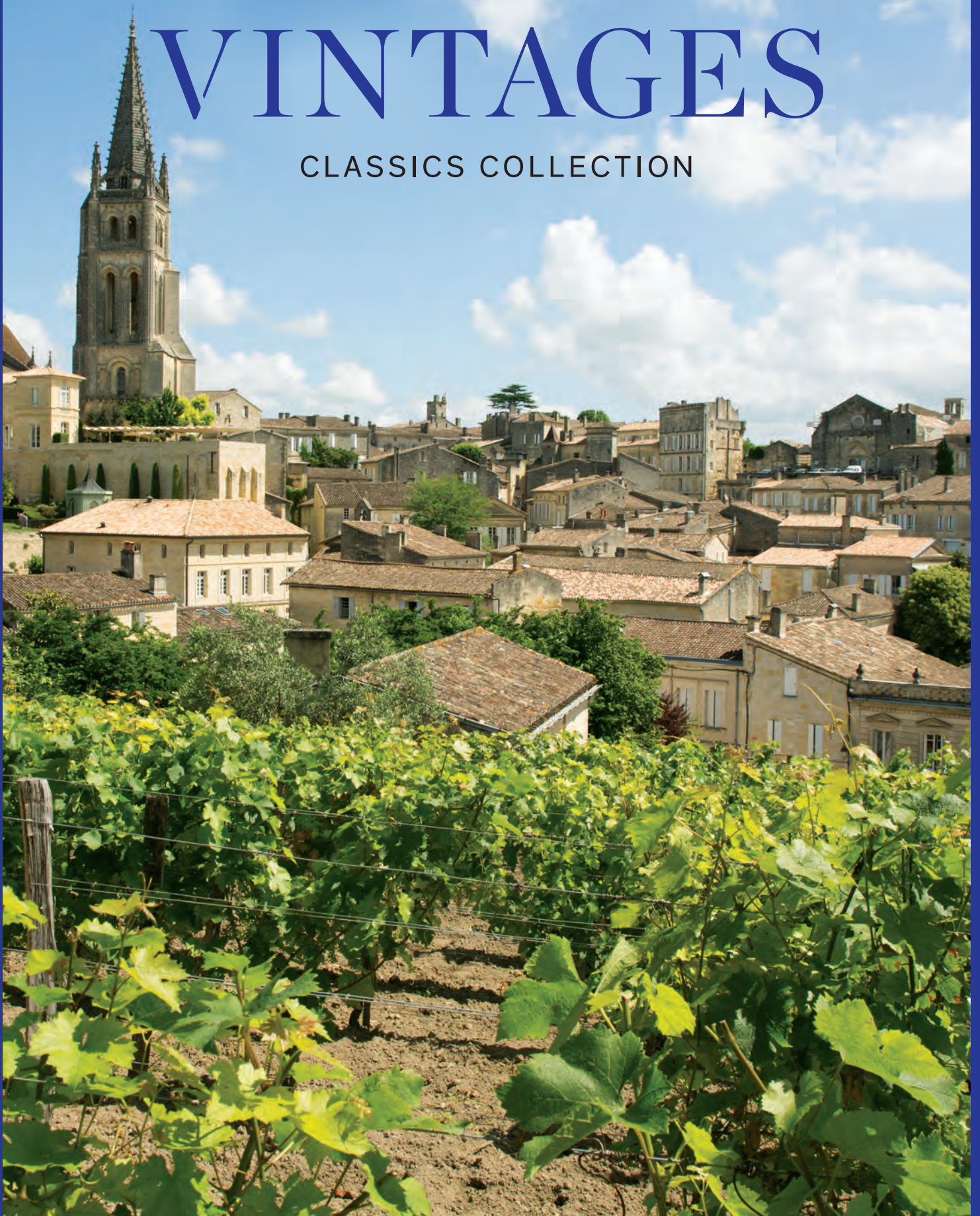


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FRANCE

Another fine showing from France: over 30 highly rated wines from some of the most famous regions in the world. A banquet of opportunity for the connoisseur and collector.



BORDEAUX

RED WINE

SAINT-ÉMILION DE QUINTUS 2016

AC Saint-Émilion Grand Cru Classé (Domaine Clarence Dillon)

TASTING NOTE: A very rich, plush and ripe array of violets and plums on the nose that lead to a flavorful palate with abundant, fresh and ripe blackberries and spicy plums. The third wine of Quintus. Try from 2022.

Score: **92** (James Suckling, *jamesuckling.com*, Feb. 3, 2019)

11720 (XD) 750 mL \$50.00

CHÂTEAU GISCOURS 2015

3e cru, AC Margaux

TASTING NOTE: This firm wine shows the tannic side of the vintage. Those tannins are dusty, enriched with black-currant fruits and a dense backdrop. The wine is concentrated and elegant, very ageworthy and not likely to be ready before 2025. Cellar Selection.

Score: **97** (Roger Voss, *Wine Enthusiast*, Feb. 1, 2018)

10641 (XD) 750 mL \$195.00

CHÂTEAU PRIEURÉ-LICHINE 2015

4e cru, AC Margaux

TASTING NOTE: Some very ripe dark-plum aromas with a wealth of sweet spices and earthy notes. The palate has an impressively rich, suave and smooth core of black fruit with a powerful palate that delivers concentrated and intense structure. This is superb Margaux. Try from 2022.

Score: **96** (James Suckling, *jamesuckling.com*, Feb. 2, 2018)

10646 (XD) 750 mL \$96.00

CHÂTEAU BRANAIRE-DUCRU 2011

4e cru, AC Saint-Julien

TASTING NOTE: With dense fruit and a powerful, complex structure, this is one of the best wines from this chateau. Blackberries, black plums and a rich, generous character are all here, along with fine tannins. Drink this great success from 2018. Cellar Selection.

Score: **94** (Roger Voss, *Wine Enthusiast*, Feb. 1, 2014)

300608 (D) 750 mL \$125.00

CHÂTEAU LE CAILLOU 2000

AC Pomerol

The 2000 Château Le Caillou is sourced from vines that average 30 years of age planted in sandy and clay soils. The vineyard is predominantly Merlot with Cabernet Franc providing the balance. This will deliver a pure, stylish experience emphasizing rich, ripe dark fruit accented by deftly integrated oak spices.

11722 (XD) 750 mL \$86.00

BURGUNDY

CÔTE DE NUITS

RED WINE

MAUME BY DOMAINE TAWSE

MAZIS-CHAMBERTIN

GRAND CRU 2016

AC

TASTING NOTE: (the yield of 30 hectoliters per hectare was down slightly from normal; harvested on October 4 and vinified with 50% whole clusters; almost half of these vines were planted in 1929): Bright, dark red. Wild, multi-dimensional aromas of dark raspberry, truffle, black olive, game and espresso; a real essence of Gevrey. Wonderfully sweet but firm on the palate, conveying outstanding definition to its intense flavors of black cherry, spices, minerals and game. Combines compelling depth of flavor with a powerful tannic backbone and great length. I was especially struck by how much cleaner (i.e., brett-free) this wine was than many older vintages of the bottling – and with no loss of aromatic range or personality.

Score: **93-96** (Stephen Tanzer, *vinous.com*, Jan. 2018)

577635 (XD) 750 mL \$310.00

DOMAINE DE BELLENE VIEILLES VIGNES NUITS-SAINT-GEORGES

2015

AC

TASTING NOTE: The old vines in this densely planted vineyard date back 67 years. This wine has great concentration, tannins and juicy red fruits. Its structure emphasizes the straightforward character of Nuits-St.-Georges, so it will take time to mature. Drink from 2023.

Score: **92** (Roger Voss, *Wine Enthusiast*, Feb. 1, 2018)

458125 (XD) 750 mL \$79.00

MARCHAND-TAWSE

GEVREY-CHAMBERTIN 2015

AC

(Pascal Marchand)

TASTING NOTE: Here the nose is decidedly earthier with notes of forest floor, humus and game adding breadth to the largely dark berry fruit-scented aromas. There is very fine volume to the rich, powerful and mouth coating flavors that terminate in a serious, youthfully austere and well-balanced finale. Despite being relatively tightly wound today there is so much sap that this could be drunk with pleasure young. Again, worth considering especially for value. Drink: 2022+. Outstanding.

Score: **89-91** (Allen Meadows, *burghound.com*, Jan. 15, 2017)

286450 (XD) 750 mL \$69.00



**STÉPHANE BROCARD
CLOSERIE DES ALISIERS
GEVREY-CHAMBERTIN
LES CORBEAUX 1^{ER} CRU 2015**

AC

TASTING NOTE: This powerful wine is both dense and rich. Its tannins and acidity bode well for aging, while the red plum and berry fruits add to promise for the future. From a parcel close to the series of Grand Cru vineyards, the wine shows the density of this fine vintage and its potential. Drink from 2024. Cellar Selection.

Score: **95** (Roger Voss, *Wine Enthusiast*, Feb. 1, 2018)

666909 (XD) 750 mL \$107.00

CÔTE DE BEAUNE

RED WINE

**BOUCHARD PÈRE & FILS
SANTENAY 2017**

AC

To the delight (and relief) of consumers and producers alike, Burgundy's 2017 vintage was the largest harvest in the last 10 years. The reds are supple, charming and expressively fruit-driven and are characterized by their immediate approachability. This one from Bouchard has always been defined by the purity of its fruit, and in 2017 this characteristic will make for a truly stunning Santenay.

684647 (XD) 750 mL \$38.00

**DOMAINE TAWSE FRÉMIETS
VOLNAY 1^{ER} CRU 2016**

AC

TASTING NOTE: Cassis flower style reduction. There is a really lovely mouth-feel to the sleek, intense and beautifully well-detailed middle weight flavors that brim with minerality on the gorgeously refined finish that delivers sneaky good length. Textbook Frémiets. Drink: 2026+. Outstanding.

Score: **91-93** (Allen Meadows, *burghound.com*, Jan. 15, 2018)

577197 (XD) 750 mL \$95.00

**DOMAINE AU PIED DU MONT
CHAUVE LE CHARMOIS
1^{ER} CRU 2015**

AC

TASTING NOTE: This smoky, generously structured wine comes from the Picard family's Saint-Aubin vineyard closest to Chassagne-Montrachet. It has swathes of ripe fruits balanced by acidity. Rich and powerful for a wine from this appellation, it is developing well. Drink from 2021.

Score: **92** (Roger Voss, *Wine Enthusiast*, Oct. 1, 2018)

12040 (XD) 750 mL \$62.00

WHITE WINE

**CHÂTEAU DE SANTENAY
PULIGNY-MONTRACHET LES
FOLATIÈRES 1^{ER} CRU 2016**

AC

TASTING NOTE: From one of the best known of Puligny-Montrachet's premier cru vineyards, this wine has plenty of intensity and texture. The chalky minerality offers excellent aging potential. Toast and rich yellow fruits will come together well as the wine matures. Drink from 2023. Cellar Selection.

Score: **94** (Roger Voss, *Wine Enthusiast*, Oct. 1, 2018)

10385 (XD) 750 mL \$149.00

**DOMAINE BOUCHARD PÈRE & FILS
CHEVALIER-MONTRACHET
GRAND CRU 2016**

AC

TASTING NOTE: The 2016 Chevalier-Montrachet Grand Cru has a detailed bouquet with attractive scents of almond and white chocolate tincturing the citrus fruit. The palate is well balanced with crisp acidity, quite cohesive and understated at first (like the Domaine Leflaive tasted earlier that day) with a sappy and convincing finish that is surfeit with minerals and a hint of tangerine. This is a very impressive, sophisticated Chevalier-Montrachet that I actually have a preference for over the La Cabotte this year. Drink date: 2020-2045.

Score: **94-96** (Neal Martin, *robertparker.com*, Dec. 29, 2017)

88708 (XD) 750 mL \$466.00



CHABLIS

WHITE WINE

**DOMAINE WILLIAM
FÈVRE BOUGROS CHABLIS
GRAND CRU 2016**

AC

TASTING NOTE: One of two Bougros bottlings chez Fèvre, this comes from a Grand Cru that is often underestimated, partly because few big names have vines there. Showing a note of gunflinty reduction, it's a subtly wooded expression of its terroir with a salinity and focus that's more common in neighbouring Preuses. Classy winemaking. Drink date: 2018-2026.

Score: **95** (Tim Atkin, MW, *timatkin.com*, *Burgundy 2016 Special Report 2018*)

941229 (XD) 750 mL \$96.00

**LOUIS MOREAU VAULIGNOT
CHABLIS 1^{ER} CRU 2014**

AC

TASTING NOTE: An arch-classic, firm and steely, highly stony, elegant and refined Chablis 1er cru here from the reliable house of L. Moreau. I love the balanced, ripe acids and the classic regional character in a finessed, open style. Although this could be enjoyed now, I'd wait another couple of years for a complete expression, or hold until the mid-twenties. Tasted October 2016. Score: **92** (John Szabo, MS, *winealign.com*, Nov. 2, 2016)

525386 (XD) 750 mL \$42.00

BEAUJOLAIS

RED WINE

**LAURENT PERRACHON & FILS
LES VIGNES CENTENAIRES
JULIÉNAS 2016**
AC

TASTING NOTE: This small parcel, under two acres, is still planted with low-yielding, century-old vines. Its density and richness are impressive. This is enhanced by the wood aging that adds spice as well as hints of toast to the ripe black fruits. With this concentration, the wine needs time and shouldn't be drunk before 2020.

Editors' Choice.

Score: **93** (Roger Voss, *Wine Enthusiast*, March 1, 2019)

11762 (XD) 750 mL \$34.00

RHÔNE

NORTHERN RHÔNE

RED WINE

**PHILIPPE & VINCENT JABOULET
NOUVELÈRE CROZES-HERMITAGE
2015**
AP

TASTING NOTE: Right now the full-bodied, tannic 2015 Crozes Hermitage Nouvelere seems a touch stemmy and herbal but if those notes properly integrate over time, it may ultimately merit a higher score. Plum and black olive notes express ripe fruit but those drying notes on the finish demand time in the cellar. If this old-vine fruit ages as well as those Thalabert bottlings did in the past, it will be a fine purchase. Drink date: 2021-2035.

Score: **91+** (Joe Czerwinski, *robertparker.com*, Dec. 29, 2017)

635680 (XD) 750 mL \$36.00

LAURUS HERMITAGE 2014
AC

(Gabriel Meffre)

TASTING NOTE: Grippy, with an earthy edge complementing the dried currant, fig paste, chestnut leaf and warm tobacco notes. The finish lets juniper and alder details take over, keeping this in the rustic camp despite the solid depth and flesh.

Best from 2018 through 2024.
136 cases made.

Score: **91** (James Molesworth, *winespectator.com*, June 15, 2017)

343665 (XD) 750 mL \$70.00

SOUTHERN RHÔNE

RED WINE

**LES HAUTS DE MONTMIRAIL
GIGONDAS 2017**
AC

TASTING NOTE: Full-bodied and softly dusty, the 2017 Gigondas les Hauts de Montmirail presents a dark mélange of cassis and blueberry fruit. It's silky and elegant, with a dusting of dried herbs and spice on the finish. The oak has been dialed back this vintage, allowing more detail to shine through. It rivals the les Secrets bottling at this point. Tasted twice, with consistent notes. Drink date: 2020-2030.

Score: **94-96** (Joe Czerwinski, *robertparker.com*, Oct. 31, 2018)

742551 (XD) 750 mL \$56.00

**CHÂTEAU FORTIA CUVÉE DU BARON
CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE 2016**
AC

TASTING NOTE: Similarly colored to the traditional cuvée, the 2016 Châteauneuf-du-Pape Cuvée du Baron has rocking aromas and flavors of garrigue, kirsch liqueur, dried flowers, and spice. Deep, medium to full-bodied, elegant and weightless on the palate, it's the finest example of this cuvée since the 2003.

The blend is 55% Grenache, 30% Syrah, and 15% Mourvèdre. Despite the high Syrah component, it just screams Grenache. Drink before 2028.

Score: **94** (Jeb Dunnuck, *jebdunnuck.com*, Aug. 28, 2018)

959999 (XD) 750 mL \$47.00

**DOMAINE DE LA CHARBONNIÈRE
LES HAUTES BRUSQUIÈRES
CUVÉE SPÉCIALE
CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE 2016**
AC

TASTING NOTE: A prodigious effort, the 2016 Châteauneuf du Pape Les Hautes Brusquieres Cuvée Speciale was yet to be bottled during my June visit. It offers up

sweet floral aromas, hints of thyme and rosemary and bold cherry fruit. Full-bodied and creamy-velvety in texture, it's a hugely seductive mouthful of wine that I found difficult to spit. If it emerges from the bottling process looking like this, buyers will have huge smiles on their faces. Drink date: 2020-2035.

Score: **96-98** (Joe Czerwinski, *robertparker.com*, Aug. 31, 2018)

579581 (XD) 750 mL \$83.00

**DOMAINE GRAND VENEUR
VIEILLES VIGNES
CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE 2016**
AC

TASTING NOTE: The 2016 Châteauneuf-du-Pape Vieilles Vignes is up with the crème de la crème of the vintage and in the same league as the perfect 2010. Awesome notes of blackberries, crème de cassis, charred meats, licorice, and violets all soar from the glass. It's powerful, opulent, and structured, with building tannin, a huge mid-palate, and a blockbuster finish, yet it never loses its sense of purity and elegance. It's an incredible achievement from this estate. The blend is 45% Grenache, 45% Mourvèdre, and 10% Syrah, all aged in 55% new French oak. Drink date: 2020-2036.

Score: **100** (Jeb Dunnuck, *jebdunnuck.com*, Aug. 28, 2018)

490060 (XD) 750 mL \$123.00

ALSACE

WHITE WINE

**DOMAINE ZIND HUMBRECHT
CLOS WINDSBUHL RIESLING 2016**
AC Alsace

TASTING NOTE: Still rather closed with only hints of candied citrus and toast on the nose, but this has the concentration and profundity of a top grand cru. Tightly wound and so, it needs some time to unfurl. But it already has a stunningly long and pure finish. Better from 2019 and has long-term aging potential beyond that. Made from biodynamically grown grapes. Score: **96** (James Suckling, *jamessuckling.com*, May 28, 2018)

716068 (XD) 750 mL \$94.00



CHAMPAGNE

BARONS DE ROTHSCHILD BRUT BLANC DE BLANCS CHAMPAGNE AC

TASTING NOTE: Poached pear and lemon pâte de fruit flavors are underscored by hints of smoky minerality, candied ginger and biscuit in this zesty, mouthwatering Champagne, which has a lively mousse. Drink now through 2020.

Score: **90** (Alison Napjus, *winespectator.com*, 2017)

263731 (XD) 750 mL \$109.00

KRUG GRANDE CUVÉE BRUT CHAMPAGNE AC

TASTING NOTE: This mouthwatering Champagne shows a lovely sense of finesse, with firm acidity deftly married to a rich profile of crème de cassis, toasted brioche and lime blossom, accented by hints of café au lait, singed orange peel and exotic spice. Long and plush on the finish. Disgorged 2014. Drink now through 2024.

Score: **95** (Alison Napjus, *winespectator.com*, Oct. 31, 2018)

38588 (XD) 375 mL \$160.00

38562 (XD) 750 mL \$325.00

CRISTAL BRUT CHAMPAGNE 2009 AC

(Louis Roederer)

TASTING NOTE: The latest incarnation of this famous Champagne now comes from Roederer's own vineyards, a good portion of which are run on biodynamic lines. This still-young wine has great depth and richness, a beautiful balance between ripe fruit and crisp texture that make it alive, crisp and bright. As it matures, it will deepen and become even more intense. Drink now if you must, but preferably wait until 2019. Ranked #38 in Top 100 Cellar Selections of 2016.

Score: **97** (Roger Voss, *Wine Enthusiast*, Dec. 1, 2016)

350173 (XD) 1500 mL \$795.00

JL VERGNON RÉSONANCE EXTRA BRUT BLANC DE BLANCS CHAMPAGNE 2009 AC

AC

TASTING NOTE: The richness of the vintage adds plenty of personality to the lemon-peel and grapefruit aromas. Peach pastry, too. The palate heads into more exotic yellow-peach and mango territory. Smooth, bready and savory finish. Drink now.

Score: **93** (James Suckling, *jamesuckling.com*, Sept. 5, 2018)

11135 (XD) 750 mL \$129.00

CRISTAL ROSÉ CHAMPAGNE 2008 AC

(Louis Roederer)

TASTING NOTE: As a group, the 2008 Champagnes are focused and tightly wound. The 2008 Cristal Rosé has plenty of those qualities, but what places it in a truly rarified category is its sheer depth and verticality. Vinous, powerful and resonant, the 2008 has more than enough stuffing to support decades of cellaring. For starters, it won't be ready to drink for another 5-10 years. Drinking window: 2020-2058.

Score: **99** (Antonio Galloni, *vinous.com*, July 2018)

629600 (XD) 750 mL \$710.00

MAILLY LES ÉCHANSONS GRAND CRU CHAMPAGNE 2008 AC

AC

TASTING NOTE: The producer held this wine back from release because it came from such a great ageworthy vintage – this is well worth the wait. With the wonderful richness of the 75% Pinot Noir dominating, this is a balanced wine, just hinting at toastiness, with concentrated ripe apple fruits melding into the texture of the wine. Ranks #30 in Top 100 Cellar Selections of 2017.

Score: **96** (Roger Voss, *Wine Enthusiast*, Dec. 1, 2017)

448688 (XD) 750 mL \$169.00

CRISTAL BRUT CHAMPAGNE 2007 AC

(Louis Roederer)

TASTING NOTE: Long-time Chef de Caves Jean-Baptiste Lécaillon has produced yet another in a string of superb Champagnes with the 2007 Cristal. Rich, powerful and enveloping, the 2007 takes hold of all the senses and never lets up. The aromatics alone are captivating, but then the wine opens on the palate, revealing layer after layer of flavor to match a multi-dimensional, kaleidoscopic personality that will leave Champagne lovers weak at the knees. The 2007 is 58% Pinot Noir and 42% Chardonnay, which is to say a bit more Chardonnay-leaning than is the norm. The 2007 is striking today, but it should also age effortlessly for several decades. It is also without question one of the very finest new releases of the year. Drinking window: 2015-2037.

Score: **97+** (Antonio Galloni, *vinous.com*, July 2015)

12464 (XD) 3000 mL \$3500.00



AUSTRIA

Grüner Veltliner from Kremstal and Wachau, and a complex, elegant field blend of Riesling, Gewürztraminer and Pinot Gris from the cult favourite Vienna region.

WHITE WINE

TÜRK RIED KREMSE SANDGRUBE GRÜNER VELTLINER 2017 DAC Kremstal

TASTING NOTE: Zest, pear, miso, pepper and fennel seed are all hinted at on the nose and appear inside a lovely, zesty frame on the concentrated palate. Yeasty texture amplifies the savoriness of the herb and miso notes, but lemon zest provides a lovely, full-flavored and refreshing finish.

Score: **93** (Anne Krebiehl, MW, *Wine Enthusiast*, March 1, 2019)

12465 (XD) 750 mL \$33.00

WEINGUT WIENINGER NUSSBERG ALTE REBEN 2017

DAC Wiener Gemischter Satz

TASTING NOTE: This unique wine has a very complex nose of fresh nuts, candied citrus and roses! Seriously elegant on the palate, in spite of the intense salty and chalky minerality that builds in an extraordinary way on the enormous, long finish. From biodynamically grown grapes. Respekt certified. Drink or hold. Vinolok glass closure.

Score: **95** (James Suckling, *jamesuckling.com*, Oct. 9, 2018)

436303 (XD) 750 mL \$46.00



NIKOLAIHOF IM WEINGEBIRGE GRÜNER VELTLINER TROCKEN 2015 Smaragd, Wachau

TASTING NOTE: Bottled at the end of April this year, the 2015 Im Weingebirge Grüner Veltliner Smaragd is clear, deep and intense on the nose with its subtle aromas of crushed stones and lemons. Some animal leather and wild boar scents here as well. Full-bodied and intense but also very elegant and finessed on the palate, this is a lush and impressively long and very tensioned, highly expressive Smaragd made for decades. Its slightly oxidative style reminds me of traditional white Riojas, but the crystalline acidity and mineral character is clearly Wachau. A potential top-scorer, but the wine is far too young to be served today. Drink date: 2030-2060.

Score: **96+** (Stephan Reinhardt, *robertparker.com*, Dec. 28, 2018)

112326 (XD) 750 mL \$67.00



RHEINGAU

WHITE WINE

SCHLOSS VOLLRADS SCHLOSSBERG GG TROCKEN RIESLING 2016 VDP

TASTING NOTE: This is a bold, heady wine that penetrates the palate with rich flavors of yellow peach and nectarine. It's voluminous and dense, yet anchored by piercing streaks of lemon-lime acidity and bitter pith notes that lend tension to the finish. It's a complex, muscular dry Riesling to enjoy now through 2035.

Score: **94** (Anna Lee Iijima, *Wine Enthusiast*, Feb. 1, 2019)

10864 (D) 750 mL \$48.00

GERMANY

Stunning, collectible Rieslings from two historic producers.

MOSEL

WHITE WINE

SELBACH-OSTER GRAACHER DOMPROBST RIESLING SPÄTLESE 2016

Prädikatswein

TASTING NOTE: The 2016 Graacher Domprobst Riesling Spätlese (AP 12 17) offers a deep and flinty bouquet of ripe stone fruits and crunchy dark, oily slate plates. Full-bodied, lush and elegant, this is a pretty decadent and finessed Spätlese that is intense and dense on the palate but also shows remarkable balance and stimulating salinity. Drink date: 2018-2046.

Score: **93** (Stephan Reinhardt, *robertparker.com*, April 27, 2018)

248682 (S) 750 mL \$38.00

HUNGARY

A highly rated, captivating take on Hungary's signature wine.

WHITE WINE

DISZNÓKO 5 PUTTONYOS TOKAJI ASZU 2010

Tokaj

Alison Napjus of *winespectator.com* awarded this wine a score of **92** points and suggested a drinking window of 2018-2025. (Nov. 15, 2018)

TASTING NOTE: Tasted at the Disznóko vertical in London, the 2010 Tokaji Aszu 5 Puttonyos is a blend of 65% Furmint, 20% Zéta and 15% Hárslevelu (incident-

ally there was no 6 Puttonyos released this year). Deeper in color, burnished gold. It has a complex and quite powerful bouquet with Manuka honey, candle wax and sesame oil. There is good depth on the palate, tangy marmalade and honey notes, crisp acidity with mandarin and dried quince, vibrant and captivating on the lively and vivacious finish. This is excellent and just brimming with energy. Score: **94** (Neal Martin, *robertparker.com*, Oct. 28, 2016)

452292 (S) 500 mL \$59.00

ITALY

Much for the enthusiast to admire here, including four striking, polished Barolos, multiple sizes of the 2016 Sassicaia and the 2016 Luce, and two offerings from Quintarelli.



CAMPANIA

RED WINE

TERREDORA PAGO DEI FUSI TAURASI 2010 DOCG

TASTING NOTE: The 2010 Taurasi Pago dei Fusi is a dark and austere Aglianico with dried aromas of red currant and pressed blackberries. There are deeply smoky layers of campfire ash and crushed mineral that hint at the enormous tertiary definition and complexity that can be achieved with Taurasi. The mouthfeel is elegantly streamlined yet very powerful at the same time. Drink date: 2018-2035. Score: **94** (Monica Lerner, *robertparker.com*, Dec. 7, 2018)

235374 (XD) 750 mL \$70.00

PIEDMONT

RED WINE

CAVALLOTTO BRICCO BOSCHIS BAROLO 2015 DOCG

TASTING NOTE: I had tasted this wine

from barrel last year, and the wine was already shaping up beautifully back then. Staying the course, the 2015 Barolo Bricco Boschis shows extreme elegance and finesse. These are the characteristics of what is surely one of the most beautiful vineyard sites in Barolo. The Bricco Boschis cru affords a panoramic view onto much of the Langhe, with snowcapped Alps in the background. Barolo from Castiglione Falletto tends to show characteristics that are very fine, precise and linear. That's fundamentally what you get here despite the more exuberant and fleshy 2015 vintage. This wine is truly beautiful. Some 27,700 bottles were made. Drink date: 2022-2040.

Score: **96** (Monica Lerner, *robertparker.com*, June 28, 2019)

579276 (XD) 750 mL \$106.00

CONTERNO FANTINO MOSCONI VIGNA PED BAROLO 2014 DOCG

TASTING NOTE: The 2014 Barolo Mosconi is laced with the essence of smoke, gravel, mocha, melted road tar, plum, lavender and licorice. Ample and broad on the palate, with striking aromatic intensity, it is a wonderfully complete Barolo. Like all of the 2014s here, the Mosconi is distinguished by silky, super-polished tannins. There is much to like in this exotic, compelling Barolo from Conterno-Fantino. Drinking window: 2022-2034.

Score: **95** (Antonio Galloni, *vinous.com*, Feb. 2018)

158519 (XD) 750 mL \$110.00

CONTERNO FANTINO SORI GINESTRA BAROLO 2014 DOCG

TASTING NOTE: The 2014 Barolo Sori Ginestra is striking. Ample, creamy and voluptuous, it exudes class from the very first taste. Like all of these wines, the 2014 Sori has a sweetness of tannin that is impossible to miss. Lavender, blueberry jam, spice and menthol build into the sumptuous, enveloping finish. The 2014 is a real stunner. That's all there is to it. Drinking window: 2020-2034.

Score: **95** (Antonio Galloni, *vinous.com*, Feb. 2018)

105502 (XD) 750 mL \$120.00

LA SPINONA BERGERA BAROLO 2013 DOCG

TASTING NOTE: Rose, iris, baking spice, menthol, new leather and a whiff of truffle are just some of the enticing scents you'll find in this fragrant red. The palate is all about finesse and tension, offering wild strawberry, crushed raspberry, star anise and chopped mint framed by taut, refined tannins and vibrant acidity. Drink: 2021-2033.

Score: **95** (Kerin O'Keefe, *Wine Enthusiast*, Dec. 1, 2018)

577882 (XD) 750 mL \$58.00

TUSCANY

RED WINE

LE SERRE NUOVE 2017 DOC Bolgheri Rosso (Tenuta dell'Ornellaia)

This is one of those special wines, the kind that enthusiasts have on a list and check off each vintage like old-school trading cards. From Ornellaia's younger vineyard, it's a wine of considerable complexity and depth. Look for concentrated dark and red fruit accented by mocha, chocolate and smoke tones.

51482 (D) 1500 mL \$145.00
51490 (D) 3000 mL \$310.00

LUCE 2016 IGT Toscana (Luce della Vite)

TASTING NOTE: A ripe but suggestive nose of dark cherries, dark chocolate, hot stones, cassis, brambleberry pie and bark. Yet, on the palate, this paints an altogether different picture, in which sleek tannins carry fresh layers of forest fruit long, through a compact, full-bodied palate. Powerful acidity steers it through to a restrained but chewy finish. Drink in 2024.

Score: **96** (James Suckling, *jamesuckling.com*, June 16, 2019)

964551 (D) 1500 mL \$260.00
651018 (D) 3000 mL \$580.00
435214 (D) 6000 mL \$1230.00

LUX VITIS 2016

IGT Toscana
(Marchesi de' Frescobaldi)

The Cabernet that forms the basis for this wine was planted in Montalcino in 2004 in mixed sandy soil. The grapes these vines produced were of such exceptional quality that it was decided they deserved a wine of their own rather than being incorporated into other blends. A small percentage of Sangiovese was added to further enrich the overall wine. A superb Supertuscan with classic elegance, complex spice and wild berry and a long finish.

10618 (XD) 750 mL \$175.00
10619 (XD) 1500 mL \$380.00

SASSICAIA 2016

DOC Bolgheri Sassicaia
(Tenuta San Guido)

TASTING NOTE: The 2016 Sassicaia is a wine of soaring achievement. I tasted this wine several times during the course of its creation in both barrel and bottle, and the highly deserved 100-point score you see here was enthusiastically assigned at the conclusion of a mini vertical in which I tasted and compared the 2016 vintage against 2015 (which I scored 97 points). It makes perfect sense to present these two excellent vintages in back-to-back comparison fashion because they are two of the best to emerge from Bolgheri, and indeed Tenuta San Guido, in recent memory. These are very similar vintages with long, hot summer months that fueled a long growing season. There was a bit more rain in 2016, and in analytical terms this vintage has a tad more acidity. However, the results in the glass are extraordinarily different. The 2015 vintage is exuberant, round, succulent and immediate, whereas the 2016 vintage shows pinpoint sharpness and precision (with similar grit and texture at the back). That acidity will carry it long into the future as the wine completes its slow evolutionary course. This wine is chiseled and sharp with blackberry, ripe cherry, grilled herb and barbecue spice. The aromas flow from the glass in a continuous stream and are all marked by radiant intensity. The mouthfeel is long and powerful. The crisp linearity of the wine's tannic backbone is perfectly measured to the volume and depth of the fruit flavors.

To my mind, the 2016 Sassicaia stands tall next to the epic 1985 vintage that set the ultimate benchmark for vino italiano. Drink date: 2021-2050. Score: **100** (Monica Lerner, *robertparker.com*, Jan. 17, 2019)

480541 (D) 1500 mL \$540.00
480558 (D) 3000 mL \$1030.00
184275 (D) 6000 mL \$5030.00

**GAJA PIEVE SANTA RESTITUTA
BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2014
DOP**

TASTING NOTE: In 2012, Gaja blended all three of their top vineyards together to create a single punchy super Brunello cuvee. In 2014 they did the same again due to difficult weather conditions but with one massive difference being that this time, 80% to 90% of the final cuvee's fruit came from just the two Cru vineyards of Rennina and Sugarille. Bright translucent colour, the 2014 Brunello mimics the delicious 2012 release. The result is a wonderfully fragrant, expressive aromatic nose showing tar, red cherry, Seville oranges, earthy aniseed root, violets, cherry blossom, tannery leather and sweet cedar oak vanilla spice complexity. Deliciously plump and full fruited, this wine is plush and opulent, fleshy, dense and super vibrant with an extra level of stony minerality. What a fabulous success for the vintage. Drink now to 2030+.

Score: **94** (Greg Sherwood, MW, *gregsherwoodmw.com*, April 2, 2019)

628511 (XD) 1500 mL \$254.00

**ALTESINO BRUNELLO DI
MONTALCINO 2013
DOCG**

TASTING NOTE: An intense perfume of juniper, bay laurel, sage, rose and berry marks this silky red. The structure is there, yet superb balance and refined tannins help this retain elegance through the long finish. Almost ethereal in its presence. Best from 2021 through 2036. Score: **95** (Bruce Sanderson, *winespectator.com*, June 15, 2018)

994095 (D) 750 mL \$59.00

**ALTESINO MONTOSOLI BRUNELLO
DI MONTALCINO 2013
DOCG**

TASTING NOTE: Enticing aromas of ripe berry, chopped herb, new leather, tobacco and a whiff of eucalyptus all mingle together on this gorgeous, vibrant red. The stunning, savory palate boasts juicy red cherry, pomegranate, white pepper and star anise while firm refined tannins and vibrant acidity lend structure and balance. It's already extraordinary and elegant but also young and primary, so give it time to fully develop. Cellar Selection. Drink: 2023-2043. Score: **99** (Kerin O'Keefe, *Wine Enthusiast*, May 1, 2018)

92247 (XD) 750 mL \$119.00

VENETO

RED WINE

**REMO FARINA MONTEFANTE
RISERVA AMARONE DELLA
VALPOLICELLA CLASSICO 2011
DOCG**

TASTING NOTE: A sumptuous Amarone that's replete with plum liqueur, Christmas pudding, figs, prunes, cinnamon, nutmeg, tobacco and forest floor. The palate is very layered, the tannins being stacked up on one another, which is just the right counterpoint to the plush fruit and flavors. Drink in 2023. Score: **94** (James Suckling, *jamesuckling.com*, June 16, 2019)

63636 (D) 750 mL \$79.00

**QUINTARELLI ALZERO 2008
IGT Veneto**

The primarily old-vine Cabernet Franc Alzero is made using the appassimento technique, in which the grapes are dried before being pressed and made into wine. The style embodies the uncompromising perfection that lies at the heart of these phenomenal, concentrated, intensely flavoured handmade wines that routinely earn ratings in the 90-97-point range from many of the world's most respected critics.

402156 (XD) 750 mL \$590.00

**ZENATO ARCHIVIO STORICO
AMARONE DELLA VALPOLICELLA
2008
DOC**

TASTING NOTE: A rich, harmonious red, offering a lovely, detailed range of baked cherry, toffee, dried lemon thyme, fig cake and toasted cardamom flavors, with a subtle smoky underpinning. Soft, citrus peel acidity and seamlessly integrated creamy tannins provide a fine, supple frame. This is aging gracefully. Drink now through 2028.

Score: **94** (Alison Napjus, *winespectator.com*, Aug. 31, 2019)

10383 (D) 750 mL \$479.00

**QUINTARELLI RECIOTO DELLA
VALPOLICELLA CLASSICO 2007
DOC**

This sweet wine is crafted in a manner similar to Amarone, but the fermentation is stopped to preserve the sweetness. This classic expression comes from one of the most important houses in all of wine. Giuseppe Quintarelli may have passed away in 2012, but the impact of his legacy will reverberate through the cellars of wine lovers for generations to come. This will have touches of bitter chocolate and dried fruit with a long and sensual finish.

722967 (S) 375 mL \$210.00

**SÜDTIROL-ALTO
ADIGE**

WHITE WINE

**NALS MARGREID BARON
SALVADORI RISERVA CHARDONNAY
2016**

DOC Südtirol-Alto Adige

TASTING NOTE: This immediately captivates on the nose with nutmeg, apricots, vanilla, cloves, mangoes and peaches. Medium to full body, layers of tropical and stone fruit and such driven acidity as to make the weight and intensity on the palate quite seamless. Drink now. Score: **95** (James Suckling, *jamesuckling.com*, Nov. 25, 2018)

435404 (D) 750 mL \$49.00

PORTUGAL

Douro, the home of Port, shines with two powerful, intense dry reds made from the indigenous Touriga Nacional and Touriga Franca.



RED WINE

**CARM MARIA DE LOURDES 2015
DOC Douro
(Roboredo Madeira)**

TASTING NOTE: The 2015 Tinto Maria de Lourdes, scheduled for release shortly after this article appears, is a 70/30 blend of Touriga Nacional and Touriga Franca, aged for 24 months in second use French oak. It comes in at 14% alcohol. Sexy, vivid and intense with fruit flavor, this is gorgeous. It's a wine that many will swoon for. The tannins are ripe, but there are some and they provide support for the wine. It has a fresh, elegant and lively feel too. This is beautiful. The only question is whether it turns into anything more – which it has to do to justify its rating or a better one. It is rather approachable now. However, let's start here and see where we go. You'll love this either way. Drink date: 2019-2032.

Score: **94** (Mark Squires, *robertparker.com*, Aug. 31, 2018)

10398 (XD) 750 mL \$56.00

**CASA FERREIRINHA
RESERVA ESPECIAL 2009
DOC Douro**

TASTING NOTE: The 2009 Reserva Especial is mostly a 45/30 blend of Touriga Franca and Touriga Nacional, with 15% Tinta Roriz and 10% Tinto Cão, aged for 16 months in 75% new French oak. It comes in at 14.5% alcohol. Very muscular, this has all the warmth of this difficult and very hot vintage. The fruit marches right up to the line of too ripe and perhaps goes over it. The wine shows dark baked-plum flavors and just a hint of prune. I liked it anyway, but it is hard to call it a great Reserva Especial, even with some elements of greatness to it. The structure here is astonishingly good, for one thing, leaving this tight and powerful. That's not unusual for this big vintage or the brand. However, it simply lacks the

balance of the other wines. Personally, I'd take the 2009 Quinta da Leda (not seen for this issue) or the 2015. They may not be as attention-getting, but they are far fresher, particularly the 2015. Some may be happier with this, to be sure, others probably not. Let's start here and see if this holds its balance as it ages. A little caution is warranted. It may yet make its case in the cellar, and these tend to age very well – although (beware...) this is not the freshest year. Drink date: 2019-2040. Score: **93+** (Mark Squires, *robertparker.com*, Aug. 31, 2018)

11286 (XD) 750 mL \$220.00

SPAIN

An impressive collection of high-scoring wines, including the 2015 Muga Aro and the 1964 Faustino I Gran Reserva.



RED WINE

**CONTINO VIÑA DEL OLIVO
GENÉRICO 2015
DOCa Rioja**

TASTING NOTE: Simply stunning in 2015, as it was in 2014, Contino's best wine is the kind of red that any serious Rioja lover should have in his cellar. Marrying Tempranillo with 10% Graciano, it's a world-class cuvée made for the long haul, with aromas of incense and Mediterranean herbs, fine, nuanced tannins, chalky acidity and incredible focus, balance and palate length. Drink date: 2022-2035.

Score: **98** (Tim Atkin, MW, *timatkin.com*, *Rioja Special Report 2018*)

12551 (XD) 750 mL \$104.00



LEGÓN PREMIUM 2015

DO Ribera del Duero
(Viña Vilano)

TASTING NOTE: 100% Tempranillo. Very good expression of Tempranillo from Ribera. The wine has a pronounced intensity on the nose with red and black fruits, spices, oak and chocolate. The palate is full-bodied with a black cherry expression. It finishes impressively with just a touch of supportive liquorice. Bravo! Score: **96** (Decanter World Wine Awards, 2018)

270645 (XD) 750 mL \$34.00

MUGA ARO 2015

DOCa Rioja

TASTING NOTE: A more sophisticated, savory and mineral attitude on the nose with dark chocolate, plum liqueur and dark cherry that's still very primary. Violets, too. This has sexy, seductive dark plums and berries on the palate with an immaculate tannin texture and freshness. Profound, unending depth. Wow! Try this from 2023. Score: **99** (James Suckling, *jamesuckling.com*, Dec. 26, 2018)

169292 (XD) 750 mL \$209.00

BUIL & GINÉ PLERET 2013

DOCa Priorat

TASTING NOTE: Dark garnet with faint bricking. Open nose of toast, spice, mocha and cut hay with menthol and dried fruit aromas. Splendid Mediterranean scents on the palate within a lively framework that hides its powerfulness. Profound, soft and at its peak. Superb.

Score: **95** (*gilbertgallard.com*, 2018)

405654 (XD) 750 mL \$88.00



FAUSTINO I GRAN RESERVA 1964

DOCa Rioja

A profound wine from a standout vintage, this provides exquisite insight into mature Rioja.

TASTING NOTE: A renowned vintage in Rioja. This has a very mature feel with cedar, furniture polish and leather, as well as dried mushrooms, rosehips and sweet earth. There's a mellowness to the tannin, very impressive dried cherries and berries and an earthy, long and mellow wood-and-mushroom finish. Drink now.

Score: **93** (James Suckling, *jamesuckling.com*, Aug. 2, 2018)

522557 (XD) 750 mL \$360.00

CANADA

A refined Nova Scotian sparkler and head-turning cellar-worthy wines from Ontario.

ONTARIO

RED WINE

TAWSE CHERRY AVENUE PINOT NOIR 2016

VQA Twenty Mile Bench, Niagara Escarpment

TASTING NOTE: The Tawse Cherry Avenue pinot is a ripe and fleshy, supple and almost voluptuous wine, with generous, mouth-filling palate, very satisfying, and abundant but ripe and soft tannins, rendering it highly appealing overall. It shows a little more warmth, heft and roundness than the (also excellent) Quarry Road Pinot, but maintains the chiseled structure and fine detailing that marks so many of winemaker Paul Pender's wine, as well as the evident concentration and genuine depth and density that comes from careful farming. It has been kept tightly under wraps from oxygen and still presents a gently reductive side, a good thing if your intention is to age the wine. As it is, I would tuck in the cellar for another 2-3 years to develop more aromatic amplitude and fine-tune the palate texture. Best 2021-2030. Certified Organic and Biodynamic.



Score: **92** (John Szabo, MS, *winealign.com*, March 11, 2019)

398347 (XD) 750 mL \$48.95

TWO SISTERS STONE EAGLE ESTATE RESERVE 2013

VQA Niagara River, Niagara-on-the-Lake

TASTING NOTE: The reserve has a little more verve and life, and freshness, than the "regular" Stone Eagle; I'd say merlot has more to offer in Niagara than cabernet sauvignon. The balance, and degree of ripeness of fruit is more comfortable, and the wood is far better integrated. Length is excellent. Very fine wine. Drink or hold until 2025 or so.

Score: **93** (John Szabo, MS, *winealign.com*, Aug. 8, 2018)

12180 (XD) 750 mL \$78.00

WHITE WINE

TAWSE ROBYN'S BLOCK CHARDONNAY 2015

VQA Twenty Mile Bench, Niagara Escarpment

TASTING NOTE: Here's a big, rich almost bullish yet still honed chardonnay from the oldest, organically farmed vines on the home vineyards at Tawse. The nose shows generous, very complex aromas of poached/custardy pear, gentle nutmeg, lime blossom, wet stone and vague smoke. It is full bodied, firm yet broad on the palate with considerable richness, although the finish dries and narrows. Great acidity and minerality here. Fans of Meursault in Burgundy will get the drift. Outstanding length.

Score: **94** (David Lawrason, *winealign.com*, March 1, 2019)

416321 (XD) 750 mL \$46.15

NOVA SCOTIA

SPARKLING WINE

BENJAMIN BRIDGE MÉTHODE CLASSIQUE RESERVE BRUT SPARKLING 2013

Traditional method, Nova Scotia

This traditional-method sparkler is crafted from the classic Champagne grape varieties of Chardonnay, Pinot Noir and Pinot Meunier and is subjected to the same labour-intensive, rigorous process. It offers great intensity and complexity, with gorgeous fresh-baked bread, citrus and apple and a lip-smacking acidity. Most importantly, it's a celebration of Nova Scotia's developing potential as a fine cool-climate growing area.

275396 (D) 750 mL \$75.00

AUSTRALIA

A trio of 2016s from Down Under that span the breadth of Australia. Two distinct takes on Shiraz from Clonakilla and Standish and a classic Cabernet from Margaret River.

RED WINE

CLONAKILLA O'RIADA SHIRAZ 2016
Canberra District

TASTING NOTE: Full crimson-purple; while not due for release until early '18, as at June '17 this medium to full-bodied wine was already kicking up its heels. There is a masterful and utterly harmonious blend of dark fruits, warm spices, ripe tannins and French oak. The very large X-factor is its freshness, which will underwrite its very long life. Bargain basement shelf. Special Value. Drink By: 2041. Score: **96** (James Halliday, *winecompanion.com.au*, July 1, 2018)

303248 (XD) 750 mL \$55.00

STELLA BELLA SERIE LUMINOSA CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2016

Margaret River, Western Australia

TASTING NOTE: 100% Cabernet Sauvignon. Lovely ripe red and black fruit on the nose with hints of dried herbs,

cedar, tobacco and vanilla, the palate has a great harmony of ripe fruit, savoury black olive hints and really fresh acidity, complex and intriguing.

Score: **97** (Decanter World Wine Awards, 2018)

492942 (XD) 750 mL \$73.00

THE STANDISH SHIRAZ 2016

Barossa Valley, South Australia

TASTING NOTE: Dan's 2016 The Standish Shiraz comes from a vineyard in the Greenock subregion. It's inky in color, loaded with plum, blueberry and raspberry fruit. Full-bodied, creamy-textured and rich, it's intense, concentrated and long beyond belief, picking up hints of licorice along the way. Nearly embryonic, it will need at least a couple of years to show more than the primary fruit. Drink date: 2020-2035.

Score: **99** (Joe Czerwinski, *robertparker.com*, Aug. 31, 2018)

10531 (XD) 750 mL \$160.00

NEW ZEALAND

Nice representation from both islands, with classic expressions from Marlborough and Hawke's Bay complemented by offerings from Central Otago and Wairarapa.

RED WINE

BURN COTTAGE PINOT NOIR 2016

Central Otago, South Island

TASTING NOTE: This is a terrific pinot noir – great to drink now despite the sneaking feeling that it's going to get even better with bottle age. Totally seductive ripe cherry, berry and plum flavours with added complexity from subliminal floral, spice, savoury and herb. The texture is to die for and the wine has impressive power as evidenced by a lingering finish that won't quit. Ranks #1 of 112 in Bob Campbell's 2016 Pinot Noir tasted from Central Otago. Drink date: 2018 to 2026. Score: **98** (Bob Campbell, MW, *bobcampbell.nz*, Oct. 14, 2018)

578054 (XD) 750 mL \$79.00

ESK VALLEY THE TERRACES RESERVE 2016

Hawke's Bay, North Island

TASTING NOTE: Every bit as impressive and slick as the 2015, this has a beautifully seductive, dark-fruited nose with attractive earthy and spicy complexity. There's a succulent, elegantly powerful and seamlessly delivered array of ripe plums, mulberries and blueberries on the palate. A malbec, merlot and cabernet franc. Good aging potential. Drink or hold. Ranks #36 of James Suckling's Top 100 Wines of New Zealand 2018.

Score: **95** (James Suckling, *jamesuckling.com*, Dec. 17, 2018)

10799 (XD) 750 mL \$150.00

PADDY BORTHWICK RIGHT HAND PINOT NOIR 2016

Gladstone, Wairarapa, North Island

TASTING NOTE: Gorgeously ripe and fragrant, the instantly appealing bouquet shows dark cherry, spiced plum, vanilla, hazelnut and floral characters, leading to a succulent palate that is impressively weighted and richly textured. The wine is brimming with delectable flavours, superbly complemented by supple mouthfeel and silky tannins. A hugely appealing pinot. At its best: now to 2021. Score: **95** (Sam Kim, *wineorbit.co.nz*, Sept. 2018)

10351 (XD) 750 mL \$68.00

SACRED HILL DEERSTALKERS SYRAH 2015

Gimblett Gravels, Hawke's Bay, North Island

TASTING NOTE: Sweetly fruited and beautifully perfumed, this gorgeous syrah from the Gimblett Gravels district shows blackberry, dark plum, clove and toasted almond characters with nuances of tapenade and black pepper. The palate exhibits outstanding fruit purity and concentration, combined with fabulous spicy/savoury complexity, impeccably framed by polished tannins. At its best: 2019 to 2030.

Score: **97** (Sam Kim, *wineorbit.co.nz*, June 2017)

10796 (XD) 750 mL \$68.00

WHITE WINE

CLOUDY BAY TE KOKO SAUVIGNON BLANC 2013

Marlborough, South Island

TASTING NOTE: Another nicely groomed and balanced edition of this flagship wine.

It has a layer of dried flowers, beeswax and dried wild grasses across more fruit-centered aromas like lime leaves, lime curd and subtly spicy French oak influence. The palate has a more savory start with hints of nougat, honey and passionfruit. Some pastry-like savory moments as it builds texture and weight before folding neatly into an attractive, pithy, lime-citrus finish. Drink now to 2020. Score: **93** (James Suckling, *jamessuckling.com*, Oct. 25, 2016)

84897 (XD) 750 mL \$62.00

SOUTH AFRICA

The great heritage of South African winemaking is on display here with these utterly on-point examples of Cabernet Franc and Syrah.



RED WINE

GABRIËLSKLOOF THE LANDSCAPE SERIES CABERNET FRANC 2016

Dingle Vineyard, Bot River, Western Cape

TASTING NOTE: For the second year running, this remarkable Cabernet Franc has triumphed in my tastings. There's no sign of the greater heat of the vintage here, just freshness, poise, silky tannins, black



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cherry and graphite notes and beautifully handled oak. A thrilling Cabernet Franc of great precision and palate length. Drink date: 2019-2026.

Score: **95** (Tim Atkin, MW, *timatkin.com*, *South Africa Special Report 2018*)

11092 (XD) 750 mL \$47.00

PORSELEINBERG SYRAH 2016

WO Swartland

TASTING NOTE: If ever a South African wine tasted of specific place it is Porseleinberg, the Cape's answer to Cornas in terms of its dense, compact structure, but with a personality that is all its own: wild, savoury and unruly with tannins that can be demanding in their youth. Fermented with 100% whole bunches and aged in a combination of concrete eggs and foudres, it's ripe, but not overly so, with notes of garrigue and tangerine and a stony, compact finish. Drink date: 2022-2035.

Score: **96** (Tim Atkin, MW, *timatkin.com*, *South Africa Special Report 2018*)

483941 (XD) 750 mL \$100.00

ARGENTINA

Three takes on Mendoza's cool 2016 vintage: two 100% Malbecs and a definitive Chardonnay. Plus a stunning single-vineyard Bordeaux blend from 2012.



RED WINE

GEN DEL ALMA SEMINARE MALBEC 2016

Gualtallary, Uco Valley

TASTING NOTE: The 2016 Seminare comes from a head-pruned plot (Eiti Leda) that yields no more than 1,200 kilos per hectare. It's from a vineyard planted in 2013 in Gualtallary that they didn't irrigate in 2016, as the year saw more than enough rain. This fermented in 3,000-liter concrete amphorae with 100% full clusters and foot treading, with a 30-day maceration after fermentation finished. It matured in used barriques until bottling, without racking or refilling of the barrels. Fragrant, floral, expressive, elegant and clean, subtle and nuanced, the nose is really attractive and develops new tones

in the glass, denoting great complexity. It's nicely proportioned and balanced, layered and complex. There is superb balance and elegance on the palate, and the quality of tannins is stunning. Great Malbec from extremely young vines. There is a lot more complexity here than in the Crua Chan wines – it shows the variety, the soil and the wild place. 1,500 bottles and 18 magnums were filled in May 2017.

Once the different zones of Gualtallary are made official, this will fall in the Monasterio zone. Drink date: 2018-2024.

Score: **96** (Luis Gutiérrez, *robertparker.com*, June 29, 2018)

11968 (XD) 750 mL \$78.00

ZORZAL WINES EGGO TINTO DE TIZA 2016

Uco Valley, Mendoza

TASTING NOTE: The incredible 2016 Eggo Tinto de Tiza was cropped from one of the coolest years in recent times, which provided a slow ripening of the grapes and resulted in wines with higher natural acidity. This wine is now exclusively Malbec from Gualtallary (it used to have some Cabernet Franc and Cabernet Sauvignon before). It fermented with 10% full clusters and indigenous yeasts in egg-shaped concrete vats, where the wine matured for ten months. It's super aromatic, with notes of thyme, oregano, spices and something earthy, like the countryside after the rain. It's young and has an explosive, vibrant palate with electric acidity and chalky tannins. 2016 could very well be the finest vintage to date, one of those vintages that will be legendary. This is just unbelievable for the price. 35,000 bottles produced. It was bottled in February 2017. Drink date: 2018-2022.

Score: **95** (Luis Gutiérrez, *robertparker.com*, June 29, 2018)

482000 (XD) 750 mL \$38.00

TAPIZ LAS NOTAS DE JEAN CLAUDE 2012

San Pablo Single Vineyard, Tupungato, Uco Valley

TASTING NOTE: There is a new top-of-the-range red, the 2012 Las Notas de Jean Claude, which is a blend of mainly Merlot with Cabernet Franc, Cabernet Sauvignon and Petit Verdot from their vineyard in San Pablo in the Uco Valley



CHILE

The 100-point 2014 Clos Apalta leads here, supported by a powerhouse blend of old-vine Cabernet (120 years old) and Carmenère (70 years old), plus a bold, expressive Sauvignon Blanc.

at some 1,300 meters altitude, fermented in inox and matured in French oak barrels for one year after malo also in barrique. The name is a homage to their winemaking consultant, Jean-Clade Berrouet. The nose is quite subtle, with good ripeness but without excess and integrated oak, with some sweet spices. It's subtle and elegant, quite a change from the rest of the range. The blend of grapes erases the varietal character and there is complexity beyond that of the grape. The medium-bodied palate is very polished with ultra-fine tannins and good acidity making for a very harmonious, and sleek texture through the long and elegant finish. I'd have difficulties placing this in Argentina, and I'd probably go to Bordeaux. This is a great blend. I'm impressed, this is very different for what I've tasted before from Tapiz. Drink date: 2015-2020. Score: **94** (Luis Gutiérrez, *robertparker.com*, Aug. 27, 2015)

11969 (XD) 750 mL \$85.00

WHITE WINE

CATENA ZAPATA WHITE BONES ADRIANNA VINEYARD CHARDONNAY 2016

Mendoza

TASTING NOTE: From the Adrianna Vineyard's most chalk-rich soils. Pungent acidity, like a freshly sharpened razor. 80% of the wine is matured under flor, accounting for the saline, almost iodised notes. Notes of white fruit and intense minerality in a complex yet delicious and refreshing white. Drinking window: 2019-2024.

Score: **98** (Patricio Tapia, *decanter.com*, May 20, 2019)

514844 (XD) 750 mL \$125.00

RED WINE

NEYEN ESPÍRITU DE APALTA 2015 DO Colchagua Valley

TASTING NOTE: This is crazy with mushrooms, black truffle, blackberries and hot stone. Old-vine magic. Full body, dense and so polished with integrated and melted tannins. Greatness and respect. A blend of 55% cabernet sauvignon and 45% carmenere. Made from organically grown grapes. 120-year-old cabernet and 70-year-old carmenere. Amazing. Drink or hold.

Score: **98** (James Suckling, *jamesuckling.com*, Dec. 27, 2018)

255976 (XD) 750 mL \$60.00

CLOS APALTA 2014 Apalta Valley

TASTING NOTE: This was the first 100-point wine from here with such aromas of fresh herbs and dark berry and floral undertones. Hot stone character. Full body, very linear and ultra-fine tannins. The precision and perfection here is impressive, as it has always been. A blend of carmenere, cabernet sauvignon and merlot. Drink or hold.

Score: **100** (James Suckling, *jamesuckling.com*, April 26, 2018)

10712 (XD) 750 mL \$250.00

WHITE WINE

CALYPTRA GRAN RESERVA SAUVIGNON BLANC 2015

Estate grown & bottled, DO Alto Cachapoal Valley

TASTING NOTE: 100% Sauvignon Blanc. Classy and bold from the start, this is a serious and lovely oaked style with aromas of tangerine, butter toast and roasted lemons. An altogether complex, layered,

savoury and proper spicy Sauvignon to buy by the case. Very accomplished and just the ticket for smoked trout.

Score: **95** (Decanter World Wine Awards, 2018)

11896 (XD) 750 mL \$49.00

USA

Big names and bigger scores dominate these wines from California, Washington and Oregon.



CALIFORNIA

RED WINE

FAR NIENTE ESTATE CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2017 Oakville, Napa Valley

From one of the most historic of Napa Valley wineries, this complex, characterful, richly textured, elegantly styled Cabernet is one of the reasons this critically acclaimed, award-winning property has played such a pivotal role in the establishment of the Oakville area of Napa Valley. This is a wine that will soar this evening with lamb, steak or braised meats but has the pedigree and quality to evolve for another 15 or 20 years.

539098 (XD) 750 mL \$285.00

KOSTA-BROWNE SONOMA COAST PINOT NOIR 2017

Sonoma Coast, Sonoma County

TASTING NOTE: ... the appellation 2017 Pinot Noir Sonoma Coast reveals a ruby/purple, translucent color as well as a stunning perfume of black raspberries, cassis, crushed violets, spice box, sweet earth. It's rich, medium to full-bodied, has beautiful depth, a kiss of background oak, and a great finish. Mostly destemmed and aged 17 months in 40% new French oak, it's a brilliant wine to drink over the coming decade or more. Maturity: 2020-2030. Score: **96** (Jeb Dunnuck, *jebdunnuck.com*, June 14, 2019)

359034 (D) 750 mL \$165.00

TURLEY DUARTE ZINFANDEL 2017

Contra Costa County, Central Coast

TASTING NOTE: The 2017 Zinfandel Duarte comes from three vineyards planted between 1890 and 1930, with own-rooted vines in sandy soils. Medium to deep ruby-purple in color, it opens with warm cinnamon toast, shaved nutmeg and touches of candied peach over a core of sliced blueberries and warm black cherries with earthy nuances. Medium to full-bodied, it has great intensity in the mouth, with black and blue fruits and spicy layers, great juicy acidity and a structuring frame of ripe, grainy tannins, finishing long and flavorful. 1,500 cases produced. Drink date: 2019-2028.

Score: **93** (Erin Brooks, *robertparker.com*, March 14, 2019)

12498 (XD) 750 mL \$80.00

TURLEY KIRSCHENMANN VINEYARD ZINFANDEL 2017

Lodi

TASTING NOTE: The 2017 Zinfandel Kirschenmann Vineyard comes from own-rooted vines planted in sandy soils in 1915. Winemaker Tegan Passalacqua notes that other varieties planted in this old vineyard include Refosco, Carignane and Cinsault. Pale to medium ruby-purple colored, it opens with warm peach preserves, cinnamon stick and dried leaves hints with dried red and black cherries and notes of dried flowers. Medium-bodied, it gives pretty layers of dried fruits, flowers and spices in the mouth, with juicy acidity tethered by firm, fine-grained tannins, finishing very long and spicy. 1,000 cases produced. Drink date: 2019-2027.

Score: **92** (Erin Brooks, *robertparker.com*, March 14, 2019)

12499 (XD) 750 mL \$80.00



RIDGE VINEYARDS ESTATE CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2016

Monte Bello Vineyard, Santa Cruz Mountains

TASTING NOTE: The 2016 Cabernet Sauvignon Estate comes from the Santa Cruz Mountain estate, and it follows its big brother Monte Bello's style with a terrific sense of elegance paired with richness. Lots of crème de cassis, crushed violets, vanilla, tobacco leaf, and cedar notes flow to a medium to full-bodied, beautifully concentrated, layered Cabernet Sauvignon that has terrific purity, building tannins, and a great finish. It offers pleasure today yet won't hit prime time for another 5-7 years, and it's going to evolve for 15-20 years (probably longer). Drink date: 2024-2044. Score: **94+** (Jeb Dunnuck, *jebdunnuck.com*, June 14, 2019)

89284 (XD) 750 mL \$110.00

HESS COLLECTION THE LION CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2014

Mount Veeder, Napa Valley

TASTING NOTE: Blended of 82% Cabernet Sauvignon, 17% Malbec and 1% Petit Verdot, the 2014 Cabernet Sauvignon The Lion has a very deep garnet-purple color and nose of baked blueberries, plum preserves and crème de cassis with a wonderfully spicy undercurrent featuring Chinese five spice, black pepper and fenugreek with touches of cigar box and bay leaves. Medium to full-bodied, concentrated and tightly wound at this youthful stage, it has a rock-solid backbone of firm, grainy tannins and lively acidity supporting the muscular fruit, finishing long and spicy. 158 cases were made. Forget this one in your cellar for 3-4 years and drink it over the next 15+. Drink date: 2020-2035.

Score: **96+** (Lisa Perrotti-Brown, MW, *robertparker.com*, Oct. 31, 2017)

11085 (XD) 750 mL \$302.00

HUNDRED ACRE VINEYARD KAYLI MORGAN VINEYARD DEEP TIME CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2014

Napa Valley

TASTING NOTE: The 2014 Cabernet Sauvignon Kayli Morgan Vineyard Deep Time spent 48 months in barrel, which is amazing when you consider how vibrant it is. Medium garnet colored, it hits the

ground running with bright, expressive scents of raspberry coulis, blackcurrant cordial, baked plums and Morello cherries giving way to a beguiling perfume of potpourri, new leather, cloves and unsmoked cigars plus wafts of sassafras and pencil lead. The generously fruited, full-bodied palate ups the game with exotic spice fireworks among the rich, opulent fruit, supported by firm, tight-grained tannins and bold freshness, finishing very long. Drink date: 2018-2055.

Score: **99** (Lisa Perrotti-Brown, MW, *robertparker.com*, Dec. 7, 2018)

11088 (XD) 750 mL \$840.00

HUNDRED ACRE VINEYARD WRAITH CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2014

Napa Valley

TASTING NOTE: Medium to deep garnet-purple colored, the 2014 Cabernet Sauvignon Wraith opens with compelling crème de cassis, wild blueberries, anise, chocolate mint and black earth scents plus suggestions of candied violets, cinnamon stick, tar, cigar box and smoked meats. Full-bodied, rich, super firm and built like a brick house, the palate offers layer upon layer of very tightly wound, subtly nuanced flavors leading to a very long, very perfumed and mineral finish. If any Hundred Acre wine can live for 100 years, this is certainly a contender. Drink date: 2022-2080.

Score: **100** (Lisa Perrotti-Brown, MW, *robertparker.com*, Dec. 7, 2018)

11090 (XD) 750 mL \$775.00

SIGNORELLO PADRONE 2014

Napa Valley

TASTING NOTE: The 2014 Cabernet Sauvignon Padrone is a selection of the best block and barrels on the property. Sweet tobacco, graphite, plums, chocolate, menthol, licorice and dark stone fruits are vivid and intense, especially for such a big wine. Ample, generous and inviting, the 2014 is shaping up to be a jewel of a wine. Like all the Signorello wines today, the Padrone exudes silkiness and finesse. Drinking window: 2020-2034.

Score: **94** (Antonio Galloni, *vinous.com*, Dec. 2016)

271304 (XD) 750 mL \$230.00

**SILVER OAK NAPA VALLEY
CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2014**

Napa Valley

This is primarily Cabernet Sauvignon with splashes of Merlot and Cabernet Franc and dashes of Petit Verdot and Malbec. It was aged for 24 months in 84% new American oak and 16% one-use American oak barrels from Silver Oak's own cooperage in Missouri. The wine then saw a further 20 months in bottle before it was released in February 2019. This will delight tonight with prime rib roast, lamb or your favourite cut of steak, but it's a wine you should seriously consider following for the next 20 or so years.

10353 (XD) 1500 mL \$415.00

WHITE WINE

FAR NIENTE CHARDONNAY 2018

Napa Valley

Sourced from prime volcanic and gravelly loam sites in Coombsville, this fresh and vibrant wine will offer suggestions of white flowers, tropical fruit, pear, apple, toast and mineral. From a renowned producer, this is a wine that should be on your must-try list.

539130 (XD) 750 mL \$99.00

**AUBERT LARRY HYDE & SONS
CHARDONNAY 2017**

Carneros

TASTING NOTE: A barrel sample (aging in about 70% new oak), the 2017 Chardonnay Larry Hyde and Sons Vineyard opens with a gloriously gregarious, exotically scented nose of gingerbread and lemongrass with a core of pineapple, green guava and mango plus a hint of honeycomb. The palate is big, rich, super opulent and sexy with fantastic texture, concentration and seamless freshness, finishing long.

Score: **96-98** (Lisa Perrotti-Brown, MW, *robertparker.com*, Oct. 29, 2018)

390831 (XD) 750 mL \$199.00

OREGON

RED WINE

**ARTERBERRY MARESH VINEYARD
PINOT NOIR 2015**

Dundee Hills, Willamette Valley

TASTING NOTE: This wine comes from Pinot Noir vines planted in the early 1970s. Pale to medium ruby-purple in color, the 2015 Pinot Noir Mares Vineyard features warm black cherries and currants on the nose with forest floor, black licorice, cardamom, mushroom and sweet wet leaves nuances. Medium to full-bodied, it's packed full of red and black fruits with layers of sweet spice and savory mushroom, with a great frame of grainy tannins and juicy acidity, finishing very long with spice-laced sweet fruit notes. Drink date: 2018-2030.

Score: **95** (Erin Brooks, *robertparker.com*, Aug. 31, 2018)

10323 (XD) 750 mL \$115.00

WASHINGTON

RED WINE

**CANVASBACK
CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2015**Red Mountain, Yakima Valley
(Duckhorn Wine Company)

TASTING NOTE: Canvasback is a project by Napa estate, Duckhorn, intended to express the prized Red Mountain vineyards of Washington State. With deep knowledge of the region, winemaker Brian Rudin makes the stars align with this harmonious parade of wild stewed strawberry, dried herbs de Provence and juicy black plum. The structure is a product of Red Mountain's desert-like conditions and the oak usage – mostly French, with a small dose of American oak. This brings broad shoulders and a deep tone of voice to this serious wine. It's a wise choice to pair with porchetta, truffled creamy polenta, or even blueberry pie. Drinking window: 2018-2028.

Score: **94** (Eduardo Dingler, *decanter.com*, Nov. 15, 2018)

467795 (XD) 750 mL \$57.00

**FORTIFIED
WINE**

Port lovers have much to cheer for here, with the 2000 Graham's Vintage Port and the Taylor Fladgate 40-Year-Old Tawny. Collectors will want to check out the 1990 Gran Reserva Don PX from Toro Albala and the legendary Toneles Moscatel from Valdespino.

PORT

**TAYLOR FLADGATE 40-YEAR-OLD
TAWNY PORT**

DOP

Mark Squires of *robertparker.com* awarded this a rating of **95** points and suggested a drinking window extending through 2055. (Dec. 30, 2015)

TASTING NOTE: Taylor Fladgate 40 Year Old is made with estate fruit in miniscule quantities. This is the essence of port from its spicy (cinnamon) nutty nose to its ultra complex collection of scents and flavours. On the palate the attack is mellow and silky smooth – it doesn't age in wood for forty years for nothing. The flavours are strong and nutty reminiscent of figs, raisins, caramel, dried apricots, orange peel and brown sugar. The finish is a long, soft warm complex affair that never really seems to go away that is drier than you might think. Buy and hold or drink now with a nutty cake dessert. A fabulous experience. Tasted July 2015.

Score: **96** (Anthony Gismondi, *winealign.com*, July 2015)

540260 (S) 750 mL \$239.00



GRAHAM'S VINTAGE PORT 2000
DOC

TASTING NOTE: Smells like freshly picked orchids, with loads of ripe, clean fruit. Full-bodied, medium sweet and very powerful and racy. It lasts for minutes on your palate. Yet there's a balance and class to this young Vintage Port. This is the greatest glass of Graham I have ever tasted, young or old. Best after 2014.

Collectibles. Rated #9 in the 2003 Wine Spectator's Top 100. Score: **98** (James Suckling, *winespectator.com*, May 15, 2003)

535427 (S) 375 mL \$65.00

SHERRY

VALDESPINO TONELES MOSCATEL
DO

TASTING NOTE: The NV Moscatel Toneles has reached a mythical status locally in Spain. It's an extremely old, concentrated and powerful sweet wine that was long forgotten, because there was no market for it. The color is dark brown, almost opaque with amber-green edges. The ever-changing nose is an explosion of spices (curry and cinnamon) and noble woods, and from the sheer concentration it displays a myriad of roasted coffee, dark chocolate, balsamic herbs and even a note of coconut. After some time in the glass the roasted orange notes of Muscat come back intermixed with very spicy incense notes. Give it more time and it smells of camphor. It's fascinating to smell it over the course of a few hours – even days. The palate is immensely concentrated, with the alcohol perfectly integrated and the extreme sweetness

compensated by a piercing acidity that reminds me of some century-old Madeiras. It ends with an acute coffee note. The aftertaste is eternal. It is exceptional that such an old wine (it could be over 80 years of average age) keeps the freshness and balance, but when this happens, the wine is exceptional. A world-class sweet wine that shows what aged Muscat is able for. With its 430 grams of residual sugar, this wine is indestructible, but only 100 bottles are withdrawn and bottled yearly from a single, large cask. Drink date: 2013-2034.

Score: **100** (Luis Gutiérrez, *robertparker.com*, Aug. 28, 2013)

492660 (S) 375 mL \$329.00

EUROPEAN FORTIFIED

TORO ALBALA GRAN RESERVA
DON PX MONTILLA-MORILES 1990
DO, Spain

TASTING NOTE: The 1990 Don PX Gran Reserva has unusually high sugar, close to 400 grams (when this range is usually less than 360). Compared with the rest of wines, this feels like a very good value. These wines mature in old 550-liter American oak casks for decades, and the wines have great concentration. It felt unusually perfumed, a little spicity and with notes that made me think of Moscatel – notes of orange peel and flowers, and of course the raisin and dry dates and figs from these wines made with raisins. It's sweet and dense like motor oil and leaves a combination of raisins and chocolate in the spicy and faintly warm finish. This was bottled in early 2019. Drink date: 2019-2026.

Score: **93** (Luis Gutiérrez, *robertparker.com*, June 28, 2019)

10761 (S) 375 mL \$39.00

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BORDEAUX

RED WINE

CHÂTEAU LASCOMBES 2015

2e cru, AC Margaux

TASTING NOTE: This is a powerful wine, with wood aging that adds richness to the dense tannins. Some tough extraction has not detracted from the ripe fruit or structure and will go as the wine matures. It should be ready to drink from 2026. Cellar Selection.

Score: **96** (Roger Voss, *Wine Enthusiast*, Feb. 1, 2018)

591412 (XD) 750 mL \$180.00

CHÂTEAU MAUVESIN BARTON 2015

AC Moulis-en-Médoc

TASTING NOTE: The fifth vintage from this estate since its purchase by the Barton family of Léoville Barton in Saint-Julien, this is a generous, structured wine. It has ripe black fruits in profusion that are held together by the serious layer of tannins. Rich and concentrated, the wine will age for many years. Drink from 2024.

Score: **93** (Roger Voss, *Wine Enthusiast*, April 1, 2018)

11727 (XD) 750 mL \$42.00



CHÂTEAU LATOUR 2008

1er cru, AC Pauillac

TASTING NOTE: This takes a heartbeat to kick in, and then the weight and impact of this wine slowly kicks in. Those Cabernets have lift and punch, and although it's not ethereal like the Ausone or even the Lafite, it has power, structure, impact and kick, and you know it's going the distance. It has really lovely menthol notes which play around on the finish, preceded by layers of cassis and liquorice. It's more accessible than many Latours at 10 years old – just give it another couple of years to fully get into its stride. Drinking window: 2020-2038.

Score: **98** (Jane Anson, *decanter.com*, Dec. 31, 2017)

596429 (XD) 750 mL \$1335.00

WHITE WINE

CHÂTEAU D'ARCHE 2009

Grand cru classé, AC Sauternes

TASTING NOTE: The 2009 Chateau d'Arche has a perfumed, delicate bouquet that might not offer the intensity some hedonists might seek, but it is very nuanced and complex with scents of yellow flowers, dried honey and candle wax. The palate is medium-bodied with superb acidity combining with the botrytis rich fruit. This is a class act: surfeit with tension and breeding, while the finish offers delicious notes of Manuka honey and spices. This is wonderful. Drink now-2040+.

Score: **95** (Neal Martin, *robertparker.com*, Feb. 27, 2013)

12234 (S) 375 mL \$47.00

CHÂTEAU DE MALLE 2005

2e cru, AC Sauternes

TASTING NOTE: Tasted blind at the 10-Year On Tasting in Sauternes. The 2005 Château de Malle has a pleasing, harmonious, botrytis-rich bouquet with fine delineation: honeysuckle, minerals and orange-blossom gently floating from the glass. The palate is very well balanced with tensile citrus fruit that marries beautifully with the clear honey, mandarin and citrus notes. There is a compelling build to this wine in the mouth. A top de Malle to savor now and over the next

15-20 years. Drink date: 2015-2035.

Score: **92** (Neal Martin, *robertparker.com*, June 28, 2015)

241463 (S) 375 mL \$39.00

CÔTE DE NUITS

RED WINE

MARCHAND TAWSE GEVREY CHAMBERTIN 2016

AC

TASTING NOTE: An interesting nose mixes floral-inflected red currant aromas with those of earth and the sauvage. The rich, full-bodied and utterly delicious flavors possess a fleshy mid-palate that contrasts somewhat with the firm, serious and rustic finale. This is very Gevrey in basic character and worth checking out. Drink: 2024+. Outstanding.

Score: **89-91** (Allen Meadows, *burghound.com*, Jan. 15, 2018)

485052 (XD) 750 mL \$74.00

MAISON ROCHE DE BELLENE VIEILLES VIGNES

GEVREY-CHAMBERTIN 2015

AC

TASTING NOTE: The typical firm, tannic structure of a Gevrey-Chambertin is very present in this young wine. The tannins are balanced with the juicy red-berry fruits, crisp acidity and minerality. Together these elements make an impressively dense wine that will age well. Drink from 2022. Score: **93** (Roger Voss, *Wine Enthusiast*, Feb. 1, 2018)

240424 (XD) 750 mL \$74.00

MOILLARD CHAMBOLLE-MUSIGNY 1934

Yes, you read that correctly: this wine is indeed from the 1934 vintage. It comes from the Moillard family, who've owned vineyards in Nuits-Saint-Georges since before the French Revolution and who founded their own domaine in 1850. Grown in Chambolle-Musigny, this wine actually predates the French Appellation d'Origine Contrôlée/Protégée system by three years.

562868 (XD) 750 mL \$447.00

**MOILLARD CHARMES-CHAMBERTIN
GRAND CRU 1934**

This venerable wine was grown three years prior to the formation of the French Appellation d'Origine Contrôlée/Protégée system in what is today designated as Charmes-Chambertin Grand Cru. It's a taste of bottled history that will make a monumental addition to any cellar, or a truly impressive gift.

10650 (XD) 750 mL \$690.00

**CÔTE DE BEAUNE
RED WINE****BOUCHARD PÈRE & FILS POMMARD
2016
AC**

TASTING NOTE: Dark and polished, this red displays black cherry, blackberry and iron flavors. The dense, dry tannins exert themselves on the finish, but this finishes with a civilized character. Best from 2021 through 2035.

Score: **91** (Bruce Sanderson, *winespectator.com*, May 31, 2019)

413013 (XD) 750 mL \$66.00

**JAFFELIN LES VERGELESSES
SAVIGNY-LÈS-BEAUNE
1^{ER} CRU 2015
AC**

TASTING NOTE: This wine is structured and concentrated with solid tannins. It has great ripe red fruits and plenty of berry flavors. It is going to be a fine wine, full of both fruit and structure as it develops. Drink from 2022.

Score: **92** (Roger Voss, *Wine Enthusiast*, Nov. 1, 2017)

666842 (XD) 750 mL \$69.00

**ROCHE DE BELLENE CLOS
DES CHÊNES VOLNAY 1^{ER} CRU 2014
AC**

TASTING NOTE: So quiet now, but deep, darker and more serious than the higher toned 2013, yet still so far from showing either Volnay beauty or charm. The cherries darken and the Premier Cru earthy soul rises with the fruit, part calcaire, more so marl and really structured. The tannins are

finer and more seriously ingrained in this vintage, clearly stronger and fuller in longevity possibility. Keep the Clos Des Chênes faith through the exercise of patience. Drink date: 2022-2032.

Score: **94** (Michael Godel, *winealign.com*, June 19, 2018)

638056 (XD) 750 mL \$97.00

WHITE WINE**LOUIS JADOT
CHASSAGNE-MONTRACHET 2017
AC**

TASTING NOTE: Soft wood sets off slightly riper aromas of resin, white and yellow orchard fruit and a hint of rosemary oil. The lush and very generously proportioned medium weight flavors possess excellent depth and persistence on the slightly rustic finish. This is really quite good for a villages Chassagne and worth your consideration. Drink: 2023+. Outstanding. Top value.

Score: **89-91** (Allen Meadows, *burghound.com*, June 10, 2019)

494955 (XD) 750 mL \$93.00

**FAIVELEY PULIGNY-MONTRACHET
LA GARENNE 1^{ER} CRU 2016
AC**

TASTING NOTE: A rich, powerful style, with deeply embedded oak spice, peach, apricot and citronella aromas and flavors. The vibrant structure keeps this balanced and well-defined, while the finish builds on the tangy acidity to a lingering aftertaste of ripe orchard fruit and spice notes. Drink now through 2027.

Score: **93** (Bruce Sanderson, *winespectator.com*, Sept. 30, 2018)

10642 (XD) 750 mL \$150.00

**CHABLIS
WHITE WINE****DOMAINE PINSON FRÈRES
MONT DE MILIEU CHABLIS
1^{ER} CRU 2017
AC**

TASTING NOTE: Here too there is a whiff of wood present on the expressive and vaguely exotic nose that offers up notes

of algae, iodine, white peach and seaweed. As is usually the case with this wine there is excellent volume, power, muscle and mid-palate density to the medium-bodied flavors that coat the palate with dry extract on the almost painfully intense mineral-driven finish that flashes a bit of youthful austerity. This is terrific and offers excellent upside development potential. Drink: 2024+. Sweet spot. Outstanding. Score: **91-94** (Allen Meadows, *burghound.com*, Oct. 15, 2018)

700914 (XD) 750 mL \$59.00

**DOMAINE DANIEL-ETIENNE DEFAIX
LES LYS CHABLIS 1^{ER} CRU 2004
AC**

TASTING NOTE: The 2004 Chablis 1er Cru Les Lys is superb, offering up a classy bouquet of green apple, almond paste, dried flowers and buttered citrus. On the palate, the wine is full-bodied, bright and tangy, with a satiny, textural attack but lovely cut, tension and length. As one would expect, it's brighter and racier than the warmer vintages served alongside it. Drink date: 2018-2028. Score: **94** (William Kelley, *robertparker.com*, Aug. 31, 2018)

289256 (XD) 750 mL \$54.00

RHÔNE**NORTHERN RHÔNE
RED WINE****DOMAINE COURBIS
CHAMPELROSE CORNAS 2017
AC**

TASTING NOTE: This year, I preferred the Champelrose (which sees less new oak) to the les Eygats. The 2017 Cornas Champelrose is herbal and complex, with suggestions of orange zest and licorice accenting plummy fruit. Full-bodied, rich and concentrated, it's supple, dense and powerful, with a long finish. Drink date: 2020-2030.

Score: **93-95** (Joe Czerwinski, *robertparker.com*, Dec. 28, 2018)

725341 (XD) 750 mL \$83.00

DOMAINE DES REMIZIÈRES CUVÉE CHRISTOPHE CROZES-HERMITAGE 2016
AC

TASTING NOTE: Beautifully pure and sleek, with a beam of cassis and raspberry puree flavors gliding through, flecked with violet and anise notes and backed by a streak of iron. The fruit takes an encore. Drink now through 2030.

Score: **92** (James Molesworth, *winespectator.com*, Aug. 31, 2018)

12007 (XD) 750 mL \$45.00

WHITE WINE

M. CHAPOUTIER INVITARE CONDRIEU 2017
AC

TASTING NOTE: Floral and apricot aromas are bolstered by hints of cedar, baking spices and honey on the nose of the 2017 Condrieu Invitare. It's full-bodied and rich but fresh and long on the finish. I'd drink it young for the flamboyant, exotic aromas and flavors, but it has the requisite concentration for aging, if desired. Drink date: 2018-2020.

Score: **93** (Joe Czerwinski, *robertparker.com*, Oct. 31, 2018)

39255 (XD) 750 mL \$72.00

SOUTHERN RHÔNE

RED WINE

CHÂTEAU LA NERTHE CUVÉE DES CADETTES CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE 2016
AC

TASTING NOTE: Similarly colored, the 2016 Châteauneuf-du-Pape Cuvée des Cadettes is a Grenache-heavy blend that includes 38% Syrah and 10% Mourvèdre. It was not destemmed and was brought up in 28% new barrels, with the balance in foudres. It offers more cassis, graphite, spicy wood, and minerality, full-bodied richness, a deep, powerful texture, integrated acidity, and awesome structure. It's a rock star wine from this estate that won't hit maturity for a decade and will keep for 10-15 years after that in cold cellars. It's the finest wine from this estate

since the 2010, 2005, and 1998. Drink date: 2025-2040.

Score: **97+** (Jeb Dunnuck, *jebdunnuck.com*, Aug. 28, 2018)

745380 (XD) 750 mL \$160.00

XAVIER ARCANE IX L'HERMITE GIGONDAS 2016
AC

TASTING NOTE: From steeper slopes, the 2016 Gigondas Arcane L'Hermite checks in as 80% Grenache, 7% Mourvèdre, and the rest Syrah, Muscardin, and Picpoul Noir that was aged in a submerged barrel. It's another beautiful wine from Xavier that has loads of blackberries, spice, dried herbes de Provence, and loamy soil. It's elegant, seamless and silky, with beautiful purity and elegance. It's going to benefit from short-term cellaring and keep for a decade.

Score: **94** (Jeb Dunnuck, *jebdunnuck.com*, Aug. 28, 2018)

11748 (XD) 750 mL \$58.00

WHITE WINE

DOMAINE DU VIEUX TÉLÉGRAPHE LA CRAU CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE BLANC 2017
AC

TASTING NOTE: A stonier, more mineral expression of white Châteauneuf with impressive body and concentration. Super-fresh, white flowers, flint and delicate pears here. The palate has a strong, mineral edge, smooth phenolics, fleshy stone fruit and a neat, fine, chalky finish. Clairette, grenache blanc, roussanne and bouboulenc. Drink in 2020.

Score: **96** (James Suckling, *jamesuckling.com*, Aug. 29, 2018)

736462 (XD) 750 mL \$95.00

ROUSSILLON

RED WINE

DOMAINE DE L'EDRE CÔTES DU ROUSSILLON-VILLAGES 2017
AC

TASTING NOTE: The rich, velvety 2017 L'Edre offers up hints of crushed stone and pencil shavings and layers of ripe, dark fruit. A blend of 60% Syrah, 25% Grenache, 10% Carignan and 5% Mourvèdre, all matured 18 months in second use Bordeaux barrels, it's full-bodied and plush, verging on creamy in texture, yet it has tremendous fruit presence and a long, elegant finish. Drink date: 2019-2028.

Score: **94** (Joe Czerwinski, *robertparker.com*, April 30, 2019)

10672 (XD) 750 mL \$40.00

ALSACE

WHITE WINE

FERNAND ENGEL PRAELATENBERG RIESLING 2015
AC Alsace Grand Cru

TASTING NOTE: Beautifully aromatic hints of Cox's Orange Pippin apple are surrounded by overtones of orange and lemon on the nose. The palate makes this fruity array even more precise and appetizing. All is drawn precisely due to bright citrus freshness – think ripe lemon, tart red apple and tangerine. There is concentration, ripeness and utter freshness and quite a bit of power. The dry finish lets these notions speak all the more clearly. Drink through 2030. Score: **94** (Anne Krebiehl, MW, *Wine Enthusiast*, Nov. 1, 2018)

582726 (XD) 750 mL \$37.00



CHAMPAGNE

BILLECART SALMON SOUS BOIS BRUT CHAMPAGNE

AC

TASTING NOTE: Fermented in small oak barrels and aged for six to seven years on the lees in bottle prior to the disgorgement (dosage: seven grams per liter), the NV Brut Sous Bois is a blend of Pinot Noir, Pinot Meunier and Chardonnay in equal parts whose composition includes 67% of the 2009 harvest and 33% reserve wines from the 2008 harvest. The nose is spicy, pure and fresh, delivering small red berry, white fruit and floral as well as nicely fresh oak flavors to the ripe and well-concentrated nose. Full-bodied and rich, this is a very intense and well-structured, pure and vinous Champagne clearly driven by the two Pinot varieties in terms of fruit and body. The Chardonnay, however, contributes freshness, finesse and a long, citrus-fresh and tightly structured finish. Tasted from lot L 390A743 44031 that was disgorged in October 2017. Tasted November 2018. Drink date: 2019-2027.

Score: **92** (Stephan Reinhardt, *robertparker.com*, Dec. 7, 2018)

484170 (XD) 750 mL \$119.00

KRUG BRUT ROSÉ CHAMPAGNE 22ème Édition, AC

TASTING NOTE: Krug Rosé has come a long way since Henri and Remi rather bashfully introduced it to their father Paul in 1983. Now in its 22nd manifestation – a base of 2010 with reserve wines stretching back to 2005 – the philosophy remains unchanged: the addition of up to 12% red wine from two plots in Ay is key to ensuring power and breadth. Its modest colour flatters to deceive, yet its power is built on restraint and length above all. A wonderful enigma, red currants, patisserie and a steely grip all defer to gastronomic potential. Olivier feels that this would work well with game dishes such as grouse or even venison.

Score: **96** (Simon Field, MW, *decanter.com*, Oct. 16, 2018)

38703 (D) 750 mL \$476.00

RUINART BLANC DE BLANCS BRUT CHAMPAGNE

AC

TASTING NOTE: Fresh, with focus and intensity, this nonetheless elegant Champagne is finely knit and minerally, offering flavors of crunchy white peach, toast and lemon curd, accented by aromatic hints of cherry blossom, fresh tarragon and spice that linger on the creamy finish. Drink now through 2022. Score: **93** (Alison Napjus, *winespectator.com*, Nov. 15, 2018)

62984 (D) 750 mL \$126.00

BOLLINGER LIMITED EDITION CUVÉE JAMES BOND CHAMPAGNE 2011

AC

Bollinger has long been the Champagne of choice of Agent 007 himself, James Bond. Roger Moore popped Bollinger NV in 1973's *Live and Let Die*; for Timothy Dalton in 1989's *License to Kill*, it was Bollinger Extra Brut R.D. 1979.; Pierce Brosnan fancied Bollinger 1961 and Bollinger La Grande Année 1995 in 2002's *Die Another Day*; and Bollinger Extra Brut R.D. 2002 appeared in 2015's *Spectre*, starring Daniel Craig. Bollinger Champagnes also appear in *A View to a Kill*, *The Living Daylights*, *GoldenEye*, *The World Is Not Enough* and *Casino Royale*. With this limited edition, Bollinger gives 007 a reciprocatory nod.

11844 (XD) 750 mL \$250.00

A.R. LENOBLE CHOUILLY GRAND CRU BLANC DE BLANCS CHAMPAGNE 2008

Chouilly Grand Cru, AC

TASTING NOTE: The A R Lenoble 2008 Blanc de Blancs Grand Cru Chouilly Brut Millésime displays a beautifully intense and golden shining citrus color. This has amazing richness and gentleness on the nose but, at the same time, delicacy, precision and finesse! This bouquet is perfectly ripe and generous but also fine and fresh, representing the chalky soils and warm microclimate of Chouilly as well as perfectly ripe and healthy fruit. Any 2008 austerity here? Negative! The attack on the palate is as fine and fresh as it is pure, piquant and aromatic. Ripe and juicy fruit flavors such as pineapples, lemons and limoncello intermix with a round and

creamy but by no means bold or heavy texture that is actually marked by chalk powder and iodine flavors on the finish. In fact, this 2008 Chouilly is delicate and filigreed as well as firmly structured. To me, it is an icon wine for Chouilly, and I highly recommend it, even if only to understand the highly diverse terroirs of Champagne, even in the Côte des Blancs where Chouilly is the most northern village next to Cuis. A small part (10%) of the wine was aged in oak. The finish of the 2008 is fresh and light but also intense and persistent. This is a great vin de terroir, and to be honest, I couldn't stop drinking it! Tasted April 2018. Drink date: 2018-2030.

Score: **94** (Stephan Reinhardt, *robertparker.com*, Aug. 31, 2018)

11136 (XD) 750 mL \$109.00

JURA

RED WINE

DOMAINE DU PÉLICAN ARBOIS POULSARD 2017

AC Arbois

Poulsard is a red wine grape known for making delicate, subtly spicy, earthy wines with fine, light tannins. This one, now in its third vintage, comes from the Monteiller, Au Bari, Lonchamp and Aux Loges vineyards leased from Jacques Puffeney by Domaine du Pélican proprietor Guillaume d'Angerville.

571000 (XD) 750 mL \$60.00

DOMAINE DU PÉLICAN ARBOIS TROIS CÉPAGES 2017

AC Arbois

Trois Cépages is Domaine du Pélican's red blend. Says proprietor and Volnay icon Guillaume d'Angerville, as quoted by *decanter.com* on April 12, 2017: "My red cuvée, Trois Cépages, is clearly not made in a Burgundian way because it's a blend of Pinot Noir, Poulsard and Trousseau. It is not possible to make Jura wines in the same manner as in Burgundy because we have to adapt to the local terroir, and to how the plant behaves in such a terroir. That is one reason why this Jura project is interesting and sometimes challenging."

529073 (XD) 750 mL \$57.00

WHITE WINE

**DOMAINE DU PÉLICAN ARBOIS
CHARDONNAY 2017**

AC Arbois

Arbois is a town in the north of the Jura region of eastern France. The wine capital of Jura, it gives its name to the region's most prolific appellation for red, white and rosé wines. The appellation itself was introduced in 1936 and covers 13 communes on the hills and valley slopes surrounding the town. The terroir is characterized by limestone and marlstone screes and sandy soils, and its wines typically express brilliant natural acidity and complex minerality. Domaine du Pélican's Chardonnay is a particularly nervy, floral expression with impressive cellar potential.

496455 (XD) 750 mL \$56.00

**DOMAINE DU PÉLICAN ARBOIS
SAVAGNIN OUILLÉ 2017**

AC Arbois

"Ouillé" refers to the process of topping up the barrels in order to achieve a fruit-forward, non-oxidized style.

TASTING NOTE: The pure, elegant and clean 2017 Arbois Savagnin Ouillé is a more powerful vintage with concentration through low yields, but it's still a straight and vertical white, with an unusual combination of power and elegance. There is a pleasant bitterness on the finish that somewhat offsets the ripeness of the year and makes the wine come through as nicely balanced ... Drink date: 2019-2023. Score: **91+** (Luis Gutiérrez, *robertparker.com*, June 28, 2019)

11752 (XD) 750 mL \$56.00

**DOMAINE DU PÉLICAN ARBOIS
SAVAGNIN OUILLÉ 2016**

AC Arbois

TASTING NOTE: Showing the pure varietal profile, the 2016 Arbois Savagnin Ouillé reflects very much the style of Domaine du Pelican – clean, fresh and focused wines. It fermented and aged in foudre and 500-liter barrels for ten months. It has good ripeness and nicely integrated oak. The palate revealed pungent flavors [of] great intensity and good acidity. 18,000 bottles produced. The aim is to make Savagnin the grape of the Domaine. This is my favorite wine of the portfolio, a wine with energy and character. Drink date: 2018-2022.

Score: **92+** (Luis Gutiérrez, *robertparker.com*, Dec. 29, 2017)

497099 (XD) 750 mL \$55.00

SOUTHWEST

RED WINE

**CHÂTEAU DE MERCUÈS
CUVÉE 6666 2016**

AC Cahors

TASTING NOTE: This wine, from a high-density vineyard, is as concentrated as the vines themselves. It is very young, still shaking off its immense tannins and developing the bold, opulent black fruits. The wine has power as well as great fruitiness and structure. Drink from 2025. Cellar Selection.

Score: **94** (Roger Voss, *Wine Enthusiast*, June 1, 2018)

11760 (XD) 750 mL \$60.00

AUSTRIA

A Riesling to tuck away till its 30th anniversary or savour anytime in the interim.



WHITE WINE

**PICHLER-KRUTZLER LOIBNER
RIESLING RIED ROTHENBERG 2016**

Wachau

TASTING NOTE: The 2016 Loibner Riesling Ried Rothenberg is from a sub-vineyard of the Loibenberg that is the most exposed and stoniest plot of the cru. The wine displays great purity, flintiness and precise stone fruit aromas. On the palate, this is a highly finessed and silky textured but concentrated Riesling with very fine tannins, a lot of salt, delicate grip and 17 grams of residual sugar. Very long, this wine is carried by very fine tannins, a perfectly ripe peach flavor and lingering salinity. Bottled in June 2017. Tasted in July. Drink date: 2017-2046.

Score: **95+** (Stephan Reinhardt, *robertparker.com*, Aug. 31, 2017)

10858 (XD) 750 mL \$79.00

GERMANY

More Riesling magic from the Mosel.



**MOSEL-
SAAR-RUWER**

WHITE WINE

**JOH. JOS. PRÜM WEHLENER
SONNENUHR RIESLING AUSLESE
2009**

Estate bottled, Prädikatswein

TASTING NOTE: Pure, precise and fresh-tasting, with an intense clarity to the apple, pear and tangerine flavors that feature notes of slate and vanilla. The crystalline finish is long, pure and precise, with hints of smoke and anise. Best from 2014 through 2040.

Score: **96** (Kim Marcus, *winespectator.com*, April 30, 2011)

65508 (M) 750 mL \$95.00



GREECE

A concentrated, intense, nuanced single-block oak-aged Sauvignon Blanc. A profound, balanced wine.



WHITE WINE

ALPHA ESTATE ECOSYSTEM FUMÉ SAUVIGNON BLANC 2017

Single block, IGP Kaliva

TASTING NOTE: The 2017 Sauvignon Blanc Fumé Ecosystem Kaliva is Alpha's single-block (Kaliva) Sauvignon Blanc, aged for seven months in new French oak. It is part of the new "Ecosystem" branding. (Earlier oaked bottlings were typically just called "Barrel Fermented.") It comes in at 13.9% alcohol. As always, this wine has more depth and power than the regular (2018) Sauvignon Blanc this issue. It is simply a more profound bottling. The oak mingles with the vegetal nuances and creates an interesting mix of flavors, but one thing the wood never does is obscure the fine fruit. This isn't the most intense version of this wine, but its balance, structure, concentration and finish – long and persistent – make it another winner. It can easily hold several years, maybe more, but while it may still be just fine in a decade, I wouldn't plan on making this an "old bones" wine. It drinks great now. Drink date: 2019-2024.

Score: **91** (Mark Squires, *robertparker.com*, April 30, 2019)

11914 (XD) 750 mL \$35.00

HUNGARY

A gorgeous Tokaji sure to be the high point of any fine dining.



WHITE WINE

TOKAJ-HÉTSZOLO 5 PUTTONYOS TOKAJI ASZÚ 2000

Tokaj

TASTING NOTE: A gorgeous dessert white, now showing some maturity, with butter, spice, salted caramel and mulled citrus flavors. It all hangs together

beautifully on the supple texture, its acidity well-integrated, with a long, satisfying aftertaste. Drink now through 2025.

Score: **94** (Bruce Sanderson, *winespectator.com*, June 30, 2010)

282376 (S) 500 mL \$89.00

ITALY

Highlights include large formats of the 100-point 2016 Masseto.



CAMPANIA

RED WINE

NATIV BICENTO IRPINIA CAMPI TAURASINI 2015

DOC Irpinia

TASTING NOTE: This wine offers exceptional concentration and full roundness on the palate. It has a well-defined colour, nose and bright flavours that allow the natural richness of the fruit to shine through. The wonderful tannins are powerfully underlined by the crisp acidity, and the sweetness of the spicy berry notes is a blend of expressive power and balanced harmony. A flawless wine, it shows great purity and is a fine expression of its native terroir. One of Italy's best reds of the year.

Score: **98** (Luca Maroni, *lucamaroni.com*, May 9, 2018)

575035 (D) 750 mL \$42.00

FRIULI

WHITE WINE

LIS NERIS JUROSA CHARDONNAY 2015

DOC Friuli Isonzo

TASTING NOTE: Bright straw color. Slightly muted aromas at first then pick up energy and vibrancy with aeration to offer hints of caramel apple, pear and canned pineapple. Bright and juicy in the mouth, with outstanding cut to the pomaceous orchard fruit flavors. Finishes long and clean with a hint of creamy lemon custard.

A lovely wine. Drinking window: 2018-2021.

Score: **90** (Ian D'Agata, *vinous.com*, May 2018)

382960 (XD) 750 mL \$49.00



PIEDMONT

RED WINE

MOCCAGATTA BRIC BALIN BARBARESCO 2015

DOCG

TASTING NOTE: Offers an intense display of cherry, kirsch, rose, sandalwood and spice aromas and flavors. The kaleidoscope of flavors is matched to a firm, racy structure. It all comes together on the never-ending, mineral-tinged aftertaste. Best from 2023 through 2043. Highly Recommended.

Score: **97** (Bruce Sanderson, *winespectator.com*, March 31, 2019)

82958 (XD) 750 mL \$82.00

BREZZA CANNUBI BAROLO 2014

DOCG

TASTING NOTE: This vibrant, almost ethereal Barolo opens with aromas of wild rose, woodland berry, crushed mint and camphor. On the exquisitely elegant, impeccably balanced palate, taut refined tannins and vibrant acidity support crushed red cherry, pomegranate, star anise and a hint of aromatic herb. Although some may find it almost too delicate, others will be enchanted. Drink date: 2020-2026.

Score: **93** (Kerin O'Keefe, *Wine Enthusiast*, Nov. 1, 2018)

713511 (XD) 750 mL \$73.00

**FRATELLI REVELLO CERRETTA
BAROLO 2014**
DOCG

TASTING NOTE: A hint of hay aroma shows here, while cherry, strawberry and floral flavors are evident on the palate, along with black pepper, tea and mineral notes. Tensile and long, showing an aftertaste of cherry, graphite, tea and spice. Best from 2023 through 2040.

Score: **93** (Bruce Sanderson, *winespectator.com*, Oct. 15, 2018)

10844 (XD) 750 mL \$97.00

**FRATELLI REVELLO CONCA BAROLO
2014**
DOCG

TASTING NOTE: Brilliant aromas of cherry and berry fruit, with a hint of violet, are joined by earth, iron and eucalyptus flavors in this smooth red. Tannins emerge on the finish, yet this should come around on the early side. Best from 2021 through 2027.

Score: **93** (Bruce Sanderson, *winespectator.com*, Oct. 31, 2018)

10841 (XD) 750 mL \$93.00

**NERVI VIGNA MOLSINO GATTINARA
2014**
DOCG

TASTING NOTE: Roberto Conterno tells me he prefers the 2014 Gattinara Vigna Molsino over his other single-vineyard expression from the Vigna Valferana. I tend to agree given this wine's large span of beautiful aromas. This is a deep and expressive Nebbiolo that starts with plump fruit tones and ends with drying mineral nuances. There is a touch of white pepper too. Bring this one out for pheasant or other game bird roast. Drink date: 2020-2030.

Score: **94** (Monica Lerner, *robertparker.com*, June 28, 2019)

962969 (XD) 750 mL \$158.00



**NERVI VIGNA VALFERANA
GATTINARA 2014**
DOCG

TASTING NOTE: The 2014 Gattinara Vigna Valferana is a more immediate Nebbiolo, with beautiful aromas that are a bit more broad in scope than other expressions' bouquets. You get some dark spice and a variety of herbal notes. There is a pretty sweetness, too, and a general grandeur to this profile. As beautiful as this 2014 is, Roberto Conterno is even more excited about the 2018 vintage that is coming down the line. Drink date: 2020-2030.

Score: **93+** (Monica Lerner, *robertparker.com*, June 28, 2019)

11161 (XD) 750 mL \$159.00

**MARCHESI DI BAROLO SARMASSA
BAROLO 2013**
DOCG

TASTING NOTE: What a fantastic nose to this wine with aromas of roses, blackberries, strawberries and orange peel. Full-bodied, tight and focused with firm and racy tannins. It really shows a laser-guided backbone of acidity and tannin. Serious all around. Drink date: 2022.

Score: **96** (James Suckling, *jamesuckling.com*, Jan. 5, 2017)

337048 (XD) 750 mL \$79.00

SICILY

RED WINE

**FEUDO MONTONI VRUCARA
NERO D'AVOLA 2014**
DOC Sicilia

TASTING NOTE: Fabio Sireci farms one of the most beautiful vineyard spots in Italy that overlooks an infinite expanse of vines and shifting waves of grain over softly rolling hills in inland Sicily. On a cloudy day, you can watch the magnificent peek-a-boo of brilliant sunbeams shine over the landscape as if you were in front of a life-sized movie screen. Those beautiful images always come to mind when I drink this wine. Tasted from magnum, the 2014 Sicilia Nero d'Avola Vrucara is maturing beautifully and slowly. The wine is dark and ripe at its core, but it shows a delicate

framing of cola, dried rosemary, scorched earth, smoke, wild mushroom and fragrant rose hip. The bouquet is fluid and ever moving much like that Sicilian landscape I described above – offering new layers of aromas with every swirl of the glass. In the mouth, the wine is fresh and very alive. Drink date: 2019-2030.

Score: **96** (Monica Lerner, *robertparker.com*, Dec. 28, 2018)

111286 (XD) 750 mL \$59.00

TUSCANY

RED WINE

MASSETINO 2017

IGT Toscana
(Tenuta dell'Ornellaia)

TASTING NOTE: This new second wine from Masseto is extremely exciting with black olive, rust, brown sugar and dark berry aromas. Full body, chunky and structured with blackberry and salty undertones. Chewy yet polished tannins. It's a substantial wine with lots of fruit and alcohol due to the very dry and hot growing season, but it's still fresh and vivid. Drinkable but better after 2023.

Score: **96** (James Suckling, *facebook.com*, June 27, 2019)

10329 (XD) 750 mL \$329.00

MASSETO 2016

IGT Toscana
(Tenuta dell'Ornellaia)

TASTING NOTE: Masseto has pulled off back-to-back home runs. This is the first time that an Italian wine has earned 100 points in successive vintages. The 2016 Masseto is a thunderstorm of emotions, but it manages to keep them under perfect control. Like the 2015 Masseto before it, this vintage is a seamless wine of the highest pedigree. It represents an encore performance, continuing the string of successes that is bringing Italy to the forefront of the wine world. The first thing you'll notice is the thickness and concentration of the fruit that makes an immediate impact on all the senses, in terms of appearance, aroma and mouthfeel. There is no overstating the sheer power and richness of this iconic vintage of Italy's

groundbreaking Merlot. Despite that considerable mass, this Masseto remains delicate and graceful. You gain better perspective as the wine opens in the glass and reveals deeper layers that were not immediately apparent on first nose: dark fruit, spice, sweet tobacco and black cherry. There is great tightness and laser focus to the fruit. I tasted the 2016 and 2015 vintages together for comparison when I scored this wine, and then I tasted this 2016 edition alone about a month later to confirm my impressions. These vintages are identical twins, two perfect wines. Drink date: 2022-2050.

Score: **100** (Monica Lerner, *robertparker.com*, April 18, 2019)

730655 (XD) 750 mL \$795.00

732172 (XD) 1500 mL \$1899.00

120857 (XD) 3000 mL \$3945.00

SOLDERA SANGIOVESE 2014

IGT Toscana

Gianfranco Soldera is a complicated and even controversial figure, but the bottom line is that his wines are outstanding and he is one of Italy's most influential winemakers. Choosing to label this wine as an IGT rather than as a Brunello di Montalcino may be confusing for some customers, but this is 100% Sangiovese sourced from the iconic Case Basse vineyard, planted in 1972. This remains one of the world's most sought-after wines. It was aged in barrel for 48 months and is the second vintage to be released following the vandalism that saw Soldera lose over 16,500 gallons of ageing wine dating from 2007 to 2012.

402271 (XD) 750 mL \$759.00

636647 (XD) 1500 mL \$1500.00

LA FORTUNA BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2013

DOCG

TASTING NOTE: Starts out with cherry, iron and tobacco flavors, before firming up, with a solid structure. A kernel of fruit holds steady as this red unfolds on the lingering finish. Best from 2022 through 2036.

Score: **92** (Bruce Sanderson, *winespectator.com*, June 30, 2018)

189845 (XD) 750 mL \$67.00

LA SERENA BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2013

DOCG

TASTING NOTE: This is full of licorice, tar and leather aromas and flavors, along with accents of chocolate and spice. Solidly built, with a dense matrix of tannins and lively acidity. The flavors return on the lingering aftertaste. Best from 2023 through 2037.

Score: **93** (Bruce Sanderson, *winespectator.com*, June 30, 2018)

549857 (XD) 750 mL \$88.00

MOCALI VIGNA DELLE RAUNATE BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2013

DOCG

TASTING NOTE: There is a core of sweet, ripe cherry fruit shaded by spice, earth and tar flavors in this dense red, which is rich and vibrant, with a long, tension-filled aftertaste echoing fruit and spice. Best from 2022 through 2037.

Score: **94** (Bruce Sanderson, *winespectator.com*, June 15, 2018)

162552 (XD) 750 mL \$73.00

RUFFINO GREPPONE MAZZI BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2013

DOCG

TASTING NOTE: Aromas of underbrush, tilled soil, iris, new leather and red-skinned berry take shape in the glass. It's full in body yet shows a weightless intensity, offering Marasca cherry, raspberry, star anise and tobacco set against a backbone of firm acidity and taut, polished tannins. Still tightly wound and reserved, it's a classic in the making, destined for a lengthy stay in the cellar. Drink date: 2028-2043. Cellar Selection.

Score: **95** (Kerin O'Keefe, *Wine Enthusiast*, May 1, 2018)

926402 (XD) 750 mL \$65.00

BANFI POGGIO ALL'ORO RISERVA BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2012

DOCG

TASTING NOTE: This wine is only produced in select vintages. The 2012 Brunello di Montalcino Riserva Poggio All'Oro is an exuberant and robustly embellished wine that gives ample airtime to its various constituents. The fruit, the



spice, the structure and the freshness are all played up and ultimately find seamless integration to become one big happy whole. The bouquet is intricate and exciting, but I found the mouthfeel to be heavier and more astringent than I would have hoped. There's loads of volume and power here, and the wine's texture is very rich at this young stage. Give it a few more years to develop and soften. Out of the gate, I preferred the Riserva Poggio alle Mura, but that opinion could well shift as this wine gets the upper leg following prolonged aging. Drink date: 2022-2035. Score: **93** (Monica Lerner, *robertparker.com*, Feb. 28, 2018)

443267 (XD) 750 mL \$190.00

BIONDI SANTI RISERVA BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2011

DOCG

TASTING NOTE: Beautifully balanced, this opens with alluring scents of wild berry, rose, baking spice and whiffs of chopped herb. Seamlessly combining ripe fruit and the firm's trademark finesse, the bright elegantly structured palate delivers juicy wild cherry, crushed raspberry, white pepper and a hint of black tea framed in polished tannins and fresh acidity. It's already tempting but the best is yet to come. Cellar Selection. Drink: 2021-2031.

Score: **96** (Kerin O'Keefe, *Wine Enthusiast*, May 1, 2017)

282244 (XD) 750 mL \$782.00

WHITE WINE

**POGGIO ALLE GAZZE
DELL'ORNELLAIA 2017**IGT Toscana
(Tenuta dell'Ornellaia)

TASTING NOTE: Based on 80% Sauvignon Blanc and 10% each of Viognier and Vermentino, the 2017 Poggio alle Gazze dell'Ornellaia comes from a scorcher of a vintage and was aged in 25% new French oak, 25% in used barrels, and the balance in concrete. It offers a subtle tropical slant as well as classic Bordeaux Blanc-like citrus and pineapple notes. Medium to full-bodied, rich yet also elegant, it's a powerful white that has good concentration, plenty of acidity, and should age nicely for 4-5 years. Score: **91** (Jeb Dunnuck, *jebdunnuck.com*, May 1, 2019)

992354 (XD) 750 mL \$70.00

**BADIA A COLTIBUONO VIN SANTO
DEL CHIANTI CLASSICO 2010**
DOC

TASTING NOTE: The 2010 Vin Santo del Chianti Classico (packaged in a 375-milliliter bottle) reveals a dark golden color with amber and copper highlights. The bouquet delivers classic Vin Santo aromas of resin, maple syrup, brown sugar and roasted chestnut. Those pretty nutty characteristics are very evident in this excellent vintage. The wine is sweet and succulent but not in an obvious or monotone way. There is enough savory spice and baked vanilla here to balance out those sugary and caramelized flavors. The blend is 50% Trebbiano and 50% Malvasia, and the wine is aged in small caratelli barrels for seven years. Only 8,600 bottles were made. Drink date: 2018-2040. Score: **95** (Monica Lerner, *robertparker.com*, Oct. 31, 2018)

10846 (S) 375 mL \$50.00

VENETO

RED WINE

**BRIGALDARA SAN FLORIANO
RISERVA AMARONE DELLA
VALPOLICELLA CLASSICO 2011**
DOC

TASTING NOTE: This fresh, medium-to full-bodied red shows a range of savory and sweet notes, with tarry mineral, cured tobacco, cherry coulis and dried strawberry fruit flavors. An expressive skein of spice unravels through to the firm and chewy finish. Best from 2020 through 2029.

Score: **93** (Alison Napjus, *winespectator.com*, Feb. 28, 2019)

477695 (D) 750 mL \$123.00

**QUINTARELLI AMARONE
DELLA VALPOLICELLA CLASSICO
2011**
DOC

"The last time I visited this historic estate, Giuseppe Quintarelli was alive and I photographed him in the soft afternoon light with his beloved Negrar landscape at his back. So much has changed here since his passing in 2012. His daughter Fiorenza and her children have refurbished the winery with modern touches and new spaces, added new barrels (with beautiful wood carvings on the front panels dedicated to various family members) and have expanded the estate's commercial reach." (Monica Lerner, *robertparker.com*, May 31, 2017)

402149 (D) 750 mL \$449.00

QUINTARELLI ROSSO DEL BEPI 2008
IGT Veneto

TASTING NOTE: In 2008, Quintarelli did not bottle Amarone, but instead chose to declassify the juice into Rosso del Bepi. Fragrant and expressive, with a good deal of aromatic nuance, the Rosso is a terrific choice for readers who want to explore the Quintarelli style, without splurging for one of the flagship Amarones. Drink date: 2017-2027.

Score: **93** (Antonio Galloni, *vinous.com*, Sept. 2016)

991356 (XD) 750 mL \$220.00

PORTUGAL

*Brilliance from the Douro
and beyond.*

RED WINE

**QUINTA NOVA DE NOSSA SENHORA
DO CARMO REFERÊNCIA GRANDE
RESERVA 2016**
DOC Douro

TASTING NOTE: The 2016 Grande Reserva Referência is the Tinta Roriz-dominated blend, the last 25% being a field blend from old vines. It was aged for 15 months in 30% used French oak and comes in at 14% alcohol. Not quite bottled when seen, this shows off its typical power, the slight rusticity of this bottling. Intense, tight, astringent and filled with flavor as well, this very focused Grande Reserva is potentially brilliant. It is not as sensual as the Touriga Nacional-dominated Grande Reserva this issue (there is no Mirabilis this year), but it is both deeper and more powerful. They are both super, but I'd pick this one as the best of their 2016 reds. They are both admittedly at a very early stage. We'll have fun comparing them over the next decade or two. Give this a couple of years, at least, in the cellar to smooth out the rough edges. Drink date: 2021-2045.

Score: **95-97** (Mark Squires, *robertparker.com*, Aug. 31, 2018)

331934 (XD) 750 mL \$110.00

CONCEITO 2015
DOC Douro

TASTING NOTE: The 2015 Estate Tinto is a field blend from old vines (90 years or so) at 450 meters in altitude. It was aged for 22 months in French oak (50% new, 50% second use). This was seen before but only as a tank sample. This is the first look in the U.S. and in bottle. It opens with powerful aromatics and seems simply sumptuous, thanks to its purity of fruit. Compared to the Único Tinto reviewed, this is just as intensely flavorful, perhaps even more so. As the two have developed in bottle, the Único seems deeper and oakier, while this has more mid-palate finesse, despite the initial impression of sumptuousness and purity.



(If you're calibrating, at this point the Ontem is the lightest, freshest red of the upper-level reds, the Único is the biggest and this is in the middle.) Wonderfully elegant, this precise Tinto is not the biggest red ever, but it holds its own in persistence on the finish and delivers that fine fruit flavor. It has that "old school" feeling of refinement, sophistication and subtlety. It maintains flavor and structure while seeming ethereal and fresh in the mouth. It integrates its wood far better than the Único just now, but both are a little closed. From what I saw in Porto over the summer, they will both do better with a few years in the cellar to allow them to pull in the wood better. This was notably better when tasted on the next day. It will be more interesting around 2020-2023. At this point, if you open it now, give it some air – there's a real backbone here, too – but this is probably a bit closer to ready than the Único. They should both age very well, perhaps better than indicated. Drink date: 2019-2036. Score: **95** (Mark Squires, *robertparker.com*, Dec. 29, 2017)

10395 (XD) 750 mL \$57.00

MONTE DA RAVASQUEIRA MR PREMIUM RED 2014

DO Alentejo

TASTING NOTE: This perfumed wine has eucalyptus aromas from the time spent in new wood. The aging process has resulted in a wine where spice and toast contrast with the dense black fruits. The long wood aging hasn't diminished the fruitiness and

acidity of this concentrated wine that is only just ready to drink. Ideally wait another year or until late 2019. Cellar Selection. Score: **93** (Roger Voss, *Wine Enthusiast*, April 1, 2019)

522086 (XD) 750 mL \$70.00

SPAIN

*A taste-tour of Spain
with a strong showing
from Ribera del Duero.*



RED WINE

CORULLÓN LAS LAMAS 2016

DO Bierzo

(Descendientes de José Palacios)

TASTING NOTE: Gloriously floral with violets on the nose. A supple, silky entry; superbly fresh, almost crunchy with rosy plums. It drives through to a savoury, intense finish. Powerful. The partner vineyard to Moncerbal, at 800 metres; the clay in the soil builds the weight. Drinking window: 2017-2023.

Score: **94** (Sarah Jane Evans, MW, *Decanter*, March 14, 2017)

154427 (XD) 750 mL \$144.00

OLIVIER RIVIÈRE LAS VIÑAS DE EUSEBIO 2016

DOCa Rioja

TASTING NOTE: The 2016 Las Viñas de Eusebio is a blend of Tempranillo with 10% Graciano that has great finesse and complexity. It matured in a 1,600-liter oak foudre and 225- and 500-liter oak barrels to make enough wine to fill some 7,000 bottles. It has a quite classical profile, with a mixture of fruit and spice (some new oak was used in the élevage), and in a cool year like 2016, it should have all the ingredients to develop nicely in bottle. It has chalky tannins from the limestone soils, which adds to that serious and classical profile. It might even need a little more time in bottle to polish the tannins a little bit. This fermented mostly destemmed. Drink date: 2020-2028.

Score: **94** (Luis Gutiérrez, *robertparker.com*, June 28, 2019)

110239 (XD) 750 mL \$79.00

ABADÍA RETUERTA PAGO NEGRALADA 2015

Single vineyard, Vinos de la Tierra de Castilla y León

TASTING NOTE: A textbook Tempranillo, the 2015 Pago Negralada has varietal aromas, red fruit, licorice and spices and a classical, velvety and elegant texture with focused and clean flavors, great harmony and a tasty, long finish. This is like an upgraded version of the Selección Especial. It's a good representation of the zone through its gentle tannins that kind of hide the natural power. It very faithfully represents the conditions of the year, the place and the variety. A true, honest Tempranillo. Bravo! There were 37 barriques of this, which filled 10,200 bottles and some large formats. Like all of the 2015s, it was bottled in May 2017. Drink date: 2018-2024.

Score: **93** (Luis Gutiérrez, *robertparker.com*, Aug. 31, 2018)

12219 (XD) 750 mL \$139.00

ABADÍA RETUERTA SELECCIÓN ESPECIAL 2015

DO Ribera del Duero

TASTING NOTE: The value among the reds is the 2015 Selección Especial, a blend of 66% Tempranillo, 24% Cabernet Sauvignon, 8% Syrah and 2% Merlot, a blend decided through blind tastings, with fruit from the different plots of vineyard in the estate. It opened up spectacularly as it sat in the glass; it took some time to get focused, and some early lactic notes disappeared to give way to ripe fruit without excess, licorice and even a floral touch. It's nicely crafted and balanced, combining power and elegance. It kept developing and unfurling nice aromas as it sat in the glass, tangerine peel, tonka beans, sweet spices... Great complexity for the price. This is produced in great volume, as 399,000 bottles, 21,500 magnums and 900 double magnums were produced, which is remarkable for the quality. Drink date: 2018-2022.

Score: **92** (Luis Gutiérrez, *robertparker.com*, Aug. 31, 2018)

12218 (XD) 750 mL \$52.00

ADARO 2015

DO Ribera del Duero

TASTING NOTE: Aromas of black cherries, blackcurrants, crushed stones and a hint of gun powder. Full-bodied with fine, polished tannins and a long, vivid finish.

I like the combination of power and elegance. Drink now or hold.

Score: **94** (James Suckling, *jamesuckling.com*, Dec. 26, 2018)

345686 (XD) 750 mL \$39.00

ALVARO PALACIOS L'ERMITA 2015

DOCa Priorat

TASTING NOTE: Tasting L'Ermita is always an emotional moment, as it's one of the great reds from Spain. The 2015 L'Ermita is 91% Garnacha, 8% Cariñena and 1% split between Garnacha Blanca, Macabeo and PX from the most famous single vineyard in Priorat. It fermented in oak foudre with indigenous yeasts and also had its élevage in foudre, which lasted for 15 months. The juicy freshness of this 2015, citric and vibrant, makes it very different from the rest of the portfolio. This is transparent, precise, like laser cut, chiseled, subtle and elegant, showing very open and expressive, with great freshness and the core of Mediterranean flavors. 2,200 bottles were filled in February 2017. Drink date: 2019-2030.

Score: **97** (Luis Gutiérrez, *robertparker.com*, April 27, 2018)

729913 (D) 750 mL \$1500.00

CLOS MOGADOR 2015

DOCa Priorat

TASTING NOTE: This time there were two vintages of the top-of-the-range red to taste, as the 2014 is almost finished and the 2015 Clos Mogador will be released soon. In this warmer vintage, there is a little more Cariñena in the blend, with the final breakdown something like 45% Garnacha, 29% Cariñena, 16% Syrah and 10% Cabernet Sauvignon. This had the same vinification and aging as the 2014: fermentation with indigenous yeasts and a 35- to 45-day maceration, followed by an élevage in 300-liter barrels and 2,000-liter foudres that lasted 18 months. 2015 is a rounder and easier year than 2014, and it feels a little riper, supple

but with good freshness. It's clean and precise with nicely integrated oak. This was an easy vintage for the winery, and the wines are easy to understand and more approachable early on. 31,000 bottles produced. It was bottled in July 2017.

Drink date: 2019-2030.

Score: **97** (Luis Gutiérrez, *robertparker.com*, April 27, 2018)

14746 (XD) 750 mL \$125.00

PEREZ PASCUAS VIÑA PEDROSA LA NAVILLA RESERVA 2014

DO Ribera del Duero

TASTING NOTE: The 2014 Viña Pedrosa la Navilla Reserva was already bottled and the wine should be released in late 2017, before I taste again here in some 16 months. The wine has the same source and production process, some 20 months in oak. These are 40- to 45-year-old vines, and they produce very balanced grapes that they tend to harvest early. None of their wines have a pH higher than 3.6. This is extremely perfumed, a little more modern if you like, with perfect integration of the oak with the wine, the nose is tremendously harmonious. I was immediately surprised by this wine when I first put my nose in the glass and it continued opening up and developing. It has the very fine tannins that are part of the house style and the lively mouthfeel of the 2014s. Some 30,000 bottles are produced every year, as the wine comes from one specific vineyard and yields are similar from year to year. Drink date: 2018-2024.

Score: **94** (Luis Gutiérrez, *robertparker.com*, Feb. 28, 2017)

368019 (XD) 750 mL \$49.00

BODEGAS RODA I RESERVA 2011

DOCa Rioja

TASTING NOTE: There is beauty here and the transparency is inspiring with dark berry, floral and mineral character. Full body and ultra-fine tannins. A glorious wine. A wine that will age for decades and beautiful now.

Score: **98** (James Suckling, *jamesuckling.com*, Dec. 26, 2018)

13371 (XD) 750 mL \$83.00



CANADA

A rare and rarefied bubbly from Niagara.



ONTARIO

SPARKLING WINE

13TH STREET GRANDE CUVÉE BLANC DE NOIRS SPARKLING 2013

Traditional method, Whitty Vineyard, VQA Creek Shores

This, the top sparkling wine in the 13th Street portfolio, is produced only in exceptional vintages – the most recent prior to this one was the 2007. The 2013 vintage is crafted from 100% Pinot Noir grown entirely in Whitty Vineyard and the wine spent 5 years on the lees. Expect glorious evocations of baked apple, brioche and lemon curd.

361394 (XD) 750 mL \$59.95

AUSTRALIA

A quartet that showcases the climatic diversity Down Under.



RED WINE

BY FARR SHIRAZ 2016

Geelong, Victoria

TASTING NOTE: From the original vineyard planted '94, open-fermented with 2-4% viognier, 20% whole bunches, matured for 18 months in French oak (20% new). Complex and rich? Of course, it's Farr. Skilfully sculptured? Ditto. The key to this compelling shiraz is its seismic power and endless length. Drink by: 2046.

Score: **97** (James Halliday, *winecompanion.com.au*, Aug. 1, 2018)

577783 (XD) 750 mL \$71.00

GROSSET NEREUS 2015

Clare Valley, South Australia

TASTING NOTE: Made from estate-grown shiraz with a small amount of nero d'Avola, it has a bright crimson-purple hue, the fragrance a mix of exotic spices and perfumes, the palate a juicy mix of red and darker fruits, the tannins positive, the finish long and balanced. Drink by: 2030.

Special Value.

Score: **96** (James Halliday, *winecompanion.com.au*, July 1, 2018)

10795 (XD) 750 mL \$54.00

THORN-CLARKE RON THORN SHIRAZ 2015

Single vineyard, Barossa, South Australia

TASTING NOTE: Yes, the 100% new oak shows on this bad boy, but the fruit is so massively concentrated that I don't see it being a problem. The 2015 Ron Thorn Single Vineyard Shiraz is a full-bodied, plush wine, with loads of baking spices, vanilla, boysenberry and cola. Long and dusty on the finish, this should be a long-lived wine. Drink date: 2018-2035. Score: **95** (Joe Czerwinski, *robertparker.com*, Aug. 31, 2018)

11892 (XD) 750 mL \$73.00

WAKEFIELD THE LEGACY CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2014

Clare Valley, South Australia

TASTING NOTE: Winemaker, Adam Eggins, accepted the rather daunting task of creating a wine that would "stand tall against Mouton-Rothschild" to celebrate Taylor's 50th anniversary. At AUD \$1,000, it is believed to be Australia's most expensive current vintage cabernet sauvignon. A blend of Clare Valley and Coonawarra grapes, with a touch of merlot and cabernet franc. It's certainly a very impressive wine with great power that is delivered with finesse. More Lamborghini than Ford Mustang. The wine has the classic cabernet markers of mint, cassis and cedar with a strong influence of decadently spicy French oak that's fairly prominent at this early stage. Texturally it's an absolute winner – teasingly fine-grained. A wine for the cellar. Very collectible (1080 bottles made – each

presented encased in a three-pronged sculpture and sealed with a key and micro-chip to guarantee authenticity).

Drink date: 2018-2033.

Score: **98** (Bob Campbell, MW, *therealreview.com*, July 4, 2019)

12580 (XD) 750 mL \$995.00

NEW ZEALAND

Outstanding red wines from "the land of the long white cloud."

**RED WINE****Craggy Range Le Sol 2016**

Gimblett Gravels, Hawke's Bay, North Island

TASTING NOTE: Elegant, high energy syrah with a wonderfully perfumed aroma. Subtle power. Should develop very well indeed.

Score: **98** (Bob Campbell, MW, *bobcampbell.nz*, Oct. 10, 2018)

374272 (XD) 750 mL \$104.00

Rippon Mature Vine Pinot Noir 2016

Lake Wanaka, Central Otago, South Island

TASTING NOTE: Complex and bold, with cigar box aromas leaping out of the glass, offering notes of dried porcino, black tea and sandalwood. Blackberry and plum flavors show good concentration. Velvety tannins gain traction on the finish. Drink now through 2035.

Score: **92** (MaryAnn Worobiec, *winespectator.com*, Sept. 30, 2019)

11911 (XD) 750 mL \$63.00

VIDAL ESTATE ANTHONY JOSEPH LEGACY CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2016

Hawke's Bay, North Island

TASTING NOTE: A classically expressed Bordeaux-style red, the wine is superbly fruited and concentrated; the lifted bouquet shows cassis, dark plum, anise, cigar and cedar characters, leading to a superbly concentrated palate that displays awesome power and richness, while remaining perfectly balanced and firmly structured with loads of fine, chalky tannins. Splendidly sturdy and proper. From the Gimblett Gravels district. At its best: 2020 to 2030.

Score: **96** (Sam Kim, *winefront.com.au*, July 2018)

11970 (XD) 750 mL \$70.00

SACRED HILL HELMSMAN CABERNET/MERLOT 2015

Hawke's Bay, North Island

TASTING NOTE: The gratifying bouquet shows blackcurrant, mixed berry compote, cigar box, black olive and cedar aromas, leading to a concentrated and meticulously expressed palate that is richly fruited with seductive savoury nuances. The wine is sophisticated and substantial, brilliantly structured by fine, chalky tannins. Powerful and perfectly proportioned, this is a compelling rendition. From the Gimblett Gravels district, 2015 Helmsman is a blend of 76% cabernet sauvignon, 19% merlot and 5% cabernet franc. At its best: 2020 to 2032.

Score: **98** (Sam Kim, *wineorbit.co.nz*, June 2017)

175646 (XD) 750 mL \$59.00



SOUTH AFRICA

Super value in powerful wines from the Cape.



RED WINE

MULLINEUX SYRAH 2016

Unfiltered and unfinned, WO Swartland

TASTING NOTE: The 2016 Syrah is 100% whole-bunch fruit, and I think this gives it the edge over the 2015. It has a very fresh, focused nose with more edginess than the previous vintage, offering touches of peppermint and dried herbs. The palate is very well balanced with fine tannin – quite a “cool customer,” presenting a longer, more precise finish than the 2015. Excellent. Drinking window: 2020-2035.

Score: **92** (Neal Martin, *vinous.com*, Aug. 2018)

246553 (XD) 750 mL \$47.00

LE RICHE RESERVE CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2015

WO Stellenbosch

TASTING NOTE: From Raithby & Firgrove sites, with longer oak ageing (2 years, 67% new) than standard version. Classic cab in fine vintage shows pure elegance, more refinement than 2014.

Score: **95** (*Platter's South African Wine Guide*, 2019)

12276 (XD) 750 mL \$60.00

ARGENTINA

Malbec and more from leading Argentine producers.



RED WINE

ESCORIHUELA GASCÓN 1884 LIMITED PRODUCTION MALBEC 2016

Uco Valley, Mendoza

TASTING NOTE: A beautiful malbec that shows aromas of violets, hot stones, dried cherries, caramel and sliced white chocolate. Full body, silky tannins and a

juicy and interesting finish. Delicious now. Score: **93** (James Suckling, *jamesuckling.com*, April 5, 2018)

11962 (XD) 750 mL \$42.00

CATENA ZAPATA NICASIA MALBEC 2015

Uco Valley, Mendoza

TASTING NOTE: Enormously spicy with a dense tannin structure that makes this malbec spectacular and slightly erotic, too. A breathtakingly long finish that makes you want more. The balance of this is so good that you can drink it right now. If you can resist drinking it now, this probably has a couple of decades of aging potential.

Score: **97** (James Suckling, *jamesuckling.com*, April 5, 2018)

510941 (XD) 750 mL \$97.00

EL ESTECO ALTIMUS 2015

Calchaquí Valley

TASTING NOTE: El Esteco winemaker Alejandro Pepa has more than 500 hectares in the Calchaquíes Valleys in northern Argentina at his disposal for making his wines. Altimus – by its very definition – is the greatest expression of his vines, a summation of the very best. With a predominance of malbec, plus cabernet sauvignon and cabernet franc, this may be the freshest, liveliest version to date. It has a core of ripe red fruits and firm acidity to refresh all those flavors even more. The texture has good tannins – and those tannins have grip. Give it a couple more years in the bottle, and then open it with a richly flavored stew, like ox tail.

Score: **95** (*guiadescorchados.cl*, 2019)

11974 (XD) 750 mL \$50.00

SALENTEIN SINGLE VINEYARD LOS BASALTOS MALBEC 2015

Gualtallary, Uco Valley

TASTING NOTE: This is the first release of this wine, and what a début it is. Made with fruit from Tupungato Winelands, it's dense, peppery and thyme-scented, with a wild, savoury note, dense, layered fruit, masses of concentration and a chalky flourish. Drink date: 2020-2030.

Score: **96** (Tim Atkin, MW, *timatkin.com*, *Argentina Special Report 2018*)

11975 (XD) 750 mL \$55.00

WHITE WINE

CATENA ZAPATA ADRIANNA WHITE STONES CHARDONNAY 2016

Uco Valley

TASTING NOTE: My favorite of the Adrianna whites, the 2016 White Stones Chardonnay was cropped from a low-yielding, cool and wet year, very unusual weather in Mendoza. It's sharp, austere, mineral and long. No matter how impressed I was with the 2015 or the two vintages of the White Bones I tasted next to it, this stole the show. It has a combination of mineral notes that transmit a serious sensation with hints of flowers, spices and herbs that show in a very subtle way. The palate is liquid chalk, with sharp and pungent flavors, nicely textured. It's precise, linear, long and sharp, with great length and persistence. It will be fascinating to see how this wine evolves in bottle, because I think we can have a big surprise in ten years from now. 6,000 bottles produced. It was bottled in July 2017. Drink date: 2018-2030.

Score: **98** (Luis Gutiérrez, *robertparker.com*, June 29, 2018)

355669 (XD) 750 mL \$99.00

CHILE

Catch these Cachapoal Valley expressions while you can.



RED WINE

CABO DE HORNOS 2017

DO Cachapoal Valley (San Pedro)

TASTING NOTE: This is the fourth vintage of Cabo de Hornos as a varietal Cabernet Sauvignon and it's consistently one of the best in the country. Dense, structured yet still refreshing, it has scented oak, fine-grained tannins and fresh, crunchy cassis and green herb flavours. Drink date: 2021-2032.

Score: **95** (Tim Atkin, MW, *timatkin.com*, *Chile Special Report 2019*)

11897 (XD) 750 mL \$75.00

VIÑA VIK MILLA CALA 2012

DO Cachapoal Valley

TASTING NOTE: Rich and refined, delivering unctuous dark fruit and spice flavors that offer a creamy svelteness. Slate and mineral accents linger on the complex finish, with dark chocolate and olive notes. Cabernet Sauvignon, Carmenère, Cabernet Franc, Syrah and Merlot. Drink now through 2022. Highly Recommended. Ranks #22 in *Wine Spectator's* Top 100 list of 2018.

Score: **94** (Kim Marcus, *winespectator.com*, May 31, 2018)

11891 (XD) 750 mL \$50.00



USA

A cadre of impressive wines, including a handful with 100-point scores.



CALIFORNIA

RED WINE

BRYANT FAMILY VINEYARD CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2016

Napa Valley

TASTING NOTE: Composed of 100% Cabernet Sauvignon entirely from the Pritchard Hill estate and aged in 90% new oak, the 2016 Cabernet Sauvignon

is deep garnet-purple colored and has a disarmingly profound red roses and red and black currant nose with wild blueberries and yeast extract accents plus tapenade, tilled soil, subtle exotic spices and pencil shavings and the faintest waft of lavender. The palate is ethereal in its weight with a medium to full-body supported by firm yet perfectly ripe, grainy tannins structuring the tightly wound savory layers and leading to a very long, fragrant earth finish. So poised, so classy, so Bryant. Drink date: 2021-2050.

Score: **100** (Lisa Perrotti-Brown, MW, *robertparker.com*, Oct. 29, 2018)

11132 (XD) 750 mL \$1150.00

CONTINUUM 2016

Sage Mountain Vineyard, Napa Valley

TASTING NOTE: Super aromas of blackberries, blackcurrants and blueberries. Hints of fresh herbs and tobacco. Iron and ink. Full-bodied, very tight and powerful, yet not too heavy. Lightly chewy and polished. So much nerve and intensity. Super length and depth. Drink after 2025, but a joy to taste now.

Score: **100** (James Suckling, *jamesuckling.com*, May 3, 2019)

397836 (XD) 750 mL \$390.00

STAG'S LEAP WINE CELLARS CASK 23 CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2016

Napa Valley

TASTING NOTE: The deep purple-black colored barrel sample of 2016 Cask 23 Cabernet Sauvignon features compelling, youthful notes of freshly crushed red and black currants, black cherries, kirsch and mocha with nuances of Marmite toast, roasted nuts, underbrush and truffles. Medium to full-bodied, the palate has a very firm frame of super ripe tannins supporting the multilayered flavors, finishing on an epically long, lingering fragrant earth note. Beautiful.

Score: **96-98** (Lisa Perrotti-Brown, MW, *robertparker.com*, Oct. 29, 2018)

991919 (XD) 750 mL \$425.00

STAG'S LEAP WINE CELLARS FAY VINEYARD CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2016

Napa Valley

TASTING NOTE: Gorgeous and expressive, the 2016 Cabernet Sauvignon Fay is classy, polished and super-refined. All of the pedigree of the vintage comes through loud and clear. Resonant, but not at all heavy, the 2016 is just sublime. Mocha, leather, spice and wild cherry are seamless in the glass, with silky, creamy tannins that bring out the wine's sensual side even further. Drinking window: 2024-2031.

Score: **95** (Antonio Galloni, *vinous.com*, Dec. 2018)

557686 (XD) 750 mL \$240.00

STAG'S LEAP WINE CELLARS S.L.V. CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2016

Napa Valley

TASTING NOTE: A barrel sample, the 2016 Cabernet Sauvignon S. L. V. is deep purple-black and just a little reduced at this youthful stage, offering glimpses at crushed blackberries, mulberries and warm cassis notes plus hints of tilled soil, scorched earth, tar and black pepper. Medium to full-bodied, the palate reveals incredibly provocative and complex layers of black fruits and earthy notions, supported by a rock-solid, grainy texture and plenty of freshness, finishing with great length and depth.

Score: **94-97** (Lisa Perrotti-Brown, MW, *robertparker.com*, Oct. 29, 2018)

14027 (XD) 750 mL \$275.00

INGLENOOK CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2015

Rutherford, Napa Valley

TASTING NOTE: This bottling reflects the past several years' fine-tuning the winery's vision in the vineyard and in the cellar. Including small amounts of Cabernet Franc, Petit Verdot, Merlot and Malbec, it's a rounded, concentrated wine that expresses the vintage with ripe, grippy tannins that beg for further resolution. Blackberry, clove and leather flavors rise to the fore. Cellar through 2035. Cellar Selection.

Score: **95** (Virginie Boone, *Wine Enthusiast*, Dec. 1, 2017)

29553 (XD) 750 mL \$135.00



INGLENOOK RUBICON 2015

Rutherford, Napa Valley

TASTING NOTE: The 2015 Cabernet Sauvignon Rubicon is a dark, exotic beauty. Dark cherry, plum, chocolate, and menthol make a strong opening statement as this bold, sumptuous wine shows off its personality. Radiant, supple and super-expressive, the 2015 is just as enjoyable as it has always been. The 2015 is just starting to open up, but it remains very, very young. Time in the glass brings out an attractive floral component that adds lift. Drinking window: 2022-2035. Score: **96** (Antonio Galloni, *vinous.com*, Dec. 2018)

401349 (XD) 750 mL \$295.00

LA SANGRE DE JONATA 2015

Santa Barbara County (Jonata)

TASTING NOTE: Even better than the crazy-good 2007, the 2015 La Sangre de Jonata is sheer perfection in a glass and up with the finest Syrahs ever made in California! Checking in as a blend of 97% Syrah and 3% Viognier, aged in barrel, its saturated purple color is followed by out of this world aromatics black raspberries, smoked earth, graphite, game, violets and freshly crushed rock-like minerality. Possessing huge concentration, building tannin, and yet a seamless, ethereally pure texture, it needs 2-4 years of bottle age to become approachable. It is unquestionably the finest vintage for this cuvée today and hats off to the team at Jonata for this beauty!

Score: **100** (Jeb Dunnuck, *jebdunnuck.com*, Sept. 2, 2017)

570036 (XD) 750 mL \$219.00

CHATEAU MONTELENA ESTATE CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2014

Napa Valley

TASTING NOTE: A total knock-out, the 2014 Cabernet Sauvignon Estate captures all the potential of this great site. Powerful, voluptuous and structured, yet very much within the context of classicism that has defined these wines for several decades. Dark red cherry, stone fruits, smoke, licorice and scorched earth, along with beams of tannin, wrap around the palate. Deep, virile and explosive, the 2014 is a must have. Don't miss it! Drinking window: 2022-2034.

Score: **95+** (Antonio Galloni, *vinous.com*, Dec. 2016)

709881 (XD) 750 mL \$190.00

OREGON

RED WINE

CITATION OREGON PINOT NOIR 2005

Oregon (Erratic Oaks)

Aged 18 months in French oak and another full nine years in bottle before release, this is Citation's flagship wine. The fruit comes from the winery's own estate vineyards along with spots hand-selected by founder Howard Rossbach and his team. Expect a complex, elegant wine with an interplay of brambly fruit and earthy, mature character.

12122 (XD) 750 mL \$96.00

FORTIFIED WINE

Tastes of history, one sweet and one dry.

EUROPEAN FORTIFIED

ALVEAR SOLERA 1927 PEDRO XIMÉNEZ

DO Montilla-Moriles, Spain

TASTING NOTE: The NV Pedro Ximenez Solera 1927 is non-vintage, but does have some 1927 material in it. This is totally dark brown/amber with notes of figs, toffee, caramel syrup, molasses and coffee. It is dense, super sweet, intense, rich and an amazingly, unctuously textured, thick beverage to consume slowly and introspectively after a meal. Drink now through 2050, or even longer. Drink date: 2016-2050.

Score: **98** (Robert Parker Jr., *robertparker.com*, Nov. 29, 2015)

463034 (S) 375 mL \$29.00

SHERRY

WELLINGTON 20-YEAR-OLD V.O.S. PALO CORTADO SHERRY

DO

TASTING NOTE: A clean, racy style, with almond and hazelnut husk notes backed by toasted corn, walnut and singed sandalwood accents. A touch of dried persimmon echoes on the very dry finish. Drink now. 84 cases made.

Score: **91** (James Molesworth, *winespectator.com*, Oct. 31, 2013)

535450 (XD) 500 mL \$67.00



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NOVEMBER 2019 PRODUCT SUMMARY

PRODUCT	SIZE (mL)	PRODUCT number	PRICE (per btl.)	SCORE
FRANCE - BORDEAUX RED WINE				
SAINT-ÉMILION DE QUINTUS 2016	750	11720	\$50.00	JS 92
CHÂTEAU GISCOURS 2015	750	10641	\$195.00	WE 97
CHÂTEAU PRIEURÉ-LICHINE 2015	750	10646	\$96.00	JS 96
CHÂTEAU BRANAIRE-DUCRU 2011	750	300608	\$125.00	WE 94
CHÂTEAU LE CAILLOU 2000	750	11722	\$86.00	
FRANCE - BURGUNDY - CÔTE DE NUITS RED WINE				
MAUME BY DOMAINE TAWSE MAZIS-CHAMBERTIN GRAND CRU 2016	750	577635	\$310.00	VIN 93-96
DOMAINE DE BELLENE VIEILLES VIGNES NUITS-SAINT-GEORGES 2015	750	458125	\$79.00	WE 92
MARCHAND-TAWSE GEVREY-CHAMBERTIN 2015	750	286450	\$69.00	BH 89-91
STÉPHANE BROCARD CLOSERIE DES ALISIERS GEVREY-CHAMBERTIN LES CORBEAUX 1 ^{ER} CRU 2015	750	666909	\$107.00	WE 95
FRANCE - BURGUNDY - CÔTE DE BEAUNE RED WINE				
BOUCHARD PÈRE & FILS SANTENAY 2017	750	684647	\$38.00	
DOMAINE TAWSE FRÉMIETS VOLNAY 1 ^{ER} CRU 2016	750	577197	\$95.00	BH 91-93
DOMAINE AU PIED DU MONT CHAUVE LE CHARMOIS 1 ^{ER} CRU 2015	750	12040	\$62.00	WE 92
FRANCE - BURGUNDY - CÔTE DE BEAUNE WHITE WINE				
CHÂTEAU DE SANTENAY PULIGNY-MONTRACHET LES FOLATIÈRES 1 ^{ER} CRU 2016	750	10385	\$149.00	WE 94
DOMAINE BOUCHARD PÈRE & FILS CHEVALIER-MONTRACHET GRAND CRU 2016	750	88708	\$466.00	RP 94-96
FRANCE - BURGUNDY - CHABLIS WHITE WINE				
DOMAINE WILLIAM FÈVRE BOUGROS CHABLIS GRAND CRU 2016	750	941229	\$96.00	TAT 95
LOUIS MOREAU VAULIGNOT CHABLIS 1 ^{ER} CRU 2014	750	525386	\$42.00	WAL 92
FRANCE - BEAUJOLAIS RED WINE				
LAURENT PERRACHON & FILS LES VIGNES CENTENAIRES JULIÉNAS 2016	750	11762	\$34.00	WE 93
FRANCE - RHÔNE - NORTHERN RHÔNE RED WINE				
PHILIPPE & VINCENT JABOULET NOUVELÈRE CROZES-HERMITAGE 2015	750	635680	\$36.00	RP 91+
LAURUS HERMITAGE 2014	750	343665	\$70.00	WS 91
FRANCE - RHÔNE - SOUTHERN RHÔNE RED WINE				
LES HAUTS DE MONTMIRAIL GIGONDAS 2017	750	742551	\$56.00	RP 94-96
CHÂTEAU FORTIA CUVÉE DU BARON CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE 2016	750	959999	\$47.00	JD 94
DOMAINE DE LA CHARBONNIÈRE LES HAUTES BRUSQUIÈRES CUVÉE SPÉCIALE CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE 2016	750	579581	\$83.00	RP 96-98
DOMAINE GRAND VENEUR VIEILLES VIGNES CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE 2016	750	490060	\$123.00	JD 100
FRANCE - ALSACE WHITE WINE				
DOMAINE ZIND HUMBRECHT CLOS WINDSBUHL RIESLING 2016	750	716068	\$94.00	JS 96
FRANCE - CHAMPAGNE				
BARONS DE ROTHSCHILD BRUT BLANC DE BLANCS CHAMPAGNE	750	263731	\$109.00	WS 90
KRUG GRANDE CUVÉE BRUT CHAMPAGNE	375	38588	\$160.00	WS 95
KRUG GRANDE CUVÉE BRUT CHAMPAGNE	750	38562	\$325.00	WS 95
CRISTAL BRUT CHAMPAGNE 2009	1500	350173	\$795.00	WE 97
JL VERGNON RÉSONANCE EXTRA BRUT BLANC DE BLANCS CHAMPAGNE 2009	750	11135	\$129.00	JS 93
CRISTAL ROSÉ CHAMPAGNE 2008	750	629600	\$710.00	VIN 99
MAILLY LES ÉCHANSONS GRAND CRU CHAMPAGNE 2008	750	448688	\$169.00	WE 96
CRISTAL BRUT CHAMPAGNE 2007	3000	12464	\$3,500.00	VIN 97+

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AUSTRIA WHITE WINE				
TÜRK RIED KREMSE SANDGRUBE GRÜNER VELTLINER 2017	750	12465	\$33.00	WE 93
WEINGUT WIENINGER NUSSBERG ALTE REBEN 2017	750	436303	\$46.00	JS 95
NIKOLAIHOF IM WEINGEBIRGE GRÜNER VELTLINER TROCKEN 2015	750	112326	\$67.00	RP 96+
GERMANY - MOSEL WHITE WINE				
SELBACH-OSTER GRAACHER DOMPROBST RIESLING SPÄTLESE 2016	750	248682	\$38.00	RP 93
GERMANY - RHEINGAU WHITE WINE				
SCHLOSS VOLLRADS SCHLOSSBERG GG TROCKEN RIESLING 2016	750	10864	\$48.00	WE 94
HUNGARY WHITE WINE				
DISZNÓKO 5 PUTTONYOS TOKAJI ASZU 2010	500	452292	\$59.00	RP 94
ITALY - CAMPANIA RED WINE				
TERREDORA PAGO DEI FUSI TAURASI 2010	750	235374	\$70.00	RP 94
ITALY - PIEDMONT RED WINE				
CAVALLOTTO BRICCO BOSCHIS BAROLO 2015	750	579276	\$106.00	RP 96
CONTERNO FANTINO MOSCONI VIGNA PED BAROLO 2014	750	158519	\$110.00	VIN 95
CONTERNO FANTINO SORÌ GINESTRA BAROLO 2014	750	105502	\$120.00	VIN 95
LA SPINONA BERGERA BAROLO 2013	750	577882	\$58.00	WE 95
ITALY - TUSCANY RED WINE				
LE SERRE NUOVE 2017	1500	51482	\$145.00	
LE SERRE NUOVE 2017	3000	51490	\$310.00	
LUCE 2016	1500	964551	\$260.00	JS 96
LUCE 2016	3000	651018	\$580.00	JS 96
LUCE 2016	6000	435214	\$1,230.00	JS 96
LUX VITIS 2016	750	10618	\$175.00	
LUX VITIS 2016	1500	10619	\$380.00	
SASSICAIA 2016	1500	480541	\$540.00	RP 100
SASSICAIA 2016	3000	480558	\$1,030.00	RP 100
SASSICAIA 2016	6000	184275	\$5,030.00	RP 100
GAJA PIEVE SANTA RESTITUTA BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2014	1500	628511	\$254.00	GS 94
ALTESINO BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2013	750	994095	\$59.00	WS 95
ALTESINO MONTOSOLI BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2013	750	92247	\$119.00	WE 99

Scores We have included scores from the following sources:

AWC	winecompanion.com.au	GG	gilbertgaillard.com	VIN	vinous.com
BC	bobcampbell.nz	GS	gregsherwoodmw.com	WAL	winealign.com
BH	burghound.com	JD	jebdunnuck.com	WE	Wine Enthusiast
DEC	decanter.com	JS	jamesuckling.com	WO	wineorbit.co.nz
DWWA	Decanter World Wine Awards	RP	robertparker.com	WS	winespectator.com
		TAT	timatkin.com		

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ITALY - VENETO RED WINE				
REMO FARINA MONTEFANTE RISERVA AMARONE DELLA VALPOLICELLA CLASSICO 2011	750	63636	\$79.00	JS 94
QUINTARELLI ALZERO 2008	750	402156	\$590.00	
ZENATO ARCHIVIO STORICO AMARONE DELLA VALPOLICELLA 2008	750	10383	\$479.00	WS 94
QUINTARELLI RECIOTO DELLA VALPOLICELLA CLASSICO 2007	375	722967	\$210.00	
ITALY - SÜDTIROL-ALTO ADIGE WHITE WINE				
NALS MARGREID BARON SALVADORI RISERVA CHARDONNAY 2016	750	435404	\$49.00	JS 95
PORTUGAL RED WINE				
CARM MARIA DE LOURDES 2015	750	10398	\$56.00	RP 94
CASA FERREIRINHA RESERVA ESPECIAL 2009	750	11286	\$220.00	RP 93+
SPAIN RED WINE				
CONTINO VIÑA DEL OLIVO GENÉRICO 2015	750	12551	\$104.00	TAT 98
LEGÓN PREMIUM 2015	750	270645	\$34.00	DWWA 96
MUGA ARO 2015	750	169292	\$209.00	JS 99
BUIL & GINÉ PLERET 2013	750	405654	\$88.00	GG 95
FAUSTINO I GRAN RESERVA 1964	750	522557	\$360.00	JS 93
CANADA - ONTARIO RED WINE				
TAWSE CHERRY AVENUE PINOT NOIR 2016	750	398347	\$48.95	WAL 92
TWO SISTERS STONE EAGLE ESTATE RESERVE 2013	750	12180	\$78.00	WAL 93
CANADA - ONTARIO WHITE WINE				
TAWSE ROBYN'S BLOCK CHARDONNAY 2015	750	416321	\$46.15	WAL 94
CANADA - NOVA SCOTIA SPARKLING WINE				
BENJAMIN BRIDGE MÉTHODE CLASSIQUE RESERVE BRUT SPARKLING 2013	750	275396	\$75.00	
AUSTRALIA RED WINE				
CLONAKILLA O'RIADA SHIRAZ 2016	750	303248	\$55.00	AWC 96
STELLA BELLA SERIE LUMINOSA CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2016	750	492942	\$73.00	DWWA 97
THE STANDISH SHIRAZ 2016	750	10531	\$160.00	RP 99
NEW ZEALAND RED WINE				
BURN COTTAGE PINOT NOIR 2016	750	578054	\$79.00	BC 98
ESK VALLEY THE TERRACES RESERVE 2016	750	10799	\$150.00	JS 95
PADDY BORTHWICK RIGHT HAND PINOT NOIR 2016	750	10351	\$68.00	WO 95
SACRED HILL DEERSTALKERS SYRAH 2015	750	10796	\$68.00	WO 97
NEW ZEALAND WHITE WINE				
CLOUDY BAY TE KOKO SAUVIGNON BLANC 2013	750	84897	\$62.00	JS 93
SOUTH AFRICA RED WINE				
GABRIËLSKLOOF THE LANDSCAPE SERIES CABERNET FRANC 2016	750	11092	\$47.00	TAT 95
PORSELEINBERG SYRAH 2016	750	483941	\$100.00	TAT 96

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ARGENTINA RED WINE				
GEN DEL ALMA SEMINARE MALBEC 2016	750	11968	\$78.00	RP 96
ZORZAL WINES EGGO TINTO DE TIZA 2016	750	482000	\$38.00	RP 95
TAPIZ LAS NOTAS DE JEAN CLAUDE 2012	750	11969	\$85.00	RP 94
ARGENTINA WHITE WINE				
CATENA ZAPATA WHITE BONES ADRIANNA VINEYARD CHARDONNAY 2016	750	514844	\$125.00	DEC 98
CHILE RED WINE				
NEYEN ESPÍRITU DE APALTA 2015	750	255976	\$60.00	JS 98
CLOS APALTA 2014	750	10712	\$250.00	JS 100
CHILE WHITE WINE				
CALYPTRA GRAN RESERVA SAUVIGNON BLANC 2015	750	11896	\$49.00	DWWA 95
USA - CALIFORNIA RED WINE				
FAR NIENTE ESTATE CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2017	750	539098	\$285.00	
KOSTA-BROWNE SONOMA COAST PINOT NOIR 2017	750	359034	\$165.00	JD 96
TURLEY DUARTE ZINFANDEL 2017	750	12498	\$80.00	RP 93
TURLEY KIRSCHENMANN VINEYARD ZINFANDEL 2017	750	12499	\$80.00	RP 92
RIDGE VINEYARDS ESTATE CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2016	750	89284	\$110.00	JD 94+
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HUNDRED ACRE VINEYARD KAYLI MORGAN VINEYARD DEEP TIME CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2014	750	11088	\$840.00	RP 99
HUNDRED ACRE VINEYARD WRAITH CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2014	750	11090	\$775.00	RP 100
SIGNORELLO PADRONE 2014	750	271304	\$230.00	VIN 94
SILVER OAK NAPA VALLEY CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2014	1500	10353	\$415.00	
USA - CALIFORNIA WHITE WINE				
FAR NIENTE CHARDONNAY 2018	750	539130	\$99.00	
AUBERT LARRY HYDE & SONS CHARDONNAY 2017	750	390831	\$199.00	RP 96-98
USA - OREGON RED WINE				
ARTERBERRY MARESH VINEYARD PINOT NOIR 2015	750	10323	\$115.00	RP 95
USA - WASHINGTON RED WINE				
CANVASBACK CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2015	750	467795	\$57.00	DEC 94
FORTIFIED WINE PORT				
TAYLOR FLADGATE 40-YEAR-OLD TAWNY PORT	750	540260	\$239.00	WAL 96
GRAHAM'S VINTAGE PORT 2000	375	535427	\$65.00	WS 98
FORTIFIED WINE SHERRY				
VALDESPINO TONELES MOSCATEL	375	492660	\$329.00	RP 100
FORTIFIED WINE EUROPEAN FORTIFIED				
TORO ALBALA GRAN RESERVA DON PX MONTILLA-MORILES 1990	375	10761	\$39.00	RP 93

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FRANCE - BORDEAUX RED WINE				
CHÂTEAU LASCOMBES 2015	750	591412	\$180.00	WE 96
CHÂTEAU MAUVESIN BARTON 2015	750	11727	\$42.00	WE 93
CHÂTEAU LATOUR 2008	750	596429	\$1,335.00	DEC 98
FRANCE - BORDEAUX WHITE WINE				
CHÂTEAU D'ARCHE 2009	375	12234	\$47.00	RP 95
CHÂTEAU DE MALLE 2005	375	241463	\$39.00	RP 92
FRANCE - BURGUNDY - CÔTE DE NUITS RED WINE				
MARCHAND TAWSE GEVREY CHAMBERTIN 2016	750	485052	\$74.00	BH 89-91
MAISON ROCHE DE BELLENE VIEILLES VIGNES GEVREY-CHAMBERTIN 2015	750	240424	\$74.00	WE 93
MOILLARD CHAMBOLLE-MUSIGNY 1934	750	562868	\$447.00	
MOILLARD CHARMES-CHAMBERTIN GRAND CRU 1934	750	10650	\$690.00	
FRANCE - BURGUNDY - CÔTE DE BEAUNE RED WINE				
BOUCHARD PÈRE & FILS POMMARD 2016	750	413013	\$66.00	WS 91
JAFFELIN LES VERGELESSES SAVIGNY-LÈS-BEAUNE 1 ^{ER} CRU 2015	750	666842	\$69.00	WE 92
ROCHE DE BELLENE CLOS DES CHÊNES VOLNAY 1 ^{ER} CRU 2014	750	638056	\$97.00	WAL 94
FRANCE - BURGUNDY - CÔTE DE BEAUNE WHITE WINE				
LOUIS JADOT CHASSAGNE-MONTRACHET 2017	750	494955	\$93.00	BH 89-91
FAIVELEY PULIGNY-MONTRACHET LA GARENNE 1 ^{ER} CRU 2016	750	10642	\$150.00	WS 93
FRANCE - BURGUNDY - CHABLIS WHITE WINE				
DOMAINE PINSON FRÈRES MONT DE MILIEU CHABLIS 1 ^{ER} CRU 2017	750	700914	\$59.00	BH 91-94
DOMAINE DANIEL-ETIENNE DEFAIX LES LYS CHABLIS 1 ^{ER} CRU 2004	750	289256	\$54.00	RP 94
FRANCE - RHÔNE - NORTHERN RHÔNE RED WINE				
DOMAINE COURBIS CHAMPELROSE CORNAS 2017	750	725341	\$83.00	RP 93-95
DOMAINE DES REMIZIÈRES CUVÉE CHRISTOPHE CROZES-HERMITAGE 2016	750	12007	\$45.00	WS 92
FRANCE - RHÔNE - NORTHERN RHÔNE WHITE WINE				
M. CHAPOUTIER INVITARE CONDRIEU 2017	750	39255	\$72.00	RP 93
FRANCE - RHÔNE - SOUTHERN RHÔNE RED WINE				
CHÂTEAU LA NERTHE CUVÉE DES CADETTES CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE 2016	750	745380	\$160.00	JD 97+
XAVIER ARCANE IX L'HERMITE GIGONDAS 2016	750	11748	\$58.00	JD 94
FRANCE - RHÔNE - SOUTHERN RHÔNE WHITE WINE				
DOMAINE DU VIEUX TÉLÉGRAPHE LA CRAU CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE BLANC 2017	750	736462	\$95.00	JS 96
FRANCE - ROUSSILLON RED WINE				
DOMAINE DE L'EDRE CÔTES DU ROUSSILLON-VILLAGES 2017	750	10672	\$40.00	RP 94
FRANCE - ALSACE WHITE WINE				
FERNAND ENGEL PRAELATENBERG RIESLING 2015	750	582726	\$37.00	WE 94

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FRANCE - CHAMPAGNE				
BILLECART SALMON SOUS BOIS BRUT CHAMPAGNE	750	484170	\$119.00	RP 92
KRUG BRUT ROSÉ CHAMPAGNE	750	38703	\$476.00	DEC 96
RUIINART BLANC DE BLANCS BRUT CHAMPAGNE	750	62984	\$126.00	WS 93
BOLLINGER LIMITED EDITION CUVÉE JAMES BOND CHAMPAGNE 2011	750	11844	\$250.00	
A.R. LENOBLE CHOUILLY GRAND CRU BLANC DE BLANCS CHAMPAGNE 2008	750	11136	\$109.00	RP 94
FRANCE - JURA RED WINE				
DOMAINE DU PÉLICAN ARBOIS POULSARD 2017	750	571000	\$60.00	
DOMAINE DU PÉLICAN ARBOIS TROIS CÉPAGES 2017	750	529073	\$57.00	
FRANCE - JURA WHITE WINE				
DOMAINE DU PÉLICAN ARBOIS CHARDONNAY 2017	750	496455	\$56.00	
DOMAINE DU PÉLICAN ARBOIS SAVAGNIN OUILLÉ 2017	750	11752	\$56.00	RP 91+
DOMAINE DU PÉLICAN ARBOIS SAVAGNIN OUILLÉ 2016	750	497099	\$55.00	RP 92+
FRANCE - SOUTHWEST RED WINE				
CHÂTEAU DE MERCUÈS CUVÉE 6666 2016	750	11760	\$60.00	WE 94
AUSTRIA WHITE WINE				
PICHLER-KRUTZLER LOIBNER RIESLING RIED ROTHENBERG 2016	750	10858	\$79.00	RP 95+
GERMANY - MOSEL WHITE WINE				
JOH. JOS. PRÜM WEHLENER SONNENUHR RIESLING AUSLESE 2009	750	65508	\$95.00	WS 96
GREECE WHITE WINE				
ALPHA ESTATE ECOSYSTEM FUMÉ SAUVIGNON BLANC 2017	750	11914	\$35.00	RP 91
HUNGARY WHITE WINE				
TOKAJ-HÉTSZOLO 5 PUTTONYOS TOKAJI ASZÚ 2000	500	282376	\$89.00	WS 94
ITALY - CAMPANIA RED WINE				
NATIV BICENTO IRPINIA CAMPI TAURASINI 2015	750	575035	\$42.00	LM 98
ITALY - FRIULI WHITE WINE				
LIS NERIS JUROSA CHARDONNAY 2015	750	382960	\$49.00	VIN 90
ITALY - PIEDMONT RED WINE				
MOCCAGATTA BRIC BALIN BARBARESCO 2015	750	82958	\$82.00	WS 97
BREZZA CANNUBI BAROLO 2014	750	713511	\$73.00	WE 93
FRATELLI REVELLO CERRETTA BAROLO 2014	750	10844	\$97.00	WS 93
FRATELLI REVELLO CONCA BAROLO 2014	750	10841	\$93.00	WS 93
NERVI VIGNA MOLSINO GATTINARA 2014	750	962969	\$158.00	RP 94
NERVI VIGNA VALFERANA GATTINARA 2014	750	11161	\$159.00	RP 93+
MARCHESI DI BAROLO SARMASSA BAROLO 2013	750	337048	\$79.00	JS 96
ITALY - SICILY RED WINE				
FEUDO MONTONI VRUCARA NERO D'AVOLA 2014	750	111286	\$59.00	RP 96

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ITALY - TUSCANY RED WINE				
MASSETINO 2017	750	10329	\$329.00	FB 96
MASSETO 2016	750	730655	\$795.00	RP 100
MASSETO 2016	1500	732172	\$1,899.00	RP 100
MASSETO 2016	3000	120857	\$3,945.00	RP 100
SOLDERA SANGIOVESE 2014	750	402271	\$759.00	
SOLDERA SANGIOVESE 2014	1500	636647	\$1,500.00	
LA FORTUNA BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2013	750	189845	\$67.00	WS 92
LA SERENA BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2013	750	549857	\$88.00	WS 93
MOCALI VIGNA DELLE RAUNATE BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2013	750	162552	\$73.00	WS 94
RUFFINO GREPPONE MAZZI BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2013	750	926402	\$65.00	WE 95
BANFI POGGIO ALL'ORO RISERVA BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2012	750	443267	\$190.00	RP 93
BIONDI SANTI RISERVA BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2011	750	282244	\$782.00	WE 96
ITALY - TUSCANY WHITE WINE				
POGGIO ALLE GAZZE DELL'ORNELLAIA 2017	750	992354	\$70.00	JD 91
BADIA A COLTIBUONO VIN SANTO DEL CHIANTI CLASSICO 2010	375	10846	\$50.00	RP 95
ITALY - VENETO RED WINE				
BRIGALDARA SAN FLORIANO RISERVA AMARONE DELLA VALPOLICELLA CLASSICO 2011	750	477695	\$123.00	WS 93
QUINTARELLI AMARONE DELLA VALPOLICELLA CLASSICO 2011	750	402149	\$449.00	
QUINTARELLI ROSSO DEL BEPI 2008	750	991356	\$220.00	VIN 93
PORTUGAL RED WINE				
QUINTA NOVA DE NOSSA SENHORA DO CARMO REFERÊNCIA GRANDE RESERVA 2016	750	331934	\$110.00	RP 95-97
CONCEITO 2015	750	10395	\$57.00	RP 95
MONTE DA RAVASQUEIRA MR PREMIUM RED 2014	750	522086	\$70.00	WE 93
SPAIN RED WINE				
CORULLÓN LAS LAMAS 2016	750	154427	\$144.00	DEC 94
OLIVIER RIVIÈRE LAS VIÑAS DE EUSEBIO 2016	750	110239	\$79.00	RP 94
ABADÍA RETUERTA PAGO NEGRALADA 2015	750	12219	\$139.00	RP 93
ABADÍA RETUERTA SELECCIÓN ESPECIAL 2015	750	12218	\$52.00	RP 92
ADARO 2015	750	345686	\$39.00	JS 94
ALVARO PALACIOS L'ERMITA 2015	750	729913	\$1,500.00	RP 97
CLOS MOGADOR 2015	750	14746	\$125.00	RP 97
PEREZ PASCUAS VIÑA PEDROSA LA NAVILLA RESERVA 2014	750	368019	\$49.00	RP 94
BODEGAS RODA I RESERVA 2011	750	13371	\$83.00	JS 98
CANADA - ONTARIO SPARKLING WINE				
13 TH STREET GRANDE CUVÉE BLANC DE NOIRS SPARKLING 2013	750	361394	\$59.95	
AUSTRALIA RED WINE				
BY FARR SHIRAZ 2016	750	577783	\$71.00	AWC 97
GROSSET NEREUS 2015	750	10795	\$54.00	AWC 96
THORN-CLARKE RON THORN SHIRAZ 2015	750	11892	\$73.00	RP 95
WAKEFIELD THE LEGACY CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2014	750	12580	\$995.00	TRR 98

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NEW ZEALAND RED WINE				
Craggy Range Le Sol 2016	750	374272	\$104.00	BC 98
Rippon Mature Vine Pinot Noir 2016	750	11911	\$63.00	WS 92
Vidal Estate Anthony Joseph Legacy Cabernet Sauvignon 2016	750	11970	\$70.00	WF 96
Sacred Hill Helmsman Cabernet/Merlot 2015	750	175646	\$59.00	WO 98
SOUTH AFRICA RED WINE				
Mullineux Syrah 2016	750	246553	\$47.00	VIN 92
Le Riche Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon 2015	750	12276	\$60.00	PLAT 95
ARGENTINA RED WINE				
Escorihuela Gascón 1884 Limited Production Malbec 2016	750	11962	\$42.00	JS 93
Catena Zapata Nicasia Malbec 2015	750	510941	\$97.00	JS 97
Salentein Single Vineyard Los Basaltos Malbec 2015	750	11975	\$55.00	TAT 96
El Esteco Altimus 2015	750	11974	\$50.00	GD 95
ARGENTINA WHITE WINE				
Catena Zapata Adrianna White Stones Chardonnay 2016	750	355669	\$99.00	RP 98
CHILE RED WINE				
Cabo de Hornos 2017	750	11897	\$75.00	TAT 95
Viña Vik Milla Cala 2012	750	11891	\$50.00	WS 94
USA - CALIFORNIA RED WINE				
Bryant Family Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon 2016	750	11132	\$1,150.00	RP 100
Continuum 2016	750	397836	\$390.00	JS 100
Stag's Leap Wine Cellars Cask 23 Cabernet Sauvignon 2016	750	991919	\$425.00	RP 96-98
Stag's Leap Wine Cellars Fay Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon 2016	750	557686	\$240.00	VIN 95
Stag's Leap Wine Cellars S.L.V. Cabernet Sauvignon 2016	750	14027	\$275.00	RP 94-97
Ingenook Cabernet Sauvignon 2015	750	29553	\$135.00	WE 95
Ingenook Rubicon 2015	750	401349	\$295.00	VIN 96
La Sangre de Jonata 2015	750	570036	\$219.00	JD 100
Chateau Montelena Estate Cabernet Sauvignon 2014	750	709881	\$190.00	VIN 95+
USA - OREGON RED WINE				
Citation Oregon Pinot Noir 2005	750	12122	\$96.00	
FORTIFIED WINE EUROPEAN FORTIFIED				
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Scores We have included scores from the following sources:

AWC	winecompanion.com.au	JS	jamesuckling.com	WAL	winealign.com
BC	bobcampbell.nz	LM	lucamaroni.com	WE	<i>Wine Enthusiast</i>
BH	burghound.com	PLAT	<i>Platter's South African Wine Guide</i>	WF	winefront.com.au
DEC	decanter.com	RP	robertparker.com	WO	wineorbit.co.nz
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JD	jebdunnuck.com	VIN	vinous.com		

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ORDERING INFORMATION

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