

wines of the month

Cellar-worthy reds

CHÂTEAU LA CROIX ST-PIERRE GRANDE RÉSERVE 2016

AC Côtes de Bordeaux – Blaye, France (Carreau)
011837 (XD) 750 mL \$19.95 ►

Gold Medal winner at the 2018 Concours International de Lyon.

TASTING NOTE: This is a densely textured wine, packed with dark tannins as well as black fruits. It is concentrated, boasting the structure of the vintage. Blackberries vie with the firm structure, with both suggesting plenty of potential. Drink this Carreau wine from 2022. Score: **90** (Roger Voss, *Wine Enthusiast*, Feb. 1, 2019)

Full-bodied & Firm

New at Vintages

SAN PEDRO 1865 SELECTED VINEYARDS CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2017

DO Maipo Valley, Chile 037911 (XD) 750 mL \$19.95 ✓

TASTING NOTE: From vines planted on Maipo River terraces in the El Tránsito zone and harvested very early, 100% of this cabernet was aged in barrels, although just 20% were new, and the result is a wine with incredibly precise red fruit, spicy notes, and an herbal touch. It's got the herbal character of Maipo Alto, but it also has the smoothness and fine tannins of Maipo Alto. One to cellar for five years. Score: 94 (Patricio Tapia, quiadescorchados.cl. 2019)

Full-bodied & Smooth



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RED GIANT: CABERNET SAUVIGNON





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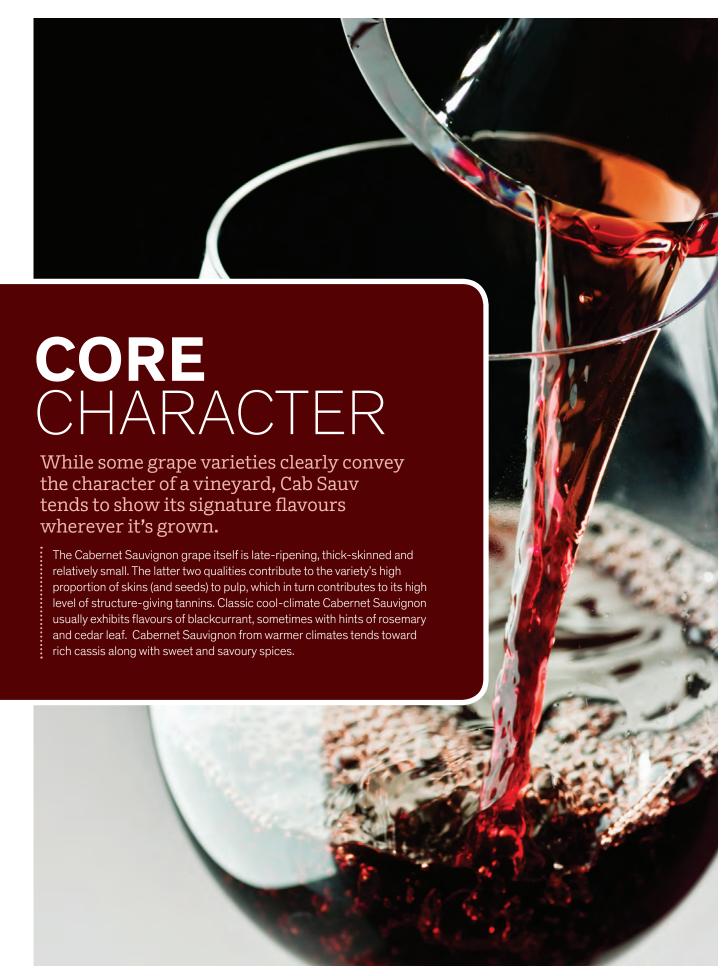
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THE FOREIGN AFFAIR **CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2015 ***

VQA Niagara Peninsula, Ontario

TASTING NOTE: Dense purple colour; cedary, cigar box nose with a floral note, oak spice and black plum; medium-bodied, dry, firmly structured, blackcurrant flavour. Hold two years. Score: 90-92 (Tony Aspler, tonyaspler. com, Jan. 30, 2019)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

127324

(D)

750 mL \$39.95 🗸

BURROWING OWL ESTATE BOTTLED CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2016 *

BC VQA Okanagan Valley, British Columbia

Burrowing Owl gives a hoot about sustainability. In fact, they're a leader in eco-conscious winemaking in the Okanagan Valley. They've installed banks of photovoltaic solar panels on their property to provide their own sustainable energy, and their solar water-heating project is so successful that they've literally got more hot water than they know what to do with in the winery (their solution: use the excess to heat a swimming pool for lucky visitors). Their Cabernet is consistently big and impressively structured, with layers of red fruit, dark fruit and oak spice.

Full-bodied & Firm

TRUCHARD CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2015

Carneros, Napa Valley, California

TASTING NOTE: A linear and fine red with terracotta, dark berry and chocolate character. Medium to full body, round tannins and a flavorful finish. Very attractive. Drink or hold. Score: 92 (James Suckling, jamessuckling. com, Dec. 21, 2017)

Full-bodied & Firm

059683 (XD) 750 mL \$41.95 ✓





BLENDING IN

Cabernet Sauvignon can tend towards the monolithic, so it's often blended with other varieties.

In the right circumstances, being packed with bold character and tannin structure can be a good thing, but cool climates in particular tend to emphasize the variety's steep angles and firm tannins. For this reason, Cabernet Sauvignon is often — especially in cool climates — blended with other varieties to round out the mid palate and smooth out the edges. In Bordeaux, Cabernet Sauvignon's mainstay blending partners are Merlot and Cabernet Franc.

SILVER OAK ALEXANDER VALLEY **CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2014**

Alexander Valley, Sonoma County, California

TASTING NOTE: Take some time to allow Silver Oak's cabernet to settle in and you might just smile a bit more. Here we are at that point, certainly glued to a house style, big in barrel with American influence and set up with Daniel Baron's signature passed on through Nate Weis, most recent accomplice as Director of Winemaking. Pencil shavings and early harvested balance plus some wood waiting out of that wood means you are given some Alexander Valley grace at this stage of fine tannin development. Drink: 2019-2024. Score: 92 (Michael Godel, winealign.com, Oct. 24, 2018)

Full-bodied & Firm

943472 (XD) 750 mL \$121.95 /

CONCANNON VINEYARD CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2016

Paso Robles, California

TASTING NOTE: In 1965, John Concannon partnered with UC Davis to propagate the Concannon Cabernet clones 7, 8 and 11. These clones were created from cuttings taken from Château Margaux in Bordeaux and are now the most widely planted Cabernet clones in California. This wine is rich and velvety, with blackberry, black cherry and cassis flavours and undertones of vanilla, graphite and spice. It'll impress through 2022 with hearty braised meats. (Vintages panel, Nov. 2018)

Full-bodied & Smooth

010039 (XD) 750 mL \$21.95 ✓

DOUBLE CANYON HORSE HEAVEN HILLS CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2015

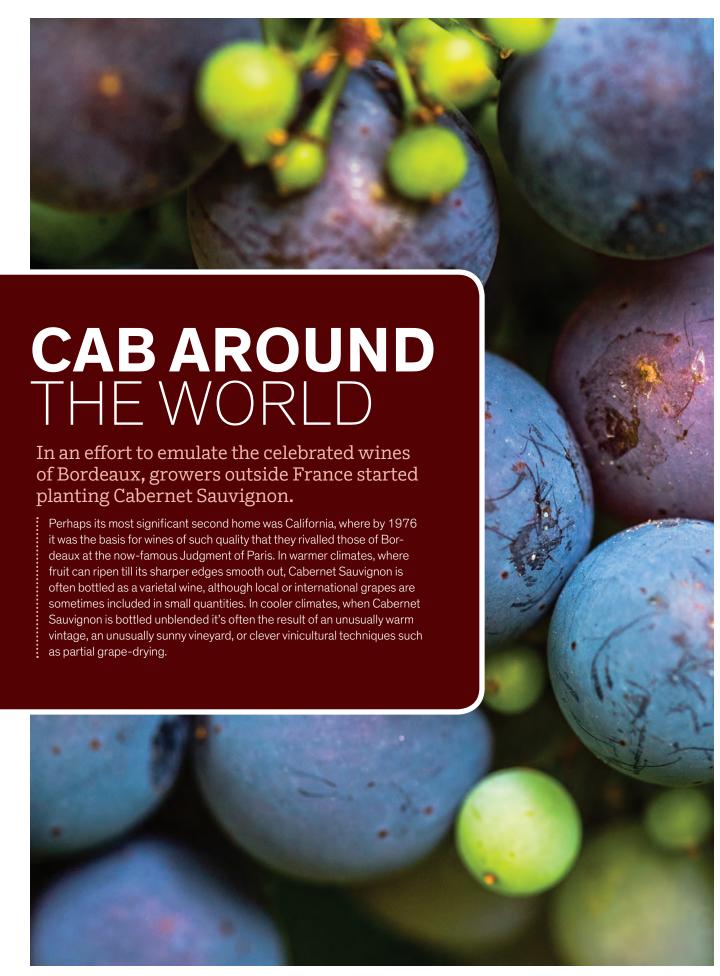
Horse Heaven Hills, Columbia Valley, Washington

TASTING NOTE: The keenly priced 2015 Horse Heaven Hills Cabernet Sauvignon burst from the glass with a dramatic bouquet of ripe cherries, sweet berry liqueur and loamy soil. On the palate, it's medium-bodied and generous, with an ample core of ripe fruit, good balancing acids and ripe but youthfully chewy tannins. Open-knit and built for near-term consumption (it's bottled under Diam 10), it's a demonstrative Cabernet Sauvignon-based blend which seems sure to be a commercial hit. Drink date: 2018-2025. Score: 90 (William Kelley, robertparker.com, June 29, 2018)

Full-bodied & Smooth

(XD) 750 mL \$29.95 🗸 131888





BODEGA PIEDRA NEGRA GRAN LURTON SINGLE VINEYARD CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2013

Uco Valley, Mendoza, Argentina (Jacques & François Lurton)

TASTING NOTE: This is a dense and textured cab with chewy and rich tannins. Full body, hazelnut and clove character with the black currants. Very long and gorgeous. Needs three or four years to come together. Score: **95** (James Suckling, *jamessuckling.com*, May 20, 2016)

Full-bodied & Smooth

980334 (XD)

750 mL \$24.95 /

WENTE WETMORE VINEYARD CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2016

Single vineyard, Livermore Valley, San Francisco Bay, California

TASTING NOTE: This elegantly structured, complex Cab from one of California's most historic wineries also contains 9% Petite Sirah, 8% Petit Verdot and 4% Malbec. A core of cassis is embroidered by vanilla, mint and smoke, with subtle suggestions of underbrush. It'll make a fantastic pairing for duck confit with berry compote and will be at its peak through 2022. (Vintages panel, Nov. 2018)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

963397 (XD) 750 mL \$29.95 🗸



A Mendoza vineyard with the Andes in the background.





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Full-bodied & Smooth

037911 (XD) 750 mL \$19.95 🗸

Featured as our Wine of the Month



JIM BARRY COVER DRIVE CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2016

Coonawarra, South Australia

TASTING NOTE: This wine offers a lot of quality at an affordable price. Lovers of classic big reds will dig the ripe plum, berry, cola, vanilla and earthy, herbal aromas. The tannins are tightly wound and drying but are balanced by silky red fruit with herbal nuances. There's power here, but also balance and restraint. Drink now with protein and until 2029. Best Buy. Score: 90 (Christina Pickard, Wine Enthusiast, Aug. 1, 2019)

Full-bodied & Smooth

677476 (XD) 750 mL \$19.95 🗸

FEUDO ARANCIO CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2016

DOC Sicilia, Sicily, Italy

TASTING NOTE: Made from 100% Cabernet Sauvignon, this wine spent 12 months in French barriques. It's got a wonderful combination of ripe dark cassis fruit and solid structure, with sprinklings of spice and mint. An excellent value, it'll show best through 2021 and make a good partner for pancetta pizza. (Vintages panel, Jan. 2019)

Full-bodied & Smooth

010359 (XD) 750 mL \$15.95 🗸

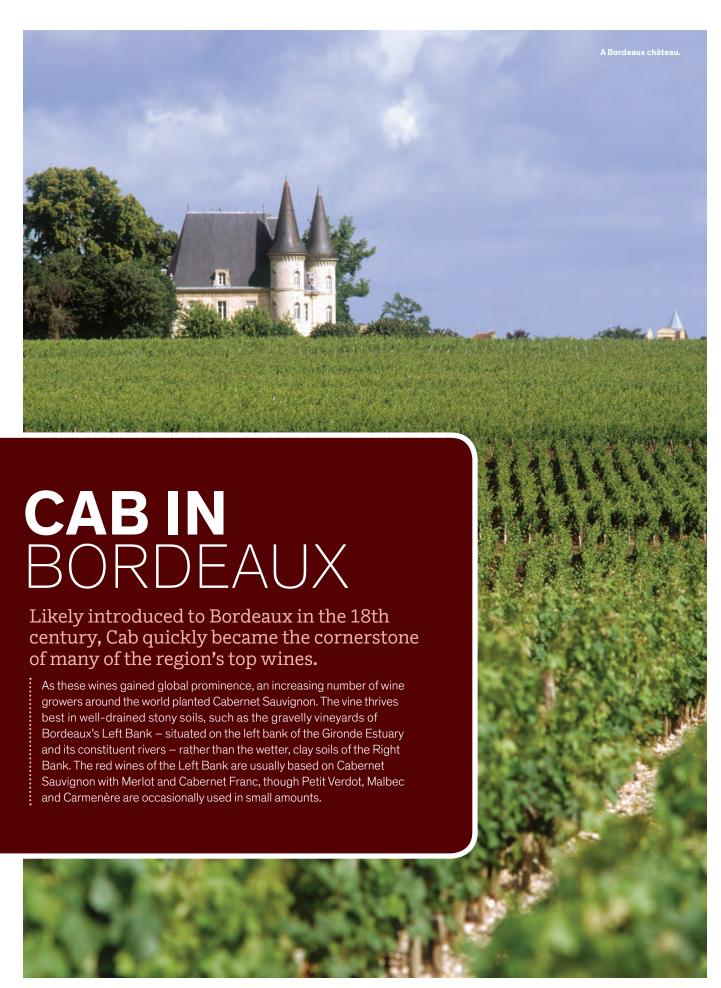
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Spain's top source for food-friendly, character-filled wines is a big player on the world wine stage.

When people say they love Spanish wine, whether they realize it or not, odds are they're referring to the red wines of Rioja. This renowned region is the cornerstone of fine Spanish wine. Typically crafted from the food-friendly Tempranillo grape and blended primarily with Garnacha, Rioja's reds span the spectrum from the approachable and quaffable to the age-worthy and refined. These are wines of character on par with the likes of Bordeaux, Burgundy and California, and when you try them, you'll quickly see why they're must-haves for your dinner table or cellar.

Bush vines in Rioja



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MARQUÉS DE CÁCERES ANTEA 2015

DOCa Rioja

TASTING NOTE: Antea is a barrel-fermented cuvée of Viura with 7% Malvasía that spends significant time on its lees. The toasty oak is quite assertive, but this has the fruit weight and acidity to age for a year or two in bottle. Grapefruity, refreshing stuff. Drink date: 2018-2020. Score: 90 (Tim Atkin, MW, timatkin.com, Rioja Special Report 2018)

Full-bodied & Rich

518985 (XD) 750 mL \$16.95

LA RIOJA ALTA VIÑA ARDANZA RESERVA 2009*

DOCa Rioja

TASTING NOTE: Ardanza is a classic, pan-regional Rioja, blending Tempranillo from the Rioja Alta with 20% Garnacha from Tudelilla in the Rioja Oriental. It's a richer, plusher wine than the 2008, reflecting the warmer vintage, but it's not remotely ponderous. Floral, fine and very complete with fennel and sweet Asian spices, tangy acidity and deftly handled American oak. Drink date: 2018-2026. Score: 95 (Tim Atkin, MW, timatkin.com, Rioja Special Report 2018)

Full-bodied & Smooth

315531 (XD) 750 mL \$54.95 🗸

* Not pictured







Tempranillo

The King of Spanish Wine

The versatile Tempranillo grape can produce a wide range of flavours including spice, tobacco, leather and strawberry. It can be used to make approachable wines that are best consumed young, as well as wines of great intensity and structure with superb ageing potential. Tempranillo is often seen in concert with Garnacha, which imparts additional spice as well as dark fruit and herbal tones. Rioja's vineyards are protected from inclement Atlantic-born weather by the Sierra de Cantabria mountain range. The region is quite large and diverse, making generalizations about terroir impossible, but typically the best growing areas have clay- and limestone-rich soils.



URBINA ESPECIAL RESERVA 1998

DOCa Rioja

TASTING NOTE: Fans of the Urbina style will be delighted to hear that there's still lots of this remarkable old wine on the market, reflecting the bodega's policy of releasing its wines late. Complex, leafy and refined, it has sweet forest floor and tobacco pouch aromas, fine tannins and succulent fruit. Drink date: 2019-2024. Score: **94** (Tim Atkin, MW, *timatkin.com*, *Rioja Special Report 2019*)

Full-bodied & Smooth

010723 (XD) 750 mL \$39.95

R. LOPEZ DE HEREDIA VIÑA BOSCONIA RESERVA 2007

DOCa Rioja

TASTING NOTE: The Bosconia vineyard, which has always been vinified separately at the winery, has more clay in the soil and tends to produce richer, plumper wines that are priced below Tondonia. This cuvée of Tempranillo with 10% Garnacha and 5% each of Graciano and Mazuelo has caressing sweetness, supple tannins and notes of dill and tobacco. Drink date: 2019-2028. Score: **96** (Tim Atkin, MW, timatkin.com, Rioja Special Report 2019)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

529586 (XD) 750 mL \$48.95





The great wines of Rioja are defined by the time they spend ageing in barrel and bottle before they're sold. Barrel ageing softens the wine by allowing it to interact slowly with oxygen, and introduces tannin and texture plus flavours such as spice and toasty smoke. The classifications Crianza, Reserva and Gran Reserva are legal terms that indicate quality level and dictate the ageing requirements.

Joven

"Joven" means "young." These are wines intended for consumption within two years of vintage. They spend little or no time in oak.

Crianza

These are wines that are aged for a minimum of one year in oak.

Once bottled, they must be aged for a few months before being sold.

Crianza wines represent great value and are tremendously popular.

Reserva

In order to be labelled as a Reserva, the wine must see a minimum of one year in oak with the balance in bottle for a minimum total ageing of three years.

Gran Reserva

Gran Reservas are made only in the best vintages and using the best grapes, which must be hand-harvested. These wines must spend a minimum of two years in oak and then at least three more years in bottle.





RIOJA VEGA CRIANZA 2016

DOCa Rioja

This Crianza is precise and focused, with good freshness and juicy black fruit, a smoky underbelly and a refined minerality. A wine with considerable structure that will reward 2-3 years of patience.

[The Challenge International du Vin did not include a tasting note.] Score: **Gold** (Challenge International du Vin, 2019)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

471854 (XD) 750 mL \$16.95

RIOJA BORDÓN RESERVA 2012

DOCa Rioja

(Bodegas Franco-Españolas)

TASTING NOTE: Vivid ruby-red. Oak-spiced cherry and candied rose aromas are complemented by suggestions of mocha, smoked meat and pipe tobacco. Chewy and focused on the palate, offering bitter cherry, vanilla and dark chocolate flavors that become more energetic with aeration. Finishes spicy and quite long, displaying resonating smokiness and dusty tannins that build steadily. Drinking window: 2019-2025. Score: **90** (Josh Raynolds, *vinous.com*, Feb. 2019)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

194753 (D) 750 mL \$19.95 🗸

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

CUNE GRAN RESERVA 2012

DOCa Rioja

(Compañía Vinícola del Norte de España)

TASTING NOTE: The 2012 Cune Gran Reserva, a blend of 85% Tempranillo, 10% Graciano and 5% Mazuelo, matured in barrel for two years and was kept in bottle for three years before it was released. It had a lot of freshness, with notes of red fruit and an iron-like touch, reminiscent of beef blood and meat, austere and serious. The oak is pretty much in the background. The palate is sleek and polished, with fine tannins and a soft mouthfeel. Very good balance and drinkability. Drink date: 2018-2024. Score: 91+ (Luis Gutiérrez, robertparker.com, Feb. 28, 2018)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

393553 (XD) 750 mL \$28.95 🗸

In 2018, the Consejo Regulador (Regulatory Council) that oversees Spanish wine introduced legislation allowing producers to include *Viñedo Singular* on their labels, indicating a single-vineyard wine. The regulations for this designation are strict and exacting. The vines must be a minimum of 35 years old and the grapes hand-harvested. If the grapes aren't estate-owned, the producer must have a purchasing relationship of at least 10 years with the grower. Producers can also label their wines as village wines: *Vino Municipio*. The regulations around such labelling is again, quite stringent. These terms can appear on labels for wines from the 2017 vintage on.

Food

for Thought

Rioja's full-bodied Tempranillo-based wines are a natural for rich meats such as lamb and game. Good acidity and the savoury herb, earth and leather tones that accompany the fruit, as well as the diversity provided by the ageing regimen, mean that they can pair with a wide variety of foods. Tempranillo is excellent with tomatobased pasta sauces, pizza, tacos, Mexicanspiced chicken and, of course, burgers, smoky ribs and grilled steaks.

BARÓN DE LEY GRAN RESERVA 2012 DOCa Rioja

TASTING NOTE: This is a serious red that shows the ripeness of the vintage, yet shows beautiful wood-use and finesse. Full body, round texture and a fresh and flavorful finish. Give it some time to come completely together. Better in 2020. Score: **93** (James Suckling, *jamessuckling.com*, Aug. 2, 2018)

Full-bodied & Smooth

642496 (XD) 750 mL \$29.95 =

DON JACOBO GRAN RESERVA 2005

DOCa Rioja

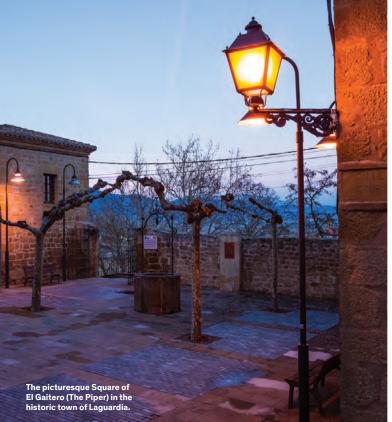
TASTING NOTE: The best of the current releases from the bodega, this is a classic Rioja cuvée of Tempranillo from the Rioja Alta with 15% Garnacha, Graciano and Mazuelo from the Rioja Oriental. Aged in new American oak for 36 months, it's smooth yet refreshing with spicy, mature, autumnal scents and flavours. Drink date: 2019-2021. Score: **91** (Tim Atkin, MW, timatkin.com, Rioja Special Report 2019)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

923748 (XD) 750 mL \$38.95

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RODNEY STRONG CHARLOTTE'S **HOME SAUVIGNON BLANC** Sonoma County, California

Made from grapes grown in a vineyard established in 1971, this wine is zesty and bright with tropical fruit, lemongrass, grapefruit and honeydew melon. Great with salads, seafood or creamy goat cheese.

Aromatic & Flavourful 449207 (XD) 750 mL \$19.95

BORSAO TRES PICOS GARNACHA

DO Campo de Borja, Spain

Just south of Rioja and inland from the cooling Ebro River, the heatsoaked Campo de Borja region is home to robust, ripe wines such as this one. Luscious, plush and floral with rich dark fruit and pepper spice. Pair it with steak or smoky ribs.

Full-bodied & Smooth 273748 (XD) 750 mL \$19.95

PENFOLDS KOONUNGA HILL SHIRAZ/CABERNET

South Australia

First crafted in 1976, this classic Australian blend is supple and concentrated with dark fruit, cassis. herbs, mint and dark chocolate. It will be superb with pepper steak or grilled ribs.

Full-bodied & Smooth 285544 (XD) 750 mL \$19.95

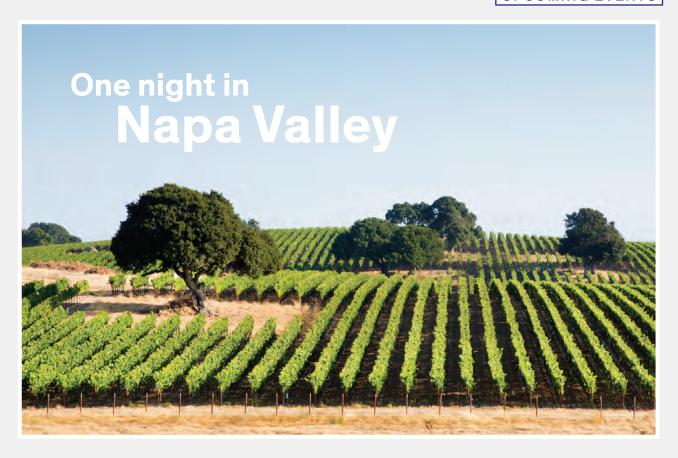
BANFI PRINCIPESSA GAVIA GAVI

DOCG, Piedmont, Italy

Legend has it that Principessa Gavia, daughter of the King of the Franks, fell in love with a soldier and the two fled to northwest Italy to escape her disapproving father. The village and wine of Gavi are named after her. This is a great sipper or a fine match for salads or lighter fish.

Light & Crisp 250696 (D) 750 mL **\$19.95**

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WHERE: Royal Ontario Museum,

100 Queen's Park

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 - 3. It can be enjoyed now, but has the ability to age beautifully.

Laura

Glorious Day

The newest vintage has arrived! I'm so glad this lovely wine is Back Here Again. While I Was Waiting for that One Fine Day to arrive and time was Dragging On, I kept repeating to myself: Maybe Sometime soon, be patient, All in Time. Now I'm looking forward to getting my Hands on the Glass that I'm planning to pour for myself!



CUDDY BY TAWSE CABERNET/MERLOT 2015

VQA Niagara Peninsula 469031 (XD) 750 mL \$27.95 ✓

Full-bodied & Firm

For complete tasting note and to order online, see page 27.



product notes

DRINKABILITY INDEX

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



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



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



HOLD: Ideal for further cellaring. This wine may well be enjoyed now by some, but we feel that it will develop favourably under ideal cellaring conditions.

PERCEIVED SUGAR CONTENT

Perceived dryness/sweetness by tasting evaluation. Vintages scale ranges from Extra Dry to Sweet: XD, D, M, MS, S. Please discuss specifics with our Product Consultants.

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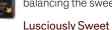
ICEWINE

HENRY OF PELHAM VIDAL/CABERNET, VIDAL & RIESLING ICEWINE TRIO *

Three-bottle gift set,

VQA Niagara Peninsula, Ontario

This triple threat from a Niagara giant brings a trio of takes on Ontario's original signature style together in one package. The Vidal/Cabernet Icewine will offer up red fruit and herbs; the Riesling will have ripe pear, melon and some honeyed notes; and the Vidal will have tropical aromas and flavours. All three will display great complexity and grace, with fine acidity balancing the sweetness and providing lift.



3×200 mL (S) **\$99.95 أ**

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LE BRUN DE NEUVILLE

HENRY of PELHAM

CHAMPAGNE

LE BRUN DE NEUVILLE GRAND VINTAGE BRUT CHAMPAGNE 2008

TASTING NOTE: Almost entirely Chardonnay, with just a whisper of Pinot Noir, this is a dry Champagne. It is crisp, lively, steely and with great intensity. The apple and lemon flavors are just a part of this impressive wine that could age longer. Drink from 2019. Cellar Selection. Score: 94 (Roger Voss, Wine Enthusiast, Dec. 1, 2017)

Rich & Complex

750 mL (XD)

\$85.95

011131



MANDOIS ORIGINE BRUT CHAMPAGNE

TASTING NOTE: Spice and floral accents are an aromatic entry for this well-balanced Champagne. Lacy in texture, with crisp acidity and flavors of apricot, pastry and candied ginger. Drink now through 2020. Score: 91 (Alison Napjus, winespectator.com, Nov. 30, 2017)

Rich & Complex

750 mL (XD)

\$48.95



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SPARKLING WINE

BENJAMIN BRIDGE NOVA 7 SPARKLING 2018 *

Nova Scotia

TASTING NOTE: ... Just the greatest lithe hint of effervescence, the crushable one, better than mega purple sweet confections for people who want to drink flavour. Peach, strawberry and juicy fruit for the people, for everyman, woman and non gender specific imbiber, for people in the sticks who don't, won't and can't drink grower's Champagne. Aromatic backbone is New York Muscat, plus ortega, seyval blanc, l'acadie, vidal, riesling, chardonnay (and no perle) ... And no need to swirl, so you get a kick from the natural CO2. Drink 2018-2020. Score: 90 (Michael Godel, winealign.com, June 25, 2019)

Light & Fruity

750 mL (S)

\$24.95

256289





GRAHAM BECK BRUT ROSÉ 2013

Traditional method,

WO Western Cape, South Africa

TASTING NOTE: Coral-hued dry sparkling gains palate weight, savouriness & biscuit overlay to spiced strawberry flavours from 5 years on lees. The creamy bubbles melt in the mouth, making 2013 a perfect accompaniment for seafood. 96% pinot noir, splash chardonnay. Score: 93 (Platter's South African Wine Guide, 2019)

Medium-bodied & Flavourful

750 mL (XD) \$24.95

004085





LUC BELAIRE RARE LUXE SPARKLING France

TASTING NOTE: This is luxe indeed, with its sleek and chic opaque white bottle emblazoned with gold lettering that's guaranteed to appeal to the young and fabulous. Weighing in at 37 grams of sugar per litre, this sweet sparkler reminds me of a bellini delicious, with peach, yellow apple and white cherry flavours. But it's not all frivolous fun: zippy acidity has a firm grasp, ensuring the sublime does not tumble to the ridiculous. Score: ★★★☆ (Courtney & Erin Henderson, Vines, Spring 2019)

Light & Fruity

\$39.95 750 mL (MS)

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GÉRARD BERTRAND THOMAS JEFFERSON BRUT ROSÉ **CRÉMANT DE LIMOUX 2017**

Traditonal method, AP, Languedoc, France This is a blend built around Chardonnay with equal parts Chenin Blanc and Pinot Noir in support. The wine commemorates Thomas Jefferson, a terrific fan of the sparkling wines of Limoux. They were the only sparkling wines he kept in his cellar. Fresh and balanced with impressive complexity, this will be great with smoked fish or as an addition to any meal.

Medium-bodied & Flavourful, \$22.95 750 mL (XD)

648618

CANADA – WHITE WINE

ONTARIO

CAVE SPRING ESTATE CHARDONNAY 2017 *

Cave Spring Vineyard, VQA Beamsville Bench, Niagara Escarpment

TASTING NOTE: Grown on vines aged an average of 30 years, this Chardonnay spent 10 months sur lie and was matured in French oak. The result is a gorgeous interplay of grilled pineapple, white peach and buttery corn on the cob, with nice balance of elegance and heft. There's a mineral undertone throughout and a gently smoky finish. It'll impress through 2022 with roast chicken or turkey. (Vintages panel, Aug. 2019)



750 mL (XD)

\$19.95

256552



DOMAINE QUEYLUS TRADITION CHARDONNAY 2016 *

VQA Niagara Peninsula

TASTING NOTE: Prudent and lovely judgement in the Tradition '16 by winemaker Kelly Mason, putting fruit first and the supporting barrel second. Noses like a "mineral' vintage, with a coppery-platinum wet rock sensation and a torched orange-lemon notation. No real feeling of butter or nuttiness though you sense they are both there somewhere in the background. Vanilla too though not one you can put a finger or a taste bud on. Beautifully balanced chardonnay that keeps it simple with a solid core of structure. Drink 2019-2023. Score: **91** (Michael Godel, winealign.com, March 2, 2019)



750 mL (XD)

\$27.95

417774

QUEYLUS

Tradition







FEATHERSTONE SAUVIGNON BLANC 2018 *

VQA Niagara Peninsula

TASTING NOTE: This exceptional-value gem was 50% barrel fermented and 50% stainless steel fermented then racked off its lees before the last fining. Aromas of floral notes, kiwi fruit and yellow peach aromas waft easily from this creamy-smooth, medium-bodied sauvignon blanc. It envelops the palate with a flavourful stream of Key lime, nectarine and lemongrass notes. There are no rough edges as it finishes smooth, dry, crisp and refreshing. Pour with pasta in creamy pesto sauce. Score: 90 (Vic Harradine, winecurrent.com, June 17, 2019)

Aromatic & Flavourful

750 mL (D)

\$17.95

089011





HENRY OF PELHAM ESTATE RIESLING 2018 *

VQA Short Hills Bench, Niagara Escarpment The fruit for this vibrant, borderline-off-dry Riesling is grown in Henry of Pelham's estate vineyards and given extended hang time before harvest. Look for an interplay of lush citrus and floral accents, with a hint of sweetness balanced by a brilliant seam of acidity. A wine built to evolve over the next 7-8 years, this will pair nicely with spicy Thai dishes, or pork chops with baked apples.

Aromatic & Flavourful

750 mL (D)

\$19.95

557165





VQA Short Hills Bench, Niagara Escarpment TASTING NOTE: This is special, with high quality at a low price delivered in spades. A dazzling nose of smoke, spice, vanilla, fresh pear and apple aromas provides segue for a medium-full bodied, gorgeously balanced wash of lemony tang, baking spice and honey-drizzled green apple. This has depth, character and plenty of pizzazz. The oak in this barrel-fermented chardonnay has been deftly integrated and adds to the character and delectable flavours. Pour with roast fowl and all the fixings, now to 2024 and possibly a bit beyond. Score: 92 (Vic Harradine, winecurrent.com, April 22, 2019)

Full-bodied & Rich

750 mL (XD)

\$29.95

616466





KONZELMANN LAKEFRONT SERIES LATE HARVEST GEWÜRZTRAMINER 2016 *

VQA Niagara Peninsula

Awarded the 2018 Lieutenant Governor's Award for Excellence in Ontario Wines.

TASTING NOTE: This well-priced off-dry white wine has sweet aromas of lychee fruit, honey, and candied lemon. It's full bodied on the palate with a delicate sweetness that carries flavours of citrus peel, peach, and pear. There is a nice balance of acid that helps deliver a pear-flavoured finish. This will be a great match for spicy Thai basil chicken. Score: 88 (Dave Isaacs, winecurrent.com, Feb. 27, 2019)

Aromatic & Flavourful

750 mL (M)

\$15.95

392357

CANADA – RED WINE



QUEYLUS

ONTARIO

CUDDY BY TAWSE CABERNET/MERLOT 2015 *

VQA Niagara Peninsula

TASTING NOTE: As a wine lover Jim Cuddy takes an active role in the selections for this wine ... This is a sturdy, deeply coloured cab-merlot aged 18 months in French oak. The aromatic complexity and flavour concentration are impressive, with lifted roasted herbs, chocolate and blackcurrant fruit notes. It is quite full bodied, firm and substantial with considerable, starchy tannin. The length is very good to excellent. It should age well - best 2020 through 2025. Score: 90 (David Lawrason, winealign.com, March 1, 2019)

Full-bodied & Firm

750 mL (XD)

\$27.95

469031



DOMAINE QUEYLUS TRADITION **CABERNET FRANC 2016 *** VQA Lincoln Lakeshore, Niagara Peninsula



TASTING NOTE: ... enticing nose of wild raspberries, dark cherries, cassis, integrated herbs, iron, subtle spice and red currants. It has lovely mouth-feel, plush tannins, spice, earthy red fruits, integrated herbs and a lovely vein of minerality through the long and finessed finish. Score: 91 (Rick VanSickle, wines inniagara.com, May 28, 2019)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

750 mL (XD)

\$27.95

011581





CANADA - RED WINE CONT'D

ONTARIO

INNISKILLIN MONTAGUE VINEYARD PINOT NOIR 2016 *

Single vineyard, VQA Four Mile Creek, Niagara-on-the-Lake

TASTING NOTE: Montague is always singular, set apart, dishing pinot noir of its own accord. Here rustic but ripe, lush and fully warmed by vintage. Chewy and strangely akin to 2017 Tuscan sangiovese. Tang is the operative, humid and grippy the words. Acids are really sharp and the age of this vineyard (planted by Karl Kaiser in the 1980s) is something to behold. Singularity and diversity in one glass of pinot noir ... Drink 2019-2023. Score: 90 (Michael Godel, winealign.com, March 23, 2019)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

750 mL (D)

\$30.95

997353



REDSTONE LIMESTONE VINEYARD PINOT NOIR 2013 *

VQA Twenty Mile Bench, Niagara Escarpment TASTING NOTE: This elegant, expressive Pinot Noir shows sunny strawberry, red cherry, underbrush and smoky spices, with good depth of flavour and brilliant, food-friendly acidity. A fantastic choice for prime rib and root vegetables, it's showing beautifully now and will impress through 2020. (Vintages panel, Sept. 2018)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

750 mL (D)

\$22.00

546473





SOUTHBROOK SAUNDERS FAMILY VINEYARD CABERNET FRANC 2017 *

Vegan friendly, single vineyard, VQA Beamsville Bench, Niagara Escarpment TASTING NOTE: Certified organic and vegan, this wine is an absolute stunner. Showing complex woodsmoke, cedar bough and freshly picked blackberry flavours, it's sleek and sinewy with good focus, taut structure and a chewy finish. Expect it to evolve through 2025 and complement braised eggplant with parsnip mash, or herbed roast beef and root veggies. (Vintages panel, Aug. 2019)

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

275958

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THE FOREIGN AFFAIR CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2015 *

VQA Niagara Peninsula

TASTING NOTE: (18 months French and American oak; 20% Appassimento) Dense purple colour; cedary, cigar box nose with a floral note, oak spice and black plum; medium-bodied, dry, firmly structured, blackcurrant flavour. Hold two years. Score: **90-92** (Tony Aspler, tonyaspler.com, Jan. 30, 2019)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

750 mL (D)

\$39.95

127324

Featured in Red Giant



THE MAGICIAN SHIRAZ/PINOT NOIR 2016 *

VQA Niagara Peninsula (Reif Winery Inc.)

TASTING NOTE: This full-bodied, deeply flavoured Niagara red wine is a blend of 70% shiraz and 30% pinot noir grapes that are kiln-dried before they're pressed to deepen the wine's flavours. The wine is named "The Magician" with a whimsical label. Supple and smooth, with seductive notes of black cherry and smoke. Some licorice and spice on the finish. Pair with grilled meats. Score: 90 (Natalie MacLean, nataliemaclean.com, Dec. 7, 2018)

Full-bodied & Smooth

\$29.95 750 mL (XD)

246413



BRITISH COLUMBIA

BURROWING OWL ESTATE BOTTLED CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2016 *

BC VQA Okanagan Valley

Burrowing Owl gives a hoot about sustainability. In fact, they're a leader in eco-conscious winemaking in the Okanagan Valley. They've installed banks of photovoltaic solar panels on their property to provide their own sustainable energy, and their solar waterheating project is so successful that they've literally got more hot water than they know what to do with in the winery (their solution: use the excess to heat a swimming pool for lucky visitors). Their Cabernet is consistently big and impressively structured, with layers of red fruit, dark fruit and oak spice.



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CANADA - ROSÉ WINE

ONTARIO

PELEE ISLAND LOLA CABERNET FRANC ROSÉ 2018 *

VQA South Islands, Lake Erie North Shore TASTING NOTE: Grown in some of most southerly vineyards in Ontario, this juicy, tangy pink wine offers suggestions of pressed flowers, pimento and strawberry. Perfect for shrimp tacos or grilled salmon. (Vintages panel, Aug. 2019)

Easygoing & Fruity

750 mL (D)

\$15.95

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USA – WHITF WINF

CALIFORNIA

BLACK STALLION CHARDONNAY 2017

Napa Valley

(Delicato Family Vineyards)

TASTING NOTE: This is a full-bodied and richly layered white that dazzles in aromas of apple blossom and matchstick. The midpalate is creamy in feel, with strong flavors of pear and fig. Editors' Choice. Score: 92 (Virginie Boone, Wine Enthusiast, July 1, 2019)

Full-bodied & Rich

750 mL (XD)

\$29.95

339689





J. LOHR ARROYO VISTA **CHARDONNAY 2017**

Arroyo Seco, Monterey County

TASTING NOTE: Plump aromas of pineapple jam, plumeria and toast show on the ripe nose of this bottling. The palate, crisp at first, is broadened out by a pineapple cream flavor. A chalky grip leads to a toasty finish. Score: 90 (Matt Kettman, Wine Enthusiast, Aug. 1, 2019)

Full-bodied & Rich

750 mL (XD)

\$34.95

171272





JOEL GOTT CHARDONNAY 2017 California

TASTING NOTE: A perennial customer fave, this Chard blends fruit from cool, marine-influenced Monterey, Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo vineyards together with fruit from Napa and Sonoma. Nicely balanced pineapple, banana and apple flavours are embroidered by subtle floral notes and lifted by ample acidity, with barely a trace of oak. Ideal for crab-and-avocado tacos or a stuffed pork tenderloin. (Vintages panel, Feb. 2019)

Full-bodied & Rich

750 mL (XD)

\$23.95

458778

USA - RED WINE

CALIFORNIA

CLINE SONOMA COAST SYRAH 2017

Sonoma Coast, Sonoma County

TASTING NOTE: Ruby black color. Aromas of fertile earth, cola, bell pepper, green peppercorns, and smokehouse with a slightly chewy, vibrant, fruity full body and a peppery, charming, long boysenberry and griddlecakes finish with grippy tannins and moderate oak flavor. A bold, smoky Syrah for substantial pairings. Exceptional. Best Buy. Score: 92 (tastings.com, June 13, 2019)

Full-bodied & Smooth

750 mL (XD)

\$22.95

010463



CLINE

CONCANNON VINEYARD CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2016

Paso Robles

TASTING NOTE: In 1965, John Concannon partnered with UC Davis to propagate the Concannon Cabernet clones 7, 8 and 11. These clones were created from cuttings taken from Château Margaux in Bordeaux and are now the most widely planted Cabernet clones in California. This wine is rich and velvety, with blackberry, black cherry and cassis flavours and undertones of vanilla, graphite and spice. It'll impress through 2022 with hearty braised meats. (Vintages panel, Nov. 2018)

Full-bodied & Smooth

750 mL (XD)

\$21.95

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USA – RED WINE CONT'D

CALIFORNIA

EARTHQUAKE ZINFANDEL 2015

Lodi

(Michael David Winery)

TASTING NOTE: Superrich aromas and deep saturated fruit and oak flavors make this extremelyfull-bodied wine hard to resist. It has spicy smoky beefy aromas, nearly sweet flavors of dried plums, dates and blackberry jam and a mouth-coating texture that leads to a lingering finish. Score: 90 (Jim Gordon, Wine Enthusiast, July 1, 2018)

Full-bodied & Smooth

750 mL (XD)

\$42.95

059717





J. LOHR HILLTOP **CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2016** Paso Robles

This wine was awarded 94 points by Rich Cook of winereviewonline.com. (July 30, 2019)

TASTING NOTE: From an older vine vineyard at the crest of a hill at the centre of J.Lohr's Paso Robles estate, this shows a really ripe blackberry, black cherry fruit nose layered with chocolate, tobacco and licorice. It is very full bodied, dense and guite concentrated with firm, gritty tannin and some alcohol heat. A big, complex wine with excellent length. Give it a year or three. Score: 91 (David Lawrason, winealign.com, April 30, 2019)

Full-bodied & Smooth

\$49.95 750 mL (XD)

686584





KLINKER BRICK BRICKMASON **RED BLEND 2016**

Mokelumne River, Lodi

TASTING NOTE: This wine is built around 80% Zinfandel with 10% Syrah, 5% Cabernet Sauvignon and 5% Petite Sirah in support. It's big, concentrated, complex and spicy, with ripe dark fruit, white pepper and vanilla underpinned by solid tannins. Best now through 2023, it will "click" with duck confit. (Vintages panel, Jan. 2019)

NEV

Full-bodied & Smooth

\$21.95 750 mL (D)

010465

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LA CREMA SONOMA COAST **PINOT NOIR 2016**

Sonoma Coast, Sonoma County

TASTING NOTE: Dried cherry, allspice and poached plum flavors show plenty of hot stone and brick notes, with cardamom and sandalwood details on the creamy finish. Drink now through 2021. 100,000 cases made. Smart Buys. Score: 90 (Kim Marcus, winespectator.com, Nov. 30, 2018)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

375 mL (D)

\$18.95

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SILVER OAK

PURPLE COWBOY PASO ROBLES TENACIOUS RED 2015

Paso Robles

TASTING NOTE: This is a wine crafted to have wide appeal. It loads up the glass with notions of ripe blue and purple fruit, spice and earth in a balanced, structured package. Furthermore, a portion of the money made through sales of Purple Cowboy is donated to breast cancer research. Seriously, what's not to like about this wine? (Vintages panel, Jan. 2019)

NEV

Full-bodied & Firm

750 mL (XD)

\$24.95

010881

SILVER OAK ALEXANDER VALLEY **CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2014**

Alexander Valley, Sonoma County

TASTING NOTE: Take some time to allow Silver Oak's cabernet to settle in and you might just smile a bit more. Here we are at that point, certainly glued to a house style, big in barrel with American influence and set up with Daniel Baron's signature passed on through Nate Weis, most recent accomplice as Director of Winemaking. Pencil shavings and early harvested balance plus some wood waiting out of that wood means you are given some Alexander Valley grace at this stage of fine tannin development. Drink: 2019-2024. Score: 92 (Michael Godel, winealign.com, Oct. 24, 2018)

Full-hodied & Firm

(XD) **\$121.95** 750 mL

943472





TRUCHARD CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2015 Carneros, Napa Valley

TASTING NOTE: A linear and fine red with terracotta, dark berry and chocolate character. Medium to full body, round tannins and a flavorful finish. Very attractive. Drink or hold. Score: 92 (James Suckling, jamessuckling.com, Dec. 21, 2017)

Full-bodied & Firm

750 mL (XD)

\$41.95

059683

Featured in Red Giant



WENTE WETMORE VINEYARD **CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2016**

Single vineyard, Livermore Valley, San Francisco Bay

TASTING NOTE: This elegantly structured, complex Cab from one of California's most historic wineries also contains 9% Petite Sirah, 8% Petit Verdot and 4% Malbec. A core of cassis is embroidered by vanilla, mint and smoke, with subtle suggestions of underbrush. It'll make a fantastic pairing for duck confit with berry compote and will be at its peak through 2022. (Vintages panel, Nov. 2018)

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

963397

Featured in Red Giant

WASHINGTON



DOUBLE CANYON HORSE HEAVEN HILLS **CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2015**

Horse Heaven Hills, Columbia Valley

TASTING NOTE: ... keenly priced ... burst from the glass with a dramatic bouquet of ripe cherries, sweet berry liqueur and loamy soil. On the palate, it's mediumbodied and generous, with an ample core of ripe fruit, good balancing acids and ripe but youthfully chewy tannins. Open-knit and built for near-term consumption ... a demonstrative Cabernet Sauvignon-based blend which seems sure to be a commercial hit. Drink date: 2018-2025. Score: 90 (William Kelley, robertparker.com, June 29, 2018)

Full-bodied & Smooth

750 mL (XD) \$29.95

131888 Featured in Red Giant



ARGENTINA – RED WINE

BODEGA PIEDRA NEGRA GRAN LURTON SINGLE VINEYARD CABERNET **SAUVIGNON 2013**

Uco Valley, Mendoza (Jacques & François Lurton)

TASTING NOTE: This is a dense and textured cab with chewy and rich tannins. Full body, hazelnut and clove character with the black currants. Very long and gorgeous. Needs three or four years to come together. Score: 95 (James Suckling, jamessuckling. com, May 20, 2016)

Full-bodied & Smooth

750 mL (XD)

\$24.95

980334

Featured in Red Giant



LUIGI BOSCA D.O.C. MALBEC 2016 Single vineyard, DOC Luján de Cuyo, Mendoza

TASTING NOTE: A complex malbec that shows violets, blueberries, strawberries, chocolate and hazelnuts. Hints of licorice too. Medium to full body, firm and well-integrated tannins and a deep and precise finish. Drink now or hold. Score: 93 (James Suckling, jamessuckling.com, April 5, 2018)

Full-bodied & Firm

750 mL (XD)

\$29.95

074922



VIÑALBA RESERVA MALBEC/TOURIGA NACIONAL 2017

Uco Valley, Mendoza

TASTING NOTE: 80% Malbec, 20% Touriga Nacional. A real steal! Packed with mouthwatering black fruit, a savoury liquorice richness, elegant bitter chocolate and silky tannins. A classic in the making. Score: 95 (Decanter World Wine Awards, 2018)

Full-bodied & Smooth

750 mL (XD)

\$18.95

442459



CHILE – WHITE WINE

SANTA EMA GRAN RESERVA **SAUVIGNON BLANC 2018**

DO Levda Valley

TASTING NOTE: A nervy and very refreshing sauvignon with light body and very much in the style of the wines from this vintage. There are herbal notes all over the place here, with deliciously citrusy acidity typical of the sauvignons from this spot beside the Pacific Ocean. This wine is for raw shellfish or clam soup. Score: 91 (Patricio Tapia, quiadescorchados.cl. 2019)

Aromatic & Flavourful

\$16.95 750 mL (XD)

443507





CHILE - RED WINE

KOYLE ROYALE CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2016

Los Lingues Vineyard, DO Colchagua Valley TASTING NOTE: For its Royale line, Koyle selects vines growing higher up on the hillside, with soils that are rockier and have less clay than the vineyards that supply the grapes for Cuvée Los Lingues, for example. That poor soil and the cold 2016 vintage shaped a nervy cabernet with lots of tart red fruit and an especially firm, severe tannic structure. Score: 93 (Patricio Tapia, guiadescorchados.cl, 2019)

Full-bodied & Firm

\$24.95 750 mL (XD)

255760



MONTES PURPLE ANGEL 2016

DO Colchagua Valley

TASTING NOTE: An opulent and spicy red, with notes of bourbon vanilla and hints of cardamom to the mouthwatering flavors of cherry pie, blackberry and plum tart. The juicy finish lingers with chocolate and cream accents, and a touch of dried green herb. Carmenère and Petit Verdot. Drink now through 2024. Score: 94 (Kim Marcus, winespectator.com, May 31, 2019)

Full-bodied & Firm

750 mL (XD) \$62.95

062364





SAN PEDRO 1865 SELECTED VINEYARDS **CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2017**

DO Maipo Valley

TASTING NOTE: From vines planted on Maipo River terraces in the El Tránsito zone and harvested very early, 100% of this cabernet was aged in barrels, although just 20% were new, and the result is a wine with incredibly precise red fruit, spicy notes, and an herbal touch. It's got the herbal character of Maipo Alto, but it also has the smoothness and fine tannins of Maipo Alto. One to cellar for five years. Score: 94 (Patricio Tapia, guiadescorchados.cl, 2019)

Full-bodied & Smooth

750 mL (XD)

\$19.95

037911

Featured as our Wine of the Month and in Red Giant



AUSTRALIA – WHITF WINF

ELDERTON E SERIES CHARDONNAY 2017 Barossa, South Australia

TASTING NOTE: This E Series brings its A game, with ripe golden apple, honeydew melon, fresh flowers and creamy oak coming together in gorgeous balance. A solid value and a good choice for chicken penne

Full-bodied & Rich

750 mL (XD)

\$16.95

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alfredo. (Vintages panel, Nov. 2018)



AUSTRALIA – RED WINE

CORIOLE ESTATE GROWN SHIRAZ 2016

McLaren Vale, South Australia

TASTING NOTE: Most of the estate shiraz vines are now 50yo; some 100yo vines were also employed. This is a silken release, fresh as daisy too, with plum, cassis and redcurrant flavours lifted by notes of violet. A gentle creaminess to the texture doesn't hurt a jot. When you reach for a bottle of McLaren Vale shiraz you're hoping it tastes like this, and as good. Drink by: 2032. Special Value. Score: 95 (Campbell Mattinson, winecompanion.com.au, May 1, 2018)

Full-bodied & Smooth

750 mL (XD)

\$24.95

931600





ELDERTON COMMAND SINGLE VINEYARD SHIRAZ 2015

Barossa, South Australia

TASTING NOTE: The 2015 Command Single Vineyard Shiraz fits the mold of a big, bold, Barossa Shiraz. Vanilla and baking spices accent blackberry and mulberry fruit on the nose, while the full-bodied palate is ripe and creamy, supple and richly concentrated through the long, soft finish. Drink date: 2019-2035. Score: 94 (Joe Czerwinski, robert parker.com, June 11, 2019)

Full-bodied & Smooth

\$99.95 750 mL (XD)

716142



THE HEDONIST SHIRAZ 2015

McLaren Vale, South Australia (Walter Clappis Wine Co.)

TASTING NOTE: With a crunchy smoky note and a fabulous meaty texture, this is not a classic McLaren Vale Shiraz but it's an intriguing wine, with real poise, balance and length. It is crying out for Italian food, and is well worth trying. Drinking window: 2017-2025.

Score: **92** (*decanter.com*, Feb. 15, 2017)

Full-bodied & Smooth

750 mL (XD) \$21.95

090191





JIM BARRY COVER DRIVE **CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2016**

Coonawarra, South Australia

TASTING NOTE: This wine offers a lot of quality at an affordable price. Lovers of classic big reds will dig the ripe plum, berry, cola, vanilla and earthy, herbal aromas. The tannins are tightly wound and drying but are balanced by silky red fruit with herbal nuances. There's power here, but also balance and restraint. Drink now with protein and until 2029. Best Buy. Score: 90 (Christina Pickard, Wine Enthusiast, Aug. 1, 2019)

Full-bodied & Smooth

750 mL (XD) \$19.95

677476

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WITS END LUNA SHIRAZ 2017

McLaren Vale, South Australia (Chalk Hill)

Double Gold Medal winner at the 2018 San Francisco International Wine Competition.

TASTING NOTE: Part estate, part contract-grown, night-harvested, part fermented in French oak, part in stainless steel, the parcels kept separate until bottling, a touch of barbera included in the final blend. This is bloody delicious, red and black fruits to the fore, superfine tannins providing texture and structure. Fantastic value. Drink by: 2027. Special Value. It was among James Halliday's Top 100 in the Reds Under \$30 and the Best of the Rest categories. Score: 95 (James Halliday, winecompanion.com.au, Aug. 1, 2019)

Full-bodied & Smooth

750 mL (XD)

\$17.95

311258



SCHILD ESTATE GRENACHE/ MOURVÈDRE/SHIRAZ 2016

Barossa Valley, South Australia Australian Wine Showcase awarded this wine 94 points. (wineshowcase.com.au, July 2018)

TASTING NOTE: The Grenache is dominant here at 55%, with 30% Mourvédre and 15% Shiraz. This blend offers bright, bouncy blueberries and plums, with white pepper, game and florals. The palate is light to medium bodied, with plump, juicy red fruit, a satiny texture and a slightly savory spine. Score: 91 (Christina Pickard, Wine Enthusiast, Feb. 1, 2019)

Full-bodied & Smooth

\$19.95 750 mL (XD)

108183





NEW ZEALAND – WHITE WINE

KIM CRAWFORD PINOT GRIS 2019

Marlborough, South Island

TASTING NOTE: This fruity PG shows ripe peach, pear and applesauce flavours. It's juicy and round with good balance and poise. A great choice for shrimp pad Thai or seared scallops. (Vintages panel, Aug. 2019)

Light & Crisp

\$19.95 750 mL (XD)



NEW ZEALAND – WHITE WINE CONT'D

RAPAURA SPRINGS WAIRAU CLASSIC SAUVIGNON BLANC 2017*



Marlborough, South Island

TASTING NOTE: Fragrant and distinctive, with a note of honeysuckle that mingles beautifully with the succulent lemon meringue, pineapple juice and dried mango flavors that sing on the long finish, revealing a precise thread of acidity that weaves in and out. Drink now. Score: **92** (MaryAnn Worobiec, winespectator.com, Sept. 30, 2018)

Aromatic & Flavourful

750 mL (XD) **\$21.95**

924704





NEW ZEALAND – RED WINE

RAPAURA SPRINGS PINOT NOIR 2017*



Marlborough, South Island

TASTING NOTE: The nose is tight at first, revealing itself quite easily with a little air. Lifted cherry and strawberry tones with earth and vanilla in support. This is gorgeous now and has the stuffing to get even better with a few more years' patience. Pair this elegant, tasty Pinot with roast duck or lamb chops. (Vintages panel, Oct. 2018)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

750 mL (XD) **\$22.95**

156869





AMZA SUHINDO

BULGARIA - RED WINE

LOVICO GAMZA 2015

AOC Suhindol

TASTING NOTE: Crafted from the indigenous Gamza grape, this delivers impressive crushed berry, ripe red and black fruit, dried fruit undertones and a peppery spice. Good tannic grip. A solid value wine that punches well above its price point. Pair this with meaty pizzas and barbecued ribs or steak. (Vintages panel, March 2019)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

750 mL (XD) **\$13.95**

010877



FRANCE – WHITE WINE

ALSACE

JOSEPH CATTIN HATSCHBOURG PINOT GRIS 2016

AC Alsace Grand Cru

TASTING NOTE: The restrained nose just gives hints of ripe russet pear which appears with a friendly off-dry presence on the palate. The generosity of the fruit is offset with phenolic, pithy but pleasant bitterness that segues into zesty citrus. The finish is dry and clean. Score: **90** (Anne Krebiehl, MW, *Wine Enthusiast*, Dec. 1, 2017)

Off-dry & Fruity

750 mL (M)

\$23.95

260240



BURGUNDY

TERRES SECRÈTES LES PRÉLUDES SAINT-VÉRAN 2017



TASTING NOTE: A very fine, uplifting Chardonnay that presents in a thoroughly pleasing, quaffable style. Balanced and lithe with bright acidity and intense stone fruit and citrus. Refreshing and engaging with a long, dry finish. Quite versatile, it will be a delightful sipper, but it's also perfect for grilled fish, grilled shrimp or any number of salads. (Vintages panel, Oct. 2018)

Full-bodied & Rich

750 mL (XD)

\$19.95

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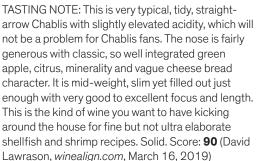
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750 mL (XD)

\$28.95

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LOIRE

LE FILS DES GRAS MOUTONS MUSCADET **SÈVRE-ET-MAINE SUR LIE 2017**

(Claude Branger, vign.-récolt.)

How can you resist a wine with a name like "son of the fat sheep"? That's a great conversational icebreaker if ever there was one. This expressive, lively wine is sourced from vines that average between 40 and 70 years of age. There's zesty apple and citrus, with an underlying stone note that anchors everything. A delight with oysters or any seafood dish.

Light & Crisp

750 mL (XD)

\$15.95

363150



MATTHIAS ET EMILE ROBLIN ENCLOS DE **MAIMBRAY SANCERRE 2016**

AC

TASTING NOTE: 100% Sauvignon Blanc. Fresh lime on the nose leading to a cool palate of pear and white peach with a lingering finish. Score: 92 (Decanter World Wine Awards, 2017)

Aromatic & Flavourful

\$36.95 750 mL (XD)

527200



RHÔNE

CHÂTEAU SAINT-NABOR **CÔTES DU RHONE BLANC 2018**

TASTING NOTE: Sourced from soils made up mostly of limestone and clay, this has a light floral character that provides a pleasing additional lift on the nose. Fresh, round and expressive with white tree fruit, apricot, tropical tones and touches of honey and spice. This will be great with seared chicken breast. (Vintages panel, Feb. 2019)

Full-bodied & Rich

750 mL (XD)

\$14.95

485532





FRANCE - RED WINE

BORDEAUX

CHÂTEAU LA CROIX ST-PIERRE **GRANDE RÉSERVE 2016**

AC Côtes de Bordeaux - Blave (Carreau)

Gold Medal winner at the 2018 Concours International de Lyon.

TASTING NOTE: This is a densely textured wine, packed with dark tannins as well as black fruits. It is concentrated, boasting the structure of the vintage. Blackberries vie with the firm structure, with both suggesting plenty of potential. Drink this Carreau wine from 2022. Score: 90 (Roger Voss, Wine Enthusiast, Feb. 1, 2019)

Full-bodied & Firm

750 mL (XD)

\$19.95

011837

Featured as our Wine of the Month

CHÂTEAU LILIAN LADOUYS 2014

Cru Bourgeois, AC Saint-Estèphe

TASTING NOTE: ... finely structured with dark tannins and tight acidity and a hint of minerality. It is Merlot dominated, although it is the 40% Cabernet Sauvignon that brings out the blackcurrant fruitiness. Drink from 2022. Cellar Selection. Score: 93 (Roger Voss, Wine Enthusiast, April 1, 2017)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

750 mL (XD)

\$49.95

647917

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Château Lilian Ladouys

CHÂTEAU PIERRE DE MONTIGNAC 2014

Cru Bourgeois, AP Médoc

This wine received ★★☆ in the 2018 edition of Le Guide Hachette des Vins.

TASTING NOTE: Pretty red berries on a slightly confected nose, but there is a focus and a sense of tension and drama from the gentle black spices. This is still young but astringent rather than drying, and will soften due to the fruit content. Drink: 2018-2027. Highly Recommended. Score: 90 (decanter china.com, undated)

Full-bodied & Firm

750 mL (XD)

\$24.95



437954 Featured in Red Giant





FRANCE - RED WINE CONT'D

BORDEAUX

CHÂTEAU SAINT-ANTOINE RÉSERVE DU CHÂTEAU 2015

AC Bordeaux Supérieur

TASTING NOTE: A juicy and fruity red with berry and chocolate character. Medium body, round and velvety tannins and a delicious finish. Drink or hold. Score: 90 (James Suckling, jamessuckling.com, Feb. 2, 2018)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

750 mL (XD)

\$15.95

434464



CAVE DE ROQUEBRUN ROCHES NOIRES 2016*

AC Saint-Chinian-Roquebrun

TASTING NOTE: 60% Syrah, 20% Grenache, 20% Mourvedre. A pervasive and immediate bouquet of spicy red fruit and earth. The palate is ripe, rich and powerful with grilled steak-friendly tannins. Delicious. Score: 90 (Decanter Asia Wine Awards, 2018)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

750 mL (XD)

\$22.95

251637



SÉGLA 2010

Second wine of Château Rauzan-Ségla, **AC Margaux**

TASTING NOTE: Dense and intense still with further time in bottle required to fully unwind. The tannins are more resolved than previously tasted and they provide ample texture. The complexity matches the pedigree of the wine. Full of life offering generous but not showy fruit. Excellent length. Best 2020-2024. Score: 93 (Sara d'Amato, winealign.com, Nov. 22, 2018)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

\$68.95 750 mL (XD)

359810

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CHÂTEAU PAUL MAS CLOS DES **MÛRES 2017**

AP Languedoc

TASTING NOTE: Black raspberries, brambleberries, nutmeg, iodine and baking spices. Medium body, fine-grained tannins and a succulent finish. A blend of syrah and grenache. Drink now. Score: 91 (James Suckling, jamessuckling.com, Jan. 7, 2019)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

750 mL (XD)

\$19.95

286393



LANGUEDOC

CALMEL & JOSEPH SAINT CHINIAN 2015 AP

TASTING NOTE: It is brightly expressed on the nose showing dark plum, mulberry, floral, thyme and roasted beet characters. The palate is succulent and beautifully fruited, offering plump mouthfeel and fine tannins, leading to a lingering silky finish. A lovely fruit-expressive wine showing immediate appeal. At its best: now to 2019. Score: 91 (Sam Kim, wineorbit.co.nz, Feb. 2018)

Full-bodied & Smooth

\$15.95 750 mL (XD)

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DOMAINE D'ALBAS ROUGE 2016*

AP Minervois

TASTING NOTE: Syrah (65%), Grenache (26%), Mourvèdre (9%). Deep-hued with dark purple tints. Fresh plum, blackcurrant and raspberry drive the nose. A supple Minervois that carries off its fruitiness well, endowed with floral notes and a great mineral finish. Very enjoyable and instantly accessible. Score: 87 (gilbertgaillard.com, 2018)

Full-bodied & Smooth

\$15.95 750 mL (XD)



GÉRARD BERTRAND SYRAH/GRENACHE 2015

AP Languedoc

TASTING NOTE: A smoking value from Gerard Bertrand (whose portfolio is loaded with impressive wines), the 2015 Languedoc Terroir is mostly Syrah, with 31% Grenache, that was completely destemmed and aged partially in Bordeaux barrels. Its saturated purple color is followed by a ripe, modern-style, creamy Languedoc that offers loads of cassis, licorice and smoked herbs. Drink this Old-World fruit bomb over the coming 2-3 years. Drink date: 2017-2020. Score: **90** (Jeb Dunnuck, *robertparker.com*, April 28, 2017)

Full-bodied & Smooth

750 mL (XD) **\$16.95**

413237



RHÔNE

DOMAINE DU PEGAU CUVÉE RÉSERVÉE CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE 2013 AC

(Paul Feraud et Fille, props.-récolts.)

TASTING NOTE: A great success from a challenging vintage, the 2013 Pegau is as aromatic as ever, loaded with scents of garrigue, smoke and saddle leather. Those are backed by ample dark-fruit flavors, hints of grilled meat and firm, dusty tannins. Drink 2018-2030. Editors' Choice. Ranked #85 in Wine Enthusiast's Top 100 Wines of 2017. Score: **94** (Joe Czerwinski, Wine Enthusiast, May 1, 2017)

Full-bodied & Smooth

750 mL (XD) **\$78.95**

196121





M. CHAPOUTIER BELLERUCHE CÔTES DU RHÔNE GRENACHE/ SYRAH 2017

AC

TASTING NOTE: Intensely ripe blackberry and plum flavors are pristine and lip smacking in this fruit-forward yet elegant wine. Soft and plummy on the palate, it has a hint of granite minerality. Ripe, feathery tannins accentuate its rounded appeal. Enjoy now-2021. Score: **89** (Anna Lee lijima, *Wine Enthusiast*, March 1, 2019)

Full-bodied & Smooth

750 mL (D) \$16.95 ✓

328831





OGIER LES PAILLANCHES CROZES-HERMITAGE 2017*

AC

TASTING NOTE: The 2017 Crozes Hermitage les Paillanches blends grapes from loess and granitic soils and ages them in a mix of 300- and 600-liter barrels for a year. Black cherries take on subtle spice shadings in this medium to full-bodied wine that comes across as being tight and needing a bit of time to soften. Drink date: 2019-2025. Score: **89-91** (Joe Czerwinski, *robertparker.com*, Dec. 28, 2018)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

750 mL (XD) **\$24.95**

667451



XAVIER VIGNON 100% CÔTES DU RHÔNE 2016 AP

TASTING NOTE: A bit richer and more concentrated than the straight Cotes du Rhone, Vignon's 2016 Cotes du Rhone 100% is medium to full-bodied and dark in color, with silky tannins, purple fruit flavors and hints of dried spices and garrigue. It should drink well for the next 5-6 years. Drink date: 2018-2024. Score: **90** (Joe Czerwinski, *robertparker.com*, Oct. 31, 2018)

Full-bodied & Smooth

750 mL (XD) **\$19.95**

437079



CAHORS

JEAN-LUC BALDÉS CLOS TRIGUEDINA MALBEC 2015 AP

NEW

TASTING NOTE: Although this is pure Malbec, the wine is generous rather than structured. It sings of ripe tannins and warm blackberry fruits. The wine shows off the fruity side of the grape, meaning it will be ready to drink from 2019. Score: **90** (Roger Voss, *Wine Enthusiast*, June 1, 2018)

Full-bodied & Firm

750 mL (XD)

\$16.95





FRANCE - ROSÉ WINE

PROVENCE

CAVES D'ESCLANS ROCK ANGEL ROSÉ 2018

AC Côtes de Provence

TASTING NOTE: A rounded, rich rosé, this is full of strawberry and red-currant flavors that mingle comfortably together. Its acidity comes with a tangy touch of pepper to give a complex, ripe aftertaste. Score: **90** (Roger Voss, *Wine Enthusiast*, July 1, 2019)

Medium-bodied & Dry \$49.95

750 mL (XD)

491027





GEORGIA – RED WINE

CHATEAU NEKRESITHE RIGHT BANK OF THE RIVER DURUJI **KINDZMARAULI 2016**

Kakheti

TASTING NOTE: This semi-sweetie is red wine through and through - literally. Saperavi is one of the few red wine grape varieties that's actually red in the middle (whereas most red wines get their colour exclusively from their grape skins). This is ripe and easygoing, with notions of plum, blueberry, forest floor and sweet spices. Nice concentration, too. A good choice for spicy barbecued sausages or grilled eggplant salad. (Vintages panel, April 2018)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

\$15.95 750 mL (M)

648360





MILDIANI KINDZMARAULI **SEMI-SWEET RED 2016**

Kakheti

(Tsinandali)

This ripe semi-sweet red wine is made from the native Saperavi grape. There's a quiet intensity to its red and dark fruit notes. Balanced and soft, with a ripe, pleasing mouthfeel, it will pair very well with a wide range of foods. Try it with mature cheeses, beef, or game such as sweet-and-sour braised rabbit.

Light-bodied & Fruity

750 mL (MS) \$18.95

682781



GERMANY – WHITE WINE

MOSEL

KARL ERBES ÜRZIGER WÜRZGARTEN RIESLING SPÄTLESE 2016

Qualitätswein



Aromatic & Flavourful

750 mL (S)

\$26.95

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KARL ERBES

PINOT NOIR

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GERMANY - RED WINE

PFALZ

EUGEN ALTSCHUH PINOT NOIR 2017 Qualitätswein

TASTING NOTE: A fresh, berry-laden Pinot that shows off a sweet cherry tone atop the new oak influence. A delicate spice note adds charm and complexity. This will be a good option for smoked fish or grilled pork. (Vintages panel, Sept. 2018)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

750 mL (XD)

\$19.95

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GREECE – RED WINE

DOMAIN MEGA SPILEO GRAND CAVE **CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2011**

PGI Achaia

TASTING NOTE: ... some drying tannins on the finish countered by seductive texture, but it is beautifully balanced and fresh. This leans a bit more to elegance than some. As always, the winery's oak treatment leaves some oak artifacts, but this should age well, be a terrific food wine and have a chance to pull in some of that oak ... a very nice value. Drink date: 2016-2030. Score: 91 (Mark Squires, robertparker.com, April 27, 2016)

\$29.95

Full-bodied & Smooth

750 mL (XD)





LANTIDES NEMÉA AGIORGITIKO 2016 PDO Neméa

TASTING NOTE: The Ktima Lantides Estate was founded in 1993 with a focus on crafting high-quality wine. This Agiorgitiko saw 14 months in barrel and has a lifespan of at least 10 years from vintage. It's fruit-driven, with ripe red and black fruit riding a wave of oak influence. Firm, balanced, and crafted in a modern style, this will be a fine option for lamb with mint sauce. (Vintages panel, March 2019)

Full-bodied & Firm

750 mL (XD)

\$19.95

286708





VENETO

MONTE DEL FRÁ CA' DEL MAGRO 2016 DOC Custoza Superiore

The 2019 Gambero Rosso awarded this wine \quad \text{TT}.

TASTING NOTE: Spring flower, crushed aromatic herb and white stone-fruit aromas lift out of the glass. On the savory medium-bodied palate, fresh acidity accompanies juicy yellow apple, lemon zest, apricot and bitter almond. Drink through 2022. Score: 90 (Kerin O'Keefe, Wine Enthusiast, Sept. 1, 2019)

Aromatic & Flavourful

\$19.95 750 mL (XD)







HUNGARY – WHITE WINE

ROYAL TOKAJI LATE HARVEST TOKAJI 2017

PDO

TASTING NOTE: Royal Tokaji was founded by the eminent wine writer and author Hugh Johnson. This is a classic late-harvest Tokaji with balanced sweetness underlying the floral, honeysuckle, ripe melon, peach and dried fruit tones. Pleasant and fresh. Pair this with foie gras, blue-veined cheeses, roast pineapple or dark chocolate. (Vintages panel, March 2019)

Full-bodied & Rich

500 mL (S)

\$21.95

517375





ITALY – RED WINE

PIEDMONT

DIEGO PRESSENDA LA TORRICELLA **DOLCETTO D'ALBA SUPERIORE 2016** DOC

TASTING NOTE: Morello cherries, mulberries and baking spices. Full-bodied, rich and round with plenty of fruit on the finish. Drink now. Score: 90 (James Suckling, jamessuckling.com, Sept. 24, 2018)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

750 mL (XD)

\$23.95

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ITALY – WHITE WINE

CALABRIA

CRITONE BIANCO VAL DI NETO 2017 IGT

(Librandi)

TASTING NOTE: Fresh and floral, with lime blossom, kiwifruit, peach and blood orange sorbet flavors, this medium-bodied white is backed by vibrant acidity and lingers with spice and graphite accents. Chardonnay with Sauvignon Blanc. Drink now through 2021. Ranked #81 in Wine Spectator's Top 100 Wines of 2018. Score: 90 (Alison Napjus, winespectator.com, Oct. 15, 2018)

Full-bodied & Rich

750 mL (XD)

\$17.95

169169





FONTANABIANCA BORDINI BARBARESCO 2015 DOCG

TASTING NOTE: The 2015 Barbaresco Bordini is a smooth and silky interpretation. The wine holds back, just a tad, in terms of intensity. This is an interesting result considering the general warmth and abundance

of this hot vintage. Instead of muscle and volume, you get a more stripped-down and subtle expression with delicate, nuanced flavors that linger long on the palate. Drink date: 2019-2030. Score: 93 (Monica Larner, robertparker.com, April 30, 2019)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

750 mL (XD) \$49.95



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ITALY - RED WINE CONT'D

PIEDMONT

TENUTA ROCCA COMUNE DI SERRALUNGA D'ALBA BAROLO 2013



DOCG

TASTING NOTE: This opens with enticing aromas of menthol, new leather, forest berry and star anise. Reflecting the nose, the elegantly structured palate delivers flavors of raspberry compote, Marasca cherry, licorice and tobacco framed by fine-grained tannins. Fresh acidity lends balance. Drink 2023-2033. Score: **94** (Kerin O'Keefe, *Wine Enthusiast*, May 1, 2018)

Full-bodied & Firm

750 mL (XD)

\$59.95

154591





SICILY

FEUDO ARANCIO CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2016 DOC Sicilia



TASTING NOTE: Made from 100% Cabernet Sauvignon, this wine spent 12 months in French barriques. It's got a wonderful combination of ripe dark cassis fruit and solid structure, with sprinklings of spice and mint. An excellent value, it'll show best through 2021 and make a good partner for pancetta pizza. (Vintages panel, Jan. 2019)

Full-bodied & Firm

750 mL (XD)

\$15.95

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TERRA COSTANTINO ETNA ROSSO 2016 DOC



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

Full-bodied & Smooth

750 mL (XD)



011595

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BANFI BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2014 DOCG

TASTING NOTE: ... reveals a pragmatic, no-nonsense approach to this challenging vintage. The wine makes good on a promise to deliver the cornerstone characteristics of Brunello including wild berry aromas with grilled herb, spice and forest floor. This vintage is not known for its intensity or thickness, and in fact the wine is mild and composed in personality. However, it is also silky and accessible with a very fine but firm tannic structure that is stitched in carefully like lacework at the back. Drink date: 2020-2030. Score: **91** (Monica Larner, *robertparker.com*, Jan. 31, 2019)

Full-bodied & Firm

750 mL (XD)

(XD) **\$56.95**

378257





BARONE RICASOLI ROCCA GUICCIARDA RISERVA CHIANTI CLASSICO 2016 DOCG

This blend of 90% Sangiovese with dashes of Merlot and Canaiolo in support was aged for 18 months in tonneaux (900-litre barrels) and large casks and then aged six month in bottle. This process keeps the fruit ahead of the oak influence, resulting in flavours of red berry, black cherry, herb and spice shining in a complex, elegant, balanced package with slightly drying tannins. Try this with rack of lamb, or ravioli with truffle cream sauce.

Medium-bodied & Fruity

750 mL (XD)

\$24.95

943613

SAN FELICE IL GRIGIO GRAN SELEZIONE CHIANTI CLASSICO 2014 DOCG



TASTING NOTE: It's so encouraging to see a winery produce these results in what was a very challenging vintage ... offers ripe cherry aromas with subtle hints of cured leather and smoked bacon at the back. This is a medium-weight wine with a fiber-rich and juicy finish. The blend is 80% Sangiovese with other red grapes. Each variety was fermented apart in stainless steel (with up to 22 days of maceration). After malolactic fermentation, it was aged in various sizes of oak vessels for 24 months. Drink date: 2018-2026. Score: **92** (Monica Larner, robertparker.com, Oct. 31, 2018)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

750 mL (XD)

\$48.95





SAN VINCENTI CHIANTI CLASSICO 2016 **DOCG**

Even among classic wine styles from classic regions, the intrepid bargain hunter can find old-school values. The San Vincenti Chianti Classico will deliver great balance and refinement with touches of dried fruit, strawberry and cherry alongside fine tannins and a bright finish. This is a wine that will work well with pizza or a hearty meat-and-vegetable stew.

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

399907

VENETO



TASTING NOTE: Lush and modern Amarone, smoky and juicy with ripe dark fruit, liquid black cherry, cedar underbrush, spice cake, espresso coffee flavours, toasty on the palate. Produced by Sandro Boscaini. Corvina, Rondinella, Molinara and Oseleta wine grapes spend a long time drying on bamboo racks and the blended wine is matured for three years or more in oak casks. Pair with prime rib. Drink: 2019-2028. Score: 95 (Natalie MacLean, natalie maclean.com, May 6, 2019)

Full-bodied & Smooth

\$69.95 750 mL (D)

324137

RIPASS FARINA

REMO FARINA RIPASSO VALPOLICELLA **CLASSICO SUPERIORE 2017** DOC

TASTING NOTE: Fresh and tight with lovely chocolate, blueberries and orange peel on the palate. Medium body. Bright and chewy. Drink or hold. Score: 91 (James Suckling, jamessuckling.com, June 16, 2019)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

750 mL (D)

\$18.95

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PORTUGAL – RED WINE

BERGAMOTA PRIVATE SELECTION 2015 DOC Dão

(Gota)

TASTING NOTE: 80% Touriga Nacional, 5% Tinta Roriz, 5% Jaen. Ripe cherry, sweet vanilla, damson and floral aromas. Fresh and bright on the palate with fine-grained tannins, brisk acidity and lots of red fruit flavours. Just starting to come together with lots more to come. A very pretty, extroverted example. Score: 95 (Decanter World Wine Awards, 2018)

Full-bodied & Firm

750 mL (XD)

\$13.95

646893



SPAIN – WHITE WINE

MARQUÉS DE CÁCERES ANTEA 2015 DOCa Rioja

TASTING NOTE: Antea is a barrel-fermented cuvée of Viura with 7% Malvasía that spends significant time on its lees. The toasty oak is quite assertive, but this has the fruit weight and acidity to age for a year or two in bottle. Grapefruity, refreshing stuff. Drink date: 2018-2020. Score: 90 (Tim Atkin, MW, timatkin.com, Rioja Special Report 2018)

\$16.95

Full-bodied & Rich

750 mL (XD)

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SPAIN – RED WINE

BARÓN DE LEY GRAN RESERVA 2012 DOCa Rioia

TASTING NOTE: This is a serious red that shows the ripeness of the vintage, yet shows beautiful wooduse and finesse. Full body, round texture and a fresh and flavorful finish. Give it some time to come completely together. Better in 2020. Score: 93 (James Suckling, jamessuckling.com, Aug. 2, 2018)

Full-bodied & Smooth

\$29.95 750 mL (XD)

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SPAIN - RED WINE CONT'D

CUNE GRAN RESERVA 2012

DOCa Rioja

(Compañía Vinícola del Norte de España)

TASTING NOTE: The 2012 Cune Gran Reserva, a blend of 85% Tempranillo, 10% Graciano and 5% Mazuelo, matured in barrel for two years and was kept in bottle for three years before it was released. It had a lot of freshness, with notes of red fruit and an iron-like touch, reminiscent of beef blood and meat, austere and serious. The oak is pretty much in the background. The palate is sleek and polished, with fine tannins and a soft mouthfeel. Very good balance and drinkability. Drink date: 2018-2024. Score: **91+** (Luis Gutiérrez, robertparker.com, Feb. 28, 2018)

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

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DON JACOBO GRAN RESERVA 2005* DOCa Rioja

TASTING NOTE: The best of the current releases from the bodega, this is a classic Rioja cuvée of Tempranillo from the Rioja Alta with 15% Garnacha, Graciano and Mazuelo from the Rioja Oriental. Aged in new American oak for 36 months, it's smooth yet refreshing with spicy, mature, autumnal scents and flavours. Drink date: 2019-2021. Score: **91** (Tim Atkin, MW, *timatkin.com*, *Rioja Special Report 2019*)

Medium-bodied & Fruity
750 mL (XD) \$38.95 ✓

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Featured in Rioja Grande



LA RIOJA ALTA VIÑA ARDANZA RESERVA 2009

DOCa Rioja

TASTING NOTE: Ardanza is a classic, pan-regional Rioja, blending Tempranillo from the Rioja Alta with 20% Garnacha from Tudelilla in the Rioja Oriental. It's a richer, plusher wine than the 2008, reflecting the warmer vintage, but it's not remotely ponderous. Floral, fine and very complete with fennel and sweet Asian spices, tangy acidity and deftly handled American oak. Drink date: 2018-2026. Score: **95** (Tim Atkin, MW, timatkin.com, Rioja Special Report 2018)

Full-bodied & Smooth

750 mL (XD) **\$54.95**

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R. LOPEZ DE HEREDIA VIÑA BOSCONIA RESERVA 2007

DOCa Rioja

TASTING NOTE: The Bosconia vineyard, which has always been vinified separately at the winery, has more clay in the soil and tends to produce richer, plumper wines that are priced below Tondonia. This cuvée of Tempranillo with 10% Garnacha and 5% each of Graciano and Mazuelo has caressing sweetness, supple tannins and notes of dill and tobacco. Drink date: 2019-2028. Score: **96** (Tim Atkin, MW, timatkin.com, Rioja Special Report 2019)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

750 mL (XD) **\$48.95**

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Featured in Rioja Grande



RIOJA BORDÓN RESERVA 2012* DOCa Rioia

(Bodegas Franco-Españolas)

TASTING NOTE: Vivid ruby-red. Oak-spiced cherry and candied rose aromas are complemented by suggestions of mocha, smoked meat and pipe tobacco. Chewy and focused on the palate, offering bitter cherry, vanilla and dark chocolate flavors that become more energetic with aeration. Finishes spicy and quite long, displaying resonating smokiness and dusty tannins that build steadily. Drinking window: 2019-2025. Score: **90** (Josh Raynolds, *vinous.com*, Feb. 2019)

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

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RIOJA VEGA CRIANZA 2016

DOCa Rioja

Precise and focused with good freshness and juicy black fruit, a smoky underbelly and a refined minerality. A wine with considerable structure that will reward 2-3 years of patience.

[The Challenge International du Vin did not include a tasting note.] Score: **Gold** (Challenge International du Vin, 2019)

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

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URBINA ESPECIAL RESERVA 1998 DOCa Rioja

TASTING NOTE: Fans of the Urbina style will be delighted to hear that there's still lots of this remarkable old wine on the market, reflecting the bodega's policy of releasing its wines late. Complex, leafy and refined, it has sweet forest floor and tobacco pouch aromas, fine tannins and succulent fruit. Drink date: 2019-2024. Score: 94 (Tim Atkin, MW, timatkin.com, Rioja Special Report 2019)

Full-bodied & Smooth

750 mL (XD)

\$39.95

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CANADA – ONTARIO		CAVE SPRING ESTATE CHARDONNAY 2017 ♦	_	\$19.95
		DOMAINE QUEYLUS TRADITION CHARDONNAY 2016 ♥		\$27.95
		FEATHERSTONE SAUVIGNON BLANC 2018 ❖		\$17.95
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NEW ZEALAND		KIM CRAWFORD PINOT GRIS 2019		\$19.95
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HUNGARY	□517375	ROYAL TOKAJI LATE HARVEST TOKAJI 2017 (500 mL)		\$21.95
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	□011581	DOMAINE QUEYLUS TRADITION CABERNET FRANC 2016 ♥	Page 27	\$27.95
	□997353	INNISKILLIN MONTAGUE VINEYARD PINOT NOIR 2016 ❖	Page 28	\$30.95
	□ 546473	REDSTONE LIMESTONE VINEYARD PINOT NOIR 2013 ♥	Page 28	\$22.00
	□ 275958	SOUTHBROOK SAUNDERS FAMILY VINEYARD CABERNET FRANC 2017 ❖ ﴿	Page 28	\$34.95
	□ 127324	THE FOREIGN AFFAIR CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2015 ❖	Page 28	\$39.95
	246413	THE MAGICIAN SHIRAZ/PINOT NOIR 2016 ♥	Page 28	\$29.95
		BURROWING OWL ESTATE BOTTLED CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2016 ♥		\$44.95
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THE ARRAN LIMITED EDITION SINGLE CASK 20-YEAR-OLD SINGLE MALT SCOTCH WHISKY

Unchillfiltered, natural colour, matured in Sherry hogshead, Scotland

Intense, complex, slightly peppery, dry, mediumbodied, attractive, smooth and honeyed.

96 points (Michael Vaughan, vintageassessments.com, March 3, 2018)

700 mL

\$199.95

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DOMAINE DES BERNARDINS MUSCAT BEAUMES DE VENISE 2017

Vin doux naturel, AC, Rhône, France

Full-bodied and decadently sweet without veering into cloying. Honeyed berries and citrus with a long, soft finish.

92 points (Joe Czerwinski, robertparker.com, Nov. 30, 2018)

375 mL (S

\$22.95

442160



VEUVE CLICQUOT PONSARDIN VINTAGE BRUT ROSÉ CHAMPAGNE 2008

With gift box, AC, Champagne, France

A well-cut, minerally version, with a firm backbone of acidity and a racy, spiced finish.

93 points (Alison Napjus, winespectator.com, Nov. 30, 2017)

Rich & Complex

750 mL (XD)

\$111.95

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SOUTHBROOK LAUNDRY VINEYARD PINOT NOIR 2016 ★

VQA Lincoln Lakeshore, Niagara Peninsula, Ontario

A pretty nose, gorgeous texture and delicate structure. Integrated spice and red fruit.

92 points (Rick VanSickle, winesinniagara.com, Nov. 28, 2018)

Medium-bodied & Fruity
750 mL (XD) \$35.00 ✓

646885



MORAINE PINOT NOIR 2017 *

BC VQA Okanagan Valley, British Columbia

Nice density and structure, with sunny apple and red licorice character. Best through 2027.

89 points (Brad Royale, winealign.com, July 19, 2019)

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

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CHATEAU MONTELENA CHARDONNAY 2016

Napa Valley, California

Lemon peel, almond and chamomile. Bright, crystalline tension and overall energy. Best through 2030.

94 points (Antonio Galloni, *vinous.com*, March 2018)

Full-bodied & Rich

750 mL (XD) **\$74.95**







TABLAS CREEK CÔTES DE TABLAS BLANC 2017

Adelaida District, Paso Robles, California

Full-bodied, textural and layered, with peach, anise and rosewater. Best through 2021.

92 points (William Kelley, robertparker.com, May 31, 2018)

Aromatic & Flavourful

750 mL (XD) **\$37.95**

036616



CERES COMPOSITION PINOT NOIR 2016

Central Otago, South Island, New Zealand

Engaging nose of spiced cherry, plum, game, toasted almond and dark mushroom. Concentrated, refined, elegant palate.

94 points (Sam Kim, wineorbit.co.nz, Aug. 2018)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

750 mL (XD)

\$36.95

107367



DOMAINE SAINT-PRÉFERT CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE 2016

AC, Rhône, France

Roses and exotic spice notes with dark fruit and velvety tannins.

94 points (Joe Czerwinski, robertparker.com, Aug. 31, 2018)

Full-bodied & Smooth

750 mL (D) **\$67.95**

539973





DR. SIEMENS SERRIGER WÜRTZBERG RIESLING AUSLESE 2010

Qualitätswein, Mosel-Saar-Ruwer, Germany

Polished and seductive, with juicy pear and honeydew fruit and a discreetly integrated sweetness.

91 points (David Schildknecht, robertparker.com, Dec. 22, 2011)

Aromatic & Flavourful

750 mL (S) **\$19.95**

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CASTELLO ROMITORIO BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2013

DOCG, Tuscany, Italy

Tightly wound and compact, with layers of dark cherry, blackberry, spice and tobacco.

93+ points (Monica Larner, robertparker.com, Feb. 28, 2018)

Full-bodied & Firm

750 mL (XD) **\$63.95**

236356



FULIGNI BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2013

DOCG, Tuscany, Italy

Dense and silky. Lively, harmonious acidity lifts the bright red and mineral flavours. Hauntingly beautiful.

97 points (lan D'Agata, *vinous.com*, April 2018)

Full-bodied & Smooth

750 mL (XD) **\$99.95**

245225









LA MANNELLA BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2013

DOCG, Tuscany, Italy (Cortonesi)

Intense and seamless, with bold cherry and dark primary fruit followed by mild spice and cured tobacco.

93+ points (Monica Larner, robertparker.com, Feb. 28, 2018)

Full-bodied & Firm

750 mL (XD) **\$69.95**

279083





MASI RISERVA DI COSTASERA AMARONE DELLA VALPOLICELLA CLASSICO 2013

DOCG, Veneto, Italy

Smoky and juicy, with ripe dark fruit, black cherry, underbrush and spice.

95 points (Natalie MacLean, nataliemaclean.com, May 6, 2019)

Full-bodied & Smooth

1500 mL (D) **\$156.95**

348037





CONDE DE LOS ANDES BLANCO 2015

DOCa Rioja, Spain (Ollauri)

Dense peach, melon and lemon with a savoury oak note.

93 points (James Suckling, jamessuckling.com, July 24, 2017)

Full-bodied & Rich

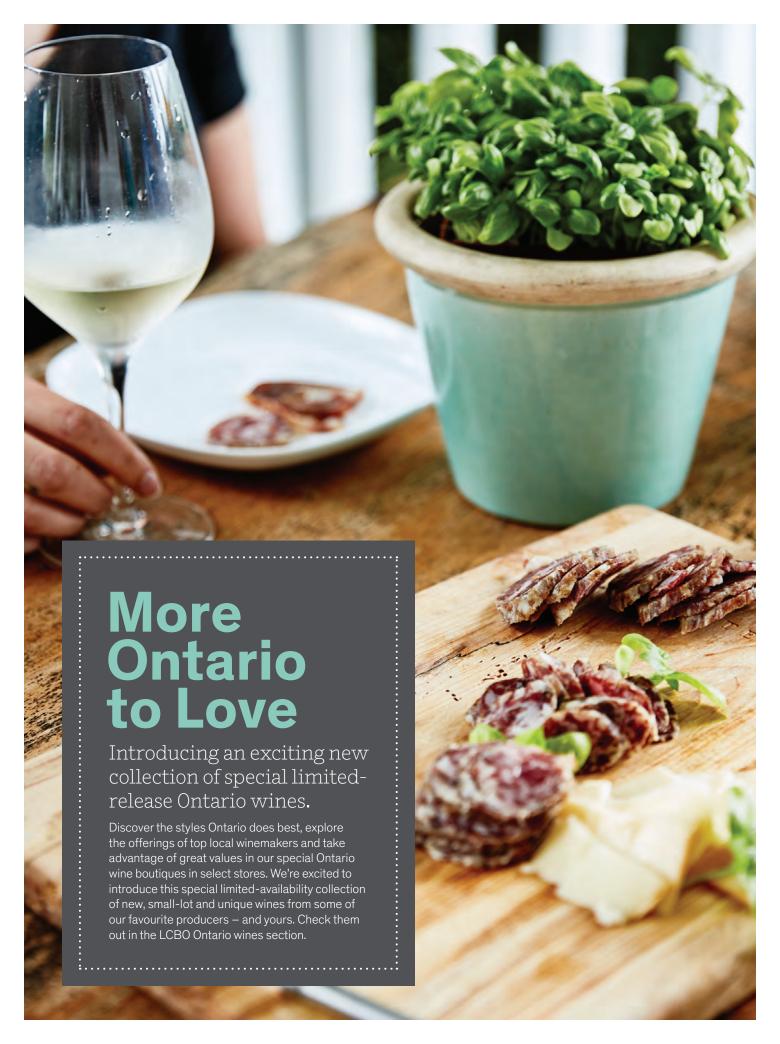
750 mL (XD) **\$38.95**

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STYLE SPOTLIGHT

Tawse makes their sparkling Riesling in the traditional method of Champagne, while Rockway's Vidal-based Spritz has a more subtle effervescence. They'll both be brilliant with grilled seafood and, for those who like to fight heat with sweet, they've got a touch of sweetness to tame spicy foods.



TAWSE SPARK
LIMESTONE RIDGE
ORGANIC SPARKLING
RIESLING

Traditional method, VQA Twenty Mile Bench, Niagara Escarpment Medium-bodied & Flavourful 370361 (D) 750 mL \$20.95 A Vintages Essential



ROCKWAY 9
SPRITZ 2017

VQA Ontario Off-dry & Fruity 341693 (M) 750 mL \$15.95

DEALS TO DISCOVER

No white wine grape does more spectacularly in Niagara than Riesling, especially in a classically cool vintage such as 2017. Riverview Cellars doubles down on this perfumed variety by partnering it with Gewürz, adding exotic notions of lychee and rose petal to Riesling's soaring citrus, apple and pear. Even better, this lovely duet goes for a song.



RIVERVIEW
CELLARS BIANCO
GEWÜRZTRAMINER/
RIESLING 2017 *

VOA Niagara River, Niagara-on-the-Lake Aromatic & Flavourful 581157 (S) 750 mL \$15.15 Look for these top-quality wines in Our Wine Country boutiques in 20 select stores, in the Vintages section of select Toronto- and Ottawa-area stores or order online at lcbo.com.

STANDOUT SELECTIONS

Quite frankly, we're loving the ripe and fruity Cabernet Francs coming out of Ontario's 2016 vintage. This one is courtesy of a dynamic newcomer in Niagara's wine scene, Lundy Manor, and made from fruit grown in Twenty Mile Bench. It's packed with savoury dark fruit and will pair superbly with grilled steaks and garden veggies hot off the barbecue.



LUNDY MANOR
CABERNET FRANC
2016

VQA Twenty Mile Bench, Niagara Escarpment Medium-bodied & Fruity 646547 (XD) 750 mL \$29.95 ✓

WINERY FOCUS

Georgian Hills Vineyards makes some of their wines with fruit – mainly hybrid grapes – grown near the Blue Mountains just west of Collingwood. For the Wild & Inspired portfolio though, winemaker Vanessa McKean works with terroir guru Thomas Bachelder and Niagara grower Craig Wismer to make wild-ferment wines from classic *vinifera* varieties.



WILD & INSPIRED
WILD FERMENT CUVÉE
WISMER VINEYARD
PINOT NOIR 2016 *

VQA Twenty Mile Bench, Niagara Escarpment Medium-bodied & Fruity 011143 (XD) 750 mL \$28.00



WILD & INSPIRED WILD FERMENT RIESLING 2017

VQA Niagara Peninsula Aromatic & Flavourful 011144 (XD) 750 mL \$25.00 ✔



WILD & INSPIRED
WILD FERMENT
CABERNET FRANC
2016 *

Wismer Wingfield Single Vineyard, VOA Twenty Mile Bench, Niagara Escarpment Medium-bodied & Fruity 011145 (XD) 750 mL \$35.00

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CAMBRIA CLONE 4 CHARDONNAY

Santa Maria Valley, Santa Barbara County, California 104851 (XD) 750 mL \$34.95 NOW \$31.95 Save \$3.00

FEATHERSTONE PHOENIX

VOA Twenty Mile Bench, Niagara Escarpment, Ontario 519025 (D) 750 mL \$18.95 NOW \$16.95 Save \$2.00

J. LOHR RIVERSTONE CHARDONNAY

Arroyo Seco, California 258699 (XD) 750 mL \$19.95 **NOW \$17.95 Save \$2.00**

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AC, Burgundy, France 933077 (XD) 750 mL \$24.95 **NOW \$22.95 Save \$2.00**

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Marlborough, South Island, New Zealand 326728 (XD) 750 mL \$19.95 **NOW \$16.95 Save \$3.00**

RODNEY STRONG CHARLOTTE'S HOME SAUVIGNON BLANC

Sonoma County, California 449207 (XD) 750 mL \$19.95 NOW \$16.95 Save \$3.00

VINELAND ESTATES ELEVATION ST. URBAN VINEYARD RIESLING

St. Urban Vineyard, VOA Niagara Escarpment, Ontario 038117 (M) 750 mL \$19.95 NOW \$17.95 Save \$2.00

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BERINGER KNIGHTS VALLEY CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Sonoma County, California 352583 (XD) 750 mL \$44.95 **NOW \$39.95 Save \$5.00**

CATENA MALBEC

Mendoza, Argentina 478727 (XD) 750 mL \$19.95 **NOW \$17.95 Save \$2.00**

CHÂTEAU PIPEAU

AC Saint-Émilion Grand Cru, Bordeaux, France 302018 (XD) 750 mL \$42.95 NOW \$38.95 Save \$4.00

COLUMBIA CREST H3 CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Horse Heaven Hills, Washington (Ste. Michelle Wine Estates) 210047 (D) 750 mL \$19.95 NOW \$17.95 Save \$2.00

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Maipo Valley, Chile 408658 (XD) 750 mL \$19.95 NOW \$16.95 Save \$3.00

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DOC, Veneto, Italy 910430 (D) 750 mL \$23.95 NOW \$20.95 Save \$3.00

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Traditional method, AC, Burgundy, France 48793 (D) 750 mL \$21.95 NOW \$19.95 Save \$2.00

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TINTONEGRO FINCA LA ESCUELA LA PIEDRA MALBEC 2016

Uco Valley, Mendoza, Argentina (010443)

CASTELLO DI BOSSI C. BERARDENGA CHIANTI CLASSICO 2015

DOCG, Tuscany, Italy (994608)

ARRIVE IN STYLE

BENI DI BATASIOLO RISERVA BAROLO 2010

DOCG, Piedmont, Italy (330704)

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with a well-built wine

Much the same way a brickmason layers brick upon brick to make a strong structure, this red blend layers Zinfandel, 10% Syrah, 5% Cabernet Sauvignon and 5% Petite Sirah to construct a whole that is greater than the sum of its parts. Neatly stacked ripe dark fruit, white pepper and vanilla are underpinned by a foundation of firm tannins. A solid choice for your next house party.



KLINKER BRICK BRICKMASON **RED BLEND 2016**

Mokelumne River, Lodi, California

010465 (D) 750 mL

\$21.95

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Full-bodied & Smooth

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