

SPRING/SUMMER WINES

SPARKLING WINE

France

[NV] **Vignerons de Saumur - "49M" Brut Crémant de Loire/ Loire Valley** 10.5/34
Chardonnay and Chenin Blanc featuring apple and pear tones; dry but full of flavor.

[NV] **Gaston Chiquet - Brut Champagne/ Vallee de la Marne** [375ml] 43
40% Pinot Meunier/35% Chardonnay/25% Pinot Noir. There is a unique, linear precision to this wine. Aromas of wet stones, white flowers, and white pepper, a touch of chamomile. Our fav.

Italy

2016 Castelcosa - Prosecco/Veneto 10.5/34
Delicate, elegant bouquet—on the palate, dry, but with good ripe fruit—very high quality.

[NV] **Ricci Curbastro - Brut D.O.C.G./ Franciacorta, Lombardy** [375ml] 29
IMHO the finest sparkling wines not from Champagne. The NV Brut is 60% Chardonnay, 30% Pinot Bianco, 10% Pinot Nero; 36 months on the lees. So much more than you expect.

DRY ROSÉ

France

2017 Saint Roch - Les Vignes/Provence 9/30
Fresh aromas of cranberry and orange peel—proper acidity—a blend of Grenache/Cinsault.

Spain

2016 Antxiola - Getariako Txakolina/Txacoli de Getaria, Basque Country 11/36
Hand-harvested fruit (Hondurrabi) from above the Cantabrian Sea. Light-bodied and dry with lemon, lime, and seashells on the nose and just a touch of effervescence on the palate.

Italy

Villa Calcinaia - Rosato/Toscana 10.5/34
The rosé that plays like a light red. Bright aromas of red flowers and juicy red cherry/berry flavors, and food-friendly acidity. 100% Canaiolo.

WHITE WINES

Italy

2016 Giancondi - Pinot Grigio/Delle Venezie
Lime zest, orange, and dried thyme, with flavors of wet stone, ripe apricot, and a smooth, medium long finish. No oak. 7.5/26

2017 Villa Calcinaia - "Comitale"/Toscana
Rogue grapes planted in the late '60s; Grechetto gives richness, Vernaccia gives crispness. 12/39

2015 Cantina Della Volta - Chardonnay "La Base"/Modena, Emilia-Romagna 14/45
More than balsamic, prosciutto, and parmigiana; this is rich and complex, with rocky minerals and citrus—zero oak. Chardonnay's best elements without manipulation or adornment. Just taste it.

South Africa

2016 Edgebaston - Honey Shale Hill/ Stellenbosch 10/33
Sauvignon Blanc with Semillon, a bit of Viognier. Bright aromas of melon, white stone fruit.

France

2015 Domaine de la Jobeline - Macon-Verze/ Mâconnais, Burgundy 12/39
Chardonnay from a very small village; secondary oak—full-bodied, citrus, minerals—long finish.

2016 J. Mourat - Chenin de Jardin 10/33
"Gnome"/Fiefs Vendéens, Loire Valley
Bone-dry Chenin Blanc with fresh, pure aromas of citrus, lemongrass, and white fruit

2016 Domaine Labbé - Abymes/Savoie 9/30
This is the perfect early springtime white. Crisp and fresh with aromas of fresh almonds, white flowers, and just-ripe pear. 100% Jacquere (ask).

2014 Domaine Paul Cherrier Père & Fils - Sancerre/Loire Valley 49
Sauvignon Blanc planted in Sancerre's flinty soils; fermented in 100% stainless steel. Mineral-driven and aromatic, steely acidity, citrus tones

Spain

2016 Nisia - Old Vines Verdejo/Rueda, Castilla y León 10/33
Lemon, melon, jasmine and a vanilla nuance on the highly perfumed nose. Round and full in the mouth, with juicy pit fruit and floral flavors.

2016 Bodegas Mustiguillo - Mestizaje Blanco/ El Terrerazo, Valencia 10/33
A blend of 60% Merseguera, 35% Viognier, and 5% Malvasia. On the nose, white flowers, citrus notes and honey; on the palate, crisp, bracing acidity, with a long finish and a bit of buzz.

2015 Herencia Altes - Garnatxa Blanco "La Serra"/Terra Alta, Catalonia 56
All from a single vineyard planted around 1900. Rich, mouth-coating texture, hint of oak, and the salty minerality that is the hallmark of its terroir.

Left Coast

2015 Carol Shelton - Wild Thing Chardonnay Blend/Mendocino County, CA 11.5/37
Organic blend includes 10% Viognier. Tropical fruit nose of pineapple and papaya—textured mouthfeel and bright acidity with a crisp finish.

2016 Oak Farm - Chardonnay/ Mokelumne River, Lodi 10.5/35
Aged in French oak. Pleasantly creamy, hints of butter on a silky mouthfeel. Flavors of lemon grass, hazelnut and vanilla on a complex finish.

2014 Thomas Fogarty - Santa Cruz Mountains Estate Chardonnay/Santa Cruz, CA 56
Organic, from vineyards at 1600-2300 feet. Stone fruits, citrus blossom, mineral and hints of toast to go with a rich, textured and layered feel on the palate. The oak is subtle—plenty of richness.

RED WINES

France

**2015 Domaine La Blaque - Pierrevert
Rouge/Provence 10/33**

90/10 blend of Syrah and Grenache—dense, smoky aromas and meaty blue fruit, with chewy tannins and a dry finish.

**2016 Dom. de la Monette - "Sur Le Chateau"/
Côte Chalonnaise, Bourgogne 13/42**

Savory aromas of wet leather and ripe red cherry flavors, long finish—Pinot Noir from the source.

**2015 Dom. Galevan - Côtes du Rhône "Paroles
de Femme"/Southern Rhone 9/30**

Bouquet of dark fruit, good concentration, hints of ground pepper. Mostly Grenache—organic.

Italy

**2013 Vivalda - Barbera D'Asti/Piemonte
DOCG since 2008—medium to full body with
spice tones, but still soft—lovely texture. 9/30**

2006 Malvirà - Nebbiolo, Langhe/Piemonte
Mature Nebbiolo is such a treat. Sweet, earthy aromas, red and black plums, soft spices, smooth tannins and light acidity. [375ml] 30

**2015 Torre Dei Beati - Montepulciano/
Loretto Apretino, Abruzzo 11/36**

Certified organic, Fausto has fashioned a wine with complex fruit and not so subtle spiciness.

**2014 Villa Calcinaia - Chianti Classico
"Cappone"/Toscana 10/33**

Family owned since 1524, Chianti Classico DOC, 100% Sangiovese—Dried herb, spice, and dusty earth scents—black plum and cherry flavors.

**2016 Emilio Bulfon - Fogiaran/Venezia
Giulia, Friuli 49**

One-of-a-kind ancient varietal rescued from extinction. Dry, with soft spice, underbrush nose—fruit forward, round with gentle acidity.

Spain

**2013 Bodegas Hermanos Peciña - Crianza
Señorío de P. Peciña/Rioja 13/42**

Ripe fruit, vanilla, toasted wood and cherry jam aromas. Flavors of red fruit, tobacco and spice, with fine grained tannins and a long, silky finish.

**2015 Herencia Altes - Garnatxa Negra/Terra
Alta, Catalonia 7.5/26**

100 yr-old Grenache vines deliver cranberry, red cherries, black currants and forest floor; all in a medium-bodied wine with terrific fruit intensity.

**2015 Veronica Ortega - "Quite"/Bierzo,
Castilla y León 11/36**

100% Mencia from small parcels of 80 year-old vines, grown on clay soils and shale—red fruit and spice on the nose—juicy with soft tannin.

**2012 Barranco Oscuro - "El Pino Rojo"/
Grenada, Andalusia 62**

Grown at 3900 ft, all fruit is crushed by foot—unfined and very lightly filtered. A heavy-weight of smoked black and red fruit aromas, flavors of pomegranate, five-spice, and black plums.

RED WINES

South America

**2015 Altos - Las Hormigas Malbec Classico/
Mendoza, Argentina 8/27**

Juicy and tangy with bright cranberry/cherry fruit and notes of spice. Delicious drinking.

**2014 Altos - Las Hormigas Reserva Malbec/
Valle de Uco, Mendoza 57**

Grown on chalky, limestone stone soils, aged in untoasted 3,500-liter oak foudres for 16 months, this wine offers subtle minerality and balance.

Left Coast

Cabernet Sauvignon

**2015 Rickshaw - Napa, Sonoma, and Paso
Robles/CA 9/30**

Aromas of cherries, violets, and cocoa; flavors of black cherry, framboise, and plum. Yum!

**2016 Goldschmidt Vineyards-Crazy Creek/
Alexander Valley, CA 13.5/44**

Ripe aromas of blackberry, spice, licorice, and vanilla—flavors are accented with sage and dark chocolate; soft, supple tannins.

2015 Meadowcroft - Napa Valley/CA 59

Flavors of black raspberry, cassis, hickory spice and chocolate truffle are balanced with a silky texture, chewy tannins and a long, finish.

Merlot

2014 Corvidae-The Rook/Columbia Valley, WA
Black and red fruits, cinnamon and tobacco; fine grained tannin and a rich, soft mid-palate. 9/30

Pinot Noir

2016 Thomas Henry - Sonoma/CA 9/30

Aromas and flavors of cranberry sauce, ripe bing cherries, cinnamon, sandalwood, and cola.

2015 Black Magnolia - Willamette/OR 14/45

Mostly from non-grafted, Hyland Vineyard fruit; complex aromas of red raspberry, leather, and cinnamon, with a palate of red berries, cherries, and exotic spices, all framed by vibrant acidity.

Zinfandel/Red Blends

**2015 Brady Vineyards - Paso Robles/San Luis
Obispo, CA 12/39**

Aromas of raspberry and sweet oak along with subtle notes of vanilla and spice. Opulent texture, gentle acidity, and savory bramble berry flavors.

**2015 J Dusi - Model M Red Blend, Central
Coast/CA 9/30**

A juicy blend of Zinfandel, Merlot, and Syrah that delivers aromas and flavors of ripe black berries.

**2014 Meadowcroft - Zinfandel, Louvau
Vineyard/Dry Creek, Sonoma County 15/48**

Glorious aromas of spiced black cherry, bramble-berry, and dark chocolate—flavors of blackberry, cherry preserve, strawberry, and sweet oak.

**2016 Carol Shelton - "Monga" Cucamonga
Valley/South Coast, CA 54**

From 100 yr-old vines, 70 miles east of LA. On the nose, black cherry, dried cranberry, orange zest, and 5-spice. Vanilla-caramel oak and cocoa flavors, with firm tannins and a long finish. Wow!