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Sunny wines for spring

BABICH BLACK LABEL SAUVIGNON BLANC 2018

Certified sustainable, Marlborough,
South Island, New Zealand

9142 (XD) 750 mL \$19.95 ✂

TASTING NOTE: A pure expression of intense, ripe tropical fruit in the mango and peach zone. The palate has a lot of fleshy, flavorsome tropical fruit and nicely captured freshness. [Ready to] Drink now. Score: **91** (James Suckling, jamesuckling.com, Oct. 8, 2018)

Aromatic & Flavourful

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EDETÀRIA VIA EDETANA 2017

DO Terra Alta, Spain

132613 (XD) 750 mL \$19.95 ✂

TASTING NOTE: I love the licorice accents here, which work so well with the overtones of blueberries, citrus, boysenberries and brambles. Firm and tight on the taut palate, which is medium-bodied and so lithe and restrained. Clear-cut and precise. [Ready to] Drink now. Score: **94** (James Suckling, jamesuckling.com, Dec. 8, 2019)

Full-bodied & Smooth



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A photograph of a wine bottle and a glass of wine. The bottle is dark with a light-colored label, and the glass is filled with a golden liquid. The background is a plain, light color.

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND

Once a year, with an eye towards the May long weekend and the onset of cottage season, we release a big collection of your favourite wines. Whether they're beloved brands, great grapes, fabulous values or just plain delicious, these are the wines that perennially fly off the shelves.





1

CLASSIC & DELICIOUS

Chablis is the gold standard for crisp, mineral-inflected Chardonnay and is hard to beat for pure, refined expressions of terroir.

DOMAINE LE VERGER CHABLIS 2018

AC, Burgundy, France
(Alain Geoffroy, prop.-vitic.)

The Kimmeridgian limestone soils of Chablis are a principal reason the region is the global benchmark for crisp, mineral Chardonnay. This one comes from vines that average 20-40 years of age. You can expect lip-smacking freshness, with white flowers, citrus, and a saline mineral note that will make it a great option for shellfish.

Light & Crisp
181289 (XD) 750 mL
\$26.95

2

COTTAGE SIPPER

Tangy fruit and a refreshing character make this unoaked Chardonnay the perfect companion for light snacks and an afternoon on the deck.

GEHRINGER BROTHERS DRY ROCK VINEYARDS UNOAKED CHARDONNAY 2018

BC VQA Golden Mile Bench,
Okanagan Valley, British Columbia

Founded in 1985, Gehringer Brothers is one of the oldest family-run estate wineries in the Okanagan. Expect this Chardonnay to have apple, pear and citrus tones and a long, creamy finish. Great with seafood or lighter picnic-style meals.

[The Indy International Wine Competition did not include a tasting note.] Score: **Gold** (Indy International Wine Competition, 2019)

Light & Crisp
219642 (D) 750 mL
\$19.95



3

CONVERSATION STARTER

This ripe, balanced, easygoing Cab is from the label of Zac Brown, lead singer of the three-time Grammy Award-winning Zac Brown Band.

Z. ALEXANDER BROWN UNCAGED CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2017

California

TASTING NOTE: This full-bodied wine is polished and well balanced, but quite concentrated too. It delivers black cherry and black-currant flavors on an almost creamy texture. Plenty of fine-grained tannins add good structure and the finish is lingering. Editors' Choice. Score: **91** (Jim Gordon, *Wine Enthusiast*, Sept. 1, 2019)

Full-bodied & Smooth

478628 (XD) 750 mL \$21.95 ✂

4

VALUE CALIFORNIA

California and Cabernet go hand in hand. But don't think only in terms of Napa; Paso Robles produces ripe, generous, complex Cabernet at a price Napa can't offer.

CLAYHOUSE CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2017

Certified sustainable, Red Cedar Vineyard, Paso Robles, California

The Red Cedar Vineyard is certified sustainable and is planted on rolling terrain above the Estrella River. This Cab is blended from individual blocks selected for the nuanced variation in style that specific rows provide. Expect a silky, rich wine with lots of black fruit and toast notes. A solid value with broad appeal, it will be great with barbecued ribs.

Full-bodied & Smooth

57869 (XD) 750 mL \$18.95 ✂



5

LEGENDARY WINE

Few wines can boast this pedigree, and fewer still possess the intensity, concentration and textured brilliance found in this iconic wine from an iconic family.

**CHÂTEAU DE BEAUCASTEL
CHATEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE 2017**
AC, Rhône, France
(Famille Perrin)

TASTING NOTE: A dark and winey style, offering a mix of plum, black currant and black cherry notes, infused with black tea, fruitcake and anise accents. Solidly built, vibrant and energetic from start to finish, this carries copious fruit easily through the lengthy finish. Grenache, Cinsault, Syrah, Mourvèdre and Counoise. Best from 2020 through 2040. Score: **95** (James Molesworth, winespectator.com, Feb. 29, 2020)

Full-bodied & Smooth
711317 (XD) 750 mL
\$93.95 ✂



6

TOWERING MALBEC

Malbec is synonymous with Mendoza, where the blending of fruit from various high-altitude vineyards produces intense, powerful expressions without sacrificing purity or elegance.

TERRAZAS DE LOS ANDES RESERVA MALBEC 2017

Mendoza, Argentina

TASTING NOTE: This is the most solid malbec I have seen in this bottling with dark-berry and spice aromas and flavors. Medium-to full-bodied, firm and very silky and well defined, thanks to the super fine tannins. Drink or hold. Score: **93** (James Suckling, jamesuckling.com, March 27, 2019)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

29280 (XD) 750 mL \$19.95 ✂

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7

CHILEAN MASTERPIECE

Aurelio Montes is one of Chile's most influential producers. Vintage after vintage, his take on the Chilean signature red grape Carmenère is one of the country's greatest wines.

MONTES PURPLE ANGEL 2017

DO Colchagua Valley, Chile

This is a truly special wine, widely considered to be the greatest expression of Chile's signature red grape: Carmenère. You can expect to discover a ripe, broad wine with lifted florals and complex blackberry, thyme, clove, pepper, smoke and tar notes. A layered, refined wine that raises the bar year in and year out.

Full-bodied & Firm

62364 (XD) 750 mL \$69.95 ✂

8

BORDEAUX PRIMER

This characterful Merlot/Cabernet blend is a terrific introduction to Bordeaux and a great reminder that this famous region can deliver value at all price points.

CHÂTEAU SAINT-ANTOINE RÉSERVE DU CHÂTEAU 2016

AC Bordeaux Supérieur, France

TASTING NOTE: Aromas of sweet tobacco and walnuts with some fruit. Medium body, firm tannins and a fresh finish. Always excellent. Drink now. Score: **90** (James Suckling, jamesuckling.com, Feb. 3, 2019)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

434464 (XD) 750 mL \$15.95 🍷



9 BEAUTY BLEND

The Barossa Valley's interpretation of the classic Rhône blend of Grenache, Syrah and Mourvèdre (Mataro) has become one of the style's global signature expressions.

ROLF BINDER HEINRICH SHIRAZ/MATARO/ GRENACHE 2016

Barossa Valley, South Australia

TASTING NOTE: The split of 64/19/17% has melded into a harmonious whole with its seasoning of red licorice, pepper and baking spices coating red-black cherry accented fruit. Fresh and lively, yet full-bodied with some new oak adding weight and clove-sweet flavour, not too much, as this has a lot of savoury drive and tannic grip on the finish. Drink by: 2024. Score: **93** (Jane Faulkner, winecompanion.com.au, Aug. 1, 2018)

Full-bodied & Smooth

90258 (XD) 750 mL \$26.95 🍷

10

THRILL YOUR GRILL

Tempranillo-based wines are natural matches for grilled meats. This savoury, fruity Crianza features a splash of Graciano, which is Tempranillo's classic partner in Rioja.

BURGO VIEJO CRIANZA 2016
DOCa Rioja, Spain

TASTING NOTE: A tight red with a dense palate of dark berries and chocolate. Full and reserved, yet polished and energetic. Give it two years to soften. Drink in 2020. Score: **92** (James Suckling, jamesuckling.com, Aug. 2, 2018)

Medium-bodied & Fruity
168815 (XD) 750 mL
\$16.95 🍷



11

CUE THE CUE

Pinot Noir and Chardonnay are famously food-friendly, and rosé's refreshing acidity makes it a very versatile food wine. This Pinot/Chardonnay rosé doubles down on the scrumptiousness.

OYSTER BAY ROSÉ 2019
Marlborough, South Island, New Zealand

The 2019 vintage in Marlborough is promising to be one of the finest ever. Warm, dry conditions and atypically warm nights induced early flowering and ripening and resulted in smaller berry size. Smaller berries mean more concentrated flavour development. Expect strawberry, melon and cherry tones, with lively acidity. This will be great with grilled seafood, summer salads, or chicken-and-veggie skewers.

Easygoing & Fruity
493171 (XD) 750 mL
\$19.95 🍷





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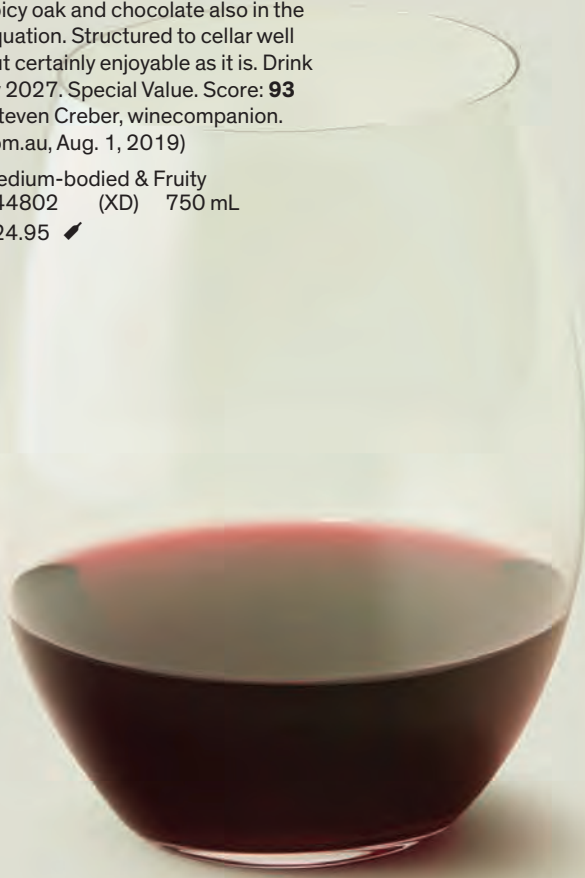
GREAT CELLAR STARTER

Margaret River is famous for its top-shelf, ripe, finessed, age-worthy Cabernets. The Xanadu will make a stately, pleasurable foundation for your own collection.

**XANADU DJL
CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2017**
Margaret River, Western Australia

TASTING NOTE: Predominantly cabernet sauvignon, 14% of the blend comprised of malbec and petit verdot, 14 months in French barriques. A melange of red and black fruit on the bouquet and palate, with each variety seemingly contributing, layers of mulberry leaf, spicy oak and chocolate also in the equation. Structured to cellar well but certainly enjoyable as it is. Drink by 2027. Special Value. Score: **93** (Steven Creber, winecompanion.com.au, Aug. 1, 2019)

Medium-bodied & Fruity
444802 (XD) 750 mL
\$24.95 ✂





13

FLOWER POWER

This polished wine is mostly Nero di Troia. It's a grape that creates long-lived wines with lifted, aromatic violet floral notes and intense, grilled-meat-loving tannins.

RIVERA IL FALCONE RISERVA CASTEL DEL MONTE 2013

DOCG, Puglia, Italy
(Azienda Vinicola Rivera)

A new addition to our Vintages Essentials collection.

TASTING NOTE: A savoury and firm red with an exotic mix of incense, tobacco and leather. The palate blends blueberry and redcurrant, while mineral and salted black liquorice takes over on the finish. Drinking window: 2019-2030. Score: **93** (Michaela Morris, decanter.com, Jan. 9, 2019)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

177295 (XD) 750 mL \$24.95 ✓

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PERFECT DINNER GUEST

Amarone is lush and intense, with rich, complex dark fruit alongside mocha and vanilla. It's always a great choice when you're looking to make an impression.

FARINA LE PEZZE AMARONE DELLA VALPOLICELLA CLASSICO 2016

DOCG, Veneto, Italy

TASTING NOTE: A fresh, lively take on Amarone that is loaded for bear. Violet florals lead to vibrantly articulated dark berries, cedar and spice. Excellent youthful structure, with a long finish. Don't let the summer heat dissuade you; this will be a great match for grilled ribs or steak. (Vintages panel, May 2019)

Full-bodied & Smooth

171587 (D) 750 mL \$36.95 ✓



15 SHOWCASE WINE

Brunello is one of the most celebrated and long-lived of all wines. These wines can age for decades, making them a collector's dream.

BANFI BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2015

DOCG, Tuscany, Italy

TASTING NOTE: So many spices line the nose here including cinnamon, cardamom, aniseed and walnuts. But there's no shortage of red plums and dried cherries either. Balanced and suave, this is a sophisticated Brunello with a sleek frame of tannins and subtle yet persistent acidity. Drink from 2021. Score: **94** (James Suckling, jamesuckling.com, Nov. 7, 2019)

Full-bodied & Firm
378257 (XD) 750 mL
\$56.95 ➔





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UNCOMPLICATED ELEGANCE

There's plenty of history around this producer, region and style, but it's the easy-to-enjoy elegance and expressive cherry, leather, tar and floral notes that make this wine so popular.

CARPINETO CHIANTI CLASSICO 2017
DOCG, Tuscany, Italy

This wine is beloved for its richly articulated black fruit, leather and tobacco notes. You can expect this vintage to reflect the wine's characteristic elegance and food-friendly structure. It will continue to evolve for 8-10 more years or will be wonderful tonight with barbecued chicken in an herb-garlic marinade.

Medium-bodied & Fruity
356048 (XD) 750 mL \$19.95 ✎



17 SUPERCHARGED TEMPRANILLO

Tempranillo is the leading red grape in Ribera del Duero and produces wines that are typically darker and more tannic than those from Rioja.

BALBÁS CRIANZA 2013

18 months in French oak, DO Ribera del Duero, Spain

TASTING NOTE: This wine has a gorgeous, deep cherry red colour with a violet rim. It is powerful and complex, with aromas of dark fruit, purple flowers, menthol, cocoa, vanilla, smoke, cigar box, aromatic herbs and woods and Chinese ink. Juicy, mouth-filling and well-structured, it has traces of prune, blueberry, candied fruit and dessert spices as well as woody, balsamic, cedary and tobacco notes. Persistent aromatic finish. Score: **94** (*Guía de Vinos Gourmets*, 2017)

Full-bodied & Firm

437673 (XD) 750 mL \$21.95 ✎

19 THE KING OF RIOJA

The versatile Tempranillo grape rules Rioja's red wines, creating approachable early-drinking wines or wines of great intensity and structure with superb ageing potential.

MARQUÉS DE MURRIETA FINCA YGAY RESERVA 2015

DOCa Rioja, Spain

TASTING NOTE: The Murrieta Reserva is the winery's global calling card, with 1.2 million bottles made from a classic Rioja combination of Tempranillo with 12% Graciano, 6% Mazuelo and 2% Garnacha. Fresh, serious, stylish and well balanced, this is a delightful 2015, with no sign of the heat of the vintage, Asian spice and vanilla aromas and balanced red and black fruits. Drink date: 2020-2030. Score: **94** (Tim Atkin, MW, timatkin.com, *Rioja Special Report 2019*)

Full-bodied & Smooth

209148 (XD) 750 mL \$29.95 ✎

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18 PEERLESS VALUE

It's virtually impossible to beat Portugal for the value and quality offered by their red blends. This one comes from the famous Symington family.

SYMINGTON FAMILY ESTATES ALTANO 2017

DOC Douro, Portugal

TASTING NOTE: Concentrated and intense, with impressive dark fruit, plum, cedar and spice and a marvellously integrated acidity. This blend of Touriga Franca, Tinta Roriz and Tinta Barroca is an easy-drinking red with the appeal and versatility to serve as a summer house wine. A great value that will work well with grilled pizzas, burgers or ribs. (Vintage panel, Sept. 2019)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

579862 (XD) 750 mL \$13.95 ✎



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COTTAGE-READY

Ideal for outdoor brunches or dinners, this vibrant, tangy rosé is loaded with fresh fruit and has broad appeal.

FEATHERSTONE ROSÉ 2019 🍷

VQA Niagara Peninsula, Ontario
This rosé is always a treat. It comes from one of the most consistent, reliable producers in Ontario; winemaker David Johnson was named Winemaker of the Year at the 2019 Ontario Wine Awards. Expect a subtle suggestion of sweetness on the palate along with strawberry-rhubarb jam and red pepper. Fresh, vibrant acidity makes this tangy wine amazingly versatile with food, so try it with grilled bell peppers, deli meats, salmon or mild cheeses.

Easygoing & Fruity
117861 (D) 750 mL
\$15.95 🍷



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A WINE TO GRILL FOR

Malbecs from Cahors offer dark fruit, spice and herbs in a tautly tannic, focused frame. This makes them ideal for hearty barbecue fare.

CHÂTEAU DE CÉNAC CUVÉE PRESTIGE MALBEC 2015

AC Cahors, Southwest, France
TASTING NOTE: The vineyard surrounding the medieval castle of Cénac has produced a dense wine that is still young. Concentrated, rich from the ripe black fruits and cut with acidity and minerality, the wine is impressive. It will be ready to drink from 2020. Editors' Choice. Score: **91** (Roger Voss, *Wine Enthusiast*, Nov. 1, 2018)

Full-bodied & Smooth
414532 (XD) 750 mL
\$20.95 🍷



LAND OF PLENTY

With its stunning scenery and stellar range of top-notch wines, **New Zealand** exudes allure from all angles.

Stargazing and RVing are popular New Zealand activities.

Compared to other winemaking regions of similar reputation, New Zealand is tiny. Yet the wines of this dynamic region hold a titanic standing around the world, particularly its game-changing expressions of Sauvignon Blanc and Pinot Noir. But there's so much more to discover here. Read on for just a taste of the exciting things happening in New Zealand's vineyards and beyond.



LOTS-TO-SEE- LAND

It may be some time before world travel as we know it resumes, but when that time comes... oh boy, New Zealand is an amazing place to visit. Settled by Polynesian seafarers between 1200 and 1300 CE, New Zealand first came in contact with Europeans in 1642 with the arrival of Dutch explorer Abel Tasman. It was the Dutch who named the country *Nieuw Zeeland*. It wasn't until the 1990s that New Zealand's intensely flavoured Sauvignon Blancs took the world by storm, but grapes were first planted here back in 1819 by Anglican missionary Samuel Marsden. The wine industry has grown to become a central tourism feature, with an estimated 67% of visitors checking out wineries. Besides wine, New Zealand's stunning natural beauty provides stellar experiences at every turn, often literally: for amateur (and serious) astronomers, the Great Barrier Island Dark Sky Sanctuary is just one of many must-experience stargazing locations. The country is also home to the famous Hobbiton sets from *The Lord of the Rings* movies, and is known for its superb whale-watching, skiing and hiking spots, as well as a burgeoning artisanal food scene. Throughout the country, the richness and influence of Māori culture and history is on full display, reflected in nearly every aspect of modern New Zealand from politics to food to the famous haka of the national rugby team, the All Blacks.



Kaikoura is a great spot for whale-watching. LEFT: Lake Wakatipu and the dramatic Southern Alps. BELOW: Tongariro National Park, with Mount Doom in the background.



**BORTHWICK VINEYARD
PADDY BORTHWICK
SAUVIGNON BLANC 2018**
Wairarapa, North Island

TASTING NOTE: This was harvested early in response to the warm growing conditions of 2018, but it maintains its lift. It opens up, with a little time in the glass, to reveal a nicely framed, intense nose of tropical fruit, melon and stone fruit. There's a fine, pure mineral note on the palate along with lime and a touch of grass. Lean and taut. Perfect for seafood. (Vintages panel, May 2019)

Aromatic & Flavourful
361220 (XD) 750 mL
\$19.95 ✎





DID YOU KNOW?

New Zealand recently introduced Appellation Marlborough Wine, a certification to protect the integrity of wines that hail from this famous region. For more, see page 30.

TOHU SAUVIGNON BLANC 2018

Certified sustainable, Awatere Valley, Marlborough, South Island

TASTING NOTE: It is impressively fragrant and attractive on the nose showing passionfruit, green rockmelon, kaffir lime and crunchy apple characters, leading to a concentrated palate that is lively and zesty. The wine delivers terrific fruit intensity and vibrant acidity, finishing persistent and juicy. At its best: now to 2021. Score: **93** (Sam Kim, wineorbit.co.nz, Nov. 2018)

Aromatic & Flavourful
536177 (XD) 750 mL
\$21.95 ✂

SATELLITE PINOT NOIR 2015

Certified sustainable, Marlborough, South Island (Spy Valley)

TASTING NOTE: Sweetly fruited and fragrant, the bouquet shows dark cherry, plum, floral, thyme and toasted almond characters. It is equally attractive on the palate with succulent fruit flavours and elegant weight, beautifully supported by silky texture and polished tannins, making the wine immediately appealing. At its best: now to 2020. Score: **90** (Sam Kim, wineorbit.co.nz, July 2019)

Medium-bodied & Fruity
12627 (XD) 750 mL
\$22.95 ⬇

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... If today [New Zealand's] wine styles are much more varied, there's no loss of the lovely fruit that comes from the combination of sunlight and relatively cool temperatures. But there's increasing sophistication in the winemaking ... more subtlety and regional expression.”

Julia Harding, MW

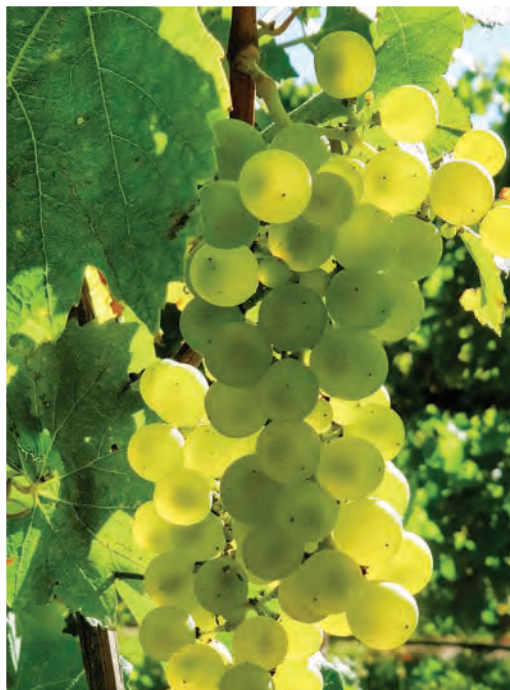
jancisrobinson.com, February 18, 2020

A South Island traffic jam.



WINE-APPEAL-LAND

The long, cool growing season of the South Island's **Marlborough** region engenders crisp **Sauvignon Blancs** with legendary ripe, vibrant tropical fruit and gooseberry and an intense herbaceous character. Winemakers here have begun exploring sub-regions as well as producing single-vineyard expressions to reflect even more of the topographical and climatic diversity of the region. The other pillar of New Zealand wine is **Pinot Noir**, a grape famously capable of expressing nuanced variations in terroir. There is great regional variation in New Zealand's Pinots, but all share a typical fruitiness and elegance. From warmer sites in **Hawke's Bay**, the Pinots are soft, supple and rich, while those from the cooler Marlborough area are fresh, aromatic and fruit-driven. Moving farther south to **Central Otago**, Pinots reflect a spicier take, with more pronounced structure and body. Pinot's Burgundian companion, **Chardonnay**, can also reflect provenance with great precision. The Hawke's Bay area shows the grape's rich, luxurious side, while cooler sites produce wines with brighter acidity that emphasize citrus and mineral tones. **Pinot Gris** is grown across New Zealand and crafted in a broad range of styles. These wines are typically closer in weight and texture to those from Alsace than those from Northern Italy. **Merlot** has also seen great success here, and along with **Cabernet Sauvignon**, has established Hawke's Bay's lofty international reputation for refined, ageable Bordeaux blends. The finest examples come from the famous heat-retaining gravelly soils of Gimblett Gravels.



**CRAGGY RANGE TE MUNA
SAUVIGNON BLANC 2018**

Martinborough, North Island

TASTING NOTE: A harmonious and balanced style with a high level of fruit concentration on the silken mid-palate. A more restrained style than you might anticipate from New Zealand, but this is the windy Wairarapa providing its own interpretation, usually with worryingly low yields to boot. The warmest Kiwi summer on record has dished up ripe apples, grass and pineapple. There's a fine line of acidity with long length. Drinking window: 2018-2025. Score: **94** (Rebecca Gibb, MW, *Decanter*, Oct. 2018)

Aromatic & Flavourful
466011 (XD) 750 mL
\$27.95 ✂



NEW-MEAL-LAND

It's no great leap to imagine that New Zealand should be a great place for seafood; the country is, after all, two large islands. The Sauvignon Blanc, Chardonnay and Pinot Gris spotlighted in this feature will be ideal for scallops, crayfish, oysters, green-lipped mussels, or pāua (abalone), all popular ingredients in New Zealand cooking. But the diverse climatic and topographical features that make it such a bountiful wine-producing nation also pay massive dividends when it comes to land-based foodstuffs. The 1980s saw a wave of immigration from across Polynesia, Asia and Europe, all of which added distinct cultural flavours to the cuisine here. Infusing Māori culinary traditions with these European and Asian influences has fuelled an innovative new wave of Pacific Rim cuisine and sparked a dynamic artisanal food movement across the country. One such tradition is hāngi, which uses a buried pit oven lined with heated rocks to slowly cook vegetables, meat or fish. This method imparts delicious earthy, smoky flavours to the food, making this style of cooking particularly suited to Pinot Noir. New Zealand is also famous for its sheep; mutton and lamb are classic pairings for Bordeaux blends.



Green-lipped mussels and lamb (BELOW) are New Zealand specialties.



MOHUA CENTRAL OTAGO PINOT NOIR 2017

Central Otago, South Island

TASTING NOTE: Deep purple-red. The nose of spicy lavender and fragrant herbs evolves into really good concentration of ripe fruit and delicate yet assertive fruit. Gamey, savoury juicy finish. Score: **91** (International Wine & Spirit Competition, 2019)

Medium-bodied & Fruity
12628 (XD) 750 mL
\$28.95 ✂

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Certified sustainable, Marlborough, South Island

TASTING NOTE: A pure expression of intense, ripe tropical fruit in the mango and peach zone. The palate has a lot of fleshy, flavorsome tropical fruit and nicely captured freshness. [Ready to] Drink now. Score: **91** (James Suckling, jamesuckling.com, Oct. 8, 2018)

Aromatic & Flavourful
9142 (XD) 750 mL
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MATAHIWI PINOT GRIS 2019

Certified sustainable, Wairarapa, North Island

TASTING NOTE: A lot of soft, rich, sweet peaches and nectarines here with plenty of textural richness and a plush, juicy feel to the finish. Drink now. Score: **90** (James Suckling, jamessuckling.com, Oct. 16, 2019)

Aromatic & Flavourful
630202 (D) 750 mL
\$17.95 🍷



COOPERS CREEK PLAINSMAN SELECT VINEYARDS CHARDONNAY 2016

Hawke's Bay, North Island

TASTING NOTE: A delightful chardonnay; the beautifully fragrant bouquet shows white nectarine, fig, vanilla and nougat characters with subtle hazelnut complexity. It is wonderfully weighted and fleshy on the palate, delivering plenty of delectable fruit flavours and silky texture, finishing superbly long and smooth. At its best: now to 2020. Score: **93** (Sam Kim, wineorbit.co.nz, Feb. 2018)

Full-bodied & Rich
12634 (XD) 750 mL
\$19.95 🍷

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ELEPHANT HILL LE PHANT 2016

Certified sustainable, Hawke's Bay, North Island

TASTING NOTE: A gorgeous blend of merlot, syrah and malbec, the inviting bouquet shows blackcurrant, plum, vanilla, cedar and mixed spice aromas, followed by a succulent palate that is plump and silky. The wine offers excellent weight and fruit intensity, leading to a lingering smooth finish. It is rich and flavoursome with plenty of attractive flavours. At its best: now to 2024. Score: **93** (Sam Kim, wineorbit.co.nz, Feb. 2019)

Full-bodied & Smooth
447367 (XD) 750 mL
\$23.95 🍷



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RIESLING ROCKS

Four distinct Niagara takes on the noble, versatile Riesling.

Made in every style from still to sparkling to Icewine and all across the sweetness spectrum, Riesling has become one of the most important grapes in Niagara. *Vintages* writer Teige Reid spoke with four local winemakers to get some insight into Niagara Riesling.







Riesling grapes at Tawse.
RIGHT: Thirty Bench's
Emma Garner.



“When I visit friends and colleagues in Germany, where I made Riesling years ago, or the Okanagan, they always ask me to bring some Riesling. They love them,” Dave Sheppard, winemaker at **Flat Rock Cellars**, says. “Riesling loves cool-climate conditions.” In warmer growing regions, Rieslings can seem flat and flabby or “clumsy,” as Sheppard describes them. “You just don’t get that here; our Riesling is refined and delicate, bright, lively and ageable.” Asked about the cellar-worthiness of Niagara Riesling, he recalled a tasting he attended at Flat Rock in 2017, just before he joined the winery. “They were pouring three Riesling vintages. I asked for the ‘08, because I was curious to see how it held up and I thought ‘oh no, he’s given me the wrong one.’ It was so youthful and fresh. It was just another confirmation for me that Niagara is a great place to make Riesling.”

“First off, Riesling is a great, and to my mind, *the* great representative variety,” says Emma Garner, winemaker at **Thirty Bench**. In a study conducted with the universities of Guelph and Brock, Thirty Bench sectioned off and compared three areas in their vineyard. “The study showed notable difference in the chemical compositions of the wines from each

section,” Garner says. The soils in the Beamsville Bench are a mix of silt, clay, gravel, sandstone and limestone, and “subtle differences in the soil composition in the vineyard mean huge differences in the wines, even between individual rows,” she says, stressing that this is what makes their Small Lot portfolio wines so exciting. “These wines are unique expressions of a specific part of our vineyard and, as I always tell visitors to the winery, they can’t be replicated. What you find in these wines you can’t get anywhere else. Riesling does that better than any other grape. That’s what’s so special about it.”

Tawse’s head winemaker, Paul Pender, begins with a definitive “Niagara is an amazing spot for Riesling.” A simple, all-encompassing statement delivered with direct, matter-of-fact certainty. “There are a lot of reasons, but our limestone soils and the influence of Lake Ontario on our climate let Riesling shine here every year.” Pender says he looks for “bright acidity, green apple, and citrus” in Niagara’s Rieslings and, when planted in the right soils, minerality. “Riesling is such a transparent grape; it gets no oak treatment, and no malo [malolactic fermentation: a process that softens a wine’s acidity], so it’s always a pure reflection of where and

how it was grown.” The Riesling used for Tawse’s sparkling wines comes from the same biodynamic vineyards as their still wines. “We pick the grapes for the sparkling earlier, because we want even more acidity, which you need for making traditional-method wines, but like our still wines balance is the key. The dosage lets us keep this balance in the sparkling.”

For Angelo Pavan, winemaker at **Cave Spring**, Niagara Riesling is all about the “electrifying acidity,” which he attributes to the cool climate and clay soils. “Our vineyard is in a perfect place and because of the slow growing season we get with Lake Ontario and the air flow we have which keeps our grapes dry and healthy, we don’t have to rush with our Riesling. In 2017 we picked into November.” Riesling’s acidity makes it a good option for Icewine. “You need an aromatic variety for Icewine and a zippy and racy backbone of acidity. And Riesling is late-ripening and holds late into the year, which means we get intense flavours of mandarin orange and apricot and so on when it freezes.” Pavan also praised Riesling for the balance it offers. “Well-made Riesling Icewine should be an aesthetic experience, like fine art. It’s about being multi-dimensional; you want vibrancy, not cloying weight.”

the finer points



FLAT ROCK RIESLING

VQA Twenty Mile Bench, Niagara Escarpment

"This comes from a north-facing mid-bench block that gets enough but not too much sun and so always brings a depth of flavour and bright acidity and a touch of residual sugar. I often enjoy it with pork schnitzel." – **Dave Sheppard, winemaker**

Aromatic & Flavourful

43281 (D) 750 mL \$17.95 ✍

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THIRTY BENCH WINEMAKER'S BLEND RIESLING

VQA Beamsville Bench, Niagara Escarpment

"This is a blend of fruit from across our vineyard. It has lime citrus and minerality with that quintessential Beamsville acidity. It's great with seafood, like oysters, but it's so fresh and vibrant I also love to just sip it."

– **Emma Garner, winemaker**

Aromatic & Flavourful

24133 (M) 750 mL \$22.95 ✍

A Vintages Essential

TAWSE SPARK LIMESTONE RIDGE ORGANIC SPARKLING RIESLING

Traditional method, VQA Twenty Mile Bench, Niagara Escarpment

"This is an alfresco summer wine; there's green apple, wet-stone minerality and a touch of honey, but I really love the lemon citrus character it has. For me, it's a wine for oysters or charcuterie."

– **Paul Pender, winemaker**

Medium-bodied & Flavourful

370361 (XD) 750 mL \$20.95 ✍

✍ **Organic & biodynamic product**

A Vintages Essential

CAVE SPRING RIESLING ICEWINE

VQA Lincoln Lakeshore, Niagara Peninsula

"What I love about this wine is its versatility. Yes, it goes great with foie gras and blue cheeses and desserts, but try it with brunch in the summer; put some fresh fruit in a glass and then drizzle this over it." – **Angelo Pavan, winemaker**

Lusciously Sweet

447441 (S) 375 mL \$49.95 ✍

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The hexagonal winery building at Flat Rock. FAR RIGHT: Spring at Cave Spring.



VINTAGES WHAT'S ON

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



**CHÂTEAU DES CHARMES
BRUT SPARKLING**
Traditional method,
VQA Niagara-on-the-Lake
224766 (D) 750 mL **\$29.95**
Medium-bodied & Flavourful



**13TH STREET
CUVÉE BRUT ROSÉ**
Traditional method,
VQA Niagara Peninsula
147504 (XD) 750 mL **\$29.95**
Medium-bodied & Flavourful

THE ESSENTIALS COLLECTION

Mother Love

PLANNING A SMALL MOTHER'S DAY BRUNCH or looking for an alternative to flowers? Give Mom a different kind of bouquet in the form of a wine from our Essentials Collection of customer favourites. Whether her tastes run to reds, whites, sparklers or sweet Icewine, there's lots to choose from here. These are two popular local options that are perfectly elegant both inside and out: From 13th Street, the Cuvée Brut Rosé is loved for its bright acidity, creamy mousse and red fruit tones. The Château des Charmes Brut Sparkling, made from Chardonnay and Pinot Noir grapes, is balanced and fresh with apple, pear, peach and fresh bread flavours. Sip these wines chilled, or serve them with anything from smoked salmon to veggie quiche to grilled chicken. **The Essentials Collection and all other Vintages wines can be ordered online. Visit lco.com/vintages.**

What's in a name?



FANS OF MARLBOROUGH SAUVIGNON BLANC now have a way of ascertaining the quality and provenance of their wine thanks to **Appellation Marlborough Wine**, a certification established in 2018 to protect the reputation of this beloved benchmark. A wine bearing the **AMW designation** must be made from grapes grown in Marlborough vineyards certified by Sustainable Winegrowing New Zealand, cropped within set parameters, and bottled in New Zealand under local regulations. There are currently 50 AMW member wineries including some of Marlborough's most iconic, and over 90 wines bear the AMW mark. Look for the AMW logo next time you shop.

BRUNELLO

THE KING OF TUSCANY



CRAFTED FROM THE SANGIOVESE GRAPE, powerful, elegant Brunello di Montalcino holds a rarefied place among the world's most renowned wine styles. We're pleased to present this special online-only offer that includes nearly 100 wines spanning vintages from 2007 to 2015 – the first opportunity to buy the newly released 2015s. According to James Suckling, "The 2015 vintage is a historical year for Brunello di Montalcino that nobody should miss. The wines show impressive precision of vivid fruit, fine tannins and freshness in acidity despite their ripeness and richness which makes them some of the most exciting in years." (jamesuckling.com, October 4, 2019)

Ordering starts May 7. Visit lcb.com/vintages and click on "special offers"

Plan your May Classics purchases

IT'S FINALLY MAY, and that means it's time to tee up plans for filling out your cellar with a thing or two from the Classics Collection. Among the 100+ top wines in our latest offering, you'll find: star performers from every region of France, including a brace of wines that showcase Bordeaux's triumphant 2000 and 2005 vintages; impressive reds from across Italy, including a profound Barolo; Rieslings from the Mosel that reflect the region's legendary range; two beautiful reds from Rioja; high-scoring wines from Down Under and New Zealand; concentrated, powerful reds from Argentina's sky-high vineyards; a powerhouse grouping from the USA, including the 2014 and 2016 Opus One; one of the world's great sweet wines, and an alluring vintage Port. **Ordering starts May 7. Visit lcb.com/vintages-classics.**



product notes

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: Ideal for further cellaring. This wine may well be enjoyed now by some, but we feel that 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 lco.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 and also on shelf signs and online. Please discuss specifics with our Product Consultants.

WINE STYLES

Every wine in this section includes a style, above the product number (e.g. Full-bodied & Smooth, Aromatic & Flavourful). These simplified flavour profiles are designed to help customers quickly and easily choose products. Visit lco.com/winestyles.

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FORTIFIED WINE

PORT

KOPKE 10-YEAR-OLD TAWNY PORT

Matured in wood, DOP, Portugal

TASTING NOTE: 25% Touriga Nacional, 25% Touriga Barroca, 25% Touriga Franca. An exuberant, delicious taste sensation of nuts, peanut brittle, red fruits with cream and Christmas cake, underpinned with an iodine edge. Soft and silky. Score: **95** (Decanter World Wine Awards, 2018)

Sweet

375 mL (S)

\$17.95

14049



ICEWINE

CAVE SPRING RIESLING ICEWINE

VQA Lincoln Lakeshore, Niagara Peninsula, Ontario

From Riesling experts Cave Spring Cellars: intense apple, mineral oil, baked apricot and peach pie aromas and flavours, with a rich texture plus plenty of crisp acidity. Enjoy with foie gras or aged cheeses.

Lusciously Sweet

375 mL (S)

\$49.95

447441



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CHAMPAGNE

CHARLES MIGNON PREMIUM RÉSERVE BRUT CHAMPAGNE AC

TASTING NOTE: This is a bright, fairly youthful Champagne with a certain sense of precision. I really like the complex yet focused nose of light brioche/toast, hazelnut, lemon and green apple. It is light to mid-weight with brisk, tart acidity, some foaminess to the mousse and perhaps a hint of sweetness. Lemony and nutty on the finish. The length is excellent. Score: **91** (David Lawrason, winealign.com, Jan. 18, 2018)

Rich & Complex

750 mL (XD)

\$48.95

421032



SPARKLING WINE



**CHÂTEAU DES CHARMES
SPARKLING ROSÉ 2014** 🍁

Traditional method,
VQA Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario
TASTING NOTE: The 2014 incarnation of this
Traditional Method sparkling rosé pours a striking
bright pink colour and offers aromas of raspberry,
cherry and tender rose petals. A blend of chardonnay
and pinot noir that has spent 2 years on the lees
before disgorgement resulting in a delicate yeasty,
autolytic note on the palate. Elegant and well-
balanced with no apparent sweetness and a slight
tannic edge. Mid-weight with very good length.
Score: **89** (Sara d'Amato, winealign.com,
March 29, 2018)

Medium-bodied & Flavourful
750 mL (D) **\$34.95** 🍷

78055 



**TAWSE SPARK LIMESTONE RIDGE
ORGANIC SPARKLING RIESLING** 🍁

Traditional method, VQA Twenty Mile Bench,
Niagara Escarpment, Ontario
From Tawse, one of the most exciting names in
Ontario winemaking, this single-vineyard expression
is a complex and intense wine that delivers amazing
value. Elegant and appealing with touches of lemon
zest, honey, mineral and green apple. Enjoy with
oysters or grilled seafood.

Medium-bodied & Flavourful
750 mL (XD) **\$20.95** 🍷

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🌿 **Organic & biodynamic product**
A Vintages Essential



ERA ORGANIC PROSECCO
DOC, Veneto, Italy
(Botter)

TASTING NOTE: This is crafted to reflect a floral,
fresh take on Prosecco. Crisp, bright and easy to
enjoy, it will be a great summer sipper perfect for
the patio and seafood appetizers. (Vintages panel,
Aug. 2019)

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

13835 

🌿 **Organic & biodynamic product**



CANADA – WHITE WINE

ONTARIO

FLAT ROCK RIESLING 🍁

VQA Twenty Mile Bench, Niagara Escarpment
From an industry leader, this floral Riesling comes
at you with gorgeous mineral, peach, apple, and
lime citrus. Superb vibrancy and zest. Intense,
complex and an amazing value, this is an Ontario
gem. Try it with spicy sushi or a spiced honey-
glazed ham.

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

43281 

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**FOGOLAR
CHARDONNAY 2015** 🍁

VQA Niagara Peninsula
TASTING NOTE: Bold and broad, with ripe peach,
apple, lemon, vanilla, butterscotch, toasty smoke
and oak spice. This round, well-integrated wine
will be a nice pairing for lobster bisque. (Vintages
panel, March 2019)

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

11679 



NOMAD SAUVIGNON BLANC 2018 🍁

VQA Niagara Lakeshore, Niagara Peninsula
(Hinterbrook Estate Winery)
TASTING NOTE: Steely, juicy, melons of yellow,
orange and green, full fruit straight ahead. Just fruit
and stainless steel acquiescing sauvignon blanc.
Nothing off track here. Drink 2019-2021. Score: **88**
(Michael Godel, winealign.com, July 21, 2019)

Aromatic & Flavourful
750 mL (XD) **\$16.95** 🍷

446088 



CANADA – WHITE WINE CONT'D

ONTARIO

PELEE ISLAND WINERY LATE HARVEST RIESLING 2017 **★ ★**

VQA Ontario

The Riesling for this easy-on-the-wallet 2017 was allowed to hang longer than usual, intensifying the fruit flavour. Riesling holds exceptionally well on the vine, maintaining its bright acidity through such extended ripening. This exceptional natural acidity is also why Riesling is so ageable. Expect this 2017 to reflect peach, apple and pear, with an emerging mineral oil tone. Try it with smoked meat.

Aromatic & Flavourful
750 mL (MS) **\$15.95** 

136010 



ROSEWOOD RENACEAU VINEYARD CHARDONNAY 2015 **★**

NEW

VQA Beamsville Bench, Niagara Escarpment

TASTING NOTE: This Chardonnay has just a hint of Sherry-like aromas, which adds nice intrigue. It features crisp acidity, baked apple, orange peel, hazelnuts and toasty baked bread tones, with touches of honey and vanilla. Try this round, long wine with grilled pork chops or roast chicken. (Vintages panel, March 2019)

Full-bodied & Rich
750 mL (XD) **\$28.95** 

11946 



THIRTY BENCH WINEMAKER'S BLEND RIESLING **★**

VQA Beamsville Bench, Niagara Escarpment

This wine is from the Beamsville Bench, which is one of Niagara's best spots for growing Riesling. It's a classic, featuring ripe peach, pear and lemon flavours, refreshing acidity and a hint of spice. It will make any meal special, from simple ham-and-brie sandwiches to foie gras.

Aromatic & Flavourful
750 mL (M) **\$22.95** 

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BRITISH COLUMBIA

GEHRINGER BROTHERS DRY ROCK VINEYARDS UNOAKED CHARDONNAY 2018 **★**

BC VQA Golden Mile Bench

Founded in 1985, Gehringer Brothers is one of the oldest family-run estate wineries in the Okanagan. Expect this Chardonnay to have apple, pear and citrus tones and a long, creamy finish. Great with seafood or lighter picnic-style meals.

[The Indy International Wine Competition did not include a tasting note.] Score: **Gold** (Indy International Wine Competition, 2019)

Light & Crisp
750 mL (D) **\$19.95** 

219642 

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CANADA – RED WINE


ONTARIO

COLIO BRICKLAYER'S REWARD HERRINGBONE RED MERITAGE 2017 **★**

NEW

VQA Niagara-on-the-Lake

This blend of Cabernet and Merlot was fermented in stainless steel and aged in oak. The robust nature of the Cab is softened by the Merlot, making this an easy-to-enjoy red. Expect robustly articulated dark berry tones with underlying vanilla and spice. A great barbecue wine that will have wide appeal.

Full-bodied & Smooth
750 mL (D) **\$19.95** 

12717 




VIENI RESERVE CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2016 **★ ★**

NEW

VQA Vinemount Ridge, Niagara Peninsula

TASTING NOTE: This has elegance and refinement throughout, with ripe wild red berry, redcurrant, cassis and dark raspberry fruit supported by touches of tobacco and nutmeg. Approachable and quite smooth, with a hint of sweetness from the ripe fruit. Pair this with steak or grilled ribs. (Vintages panel, April 2019)

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

12720 





BRITISH COLUMBIA

**SPERLING VINEYARDS
PINOT NOIR 2018** 🍁

BC VQA Okanagan Valley

TASTING NOTE: Vibrant and impressive, with unmistakable varietal character, a fresh, lifted palate and some spice. A wine to consider cellaring for 3-5+ years. It will be a great match for barbecued chicken or roasted meats. (Vintages panel, Oct. 2019)

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

382283

🌿 **Organic product**



WASHINGTON

**CHATEAU STE. MICHELLE INDIAN WELLS
CHARDONNAY 2016**

Columbia Valley

TASTING NOTE: Expressive and lively, with tropical fruit and toasted spice flavors that linger on the finish. Drink now through 2021. Score: **90** (Tim Fish, winespectator.com, Aug. 31, 2018)

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

524397



CANADA – ROSÉ WINE

ONTARIO

FEATHERSTONE ROSÉ 2019 🍁

VQA Niagara Peninsula

This rosé comes from one of the most consistent, reliable producers in Ontario and is always a treat. Expect a subtle suggestion of sweetness on the palate along with strawberry-rhubarb jam and red pepper. Fresh, vibrant acidity makes this tangy wine amazingly versatile with food, so try it with grilled bell peppers, deli meats, salmon or mild cheeses.

Easygoing & Fruity
750 mL (D) **\$15.95** 🍷

117861

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USA – RED WINE

CALIFORNIA

**ANTICA MOUNTAIN SELECT
CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2017**

Atlas Peak, Napa Valley
(Antinori)

TASTING NOTE: It took over 40 years from Marchese Piero Antinori's first visit to Napa for his dream of making wines there to come to fruition; good things come to those who wait. This Cabernet has concentrated ripe blueberry and cassis, with fig, cigar box and allspice. Elegance and pedigree shine here, as does a European flair. Pure class. (Vintages panel, July 2019)

Full-bodied & Firm
750 mL (XD) **\$79.95** 🍷

266551



CALIFORNIA

**KENDALL-JACKSON VINTNER'S RESERVE
CHARDONNAY 2017**

California

TASTING NOTE: This wine interlaces a light buttery-oak nuance with vibrant, appealing fruit flavors. It's medium weight yet fresh, with a smooth, well-balanced palate that displays a harmonized mix of savory oak and citrus nuances. Editors' Choice. Score: **90** (Jim Gordon, *Wine Enthusiast*, May 1, 2019)

Full-bodied & Rich
375 mL (D) **\$12.95** 🍷

703710



**CLAYHOUSE
CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2017**

Certified sustainable,
Red Cedar Vineyard, Paso Robles

The Red Cedar Vineyard is certified sustainable and is planted on rolling terrain above the Estrella River. This Cab is blended from individual blocks selected for the nuanced variation in style that specific rows provide. Expect a silky, rich wine with lots of black fruit and toast notes. A solid value with broad appeal, it will be great with barbecued ribs.

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

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USA – RED WINE CONT'D

CALIFORNIA



CROSSBARN NAPA VALLEY CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2016

Napa Valley
(Paul Hobbs)

TASTING NOTE: ... vibrant notions of crushed wild blueberries, black cherries and cassis with touches of cigar box, black tea and wild sage. Medium to full-bodied with a full frame of ripe, grainy tannins, it has seamless freshness laced through the energetic fruit, finishing long and juicy. Drink: 2019-2032. Score: **92** (Lisa Perrotti-Brown, MW, robertparker.com, Oct. 29, 2018)

Full-bodied & Firm
750 mL (XD) **\$69.95** ✂

118695



FAUST CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2017

Napa Valley

TASTING NOTE: Lovely softness and balance to this wine. Aromas and flavors of currants and blueberries. Medium-to full-bodied. Refined and beautiful now. Drink and enjoy. Score: **92** (James Suckling, jamesuckling.com, Feb. 14, 2020)

Full-bodied & Firm
750 mL (XD) **\$59.95** ✂

238261



FRANCIS COPPOLA DIAMOND COLLECTION RED LABEL ZINFANDEL 2017

California

This Zin comprises fruit from Paso Robles and Sonoma and also includes some harvested from old-vine plantings in Amador County. Expect notes of smoky dark fruit and an approachable, easy-to-enjoy style. This will be wonderful tonight with steak or a meaty pizza.

Medium-bodied & Fruity
750 mL (XD) **\$21.95** ✂

708289



RAYMOND RESERVE SELECTION CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2016

Napa Valley
(Boisset Collection)

TASTING NOTE: The 2016 Cabernet Sauvignon Reserve is a smoking value and has high-quality Cabernet notes of crème de cassis, spice, vanilla bean, and fruitcake-like nuances. It's charming, sweetly fruited, medium to full-bodied, and certainly already delicious. Maturity: 2019-2029. Score: **92** (Jeb Dunnuck, jebdunnuck.com, Jan. 31, 2019)

Full-bodied & Firm
750 mL (XD) **\$46.95** ✂

715979



SILVER OAK ALEXANDER VALLEY CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2015

Alexander Valley, Sonoma County

Drought conditions in 2015 required special care in the vineyard to ensure vine health and resulted in reduced crop size and smaller berries. The positive here is that these factors combine to take already great wines up a notch, delivering even more concentration, structure, and flavour intensity. Expect this 2015 to be ripe and aromatic with excellent power and penetrating dark fruit.

Full-bodied & Firm
750 mL (XD) **\$124.95** ✂

943472



THE HESS COLLECTION CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2014

Certified sustainable,
Mount Veeder, Napa Valley

TASTING NOTE: Composed of 81% Cabernet, 16% Malbec and a dollop of Petit Verdot, the 2014 Cabernet Sauvignon Estate Mt. Veeder has a very deep purple-black color and nose of crushed blackcurrants, blackberries and plums with hints of cedar chest, dried Provence herbs, rose petals and menthol with a hint of rare beef. Full-bodied, concentrated and vibrant in the mouth, it has tons of energy framed by grainy tannins and a lively backbone, finishing long and earthy. Drink date: 2017-2026. Score: **94** (Lisa Perrotti-Brown, MW, robertparker.com, Oct. 31, 2017)

Full-bodied & Firm
750 mL (D) **\$99.95** ✂

662015



Z. ALEXANDER BROWN UNCAGED CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2017

California

TASTING NOTE: This full-bodied wine is polished and well balanced, but quite concentrated too. It delivers black cherry and black-currant flavors on an almost creamy texture. Plenty of fine-grained tannins add good structure and the finish is lingering. Editors' Choice. Score: **91** (Jim Gordon, *Wine Enthusiast*, Sept. 1, 2019)

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

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WASHINGTON

VINO SANGIOVESE ROSÉ 2019

Washington
(CasaSmith)

Charles Smith is an innovative and daring producer, and his line of wines crafted from Italian varieties is just another example of his out-of-the-box thinking. This one uses Sangiovese to create the bright strawberry and cherry tones you can expect to find here. This will be very food-friendly, fresh and lively. Pair with grilled seafood, chicken or pizza.

Easygoing & Fruity
750 mL (XD) **\$17.95** 🍷

468652



ARGENTINA – RED WINE

MOSQUITA MUERTA SAPO DE OTRO POZO MALBEC/SYRAH/ CABERNET FRANC 2016



Uco Valley, Mendoza

TASTING NOTE: The 2016 Sapo de Otro Pozo is a blend of Malbec with 20% Cabernet Franc and 10% Syrah from different vineyards in the Valle de Uco, fermented in different vessels. Half of the wine aged in new French barriques. There is a bit more influence from the oak here, combining smoky and spicy aromas with notes of aromatic herbs, wild berries and flowers. It has a round palate with moderate acidity and some more tannins. It might require more time in bottle and/or powerful food. Drink date: 2018-2022. Score: **93** (Luis Gutiérrez, robertparker.com, June 29, 2018)

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

14434



WASHINGTON

HEDGES CMS RED 2016

Columbia Valley

TASTING NOTE: The value-priced 2016 CMS Red checks in as a blend of 58% Merlot, 30% Cabernet Sauvignon, and the balance Syrah. It has good complexity in its red and black fruits, dried flowers, and menthol aromas, is medium-bodied, nicely balanced, and silky, with a forward yet undeniably delicious style. Drink it any time over the coming 4-6 years. Score: **90** (Jeb Dunnuck, jebdunnuck.com, April 11, 2019)

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

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USA – ROSÉ WINE

CALIFORNIA

BOGLE ROSÉ 2018

Certified Green, California

TASTING NOTE: Bogle was named the *Wine Enthusiast* American Winery of the Year in 2019. This is the first time this rosé is being offered outside of their winery. This blend of Cab, Merlot and Zinfandel is vibrant, balanced, crisp and textured, with bright red fruit. A great wine for picnic fare. (Vintages panel, Oct. 2019)

Easygoing & Fruity
750 mL (XD) **\$21.95** 🍷

15266



TERRAZAS DE LOS ANDES RESERVA MALBEC 2017*

Mendoza

TASTING NOTE: This is the most solid malbec I have seen in this bottling with dark-berry and spice aromas and flavors. Medium-to full-bodied, firm and very silky and well defined, thanks to the super fine tannins. Drink or hold. Score: **93** (James Suckling, jamesuckling.com, March 27, 2019)

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

29280

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



CHILE – RED WINE

CAPRICHOCABERNET SAUVIGNON 2017
Maule Valley



TASTING NOTE: From grapes grown on the clay soils of this dry-farmed secano zone of Cauquenes in the Maule Valley, this wine was harvested very early in the season and barrel-aged for 16 months. It was still very young when we tasted it for *Descorchados*, and the influence of the toast from the barrel is evident, but the tannic structure is so intense that if you taste it six months to a year from now that structure will probably have taken control of that toast and uncovered the juicy red fruit that those early harvested grapes offer in this cabernet. Patience. Score: **94** (guiadescorchados.cl, 2019)

Full-bodied & Smooth
750 mL (XD) **\$26.95**
13871



MONTES PURPLE ANGEL 2017
DO Colchagua Valley

This is a truly special wine, widely considered to be the greatest expression of Chile's signature red grape, Carmenère. You can expect to discover a ripe, broad wine with lifted florals and complex blackberry, thyme, clove, pepper, smoke and tar notes. A layered, refined wine that raises the bar year in and year out.

Full-bodied & Firm
750 mL (XD) **\$69.95**
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AUSTRALIA – WHITE WINE

D'ARENBERG THE HERMIT CRAB
VIOGNIER/MARSANNE 2018

McLaren Vale, South Australia
TASTING NOTE: Density and freshness to the layered and delicious white that shows cream, lemon-curd, cooked-pear and sliced-apple character. Medium to full body. Flavorful finish. Drink now. Score: **93** (James Suckling, james.suckling.com, June 26, 2019)

Aromatic & Flavourful
750 mL (XD) **\$17.95**
662775



SIDEWOOD CHARDONNAY 2017

Adelaide Hills, South Australia
TASTING NOTE: From the estate Mappinga Vineyard, hand-picked row by row over 3 weeks, wild-fermented in French oak (25% new). An elegant wine, with white peach, Granny Smith apple and melon fruit, the oak entirely absorbed/integrated. Exceptional price. Drink by 2029. Special Value. Score: **93** (James Halliday, wine.companion.com.au, Aug. 1, 2019)

Full-bodied & Rich
750 mL (XD) **\$18.95**
186346

AUSTRALIA – RED WINE



QUARISA MRS Q McLAREN VALE SHIRAZ 2016



McLaren Vale, South Australia
TASTING NOTE: This wine smells brash. It starts with vanilla custard then moves into blackberry pie filling, while a mineral tone emerges with time in the glass. Voluptuous and concentrated on the palate, this sensuous wine has a well-balanced structure of fine, sculpted tannins and scintillatingly bright acidity. The long finish turns a touch dry with oak-driven tannins. This needs time to reveal its many layers, but it's pleasant to drink now with rich red meat dishes. Drink now-2025. Score: **92** (*Wine Enthusiast Importer Connection*, Jan. 14, 2019)

Full-bodied & Smooth
750 mL (XD) **\$18.95**
12909



ROCKCLIFFE THIRD REEF
CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2017

Great Southern, Western Australia
TASTING NOTE: The tannins at this stable, evidenced by the top tier reds, are illustrious. This is no exception. Fine-grained and woven across a seam of sage, bouquet garni and gravel. Texture, so fine. Currant, plum, pencil shavings and graphite, too, yet it is the structure uber alles that draws me in and keeps me coming back for another glass. A tapestry of complexity. Drink by 2032. Score: **95** (Ned Goodwin, wine.companion.com.au, Aug. 1, 2019)

Full-bodied & Firm
750 mL (XD) **\$19.95**
12910



ROLF BINDER HEINRICH SHIRAZ/MATARO/GRENACHE 2016
 Barossa Valley, South Australia
 TASTING NOTE: The split of 64/19/17% has melded into a harmonious whole with its seasoning of red licorice, pepper and baking spices coating red-black cherry accented fruit. Fresh and lively, yet full-bodied with some new oak adding weight and clove-sweet flavour, not too much, as this has a lot of savoury drive and tannic grip on the finish. Drink by: 2024. Score: **93** (Jane Faulkner, winecompanion.com.au, Aug. 1, 2018)

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

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NEW ZEALAND – WHITE WINE



BABICH BLACK LABEL SAUVIGNON BLANC 2018
 Certified sustainable, Marlborough, South Island
 TASTING NOTE: A pure expression of intense, ripe tropical fruit in the mango and peach zone. The palate has a lot of fleshy, flavoursome tropical fruit and nicely captured freshness. [Ready to] Drink now. Score: **91** (James Suckling, jamesuckling.com, Oct. 8, 2018)

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

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WOLF BLASS GREY LABEL SHIRAZ 2013
 McLaren Vale, South Australia
 TASTING NOTE: The fermentation was completed in new and used French and American oak, followed by 18 months maturation in those barrels. Deep, dense crimson-purple, this complex, medium to full-bodied, mouthfilling swag of black fruits, creamy oak and ripe tannins, needs time to back off, but will deliver on its promise. Drink by 2040. Score: **94** (winecompanion.com.au, July 27, 2015)



Full-bodied & Smooth
 750 mL (XD) **\$34.95** 🍷

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BORTHWICK VINEYARD PADDY BORTHWICK SAUVIGNON BLANC 2018
 Wairarapa, North Island
 TASTING NOTE: This was harvested early in response to the warm growing conditions of 2018, but it maintains its lift. It opens up, with a little time in the glass, to reveal a nicely framed, intense nose of tropical fruit, melon and stone fruit. There's a fine, pure mineral note on the palate along with lime and a touch of grass. Lean and taut. Perfect for seafood. (Vintages panel, May 2019)

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

361220 

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XANADU DJL CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2017
 Margaret River, Western Australia
 TASTING NOTE: Predominantly cabernet sauvignon, 14% of the blend comprised of malbec and petit verdot, 14 months in French barriques. A melange of red and black fruit on the bouquet and palate, with each variety seemingly contributing, layers of mulberry leaf, spicy oak and chocolate also in the equation. Structured to cellar well but certainly enjoyable as it is. Drink by 2027. Special Value. Score: **93** (Steven Creber, winecompanion.com.au, Aug. 1, 2019)

Medium-bodied & Fruity
 750 mL (XD) **\$24.95** 🍷

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COOPERS CREEK PLAINSMAN SELECT VINEYARDS CHARDONNAY 2016
 Hawke's Bay, North Island
 TASTING NOTE: A delightful chardonnay; the beautifully fragrant bouquet shows white nectarine, fig, vanilla and nougat characters with subtle hazelnut complexity. It is wonderfully weighted and fleshy on the palate, delivering plenty of delectable fruit flavours and silky texture, finishing superbly long and smooth. At its best: now to 2020. Score: **93** (Sam Kim, wineorbit.co.nz, Feb. 2018)



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

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NEW ZEALAND – WHITE WINE CONT'D



Craggy Range Te Muna Sauvignon Blanc 2018

Martinborough, North Island

TASTING NOTE: A harmonious and balanced style with a high level of fruit concentration on the silken mid-palate. A more restrained style than you might anticipate from New Zealand, but this is the windy Wairarapa providing its own interpretation, usually with worryingly low yields to boot. The warmest Kiwi summer on record has dished up ripe apples, grass and pineapple. There's a fine line of acidity with long length. Drinking window: 2018-2025.

Score: **94** (Rebecca Gibb, MW, *Decanter*, Oct. 2018)

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

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Matahiwi Pinot Gris 2019

Certified sustainable, Wairarapa, North Island

TASTING NOTE: A lot of soft, rich, sweet peaches and nectarines here with plenty of textural richness and a plush, juicy feel to the finish. Drink now.

Score: **90** (James Suckling, jamesuckling.com, Oct. 16, 2019)

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

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Tohu Sauvignon Blanc 2018

Certified sustainable, Awatere Valley, Marlborough, South Island

TASTING NOTE: It is impressively fragrant and attractive on the nose showing passionfruit, green rockmelon, kaffir lime and crunchy apple characters, leading to a concentrated palate that is lively and zesty. The wine delivers terrific fruit intensity and vibrant acidity, finishing persistent and juicy.

At its best: now to 2021. Score: **93** (Sam Kim, wineorbit.co.nz, Nov. 2018)

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

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NEW ZEALAND – RED WINE



Elephant Hill Le Phant 2016

Certified sustainable,

Hawke's Bay, North Island

TASTING NOTE: A gorgeous blend of merlot, syrah and malbec, the inviting bouquet shows black-currant, plum, vanilla, cedar and mixed spice aromas, followed by a succulent palate that is plump and silky. The wine offers excellent weight and fruit intensity, leading to a lingering smooth finish. It is rich and flavoursome with plenty of attractive flavours. At its best: now to 2024. Score: **93** (Sam Kim, wineorbit.co.nz, Feb. 2019)

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

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Mohua Central Otago Pinot Noir 2017

Central Otago, South Island

TASTING NOTE: Deep purple-red. The nose of spicy lavender and fragrant herbs evolves into really good concentration of ripe fruit and delicate yet assertive fruit. Gamey, savoury juicy finish. Score: **91** (International Wine & Spirit Competition, 2019)

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

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Satellite Pinot Noir 2015

Certified sustainable,

Marlborough, South Island

(Spy Valley)

TASTING NOTE: Sweetly fruited and fragrant, the bouquet shows dark cherry, plum, floral, thyme and toasted almond characters. It is equally attractive on the palate with succulent fruit flavours and elegant weight, beautifully supported by silky texture and polished tannins, making the wine immediately appealing. At its best: now to 2020. Score: **90** (Sam Kim, wineorbit.co.nz, July 2019)

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

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NEW ZEALAND – ROSÉ WINE



OYSTER BAY ROSÉ 2019

Marlborough, South Island

The 2019 vintage in Marlborough is promising to be one of the finest ever. Warm, dry conditions and atypically warm nights induced early flowering and ripening and resulted in smaller berry size. Smaller berries mean more concentrated flavour development. Expect strawberry, melon and cherry tones, with lively acidity. This will be great with grilled seafood, summer salads, or chicken-and-veggie skewers.

Easygoing & Fruity

750 mL (XD) **\$19.95** 🍷

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SOUTH AFRICA – WHITE WINE



BRUCE JACK SAUVIGNON BLANC 2018

WO Western Cape

TASTING NOTE: The vibrant, intense flavours here are a direct result of the cool ocean-influenced growing conditions. A juicy, fresh wine, with great ripe apple, peach and tropical notes alongside hints of grass. This has the range to pair with seafood or chicken wings. (Vintages panel, June 2019)

Aromatic & Flavourful

750 mL (XD) **\$13.95** 🍷

13357

LUBANZI CHENIN BLANC 2018

Fair for Life, WO Swartland

TASTING NOTE: Creamy and lush with a nice core of bright acidity, it makes you wonder why California winemakers have all but abandoned this lovely variety. Score: **91** (Anthony Dias Blue, tastingpanel.com, April 1, 2019)

Aromatic & Flavourful

750 mL (XD) **\$18.95** 🍷

13351



SOUTH AFRICA – RED WINE



SUTHERLAND SYRAH 2015

WO Elgin

TASTING NOTE: The 2015 Shiraz has quite a floral, incense- and iodine-tinged bouquet that complements the tightly wound blue fruit. The palate is medium-bodied with gently grippy tannin, slightly tarry in style, but I admire the precision and Old World reserve coming through on the Cornas-like finish. Excellent. Drinking window: 2019-2029. Score: **92** (Neal Martin, vinous.com, Aug. 2018)

Full-bodied & Smooth

750 mL (XD) **\$19.95** 🍷

13349



FRANCE – WHITE WINE

ALSACE

BARON DE HOEN RÉSERVE RIESLING 2018

AC Alsace

TASTING NOTE: Sourced from stony soils comprising sand, marl and limestone, this has good lift and freshness. There's typical driving acidity and nicely outlined fruit, with some tropical flavours adding complexity. This will be a fun wine to pair with grilled calamari with olive oil and capers. (Vintages panel, May 2019)

Aromatic & Flavourful

750 mL (XD) **\$16.95** 🍷

446427



CAVE DE TURCKHEIM COLLECTION TERROIRS PINOT GRIS 2016

AC Alsace

TASTING NOTE: Ripe winter apple and bruised apple peel on the nose suggest mellowness. The palate follows suit with gentle, residual sweetness that accentuates the ripe richness, while fresh lemon brightness ensures it stays on the off-dry side. This wine is harmonious, rich, textured and long. Score: **92** (Anne Krebiehl, MW, *Wine Enthusiast*, Aug. 1, 2018)

Aromatic & Flavourful

750 mL (XD) **\$21.95** 🍷

12114





FRANCE – WHITE WINE CONT'D

BORDEAUX

CHATEAU HAUT-RIAN 2018

AC Entre-deux-Mers

(Famille Dietrich, prop.-récolt.)

TASTING NOTE: A bright and fruity wine, this has a ripe character, with hints of yellow fruits as well as warm acidity. An attractive tangy character gives the wine lift. Drink now. Best Buy. Score: **90** (Roger Voss, *Wine Enthusiast*, Sept. 1, 2019)

Aromatic & Flavourful
750 mL (XD) **\$14.95** 🍷

12174



LOIRE

HENRI BOURGEOIS EN TRAVERTIN POUILLY-FUMÉ 2018 AC



TASTING NOTE: This soft wine makes up in ripe white fruitiness what it lacks in texture. It is an open wine, full of juicy flavors and finishing with refreshing acidity. [Ready to] Drink now. Editors' Choice. Score: **90** (Roger Voss, *Wine Enthusiast*, Jan. 1, 2020)

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

12097



BURGUNDY

DOMAINE LE VERGER CHABLIS 2018 AC

(Alain Geoffroy, prop.-vitic.)

The Kimmeridgian limestone soils of Chablis are a principal reason the region is the global benchmark for crisp, minerally Chardonnay. This one comes from vines that average 20-40 years of age. You can expect lip-smacking freshness, with white flowers, citrus, and a saline mineral note that will make it a great option for shellfish.

Light & Crisp
750 mL (XD) **\$26.95** 🍷

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PIERRE-LUC BOUCHAUD SUR LIE MUSCADET SÈVRE ET MAINE 2018 AC

This is always a classically constructed wine from a top-flight producer. Expect a lively, ripe wine with brightly articulated apple and lemon and a tangy minerality throughout. Perfect for seafood.

Light & Crisp
750 mL (XD) **\$15.95** 🍷

82461



TERRES SECRÈTES LES SENTINELLES SAINT-VERAN 2017 AC



TASTING NOTE: The Les Sentinelles line is sourced from older, low-yielding vines. The result is a floral wine with great balance and freshness, concentrated ripe peach, citrus, pineapple and a fine mineral note. Lifted, bright and quite elegant. A wine for grilled chicken, salmon or pork chops. (Vintages panel, April 2019)

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

11902



SOUTH OF FRANCE

DOMAINE DE LA BAUME ELISABETH VIOGNIER 2018

IGP Pays d'Oc

TASTING NOTE: An elegant and complex 100% Viognier aromatic with orange blossom florals and soft baking spicy aromas on the nose. Dry, full-bodied with ripe stone-fruit, lemon meringue flavours finishing zesty on the palate. Pair with butternut squash risotto. Score: **91** (Natalie MacLean, *nataliemaclean.com*, Sept. 13, 2019)

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

438796

FRANCE – RED WINE

BORDEAUX



CHÂTEAU LILIAN LADOUYS 2016

NEW

AC Saint-Estèphe

TASTING NOTE: This is the third time I have tasted the 2016 Lilian Ladouys in bottle. It retains a very intense blackberry and boysenberry bouquet laced with minerals, but displays a little more amplitude than it did in August. The tightly knit palate is medium-bodied with fine tannin and still shows the graphite seam that I remarked upon previously. There is a little more persistence now, hence the slightly higher score. Good potential. Drink 2023-2040. Score: **92** (Neal Martin, vinous.com, Jan. 2019)

Full-bodied & Firm

750 mL (XD) **\$58.95** 🍷

321315



**CHÂTEAU SAINT-ANTOINE
RÉSERVE DU CHÂTEAU 2016**

AC Bordeaux Supérieur

TASTING NOTE: Aromas of sweet tobacco and walnuts with some fruit. Medium body, firm tannins and a fresh finish. Always excellent. Drink now. Score: **90** (James Suckling, jamesuckling.com, Feb. 3, 2019)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

750 mL (XD) **\$15.95** 🍷

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CLOS MARAGNAC 2010

NEW

AC Graves

(Château Magence)

TASTING NOTE: A great opportunity to explore maturing Bordeaux from a stellar vintage. The 2010 growing season reminded many of the powerful 2005 vintage but with the balance and opulence of 2009. This is a conversation-starter of a wine, and one major talking point will no doubt be the value that 2010 Bordeaux delivers across all price points. Pour with a lamb dinner. (Vintages panel, April 2019)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

750 mL (XD) **\$27.95** 🍷

11655

LANGUEDOC

**A TIRE D'AILE OLD VINES
CARIGNAN 2017**

NEW

AC Languedoc

TASTING NOTE: Silky and fruit-driven, with a slight spice emerging. Excellent freshness and vibrancy gives the black fruit real energy. An excellent match for rabbit or duck. (Vintages panel, June 2019)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

750 mL (XD) **\$18.95** 🍷

13013



**CHÂTEAU OLLIEUX ROMANIS CUVÉE
CLASSIQUE CORBIÈRES 2017**

AC

TASTING NOTE: A classic blend of 40% Carignan, 30% Grenache and 30% Syrah, aged entirely in tank, the 2017 Cuvee Classique marries hints of cherries, blueberries and raspberries, wraps them in a greenish wreath of garrigue and delivers plenty of pleasure. Give this full-bodied red a few months to come together and drink it over the next 5 years. Drink date: 2019-2025. Score: **90** (Joe Czerwinski, robertparker.com, April 27, 2018)

Full-bodied & Smooth

750 mL (XD) **\$18.95** 🍷

568444



RHÔNE

**CHÂTEAU DE BEAUCASTEL
CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE 2016***

AC

(Famille Perrin)

TASTING NOTE: This is a stunning Beaucastel. A classic! Has a superb array of fruit, ranging from red, through to blue, darker purple and black. Nuances of dark, stony minerals, spices, wild flowers and herbs. So fleshy. This has impeccable balance, super-silky tannins and an extraordinarily long finish. This has decades ahead of it. Drink or hold. Score: **99** (James Suckling, jamesuckling.com, Oct. 17, 2019)

Full-bodied & Smooth

375 mL (XD) **\$47.95** 🍷

968750



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



FRANCE – RED WINE CONT'D

RHÔNE

**CHÂTEAU DE BEUCASTEL
CHATEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE 2017
AC**

(Famille Perrin)

TASTING NOTE: A dark and winey style, offering a mix of plum, black currant and black cherry notes, infused with black tea, fruitcake and anise accents. Solidly built, vibrant and energetic from start to finish, this carries copious fruit easily through the lengthy finish. Grenache, Cinsault, Syrah, Mourvèdre and Counoise. Best from 2020 through 2040.

Score: **95** (James Molesworth, winespectator.com, Feb. 29, 2020)

Full-bodied & Smooth

750 mL (XD) **\$93.95** 🍷

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**GABRIEL MEFFRE SAINT-MAPALIS
PLAN DE DIEU CÔTES DU RHÔNE-
VILLAGES 2017**

AP

TASTING NOTE: A breezy style, with raspberry and red currant coulis notes that are nicely taut and focused, with modest spice and fruitcake accents on the finish. Drink now through 2021. Score: **91**

(James Molesworth, winespectator.com, March 31, 2019)

Full-bodied & Smooth

750 mL (XD) **\$17.95** 🍷

13117

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FRANCE – ROSÉ WINE

PROVENCE

**CHÂTEAU VIGNELAURE
ORGANIC ROSÉ 2019**

AC Coteaux d'Aix-en-Provence

This rosé is sourced from vines grown in limestone and clay mixed with gravel. It undergoes partial malolactic fermentation and is aged on the lees for three months before bottling. Look for a mineral-driven wine with rhubarb, concentrated red fruit and some spice. Chill and sip, or enjoy with warm olives.

Easygoing & Fruity

750 mL (XD) **\$27.95** 🍷

14809

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HENRI GAILLARD ROSÉ 2019

AP Côtes de Provence

This crowd-pleasing, easy-to-enjoy rosé always brings sunny fruit flavours and a vibrant, fresh mouthfeel. Expect this versatile food wine to be aromatic and expressive, with excellent intensity along with cherry, rhubarb, herbs, garrigue, and a hint of spice on the close. A great barbecue wine that will pair with salads, ribs, veal or salmon.

Easygoing & Fruity

750 mL (XD) **\$18.95** 🍷

450825



GREECE – WHITE WINE

ZACHARIAS ASSYRTIKO 2018

PGI Peloponnese

TASTING NOTE: Assyrtiko is a classic Greek grape that provides great versatility, allowing dry or sweet styles. This one is dry with lots of melon and peach and a fine underlying minerality. It's fresh, crisp, and a good value. A fine option for seafood, this also has the texture to match with chicken. Split the difference and try it with grilled chicken-and-shrimp skewers. (Vintages panel, Aug. 2019)

Full-bodied & Rich

750 mL (XD) **\$13.95** 🍷

588814



SOUTHWEST

**CHÂTEAU DE CÉNAC CUVÉE
PRESTIGE MALBEC 2015**

AC Cahors

TASTING NOTE: The vineyard surrounding the medieval castle of Cénac has produced a dense wine that is still young. Concentrated, rich from the ripe black fruits and cut with acidity and minerality, the wine is impressive. It will be ready to drink from 2020. Editors' Choice. Score: **91** (Roger Voss, *Wine Enthusiast*, Nov. 1, 2018)

Full-bodied & Smooth

750 mL (XD) **\$20.95** 🍷

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ITALY – WHITE WINE

CAMPANIA

NATIV GRECO DI TUFO 2018
DOCG

NEW

TASTING NOTE: A vivacious nose trumpets sliced loquat, dried citrus, dried herbs, as well as candle-wax character. The bright fruit is sewn up in stony phenolics and run through steely acidity in the very flinty texture that follows. Drink now. Score: **93** (James Suckling, jamesuckling.com, Nov. 7, 2019)

Aromatic & Flavourful
750 mL (D) **\$23.95** 🍷

13640



VENETO

LA CAPPUCCINA SOAVE 2018
DOC

TASTING NOTE: An aromatic, balanced wine, with lemon, apple, honeysuckle and a touch of chamomile on the mineral-laced finish. This refreshing, refined wine will be a good match for grilled calamari appetizers served with a squeeze of lemon. (Vintages panel, May 2019)

[Gambero Rosso did not include a tasting note.]
Score: 🍷🍷🍷 (Gambero Rosso Italian Wines, undated)

Light & Crisp
750 mL (D) **\$16.95** 🍷

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🌿 Organic product



VENEZIE

CORTE GIACOBBE DAL CERO P
PINOT GRIGIO 2018

DOC delle Venezie
TASTING NOTE: Pear, banana, white pepper and lime tones, with good length and freshness throughout. It has nice zest and “pop” from the bright acidity, which makes it ideal for sipping al fresco but also gives it the lively character for chicken salad or seafood. (Vintages panel, May 2019)

Light & Crisp
750 mL (XD) **\$18.95** 🍷

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ITALY – RED WINE

CAMPANIA

VINOSIA SANTANDREA TAURASI 2014
DOCG

(Luciano Ercolino)
TASTING NOTE: Lots of cracked black pepper and juicy fruit with some dried mushrooms and tea. Full body, round and juicy tannins and a flavorful finish. Drink or hold. Score: **93** (James Suckling, jamesuckling.com, Jan. 22, 2019)

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

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PIEDMONT

MAURO VEGLIO BAROLO 2015
DOCG

NEW

TASTING NOTE: The nose is swathed in ripe red cherries and berries with attractive vanillin and cedary oak influence. The palate has a smoothly succulent thread of fine, fresh tannins that carry raspberries and ripe red cherries. Approachable now. Score: **93** (James Suckling, jamesuckling.com, Nov. 7, 2019)

Full-bodied & Firm
750 mL (XD) **\$50.95** 🍷

13927



PAOLO CONTERNO BRICCO
BARBERA D'ASTI 2017

DOCG
TASTING NOTE: This beautiful version is pure, elegant and vibrant, featuring black currant, blackberry, violet, licorice and graphite flavors. Sleek and focused from beginning to end, with a long after-taste. Drink now through 2024. Score: **92** (Bruce Sanderson, winespectator.com, Feb. 29, 2020)

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

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ITALY – RED WINE CONT'D

PUGLIA



**RIVERA IL FALCONE RISERVA
CASTEL DEL MONTE 2013**
DOCG

(Azienda Vinicola Rivera)

TASTING NOTE: A savoury and firm red with an exotic mix of incense, tobacco and leather. The palate blends blueberry and redcurrant, while mineral and salted black liquorice takes over on the finish. Drinking window: 2019-2030. Score: **93** (Michaela Morris, decanter.com, Jan. 9, 2019)

Medium-bodied & Fruity
750 mL (XD) **\$24.95** 🍷

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TUSCANY



BANFI BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2015
DOCG

TASTING NOTE: So many spices line the nose here including cinnamon, cardamom, aniseed and walnuts. But there's no shortage of red plums and dried cherries either. Balanced and suave, this is a sophisticated Brunello with a sleek frame of tannins and subtle yet persistent acidity. Drink from 2021. Score: **94** (James Suckling, jamesuckling.com, Nov. 7, 2019)

Full-bodied & Firm
750 mL (XD) **\$56.95** 🍷

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CARPINETO CHIANTI CLASSICO 2017
DOCG

This wine is beloved for its richly articulated black fruit, leather and tobacco notes. You can expect this vintage to reflect the wine's characteristic elegance and food-friendly structure. It will continue to evolve for 8-10 more years or will be wonderful tonight with barbecued chicken in an herb-garlic marinade.

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

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SOLE E OLENA CHIANTI CLASSICO 2016
DOCG

TASTING NOTE: Broad and complex, delivering plum, black cherry, almond, leather and earth flavors. The tannins are dusty and well-integrated, while vibrant acidity keeps the flavors pumping through the long finish. Best from 2021 through 2036. Score: **93** (Bruce Sanderson, winespectator.com, Aug. 31, 2019)

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

704346



**TOMMASI POGGIO AL TUFO
CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2016**

IGT Toscana

TASTING NOTE: A cabernet that flits between black peppers, beautifully fresh elderberries, lavender and violets. Medium to full body, lots of spicy undergrowth flavors and a long, chewy finish. Drink in 2020. Score: **94** (James Suckling, jamesuckling.com, Sept. 11, 2018)

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

203927



VENAIE 2016
IGT Toscana Rosso
(Bollina)



TASTING NOTE: A blend of Sangiovese, Ciliegiolo, Merlot and Cabernet Sauvignon, this has good depth and character. Cassis, blackberry, oak, leather, mocha and dried earth. Ripe and fresh, with touches of spice. A wine for heavier pasta dishes or grilled meats. (Vintages panel, July 2019)

[Luca Maroni did not include a tasting note.] Score: **96** (Luca Maroni, lucamaroni.com, July 17, 2018)

Medium-bodied & Fruity
750 mL (D) **\$20.95** 🍷

14198



VENETO

FARINA LE PEZZE AMARONE DELLA VALPOLICELLA CLASSICO 2016
DOCG

TASTING NOTE: A fresh, lively take on Amarone that is loaded for bear. Violet florals lead to vibrantly articulated dark berries, cedar and spice. Excellent youthful structure, with a long finish. Don't let the summer heat dissuade you; this will be a great match for grilled ribs or steak. (Vintages panel, May 2019)

Full-bodied & Smooth
750 mL (D) **\$36.95** 🍷

171587

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TEDESCHI CAPITEL NICALÒ VALPOLICELLA SUPERIORE 2018
DOC

This popular, complex blend of Venetian grapes comes from a trusted producer and is as reliable as it is delicious. Expect it to offer up its characteristic intensity and depth, with flavours that include cherry fruit, mocha, leather and spice. Always much to love here, especially with grilled steak, lamb or root veggies.

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

984997

PORTUGAL – RED WINE



SYMINGTON FAMILY ESTATES ALTANO 2017
DOC Douro

TASTING NOTE: Concentrated and intense, with impressive dark fruit, plum, cedar and spice and a marvellously integrated acidity. This blend of Touriga Franca, Tinta Roriz and Tinta Barroca is an easy-drinking red with the appeal and versatility to serve as a summer house wine. A great value that will be fun with grilled pizzas, burgers or ribs. (Vintages panel, Sept. 2019)

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

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ROMANIA – WHITE WINE

AUREILIA VISINESCU ARTISAN TAMÂIOASA ROMÂNEASCA 2018



DOC Dealu Mare
(Domeniile Sahateni)

TASTING NOTE: Tamâioasa Româneasca is an ancient grape that has been used to make wine for over 2,000 years and is thought to have originated in Greece. Though it can be used to produce dry wines, it's superb for crafting aromatic, long-lived sweet wines such as this one. This has good fruit, with peach, orange and characterful honey tones. Pair with foie gras or prosciutto-wrapped mozzarella. (Vintages panel, Aug. 2019)

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

14387



ROMANIA – RED WINE

BUDUREASCA PREMIUM FETEASCA NEAGRA 2016

DOC-CMD Dealu Mare

TASTING NOTE: Aged for one year in oak that was sourced from a variety of countries in order to enhance the complexity and uniqueness of the finished wines. It offers impressive ripe red and black fruit with a fresh, food-friendly acidity that holds all the components together and provides superb balance. Try this with grilled sausages, ribs or burgers. (Vintages panel, Aug. 2019)

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

263913



SPAIN – RED WINE

BALBÁS CRIANZA 2013
DO Ribera del Duero

TASTING NOTE: ... powerful and complex, with aromas of dark fruit, purple flowers, menthol, cocoa, vanilla, smoke, cigar box, aromatic herbs and woods and Chinese ink. Juicy, mouth-filling and well-structured, it has traces of prune, blueberry, candied fruit and dessert spices as well as woody, balsamic, cedary and tobacco notes. Persistent aromatic finish. Score: **94** (*Guía de Vinos Gourmets*, 2017)

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

437673

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SPAIN – RED WINE CONT'D



BURGO VIEJO CRIANZA 2016

DOCa Rioja

TASTING NOTE: A tight red with a dense palate of dark berries and chocolate. Full and reserved, yet polished and energetic. Give it two years to soften. Drink in 2020. Score: **92** (James Suckling, jamesuckling.com, Aug. 2, 2018)

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

168815

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CR GOLD 5 MONASTRELL/SYRAH 2017

DOP Jumilla

(Crápula)

TASTING NOTE: Dark berry and toasty, spicy oak aromas make for a modern impression. Good concentration on the toasty and spicy palate. Impressive wine. [Ready to] Drink now. Score: **91** (James Suckling, jamesuckling.com, Aug. 2, 2018)

Full-bodied & Firm
750 mL (XD) **\$17.95** ✂

482505



EDETÀRIA VIA EDETANA 2017

DO Terra Alta

TASTING NOTE: I love the licorice accents here, which work so well with the overtones of blueberries, citrus, boysenberries and brambles. Firm and tight on the taut palate, which is medium-bodied and so lithe and restrained. Clear-cut and precise. [Ready to] Drink now. Score: **94** (James Suckling, jamesuckling.com, Dec. 8, 2019)

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

132613

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EL COTO DE IMAZA GRAN RESERVA 2012

DOCa Rioja

TASTING NOTE: 90% Tempranillo, 10% Graciano. This dark, relatively tight-knit Rioja proves that the Gran Reserva category doesn't just indicate the supremely well-aged, relaxed and reposeful style of Rioja, but can also serve to draw drinkers' attention to outstanding wines of density and tenacity which still have a way to run along their potential ageing trajectories. Look out for dark, urgent fruits here sweetened and back-lit by cunningly angled oak, with intense, deep, fresh and searching flavours in which the 10% of Graciano seems to be working overtime. A Rioja of innate drama. Drink 2019-2028. Platinum – Best in Show. Score: **97** (Decanter World Wine Awards, 2019)

Full-bodied & Smooth
750 mL (XD) **\$37.95** ✂

976811



MARQUÉS DE MURRIETA FINCA

YGAY RESERVA 2015*

DOCa Rioja

TASTING NOTE: ... classic Rioja combination of Tempranillo with 12% Graciano, 6% Mazuelo and 2% Garnacha. Fresh, serious, stylish and well balanced, this is a delightful 2015, with no sign of the heat of the vintage, Asian spice and vanilla aromas and balanced red and black fruits. Drink date: 2020-2030. Score: **94** (Tim Atkin, MW, timatkin.com, *Rioja Special Report 2019*)

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

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**KACABA BARREL FERMEN-
TED CHARDONNAY 2017** 🍁

VQA Niagara Escarpment, Ontario

Floral, with suggestions of bruised apple, ginger spice and vanilla. A buttery texture and a round, long finish.

Full-bodied & Rich

750 mL (D) **\$39.95** ✂

262436 



**LA CREMA SARALEES VINEYARD
CHARDONNAY 2016**

Russian River Valley, California

Lemon meringue pie, applesauce and quince, with touches of allspice, lightly browned toast and honeycomb.

95+ points (Lisa Perrotti-Brown, MW, robertparker.com, Oct. 29, 2018)

Full-bodied & Rich

750 mL (XD) **\$54.95** ✂

14835 



RÉSONANCE PINOT NOIR 2016

Willamette Valley, Oregon
(Louis Jadot Estates)

Aromatic and juicy, with a supple texture and a long, savoury finish.

95 points (Meridith May and Anthony Dias Blue, tastingpanelmag.com, Oct. 2018)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

750 mL (XD) **\$57.95** ✂

467696 



K POWERLINE SYRAH 2016

Walla Walla Valley, Washington
(K Vintners)

Blackberry, cherry, and river rock mineral notes. Approachable and pleasing, with a long finish.

93+ points (Anthony Mueller, robertparker.com, Dec. 30, 2019)

Full-bodied & Smooth

750 mL (XD) **\$64.95** ✂

562652 



NINE HATS RED 2017

Columbia Valley, Washington

Concentrated and ripe, with cherry and leather. Smooth, with a touch of firmness on the long finish.

Full-bodied & Smooth

750 mL (XD) **\$35.95** ✂

412221 



**GLEN CARLOU COLLECTION
RED BLEND 2017**

WO Simonsberg-Paarl, South Africa

Earth, mocha and dark fruit in a smooth, layered frame. Refined, rich and rewarding.

94 points (Platter's South African Wine Guide, 2019)

Full-bodied & Smooth

750 mL (XD) **\$36.95** ✂

13363 



**BRÜNDLMAYER KAMPTALER
TERRASSEN GRÜNER VELTLINER 2017**

DAC Kamptal, Austria

Appealing and food-friendly, with a discreet green-plum aroma. Made from organically grown grapes.

90 points (James Suckling, jamesuckling.com, Oct. 9, 2018)

Aromatic & Flavourful

750 mL (XD) **\$28.95** ✂

979708 



**SCHLOSS JOHANNISBERG
GRÜNLACK RIESLING SPÄTLESE 2018**

VDP Grosse Lage, Prädikatswein,
Rheingau, Germany

Juicy, with wildflower, herbs, peach, lemon and stones. Super fine and super fresh.

96 points (James Suckling, jamesuckling.com, Dec. 16, 2019)

Aromatic & Flavourful

750 mL (S) **\$61.95** ✂

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DOP Cariñena, Spain
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White Wines

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DOMAINE DE JOÏ ENVIE

IGP Côtes de Gascogne, Southwest France
10927 (XD) 750 mL \$14.95
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VQA Twenty Mile Bench,
Niagara Escarpment, Ontario
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VQA Beamsville Bench,
Niagara Escarpment, Ontario
68817 (XD) 750 mL \$29.95
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Hawke's Bay, North Island, New Zealand
326090 (XD) 750 mL \$19.95
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Argentina
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AC Alsace, France
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CASTELGIOCONDO

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DOCG, Tuscany, Italy
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CABERNET SAUVIGNON
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