelf signs and online (visit [LCBO.com](http://LCBO.com) and search the product number). Perceived sweetness – ranging from Extra Dry to Sweet or **XD, D, M, MS, S** – is printed in this catalogue, on shelf signs and online. Please discuss specifics with a Product Consultant.

### WINE STYLES

Every wine in this section includes a style (e.g. Full-bodied & Smooth, Aromatic & Flavourful) designed to help you quickly and easily choose products. Visit [LCBO.com/winestyles](http://LCBO.com/winestyles).

### ORGANIC PRODUCTS

Wines designated as organic  contain 30 mg/L or less of free sulphur for dry wines (<50 g/L sugar); 35 mg/L or less for sweeter wines (50-99 g/L sugar); 45 mg/L or less for sweet wines (>99 g/L sugar).

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## FORTIFIED WINE

### PORT

#### WARRE'S WARRIOR FINEST RESERVE PORTA

DOP, Portugal

[Though not the same bottling reviewed by Robert Parker Jr., this will offer similar character and ageability. Enjoy through 2032+.] The non-vintage Warrior Reserve is a more fruit-driven, less complex style of port. Big, full-bodied, muscular and rich with lots of red and black fruit, licorice, white chocolate and coffee notes, this beauty should keep for another decade. Drink date: 2014-2024. Score: **90** (Robert Parker Jr., robertparker.com, Feb. 26, 2014)

Sweet  
197202 (S) 750 mL \$23.95 



## EUROPEAN FORTIFIED

#### JOSÉ MARIA DA FONSECA MOSCATEL DE SETÚBAL 2018

DO, Portugal

Moscatel de Setúbal is a famously rich, honeyed fortified wine, and this is a classically styled take. It's rich and textured, with orange, dried fruit, spice, tea, honey and balanced sweetness. This will be great alongside sweet desserts, blue-veined cheeses or mixed nuts.

Sweet  
14047 (S) 750 mL \$17.95 



## SHERRY

#### EMILIO LUSTAU ALMACENISTA FINO DEL PUERTO SHERRY

DO, Spain

100% Palomino. Exactly what a Fino should be; delicate chamomile, almond and fresh lemon aromatics with a lovely rounded, plump texture and a herbaceous, apple peel minerality. Crisp and tangy with a gorgeous toasted long savoury finish. Score: **97** (Decanter World Wine Awards, 2019)

Dry  
515817 (XD) 500 mL \$26.95 

**Online & Flagship Exclusive**





**LUSTAU PAPIRUSA SOLERA FAMILIAR VERY DRY MANZANILLA SHERRY**

DO, Spain  
100% Palomino. Salted cracker, liquorice and seaweed nose. Vivid, bracing and vibrant wine, with concentration, poise and great length. Great typicity. Score: **97** (Decanter World Wine Awards, 2021)

Dry  
274456 (XD) 375 mL **\$16.95** 🍷

**Online & Flagship Exclusive**

**SPARKLING WINE**



**GLASS TIGER SPARKLING RIESLING 2019** 🍷

Inaugural vintage, Charmat method, VQA Ontario (Stoney Ridge)

After a number of greatest hits with their Tragically Hip wines, Stoney Ridge has formed a partnership with another classic Canadian music act: Glass Tiger. This vintage-dated sparkling Riesling is vibrant, lifted, zesty and crisp, with snappy apple, lime and grapefruit tones. The tasty finish won't let you forget it (when it's gone). Try this with seafood or spicy canapés.

Light & Fruity  
24750 (D) 750 mL **\$22.95** 🍷

**CHRONOS BRUT SPARKLING** 🍷



Charmat method, BC VQA Okanagan Valley (TIME Family of Wines)

This is a blend of 80% Chardonnay and 20% Pinot Noir. The varietals were fermented separately with some lees stirring on the Chardonnay. It was blended for complexity and finished in the cuvée close method. It shows a fine bead in the glass with more upfront fruity notes of citrus, apple, pear and subtle toasty notes. It has a lively mousse and notes of fresh citrus, peach and apple with a vibrant finish. Score: **90** (Rick VanSickle, winesinnigara.com, Dec. 10, 2021)

Medium-bodied & Flavourful  
31539 (XD) 750 mL **\$44.95** 🍷

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**CANADA – WHITE WINE**

**ONTARIO**

**BACHELDER L'ARDOISE NIAGARA CHARDONNAY 2020** 🍷

VQA Niagara Peninsula

... aromas of apple, pear, lime and wet slate. On the palate it verges on creaminess with notes of grapefruit, arugula and pineapple. A bit of spice on the finish. Good to sip on its own but its tad of gruffness on the palate suggests it is a good match with food such as grilled chicken or filet of sole Florentine. Give it another year in the bottle and the gruffness might vanish. It will sail into 2025 but take down the sails after that ... Score: **91** (Robert K. Stephen, CSW, a-little-birdie-told-me.ca, July 16, 2022)

Full-bodied & Rich  
302083 (XD) 750 mL **\$24.95** 🍷



**CHAMPAGNE**

**PHILIPPE GONET BLANC DE BLANCS GRAND CRU CHAMPAGNE 2011**



AC, France  
Here, lively and intense aromas of honeysuckle, citrus and spring flowers are joined by a touch of white pepper. The palate, with a dosage of 5g/L, is perfectly balanced and sappy, and it shows clarity through to the mineral finish. Drink: 2020-2025. Score: **92** (Decanter, June 2020)

Rich & Complex  
30201 (XD) 750 mL **\$133.95** 🍷

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**G.H. MARTEL VICTOIRE GOLD EDITION FÛT DE CHÊNE BRUT CHAMPAGNE 2012**



AC, France  
59% Chardonnay, 41% Pinot Noir. Vanillin and coconut bouquet. Seems armoured against age, so youthful too but there is such vinosity and rocky, saline crunch. Oak is evidenced and powerful but will soften with time and allow the wine a fuller, more harmonious expression. Class act. Score: **97** (Decanter World Wine Awards, 2021)

Rich & Complex  
25967 (XD) 750 mL **\$99.95** 🍷

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CANADA – WHITE WINE CONT'D

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**CAVE SPRING CSV RIESLING 2019** 🍁  
Sustainable, Cave Spring Vineyard, VQA Beamsville Bench, Niagara Escarpment 12.5% alcohol. 4 g/l rs. Have been breaking in some large casks and in 2021 this wine was fermented in those. About 10% barrel ferment in 2019. Powerful, intense and limey with taut citrus fruit and a touch of pithiness. It has a steely, mineral edge. Lovely supple, textured Riesling of great purity, with layers. Tasted twice with consistent notes and the same score. Score: **94** (Jamie Goode, wineanorak.com, Aug. 30, 2022)

**Aromatic & Flavourful**  
566026 (XD) 750 mL **\$31.95** 🍷

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**FEATHERSTONE SAUVIGNON BLANC 2022** 🍁  
VQA Niagara Peninsula  
Featherstone winemaker and co-owner David Johnson worked a vintage in New Zealand in 2007, which is where he learned how to make great Sauvignon Blanc. This popular, lively wine is made from both stainless-steel-fermented and barrel-fermented fruit. The result is an energetic, driven wine with high-toned floral notes, aromas and flavours of apple, pear and citrus, and mouth-watering acidity. Pair with pork or seafood.

**Aromatic & Flavourful**  
89011 (XD) 750 mL **\$17.95** 🍷

**PEARL MORISSETTE FLAMMEROLE CHARDONNAY 2021** 🍁



Unfined and unfiltered, VQA Lincoln Lakeshore, Niagara Peninsula  
This 100% Chardonnay is from the estate's Redfoot Vineyard in Lincoln Lakeshore. The fruit for this wine was whole-cluster pressed before fermentation took place in a combo of foudres and barrels, after which the wine continued to age on the lees for a total of 18 months. Simultaneously lush and taut with a saline mineral note, the wine will show its best through 2028.

**Full-bodied & Rich**  
32518 (XD) 750 mL **\$34.20** 🍷

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**VINELAND ESTATES PINOT GRIGIO 2021** 🍁

Sustainable, VQA Niagara Escarpment  
Here's a wine under \$20.00 that was fashioned from pinot grigio fruit sourced from the tony VQA sub-appellation of Niagara Escarpment. It opens with aromas of musk melon, freshly mown hay and citrus notes. It blankets the palate with a gusher of palate flavours – ripe white peach, poached pear and a crisp Fuji apple. Sip on its own or pour with breaded and grilled calamari rings or with steamed green-lip mussels. Drink now. Exceptional Value! Score: **92** (Vic Harradine, winecurrent.com, May 17, 2022)

**Light & Crisp**  
330944 (D) 750 mL **\$17.95** 🍷

**Featured in Local Talent**



BRITISH COLUMBIA

**CHRONOS McWATTERS COLLECTION CHARDONNAY 2020** 🍁



BC VQA Okanagan Valley (TIME Family of Wines)  
The fruit for this wine is from two Osoyoos vineyards. The wine was fermented in French oak (20% new), with lees stirring and full malolactic. The oak is so well integrated that rich fruit remains the star. The wine begins with aromas of apple and brioche. On the palate, there are flavours of baked apple mingled with butter and ripe peach. The finish is exceptional. Score: **93** (Johnschreiner, blogspot.com, Dec. 8, 2021)

**Full-bodied & Rich**  
30533 (XD) 750 mL **\$43.95** 🍷

**Online & Flagship Exclusive**



**SPERLING VINEYARDS OLD VINES RIESLING 2019** 🍁

BC VQA Okanagan Valley (Ann Sperling)  
This off-dry Riesling from Ann Sperling's BC outpost is open and fragrant, with lovely green apple, citrus, orchard blossoms, and a distinctive chalky minerality. It nicely manages the fine balance between finesse and power. Sip with spicy pork or pad Thai.

**Aromatic & Flavourful**  
361204 (M) 750 mL **\$34.95** 🍷

**Organic product**



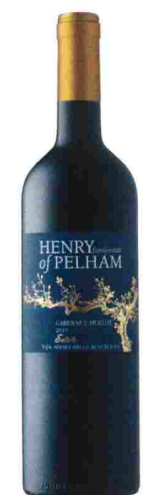
**CANADA – RED WINE**

**ONTARIO**



**ADAMO ESTATE PARKE VINEYARD GROWER'S SERIES PINOT NOIR 2017** 🍁  
 VQA Twenty Mile Bench, Niagara Escarpment  
 ... The nose is nicely lifted and complex with wood smoke curling around classic sour cherry, cinnamon and vanillin. It's light to mid-weight, very smooth with very refined tannin. There is a tart and sour streak with lurking volatility but it squeaks under my normally low bar, and flavour intensity and length are excellent. Well priced for premium Niagara pinot. Drink now to 2025. Score: **91** (David Lawrason, winealign.com)

Medium-bodied & Fruity  
 14269 (XD) 750 mL **\$31.95** 🍷



**HENRY OF PELHAM ESTATE CABERNET/MERLOT 2019** 🍁  
 Sustainable, VQA Short Hills Bench, Niagara Escarpment  
 This is a nicely polished, fairly rich and well balanced cab-merlot. Oak is sitting a bit heavy on the nose emitting resin and vanillin, but the raspberry/currant fruit is plentiful as well, along with some typical Niagara greenness. It is medium-full bodied, well balanced with 13% alcohol, firm acid and moderate tannin. As a result it is drinking quite well now, but like many Ontario Bordeaux blends it should also age well. The length is excellent. Score: **90** (David Lawrason, winealign.com, Dec. 15, 2021)

Medium-bodied & Fruity  
 395855 (XD) 750 mL **\$27.95** 🍷  
**Featured in Local Talent**



**HIDDEN BENCH ESTATE GAMAY 2020** 🍁  
 Unfiltered, VQA Lincoln Lakeshore, Niagara Peninsula  
 From the more traditional side of winemaking, this similarly sourced Gamay is aged in French oak (14% new) for nine months. The nose is quite plummy with dark cherries, violets, forest berries and integrated spice notes. It's juicy and dense on the palate with some structure and tannins that showcase the dark cherries, black raspberries, earthy/savoury notes, and spice on a fresh, finessed finish. Score: **92** (Rick VanSickle, winesinniagara.com, Nov. 14, 2022)

Light-bodied & Fruity  
 20422 (XD) 750 mL **\$29.95** 🍷  
**Online & Flagship Exclusive**  
 🌿 **Organic product**



**MARYNISSEN CABERNET FRANC 2020** 🍁  
 VQA Niagara Peninsula  
 A little more uptight in style, this peppery cabernet franc features a solid core of acidity and tannin. Rather Loire-like in character but with more fleshiness and upfront flavour. Plum and cran-cherry dominate the fruity aromatic profile. Nicely concentrated too with a touch of dried leaf on the finish of very good length. Excellent value. Tasted June 2022. Score: **91** (Sara d'Amato, winealign.com)

Medium-bodied & Fruity  
 23973 (XD) 750 mL **\$18.95** 🍷



**PEARL MORISSETTE CHAMBOULÉ PINOT NOIR 2021** 🍁 **NEW**  
 VQA Creek Shores, Niagara Peninsula  
 The 2021 Chamboulé carries forward the aromatic stamp and delicate, lacy structures of the growing season, much like all of Pearl Morissette's cuvées from that year. Look for dark cherry fruit and an expansive rack of spices with licorice at the fore. Cellar for 3-5 years or decant for an hour and savour tonight.

Medium-bodied & Fruity  
 32519 (XD) 750 mL **\$34.20** 🍷  
**Online & Flagship Exclusive**



**SOUTHBROOK TRIOMPHE GAMAY 2021** 🍁  
 Vegan, sustainable, VQA Niagara Peninsula  
 This vegan-friendly wine underwent a wild ferment on its skins for 14 days before ageing for nine months in neutral French oak. The result is a lithe, supple wine bursting with surprisingly intense character given the delicacy of the framing. Strawberry rhubarb pie, cherry, cranberry, raspberry and redcurrant launch from the glass like a rocket ship wrapped in a ribbon.

Light-bodied & Fruity  
 26503 (D) 750 mL **\$28.95** 🍷  
**Featured in Local Talent**  
 🌿 **Organic product**

**CANADA – RED WINE** CONT'D

**BRITISH COLUMBIA**

**BURROWING OWL MERLOT 2020** 🍁

BC VQA Okanagan Valley

In a blind tasting, one should be able to pick out a Burrowing Owl Merlot by its typically lush style. It is a style that has been consistent throughout the winery's history ... aged 14 months in barrels (French, Hungarian, American and Caucasus), of which 21% were new. This wine begins with aromas of dark cherry, blueberries and plum. On the palate, there are flavours of black cherry mingled with ripe blueberry. Score: **92** (johnschreiner.blogspot.com, Sept. 27, 2022)

Full-bodied & Smooth  
585737 (XD) 750 mL **\$42.95** 🍷



**TIME FOURTH DIMENSION 2018** 🍁

BC VQA Okanagan Valley

The home base for TIME Family of Wines is at TIME Winery & Kitchen in Penticton, BC. This wine is a blend of Merlot, Syrah, Cabernet Franc and Cabernet Sauvignon. Expect an elegant yet accessible wine that will offer cherry, raspberry, red fruit, black pepper and delicate spice notes and show well through 2030.

Medium-bodied & Fruity  
22801 (XD) 750 mL **\$39.95** 🍷

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**CANADA – ROSÉ WINE**

**ONTARIO**

**TAWSE SKETCHES OF NIAGARA ROSÉ 2021** 🍁

VQA Niagara Peninsula

Though not organic, this wine was made using sustainable practices. The vines were hand-tended, including shoot thinning, cluster thinning and leaf removal. A blend of Pinot Noir, Cabernet Franc and Gamay, this will be ripe, fresh and round with a long, textured finish and suggestions of prune, smoke, spices, herbs and pink grapefruit. Enjoy with grilled salmon.

Easygoing & Fruity  
172643 (D) 750 mL **\$18.95** 🍷



**USA – WHITE WINE**

**CALIFORNIA**

**DECOY CHARDONNAY 2021**

California

(Duckhorn Portfolio)

This popular Chardonnay has gained a considerable following among Vintages customers, who are drawn to the quality and refinement it offers year in and year out. The 2021 vintage spent eight months on the lees, with 70% of the wine in stainless steel and 30% in French oak. Expect beautiful layers of citrus, baking spices and vanilla and pair with roast chicken or lobster tail.

Full-bodied & Rich  
311555 (XD) 750 mL **\$35.95** 🍷



**USA – RED WINE**

**CALIFORNIA**

**ANGELS & COWBOYS PROPRIETARY RED 2018**

Sonoma County

... nose of brandied cherries and mocha. The palate opens with a tangle of bright briar fruit, lavish hibiscus, luscious honey-berry black fig, and velvety plum. Spicy cola and cardamom add intricate notes and lead to a refined mineral/graphite streak (courtesy of the volcanic soils of the Alexander Valley) that gives the wine dimension and depth. The finish is firm and charged with fine tannins and a sweet velvety earth note that creates a beautifully balanced tension with the abundant fruit. Score: **95** (Panel, Sommeliers Choice Awards, 2020)

Full-bodied & Smooth  
20773 (XD) 1500 mL **\$73.95** 🍷

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**AVALON APPELLATION SERIES CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2020**

Napa Valley

A lavishly flavoured, genuine Napa expression. There's plenty of structure and more than a nod towards refinement, with upfront ripe black fruit, well-incorporated herbs, chocolate, spice and minerality. Decant for an hour tonight or cellar through 2030 and perhaps a touch beyond. Ideal for hearty stews or grilled steaks.

Full-bodied & Firm  
16457 (XD) 750 mL **\$39.95** 🍷

**Featured in California**







**BENZIGER CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2019**

Sustainable, Sonoma County  
Benziger was certified biodynamic in 2001, and this Cabernet first appeared on Vintages shelves in 2004. The wine shows considerable balance of polish and intensity, with ripe dark fruit, oak spice, mocha, tobacco and forest floor. Try it with a vegan southwestern black-bean casserole. A wine with another 5 years ahead of it.

Full-bodied & Smooth  
597237 (XD) 750 mL \$27.95

**Featured in Cabifornia**  
Organic & biodynamic product



**BOGLE VINEYARDS CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2020**

Sustainable, California  
The family-owned and -operated Bogle opened its doors in 1978, but the father-and-son team of Warren and Chris Bogle had begun growing grapes a decade before. In 2020, the grapes hung late into the season, reaching full ripeness without losing any of their balance. Plush dark fruit is beautifully partnered with baking spice, caramel and grippy tannins in this wine. Enjoy through 2026+.

Full-bodied & Smooth  
904565 (D) 750 mL \$22.95

**Featured as our Wine of the Month and in Cabifornia**

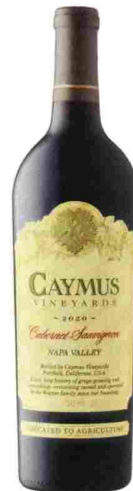


**BERINGER KNIGHTS VALLEY CABERNET SAUVIGNON**

Sonoma County  
In 1868, Jacob Beringer left Germany and settled in California, where he built the now-historic Beringer Vineyards winery. This vibrant Cab shows chocolate, prune, licorice, cinnamon and tobacco. Cellar 3-5 years or decant and pair with roast beef, grilled quail or Beemster cheese.

Full-bodied & Firm  
352583 (XD) 750 mL \$51.95

**Featured in Cabifornia**  
A Vintages Essential



**CAYMUS CABERNET SAUVIGNON**

Napa Valley  
(Wagner Family of Wine)  
From one of Napa's pioneering wine families and possessing all the signature lush flavours and aromas of premium Cali Cab (crème de cassis, cocoa, anise and cardamom), this is definitely a trophy wine.

Full-bodied & Firm  
222877 (D) 750 mL \$109.95

**Featured in Cabifornia**  
A Vintages Essential



**BLUE CANYON MONTEREY CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2020**

Estate grown, Monterey County  
This intriguing, easy-to-enjoy Cab has good structure and presence while also showcasing freshness and aromatic lift born of the cool coastal breezes and fogs that grace the vineyard. It shows ripe, generous dark fruit, well-framed oak spice, coffee, chocolate and vanilla tones.

Full-bodied & Smooth  
17815 (D) 750 mL \$21.95

**Featured in Cabifornia**



**DECOY CABERNET SAUVIGNON**

California  
(Duckhorn Portfolio)  
From the famed Duckhorn, the Decoy Cabernet Sauvignon is crafted in a seductive, approachable style, with complex dark fruit, chocolate, minerality, cedar and toast. Perfect for pot roast.

Full-bodied & Firm  
186171 (XD) 750 mL \$39.95

**Featured in Cabifornia**  
A Vintages Essential

USA – RED WINE CONT'D

CALIFORNIA



**FLANAGAN THE BEAUTY OF THREE PROPRIETARY RED 2017**

Sustainable, Sonoma County  
This is an extremely pretty red with seamless tannins that form the palate, which is dense, yet not heavy with blackberry, blackcurrant and wet-earth character. It's full bodied, precise and layered, yet in a subtle way for a young, pure cabernet sauvignon. Try after 2022. Score: **94** (jamesuckling.com, Sept. 8, 2020)

Full-bodied & Smooth  
20690 (XD) 750 mL **\$73.95** ✎

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**FREI BROTHERS RESERVE PINOT NOIR 2020**

Russian River Valley, Sonoma County  
The famously cool and foggy Russian River Valley enjoys a long, slow ripening period, thanks to the moderating influence of the Pacific Ocean, which in some places is less than 16 km from the vineyards. The Pinots produced here are loved for their richness and forward dark berry fruit. The Frei Brothers Reserve is characterized by a noted complexity and elegance and for offering an even greater depth and structure than many of its peers.

Medium-bodied & Fruity  
91025 (D) 750 mL **\$32.95** ✎



**FREI BROTHERS SONOMA RESERVE CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2020**

Alexander Valley, Sonoma County  
The majority of the fruit for this wine comes from the Barrelli Creek Vineyard in northern Alexander Valley. This 2020 is 87% Cabernet with small splashes of Petite Sirah, Malbec, Petit Verdot and Merlot. A ripe, forward, fun, flavourful wine, with characterful black fruit, spice and cocoa alongside delicately applied oak. The powerful fruit is balanced by the freshness imparted by cool coastal night-time breezes.

Full-bodied & Smooth  
38075 (XD) 750 mL **\$29.95** ✎

**Featured in California**



**ST. SUPÉRY ESTATE BOTTLED CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2019**

Napa Valley  
Aromas of blackcurrants, blackberries, roasted walnuts, vanilla and licorice with some earthy character. Fresh and juicy on the palate with a full body and polished tannins. Long finish with an array of ripe-berry flavors. Drink or hold [into early 2030s]. Score: **92** (jamesuckling.com, March 3, 2022)

Full-bodied & Firm  
423822 (XD) 750 mL **\$72.95** ✎

**Featured in California**



**TAROT NAPA VALLEY CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2018**

Napa Valley  
(Secret Indulgences)  
[Each individual label in every case of 12 bottles features a different character from the Tarot deck.]  
Rich, luscious aromas of mocha, bramble berry, ripe Bing cherry and mineral notes waft easily from the glass. It envelops the palate with [a] surge of pure ambrosia made up of dried cherry/berry fruit, black plum compote, mulberry and crème de cassis. This glides over the palate with good texture, good mouthfeel and plenty of charm and appeal ... Pour with a premium cut of beef or lamb, grilled medium-rare. Drink or cellar [through 2030+]. Score: **93** (Vic Harradine, winecurrent.com, Dec. 7, 2021)

Full-bodied & Firm  
16563 (XD) 750 mL **\$49.95** ✎

**Featured in California**



**UNSHACKLED CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2021**

California  
(The Prisoner Wine Company)  
This is the fourth vintage of Unshackled. The 2021 features 82% Cabernet Sauvignon, with small amounts of Petite Sirah, Petit Verdot, Malbec, Cabernet Franc, Merlot and Tannat making up the balance. It shows gorgeous depth of flavour, with plum, cassis, blackberry, dried herbs, clove, mocha and vanilla. A robust, pleasure-focused wine with wide appeal that's perfect for grilled meats. Enjoy by 2026.

Full-bodied & Firm  
17812 (XD) 750 mL **\$32.95** ✎

**Featured in California**





**OREGON**

**CLOUDLINE PINOT NOIR 2021**

Willamette Valley  
(Drouhin Family)

The Drouhin family is one of the most renowned names in Burgundy, where they have produced superb quality Pinot Noir for generations. Cloudline is their Oregon outpost, where consulting wine-maker Véronique Drouhin-Boss creates this fruity, smoky, earthy, elegant Willamette Valley expression. Aromatic, ripe and spicy, the 2021 is Cloudline's 20th vintage. Pair with roast duck.

Medium-bodied & Fruity  
159970 (XD) 750 mL \$28.95



**ARGENTINA – WHITE WINE**

**DOMAINE BOUSQUET ORGANIC CHARDONNAY 2021**



Vegan, Tupungato,  
Valle de Uco, Mendoza

Rich lees, lemon rind and sour cream on the nose. Crisp and bright with a mineral tone. A little light, but so pure and elegant. Immense drinkability here. Quite well-done. From organically grown grapes. Vegan. Drink now. Score: **90** (james suckling.com, May 3, 2022)

Light & Crisp  
31668 (XD) 750 mL \$17.95

**Organic product**



**WASHINGTON**

**BOOKWALTER READERS CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2019**

Columbia Valley

Talk about bang for the buck – this red has structure and zesty polish, plus expressive black cherry, toasty mocha and smoked spice flavors. Drink now through 2028. Score: **92** (Tim Fish, winespectator.com, April 30, 2022)

Full-bodied & Smooth  
13238 (XD) 750 mL \$32.95



**ARGENTINA – RED WINE**

**MI TERRUNO RESERVE MALBEC 2018**



Argentina

Aromas of dried blueberries, currants, cedar and dried herbs. It's medium-bodied with fine, sleek tannins and fresh acidity framing seamless layers of blue fruit and savory herbs. Drink or hold. Score: **92** (jamesuckling.com, April 8, 2021)

Medium-bodied & Fruity  
28077 (XD) 750 mL \$19.95



**CHATEAU STE. MICHELLE CANOE RIDGE MERLOT 2018**

Horse Heaven Hills, Columbia Valley

This 100% Merlot is from Canoe Ridge Estate Vineyard in the Horse Heaven Hills. It spent 18 months in a combo of French and American oak and features lovely cherry, raspberry and chocolate aromas and flavours leading to a toasty finish. Enjoy with roast lamb.

Full-bodied & Smooth  
70581 (D) 750 mL \$42.95

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**TRAPICHE MEDALLA CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2019**

Mendoza

This has aromas of ripe blackcurrants, blueberries, dark cherries, chocolate, toasted spices and bay leaves. It's full-bodied with velvety tannins. Round and fleshy with a creamy and ripe core of dark fruit. Delicious mint-chocolate notes to close. Drink or hold. Score: **93** (jamesuckling.com, May 3, 2022)

Full-bodied & Firm  
568865 (XD) 750 mL \$21.95

ARGENTINA – RED WINE CONT'D



**ZORZAL EGGO TINTO DE TIZA MALBEC 2018**

Gualtallary, Tupungato, Valle de Uco, Mendoza

This Eggo comes from Parcel 57 in the Tupungato Winelands in Gualtallary. It was planted in 2009 on soils with calcium carbonate that covers the stones in some parts and is compacted in others ... The tannins grip the palate tightly, latching on with that chalky sensation typical of these soils rich in calcium carbonate. The rest is about red fruits, herbal and floral tones, and acidity as sharp as the tannins. One of the best versions of this Eggo yet, a wine that has been showing fruit purity since 2012 in wines that are aged only in cement eggs. Score: **97** (Patricio Tapia, [guiadescorchados.cl](http://guiadescorchados.cl), 2021)

Full-bodied & Smooth  
482000 (XD) 750 mL **\$31.95** ✂



**ZUCCARDI Q CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2019**

Sustainable, Valle de Uco, Mendoza

Plenty of blackcurrant and iodine aromas with some cassis-bush undertones. Full-bodied with juicy fruit and a pure, fruity finish. Very clear and manicured on the palate. Firm yet integrated tannins. Hints of wet earth to the currant character. Better after 2023. Score: **94** ([jamessuckling.com](http://jamessuckling.com), Jan. 20, 2022)

Full-bodied & Smooth  
28078 (XD) 750 mL **\$19.95** ✂



CHILE – WHITE WINE



**SANTA CAROLINA GRAN RESERVA CHARDONNAY 2019**

Sustainable, carbon neutral, DO Valle de Itata

The 2019 Chardonnay Gran Reserva Carolina from Itata was aged in 15% new barrels and foudres for a year. Greenish yellow in the glass. The subdued aromas include tropical hints of pine, a little oak and a hint of hazelnut before the wood takes over entirely. Sugary with a fresh expression, it's creamy in the mouth, with good volume. Drinking window: 2022-2025. Score: **90** (Joaquín Hidalgo, [vinous.com](http://vinous.com), June 2022)

Full-bodied & Rich  
928580 (XD) 750 mL **\$18.95** ✂

**SECRETO DE VIU MANENT GRAN RESERVA SAUVIGNON BLANC 2022**

Vegan, Valle de Casablanca

A crisp and refreshing sauvignon, this has acidity as its backbone that emanates herbal aromas and flavors of ripe white fruits in a full-bodied wine designed as an aperitif, but also to accompany Peruvian-style causas and ceviches. This comes from two vineyards located toward the western side (closest to the sea) of the Casablanca Valley. Score: **92** (Patricio Tapia, [guiadescorchados.cl](http://guiadescorchados.cl), 2023)

Aromatic & Flavourful  
540823 (XD) 750 mL **\$15.95** ✂



CHILE – RED WINE

**BISQUERTT FAMILY VINEYARDS CRAZY ROWS CARIGNAN 2020**



Sustainable, DO Valle del Maule 100% Carignan ... This dark wine has an amply fruity aroma which succeeds in suggesting wild herbs and scrub too. On the palate, it is deeper and more concentrated than you might expect from a Value Best in Show. The rugged austerity of the variety, though, is mitigated by Chile's inherent charm, softness and affability, and the result is a value wine which seduces and stimulates in equal measure. Best in Show. Score: **97** (Decanter World Wine Awards, 2022)

Medium-bodied & Fruity  
30217 (XD) 750 mL **\$16.95** ✂



**GARAGE WINE CO. LAS HIGUERAS VINEYARD LOT 112 OLD BUSH-HEAD VINES CABERNET FRANC 2019**

Dry-farmed old vines, DO Valle del Maule ... The 2019 seems to reflect a warmer and drier year, possibly with a shorter cycle. Initially, the wine doesn't seem as balanced and refined as the 2018, especially in the texture of the tannins, but with time it blossomed and didn't stop changing in the glass; after a couple of hours, it was simply spectacular. It has similar parameters as the 2018, but ultimately there is an extra spark of acidity here. Drink date: 2021-2028. Score: **95** (Luis Gutiérrez, [robertparker.com](http://robertparker.com), Aug. 31, 2021)

Full-bodied & Smooth  
23292 (XD) 750 mL **\$46.95** ✂  
**Online & Flagship Exclusive**







**LEYDA LOT 21 PINOT NOIR 2019**  
Coastal, DO Valle de Leyda  
This superb world-class Syrah is made with clone 777 sourced from three sub-parcels on different soil types. Rose petal and Turkish delight scents segue into a palate that's vibrant, subtle and refreshing with 35% whole bunches adding texture and spice. Long and well defined, it has layers of succulent raspberry and wild strawberry and subtle oak. Drink date: 2023-2029. Score: **96** (timatkin.com, *Chile Special Report 2021*)

Medium-bodied & Fruity  
10576 (XD) 750 mL **\$29.95** ✎  
**Online & Flagship Exclusive**



**ROBERT OATLEY SIGNATURE SERIES SHIRAZ 2019**  
McLaren Vale, South Australia  
... This offers immediate notes of mulberries, chocolate and plums. There is the merest hint of very gentle oak. This has ripe black fruits on the palate, cigar box notes and black cherries. There is a slight touch of sour cherry on the finish which lingers. This will sail through five or six years, but is delicious right now. A cracking and cracking value McLaren Vale shiraz. Drink: 2021-2026. Score: **93** (Ken Gargett, winepilot.com, July 2021)

Full-bodied & Smooth  
327387 (XD) 750 mL **\$20.95** ✎

**AUSTRALIA – RED WINE**



**3 RINGS SHIRAZ 2020**  
Estate grown, Barossa Valley, South Australia  
Alluring aromas of exotic incense, ripe bramble berry fruit – black raspberry and black currant – are replayed on the palate while juxtaposed with lip-smacking tang and plenty of pizzazz to and through the mouth-watering aftertaste soon joined by grilled savoury herbs and piquant spices. This showcases persistent purity of fruit underpinned by ripe, fine-grained tannin that meld and balance perfectly with ripe fruit and a laser-like line of tang and pizzazz ... Give it a go with rack of lamb or osso buco ... Drink or cellar. Exceptional Value! Score: **93** (Vic Harradine, winecurrent.com, Oct. 29, 2022)

Full-bodied & Smooth  
15495 (XD) 750 mL **\$17.95** ✎



**ZONTE'S FOOTSTEP CHOCOLATE FACTORY SHIRAZ 2020**  
Vegan, McLaren Vale, South Australia  
It's impressively ripe and lifted on the nose showing dark fruit intensity, smoked game, roasted nut and violet aromas. The palate displays awesome weight and richness, combined with silky texture and fine-grained tannins, making it wonderfully flavour-some and fabulously drinkable. At its best: now to 2034. Score: **93** (Sam Kim, wineorbit.co.nz, May 2022)

Full-bodied & Smooth  
396481 (XD) 750 mL **\$22.95** ✎



**DOMAINE NATURALISTE DISCOVERY CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2019**  
Margaret River, Western Australia (Bruce Dukes)  
... punches well above its weight. With splashes of Merlot and Cabernet Franc thrown in, the wine delivers exceptional complexity and sheer drinkability for the price. Bright deep ruby, the aromas are enticing and immediately draw you in. Black-currant, graphite and subtle oak with crushed leaves to provide some freshness and lift. The palate then has genuine impact thanks to juicy acidity, ripe dark fruits and dried herb flavours with just enough sinewy tannins and French oak to bring it all together into an elegant package, topped off by an extended finish. Drink: 2021-2026. Score: **92** (Angus Hughson, winepilot.com, Nov. 2021)

Full-bodied & Smooth  
489906 (XD) 750 mL **\$24.95** ✎



**NEW ZEALAND – WHITE WINE**

**BUTTERWORTH DRY RIESLING 2021**  
Sustainable, Julicher Te Muna, Martinborough, North Island  
Pristine and immediately appealing, the bouquet shows Granny Smith apple, nectarine, lemon zest and white floral aromas, leading to a concentrated palate offering stunning fruit purity and persistency. Brilliantly structured by vibrant acidity, finishing immensely long and elegant. At its best: now to 2031. Score: **95** (Sam Kim, wineorbit.co.nz, Oct. 2021)

Aromatic & Flavourful  
30157 (D) 750 mL **\$39.95** ✎  
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**NEW ZEALAND – WHITE WINE** CONT'D

**INVIVO X, BY SARAH JESSICA PARKER SAUVIGNON BLANC 2021**

Sustainable, Marlborough, South Island  
Brilliantly fruited and intensely aromatic, showing passionfruit, kiwifruit, kaffir lime and white floral aromas on the nose, leading to an immensely appealing palate that's filled with vibrant fruit flavours combined with juicy acidity, finishing long and delicious. At its best: now to 2024. Score: **95** (Sam Kim, wineorbit.co.nz, Sept. 2021)

**Aromatic & Flavourful**  
14278 (XD) 750 mL **\$23.95** ✎



**STAETE LANDT DUCHESS SAUVIGNON BLANC 2021**

Sustainable, Marlborough, South Island  
Made with wild yeast and certified sustainable, this wonderfully rich, complex Savvy exhibits layers of crunchy green bell pepper, passion fruit, mango, banana and nutty notes. It's poised and elegant on the palate, with an attractive mineral underpinning. Savour with seafood, pork, or mildly spiced lemongrass chicken.

**Aromatic & Flavourful**  
19762 (XD) 750 mL **\$29.95** ✎

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**ANTHONY JOSEPH VIDAL RESERVE CHARDONNAY 2020**

Sustainable, Hawke's Bay, North Island  
Varietal, ripe, fruity and classic with a bouquet of sweet oak and vanilla spice, roasted stone fruits and grapefruit. As the wine begins to open up in [the] glass so too does the scale of complexity and detail. Dry, smooth, fleshy, fruity and varietal on the palate with flavours of fresh red apple and white peach, some quince and lemon, vanilla and toasty oak flavours. Fine wood tannins and medium+ acidity add texture, weight and foundation. Balanced and well made, ready to drink upon purchase and through 2024+. Score: **92** (camdouglasms.com, April 2, 2021)

**Full-bodied & Rich**  
570911 (XD) 750 mL **\$24.95** ✎

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**WITHER HILLS SAUVIGNON BLANC 2022**

Sustainable, Marlborough, South Island  
Always a delight, this classically styled Marlborough Savvy is a reliably mouth-watering, expressive wine. It shows plentiful tangy apple, lime and tropical fruit tones along with that marvellous Marlborough herbaceous character. Fresh, vibrant and oh so drinkable. Enjoy it with seafood or just sip and savour from now till 2025.

**Aromatic & Flavourful**  
919514 (XD) 750 mL **\$20.95** ✎



**NEW ZEALAND – RED WINE**

**BEL ECHO PINOT NOIR 2018**

Marlborough, South Island (Clos Henri)  
Notably complex both from wood ageing and from high quality, former riverbed-grown fruit (on the coveted Greywacke stone soils). Elegant, pure and well defined with notes of clay, cherry, toast, fresh ash and purple plum. Nicely integrated wood spice lends balance and poise to this memorable pinot noir by Sancerre producer Clos Henri. Tasted January 2022. Score: **92** (Sara d'Amato, winealign.com)

**Medium-bodied & Fruity**  
159137 (XD) 750 mL **\$29.95** ✎



**PADDY BORTHWICK PINOT NOIR 2019**

Wairarapa, North Island  
This is wonderfully ripe and seductive complex, showing Black Doris plum, raspberry, vanilla, cedar and dark mushroom notes on the nose, followed by a concentrated palate that's fleshy and velvety. It's mouthfilling and richly expressed with terrific fruit power combined with refined mouthfeel, leading to an impressively long satisfying finish. At its best: now to 2026. Score: **94** (Sam Kim, wineorbit.co.nz, Aug. 2020)

**Medium-bodied & Fruity**  
586065 (XD) 750 mL **\$36.95** ✎

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**SOUTH AFRICA – WHITE WINE**



**ALVI'S DRIFT PRIVATE CELLAR SIGNATURE RANGE VIOGNIER 2021**  
 WO Western Cape  
 Winner of South Africa's 2022 Viognier Challenge, this wine is made from 100% Viognier grown in a minimal-intervention vineyard. Expect vibrant peach tinged with floral notes and pair with grilled seafood or pork-belly tacos.

Full-bodied & Rich  
 18687 (XD) 750 mL \$13.95 🍷

**ALSACE**



**JOSEPH CATTIN GEWURZTRAMINER 2021**  
 Sustainable, AC Alsace  
 Finely balanced and focused, with honeydew melon, lychee, rose petal and a delicate touch of spice supported by lively acidity and a mineral underbelly. Enjoy this wine now through 2026+.

[The Palmarès du Concours Général Agricole did not include a tasting note.] Score: **Gold** (Palmarès du Concours Général Agricole, 2022)

Aromatic & Flavourful  
 224626 (M) 750 mL \$18.95 🍷



**SOUTHERN RIGHT SAUVIGNON BLANC 2022**  
 Sustainable, WO Cape Coast  
 The 2022 Sauvignon Blanc comes from 27 sites and sees 10% matured in 7th fill neutral oak barrels after four months on the lees. Attractive on the nose with Golden Delicious, pine and light resinous notes. The palate is well balanced with a fine bead of acidity, quite taut and lightly spiced; just a faint hint of stem ginger appears towards the finish. Enjoy this over the next seven to eight years. Drinking window: 2022-2026. Score: **90** (Neal Martin, vinous.com, Sept. 2022)

Aromatic & Flavourful  
 512277 (XD) 750 mL \$23.95 🍷  
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**BURGUNDY**



**DOMAINE LE VERGER CHABLIS 2020**  
 AP  
 (Alain Geoffroy)  
 Brilliant pale yellow with green tints. Racy nose marrying white fruits and a beautiful mineral edge. Supple, ample, plump palate which shows shy yet clear aromatics and displays fine iodine and saline notes and harmonious freshness. Score: **90** (gilbertgaillard.com, 2022)

Light & Crisp  
 181289 (XD) 750 mL \$31.95 🍷  
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**FRANCE – WHITE WINE**



**GÉRARD BERTRAND ORANGE GOLD ORGANIC ORANGE WINE 2021**  
 France  
 This orange wine is a blend of Chardonnay, White Grenache, Viognier, Marsanne, Mauzac and Muscat. There's good complexity here, with generous candied fruit, pepper spice, mineral, and a slight bitterness on the finish.

Aromatic & Flavourful  
 23729 (XD) 750 mL \$26.95 🍷  
 🍷 **Organic product**



**DOMAINE LOUIS MOREAU CHABLIS 2020**  
 AC NEW  
 This is a bright, pristine and balanced Chablis that captures chardonnay's apple/peach fruit in a very flattering light, along with subtle lemon, crouton and chive. It is medium weight, smooth yet energized, with some warmth and somewhat pepper, herbal notes on the finish. The length is very good to excellent, trailing some bitterness. Tasted December 2021. Score: **91** (David Lawrason, winealign.com)

Light & Crisp  
 42374 (XD) 750 mL \$33.95 🍷

FRANCE – WHITE WINE CONT'D

BURGUNDY

VIGNOBLE ROTISSON  
TRADITION CHARDONNAY 2021  
AC



From 20-year-old vines, this 2021 Chardonnay is quite youthful and shows a nice balanced combination of power and grace. It's buttery, with almond notes emerging through the citrus and orchard fruit and a good burst of vibrant acidity on the close. An excellent wine for grilled chicken. Drink through 2026+.

Full-bodied & Rich  
29601 (XD) 750 mL \$21.95



JEAN-MAX ROGER CUVÉE  
LES CAILLOTES SANCERRE 2020  
AC

This taut, fresh wine is sourced from vines spanning 6-40 years of age planted in soil with plenty of caillottes (small limestone pebbles). It shows vibrant, sharply defined fruit and a classic gunflint minerality. Pair with aperitifs featuring goat cheese or oysters, or with a main dish of seafood or sautéed pork. Enjoy through 2028, but don't be surprised if this drinks to the end of the decade.

Aromatic & Flavourful  
65573 (XD) 750 mL \$35.95



LANGUEDOC

GÉRARD BERTRAND DOMAINE DE  
L'AIGLE CHARDONNAY 2021

AP Limoux  
Ideal conditions created by a combination of altitude, ocean influence and perfect soils allow Pinot Noir and Chardonnay to do very well in Limoux. This fresh wine shows well-set peach, apple, citrus, wet stone, and a rich texture from the lees ageing. A lovely match for a creamy chicken dish.

Full-bodied & Rich  
377671 (XD) 750 mL \$38.95

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Organic & biodynamic product



FRANCE – RED WINE

BORDEAUX

CHÂTEAU LE TEMPLE 2016

Cru Bourgeois, AC Médoc  
(Denis Bergey, prop.)  
The 2016 Le Temple has a tightly wound bouquet with blackberry, sous-bois and light truffle aromas that gradually unfold in the glass. The palate is medium-bodied with grippy tannin, then takes its foot off the accelerator towards the finish and eases down to quite a refined finish. This is worth seeking out. Drinking window: 2019-2029. Score: **89** (Neal Martin, vinous.com, Oct. 2018)

Medium-bodied & Fruity  
550327 (XD) 750 mL \$29.95



LOIRE

JEAN-MAX ROGER CUVÉE GENÈSE  
SANCERRE 2021

AC  
The Loire's 2021 vintage was challenging and saw massively reduced yields across the region. This perennially popular and highly rated Sauvignon Blanc reflects all the purity and freshness of classic Loire with complex citrus, apple, fresh grass and minerality. This wine will be in high demand and has the potential to see you through to the end of the decade.

Aromatic & Flavourful  
189126 (XD) 750 mL \$37.95



CLOS BEL-AIR 2016  
AC Montagne-Saint-Émilion  
(Château du Moulin Noir)

Here's a nicely appointed maturing merlot-cab franc blend from a St. Emilion satellite appellation, where better value is often found. It has [a] fairly ripe nose of plum and blackberry with considerable chocolaty oak and classic Bordeaux cedary spice. It is medium weight, fairly plush yet even across the mid-palate, with some alcohol heat. Tannins are firm and drying but not austere. I would age this another year or two. Would it be in my cellar? Yes. Score: **90** (David Lawrason, winealign.com, July 14, 2020)

Medium-bodied & Fruity  
633040 (XD) 750 mL \$23.95





**BURGUNDY**



**CHARTRON ET TREBUCHET  
SANTENAY 2018**  
AP



Fermented in stainless steel and then aged for 16 months in oak (20% new), this intense, structured wine has finely defined raspberry and cherry fruit, touches of vanilla and earth, and a characterful mineral note. The acidity keeps it fresh and lively, making it a great food wine. Try it with hamburger (either beef or mushroom/black bean) or roast chicken. Drink to 2024+.

Medium-bodied & Fruity  
681981 (XD) 750 mL **\$41.95** 🍷

**ROCHE DE BELLENE CUVÉE RÉSERVE  
BOURGOGNE PINOT NOIR 2021**  
AC



Cuvée Réserve Bourgogne is the workhorse for Nicolas Potel and for good reason because it uses experienced vines' fruit, including some of 40+ years which could very well end up in higher caste cuvées. As it stands this pinot noir just plain hits the spot while carving out an appellative Bourgogne niche at a price just stable and tiered enough to allow for a by the glass pour. Carries the Bellene torch of luxe fruit yet with a savoury evergreen edginess to speak the language of the times. Sure it lacks the concentration of old vines or cru specific Bourgogne but there's both generosity and stuffing befitting the price tag. Drink 2023-2026. Tasted January 2023. Score: **90** (Michael Godel, wine align.com)

Medium-bodied & Fruity  
299859 (XD) 750 mL **\$34.95** 🍷

**LANGUEDOC**



**GÉRARD BERTRAND DOMAINE DE  
L'AIGLE PINOT NOIR 2021**  
IGP Haute Vallée de l'Aude

Haute Vallée de l'Aude has a climate and soils that bear some similarity to those of Burgundy, and the vineyards are planted at some of the highest altitudes in the Languedoc. In concert with the moderating impact of ocean breezes, these factors permit the area to produce fresh, silky Pinot Noir such as this one, with its striking depth and complex raspberry, redcurrant and spice.

Medium-bodied & Fruity  
10015 (XD) 750 mL **\$38.95** 🍷

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**RHÔNE**



**CHÂTEAU LA BORIE CÔTES DU  
RHÔNE-VILLAGES 2019**  
AP



55% Syrah, 40% Grenache, 5% Mourvedre. Very interesting nose, dark berry fruits, smoky bacon and burnt herbs. Soft on the palate, juicy and succulent, well balanced and harmonious with a long finish. [Drink till 2025+.] Score: **95** (Decanter World Wine Awards, 2021)

Full-bodied & Smooth  
29203 (XD) 750 mL **\$26.95** 🍷

**ANDRÉ BRUNEL CUVÉE SABRINE  
CÔTES DU RHÔNE-VILLAGES 2019**  
AC



A blend of 70% grenache, 20% syrah, and 10% mourvèdre, fermented and aged in concrete vats, this delicious wine shows robust flavours perfectly balanced with clean acidity. With more intense flavours than most Côtes du Rhône reds, this shows a very attractive flavour profile and a generous texture. Although potentially on the heavy side, it's reined in with good acidity and emerges as a very successful, balanced effort. It's drinking very well now and will hold through to the mid-2020s. Score: **92** (Rod Phillips, undated)

Full-bodied & Smooth  
538496 (XD) 750 mL **\$18.95** 🍷

**DOMAINE DE L'OISELET  
VACQUEYRAS 2017**  
AP



The only wine I was able to taste from this estate, the 2017 Vacqueyras looks to be a smoking effort that has everything you could want from this region. Tons of ripe red and black fruits, lots of spice, cedar, and floral nuances, medium to full body, silky tannins, and a great finish all make for one seriously good barrel sample. It has the balance and purity to drink nicely right out of the gate yet also age gracefully. Maturity: after 2018 [through 2027+]. Score: **92-94** (jebdunnuck.com, Sept. 26, 2018)

Full-bodied & Smooth  
537951 (XD) 750 mL **\$29.95** 🍷

🌿 **Organic product**



FRANCE – RED WINE CONT'D

RHÔNE

HÉRITIERS CHERON-MISSET  
LA GRAND COMTADINE  
GIGONDAS 2019

NEW

AC  
Pristine blackberry and raspberry flavors are edged by veins of crushed stone and sun-dried garrigue in this blend of Grenache, Syrah and Mourvèdre. While stunning in youth, it's a deeply concentrated wine held upright by brisk acidity and firm, gripping tannins. It is ready to drink, but should evolve beautifully through 2030 and hold further still. Editors' Choice. Score: **95** (Anna Lee C. Iijima, *Wine Enthusiast*, March 1, 2021)

Medium-bodied & Fruity  
29331 (XD) 750 mL **\$39.95** ✎



SOUTHWEST

CHÂTEAU VINCENS PRESTIGE  
MALBEC/MERLOT 2018

AC Cahors  
80% Malbec, 20% Merlot. Bright, intense raspberry and blackberry fruit with lovely creamy vanilla. Polished and seamless on the palate with ripe tannin and fruity finish. Score: **94** (Decanter World Wine Awards, 2020)

Full-bodied & Firm  
272427 (XD) 750 mL **\$20.95** ✎



GEORGIA – WHITE WINE

RTVELISI QVEVRI  
KISI 2020  
Kakheti

NEW

Apricot, white blossom, candied pineapple and sweet spice aromas and flavours on the nose and palate, with refreshing acidity and long length showing a beautifully balanced wine. Score: **95** (International Wine & Spirit Competition, 2023)

Aromatic & Flavourful  
30357 (XD) 750 mL **\$22.95** ✎  
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GEORGIA – RED WINE

RTVELISI MUKUZANI DRY RED 2020

PDO Mukuzani Micro-Zone, Kakheti  
This wine comes from Kakheti, which is Georgia's most important wine region in terms of total production, quality and historical significance. Once used solely to add colour and freshness to blends, the Saperavi grape has established itself as a superb single-varietal wine. This one is lush and generous, with damson plum, red cherry and firm tannins. Pair with roast pork.

Full-bodied & Firm  
18384 (XD) 750 mL **\$16.95** ✎



GERMANY – WHITE WINE

MOSEL

STUDERT-PRÜM WEHLENER  
SONNENUHR RIESLING SPÄTLESE 2019  
Prädikatswein

... intense and pure on the piquant and stony nose that shows ripe and aromatic as well as healthy fruit with good depth and complexity. Mouth-filling, rich and intense on the palate, this is a sweet but also piquant, refined and elegant WSU with a highly stimulating and salty finish. Gorgeous and definitely a highlight in the collection from this small family estate. 8.5% stated alcohol. Tasted from AP 10 20 in November 2021. Drink date: 2021-2060. Score: **93+** (Stephan Reinhardt, robertparker.com, Dec. 9, 2021)

Aromatic & Flavourful  
114777 (S) 750 mL **\$28.95** ✎

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GREECE – WHITE WINE

ALPHA ESTATE TURTLES SINGLE  
VINEYARD MALAGOUZIA 2022  
Vegan, PGI Florina

NEW

Unoaked and highly aromatic, this is an intensely flavoured wine that's brimming with youthful exuberance. It's elegant and textured, with superb purity and notes of red flowers, lime, peach and mineral. This has the stuffing and potential to age through 2028.

Aromatic & Flavourful  
32161 (XD) 750 mL **\$19.95** ✎





**MEGA SPILEO ASSYRTIKO 2021**  
PGI Achaia

**NEW**

For the 2021 vintage, about 20% of this wine was fermented in new oak while the remainder was cold-fermented in stainless steel. It's energetic and intense, with lifted floral, peach and tropical notes. A refreshing, satisfying sipper, it will also be wonderful with fish or a roasted-tomato soup. Drink now to 2024+.

**Aromatic & Flavourful**

31680 (XD) 750 mL **\$19.95** 🍷



**ITALY – WHITE WINE**

**FRIULI**

**VIDUSSI RIBOLLA GIALLA 2021**  
DOP Collio

**NEW**

(Translated from the German): Rich straw yellow with green notes. Inviting nose with notes of tangerine, peach and mango, nice interplay. On the palate delicate resinous notes, becomes quite full in the later course, slightly nutty tones in the finish. Score: **90** (Othmar Kiem & Simon Staffler, *falstaff.at*, May 27, 2022)

**Aromatic & Flavourful**

27624 (XD) 750 mL **\$19.95** 🍷



**GREECE – RED WINE**

**ALPHA ESTATE AXIA SYRAH/  
XINOMAVRO 2019**

Vegan, PGI Florina

The wines of Alpha Estate have a poised, polished character that separates them from many of their top-performing peers. The Axia Syrah/Xinomavro has evolved into a thoroughly modern-styled offering, with ripe dark berry, peppery spice, clove and vanilla notes. It has the oomph to last into the early-to-mid-2030s. Try it with a chili featuring lentils and black beans.

**Full-bodied & Firm**

239897 (XD) 750 mL **\$20.95** 🍷



**VENETO**

**PIEROPAN SOAVE CLASSICO 2020**  
DOC

Aromas of citrus, wet stone and a delicate whiff of hawthorn waft out of the glass. On the dry, delicious palate, bright acidity accompanies white peach, grapefruit and a saline note before finishing on a hint of white almond. It's an incredible value at this price point. Editors' Choice. [Drink for another 2+ years.] Score: **94** (Kerin O'Keefe, *Wine Enthusiast*, April 1, 2022)

**Light & Crisp**

946848 (XD) 750 mL **\$21.95** 🍷



**ALPHA ESTATE HEDGEHOG SINGLE  
VINEYARD XINOMAVRO 2020**

Vegan, PDO Amyndeon

The unique Xinomavro is Greece's noblest red grape and is capable of producing exquisite wines, with some of the best expressions earning comparisons to Piedmont's famous Nebbiolo wine: Barolo. This one comes from a leading producer and delivers juicy red and dark fruit, oak spice, clove, leather and pepper. Lively, fresh and enjoyable. Drink into early 2030s.

**Full-bodied & Firm**

259762 (XD) 750 mL **\$26.95** 🍷



**VENEZIE**

**ZENATO PINOT GRIGIO 2022**  
DOC delle Venezie

Zenato crafts this Pinot Grigio from vines averaging 25-30 years of age. It's food-friendly and precise, with inviting lifted floral notes, citrus, pear, mineral and snappy acidity. A super-popular wine from a favourite producer among Vintages customers. Serve it up with poached sole or a plate of steamed mussels.

**Light & Crisp**

37648 (XD) 750 mL **\$19.95** 🍷



**ITALY – RED WINE**

**TUSCANY**

**CASTELLI DEL GREPEPESA CLEMENTE VII RISERVA CHIANTI CLASSICO 2018**

Sustainable, DOCG

Bright red-berry and stony-mineral character to this with a tinge of vanilla accompanying the fruit from start to finish. Medium- to full-bodied with still quite tight tannins and the same blend of vivid, creamy red berry through the finish. Nicely proportioned. Drink or hold [to 2030]. Score: **93** (James Suckling.com, Aug. 9, 2022)

Full-bodied & Firm

643205 (XD) 750 mL **\$24.95** 🍷

**Featured as our Wine of the Month**



**TIGNANELLO 2019**

IGT Toscana (Antinori)

... an elegant and extremely polished wine made with mostly Sangiovese and smaller parts Cabernet Sauvignon and Cabernet Franc. Here too, the small blending element of Cabernet Franc has been slowly increasing in recent years. The 2019 vintage was born with a good amount of power and tannic structure, and maceration times were slightly reduced as a result. This less extractive approach shapes a polished and elegant wine with plenty of bright berry fruit, cherry, dried mint, blue flower, blood orange and rusty earth. The palate is more compact and streamlined. It shows beautiful grace. After this, the next vintage to watch is the highly anticipated 2021. Drink date: 2024-2045. Score: **96** (Monica Lerner, robertparker.com, June 30, 2022)

Full-bodied & Firm

986786 (XD) 750 mL **\$152.95** 🍷



**VENETO**

**MASI SEREGO ALGHERI MONTE PIAZZO VALPOLICELLA CLASSICO SUPERIORE 2018**

DOC

... A Maraschino cherry character comes across on the aroma, as well as cinnamon and the merest hint of clove. Fresh acidity and textured, ripe, slightly dry tannins underpin the dark, soft cherry fruit on the palate. The finish is pleasingly extended. Drinking window: 2022-2026. Score: **89** (Nancy Gilchrist, MW, decanter.com, April 30, 2022)

Full-bodied & Smooth

661306 (XD) 750 mL **\$32.95** 🍷



**PORTUGAL – WHITE WINE**

**CURVOS LOUREIRO 2022**

DOC Vinho Verde

“Loureiro” is Portuguese for “laurel”; a nod to the grape’s evergreen and floral aromas. An ensemble player in Vinho Verde, it’s seldom seen solo. This crisp, clean, lively wine is a refreshing sipper and a great match for crab appetizers.

Light & Crisp

471284 (XD) 750 mL **\$14.95** 🍷



**PORTUGAL – RED WINE**

**HERDADE PESO TRINCA BOLOTAS TINTO 2020**

Vegan, DOC Alentejo

This blend of Alicante Bouschet, Touriga Nacional and Aragonez (Tempranillo) is a solid reminder of the quality and value to be found in Portugal’s vast selection of indigenous grapes. The combinations are seemingly endless, the results spectacular. This example has plenty of juicy black fruit and is oh so likeable. Delicate touches of spice and a gently tannic structure round out the wine beautifully.

Full-bodied & Smooth

431064 (XD) 750 mL **\$16.95** 🍷



**JOSÉ MARIA DA FONSECA DOMINI 2019**

DOP Douro

The producer’s venture in the Douro has yielded a fine and ripe wine. Dense tannins and concentration go with the mineral edge and blackberry fruits in a well-wrought wine that will age further. Drink from 2023 [through to 2026+]. Best Buy. Score: **90** (Roger Voss, *Wine Enthusiast*, July 1, 2022)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

452730 (XD) 750 mL **\$17.95** 🍷

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**SPAIN – RED WINE**

**BODEGAS RIOJANAS MONTE REAL  
RIOJA GRAN RESERVA 2011**

DOCa Rioja

Blackberry, prune, raisin, leather and tar aromas are full but refined on the nose. On the palate, this is tight and finely focused. Flavors of blackberry, vanilla and coffee finish steady, with calm, complex notes of tobacco and marzipan rising to the fore of a steady finish. Drink this excellent gran reserva through 2030. Ranked #85 in *Wine Enthusiast's* Top 100 Cellar Selections of 2019. Score: **93** (Michael Schachner, *Wine Enthusiast*, April 1, 2019)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

18982 (XD) 750 mL **\$53.95** 🍷

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**ELLE DE LANDALUCE RIOJA  
ALAVESA 2019**



DOCa Rioja

This is a nicely fragrant, quite elegant and supple Rioja for near and mid-term enjoyment. Generous, refined aromas include cedar, strawberry/cherry fruit, caraway and vanillin. It is medium weight, fairly supple yet balanced by firm acidity and minerality. Tannins are still crusty, but again, the balance is such that [it] is drinkable now. Very good to excellent length. Tasted June 2022. Score: **91** (David Lawrason, winealign.com)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

30202 (XD) 750 mL **\$25.95** 🍷

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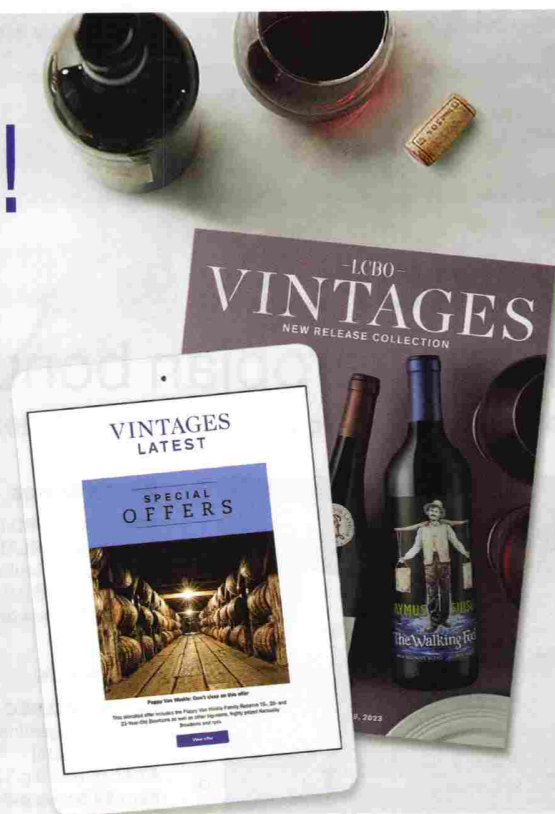
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