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wines of the month

Old souls with fresh flavours

BASTIDE MIRAFLORES SYRAH/VIEILLES VIGNES GRENACHE 2021

AP Côtes du Roussillon, France
320499 (XD) 750 mL \$19.95 ✂

Rich cherries with some dried flowers, grilled spice, herbs, dark earth and black walnuts. Supple and round on the palate with a medium to full body, wrapped by caressing tannins. Grenache and syrah. Drink now [or hold until 2027]. Score: **91** (Zekun Shuai, james suckling.com, Aug. 23, 2023)

Full-bodied & Smooth

LOS CLOP RESERVA MALBEC 2017

Agrelo, Luján de Cuyo, Mendoza, Argentina
186650 (D) 750 mL \$19.95 ✂

This is a complex, intense red with aromas of ripe blackberries, blueberries, violets and licorice. Outstanding balance of ripe yet polished tannins and healthy acidity. Full-bodied, tight and muscular, but already showing beautiful drinkability. Drink or hold. Score: **94** (james suckling.com, Dec. 4, 2020)

Full-bodied & Smooth

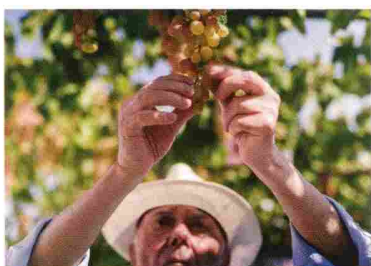


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WHAT'S ON

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

HOLIDAY GIFTS



CORNICE DOLCE & GABBANA/ DONNAFUGATA TRIO

A three-piece collab from a top winery and a legendary fashion house.

33987 3 × 750 mL **\$243.95**

PELEE ISLAND ADVENT CALENDAR

Forget the drummers drumming. This will make their 12 days unforgettable.

39243 12 × 375 mL **\$149.95**

CAYMUS CALIFORNIA CABERNET SAUVIGNON

A big, bold bottle of a big, bold Cabernet from a legendary producer.

39228 1500 mL **\$159.95**

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Our **special holiday-season collection** takes the guesswork out of gifting so you can focus on the festivities. From gift sets to fun packaging to unique limited editions and more, you'll find something for everyone on your list. Here are a few highlights.



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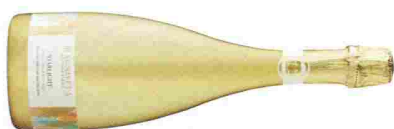
'Tis the season of searching for just the right wine to make the holiday season even finer. Whether you're giving them as gifts or serving them at a special gathering, these stunning wines are sure to impress.



1-bottle wooden Vintages
gift crate, \$12.95.

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MAGNOTTA VENTURE SERIES STARLIGHT SPARKLING RIESLING/ VIDAL 🇨🇦

VQA Ontario, Charmat method

Festively presented in a stylish bottle, this popular local bubbly has a kiss of sweetness along with citrus and a hint of apple. It will delight alongside turkey dinner or spicy Asian cuisine and also makes a fine cocktail-party sipper.

89 points (Craig Pinhey, winealign.com)

Light & Fruity

582098 (M) 750 mL \$29.95 🍷



Raye angled crystal
Prosecco glass,
\$29.95/set of 2.



DEUTZ CLASSIC BRUT CHAMPAGNE
AC, France

Nothing adds that certain *je ne sais quoi* to the holiday season quite like Champagne. This zesty, impeccably structured example shows precisely why. Perfect for any celebration.

93 points (Panel, [falstaff.com](https://www.falstaff.com))

Rich & Complex

167486 (D) 750 mL \$82.95 ✓

**CA' DEL BOSCO CUVÉE PRESTIGE
EXTRA BRUT FRANCIACORTA**

DOCG, Lombardy, Italy, 46th edition,
traditional method

The most prestigious of all Italian sparkling wines, Franciacorta is made in the same method as Champagne and is similarly classic. This floral, tropical, peachy fizz will impress any aficionado of bubbly.

92 points (Eric Guido, [vinous.com](https://www.vinous.com))

Medium-bodied & Flavourful

105353 (XD) 750 mL \$46.95 ✓

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FRANCIACORTA
46^a EDIZIONE
CUVÉE PRESTIGE

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2-bottle wooden Vintages gift crate, \$17.95.



CHÂTEAU LILIAN LADOUYS 2018

AC Saint-Estèphe, Bordeaux, France, cru bourgeois

No cellar? No problem! This deep, concentrated wine from Bordeaux's exceptional 2018 vintage has been cellared for you and will hit its peak once the calendar flips over to 2025.

94 points (Roger Voss, *Wine Enthusiast*)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

38213 (XD) 750 mL \$41.95

New at Vintages

DOMAINE FOURNIER LES BELLES VIGNES SANCERRE BLANC 2023

AP, Loire, France

Some of the world's finest Sauvignon Blanc is produced in Sancerre. This beautiful example showcases grapefruit, pomelo, lemon grass, verbena, white pepper, and a wonderfully long finish. A classic wine from a classic region.

Aromatic & Flavourful

40325 (XD) 750 mL \$40.95

New at Vintages

HENRY OF PELHAM CUVÉE CATHARINE CARTE BLANCHE ESTATE BLANC DE BLANCS 2017

VQA Short Hills Bench, Niagara Escarpment, Ontario, sustainable, traditional method

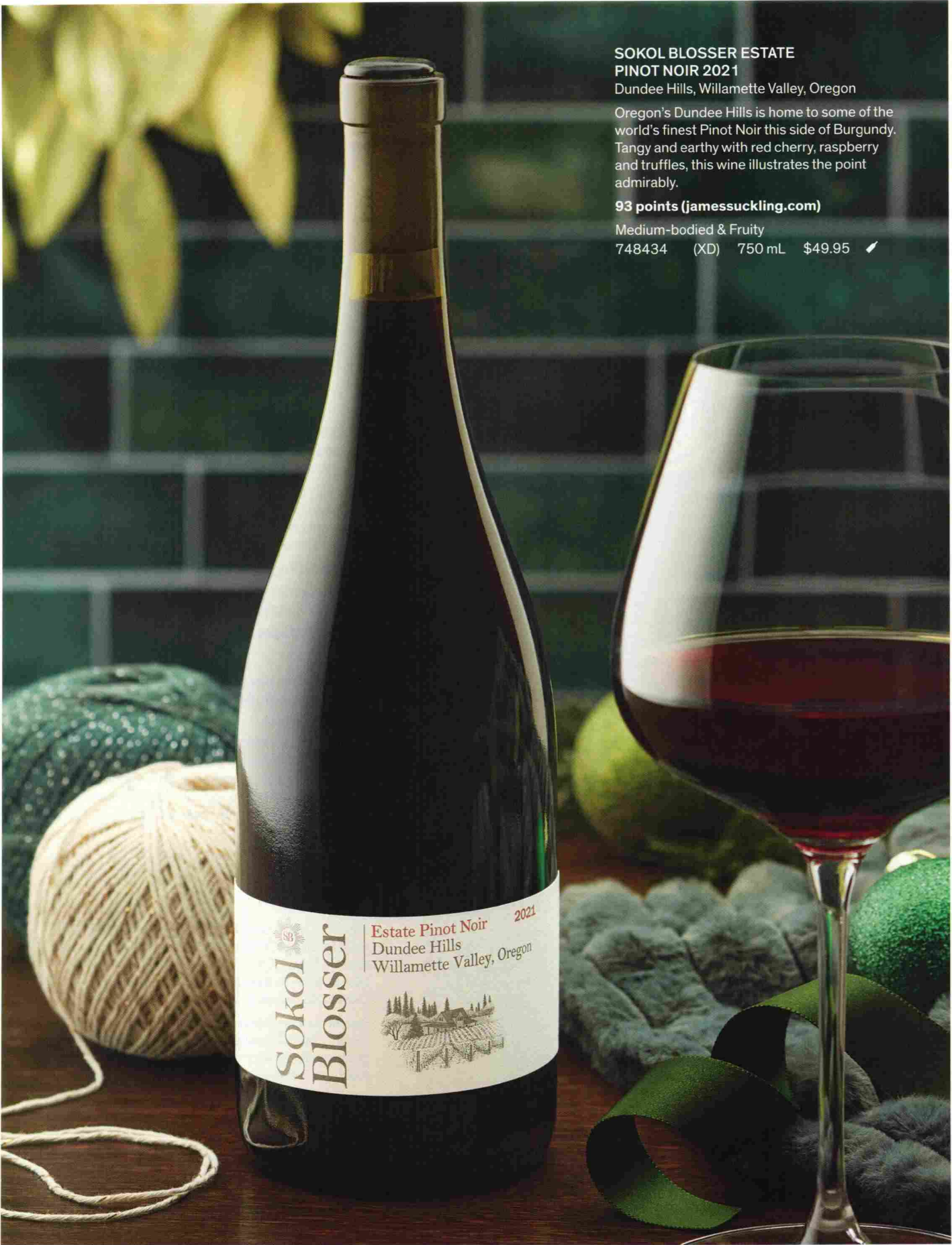
One of the many stunning sparkling wines from Ontario, this is crafted from 100% Chardonnay grown on the winery's estate vineyard. Rich, toasty and refined, it will elevate any occasion.

95+ points (Rick VanSickle, winesinniagara.com)

Medium-bodied & Flavourful

315200 (XD) 750 mL \$49.95

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**SOKOL BLOSSER ESTATE
PINOT NOIR 2021**

Dundee Hills, Willamette Valley, Oregon

Oregon's Dundee Hills is home to some of the world's finest Pinot Noir this side of Burgundy. Tangy and earthy with red cherry, raspberry and truffles, this wine illustrates the point admirably.

93 points (jamesuckling.com)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

748434 (XD) 750 mL \$49.95 ✓



**RAPAURA SPRINGS RESERVE
PINOT NOIR 2020**

Central Otago, South Island, New Zealand,
sustainable

The heartland for Pinot Noir in New Zealand, Central Otago is known for its complex, mineral-etched wines reminiscent of those from Burgundy. This wine will delight and impress even the most staunch classicist.

92 points (Cameron Douglas, MS, camdouglasms.com)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

32407 (XD) 750 mL \$27.95 ✓



**TORBRECK WOODCUTTER'S
SHIRAZ 2022**

Barossa Valley, South Australia

Torbreck has been a star in Australia's wine firmament for 30 years. This taut, chocolaty, beautifully sculpted wine shows all the quality and character for which Barossa Valley Shiraz is celebrated around the world.

93 points (Christina Pickard, *Wine Enthusiast*)

Full-bodied & Smooth

927533 (XD) 750 mL \$29.95 ✓



DECOY ZINFANDEL 2022

California
(Duckhorn Portfolio)

Duckhorn is one of the biggest names in California wine. This rich, generous wine, brimming with cherry, blackberry jam and wild blueberry, is a scrumptious reminder of why Zinfandel is a Cali signature.

Full-bodied & Smooth

327502 (D) 750 mL \$37.95 ✓

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CLOS DE LOS SIETE 2020

Valle de Uco, Mendoza, Argentina
(Michel Rolland)

Legendary French winemaker Michel Rolland fell in love with the Argentine valley this wine calls home, and the rest is history. This wonderfully complex wine will make a lovely gift for anyone with an adventurous spirit.

94 points (Zekun Shuai, [jamessuckling.com](https://www.jamessuckling.com))

Medium-bodied & Fruity
622571 (XD) 750 mL \$26.95 ✎

DOMAINE DES SÉNÉCHAUX CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE 2020

AC, Rhône, France
(Famille J.M. Cazes)

Châteauneuf-du-Pape is one of the most beloved and revered classic wine styles not just of France, but of the world. This one is beautifully balanced, elegant and nuanced and will impress through 2030 and beyond.

94 points (jebdunnuck.com)

Full-bodied & Smooth
677922 (XD) 750 mL \$59.95 ✎





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LOVEBLOCK SAUVIGNON BLANC 2022

Marlborough, South Island, Zealand, sustainable

New Zealand Sauvignon Blanc is famous for its vivid aromatic expression. Beautifully evocative of tree fruits, river stones and wildflowers, this wine is like a summertime nature walk in a glass, whatever the season. A welcome surprise for outdoorsy types.

94 points (Cameron Douglas, MS, [camdouglasms.com](https://www.camdouglasms.com))

Aromatic & Flavourful

22851 (XD) 750 mL \$27.95 ✓

FOR COMPLETE TASTING NOTES, SEE PAGES 44 TO 52.



CHÂTEAU FONRÉAUD 2022

AC Lustrac-Médoc, Bordeaux, France, sustainable

This supple, quietly powerful wine is from a winery focused on sustainability and is built to impress anytime from now right through 2045. Ideal for anyone who likes taking the long view.

93 points (Georgina Hindle, decanter.com)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

20246 (XD) 750 mL \$34.95 ➔



FANTI BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2019

DOCG, Tuscany, Italy

Brunello is known as one of the world's greatest food wines. Intensely complex, deliciously savoury and exotically spiced, this outstanding example will impress wine lovers and foodies alike.

94 points (Monica Larner, robertparker.com)

Full-bodied & Firm

20518 (XD) 750 mL \$82.95 ✓



FAMILLE PERRIN LES CHRISTINS

VACQUEYRAS 2021

AC, Rhône, France

The Perrin family are famous for producing some of the finest wines of the Southern Rhône. This refined example offers a delicious core of wild berries and herbs.

93 points (jamesuckling.com)

Full-bodied & Smooth

973453 (XD) 750 mL \$25.95 ✓



CASCINA

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BAROLO
DENOMINAZIONE DI ORIGINE CONTROLLATA E GARANTITA
Rocche di Castelletto
2019
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CASCINA CHICCO

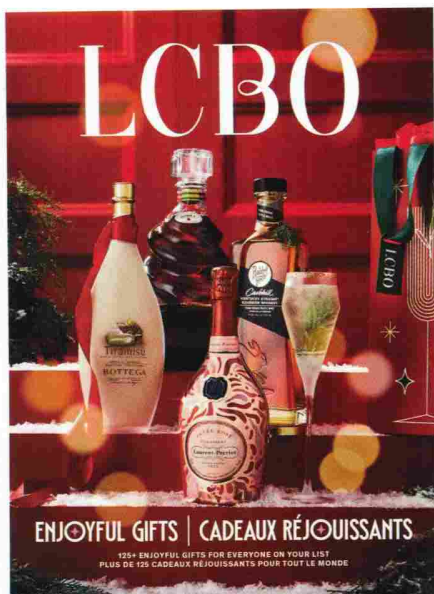
CASCINA CHICCO ROCHE DI CASTELLETTO BAROLO 2019
DOCG, Piedmont, Italy

Patience is a virtue, and this wine will reward it in spades. If you're enjoying it now, decant and pair the wine with rich, fatty foods. Then tuck another bottle away to compare in a few years.

94 points (Bruce Sanderson, winespectator.com)

Full-bodied & Firm
17697 (XD) 750 mL \$54.95

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HOLIDAY GIFT CENTRAL

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GRGICH HILLS ESTATE GROWN CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2019

Napa Valley, California

Mike Grgich was absolutely instrumental in establishing California as a powerhouse of the wine world. This estate-grown, classically styled wine offers the big, rich dark fruit for which Cali Cabernet is famous.

94 points (Jim Gordon, *Wine Enthusiast*)

Full-bodied & Firm

71407 (XD) 750 mL \$116.95 ✓

🌿 **Organic product**

LE RAGOSE RISERVA AMARONE DELLA VALPOLICELLA CLASSICO 2012

DOCG, Veneto, Italy

One of the most beloved of all Italian wine styles, Amarone combines richness, silkiness and power in equal measure. This one is ageing gracefully and showing beautifully now, especially alongside rich foods.

96 points (Michael Garner, *decanter.com*)

Full-bodied & Smooth

32699 (D) 750 mL \$92.95 ✓

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GRIGICH HILLS
ESTATE

Napa Valley
CABERNET SAUVIGNON
ESTATE 2019 GROWN

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2012

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DELLA VALPOLICELLA
DENOMINAZIONE DI ORIGINE CONTROLLATA E GARANTITA
CLASSICO RISERVA

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**TERRA COSTANTINO deAETNA
ETNA ROSSO 2021**
DOC, Sicily, Italy

This bold, expressive wine comes from the foothills of Mount Etna, which is an active volcano on the east coast of Sicily. Perfect for anyone with fiery passions and plenty of personality.

93 points (jamesuckling.com)

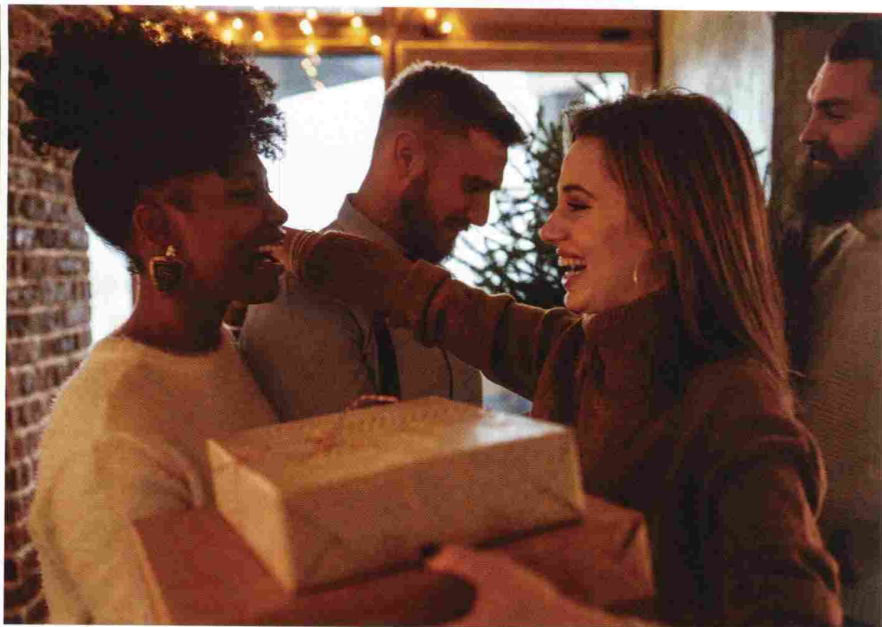
Full-bodied & Firm
11595 (XD) 750 mL \$39.95 ✓

**LA CAVE D'AUGUSTIN FLORENT
GIGONDAS 2022**
AP, Rhône, France

Gigondas is right next door to Châteauneuf-du-Pape and is a go-to region for shrewd wine lovers with a taste for the Southern Rhône. Elegant and velvety, this fine example suggests fresh berries, dark chocolate and spices.

Full-bodied & Smooth
38649 (XD) 750 mL \$36.95 ✓

New at Vintages



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CHÂTEAU LA CROIZILLE 2010

AC Saint-Émilion Grand Cru, Bordeaux, France

This throwback to the epic 2010 vintage in Bordeaux is wonderfully elegant, concentrated, and built to last through 2035 and beyond. A truly impressive gift for any lover of classic French wines.

94+ points (Greg Sherwood, MW, gregsherwoodmw.com)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

38467 (XD) 750 mL \$73.95 ✎

New at Vintages

FALERNIA PEDRISCAL SINGLE VINEYARD CARMENÈRE RESERVA 2020

Valle del Elqui, Chile

Relatively obscure outside of Chile, Carmenère is adored by wine insiders, and this single-vineyard wine shows why. Savoury, smooth and chocolaty with touches of evergreen herbs, it's a great option for that wine lover who thinks they've tried everything.

93 points (International Wine Challenge)

Full-bodied & Smooth

37793 (XD) 750 mL \$22.95 ✎

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**RENATO RATTI OCHETTI
NEBBIOLO 2022**

DOC Langhe, Piedmont, Italy

Nebbiolo is the noble red wine grape of Piedmont, renowned for the wines of Barolo and Barbaresco. This graceful, structured wine suggests fresh flowers, red fruit and spices. A superb choice for holiday roast dinners.

Full-bodied & Firm

475913 (XD) 750 mL \$32.95 ✓



**LE CLOS JORDANNE LE GRAND CLOS
PINOT NOIR 2020** 🍁

VQA Twenty Mile Bench,
Niagara Escarpment, Ontario

One of the most renowned of all Ontario wines, Le Grand Clos Pinot Noir has been earning awards and loyal fans for nearly two decades. This fascinating, earthy wine will bring traditional turkey dinner to the next level.

**93 points (Michael Godel,
winealign.com)**

Medium-bodied & Fruity

184564 (XD) 750 mL \$52.00 ✓



**FERNANDEZ RIVERA TINTO PESQUERA
RESERVA 2019**

DO Ribera del Duero, Spain

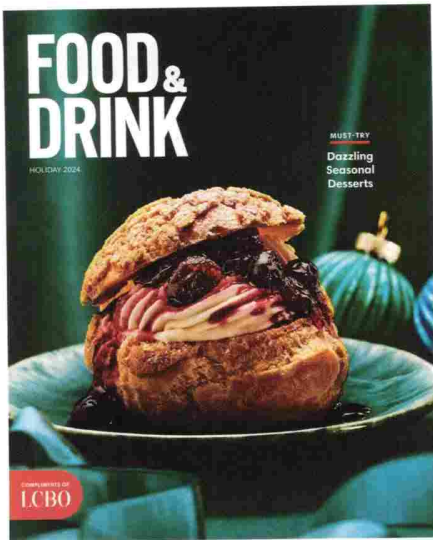
Ribera del Duero is the birthplace of some of Spain's most coveted wines. This ripe, spicy, smoky, elegant red will make the perfect surprise for anyone who appreciates a bold statement.

**94 points (Mike DeSimone, Wine
Enthusiast)**

Full-bodied & Smooth

323345 (XD) 750 mL \$49.95 ✓

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**ANTINORI TENUTA TIGNANELLO
RISERVA CHIANTI CLASSICO 2021**
DOCG, Tuscany, Italy

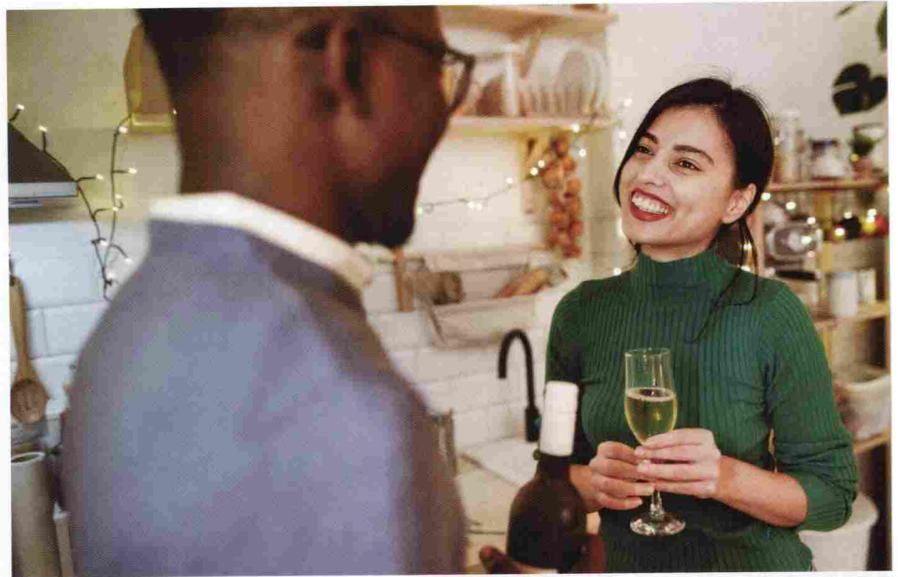
From legendary producer Antinori, this Chianti Classico Riserva is ripe and harmonious, with a supple texture and a long, complex finish. One for the cellar, it will hit its prime in 2026 and impress over the next two decades.

95 points (Bruce Sanderson, [winespectator.com](https://www.winespectator.com))

Medium-bodied & Fruity

512384 (XD) 750 mL \$63.95

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LUCE 2021

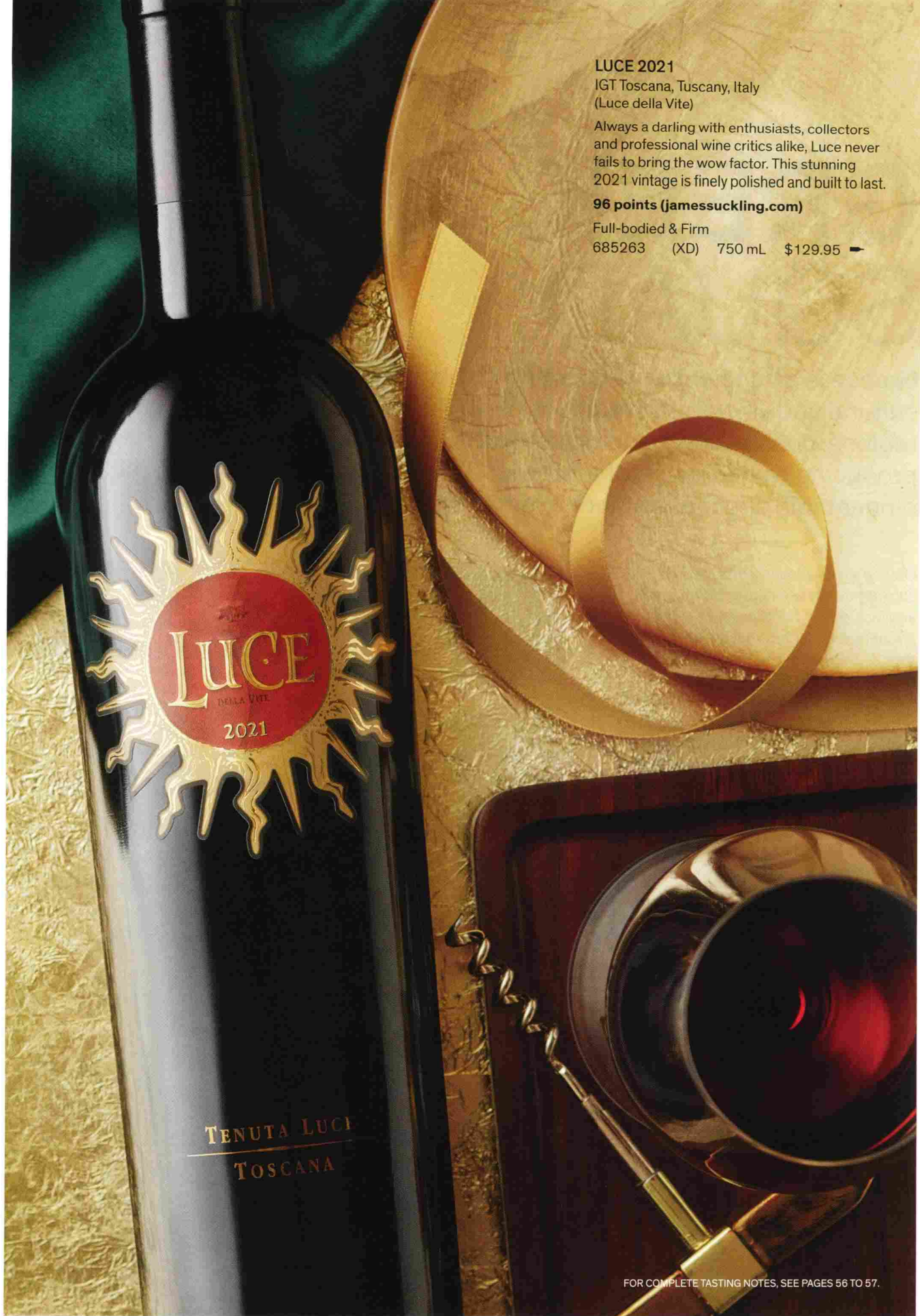
IGT Toscana, Tuscany, Italy
(Luce della Vite)

Always a darling with enthusiasts, collectors and professional wine critics alike, Luce never fails to bring the wow factor. This stunning 2021 vintage is finely polished and built to last.

96 points (jamesuckling.com)

Full-bodied & Firm

685263 (XD) 750 mL \$129.95

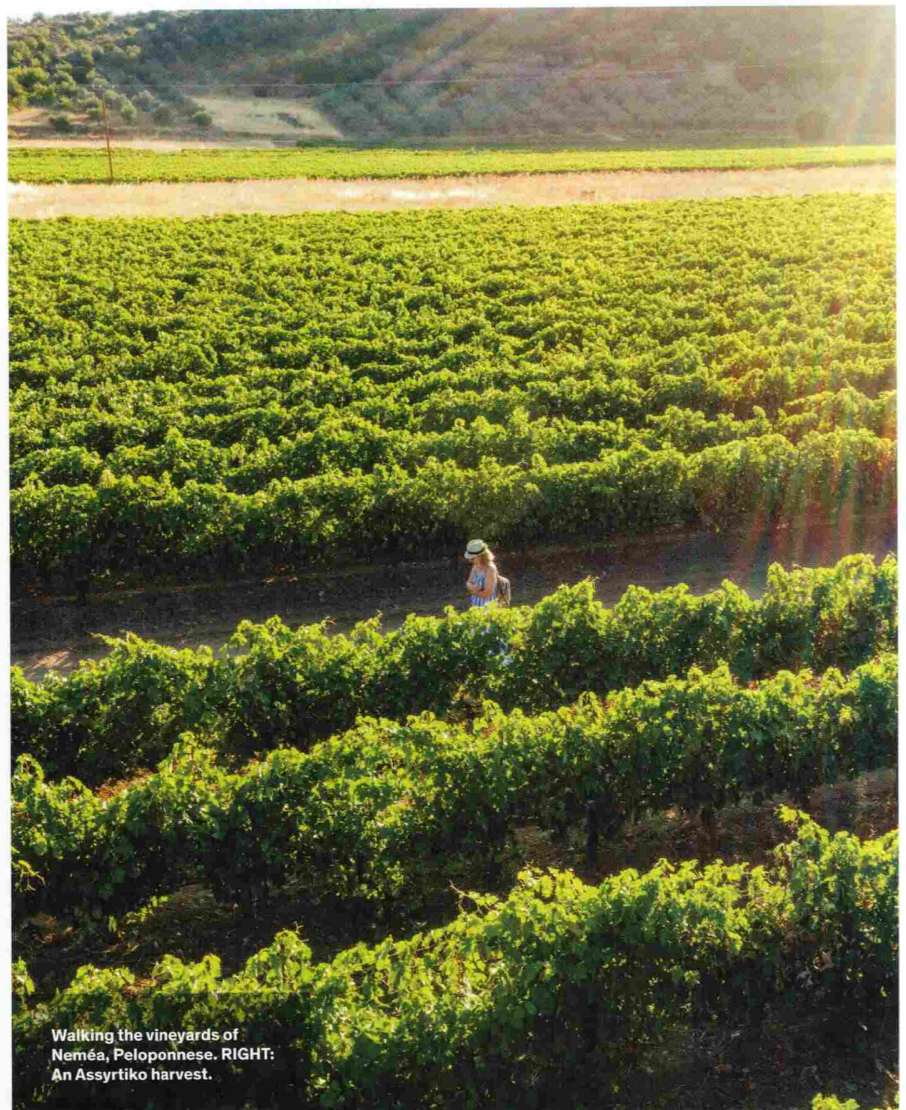


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GREEK SQUAD

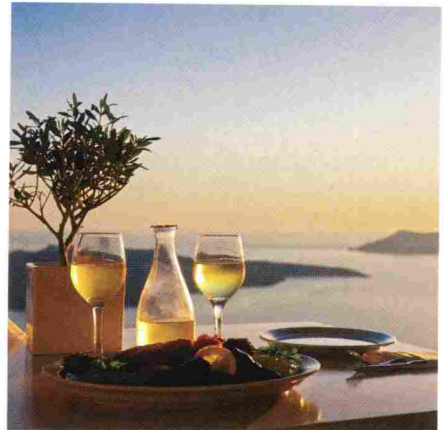
Greece is an ancient wine-growing country steeped in deeply rooted cultural and viticultural traditions. With vineyards planted in mountainous regions, coastal areas and on several islands, Greece has diverse terroirs producing a wide range of food-friendly wines that will delight at the dinner table and make stunning gifts. *Yia mas!*

Greece's nine wine regions and 32 sub-regions house nearly 300 ancient and indigenous varieties and are part of a winemaking legacy that spans more than 4,000 years. The historical home of Greece's famous Retsina wines (and where legend says Dionysus first shared the secrets of winemaking with humans), the Attica region is now known for the premium character of its ultra-modern wines. The mountainous Peloponnese region supports a wide range of indigenous and international grapes including Agiorgitiko, Mavrodaphne, Assyrtiko, Chardonnay and Cabernet Sauvignon. The Drama region's rugged topography produces top-flight wines from Cabernet, Merlot, Syrah, Chardonnay, Sauvignon Blanc, Assyrtiko and Robola.



Walking the vineyards of Neméa, Peloponnese. RIGHT: An Assyrtiko harvest.

DISCOVER THE DESTINATION COLLECTION



If you feel inspired and excited by the Greek wines in this feature, visit [LCBO.com/destination](https://www.lcbo.com/destination) to learn more about Greek grapes and regions, and explore a wide selection of wines.



PAPAGIANNAKOS ASSYRTIKO 2022*

PGI Attica, vegan

The 2022 Assyrtiko is unoaked and comes in at 13.4% alcohol. A solid Assyrtiko, this is reasonably expressive, well structured and long on the finish. The tension on the finish lifts the fruit and it tastes great. There might be a reductive hint, but overall, this is in fine form. It should hold throughout the decade, more or less. It will be interesting to see if it can also improve over a few years. Many won't care. It drinks great today, and they aren't likely to have much left. Drink date: 2023-2030. Score: **90** (Mark Squires, robertparker.com, June 22, 2023)

Aromatic & Flavourful

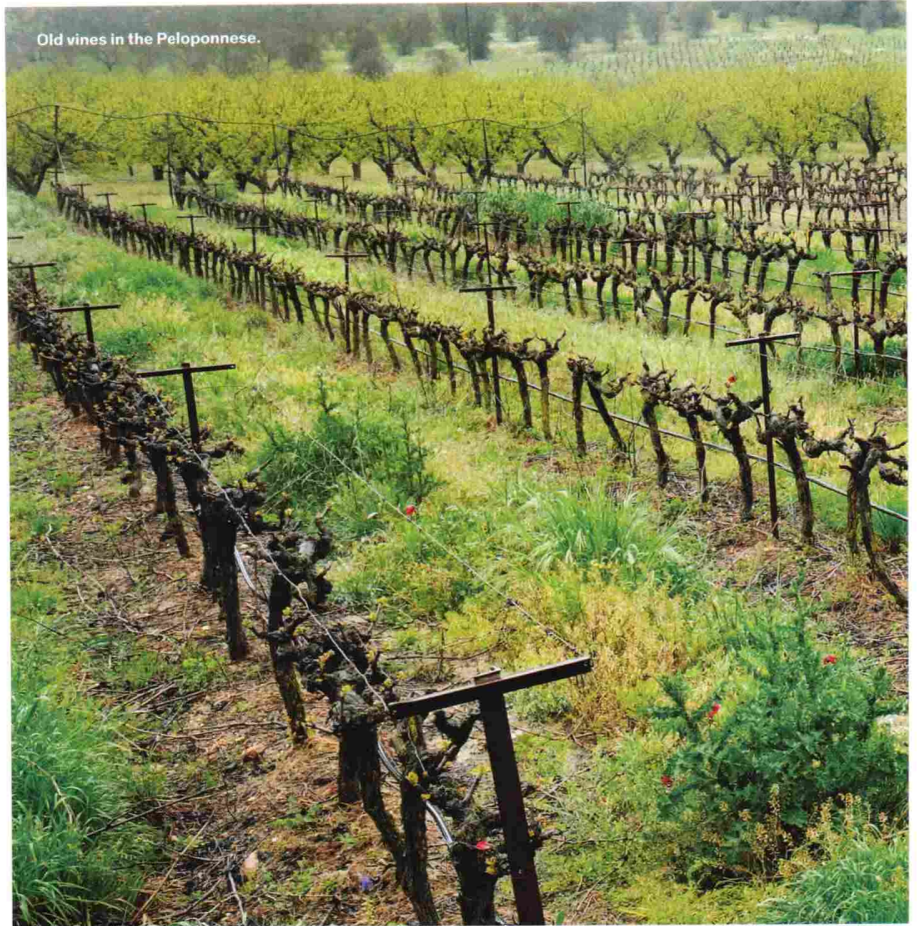
33260 (XD) 750 mL \$26.95

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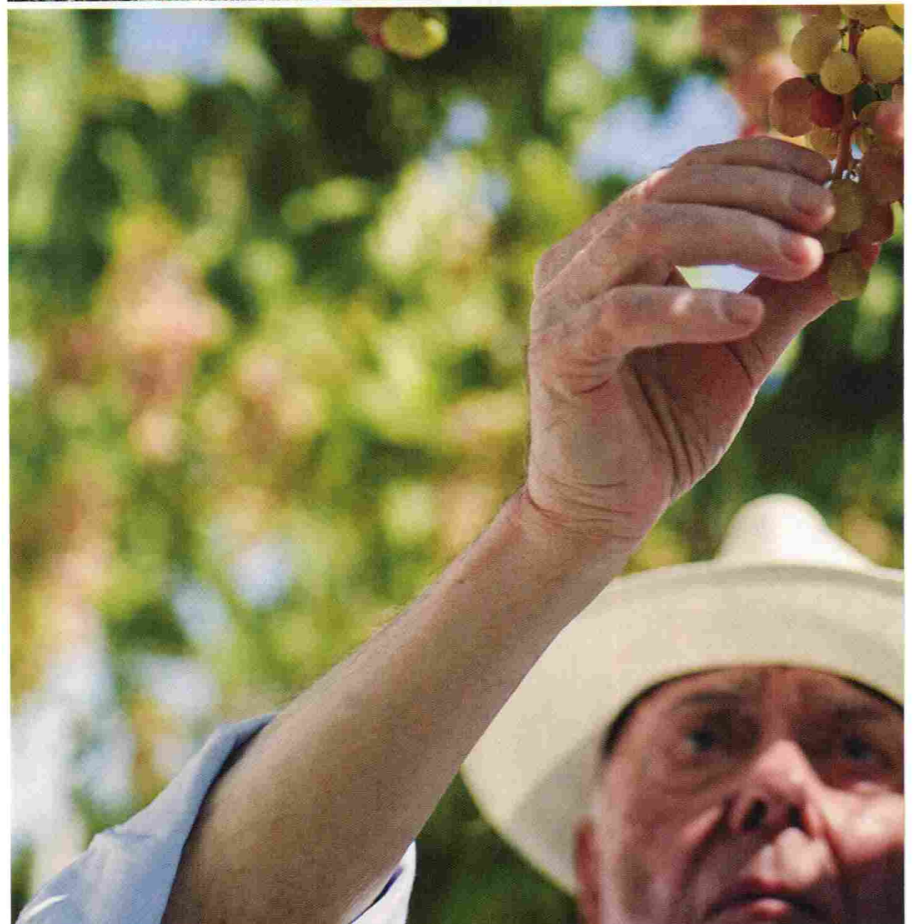
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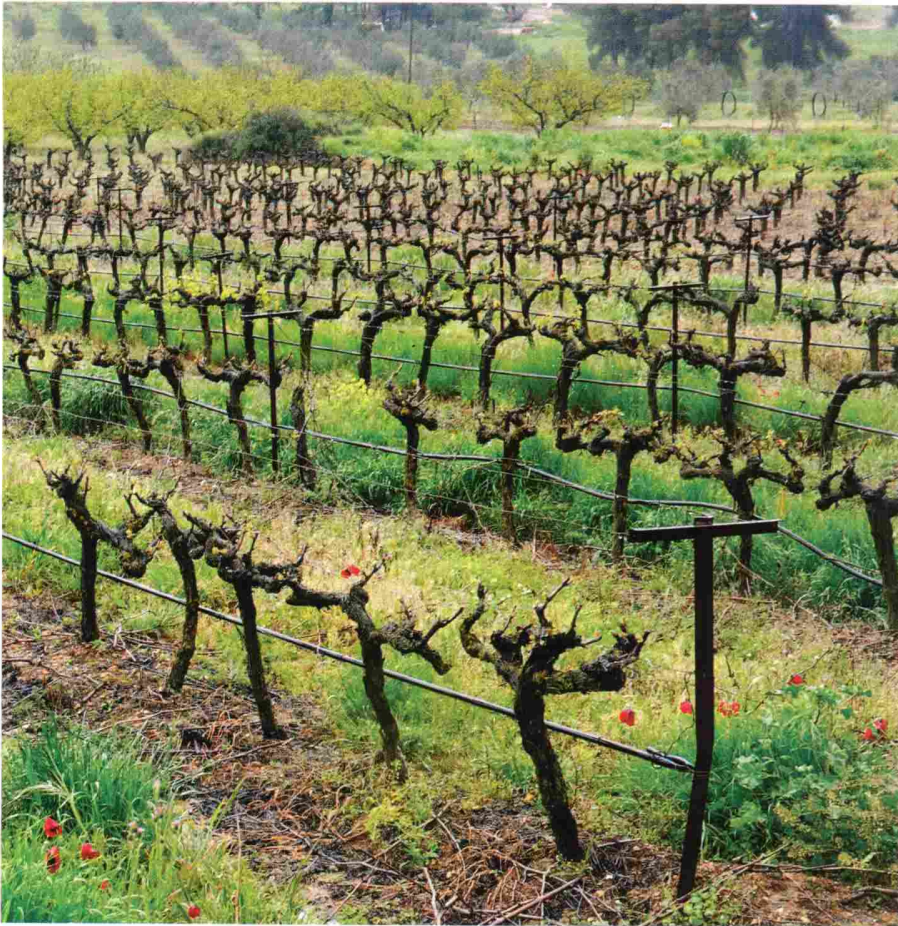
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Two of the most important red grapes in Greece are Agiorgitiko (ah-yohr-YEE-tee-koh) and Xinomavro (ksee-NOH-mah-vroh). The former produces spicy, fruity wines and often appears in blends featuring international grapes such as Cabernet Sauvignon. Agiorgitiko is wonderful with exotically spiced Middle Eastern foods or with roasted meats. Xinomavro possesses notable acidity, red fruit, spice and earthy notes. Pair it with mushroom risotto or hearty beef stews. (Although Xinomavro isn't featured in this release, you can find many examples of it on LCBO.com.) The white grape Assyrtiko (ahs-SEER-tee-koh) produces fresh yet powerful, mineral-driven, full-bodied, fruity wines. Assyrtiko is ideal for grilled octopus or sushi. All three of the wines featured here will pair with lamb.





**COSTA LAZARIDI AMETHYSTOS
RED 2021***

PGI Drama
(Michel Rolland, consultant)

A blend of 70% Cabernet Sauvignon, 20% Merlot and 10% Agiorgitiko, this wine has complex, layered cherry, plum, spice and smoke. Tannic with a vibrant acidity, it has the structure for chargrilled beef or mutton skewers with bell peppers, mushrooms, garlic and herbs.

[The Berliner Wein Trophy did not include a tasting note.] Score: **Gold** (Berliner Wein Trophy, 2024)

Full-bodied & Firm
724831 (XD) 750 mL \$29.95 ✓



TSIMBIDI LA-LU-DI AGIORGITIKO 2022

PGI Peloponnese
(Monemvasia)

Lifted aromatics followed by a rich, bold palate, with plentiful black and red fruit and delicate spice tones. A perfect companion for pizza or hearty veggie stews.

Full-bodied & Smooth
40445 (XD) 750 mL \$21.95 ✓

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CANADIAN- MADE GEMS

Four winemakers highlight the uniqueness of Ontario's enduring signature, Icewine.

Icewines are demanding to make, challenging winemakers and their teams like no other style. Once the harvest begins, a winemaking team might not sleep for 24 hours or more. It's a labour of love that produces singular expressions of Niagara that are beloved the world over.

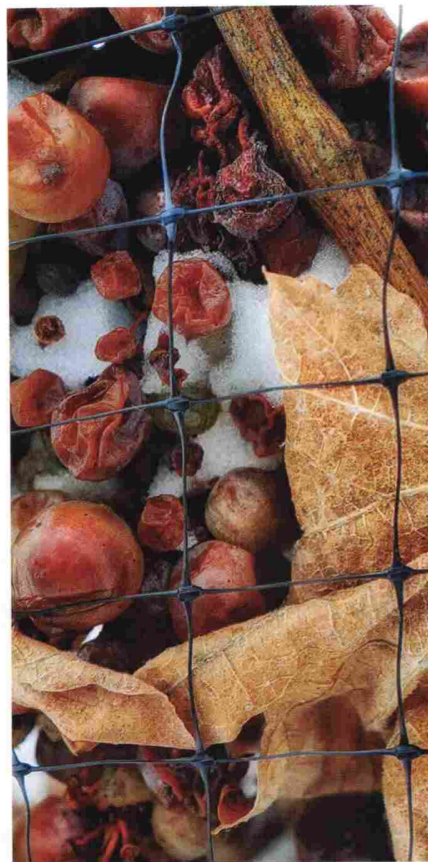






Wayne Gretzky No. 99 Vidal Icewine 2023

There are many reasons to love Icewines. For one, “they are unique and special,” says winemaker Jason Roller, who also counts the style’s “authentic winemaking procedures and limited availability, intense aromatics, luscious sweetness and focused acidity” as reasons people seek them out as gifts and distinctive additions to their holiday table. “In 2023, Niagara had an extended growing season, delaying ripening for all varieties but resulting in an underlying acidity that allows for wines of focus and freshness, as well as longevity. Alternating cycles of freezing and thawing help to develop and concentrate the flavours as we wait for optimum temperatures of -10 to -12°C.”



Magnotta Limited Edition Cabernet Franc Icewine 2019

“Cabernet Franc is suitable for Icewine because of its ability to hold on the vines,” says winemaker Peter Rotar. Icewine grapes must be frozen naturally and be harvested and pressed when conditions are consistently at a minimum of -8°C, which means waiting – and hoping – for the temperatures to drop. “Climate change has made it more difficult to get the temperatures needed. In 2019, we had to wait until the middle of January to harvest. But the grapes gave us Icewine that’s ripe with lots of jammy flavours of strawberry, raspberry and plums as well as baked-fruit flavours.”



Stratus Riesling Icewine 2023

“Something that a lot of people maybe don’t know is that there’s a lot of stylistic opportunity in Icewine,” says winemaker Dean Stoyka. “Not all Icewines are the same, people really should taste around. Picking time and picking temperature play a part in delineating the style of wine that will be made, and every producer is different. We like to harvest on the first heavy freeze to get the freshness and the balance that we want in our house style. This Icewine has around 140 grams of sugar per litre; some Icewines are 200 grams and above. The style of Icewine we make is vibrant and very food-friendly, with a sweetness that won’t overpower your dessert.”



Inniskillin Sparkling Vidal Icewine 2022

"Vidal, a hardy grape with thick skin, is highly disease-resistant," says estate winemaker Nicholas Gizuk. "It can remain on the vine late into the season, maintaining its bright acidity even in challenging conditions. The Inniskillin Icewine harvest began in the third week of December 2022, with ideal temperatures of -10°C. This chilly weather continued until February 5th, which provided optimal conditions for picking the grapes before they could be affected by dehydration, high winds or birds." The frozen grapes result in a much smaller yield than a typical harvest, and only a few drops of concentrated juice can be extracted from each bunch. Just one reason why Icewine is such a rare and sought-after wine.



the finer points

WAYNE GRETZKY NO. 99 VIDAL ICEWINE 2023

VQA Niagara Peninsula

"Rich, luscious and elegant, with mandarin orange, candied pineapple, golden kiwi and honey balanced by an underlying acidity and freshness. A welcome surprise at the holiday table or as a gift." Jason Roller

90 points (National Wine Awards of Canada)

Lusciously Sweet
35414 (S) 200 mL
\$54.95 ✓

MAGNOTTA LIMITED EDITION CABERNET FRANC ICEWINE 2019

VQA Niagara Peninsula

"The balance between the acidity and sweetness makes this Icewine very easy to drink. It's perfect for hosting and will pair with cheese trays, creamy dark chocolate, or cakes." Peter Rotar

94 points (International Wine & Spirit Competition)

Lusciously Sweet
41733 (S) 375 mL
\$49.95 ✓

New at Vintages

STRATUS RIESLING ICEWINE 2023

VQA Niagara-on-the-Lake, sustainable, vegan

"A lively, vivacious Icewine with exciting notes of sweet tangerine, jasmine, honey and quince. It's ideal for old Canadian cheddar or almond cake." Suzanne Janke, estate director

Lusciously Sweet
56671 (S) 200 mL
\$44.95 ✓

INNISKILLIN SPARKLING VIDAL ICEWINE 2022

VQA Niagara Peninsula, Charmat method

"Sparkling Icewine is a rare gem, and this one is truly a unique and unforgettable experience. Lively effervescence, peach, orange, mango, citrus, lychee and pineapple complemented by vibrant acidity and a lovely texture. Exceptional."

Nicholas Gizuk

95 points (Wine Enthusiast)

Lusciously Sweet
560367 (S) 375 mL
\$89.95 ✓

FOR COMPLETE TASTING NOTES, SEE PAGES 36 TO 37.

A woman with long dark hair is smiling broadly at a dinner table. She is wearing a light-colored top. In the foreground, several wine glasses filled with red wine are being held up. A hand is visible holding one of the glasses. On the table, there is a white bowl filled with golden-brown dumplings or pierogies. The background features a Christmas tree decorated with lights and ornaments, creating a warm and festive atmosphere.

One-of-a-kind finds

Introducing our newest **Online & Flagship Exclusives**, available only on LCBO.com and in our 16 flagship stores. This month's collection is a treasure trove of gift options for the committed wine lovers in your life, or anyone you want to impress with a very special something. Elegant Chianti Classico, velvety Napa Cab, polished Burgundy reds, fine Champagne, signature Ontario Pinot Noir and Chardonnay, sumptuous Tokaji and Recioto – they're all here and then some.

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**BACHELDER HANCK VINEYARD
PINOT NOIR 2021** 🇨🇦
VQA Twenty Mile Bench,
Niagara Escarpment, Ontario

Deceivingly dense and textured. A genuine, concentrated mouthful, with excellent length and depth.

95 points (John Szabo, MS, winealign.com)

Medium-bodied & Fruity
41732 (XD) 750 mL \$55.00 ✂

New at Vintages



**HEWITSON MADAME M
CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2021**
Barossa Valley, Australia

Lush and layered, with classic cassis, dark chocolate and forest notes.

Full-bodied & Smooth
39733 (XD) 750 mL \$24.95 ✂

New at Vintages



**CHÂTEAU DES JACQUES
BEAUJOLAIS BLANC 2023**
AC, Beaujolais, France
(Louis Jadot)

Elegant and floral, with ripe fruit and rich depth and character from eight months lees ageing.

Light & Crisp
40868 (XD) 750 mL \$32.95 ✂

New at Vintages



CHÂTEAU L'ÉGLISE D'ARMENS 2020
AC Saint-Émilion Grand Cru, Bordeaux, France
(Domaines Comte de Malet Roquefort)

Dark berry, earth, spice and chocolate, with a velvety mouthfeel. Enjoy from 2026 through 2030+.

93 points (jamesuckling.com)

Full-bodied & Smooth
18140 (XD) 750 mL \$41.95 ✂



**DEUX ROCHES LES POMMARDS
SAINT-VÉRAN 2021**
AP, Burgundy, France

Lime, pear and passion fruit, with a flinty minerality. Will drink through 2033.

92 points (Charles Curtis, MW, decanter.com)

Light & Crisp
37919 (XD) 750 mL \$50.95 ✂

New at Vintages



**DOMAINE MICHEL REBOURGOGNE
BOURGOGNE CÔTE D'OR
PINOT NOIR 2022**
AC, Burgundy, France

Youthful, ripe and charming, this gem comes from three prime sites and will cellar through 2030+.

Full-bodied & Smooth
38259 (XD) 750 mL \$40.95 ✂

New at Vintages

FOR COMPLETE TASTING NOTES, SEE PAGES 40 TO 51.

Shop **LCBO.com** or look for the **New Release Collection** signs in stores.



**DUVAL-LEROY PRESTIGE
BLANC DE BLANCS BRUT
1^{ER} CRU CHAMPAGNE 2008**

AC, France

Soft and easy to enjoy, with plentiful honey, walnut, and baked apple tones.

91 points (jamesuckling.com)

Rich & Complex

39831 (XD) 750 mL \$107.95 🍷

New at Vintages



**VEUVE CLICQUOT BRUT ROSÉ
CHAMPAGNE 2015**

AC, France, in gift box

Balanced fruit, with baked apple, fresh cream, bread, orange peel and flint. A modern classic.

Rich & Complex

588475 (XD) 750 mL \$133.95 🍷



**CHÂTEAU L'HOSPITALET GRAND VIN
LA CLAPE ROUGE 2021**

AP, Languedoc, France

(Gérard Bertrand)

Concentrated, poised and smoky, with cherry, blackberry, sage, dried rosemary and garrigue.

**93 points (Reggie Solomon,
Wine Enthusiast)**

Full-bodied & Smooth

30362 (XD) 750 mL \$41.95 🍷

🌿 **Organic & biodynamic product**



**STUDERT-PRÜM MAXIMINHOF
WEHLENER SONNENUHR
RIESLING SPÄTLESE 2023**

Prädikatswein, Mosel, Germany

Floral and elegant, with peach, citrus, spice, and benchmark Mosel minerality.

Aromatic & Flavourful

114777 (S) 750 mL \$31.95 🍷



**ROYAL TOKAJI RED LABEL 5
PUTTONYOS TOKAJI ASZÚ 2017**

Tokaj, Hungary

Honeysuckle, dried raspberry, ginger and apricot. Mouth-watering. Drink now through 2030.

**93 points (Alison Napjus,
winespectator.com)**

Full-bodied & Rich

959031 (S) 500 mL \$69.95 🍷



**TOKAJ-HÉTSZOLO 5 PUTTONYOS
TOKAJI ASZÚ 2010**

Tokaj, Hungary

Fresh and rich, with quince, honey, caramel apple, cinnamon and marmalade. Will cellar for 15+ years.

93 points (Decanter World Wine Awards)

Aromatic & Flavourful

282376 (S) 500 mL \$72.95 🍷



**CESARI IL BOSCO AMARONE DELLA
VALPOLICELLA CLASSICO 2018**

DOCG, Veneto, Italy

Spicy and complex, with dark fruit, wild berry and cocoa. Rich, supple and balanced.

90 points (Decanter World Wine Awards)

Full-bodied & Smooth

641795 (D) 750 mL \$72.95 🍷



**Craggy Range TE MUNA
SAUVIGNON BLANC 2022**

Martinborough, North Island, New Zealand

Appealing, supple, fleshy texture to the mango, salted melon and white peach notes.

**93 points (MaryAnn Worobiec,
winespectator.com)**

Aromatic & Flavourful

466011 (XD) 750 mL \$33.95 🍷



EMMOLO NO. 7 SPARKLING

California, traditional method

An underlying honey note, characterful traditional-method-born brioche, and mouth-watering acidity add complexity.

Medium-bodied & Flavourful

15418 (XD) 750 mL \$49.95 🍷

FOR COMPLETE TASTING NOTES, SEE PAGES 36 TO 59.

**THE PURSUIT ON SEVEN
CHARDONNAY 2020** 🍷

VQA Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario

**95 points (Christopher Waters,
theglobeandmail.com)**

Full-bodied & Rich

21655 (XD) 750 mL \$48.00 ✎

🌿 **Organic product**

**MONTES SPARKLING ANGEL
BRUT SPARKLING**

DO Zapallar, Valle del Aconcagua, Chile,
traditional method

Medium-bodied & Flavourful

37122 (XD) 750 mL \$22.95 ✎

New at Vintages

CASTELNAU DE SUDUIRAUT 2017

AC Sauternes, Bordeaux, France,
second wine of Château Suduiraut

94 points (jamesuckling.com)

Aromatic & Flavourful

29694 (S) 375 mL \$30.95 ✎

**CHARTRON ET TRÉBUCHET
POUILLY-FUISSÉ 2022**

AP, Burgundy, France

Full-bodied & Rich

10489 (XD) 750 mL \$49.95 ✎

**DOMAINE DES MALANDES
VAU DE VEY CHABLIS 1^{ER} CRU 2022**

AC, Burgundy, France

**93 points (Andy Howard, MW,
decanter.com)**

Light & Crisp

70129 (XD) 750 mL \$69.95 ✎

🌿 **Organic product**

**RÉMI LEROY BLANC DE BLANCS
CHAMPAGNE 2015**

AC, France

**95 points (Treve Ring,
gismondionwine.com)**

Rich & Complex

42841 (XD) 750 mL \$129.95 ✎

**DOMAINE HATZIMICHALIS
KAPNIAS 2020***

PGI Atalanti Valley, Greece

Full-bodied & Firm

27181 (XD) 750 mL \$39.95 ✎

New at Vintages

**MARCHESI DI BAROLO
NIZZA VINEAREI BARBERA 2021**

DOCG, Piedmont, Italy

92 points (jamesuckling.com)

Full-bodied & Smooth

39128 (XD) 750 mL \$49.95 ✎

New at Vintages

**SOCRÉ RONCAGLIE RISERVA
BARBARESCO 2015**

DOCG, Piedmont, Italy

**94 points (Kerin O'Keefe,
Wine Enthusiast)**

Full-bodied & Firm

37529 (XD) 750 mL \$94.95 ✎

New at Vintages

**VARVAGLIONE 1921 RISERVA
PRIMITIVO DI MANDURIA 2013**

DOP, Puglia, Italy

Full-bodied & Smooth

37244 (D) 750 mL \$53.95 ✎

New at Vintages

**CAPRAIA RISERVA
CHIANTI CLASSICO 2018**

DOCG, Tuscany, Italy

**94 points (Bruce Sanderson,
winespectator.com)**

Full-bodied & Smooth

23374 (XD) 750 mL \$38.95 ✎

**CARPINETO GRAN SELEZIONE
CHIANTI CLASSICO 2020**

DOCG, Tuscany, Italy

**93 points (Audrey Frick,
jebdunnuck.com)**

Full-bodied & Firm

16727 (XD) 750 mL \$52.95 ✎

LA VITE LUCENTE 2022

IGT Toscana, Tuscany, Italy
(Luce della Vite)

93 points (jamesuckling.com)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

979062 (XD) 1500 mL \$94.95 ✎

POGGIO AL TESORO IL SEGGIO 2021

DOC Bolgheri Rosso, Tuscany, Italy

95 points (jamesuckling.com)

Full-bodied & Smooth

645515 (XD) 750 mL \$45.95 ✎

**LUCIANO ARDUINI RECIOTO DELLA
VALPOLICELLA CLASSICO 2021**

DOCG, Veneto, Italy

96 points (lucamaroni.com)

Lusciously Sweet

631341 (S) 500 mL \$50.95 ✎

New at Vintages

PALLISER ESTATE CHARDONNAY 2022

Martinborough, North Island, New Zealand

95 points (Sam Kim, wineorbit.co.nz)

Full-bodied & Rich

16029 (XD) 750 mL \$34.95 ✎

**ALVARO PALACIOS LES TERRASSES
LADERAS DE PIZZARA 2021**

DOCa Priorat, Spain

**94-96 points (Luis Gutiérrez,
robertparker.com)**

Full-bodied & Smooth

977843 (XD) 750 mL \$58.95 ✎

PERINET LIKKA 2018

DOQ Priorat, Spain

93 points (Miquel Hudin, hudin.com)

Full-bodied & Smooth

40536 (XD) 750 mL \$35.95 ✎

New at Vintages

**HACIENDA LÓPEZ DE HARO
RIOJA RESERVA BLANCO 2018**

DOCa Rioja, Spain, vegan

92 points (timatkin.com)

Aromatic & Flavourful

40433 (XD) 750 mL \$27.95 ✎

New at Vintages

**CAYMUS SPECIAL SELECTION
CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2019**

Napa Valley, California

**94 points (James Molesworth,
winespectator.com)**

Full-bodied & Firm

155366 (XD) 3000 mL \$919.95 ✎

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at release time.


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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.


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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.

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FORTIFIED WINE

MESSIAS 10-YEAR-OLD TAWNY PORT
DOP, Portugal

Aged for 10 years in wood before bottling, this rich Port is showing well, its spice and density balanced with dried fruits and an edge of tannins. It is ready to drink now. Score: **90** (Roger Voss, *Wine Enthusiast*, March 1, 2024)

Sweet
87205 (S) 750 mL \$29.95 



DESSERT WINE

LUCIANO ARDUINI RECIO TO DELLA VALPOLICELLA CLASSICO 2021

DOCG, Veneto, Italy

The Luciano Arduini Recioto della Valpolicella Classico 2021 shows dried fruit, spice and smoke. Chill and enjoy with bitter dark chocolate. This will drink through 2028+.

[Luca Maroni tasting note not available.] Score: **96** (lucamaroni.com, Nov. 7, 2022)

Lusciously Sweet
631341 (S) 500 mL \$50.95 

Online & Flagship Exclusive




ICEWINE

INNISKILLIN SPARKLING VIDAL ICEWINE 2022 

VQA Niagara Peninsula, Ontario, Charmat method

These energetic bubbles deserve respect for fighting through the wine's viscosity to help deliver rich apricot jam and peach sorbet aromas that are to die for. Peaches and apricots return on the palate, spotlighted by a nice amount of acidity. Break out the foie gras – this sparkling ice wine is ready to party. Editors' Choice. Score: **95** (Michael Alberty, *Wine Enthusiast*, July 1, 2024)

Lusciously Sweet
560367 (S) 375 mL \$89.95 

Featured in Local Talent



MAGNOTTA LIMITED EDITION CABERNET FRANC ICEWINE 2019 

VQA Niagara Peninsula, Ontario
 Bold nose of cranberries with balsamic cherry and plum notes. The palate is just as intense with black pepper and a creamy, luscious texture. An interesting example of the style. Score: **94** (International Wine & Spirit Competition, 2024)

Lusciously Sweet
 41733 (S) 375 mL \$49.95 

Featured in Local Talent



CHAMPAGNE

DEUTZ CLASSIC BRUT CHAMPAGNE
 AC, France

Medium golden yellow, silver reflections, lively fine mousse. Delicate orange zest, white apple, a hint of blossom honey, juicy, yellow apple fruit, subtle fruit sweetness, integrated acid structure, mineral, a full-bodied companion at the table. Score: **93** (Panel, falstaff.com, June 10, 2023)

Rich & Complex
 167486 (D) 750 mL \$82.95 

Featured in Joyful Gifts



STRATUS RIESLING ICEWINE 2023 

VQA Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario, sustainable, vegan
 The 2023 Riesling Icewine was harvested on January 14. It's bright, bold and balanced, with vibrant tangerine, passion fruit, honey and quince. Crafted in a food-friendly, approachable style that showcases the diversity of Icewine, it's a wine that will age. It will be great with blue cheese or pâté, but don't think twice about trying it with a spicy vegetarian chili.

Lusciously Sweet
 56671 (S) 200 mL \$44.95 

Featured in Local Talent



DUVAL-LEROY PRESTIGE BLANC DE BLANCS BRUT 1^{ER} CRU CHAMPAGNE 2008 

AC, France
 Plenty of brioche on the nose with some candied walnut, honey and baked apple. It's soft, ripe and mellow with medium to full body and laid-back bubbles. Gentle finish. Drink now. Score: **91** (jamesuckling.com, Aug. 6, 2024)

Rich & Complex
 39831 (XD) 750 mL \$107.95 

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WAYNE GRETZKY NO. 99 VIDAL ICEWINE 2023 

VQA Niagara Peninsula, Ontario
 Intense, focused and long, with plentiful ripe tropical kiwi and pineapple along with peach, orange and honey. Luscious and sweet, but with a pitch-perfect balance provided by the acidity.

[National Wine Awards of Canada did not include a tasting note.] Score: **90** (National Wine Awards of Canada, 2024)

Lusciously Sweet
 35414 (S) 200 mL \$54.95 

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RÉMI LEROY BLANC DE BLANCS CHAMPAGNE 2015
 AC, France

This is a rare 100 percent chardonnay from The Aube ... profound and pure, with deep chalk, lemon, green apple, chestnut, meringue across a gossamer, lifted palate. The sides feel like they were carved out of limestone, leading this to a saline, lingering finish. Still very fresh and alive. Very impressive. Score: **95** (Treve Ring, gismondionwine.com, Nov. 7, 2021)

Rich & Complex
 42841 (XD) 750 mL \$129.95 

Online & Flagship Exclusive

CHAMPAGNE CONT'D



VEUVE CLICQUOT BRUT ROSÉ CHAMPAGNE 2015

AC, France, in gift box

This graceful Champagne shows all the qualities of a modern classic. It features effortless balancing of patisserie notes with ample fruit, a fine perlage, a full mouthfeel, and a finish that could last for hours. Look for flavours of baked apple pie, fresh cream, sourdough bread, and orange peel, with a flinty minerality on the long finish.

Rich & Complex

588475 (XD) 750 mL \$133.95 ✂

Online & Flagship Exclusive

SPARKLING WINE



HENRY OF PELHAM CUVÉE CATHARINE CARTE BLANCHE ESTATE BLANC DE BLANCS 2017 🍁

VQA Short Hills Bench, Niagara Escarpment, Ontario, sustainable, traditional method

... easily among the best sparkling wines made in Ontario that I have tasted ... intriguing nose of lemon tart, brioche/autolytic notes, apple/quince fruit, poached pear, pie crust and showing a light golden colour in the glass. It's pure hedonistic pleasure on the palate with a soft(ish) but elegant bead, ripe stone fruits, baked bread/biscuit notes, lemon, fresh saline/flinty minerality, and mouth-watering acidity keeping it clean and fresh through a lifted finish. Such depth and verve. Wow, just beautiful! Score: **95+** (Rick VanSickle, winesin niagara.com, Dec. 5, 2023)

Medium-bodied & Flavourful

315200 (XD) 750 mL \$49.95 ✂

Featured in Joyful Gifts



MAGNOTTA VENTURE SERIES STARLIGHT SPARKLING RIESLING/VIDAL 🍁

VQA Ontario, Charmat method

[This is not the same lot number reviewed by Craig Pinhey, but it will reflect comparable character and quality.] Nice, although subtle, autolytic lees note, typical of Charmat method, along with citrus and a hint of apple. Medium mousse. Good balance and very clean. A nice, off-dry all purpose sparkler. Score: **89** (Craig Pinhey, winealign.com, July 20, 2019)

Light & Fruity

582098 (M) 750 mL \$29.95 ✂

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EMMOLO NO. 7 SPARKLING

California, traditional method

Sourced from Monterey and Santa Barbara, this bright, lively wine has well-defined apricot, pear, apple, orange citrus and mineral. An underlying honey note, characterful traditional-method-born brioche, and mouth-watering acidity add complexity. Serious but approachable, this sophisticated sparkler will be a sure hit at a holiday meal with all the trimmings.

Medium-bodied & Flavourful

15418 (XD) 750 mL \$49.95 ✂

Online & Flagship Exclusive



MONTES SPARKLING ANGEL BRUT SPARKLING

DO Zapallar, Valle del Aconcagua, Chile, traditional method

Made from Pinot Noir and Chardonnay grown just seven kilometres from the Pacific coast, this wine is crafted in the traditional method of Champagne and rested on the lees for 36 months before final bottling. Rich and sumptuous, it suggests biscuity brioche, berry tart, and orchard fruit.

Medium-bodied & Flavourful

37122 (XD) 750 mL \$22.95 ✂

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THORN-CLARKE PINOT NOIR/ CHARDONNAY BRUT SPARKLING

Eden Valley, South Australia

This is beautifully composed and elegantly fragrant on the nose with white flesh stone fruit, lemon zest, apple and jasmine aromas with a hint of oatmeal complexity. The palate delivers fine flow and rounded mouthfeel, well structured by bright acidity. Charming and highly enjoyable. Score: **93** (Sam Kim, wineorbit.co.nz, Nov. 2022)

Medium-bodied & Flavourful

37482 (D) 750 mL \$22.95 ✂





BRILLA! PROSECCO

DOC, Italy
(Botter)

[Though not the same bottling as reviewed, the quality and characteristics described will be consistent with this lot number and the drinking window for this bottling will extend through 2027.] The NV Prosecco Spumante Brilla! is savory in the glass, displaying fresh bergamot and citrus notes, followed by dusty dried flowers. It races across the palate with a chiseled bead of soothing bubbles and contrasts stimulating acidity against ripe orchard fruits. A pretty inner sweetness is left to linger, yet the endnote here is its remarkably fresh character. (Lot# 22/290). Drinking window: 2022-2025. Score: **90** (Eric Guido, vinous.com, Dec. 13, 2022)

Light & Fruity

13836 (D) 750 mL \$19.95 🍷



SANTA MARGHERITA RIVE DI REFRONTOLO VALDOBBIADENE PROSECCO SUPERIORE 2023

DOCG, Italy

Charming and easy-to-enjoy, this floral, fresh wine has ripe fruit and citrus notes. Buoyant and joyful, it's the perfect addition to your holiday entertaining. It has the breadth to serve as an aperitif or a lively palate-refresher during any meal.

Medium-bodied & Flavourful

40786 (XD) 750 mL \$29.95 🍷

NEW



CA' DEL BOSCO CUVÉE PRESTIGE EXTRA BRUT FRANCIACORTA

DOCG, Lombardy, Italy,

46th edition, traditional method

The NV Extra Brut Franciacorta Cuvée Prestige 46 Edizione, based on the 2021 vintage (about 75%), wafts up from the glass with a bouquet that mixes richness with an airy quality that lights up the senses. Exotic florals, tropical citrus and young peach resonate throughout. This is round and soothing with a creamy wave of soothing bubbles lifted by vibrant acidity. It tapers off sapid and long, leaving a candied lemon twang and inner floral perfumes that linger on. Drinking window: 2023-2027. Score: **92** (Eric Guido, vinous.com, Dec. 14, 2023)

Medium-bodied & Flavourful

105353 (XD) 750 mL \$46.95 🍷

Featured in *Enjoyful Gifts*



VILLA SANDI IL FRESCO MILLESIMATO BRUT ROSÉ PROSECCO 2023

DOC, Italy

This aromatic, fresh, floral wine has engaging notes of roses atop bold red fruit tones. It's sleek, with excellent balance and length. A fine wine for pairing with finger foods.

[Luca Maroni tasting note not available.] Score: **95** (lucamaroni.com, July 11, 2024)

Medium-bodied & Flavourful

23545 (D) 750 mL \$18.95 🍷

CANADA – WHITE WINE

ONTARIO

KING AND VICTORIA RIESLING 2019

VQA Twenty Mile Bench, Niagara Escarpment

Made from 15-year-old vines grown in the home vineyard on the Twenty Mile Bench, this Riesling is classic Bench with a fresh, saline nose of lemon-lime, green apple, pear, and nectarine. It's dry and fresh with stony minerality, some fleshy notes, citrus, ripe pear, subtle savoury notes, and a bright, lip-smacking-good finish. Can cellar 7+ years.

Score: **92** (Rick VanSickle, winesinnigara.com, Jan. 8, 2024)

Aromatic & Flavourful

42081 (XD) 750 mL \$25.00 🍷

NEW



SOUTHBROOK TRIOMPHE ORGANIC CHARDONNAY 2020

VQA Niagara Peninsula, vegan

Vegan-friendly and certified organic, this Chardonnay from a local leading light is likely to be welcomed by wine lovers of all stripes. Rich and robust, it showcases ripe apple, pear and peach fruit along with oak spice.

Full-bodied & Rich

172338 (XD) 750 mL \$26.95 🍷

🌿 Organic product

CANADA – WHITE WINE CONT'D

ONTARIO



THE PURSUIT ON SEVEN CHARDONNAY 2020 🍁

VQA Niagara-on-the-Lake

On Seven has quickly become one of the most exciting chardonnay producers in Canada ... This ripe and complex chardonnay offers mouth filling savoury and fruity flavours as part of richly textured and beautifully balanced wine ... Drink now to 2030. Score: **95** (Christopher Waters, theglobeandmail.com, Aug. 16, 2023)

Full-bodied & Rich

21655 (XD) 750 mL **\$48.00** 🍷

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🌿 **Organic product**



WESTCOTT ESTATE CHARDONNAY 2022 🍁

VQA Niagara Escarpment, sustainable

... Welcome to 2022 ... Cold snap in winter, vine damage and a 60-plus percent loss of buds (on chardonnay). Great quality nonetheless, a new or different estate mix to result in a more linear, tight, bright and for Westcott, extreme iteration. Yet this arrives brilliantly, very young, not itinerantly fruity, but sharp and hyper real. Drink 2025-2029.

Tasted at i4C, July 2024. Score: **92** (Michael Godel, winealign.com)

Full-bodied & Rich

424507 (XD) 750 mL **\$29.95** 🍷

CANADA – RED WINE

ONTARIO

BACHELDER HANCK VINEYARD PINOT NOIR 2021 🍁

NEW

VQA Twenty Mile Bench, Niagara Escarpment

... pronounced scorched-earth-like stony-mineral character alongside a mix of red and black fruit, ferrous and sanguine ... deceptively dense and glycerous, a genuine and concentrated mouthful ... while it doesn't have the structure of most from the 2020 vintage, this should provide a great deal of pleasure into the early '30s, longer than many from 2021 – structure is impressive. Arguably the most distinctive pinot in the 2021 Bachelder single vineyard range. Tasted December 2023. Score: **95** (John Szabo, MS, winealign.com)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

41732 (XD) 750 mL **\$55.00** 🍷

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COLIO 50 ROWS VINEYARD RESERVE CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2020 🍁

NEW

VQA Niagara Lakeshore

Fleshy and full-bodied with notable warmth, this concentrated cabernet sauvignon from a top vintage in the region delivers a great deal of flavour and persistence for the price. Features great typicity with gentle herbal notes and a touch of juniper on the black-fruited flavour profile dominated by briary cassis. Good clean winemaking showcases a sense of place and vintage particularities. Good length. Tasted June 2023. Score: **91** (Sara d'Amato, winealign.com)

Full-bodied & Smooth

41783 (XD) 750 mL **\$19.95** 🍷



LE CLOS JORDANNE LE GRAND CLOS PINOT NOIR 2020 🍁

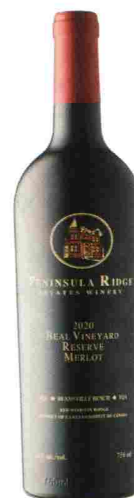
VQA Twenty Mile Bench, Niagara Escarpment

Now coming around the first curve, gathering speed but also accumulating terroir. In an earthy moment at this stage, fruit somewhat secondary to the umami elements of the wine. A bit dumb it would seem so put them away and come back in the Spring. Last tasted November 2023. Gold Medal winner at the 2023 National Wine Awards of Canada. Score: **93** (Michael Godel, winealign.com)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

184564 (XD) 750 mL **\$52.00** 🍷

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PENINSULA RIDGE BEAL VINEYARD RESERVE MERLOT 2020 🍁

VQA Beamsville Bench, Niagara Escarpment

Aged for 18 months in American oak, this single-vineyard Merlot serves up ripe cherry, blackberry, cedar and spice, with wisps of chocolate and vanilla. Lovely intensity, texture and length. A great choice for beef tenderloin in a rosemary-and-red-wine reduction.

Medium-bodied & Fruity

257311 (XD) 750 mL **\$21.95** 🍷



STRATUS RED 2021 🍁

VQA Niagara-on-the-Lake, sustainable, vegan
This bold, Cabernet Franc-led red blend is a stunning declaration of top-tier local winemaking from the legendary J-L Groux. It spent 18 months in French oak, lending shades of vanilla to the black raspberry fruit and chalky, toothsome minerality.

Medium-bodied & Fruity
312058 (XD) 750 mL \$55.20 🍷



SUBMISSION CHARDONNAY 2021

California (689 Cellars)
This wine calls to quintessential buttery Chardonnay lovers, offering ripe apple, juicy pear, crème brûlée and just the right amount of oak. Best Buy. Score: **90** (Tonya Pitts, *Wine Enthusiast*, April 1, 2024)

Full-bodied & Rich
14973 (XD) 750 mL \$20.95 🍷

USA – WHITE WINE

CALIFORNIA

BERINGER PRIVATE RESERVE CHARDONNAY 2022

Napa Valley
Golden apple, yellow plums, and a touch of banana peel followed by chamomile tea leaves, hawthorn, browned toast and seductive sweet baking spices. Medium- to full-bodied and creamy textured with soft acidity that beautifully balances out the wine. Very precisely framed with underlying herb and mineral layers. Aged for 11 months in 60% new French oak. Predominantly from the vineyards in Oakville. Drink or hold. Score: **96** (jamesuckling.com, Dec. 5, 2023)

Full-bodied & Rich
26682 (XD) 750 mL \$79.95 🍷



USA – RED WINE

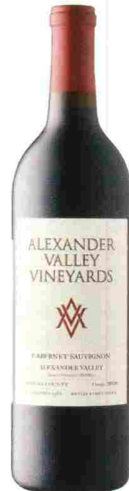
CALIFORNIA

ALEXANDER VALLEY CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2020



Alexander Valley, Sonoma County, sustainable
Building on the house style, Winemaker Kevin Hall has done it again. 95% cab is layered with touches of merlot, while hints of cab franc, malbec and petit verdot add fruit notes and seamless complexity. The '94 still had remnants of fruit and showed great structure – patience was rewarded here. The 2020 has beautiful dark fruit notes, firm tannins and a rich, elegant finish. Score: **97** (Kyle Swartz, beverage dynamics.com, Jan. 2, 2023)

Full-bodied & Smooth
38035 (XD) 750 mL \$38.95 🍷



JOEL GOTT SAUVIGNON BLANC 2022

California
Aromatic, juicy and fragrant, with key lime pie, tangerine, lime sherbet, fresh-cut green apple and fresh-grated ginger all singing on a mouthwatering frame. Long, expressive finish. Drink now. Best Values. Ranked #31 in *Wine Spectator's* Top 100 Wines of 2023. Score: **91** (MaryAnn Worobiec, winespectator.com, Oct. 15, 2023)

Aromatic & Flavourful
191593 (XD) 750 mL \$21.95 🍷



BONANZA LOT 6 CABERNET SAUVIGNON

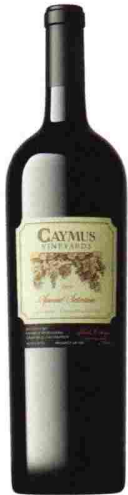
California
This is the bonanza size (1500 ml) of Bonanza Lot 6 Cabernet, a dry, full-bodied California Cab with dark fruit, toasty oak spice flavours plushy on the palate. One for a late-summer barbecue party. Drink: [Now]-2025. Score: **90** (nataliemaclean.com, Jan. 20, 2024)

Medium-bodied & Fruity
20318 (D) 1500 mL \$51.95 🍷



USA – RED WINE CONT'D

CALIFORNIA



**CAYMUS SPECIAL SELECTION
CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2019**

Napa Valley

Flashy, with boysenberry and mulberry pâte de fruit notes that roll through, throwing off licorice snap and açai berry notes as well. Ends with a high-gloss toasty finish, but the fruit pushes through easily as apple wood and mint notes add range. For fans of the bold style. Drink now through 2040. Score: **94** (James Molesworth, *winespectator.com*, July 3, 2024)

Full-bodied & Firm
155366 (XD) 3000 mL **\$919.95** 🗡️

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**CLAY SHANNON
PINOT NOIR 2020**

Long Valley Ranch, Lake County
(Shannon Ridge)

Full of red cherry, red currant and orange tea flavors, this multidimensional, full-bodied wine is a standout. It layers subtle cinnamon, clove and vanilla accents among the lively, ripe fruit flavors while good acidity and light tannins provide great balance. Score: **92** (Jim Gordon, *Wine Enthusiast*, Sept. 1, 2022)

Medium-bodied & Fruity
38040 (XD) 750 mL **\$29.95** 🗡️



**DUCKHORN NAPA VALLEY
CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2021**

Napa Valley

94% Cabernet Sauvignon, 5% Merlot, and 1% Cabernet Franc aged 16 months in 50% new French oak. Both estate and purchased grapes. A bright, juicy, and lifted wine with succulent blueberry and black cherry fruits, black currants, clove, graphite, and new wood cedar. Medium to full-bodied with supple tannins. A burst of refreshing acidity through the finish makes for an excellent dinner table Cabernet from this iconic producer. Drinking window: 2024-2034. Score: **93** (Jonathan Cristaldi, *decanter.com*, May 12, 2024)

Full-bodied & Firm
24190 (XD) 750 mL **\$89.95** 🗡️



**EFFORT EDNA VALLEY
PINOT NOIR 2020**

Edna Valley, Central Coast,
estate grown
(Center of Effort)

Fruit for this wine is grown in cooler sites in Edna Valley and the wine itself is matured in French oak. It offers tangy cherry and cranberry with notes of rosehip, marjoram and cardamom.

[Los Angeles International Wine Competition did not include a tasting note.] Score: **96** (Los Angeles International Wine Competition, 2023)

Medium-bodied & Fruity
38052 (XD) 750 mL **\$41.95** 🗡️



DECOY ZINFANDEL 2022

California
(Duckhorn Portfolio)

Duckhorn is one of the biggest names in California wine. This is always a rich, generous Zinfandel brimming with juicy pomegranate, wild blueberry, cherry, and blackberry jam. Fits the bill with ribs or steak.

Full-bodied & Smooth
327502 (D) 750 mL **\$37.95** 🗡️

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FAUST CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2021

Napa Valley

Inviting aromas of ripe blackcurrants and blackberries as well as crushed walnuts, cedar and bark. Full-bodied, creamy and structured with firm, polished tannins. Balanced and even with a lingering finish. Better after 2026. Score: **95** (*jamesuckling.com*, Dec. 5, 2023)

Full-bodied & Firm
238261 (XD) 750 mL **\$74.95** 🗡️



GRGICH HILLS ESTATE GROWN CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2019

Napa Valley

Black cherries, black olives, currants and a touch of black pepper come with firm tannins and a hearty, grippy mouthfeel in this full-bodied, classically styled wine. The wine has a heritage aura, like a great Cabernet from the 1980s, and will no doubt age well through at least 2033. Cellar Selection. Score: **94** (Jim Gordon, *Wine Enthusiast*, Sept. 1, 2023)

Full-bodied & Firm

71407 (XD) 750 mL \$116.95 ✂

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Organic product



THE BIG RED MONSTER CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Paso Robles

This widely available bottling, which includes small amounts of Petite Sirah and Petit Verdot, is sure to please anyone seeking a powerful red wine. Clean lines of black currant, crushed slate, light cocoa, char and oregano hit the nose, while the palate amplifies that herbal edge, with rich milk-chocolate and black-fruit flavors. A solid grip adds to the complexity. Editors' Choice. Score: **90** (Matt Kettman, *Wine Enthusiast*, Oct. 1, 2021)

Full-bodied & Smooth

38031 (XD) 750 mL \$23.95 ✂



J. LOHR SOUTH RIDGE SYRAH 2022

Paso Robles, sustainable

A rich nose with plums, dark cherries, ground cloves, licorice and cocoa. Some cedary notes. Full-bodied, layered and creamy, with delicious purple fruit character and a supple finish. Drink or hold. Score: **92** (jamessuckling.com, March 6, 2024)

Full-bodied & Smooth

948240 (XD) 750 mL \$24.95 ✂



THREE FINGER JACK EAST SIDE RIDGE CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2021

Lodi

Find initial aromas of blackberry, blueberry jam and allspice. Other notes waft through: boysenberry confiture, baked black plum, cardamom and dark chocolate. Layers of dried bay leaf, vanilla cream and dark fruit bring together silky tannins with a dry finish. Pair with BBQ pulled pork. Best Buy. Score: **90** (Tonya Pitts, *Wine Enthusiast*, May 1, 2024)

Full-bodied & Smooth

135624 (XD) 750 mL \$22.95 ✂



ST. FRANCIS SONOMA COUNTY CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2021*

Sonoma County

A good, solid-quality wine with plenty of ripe fruit flavors, a full body and medium tannins. Elements of sweet oak like cinnamon, cedar and vanilla bean top off good red and black cherry notes. Drink now. Score: **89** (jamessuckling.com, Sept. 6, 2024)

Full-bodied & Smooth

38285 (XD) 375 mL \$23.95 ✂



OREGON

KINGS RIDGE PINOT NOIR 2022

Willamette Valley

(Union Wine Company)

Oregon is a home away from home for Pinot Noir, earning consistent comparisons to Burgundy. This wine is quite ripe, with impressive, deftly articulated red fruit with herbal inflections. It's long and vibrant, with a soft, caressing finish. Pair with braised or roasted meats, or stews featuring root vegetables.

Medium-bodied & Fruity

237776 (XD) 750 mL \$29.95 ✂

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THE NEW RELEASE COLLECTION

USA – RED WINE CONT'D

OREGON

SOKOL BLOSSER ESTATE PINOT NOIR 2021

Dundee Hills, Willamette Valley
Red fruit character and truffles on the nose. An earthy palate of red cherries and raspberries punctuates this medium-bodied wine, with fine tannins leading to a tangy finish. Drink or hold. Score: **93** (jamesuckling.com, April 15, 2024)

Medium-bodied & Fruity
748434 (XD) 750 mL **\$49.95** ✎

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WASHINGTON

CHASING RAIN CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2020

Red Mountain, Columbia Valley (Aquilini) NEW
Dark raspberries, lavender, dry straw and cedar frolic on the nose, while black cherry, earthy oregano and brown sugar flavors do the heavy lifting. This is a medium-bodied affair where the wine's soft acidity and creamy texture makes a second glass easy to pour. Score: **91** (Michael Alberty, *Wine Enthusiast*, Sept. 1, 2023)

Full-bodied & Smooth
39139 (XD) 750 mL **\$29.95** ✎

ARGENTINA – RED WINE

CLOS DE LOS SIETE 2020

Valle de Uco, Mendoza (Michel Rolland)
A pretty profound nose with hints of mineral, wild herbs, violets and asphalt on top of the currants and blackberries. A twist of herbs and cocoa powder. Medium- to full-bodied with a supple, round mid-palate and a juicy, sleek finish. Tannins are soft and really polished. Pleasing, but pretty dry. Nothing sweet here. Beautiful balance. 55% malbec, 16% merlot, 15% cabernet sauvignon, 9% syrah, 3% petit verdot and 2% cabernet franc. Drink or hold. Score: **94** (Zekun Shuai, jamesuckling.com, Jan. 8, 2024)

Medium-bodied & Fruity
622571 (XD) 750 mL **\$26.95** ✎

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FABRE MONTMAYOU RESERVA MALBEC 2022

Mendoza, vegan
Blue fruit like plums and blueberries on the nose, plus mocha and violets. It's full-bodied, fleshy and concentrated, with berry-soaked tannins and a firm, compact finish. Better from 2025. Score: **92** (jamesuckling.com, May 1, 2024)

Full-bodied & Firm
261867 (XD) 750 mL **\$19.95** ✎



LOS CLOP RESERVA MALBEC 2017

Agrelo, Luján de Cuyo, Mendoza
This is a complex, intense red with aromas of ripe blackberries, blueberries, violets and licorice. Outstanding balance of ripe yet polished tannins and healthy acidity. Full-bodied, tight and muscular, but already showing beautiful drinkability. Drink or hold. Score: **94** (jamesuckling.com, Dec. 4, 2020)

Full-bodied & Smooth
186650 (D) 750 mL **\$19.95** ✎
Featured as our *Wine of the Month*



MONTEVIEJO FESTIVO MALBEC 2022

Valle de Uco, Mendoza, sustainable NEW
A fruity and juicy malbec with plenty of red cherries, strawberries, plums and herbs on the nose. The round, fresh and supple palate delivers a subtle saline touch to the fruit. Tannins are soft but present. Fruity finish. Drink now. Score: **92** (Zekun Shuai, jamesuckling.com, March 27, 2023)

Medium-bodied & Fruity
38501 (XD) 750 mL **\$18.95** ✎





**TRAPICHE MEDALLA
CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2021***
Mendoza

A well-balanced cabernet sauvignon with lovely tension on the palate. Plenty of chalky tannins that are nicely integrated with the savory, spiced red and blue fruit. Hints of tobacco and mineral, too. Pretty long and layered. A fresh, outstanding wine. Score: **93** (jamesuckling.com, March 27, 2023)

Full-bodied & Firm
568865 (XD) 750 mL **\$23.95** 🍷



LOMA LARGA QUINTETO 2020
DO Valle de Casablanca

An unusual, cool climate Casablanca Valley blend of Cabernet Franc with 55% Syrah, Malbec, Merlot and Pinot Noir, this benefited from the warmer conditions in 2020. Fresh and well balanced, with notes of mint and green herbs, fine tannins, tangy acidity and flavours of plum, damson and red cherry. Drink date: 2023-2028. Score: **91** (timatkin.com, *Chile Special Report 2021*)

Full-bodied & Smooth
546721 (XD) 750 mL **\$19.95** 🍷



CHILE – RED WINE

ARBOLEDA CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2022
DO Valle del Aconcagua, sustainable (Eduardo Chadwick)

Dark cherries, minty blackberries and touches of chocolate and tobacco. Fresh and crunchy on the palate with a medium body and fine-grained tannins. Pretty long and al dente. Drink or hold. Score: **92** (Zekun Shuai, jamesuckling.com, March 21, 2024)

Medium-bodied & Fruity
606764 (XD) 750 mL **\$17.95** 🍷



AUSTRALIA – RED WINE

CHATEAU TANUNDA GRAND BAROSSA SHIRAZ 2022

Barossa, South Australia

It's immediately appealing on the nose, showing blackberry, toasty oak, star anise and subtle vanilla aromas, leading to a generously flavoursome palate offering juicy fruit intensity with silky texture. Beautifully rounded and richly expressed. At its best: [Now till] 2034. Score: **93** (Sam Kim, wineorbit.co.nz, May 2024)

Full-bodied & Smooth
20884 (XD) 750 mL **\$22.95** 🍷



FALERNIA PEDRISCAL SINGLE VINEYARD CARMENÈRE RESERVA 2020

Valle del Elqui

Savoury, steak richness, chocolate, crunchy plum, smooth, layered, herbal touch. Well integrated and long. Score: **93** (International Wine Challenge, 2023)

Full-bodied & Smooth
37793 (XD) 750 mL **\$22.95** 🍷

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FARM TO TABLE CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2020

Victoria, Australia, sustainable (Fowles)

A drink-now style that's aging fairly quickly, aromas of cherry cordial and pencil lead, with a cocktail bitters-like herbal nuance, commence. It's medium to full bodied, with succulent red fruit that lends brightness, alongside the freshening acidity.

Tannins support rather than overwhelm. Score: **90** (Christina Pickard, *Wine Enthusiast*, Nov. 1, 2024)

Full-bodied & Smooth
39835 (XD) 750 mL **\$19.95** 🍷

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AUSTRALIA – RED WINE CONT'D



**HEWITSON MADAME M
CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2021**

Barossa Valley

Made from 100% Cabernet Sauvignon grown on vines more than 40 years old, this wine spent 11 months in French oak and combines elegance and power. It's lush and layered, with classic cassis, dark chocolate and forest notes.

Full-bodied & Smooth

39733 (XD) 750 mL \$24.95

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NEW

**QUARISA MRS Q McLAREN VALE
SHIRAZ 2021**

McLaren Vale, South Australia

McLaren Vale is known for producing a big, bold, rich, ripe style of Shiraz. This one offers chocolaty notes alongside suggestions of blackberry jam and cherry pie.

[China Wine & Spirits Awards did not include a tasting note.] Score: **Gold** (China Wine & Spirits Awards, 2023)

Full-bodied & Smooth

12909 (XD) 750 mL \$19.95



JOHNNY Q CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2020

South Australia
(Quarisa)

Winemaker John Quarisa spent 24 years making big-brand wines before creating his own label. This Cabernet offers good quality, with impressively articulated dark fruit and cassis and a vanilla underbelly. A nice option for lamb burgers.

[New World Wine Awards did not include a tasting note.] Score: **95** (New World Wine Awards, 2023)

Full-bodied & Firm

530121 (XD) 750 mL \$18.95

**TORBRECK WOODCUTTER'S
SHIRAZ 2022**

Barossa Valley, South Australia

There's oodles of black currant and blackberry fruit here to start. It's spice flecked with a touch of chocolaty oak and a warm earthy, mineral core. The palate is equally lifted and sculpted, with beautiful line of acidity and taut, herb and spiced tannins. Drink now-2034. Score: **93** (Christina Pickard, *Wine Enthusiast*, July 1, 2024)

Full-bodied & Smooth

927533 (XD) 750 mL \$29.95

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**MITOLO JESTER
CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2020**

McLaren Vale, South Australia

Splendidly fruited and fragrant with blackcurrant, thyme, clove and roasted nut aromas on the nose, it's succulent and supple in the mouth offering fine flow backed by chalky tannins. Structured and harmonious with a sustained robust finish. At its best: now to 2030. Score: **93** (Sam Kim, *wineorbit.co.nz*, Jan. 2024)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

43224 (XD) 750 mL \$21.95

NEW ZEALAND – WHITE WINE

ALLAN SCOTT PINOT GRIS 2023

Marlborough, South Island, sustainable, vegan

If Sauvignon Blanc is the ultra-popular superstar in the world of New Zealand white wines, Pinot Gris is the plucky rebel with the passionate niche fan base. This wine gets some skin contact to ramp up the luscious apple, pear and honeysuckle notes. Pair with pan-fried fish, hard cheeses, or an avocado salad featuring peaches and pecans.

Aromatic & Flavourful

12683 (D) 750 mL \$21.95





Craggy Range Te Muna Sauvignon Blanc 2022
Martinborough, North Island

This has an appealing supple, fleshy texture to the mango, salted melon and white peach notes, with a hint of litsea oil and feijoa fruit. Finishes with a touch of dried sage and fresh acidity. Drink now. Score: **93** (MaryAnn Worobiec, winespectator.com, May 31, 2023)

Aromatic & Flavourful
466011 (XD) 750 mL \$33.95 🍷

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Palliser Estate Chardonnay 2022
Martinborough, North Island

This is gorgeously styled and expressed on the nose with ripe stone fruit, lemon peel, nougat and hazelnut aromas with a hint of oatmeal nuance. The concentrated palate displays terrific fruit power with splendid complexity, leading to a persistent, delectable finish. Wonderfully composed with richly textured mouthfeel, making it hugely appealing. At its best: now to 2030. Score: **95** (Sam Kim, wineorbit.co.nz, Aug. 2023)

Full-bodied & Rich
16029 (XD) 750 mL \$34.95 🍷

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Loveblock Sauvignon Blanc 2022

Marlborough, South Island, sustainable
A complex and layered bouquet with scents of place and style. Aromas of myriad white fleshed fruits and wild flower, suggestions of forest flower then crumbled stone mineral mixed with fine lees flavours adds complexity and breadth. Finely textured on the palate with a chalky acid line then river stone mineral before the flavours of fresh tree fruits and citrus take command. Plenty of acidity adds crunch and texture, a well made wine that delivers of style, texture and finish. Some classic attributes of tropical fruits and herbs also show. Best drinking from 2023 through 2027+. Excellent. Score: **94** (Cameron Douglas, MS, camdouglasms.com, Sept. 8, 2023)

Aromatic & Flavourful
22851 (XD) 750 mL \$27.95 🍷

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Villa Maria Wairau Valley Reserve Sauvignon Blanc 2023

Marlborough, South Island, sustainable
Offering gorgeous fruit richness and intensity, the immediately appealing bouquet shows passion-fruit, mango, crunchy apple and lemon/lime zest aromas. The concentrated palate displays succulent fruit flavours with beautifully pitched acidity, making it wonderfully flavoursome and highly enjoyable. At its best: now to 2030. Score: **95** (Sam Kim, wineorbit.co.nz, March 2024)

Aromatic & Flavourful
536201 (XD) 750 mL \$19.95 🍷

NEW ZEALAND – RED WINE



Paddy Borthwick Sauvignon Blanc 2023

Wairarapa, North Island
Beautifully fruited and inviting, the bouquet shows golden kiwifruit, rockmelon, lime zest and sweet basil aromas, followed by a succulent palate displaying excellent vibrancy and intensity. Immediately appealing and highly enjoyable. At its best: now to 2027. Score: **93** (Sam Kim, wineorbit.co.nz, July 2023)

Aromatic & Flavourful
361220 (XD) 750 mL \$20.95 🍷



Rapaura Springs Reserve Pinot Noir 2020

Central Otago, South Island, sustainable
This is a classic Otago Pinot bouquet filled with scents of freshly crushed dark cherries, then plums and a touch of black currant. A mineral and dried herb quality add depth and complexity to a youthful and ripe aroma package. Dry, fresh, fruity and varietal with flavours that mirror the bouquet alongside finer tannins, low wood impact with a medium+ acid line. Classic, balanced, refreshing, varietal, and well made. Great value with best drinking from 2023 through 2028. Premium. Score: **92** (Cameron Douglas, MS, camdouglasms.com, July 6, 2023)

Medium-bodied & Fruity
32407 (XD) 750 mL \$27.95 🍷

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FRANCE – RED WINE CONT'D

RHÔNE

DOMAINE DES SÉNÉCHAUX
CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE 2020

AC
(Famille J.M. Cazes)

... terrific notes of sweet red fruits, herbes de Provence, sweet spice, and garrigue, it hits the palate with medium to full-bodied richness, a light, elegant mouthfeel, soft tannins, and a great finish. It's not massive or powerful, but it's beautifully balanced, elegant, and nuanced ... 54% Grenache, 25% Syrah, and the rest Mourvedre ... Maturity: 2022-2034. Score: **94** (jebdunnuck.com, Nov. 11, 2022)

Full-bodied & Smooth
677922 (XD) 750 mL **\$59.95** ✎

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XAVIER VIGNON CÔTES DU RHÔNE 2020
AP

Aromas of berries, Mediterranean herbs, licorice and smoke. Medium- to full-bodied with silky tannins. Poised and juicy with a vivid finish. Better in a year or two. [Drink through 2027.] Score: **91** (jamesuckling.com, May 22, 2023)

Medium-bodied & Fruity
297317 (XD) 750 mL **\$18.95** ✎

ROUSSILLON

BASTIDE MIRAFLORES SYRAH/VIEILLES
VIGNES GRENACHE 2021

AP Côtes du Roussillon

Rich cherries with some dried flowers, grilled spice, herbs, dark earth and black walnuts. Supple and round on the palate with a medium to full body, wrapped by caressing tannins. Grenache and syrah. Drink now [or hold until 2027]. Score: **91** (Zekun Shuai, jamesuckling.com, Aug. 23, 2023)

Full-bodied & Smooth
320499 (XD) 750 mL **\$19.95** ✎

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FAMILLE PERRIN LES CHRISTINS
VACQUEYRAS 2021

AC

A refined nose of currants, dried herbs and black pepper with some game, too. Full body with fine tannins. Textural and ample with a delicious core of wild berries and herbs dominating the mid-palate and a precise finish developing nicely. Drink or hold. Score: **93** (jamesuckling.com, Dec. 5, 2023)

Full-bodied & Smooth
973453 (XD) 750 mL **\$25.95** ✎

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LA CAVE D'AUGUSTIN
FLORENT GIGONDAS 2022

AP

Situated a stone's throw from neighbouring Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Gigondas is a go-to region for shrewd wine lovers with a taste for the Southern Rhône. Elegant and velvety, this beautifully smooth wine suggests fresh berries, dark chocolate, cinnamon, herbs and licorice.

Full-bodied & Smooth
38649 (XD) 750 mL **\$36.95** ✎

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NEW



GERMANY – WHITE WINE

MOSEL

STUDERT-PRÜM MAXIMINHOF
WEHLENER SONNENUHR RIESLING
SPÄTLESE 2023

Prädikatswein

The Studert-Prüm family have been making wines in Wehlen for 12 generations and are a staple of the Mosel. This elegant, sophisticated Riesling comes from the steep, rocky blue slate of the Wehlener Sonnenuhr Vineyard. Roughly 80% of the vines are planted on original rootstock, and the wine is produced using natural yeasts. This exceptionally age-worthy wine will provide a classic refinement and vibrancy, with superb fruit and mineral intonations.

Aromatic & Flavourful
114777 (S) 750 mL **\$31.95** ✎

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GREECE – WHITE WINE

PAPAGIANNAKOS ASSYRTIKO 2022*
PGI Attica, vegan

The 2022 Assyrtiko is unoaked and comes in at 13.4% alcohol. A solid Assyrtiko, this is reasonably expressive, well structured and long on the finish. The tension on the finish lifts the fruit and it tastes great. There might be a reductive hint, but overall, this is in fine form. It should hold throughout the decade, more or less. It will be interesting to see if it can also improve over a few years. Many won't care. It drinks great today, and they aren't likely to have much left. Drink date: 2023-2030. Score: **90** (Mark Squires, robertparker.com, June 22, 2023)

Aromatic & Flavourful
33260 (XD) 750 mL **\$26.95** ✂

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GREECE – RED WINE

COSTA LAZARIDI AMETHYSTOS RED 2021*
PGI Drama

(Michel Rolland, consultant)
A blend of 70% Cabernet Sauvignon, 20% Merlot and 10% Agiorgitiko, this wine has complex, layered cherry, plum, spice and smoke. Tannic with a vibrant acidity, it has the structure for chargrilled beef or mutton skewers with bell peppers, mushrooms, garlic and herbs.

[The Berliner Wein Trophy did not include a tasting note.] Score: **Gold** (Berliner Wein Trophy, 2024)

Full-bodied & Firm
724831 (XD) 750 mL **\$29.95** ✂

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DOMAINE HATZIMICHALIS KAPNIAS 2020*
PGI Atalanti Valley

This 100% Cabernet Sauvignon was sourced from select parcels of the Zygos Vineyard from vines averaging 35 years old. Aged in French oak for 24 months, it's elegant and complex, with ripe dark fruit, blackberry, cassis, cedar, vanilla and smoke. It has the structure and character to cellar through to the end of the decade.

Full-bodied & Firm
27181 (XD) 750 mL **\$39.95** ✂

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TSIMBIDI LA-LU-DI AGIORGITIKO 2022

PGI Peloponnese (Monemvasia)

Lifted aromatics followed by a rich, bold palate, with plentiful black and red fruit and delicate spice tones. A perfect companion for pizza or hearty veggie stews.

Full-bodied & Smooth
40445 (XD) 750 mL **\$21.95** ✂

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HUNGARY – WHITE WINE

ROYAL TOKAJI RED LABEL 5 PUTTONYOS TOKAJI ASZÚ 2017

Tokaj

A waft of beeswax on the nose transitions on the palate to a pure and lovely beam of poached apricot fruit, accented by dried raspberry, candied ginger, hazelnut biscotti and honeysuckle notes. Fine and creamy on the palate, with a long, lightly mouthwatering finish. Drink now through 2030.

Score: **93** (Alison Napjus, winespectator.com, Sept. 2, 2021)

Full-bodied & Rich
959031 (S) 500 mL **\$69.95** ✂

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TOKAJ-HÉTSZOLO 5 PUTTONYOS TOKAJI ASZÚ 2010

Tokaj

100% Furmint. On the nose it shows notes of quince, honey, caramel apples, cinnamon and marmalade. Lovely rich fruit, sweet but unbelievable freshness. [This has the potential to cellar for another 15+ years.] Score: **93** (Decanter World Wine Awards, 2020)

Aromatic & Flavourful
282376 (S) 500 mL **\$72.95** ✂

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

ITALY – WHITE WINE

ABRUZZO

ZACCAGNINI TRALCETTO
PINOT GRIGIO 2023

IGT Terre di Chieti

This wine is everything you want in a Pinot Grigio. It's balanced and fresh, with apple, pear, and mouth-watering acidity. There's a delectable touch of fresh herbs that adds just a smidgen of complexity. Enjoy this as a sipping wine or with charcuterie or fish.

Light & Crisp

527622 (XD) 750 mL \$17.95 🍷



ALTO ADIGE-TRENTINO

SANTA MARGHERITA
PINOT GRIGIO 2023

DOC Valdadige

This is the magnum size of our immensely popular Essentials product (106450). It's refreshing, bright and food-friendly, with peach, apple, lemon, and a touch of minerality. The large format makes this well-made, uncomplicated, always satisfying white a perfect fit for any family holiday meal.

Light & Crisp

41091 (XD) 1500 mL \$44.95 🍷



FRIULI

PIGHIN PINOT GRIGIO 2022

DOC Friuli Grave

Pale platinum. Discreet aromatics, more stony than fruity. Rich and plump up front, supported by sharp acids, framing white-fleshed fruit and citrus. Noted varietal bitterness to freshen the finish. Solid stuff. Tasted July 2023. Score: **89** (John Szabo, MS, winealign.com)

Aromatic & Flavourful

987545 (XD) 750 mL \$19.95 🍷



ITALY – RED WINE

ABRUZZO

TERRA D'ALIGI TATONE
MONTEPULCIANO D'ABRUZZO 2021

DOC
Like an adoring "tatone" (grandfather), this wine is warm and inviting, ageing beautifully while showing a touch of youthful exuberance. Expect notes of dark blue fruit, cocoa, and coffee beans, with hints of black licorice on the finish.

[Luca Maroni tasting note not available.] Score: **94** (lucamaroni.com, 2023)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

994616 (XD) 750 mL \$17.95 🍷



LAZIO

CASALE DEL GIGLIO CESANESE 2021

IGT Lazio Rosso
100% Cesanese. Intense nose with blueberries and blackberries, nice purity of flavour on the elegant palate. Has structure and a long finish. Score: **94** (Decanter World Wine Awards, 2023)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

498188 (XD) 750 mL \$19.95 🍷



PIEDMONT

CASCINA CHICCO ROCHE DI
CASTELLETTO BAROLO 2019

DOCG
This supple, elegant Barolo is highlighted by rose, cherry, strawberry, licorice and underbrush aromas and flavors, but don't be fooled – there's also plenty of structure, in the form of lightly chewy tannins that rule the finish. Showing two sides today, this needs time to integrate. Best from 2027 through 2046. Highly Recommended. Score: **94** (Bruce Sanderson, winespectator.com, Dec. 31, 2023)

Full-bodied & Firm

17697 (XD) 750 mL \$54.95 🍷

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DEZZANI OTTO BUCCE 2021
 DOC Piedmont Rosso, vegan
 "Otto bucce" refers to the "8 skins" of the grapes blended together to produce this wine: Dolcetto, Barbera, Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon, Bonarda, Albarossa, Freisa and Syrah. Structured, round and intense with red fruit, spice and vanilla notes, this wine will drink well through 2028+.

[Luca Maroni tasting note not available.] Score: **94**
 (lucamaroni.com, March 4, 2024)

Medium-bodied & Fruity
 36562 (D) 750 mL \$19.95



SOCRÉ RONCAGLIE
RISERVA BARBARESCO 2015
 DOCG

Crushed rose petal, graphite, wild herb and forest berry aromas emerge from the glass along with a whiff of eucalyptus. Full bodied and rather austere, the palate shows both concentration and finesse, offering dried cherry, blood orange, star anise and tobacco alongside assertive, close-grained tannins that leave a drying close. Drink 2021-2027.

Score: **94** (Kerin O'Keefe, *Wine Enthusiast*, Oct. 1, 2020)

Full-bodied & Firm
 37529 (XD) 750 mL \$94.95

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MARCHESI DI BAROLO NIZZA
VINEAREI BARBERA 2021
 DOCG



Notes of ripe blackberries and brambles with dark chocolate, licorice and walnut undertones. Full and creamy with succulence and depth to the fruit and a compact tannin structure. Refined and lingering. Drink or hold. Score: **92** (jamesuckling.com, Aug. 7, 2023)

Full-bodied & Smooth
 39128 (XD) 750 mL \$49.95

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PUGLIA

APOLLONIO MANI DEL SUD
PRIMITIVO DI MANDURIA 2018
 DOP Rosso



Plenty of dark spices, dried black cherries, tree bark, figs, musk and fruit tea on the nose. Ripe but quite juicy with enough freshness to be interesting. Generous, with firm, fine-grained tannins and a nicely bittersweet finish. Drink now. Score: **91** (Zekun Shuai, jamesuckling.com, April 4, 2023)

Full-bodied & Firm
 37080 (D) 750 mL \$23.95



RENATO RATTI OCHETTI
NEBBIOLO 2022
 DOC Langhe

Nebbiolo is the noble red wine grape of Piedmont, renowned for the wines of Barolo and Barbaresco. This wine offers classic varietal characteristics of cherry, raspberry, cedar and spice, with suggestions of fresh flowers and that ephemeral Nebbiolo combination of graceful elegance and muscular tannins. Decant the wine to soften the tannins a touch and then pair with roasted meats.

Full-bodied & Firm
 475913 (XD) 750 mL \$32.95

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MENZATTIA PRIMITIVO
NEGROAMARO 2022
 IGT Salento



Sourced from bush-trained vines, this wine gains additional complexity and depth from the use of partially dried fruit, which adds some pleasing mature notes to the cherry, raspberry and plum. There's also sweet spices, cocoa and vanilla. Enjoy this with beef, veggie stews, or mature cheeses.

[Luca Maroni tasting note not available.] Score: **99**
 (lucamaroni.com, Oct. 25, 2023)

Full-bodied & Smooth
 39120 (D) 750 mL \$18.95

ITALY – RED WINE CONT'D

PUGLIA



**PAPALE LINEA ORO
PRIMITIVO DI MANDURIA 2020**
DOP

(Varvaglione Vigne & Vini)

The southern reaches of Puglia, where grapes are exposed to dry, hot conditions and ample sunshine year-round, are ideal for crafting concentrated Primitivo. These wines burst with ripe flavours of blackberry and Bing cherry, with hints of cacao and leather.

[Luca Maroni tasting note not available.] Score: **96**
(lucamaroni.com, May 6, 2023)

Full-bodied & Smooth
261784 (D) 750 mL **\$25.95** 🍷



**VARVAGLIONE 1921 RISERVA
PRIMITIVO DI MANDURIA 2013**
DOP



Crafted from fruit hand-picked from old vines in Manduria, this smooth, elegant Primitivo spent 18 months in oak. It serves up suggestions of ripe red berry, black cherry, dried fig and vanilla, with a sprinkling of black pepper and cloves on the finish.

Full-bodied & Smooth
37244 (D) 750 mL **\$53.95** 🍷

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SICILY

**TERRA COSTANTINO deAETNA
ETNA ROSSO 2021**
DOC

Perfumed aromas of strawberries, flowers and cherries follow through to a medium to full body, firm and dusty tannins and a persistent, flavorful finish. Score: **93** (jamesuckling.com, Oct. 22, 2018)

Full-bodied & Firm
11595 (XD) 750 mL **\$39.95** 🍷

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TUSCANY



**ANTINORI TENUTA TIGNANELLO
RISERVA CHIANTI CLASSICO 2021**
DOCG

This ripe style is fresh and harmonious, delivering plum, cherry and boysenberry fruit, with accents of earth, iron and eucalyptus. Supple in texture, with a beautifully integrated structure and long, complex aftertaste. Sangiovese, Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot. Best from 2026 through 2043. Score: **95**
(Bruce Sanderson, winespectator.com, Oct. 31, 2024)

Medium-bodied & Fruity
512384 (XD) 750 mL **\$63.95** 🍷

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**CAPRAIA RISERVA
CHIANTI CLASSICO 2018**
DOCG

A succulent version, this red reveals cherry, strawberry, plum, floral, eucalyptus and tobacco aromas and flavors. Harmonious and enjoyable now, but there are still tannins to shed. Complex and long. Best from 2024 through 2040. Ranked #22 in *Wine Spectator's* Top 100 Wines of 2022. Score: **94** (Bruce Sanderson, winespectator.com, Sept. 30, 2022)

Full-bodied & Smooth
23374 (XD) 750 mL **\$38.95** 🍷

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**CARPINETO GRAN SELEZIONE
CHIANTI CLASSICO 2020**
DOCG

A dark but transparent magenta, the 2020 Chianti Classico Gran Selezione is loaded with aromas of lavender, blackberry, toasted cedar, and crushed stones. Full-bodied, it's juicy but light on its feet for this warm vintage, with plush tannins, a rounded, fresh mid-palate, and delicate, savory earth notes on the clean finish. This polished wine will do well with another year in the cellar. Drink 2025-2040. Score: **93** (Audrey Frick, jebdunnuck.com, Jan. 25, 2024)

Full-bodied & Firm
16727 (XD) 750 mL **\$52.95** 🍷

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CASTELLO DI BOSSI CORBAIA 2020
 IGT Toscana
 A very refined and structured red with currants and hints of sandalwood. Fine and racy. Medium to full body with lovely length and intensity ... From organically grown grapes. Try in 2028. Score: **95** (jamesuckling.com, Aug. 7, 2023)

Full-bodied & Firm
 393512 (XD) 750 mL **\$68.95** ➔
 🌿 **Organic product**



LA VITE LUCENTE 2022
 IGT Toscana
 (Luce della Vite)
 This is round and creamy, offering ripe blackberries, blueberries and hints of chocolate and cedar. Medium- to full-bodied with succulent fruit and fine tannins. Compact and focused, with good length and balance overall. Drink or hold [through 2030+]. Score: **93** (jamesuckling.com, Sept. 6, 2024)

Medium-bodied & Fruity
 979062 (XD) 1500 mL **\$94.95** ✎
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**DOGA DELLE CLAVULE
 MORELLINO DI SCANSANO 2021**
 DOCG
 (Caparzo)
 Simple, fresh sour cherries and some stones to the nose. Medium-bodied and crunchy on the palate with a fresh fruit core and an approachable finish. Drink now [through 2028]. Score: **89** (Zoltan Szabo, jamesuckling.com, Sept. 2, 2023)

Medium-bodied & Fruity
 184986 (XD) 750 mL **\$18.95** ✎



LUCE 2021
 IGT Toscana
 (Luce della Vite)
 Blackcurrants, minerals, mint and hints of chocolate follow through to a medium to full body with linear fruit and tannins that run the length of the wine. The tannins are extremely polished, with beauty and style. Needs three or four years to come together. Best after 2027. Score: **96** (jamesuckling.com, May 30, 2024)

Full-bodied & Firm
 685263 (XD) 750 mL **\$129.95** ➔
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FANTI BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2019
 DOCG
 Offering dark fruit and an articulate bouquet with elements of ripeness and balsamic herb, the Fanti 2019 Brunello di Montalcino releases its aromas in swells of licorice, dark plum, cured tobacco and sweet potting soil. In terms of palate, this Brunello delivers much of its intensity in an upfront manner with a blast of ripe fruit that fades quietly over the mid-palate. The tannins are softly integrated. Drink date: 2024-2039. Score: **94** (Monica Larner, robertparker.com, Dec. 14, 2023)

Full-bodied & Firm
 20518 (XD) 750 mL **\$82.95** ✎
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POGGIO AL TESORO IL SEGGIO 2021
 DOC Bolgheri Rosso
 A very focused red with blackcurrants, hints of dark tobacco and bark. Orange peel. Medium to full body. Juicy and layered with a freshness and finesse. Lovely length. Drink [through early 2030s.] Score: **95** (jamesuckling.com, Sept. 2, 2023)

Full-bodied & Smooth
 645515 (XD) 750 mL **\$45.95** ✎
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SPAIN – RED WINE CONT'D

PUELLES RESERVA 2016

DOCa Rioja

This blend of 94% tempranillo and 6% other Spanish varieties, all from old vines, was matured in oak for a total of 24 months. It delivers a very attractive and well-layered flavour profile dominated by dark fruit and some spiciness, all complemented by well-balanced acidity. The texture is soft, and the tannins are well resolved. Drink now to the late 2020s. (Tasted February 2024.) Score: **93** (Rod Phillips)

Full-bodied & Firm

10720 (XD) 750 mL \$19.95 

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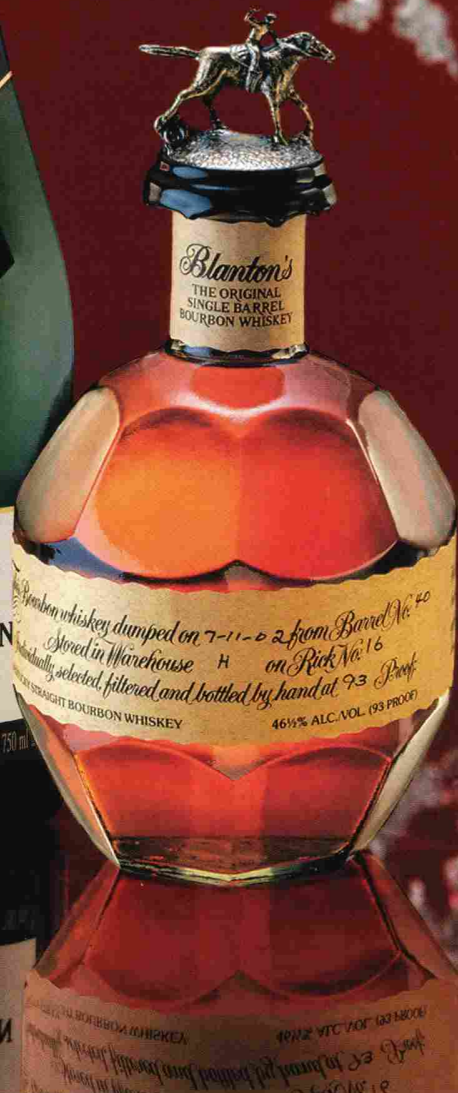
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