



No agricultural product can tell a story quite like wine. It's a relatively simple concept: take some grapes, throw them into a barrel or tank or garbage can or kiddie pool, wait for the magic of fermentation and VOILA!

Somehow this seemingly simple tippie has the ability to transport the drinker to another place and time. It's hard to imagine that anything could be more intertwined with civilization than wine. Indeed, wine stands uniquely at the crossroads of culture and geology, of history and meteorology, of politics and religion and of literature and celebration. Entire cuisines are so influenced by the wine cultures around which they were developed that it is impossible to separate the two. Oh yeah, and it happens to taste really good, too!

As long as wine has existed, so too has storytelling surrounding the beverage been present. Even the origin mythology of the Greek god of grape-harvest and winemaking, Dionysus, is a chronicle of wine's journey from the Caucasus Mountains to the Mediterranean. The current generation of storytellers such as Eric Asimov, Hugh Johnson and Jane Anson among many others, are telling the relevant wine stories of today, but their 19th and 20th century equivalents told stories that were just as relevant in their time and remain surprisingly topical today.

We are about to embark on a wine journey together in the style of so many wine travel writers before us. In the pages that follow, we will encounter all manner of people and regions. Some you may like, others you may not, but all will hopefully prove to be interesting. Aristocratic families and magnificent chateaus are here. Plucky upstarts and humble farmers are in these pages, too. Forgotten and familiar grapes are speckled throughout the list, and a multitude of vintages speak to the growing conditions the vines endured in a particular year prior to ending up in your glass. We hope you enjoy the stories that follow and encourage you to try something new, pop a few corks and enjoy!

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United Kingdom

We start our sparkling wine journey in southern England, of all places. "English Fizz" has become the hot new thing in sparkling wine, no pun intended, as rising temperatures have made the island an exciting place for bubbly.

English Fizz

Hoffmann & Rathbone Blanc de Blancs Brut 2011	148
Hoffmann & Rathbone "Classic Cuvée" Brut 2013	110
Hambledon "Classic Cuvée" Brut NV	96
Roebuck Estate "Rosé de Noirs" Brut 2017	132

France

Champagne

After indulging the island upstarts, it's time to hop on the ferry at Dover and make the quick trip across the English Channel to Calais and then down the A26 to Reims, the capital of the Champagne region, mimicking Charles Walter Berry's route in "In Search of Wine". We are now in the spiritual home of sparkling wines and the inspiration for thousands of misattributed quotes from figures ranging from Napoleon to Marilyn Monroe. Our official position is that Champagne is the single greatest thing on Earth (we're leaving the door open to the tiny possibility that something better is out there somewhere in the universe), and that it's an essential part of a balanced and nutritious diet. Please plan accordingly.

Vintage/Non-Vintage

Pierre Baillette "Coeur de Craie" Blanc de Noirs Grand Cru Extra Brut 2018	270
Paul Bara Grand Cru "Reserve" Brut NV	126
Domaine de Bichery "La Source" Brut NV	150
Billecart-Salmon "Le Clos Saint-Hilaire" Brut 2006	900
Billecart-Salmon "Sous Bois" Brut NV	170
Bollinger "Special Cuvée" Brut NV	160
Bollinger "La Grand Année" 2015	380
Bollinger "R.D." Extra Brut 2008	740
Clandestin "Austral" Brut Nature 2022	210
Egly-Ouriet Grand Cru Millesime Brut 2014	1100
Chavost "Blanc d'Assemblage" Brut Nature NV	130

France

Champagne

Vintage/Non-Vintage

Dehours "Les Vignes de la Vallee" Brut <i>NV</i>	133
Dehours "Brisefer" Extra Brut <i>NV</i>	190
Dehours "Les Croix Joly" Extra Bru <i>NV</i>	300
Deutz "Cuvee William Deutz" <i>2006</i>	260
Duval-Leroy Grand Cru Blanc de Blancs <i>NV</i>	174
Duval-Leroy "Femme de Champagne" Brut Nature <i>2002</i>	425
Nathalie Falmet "Le Val Cornet" Blanc de Noir Brut <i>2017</i>	168
Thierry Fournier "Réserve" Extra Brut <i>NV</i>	92
Pierre Gimonnet 1er Cru Blanc de Blancs "Fleuron" Brut <i>2017</i>	186
Lacourte Godbillon 1er Cru "Terroirs d'Ecueil" Extra Brut <i>NV</i>	98
Andre Heucq "Heritage Blanc de Meunier" Brut Nature <i>NV</i>	114
Jaunaux-Robin "Eclats de Meuliere" Extra Brut <i>NV</i>	120
Larmandier-Berneier 1er Cru Blanc de Blancs "Longitude" <i>NV</i>	155
Pierre Gerbais "La Loge" Brut <i>NV</i>	254
Michel Gonet Grand Cru Blanc de Blancs Brut Nature <i>2015</i>	140
Guy Larmandier Grand Cru Blanc de Blancs "Signe Francois" <i>2009</i>	204
Guy Larmandier Grand Cru Blanc de Blancs "Signe Francois" <i>2010</i>	192
Legras & Haas Grand Cru Chouilly Blanc de Blancs <i>2008</i>	310

France

Champagne

Vintage/Non-Vintage

David Leclapart 1er Cru Blanc de Noirs "L'Astre" Zero Dosage 2013	360
Sadi Malot "Les 2 Cépages" Grand Cru Brut NV	128
Palmer "Vintage" Brut 1999	620
Philipponnat "Clos des Goisses" Brut 2007	730
Philipponnat "Clos des Goisses" Extra Brut 2012	535
Philipponnat "Clos des Goisses" Extra Brut (magnum) 2012	1200
Philipponnat "Clos des Goisses" Extra Brut (magnum) 2013	1300
Ployez-Jacquemart Blanc de Blancs Extra Brut 2010	190
Ployez-Jacquemart "Extra Quality" Brut NV	104
Ployez-Jacquemart "Liesse d'Harbonville" Brut (magnum) 1996	2960
Ployez-Jacquemart "Liesse d'Harbonville" Brut 2002	484
Louis Roederer "Cristal" Brut 1985	1440
Pol Roger "Sir Winston Churchill" Brut 2004	595
Pol Roger "Sir Winston Churchill" Brut 2006	545
William Saintot 1er Cru Blanc de Noir Extra Brut NV	86
Salon "Le Mesnil" Blanc de Blancs Brut 1997	3400
Salon "Le Mesnil" Blanc de Blancs Brut 2013	1900
Taittinger "Comtes de Champagne" Blanc de Blancs 1999	820
Taittinger "Comtes de Champagne" Blanc de Blancs 2013	440
Varnier-Fanniere Blanc de Blancs "Espirito de Craie" Extra Brut NV	126
Jean Velut Blanc de Blancs "Lumiere et Craie" NV	110
Vilmart & Cie "Coeur de Cuvée" Premier Cru Brut 2014	300
Waris-Larmandier "Racines de Trois" Brut NV	122

France

Champagne

Rosé Vintage/Non-Vintage

Etienne Calsac 1er Cru Rosé "Rose de Craie" <i>NV</i>	160
Charpentier "Terre d'Émotion" Brut <i>NV</i>	180
Dehours "Oeil de Perdrix" Extra Brut <i>NV</i>	166
Gimonnet-Gonet "l'Eclat" Grand Cru Brut <i>NV</i>	140
Andre Heucq "Heritage Rosé de Meunier" Brut Nature <i>NV</i>	128
J. Lassalle 1er Cru Brut Rosé <i>NV</i>	144
Mouzon-Leroux Grand Cru Rosé "L'incandescent" Extra Brut (2017) <i>NV</i>	170
Mouzon-Leroux Grand Cru Rosé "L'incandescent" Extra Brut (2018) <i>NV</i>	148
Philipponnat "Clos des Goisses" Extra Brut Juste Rosé <i>2009</i>	880
Éric Tillet "Luminosi'T" Brut <i>NV</i>	164
Jean Vesselle "Oeil de Perdrix" Brut <i>NV</i>	148
Vilmart & Cie Rosé de Saignee 1er Cru "Emotion" Brut <i>2012</i>	364

Other Sparkling

Looking for bubbles on a budget? The world is awash in extraordinarily tasty sparkling wines that range from fun and fruity social lubricants to serious wines that give the stuffy Champenois a run for their money.

France

Dirler-Cadé Crémant d'Alsace Brut Nature Alsace, Riesling - 2019	74
Domaine Grand Crémant du Jura Dosage Zéro Jura, Chardonnay - NV	80
Domaine du Clos Naudin (Foreau) Vouvray Extra Brut Loire Valley, Chenin Blanc - 2019	84
Domaine du Clos Naudin (Foreau) Vouvray Extra Brut Reserve Loire Valley, Chenin Blanc - 2015	184
Jean-Noël Gagnard "Grand Lys" Crémant de Bourgogne Extra Brut Burgundy, Pinot Noir - 2019	98
Domaine Matignon Crémant de Loire "Saumur Brut" Loire Valley, Chard/Cab Franc - NV	48
Valentin Morel "Bulle Magique" VdF Jura, Chardonnay - 2019	98
Philippe Tessier "Phil en Bulle" Pet Nat Loire Valley, Remorantin/Orbois - 2020	62
Jean-Pierre Robinot "Les Années Folles" Rosé Pet Nat Loire Valley, Chenin Blanc/Pineau d'Aunis - 2021	80
Mas de Daumas Gassac Rosé Frizant Languedoc, Cab Sauv/Mourv/etc. - 2019	46
Domaine Serol "Turbulent" Brut Rosé VdF, Gamay - NV	54
Burgundy, Pinot Noir - NV	

Other Sparkling

Italy

Monzio Compagnoni Franciacorta Brut 2019	60
Berlucchi “61 Nature” Franciacorta 2012	126
La Farra “Rive di Farra di Soligo” Valdobbiadene Prosecco Superiore Extra Dry 2022	40
Edi Kante Bianco Spumante Dosaggio Zero NV	88
Edi Kante Rosato Spumante Dosaggio Zero NV	88
San Michele “Murgo” Brut Rosé 2021	68
Mosole Ribolla Gialla Spumante Brut NV	56

Spain

Parés Baltà Cava Brut NV	44
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Portugal

Luis Pato Espumante Rosado “Baga” Brut NV	40
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Germany

Borell-Diehl Chardonnay Sekt Brut Pflaz - NV	56
Diel “Goldloch” Riesling Sekt Extra Brut Nahe - 2009	132
Peter Lauer Riesling Sekt Brut Mosel, Saar - 2021	76

United States

Cruse Wine Co. Sparkling Saint Laurent “Ricci Vineyard” Pet Nat California, Carneros - 2018	64
Flâneur Chehalem Mountains Extra Brut Oregon, Willamette Valley - 2019	120
Iron Horse “Classic Vintage” Brut California, Green Valley - 2012	86
Under the Wire (Bedrock Wine Co.) “Brousseau Vineyard” California, Sonoma Valley - 2019	166
Under the Wire (Bedrock Wine Co.) “Hirsch Vineyard” California, Sonoma Valley - 2015	244

Germany

There's no better place to start our white wine journey than the valley of the Rhine River, the birthplace of the noble grape, Riesling. Mouthwateringly dry to lusciously sweet and everything in between, German Riesling can be infuriatingly complicated and mind bendingly enjoyable at once. We love Riesling and we are desperate for you to love it, too. Don't stress about the wine names being too long to fit in a tweet, that's just Germans being German. Simply ask us for some advice and we'll help you pick the perfect bottle that will put you down the Riesling fiend path like the rest of us.

Mosel

As we head south from Cologne down the Rhine Valley, the first two wine growing regions are the tributary valleys of the Mosel and Nahe Rivers. These cool and steep valleys are responsible for producing wines that are so good they might just change your life, but if not, they'll definitely make your day!

Peter Lauer Riesling "Barrel X" Feinherb 2021	52
Peter Lauer Riesling "N°18" Kupp GG 2023	108
Herman Ludes Thornicher Ritsch Riesling Kabinett 2020	53
Herman Ludes Thornicher Ritsch Riesling Kabinett 2022	64
Merkelbach Urziger Wurzgarten Riesling Kabinett 1995	90
Merkelbach Urziger Wurzgarten Riesling Kabinett 1999	90
Egon Muller Scharzhof Riesling 2022	156
J.J. Prüm Bernkasteler Badstube Riesling Spätlese 2022	116
J.J. Prüm Graacher Himmelreich Riesling Auslese 2005	240
J.J. Prüm Graacher Himmelreich Riesling Auslese 2011	296
J.J. Prüm Graacher Himmelreich Riesling Auslese 2012	180
J.J. Prüm Graacher Himmelreich Riesling Auslese 2014	172
J.J. Prüm Graacher Himmelreich Riesling Auslese 2015	164
J.J. Prüm Wehlener Sonnenuhr Riesling Auslese GoldKapsel 2015	266
J.J. Prüm Wehlener Sonnenuhr Riesling Spätlese 2015	142
J.J. Prüm Wehlener Sonnenuhr Riesling Spätlese 2019	105
Willi Schaefer Graacher Domprobst Riesling Auslese AP #9 2001	346
Willi Schaefer Graacher Domprobst Riesling Spätlese #5 2020	124
Dr. H. Thanisch Bernkasteler Doctor Riesling Kabinett 2018	80

Selbach-Oster

Johannes Selbach and his family grow Riesling grapes in some of the most dramatic vineyards in the world. The crazy steep vineyards along the banks of the Mosel River produce our favorite Rieslings and no one can match the wines of Selbach-Oster. Johannes crafts classic wines of balance and complexity that range from light bodied and elegant to rich and powerful. The family has been in the wine business since 1600, so they've had plenty of practice, and it shows in the quality of each bottle. Treat yourself to a wonderful wine made by wonderful people.



Selbach-Oster Zeltinger Sonnenuhr Riesling “Ur” alte Reben MCM 2019	66
Selbach-Oster Zeltinger Sonnenuhr Riesling Auslese 2012	190
Selbach-Oster Zeltinger Sonnenuhr Riesling Kabinett 2020	60
Selbach-Oster Zeltinger Sonnenuhr Riesling Spätlese 2012	88
Selbach-Oster Zeltinger Sonnenuhr Riesling “Rotlay” 2010	140
Selbach-Oster Zeltinger Himmelreich Riesling “Anrecht” (magnum) 2010	525
Selbach-Oster Zeltinger Himmelreich Riesling “Anrecht” Auslese 2019	116
Selbach-Oster Zeltinger Schlossberg Riesling Auslese 2020	106
Selbach-Oster Zeltinger Schlossberg Riesling Auslese “Schmitt” 2019	124
Selbach-Oster Zeltinger Schlossberg Riesling “Schmitt” (magnum) 2010	570
Selbach-Oster Zeltinger Schlossberg Riesling Spätlese 2021	92
Selbach Saar Riesling Spätlese 2019	54

Germany

Nahe

Diel Dorsheim Goldloch Riesling Auslese 2013	210
Dönnhoff Estate Riesling 2020	50
Dönnhoff Kreuznacher Krottenpfuhl Riesling Kabinett (magnum) 2021	152
Dönnhoff Niederhäuser Hermannshöhle Riesling Spätlese 2001	330

Man cannot live on Riesling alone, so we must continue our voyage down the Rhine (or the B9 if you'd prefer to drive) with the ultimate goal of the French border. Not too keen to be left out, a few of Germany's other regions beckon for a little of our affection. The Rheingau, Rheinhessen, Pfalz and Baden regions produce much more than just Riesling, although the Rieslings are impressive, full bodied examples. Some of the most exciting up and coming producers in Germany are located in these areas.

Pfalz

Von Winning Deidesheimer Paradiesgarten Riesling Trocken 2018	54
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France

Alsace

Crossing the border from Germany into France represents so much more than a change in jurisdiction or a more sophisticated wine marketing strategy. France is the center of the wine universe and has been since the fall of the Roman Empire. When it comes to wine, France is the Monolith and the rest of us are just primates taking our cues according. The French produce a dizzying array of wine styles from noble and neglected grapes alike. Whether you are looking for a crisp and zippy thirst quencher, a richly textured and unctuous sipper or a sophisticated bottle to pair with a cheese plate, France has been perfecting your order for 1,000 years.

At Strasbourg we hop over to the western side of the Rhine Valley and find ourselves in the long and skinny region of Alsace at the base of the Vosges Mountains. What is Alsace? German? French? German? French? Neither? Alsatian? The answer is yes to all. This region has been passed back and forth between the two countries so many times that the Alsations have created their own unique culture and wine styles. Alsace is the Spinal Tap of French whites: full throttled, spicy wines that routinely go up to 11.

Emile Beyer Eguisheim "Mosaïque" 2022	68
Emile Beyer Riesling Grand Cru "Eichberg" (magnum) 2016	260
Emile Beyer Riesling Grand Cru "Eichberg" 2022	126
Emile Beyer Riesling Grand Cru "Pfersigberg" (magnum) 2016	260
Albert Boxler Edelzwicker "Reserve" 2019	55
Albert Boxler Pinot Gris 2019	80
Albert Boxler Pinot Gris Grand Cru "Brand" 2018	162
Albert Boxler Riesling Grand Cru "Sommerberg" 2018	162
Albert Boxler Riesling Grand Cru "Brand" 2010	290
Marcel Deiss "Burg" 2015	108
Marcel Deiss "Altenberg de Bergheim" Grand Cru 2010	190
Meyer-Fonné Gewürztraminer "Reserve" 2021	52
Robert Faller Riesling Geisberg Grand Cru Vendange Tardive (500mL) 1989	165
Rolly Gassmann Gewürztraminer 2019	90
Rolly Gassmann Pinot Gris 2016	82
Rolly Gassmann Riesling 2019	72
Trimbach "Selection de Grains Nobles" Pinot Gris 1985	480
Zind Humbrecht Pinot Gris "Clos Jebsal" Vendange Tardive 2012	178
Zind Humbrecht Pinot Gris "Clos St. Urbain" Grand Cru 1998	275

France

Loire Valley

After sampling the hedonistic pleasures of Alsace's whites, it's time to head west in search of the perfect oyster wine. We'll start our exploration of the Loire Valley in Nantes, where the Loire River empties into the Atlantic. The Loire Valley is positively massive and before heads rolled during the French Revolution it served as a country getaway for the rich and famous. Everyone had a chateau in the Loire, literally everyone. Kings, queens, dukes, bishops, and even royal mistresses (once they had, uh, "retired") had their own chateau on France's longest river.

MUSCADET

Wine styles and grape varieties change as we move inland in the Loire Valley. Beginning around the city of Nantes, the Muscadet region produces light and citrusy wines with a distinctive salty aftertaste. Perfect for oysters or patios. In Houston, we think almost every day is a Musca-day!

Domaine Bregeon Muscadet Sevre et Maine Clisson "La Moletette" 2019	80
Domaine Bregeon Muscadet Sevre et Maine Gorges "Les Vigneaux" 2018	80
Jerome Bretaudeau Muscadet "Clos des Perrieres" 2019	67
Jerome Bretaudeau Muscadet "Gaia Cuvée Ovoïde" 2021	128
Domaine de la Pepiere Muscadet de Sevre-et-Maine "Clos de Briords Vieilles Vignes" 2020	39

ANJOU/SAUMUR/TOURAINE

Moving east and further inland we are now entering the Chenin Blanc territory of Anjou/Saumur/Touraine. The Chenin grape originates in this part of France and nowhere else on earth can create a better example than right here in central France. Like Chardonnay, but thinking about being a little adventurous? Order one of these Chenin beauties and see what you are missing.

Patrick Baudouin Anjou Demi-Sec "Les Saulaies" 2011	78
Clos Rougeard Saumur "Brézé" 2004	950
Arnaud Lambert Saumur "Clos de Midi" 2022	48
Arnaud Lambert Saumur "Clos David" 2018	80
Arnaud Lambert Saumur "Clos David" 2020	80
Domaine Guiberteau Saumur "Clos des Carmes" 2018	190
Domaine Guiberteau Saumur "Clos des Carmes" 2019	230
Chateau Yvonne Saumur Blanc "Le Gory" 2019	190
Pascal Janvier Coteaux du Loir 2019	34
Georges Brunet Vouvray Moelleux "Cuvee du Paradis" 1990	140
François Chidaine Montlouis-sur-Loire "Clos Habert" (magnum) 2010	240
François Chidaine Vouvray "Le Bouchet" 2007	460
François Chidaine Vouvray "Le Bouchet" (magnum) 2010	280

France

Loire Valley

ANJOU/SAUMUR/TOURAINES cont.

Domaine du Clos Naudin (Foreau) Vouvray Moelleux 1990	180
Domaine du Clos Naudin (Foreau) Vouvray Moelleux 1995	160
Domaine du Clos Naudin (Foreau) Vouvray Moelleux 2011	106
Domaine du Clos Naudin (Foreau) Vouvray Sec 2019	108
Huet Vouvray "Le Haut-Lieu" Première Trie 2003	240
Huet Vouvray Demi-Sec "Le Haut-Lieu" 2022	70
Huet Vouvray Demi-Sec "Clos du Bourg" 2020	84
Domaine de la Taille Loups (Jacky Blot) VdF "Venise" 2016	144
Domaine de la Taille Loups (Jacky Blot) Mountlouis-sur-Loire Sec "Clos Michel" 2017	160
Francois Cazin Cour-Cheverny 2019	36
Eric Morgat Savennières "Fidès" 2020	220
Domaine du Closel Savennières "Clos du Papillon" 2021	150
Château Pierre-Bise Savennières "Roche Aux Moines" 2021	98

UPPER LOIRE

Continuing upstream, we take a sharp turn towards the south and plunge into the center of France. The limestone and flint soils surrounding the towns of Pouilly-sur-Loire and Sancerre signal that we have entered the land of Sauvignon Blanc. Citrusy and grassy with more than a hint of tropical fruit, drinking a cool Sancerre is like lounging in the sun on a freshly cut lawn while drinking a mimosa.

Gérard Boulay "Monts Damnés" Sancerre 2010	200
Alphonse Mellot "La Moussière" Sancerre 2009	224
Alphonse Mellot "Les Romains" Sancerre 2013	260
La Raimbauderie Sancerre 2023	64
Roger et Didier Rimbault "Le Côtelin" Sancerre 2019	98
Francois Le Saint "Calcaire" Sancerre 2023	78
Edmond Vatan "Clos la Neore" Sancerre (magnum) 2018	850
Alexandre et Antoine Vétois Sancerre 2023	122

France

Chablis

*Ok, we've waited long enough.
We've crisscrossed the continent in
search of great white wines and you
have been extremely patient, but
now it's time for some killer
Chardonnays! From Sancerre we'll
take a short jaunt east in search of
the world's most popular white
grape. We have found ourselves in
Chablis, the northernmost outpost
of the Burgundy region. Burgundy is
the birthplace of Chardonnay and
the model for producers of
Chardonnay all over the world.
Chablis is a special little island of
vines that is capable of two enviable
feats: (a) putting the taste of crushed
seashells in liquid form and (b)
making such a thing taste
incredible.*

Julien Baillard Chablis 2018	48
La Chablisienne Chablis "La Pierrelée" 2018	46
Julien Baillard Chablis 1er Cru "Montmains" 2020	80
Jean et Sébastien Dauvissat Chablis 1er Cru "Vaillons" 2008	160
Vincent Dauvissat Chablis 1er Cru "Vaillons" 2013	390
Daniel-Etienne Defaix Chablis 1er Cru "Côte de Léchet" 2009	102
Daniel-Etienne Defaix Chablis 1er Cru "Les Lys" 2012	144
Gérard Duplessis Chablis 1er Cru "Mont de Milieu" 2018	120
Roland Lavantureux Chablis 1er Cru "Beauroy" 2022	150
Pascal Robin Chablis 1er Cru "Fourchaume" 2022	114
Nathalie & Gilles Fèvre Chablis Grand Cru "Les Preuses" 2018	200
J. Moreau Chablis Grand Cru "Valmur" 2020	184
Charly Nicolle Chablis Grand Cru "Bougros" 2021	188

France

Burgundy

Pardon us for dragging you away from Chablis, but we've only just scraped the tip of the Burgundy iceberg and we have more work to do. Let's head southeast and make a stop in Dijon for a bit of the mustard that carries the city's name and was originally made from the juice of unripe Chardonnay berries from the surrounding vineyards. Today, Dijon mustard is not even produced in Dijon, but we can probably find some Grey Poupon in a corner store.

Motoring south out of Dijon on the RN74 (D974 to those of you lacking sentimentality) we are now in the heart of Burgundy, known as the Côte d'Or. This narrow ridge of limestone runs alongside RN74 and is the site of some of the world's most coveted dirt for Chardonnay and Pinot Noir. White Burgundy is in a category all to itself and one of contradictions, at that. Powerful but understated, rich but delicate, seductive but sophisticated are a few that come to mind, but more importantly it seems like a bottle of White Burgundy is empty almost as soon as the cork is pulled, and there's no mystery in that.

BOURGOGNE BLANC

Bachelet-Monnot Bourgogne Blanc 2018	66
Simon Bize Bourgogne "Les Champlains" Blanc 2022	98
Boyer-Martenot Bourgogne Blanc 2018	70
Boyer-Martenot Bourgogne Cote d'Or Blanc 2019	80
Clotilde Davenne Bourgogne Blanc 2020	60
Benoit Ente Bourgogne Blanc 2022	240
Dominique Gruhier Bourgogne "Tonnerre" Blanc 2020	54
Alex Moreau Bourgogne Blanc 2022	118

BOURGOGNE ALIGOTE

Guy Bocard Bourgogne Aligoté "Les Chanterelles" 2019	60
Boyer-Martenot Bourgogne Aligoté 2018	48
Louis Chenu Bourgogne Aligoté 2022	54
Joseph Colin Bourgogne Aligoté "Les Jardins de la Cote" 2018	46
Benoit Ente Bourgogne Aligoté "Antichtone" 2022	180
Louis Jadot Bouzeron Aligoté 2019	60
Michel Lafarge Bourgogne Aligoté "Raisins Dorés" 2020	58
Michel Lafarge Bourgogne Aligoté "Raisins Dorés" 2022	68
Jean-Marc Millot Bourgogne Aligoté "Les Deux Terres" 2018	40
Domaine de Villaine Bouzeron Aligoté (magnum) 2022	190

If You Know, You Know (Aligoté Version)

How do you do, fellow kids? We see you drinking Aligoté and hoping no one else catches on. This grape has come out of the shadows and is now being highlighted by some of the top producers of the Côte d'Or. It's still under the radar for now, but there's an Aligoté rap out there, so maybe not for long. Enjoy it while you can!

France

Burgundy

CÔTE D'OR

D'Ardhuy Côte de Nuits Villages "Clos des Langres" 2018	98
Bruno Clair Marsannay Blanc 2022	126
D'Ardhuy Ladoix 2018	65
Edmond Cornu Ladoix Blanc 2017	86
Chandon de Briailles Pernand-Vergelesses 1er Cru "Île de Vergelesses" 2018	168
Bruno Clair Pernand-Vergelesses 2018	130
Pierre-Yves Colin-Morey Pernand Vergelesses "Les Belles Filles" 2017	360
Louis Jadot Corton Charlemagne Grand Cru 2015	340
D'Ardhuy Corton Charlemagne Grand Cru 2011	189
Pierre-Vincent Girardin Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru "La Croix" (magnum) 2020	1100
Michel Lafarge Beaune 1er Cru "Clos des Aigrots" 2018	280
de Montille Beaune 1er Cru "Les Aigrots" 2014	143
Nathalie Richez Hautes-Côtes de Beaune 2021	82
Simon Bize Savigny-lès-Beaune 2018	96
Pierre Guillemot Savigny-lès-Beaune "Dessus les Gollardes" (magnum) 2018	200
Pierre Guillemot Savigny-lès-Beaune "Dessus les Gollardes" 2020	98
Louis Jadot Savigny-lès-Beaune 1er Cru "Clos des Guettes" 2022	152
Pavelot Savigny-lès-Beaune 2017	69
Jacques Bavard Auxey-Duresses "Les Clous" 2017	80
Benjamin Leroux Auxey-Duresses 2020	104

France

Burgundy

CÔTE D'OR cont.

Joseph Colin Saint-Aubin 1er Cru "Sur le Sentier du Clou" 2018	158
Philippe la Hardi Saint-Aubin "En Vesveau" 2021	94
Taupenot-Merme Saint-Romain 2017	106
Sylvain Bzikot Puligny-Montrachet 2021	188
François Carillon Puligny-Montrachet 2021	146
François Carillon Puligny-Montrachet "Le Clos du Vieux Château" 2021	168
Benoit Ente Puligny-Montrachet 2022	620
Benoit Ente Puligny-Montrachet 1er Cru "Les Folatières" En la Richarde 2022	1100
Alvina Pernot Puligny-Montrachet "Clos des Noyer Brets" 2022	310
Alvina Pernot Puligny-Montrachet 1er Cru "Les Pucelles" 2022	660
Potinet-Ampeau Puligny-Montrachet 1er Cru "Les Champs-Gains" 2016	160

Maison Harbour

Nicholas and Colleen Harbour moved to the village of Savigny-les-Beaune in 2012 to escape the world of finance and make wines from the revered clay and limestone soils of Burgundy. This was an ambitious endeavour that few would dare to try, but through a combination of persistence and relationships with classmates from winemaking school, the Harbours were able to secure grapes from some of Burgundy's most coveted vineyards. Maison Harbour's wines are characterized by their elegance and beautiful expression of the uniquely different sites in which the grapes are grown. The whites are showstoppers, but the reds are just as good, so check them out, too! Maybe a bottle of each from Maison Harbour is the way to go!

Maison Harbour Bourgogne Blanc 2022	90	Maison Harbour Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru "Les Languettes" 2021	450
Maison Harbour Bourgogne Cote d'Or Blanc 2021	88	Maison Harbour Chassagne-Montrachet 1er Cru "en Cailleret" (magnum) 2013	565
Maison Harbour Bourgogne Cote d'Or Blanc 2022	88	Maison Harbour Meursault 1er Cru "Blagny" 2022	270
Maison Harbour Bourgogne Aligoté "Les Tilles" 2021	71	Maison Harbour Meursault 1er Cru "Porusot" 2021	278
Maison Harbour Bourgogne Aligoté "Les Tilles" 2022	92	Maison Harbour Meursault "Le Limozin" 2021	190
Maison Harbour Bourgogne Aligoté "Les Corvées" 2022	92	Maison Harbour Savigny-lès-Beaune "Dessus les Vermots" 2022	138

France

Burgundy

CÔTE D'OR cont.

Guy Amoit Chassagne-Montrachet "VV" 2022	240
Bachelet-Ramonet Chassagne-Montrachet 1er Cru "Grandes Ruchottes" 2022	192
Jean-Claude Ramonet Chassagne-Montrachet 1er Cru "Morgeot" 2018	330
Guy Bocard Meursault "Limozin" 2010	134
Boyer-Martenot Meursault "Les Tillets" 2019	166
Michel Lafarge Meursault "Vendanges Sélectionnées" 1996	452
Michel Lafarge Meursault 2018	238
Michel Lafarge Meursault 2019	244
Michel Lafarge Meursault 2020	230
Michel Lafarge Meursault 2022	166
François Mikulski Meursault 2022	250
Potinet-Ampeau Meursault 1er Cru "Les Charmes" 2008	172
Louis Jadot Chevalier-Montrachet Grand Cru "Les Demoiselles" 2017	1100

As we begrudgingly continue south out of the Côte d'Or, the limestone ridge gives way to rolling hills punctuated by dramatic limestone outcrops. Known as the Côte Chalonnaise and Mâconnais, these final regions of Burgundy offer the kind of rich, ripe and utterly drinkable wines that might cause a Cali Chardonnay drinker to move over to the dark side. Relative to their Côte d'Or cousins, these wines are bargains, too!

CÔTE CHALONNAISE

Jean-Marc Vincent Montagny 1er Cru 2018	70
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MÂCONNAIS

Chateau des Rontets Pouilly Fuisse "Clos Varambon" 2021	76
La Soufrandiere "la Combe Descroches" Saint-Veran 2018	88

France

Jura

We continue the journey west across the broad plain of the Saône River towards the inevitability of the Alps. Everyone is likely suffering from a mild case of gout from our tour through Burgundy, but we should take the opportunity, as we pass through the Bresse region, to sample one of their world famous roasted chickens. Now, on to the Jura! The Jura region lies in the foothills of the Alps and is almost a mirror image of Burgundy. The limestone formation having been pulled apart by the forces that created the Saône River valley. At The Library, we have a real affection for the idiosyncratic wines of the Jura. We won't even mind if you call them weird.

Chateau d'Arlay Côtes du Jura Chardonnay "a la Reine" 2011	67
Caves Jean Bourdy Côtes du Jura Savagnin 2018	72
Caves Jean Bourdy Côtes du Jura Chardonnay 2018	56
Jean-Claude Credoza Côtes du Jura Savagnin 2010	188
Jean-Claude Credoza Côtes du Jura "Selection" 2012	156
Anne & François Ganevat Chardonnay "La Gravière" 2019	164
Domaine de Montbourgeau L'Etoile 2018	66
Domaine de Montbourgeau L'Etoile "Montangis" 2017	84
Domaine du Pelican Arbois Chardonnay 2018	98
Tissot Arbois Traminer (Savagnin Ouillé) 2017	114
ZerOine "L'ChaCha" VdF 2021	160

VIN JAUNE

Vin Jaune is one of the wildest and most unique wine styles on the planet and is only made in the Jura. Vin Jaune literally means "yellow wine" and is named for the color of the wine after it has aged for 6+ years in partially filled barrels that encourage oxidation. And if that's not weird enough, a thin layer of yeast, called a "veil", is allowed to grow on top of the wine and eat certain nutrients from the wine during the aging process. Vin Jaune is most similar to Sherry, but without the extra alcohol from fortification. The resulting wine smells like a chemistry lab (in a good way, if that's possible), but is so complex and so weird that it is truly one of the world's great wines and intended for contemplation.

Chateau d'Arlay Cotes du Jura Vin Jaune (620 mL) 2010	149
Caves Jean Bourdy Cotes du Jura Vin Jaune (620 mL) 2011	168
Caves Jean Bourdy Cotes du Jura Vin Jaune (620 mL) 2015	170
Caves Jean Bourdy Chateau Chalon (620 mL) 2011	208
Domaine Macle Chateau Chalon (620 mL) 2011	230
Domaine Pecheur Cotes du Jura Vin Jaune (620 mL) 1982	313
Domaine Pecheur Cotes du Jura Vin Jaune (620 mL) 1994	240
Domaine Pecheur Cotes du Jura Vin Jaune (620 mL) 1998	220
Domaine Pecheur Cotes du Jura Vin Jaune (620 mL) 1999	216
Jacques Puffeney Arbois Vin Jaune (620 mL) 2011	525
Jacques Puffeney Arbois Vin Jaune (620 mL) 2012	525

France

Savoie

Farther south and deeper into the Alps we find ourselves in the middle of the resort towns of the Savoie. These are high altitude, cool climate wines that are just as refreshing on a Houston patio after a long day in a soulless office as they are in the chalet after a less depressing day on the slopes. The wine equivalent of alpine spring water.

Rhone Valley

The last stop before we spill out into the Mediterranean is the Rhone Valley. We'll set sail on the Rhone itself as it flows out of Lake Geneva. Rhone whites are mostly blends: Roussanne/Marsanne in the north and Grenache Blanc/Clairette and friends in the south. The exception being the pure Viogniers of Condrieu. Expect full bodied and textural wines full of herbs, citrus fruits and nuts.

Berthollier "Baron Decouz" Roussette 2022	80
Berthollier "Saint Anthelme" Chignin Bergeron 2021	92
Romain Chamiot Apremont 2023	44
Charles Gonnet Chignin 2018	36
Julien Cecillon Saint-Péray "Gemini" 2023	86
Louis Cheze Saint-Joseph "Ro-Rée" 2016	84
Alain Graillot Crozes-Hermitage 2021	82
Hervé Souhaut VdF Blanc 2021	70
Eric Texier Brezeme "Roussanne" 2020	68
Louis Barruol Hermitage "La Pierrelle" 2018	172
Domaine Jean-Louis Chave L'Hermitage 1996	830
Domaine Jean-Louis Chave L'Hermitage 2021	595
Domaine Jean-Louis Chave L'Hermitage (magnum) 2021	1100
Domaine Jean-Louis Chave L'Hermitage 2022	620
J.L. Chave Selection Hermitage "Blanche" 2019	140
Château Pesquié "Quintessence" Ventoux 2021	50
Domaine Pierre Gaillard "Les Gendrines" Côtes-du-Rhône 2022	54
La Font du Loup Châteauneuf-du-Pape 2021	114
Domaine Jean Royer Chateauneuf-du-Pape 2022	90
Domaine du Vieux Telegraphe Chateauneuf du Pape (magnum) 2018	300
Isabel Ferrando "Cuvée Spéciale Vieilles Clairettes" Saint-Prefert Châteauneuf-du-Pape (magnum) 2020	680

France

Other French Whites

LANGUEDOC-ROUSSILLON

Domaine de l'Horizon IGP Cotes Catalanes "L'Espirit de Horizon" 2019	72
Domaine de Montcalmès VdF Blanc 2020	98
Clos Del Rey "Le Sabina" 2023	58

BORDEAUX

Château Dompierre "Blanc de Dompierre" 2022	56
Clos Floridene Graves 2013	62
Château Laville Haut-Brion Pessac-Leognan 2008	998
Château Reynon 2020	52
Domaine de Chevalier Pessac-Leognan 2019	248

COTEAUX CHAMPENOIS

Guillaume Sergent Coteaux Champenois Blanc de Pinot Noir "Le Clos de Croix" 2018	148
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From the mouth of the Rhone, we can cruise east right through Marseille and the surrounding area of Provence towards the intimidating mass of the western Alps that separates France from the vast winelands of Italy. You can take your pick of which tunnel you prefer, but all lead to the northern Italian regions where most of the country's high quality whites are made.

Trentino-Alto Adige

Foradori "Fontanasanta" Manzoni Bianco 2022	66
Elena Walch "Castel Ringberg" Pinot Grigio 2022	82

Piemonte

La Colombera "Bricco Bartolomeo" Cortese 2022	48
Nervi Erbaluce di Caluso 2016	32
Bruno Giacosa Roero Arneis 2019	50
Giovanni Manzone Langhe Rossese "Rosserto" 2020	44
Vigneti Massa "Derthona" Timarossa 2018	68

Lombardia

Bruno Verdi Oltrepò Pavese Pinot Grigio 2023	52
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Veneto

Inama Soave Classico "Foscarino" 2019	44
Pieropan Soave Classico "La Rocco" 2019	55
Mosole Pinot Grigio 2023	48
Quintarelli Bianco Secco "Ca' Del Merlo" 2023	126

Tuscany

Montenidoli Vernaccia di San Gimignano "Tradizionale" 2022	56
Michele Satta "Costa Di Giulia" Bolgheri Bianco 2023	74

Friuli

Edi Kante Malvasia 2021	92
Edi Kante "Selezione" Malvasia 2016	126
Radikon "Oslavje" (1L) 2018	152
Ronchi di Cialla "Ciallabianco" 1999	164

Italy

Other Italian Whites

UMBRIA

Paolo Bea “Arboreus” Trebbiano Spoletino Bianco 128
2015

MARCHE

Tenuta Musone “Ghiffa” Verdicchio 48
2020

ABRUZZO

Ciavolich “Fosso Cancelli” Trebbiano d’Abruzzo 82
2021

PUGLIA

Masseria li Veli Verdeca “Askos” 42
2021

CAMPANIA

Benito Ferrara “Terra D’Uva” Greco di Tufo 54
2022

Feudi Di San Gregorio “Falanghina” 46
2021

Antonio Mazzella “Biancolella” Ischia DOC 58
2023

SICILY

Frank Cornelissen Terre Siciliane “Munjabel” 98
2020

Passopisciaro “Passobianco” 74
2021

I Custodi “Ante” Etna Bianco 74
2019

Austria

Wachau

After a brief tour through the cuff of Italy's boot that has landed us in Friuli, it's time for us to cross back over the Alps and see what Austria has to offer. Hopefully you packed plenty of Prosciutto di San Daniele and Montasio cheese, because it is a long and twisty drive through the Alps and all the way to the Danube River north of Vienna. This area is the Niederösterreich and is known for the uniquely Austrian grape, Grüner Veltliner, and truly delicious Rieslings.

Nikolaihof Grüner Veltliner "Hefeabzug" 2021	72
Nikolaihof Neuburger 2018	76
Nikolaihof Riesling Jungernlese "Steiner Hund" 2005	178
Veyder-Malberg Grüner Veltliner "Weitenberg" 2022	183

Kamptal

Bründlmayer Langenloiser "Alte Reben" Grüner Veltliner 2017	80
Bründlmayer Ried Lamm 1OTW Grüner Veltliner 2019	138
Hirsch Gaisberg 1OTW Riesling 2014	120
Schloss Gobelsburg "Tradition" Grüner Veltliner 2012	74
Schloss Gobelsburg "Tradition" Grüner Veltliner 2017	88

Kremstal

Buchegger "Vordenberg" Riesling 2021	78
Nigl Ried Hochäcker 1OTW Riesling 2016	90
Nigl Ried Pellingen 1OTW "Privat" Grüner Veltliner 2016	90

Burgenland

Let's pull ourselves away from the Niederösterreich and hop on down to Vienna for a healthy serving of boiled beef, Tafelspitz, and maybe even an Apfelstrudel to hold us over until we reach the area of Burgenland. The Burgenland surrounds the 122 square mile Lake Neusiedl and the wines reflect the influence of such a large body of water. If you are tall, you can even walk from one end of the lake to the other since it is less than 6' at its deepest point!

Heidi Schrock Furmint 2019	58
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Slovakia

Château Belá Riesling (Egon Müller) 48
2019

Spain

Albamar Albariño 68
2023

Cims de Porrera “Vi de Vila Blanco” Garnatxa Blanca 64
2021

Lopez de Heredia “Viña Gravonia” 148
2014

Pazo Senorans “Selecccion de Anada” Albariño 154
2013

Vall Llach “Porrera” Garnatxa Blanca 72
2023

Portugal

Camaleão Alvarinho 42
2023

Niepoort “Dócil” Vinho Verde 40
2023

Luis Seabra “Granito Cru” Alvarinho 130
2022

Greece

Ktima Gerovassiliou “Single Vineyard” Malagousia 62
2022

Tselepos Mantinia “Blanc de Gris” Moschofilero 58
2023

Lebanon

Chateau Musar Bekaa Valley 650
1975

Chateau Musar Bekaa Valley 210
2000

Chateau Musar Bekaa Valley 188
2009

Chateau Musar Bekaa Valley 156
2012

Chateau Musar Bekaa Valley 148
2014

Chateau Musar Bekaa Valley 130
2017

United States

Like modern-day Pilgrims, we have landed in the New World in search of freedom from the wine rules of the Continent. Freedom from the stuffy bureaucracy! Freedom from long, unpronounceable names! Varietally labeled liberty! Unlike the Pilgrims, though, we'd prefer our freedom with a bit of alcohol. In the New World, everything goes. Top winemakers are making classic wines in the regions that everyone knows, but others are pushing all the boundaries and making fun and delicious wines from unpopular grapes in unheard of areas.

California

Ancient Oak Chardonnay Russian River Valley - 2022	76
Au Bon Climat Chardonnay Santa Barbara County - 2023	48
Au Bon Climat Chardonnay "Santa Barbara County" Santa Maria Valley - 2013	58
Alesia (Rhys) Chardonnay Anderson Valley - 2016	82
Keenan Chardonnay Spring Mountain, Napa Valley - 2004	165
Keenan Chardonnay Spring Mountain, Napa Valley - 2010	165
Liquid Farm Chardonnay "Golden Slope" Santa Rita Hills - 2018	108
Morlet Chardonnay "Ma Princesse" Russian River Valley - 2021	270
Phelan Farm Savagnin & Chardonnay San Luis Obispo Coast - 2021	152
Rhys Chardonnay "Horseshoe Vineyard" Santa Cruz Mountains - 2014	179
Tate Chardonnay "Spring Street Vineyard" Napa Valley - 2021	76
Dragonette Cellars Sauvignon Blanc "Vogelzang Vineyard" Santa Barbara County - 2022	124
Brij Wines Albariño Santa Barbara - 2022	78
Peter Franus Grenache Blanc Lake County - 2023	58
Iruai "Savagnin" Trinity Lakes - 2022	48

Oregon

Audeant “Seven Springs Vineyard” Chardonnay Eola-Amity Hills - 2021	114
Eyrie Vineyards “Original Vines” Chardonnay Dundee Hills - 2013	104
Eyrie Vineyards “The Eyrie” Chardonnay Dundee Hills - 2018	88
Eyrie Vineyards Muscat Ottonel Dundee Hills - 2015	46
Martin Woods “Koosah Vineyards” Chardonnay Eola-Amity Hills - 2021	90
Martin Woods “Pearlstad Vineyards” Chardonnay Eola-Amity Hills - 2021	90
Statera “Imber” Chardonnay 2022	52

South Africa

Craven “Karibib Vineyard” Chenin Blanc Stellenbosch - 2023	60
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France

This is the part of the wine list where you would expect to see a rosé pun or a witty rhyme. We're sorry, but you are not going to get it this time (oh, damn it!). Seriously, though, rosé is real wine, no different from reds or whites. Some are best enjoyed cold and young without much thought and some are made to showcase the character and complexity of the grapes that go into the bottle. No matter the style, we've got you covered, kind of like a rosé buffet!

Burgundy

Bruno Clair Marsannay 2022	76
Bruno Clair Marsannay 2023	88

Loire Valley

Bernard Baudry Chinon 2021	46
Couly-Dutheil "René Couly" Chinon 2023	40
Charles Joguet Chinon 2023	50

Provence

Clos Cibonne Côtes de Provence "Cuvée Vignettes" (magnum) 2019	178
Clos Cibonne Côtes de Provence "Cuvée Vignettes" 2021	90
Domaine du Gros'Noré Bandol 2023	80
Domaine Houchart Côtes de Provence 2023	40
Domaine Marquilliani Vin de Corse 2021	72

Languedoc/ Roussillon

Domaine Milan "Haru" 2023	48
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Italy

Caprera “Le Vasche” Cerasuolo d’Abruzzo 2023	54
Cottanera Etna DOC Rosato 2024	46

Spain

Albamar Clarete Rosado 2023	78
Gaintza Txakolina Rosado 2022	50

United States

California

Bedrock Wine Co. “Ode to Lulu” Sonoma Co., Mourvèdre - 2024	50
Brock Cellars “White Zinfandel” Sonoma Valley - 2023	48
Forlorn Hope “Queen of the Sierra” Rosé Calveras County, Mondeuse/Zin/Temp/Gren/Barbera - 2021	44
Joseph-Jibril “Rosé of Pinot” Russian River Valley, Pinot Noir - 2024	54
Pax Trousseau Gris Russian River Valley - 2021	60
Vinca Minor Monterey County, Zinfandel/Carignan - 2023	50

Oregon

Teutonic Wine Co. Willamette Valley, Pinot Noir - 2024	50
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France

Loire Valley

We begin our journey through the world's red wines on the Atlantic coast of France, in rainy Nantes, where the Loire River meets the ocean. There is a bit of Pinot Noir grown in the Muscadet area, but as we follow the river inland we find ourselves in the center of the Cabernet Franc universe. Loire Valley Cabernet Franc and its blend of red fruit and tobacco is as close to Bordeaux on a budget as it gets.

PAYS NANTAIS

Jerome Bretaudeau VdF Pinot Noir "Stratera" 2020	210
Jerome Bretaudeau VdF Pinot Noir "Stratera" 2022	196

ANJOU/SAUMUR/TOURAIN

Domaine Filliatreau Saumur "Chateau Fouquet" 2019	38
Arnaud Lambert Saumur "Clos de l'Etoile" 2019	124
Brendan Stater-West Saumur 2018	55
Château de Chaintres Saumur-Champigny 1989	160
Arnaud Lambert "Terres Rouges" Saumur-Champigny 2020	48
Domaine des Roches Neuves Saumur-Champigny 2020	58
Domaine des Roches Neuves "Terres Chaudes" Saumur-Champigny 2022	68
Antoine Sanzay "Les Poyeux" Saumur-Champigny 2021	140
Bernard Baudry Chinon "Les Granges" 2021	46
Couly-Dutheil Chinon "Clos de l'Echo" 1997	145
Couly-Dutheil Chinon "Clos de l'Echo" 2018	66
Charles Joguet Chinon "Les Charmes" 2020	94
Olga Raffault Chinon "Les Picasses" 2007	99
Catherine & Pierre Breton Bourgueil "Les Perrieres" 1995	165
Domaine de la Cotelleraie "Les Perruches" Saint Nicolas de Bourgueil 2020	46

CENTRAL LOIRE

Alphonse Mellot "La Demoiselle" Sancerre Rouge 2010	628
Alphonse Mellot "La Moussiere" Sancerre Rouge 2016	340
Hippolyte Reverdy Sancerre Rouge 2013	126

France

Bordeaux

As fun as the Loire Valley can be, it's time to swap our work boots and floppy hats for more sophisticated attire as we head south towards the famous port city on the Atlantic, Bordeaux. There isn't a place more synonymous with wine than Bordeaux. Wines from Bordeaux chateaus have been referenced by name since the 17th century and the amount of ink spilled over the wines ever since could fill an ocean. So, is Bordeaux stuffy, old-fashioned and pretentious? Well, it can be, but it doesn't have to be. The truth is that Bordeaux is really f***ing good and its ability to transform with age is magical. Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc and Merlot work together in this wet and muddy environment to create something truly special.

Left Bank

Bordeaux is divided into two parts by the Garonne estuary, which opens to the Atlantic. The left, or west, bank is known as the Médoc and is the place where Cabernet Sauvignon was made famous and dominates the blend. The wines are famed for their aging ability and unique gravelly character.

MÉDOC/HAUT MÉDOC

Les Brulieres de Beychevelle (magnum) 2015	150	Château Lanessan Haut-Médoc 2016	58
Château Cantemerle Haut-Médoc (magnum) 1986	860	Château Sénéjac Haut-Médoc (magnum) 2016	150
Château Cantemerle Haut-Médoc (magnum) 2009	404	Château Sociando-Mallet Haut-Médoc 2008	152
Château Cantemerle Haut-Médoc 2015	114		
Château D'Agassac Haut-Médoc 2001	78		
Château Fontesteaun Haut-Médoc 1996	136		
Château Fontesteaun Haut-Médoc 2016	65		

SAINT-ESTEPHE

Château Lafon-Rochet Saint-Estephe 1996	235
Château Ormes de Pez Saint-Estephe 2021	96

Château Montrose, Saint-Estephe

Château Montrose was built in 1815 on a mound of deep gravel near the Gironde estuary on the left bank of Bordeaux that is known as the Médoc. Montrose was so named due to the flowers that grew on the "mountain" prior to the planting of vines. Leave it to the French sense of poetic license to refer to a hill that is 60 feet high as a "Mont". Dominated by Cabernet Sauvignon, the chateau's wines are big and structured and benefit from a little, or a lot of aging, courtesy of The Library. Perfectly aged Montrose is a revelation and one of our favorite wine experiences.

Château Montrose 1978	960	Château Montrose 2005	492
Château Montrose (magnum) 1978	1920	Château Montrose 2007	334
Château Montrose 1983	425	Château Montrose 2008	354
Château Montrose 1986	525	Château Montrose 2012	292
Château Montrose 1989	1150	Château Montrose 2013	260
Château Montrose 1995	570	Château Montrose 2014	388
Château Montrose 1998	580	Château Montrose 2015	480
Château Montrose 2000	640	Château Montrose 2016	640
Château Montrose 2004	390	Château Montrose 2019	380



France

Bordeaux

Some people are down on Bordeaux. They don't think it's cool enough or affordable enough or accessible enough for today's wine drinker. We disagree. We think you should drink it because it tastes good and just like Nike Dunks and baggy jeans, we think it's time for Bordeaux to make a comeback.

PAUILLAC

Château D'Armailhac 2020	140
Château Lynch Bages 1983	675
Château Lynch Bages 1996	560
Château Lynch Bages 2009	520
Château Lynch Bages 2016	420
Château Fonbadet 2016	124
Château Haut-Bages Libéral 2000	288
Château Latour 1983	1420
Château Grand-Puy- Lacoste 1983	380
Château Pontet-Canet 2006	350
Château Pontet-Canet 2014	340

SAINT-JULIEN

Château Beychevelle 1969	520
Château Beychevelle (magnum) 1978	865
Château Beychevelle 2017	260
Château Ducru Beaucaillou 1986	648
Château Gloria 2002	184
Château Gloria 2017	126
Château Gruaud-Larose 1986	428
Château Lagrange 2006	200
Château Leoville Las Cases 1995	784
Domaine du Jaugaret 1978	400

MARGAUX

Bel Air-Marquis d'Aligre 2003	225
Bel Air-Marquis d'Aligre 2009	225
Bel Air-Marquis d'Aligre 2010	225

MARGAUX cont.

Château des Graviers 2019	156
Château d'Issan 2020	170
Château Ferriere 2005	196
Château Malescot St. Exupery 2014	174
Château Meyre "Gallen" 2017	138
Château Meyre "Gallen" 2019	138
Château Palmer 2014	1100
Confidences de Prieure-Lichine 2016	78
La Petite Tour de Bessan 2020	90

PESSAC-LÉOGNAN

Château Haut-Bailly 1985	420
Château Haut-Bailly 1995	342
Château Haut-Bailly 2002	314
Château Haut-Brion 2005	2350
Château La Mission Haut-Brion 1998	1400
Domaine de Chevalier 1990	350
Domaine de Chevalier 2001	260

MOULIS-EN-MÉDOC

Château Poujeaux (magnum) 2005	319
Château Bel-Air Lagrave 2001	82
Château Mauvesin Barton 2012	60

France

Bordeaux

Right Bank

The right bank of Bordeaux is the fun friend of the Bordeaux bank duo. These wines are predominantly made from Merlot and have a more luxurious profile as a result. Think robe and comfy slippers in front of the fireplace luxurious. Bordeaux-curious? Try a wine from the right bank and thank us later.

SAINT EMILION

Château Beau Séjour Bécot 2018	250	Château La Gaffeliere 1989	348
Château Canon 1978	430	Château Magdelaine 1978	460
Château Canon 1983	456	Château Magdelaine 1983	430
Château Cheval Blanc 1989	1877	Château Magdelaine 2000	380
Château de Millery 2012	186	Château Magdelaine 2006	288
Château de Millery 2014	170	Château Magdelaine 2008	276
Le Dome 2011	476	Château Moulin St-Georges 2017	105
Château Figeac 1983	815	Château Pavie Macquin (magnum) 2010	660
Château Figeac 2010	799	Château Sarenceau 2005	74
Château Figeac 2012	420		
Château Figeac 2017	577		
Château Figeac 2018	718		

POMEROL

Château Bellegrave 2015	108
Château La Conseillante 2006	370
Château L'Evangile 1985	660
Château L'Evangile 2004	465
Château L'Evangile 2011	390
Château L'Evangile 2014	335
Château Gazin 1982	566
Château Gazin 1985	380
Château La Pointe 2015	156
Vieux Château Certain 2000	725

LALANDE DE POMEROL

Château La Croix Bellevue 2020	80
Château Siaurac 2016	70

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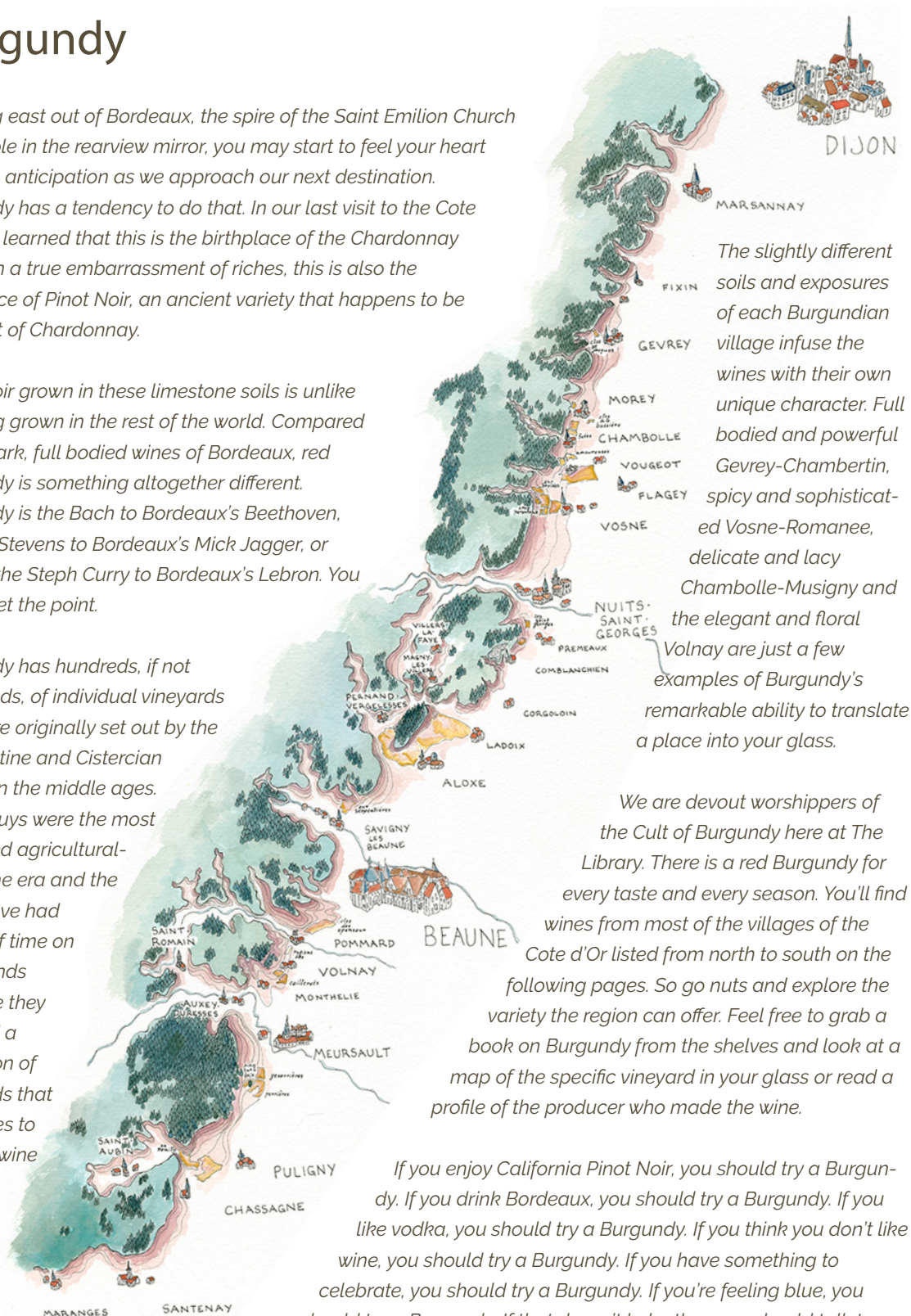
Burgundy

Heading east out of Bordeaux, the spire of the Saint Emilion Church still visible in the rearview mirror, you may start to feel your heart flutter in anticipation as we approach our next destination.

Burgundy has a tendency to do that. In our last visit to the Cote d'Or, we learned that this is the birthplace of the Chardonnay grape. In a true embarrassment of riches, this is also the birthplace of Pinot Noir, an ancient variety that happens to be a parent of Chardonnay.

Pinot Noir grown in these limestone soils is unlike anything grown in the rest of the world. Compared to the dark, full bodied wines of Bordeaux, red Burgundy is something altogether different. Burgundy is the Bach to Bordeaux's Beethoven, the Cat Stevens to Bordeaux's Mick Jagger, or maybe the Steph Curry to Bordeaux's Lebron. You surely get the point.

Burgundy has hundreds, if not thousands, of individual vineyards that were originally set out by the Benedictine and Cistercian monks in the middle ages. These guys were the most educated agricultural-ists of the era and the must have had plenty of time on their hands because they outlined a collection of vineyards that continues to captive wine lovers today.



The slightly different soils and exposures of each Burgundian village infuse the wines with their own unique character. Full bodied and powerful Gevrey-Chambertin, spicy and sophisticated Vosne-Romanee, delicate and lacy Chambolle-Musigny and the elegant and floral Volnay are just a few examples of Burgundy's remarkable ability to translate a place into your glass.

We are devout worshippers of the Cult of Burgundy here at The Library. There is a red Burgundy for every taste and every season. You'll find wines from most of the villages of the Cote d'Or listed from north to south on the following pages. So go nuts and explore the variety the region can offer. Feel free to grab a book on Burgundy from the shelves and look at a map of the specific vineyard in your glass or read a profile of the producer who made the wine.

If you enjoy California Pinot Noir, you should try a Burgundy. If you drink Bordeaux, you should try a Burgundy. If you like vodka, you should try a Burgundy. If you think you don't like wine, you should try a Burgundy. If you have something to celebrate, you should try a Burgundy. If you're feeling blue, you should try a Burgundy. If that doesn't help, then you should talk to professional, but we'd also recommend trying another Burgundy, just for good measure.

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BOURGOGNE ROUGE & CdN VILLAGES

David Duband Bourgogne Rouge 2022	84
Château de la Greffière Bourgogne Rouge 2022	52
Dominique Gruhier Bourgogne “Épineuil” Rouge 2022	60
Maison Harbour Bourgogne Rouge 2022	90
Benjamin Leroux Bourgogne Rouge 2022	98
Denis Bachelet Côte de Nuits Villages 2019	122
Domaine Berthaut-Gerbet Hautes Côtes de Nuits 2022	76
Maison Harbour Côte de Nuits Villages “Preau” 2021	130
Louis Jadot Côte de Nuits Villages “Le Vaucrain” 2022	114
Charles Lachaux Côte de Nuits Villages “Aux Montagnes” 2023	440
Joel-Noël Gagnard Hauts-Côtes de Beaune Rouge 2020	86

NORTHERN COTE DE NUITS

Huguenot Marsannay “Champs-Pedrix” 2018	125
Huguenot Marsannay “Héritage” 2018	95
Huguenot Marsannay “Montagne” 2015	100
Joseph Roty Marsannay 2015	120
Sylvain Pataille Marsannay “En Clemengeots” 2021	172
Denis Berthaut Fixin “En Combe Roy” 2014	88
Domaine Berthaut-Gerbet Fixin “Les Clos” 2021	116
Domaine Berthaut-Gerbet Fixin “Les Clos” 2022	116
Domaine Berthaut-Gerbet Fixin “Les Crais” 2022	

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GEVREY-CHAMBERTIN

Denis Bachelet Charmes-Chambertin Grand Cru “Vieilles Vignes” 2018	1680
Denis Bachelet Gevrey-Chambertin 1er Cru “Les Corbeaux” 2019	445
Denis Bachelet Gevrey-Chambertin “Vieilles Vignes” 2010	380
Denis Bachelet Gevrey-Chambertin “Vieilles Vignes” 2013	260
Alain Burguet Gevrey-Chambertin “Mes Favorites Vieilles Vignes” (magnum) 2020	370
Domaine des Chezeaux (Ponsot) Griotte-Chambertin Grand Cru 2012	416
Bruno Clair Gevrey-Chambertin 1er Cru “Clos Saint Jacques” 2017	535
Joseph Drouhin Charmes-Chambertin Grand Cru 2013	435
Joseph Drouhin Griotte-Chambertin Grand Cru 2014	980
David Duband Gevrey-Chambertin 2021	220
Benjamin Leroux Mazoyeres-Chambertin Grand Cru 2014	455
Benjamin Leroux Gevrey-Chambertin 2021	190
Maison Harbour Charmes-Chambertin Grand Cru “Aux Charmes” 2017	420
Maison Harbour Charmes-Chambertin Grand Cru “Aux Charmes” 2018	420
Maison Harbour Charmes-Chambertin Grand Cru “Aux Charmes” 2020	420
Maison Harbour Charmes-Chambertin Grand Cru “Aux Charmes” 2021	420
Maison Harbour Charmes-Chambertin Grand Cru “Aux Charmes” (magnum) 2021	920
Maison Harbour Charmes-Chambertin Grand Cru “Aux Charmes” 2022	620
Maison Harbour Gevrey-Chambertin 1er Cru “Combe au Moine” (magnum) 2013	615
Maison Harbour Gevrey-Chambertin “En Billard” 2022	190
Prieuré Roch Gevrey-Chambertin 1er Cru “Vieilles Vignes” 2022	870
Joseph Roty Griottes-Chambertin Grand Cru 2011	645

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MOREY-SAINT-DENIS

Bruno Clair Morey-Saint-Denis "En la Rue de Vergy" 2012	186
Domaine du Clos de Tart Grand Cru 1998	1300
Domaine Dujac Clos Saint-Denis Grand Cru 2014	1425
Alain Michelot Morey-Saint-Denis 1er Cru "Les Charrières" 2014	176
Lignier-Michelot Morey-Saint-Denis "Vieilles Vignes" 2022	184
Lignier-Michelot Morey-Saint-Denis 1er Cru "Les Faconnieres" 2013	225
Lignier-Michelot Clos Saint-Denis Grand Cru 2013	524
Michel Magnien Clos Saint-Denis Grand Cru 2001	480
Anne & Herve Sigault Morey-Saint-Denis 1er Cru "Les Millandes" 2014	165

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CHAMBOLLE-MUSIGNY

Louis Jadot Chambolle-Musigny 1er Cru "Les Baudes" 2016	198
Lignier-Michelot Chambolle-Musigny "Vieilles Vignes" 2022	184
Maxime Cheurlin Noëllat Chambolle-Musigny 1er Cru "Les Feusselottes" 2020	480
Heritiere Louis Remy Chambolle-Musigny "Les Premieres Vieilles Vignes" 2001	144
Heritiere Louis Remy Chambolle-Musigny 1er Cru "Derriere la Grange" 2001	204
Anne & Hervé Sigault Chambolle-Musigny 2017	128
Anne & Hervé Sigault Chambolle-Musigny 1er Cru "Les Groseilles" 2014	165

VOUGEOT

Gros Frere et Soeur Clos Vougeot Grand Cru "Musigni" 2012	349
Alain Michelot Grand Cru Clos Vougeot 2014	390
Remoissenet Vougeot 1er Cru 1969	745
A&B Rion Clos de Vougeot Grand Cru "Vieille Vigne" 2012	263

ECHEZEAUX

Domaine Dujac Echezeaux Grand Cru 2011	1200
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VOSNE-ROMANÉE

Comte Liger Belair Vosne-Romanée “La Colombière” 2013	1750
Maison Harbour Vosne-Romanée “Champs Perdrix” (magnum) 2013	1400
de Montille Vosne-Romanée 1er Cru “Les Malconsorts” 2016	544
Gerard Mugneret Vosne-Romanée “Cuvee Quatrain” 2019	180
Gerard Mugneret Vosne-Romanée 1er Cru “Les Brulees” 2019	440
Prieuré Roch Vosne-Romanée 1er Cru “Les Suchots” 2022	1200

NUITS-SAINT-GEORGES

Domaine D’Ardhuy Nuits-St-Georges “Aux Herbues-Aux Argillats” 2017	116
Bouchard Nuits-St-Georges 1er Cru “Les Cailles” 2009	188
Bouchard Nuits-St-Georges 1er Cru “Les Cailles” 2013	194
Bouchard Nuits-St-Georges 1er Cru “Les Cailles” 2015	165
Bouchard Nuits-St-Georges 1er Cru “Les Cailles” 2019	165
Henri Gouges Nuits-St-Georges 2013	178
Henri Grouge Nuits-St-Georges 1er Cru “Les Saint-Georges” 2012	410
Henri Gouges Nuits-St-Georges 1er Cru “Les Vaucrain” 2017	268
Louis Jadot Nuits-St-Georges 1er Cru “Boudots” 2017	200
Charles Lachaux Nuits-St-Georges “La Petite Charmotte” 2023	680
Meo Camuzet Nuits-St-Georges 1er Cru “Boudots” 2015	445
Alain Michelot Nuits-St-Georges 1er Cru “Richemone” 2014	180
Alain Michelot Nuits-St-Georges 1er Cru “Les Saint-Georges” 2013	210
Alain Michelot Nuits-St-Georges 1er Cru “Les Saint-Georges” 2017	178
J.F. Mugnier Nuits-St-Georges 1er Cru “Clos de la Maréchale” 2021	316

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HILL OF CORTON

Edmond Cornu Ladoix “Vieilles Vignes” 2018	100
Domaine Chandon de Briailles Pernand-Vergelesses 1er Cru “Île de Vergelesses” 2019	140
Comte Senard Corton Grand Cru “Bressandes” 2010	265
Pierre Guillemot Corton Grand Cru “Le Rognet et Corton” 2018	228
Maison Harbour Corton Grand Cru 2015	320
Maison Harbour Corton Grand Cru 2021	295
Maison Harbour Corton Grand Cru 2022	346
Charles Van Canneyt Corton Grand Cru “Les Chaumes” 2020	365

SAVIGNY-LÈS-BEAUNE

Robert Ampeau Savigny-lès-Beaune 1er Cru “Lavieres” 1999	195
Simon Bize Savigny-lès-Beaune 2020	108
Simon Bize Savigny-lès-Beaune 1er Cru “Aux Vergelesses” 2017	260
Simon Bize Savigny-lès-Beaune 1er Cru “Aux Vergelesses” 2022	246
Bruno Clair Savigny-lès-Beaune 1er Cru “La Dominode” 2017	215
Bruno Clair Savigny-lès-Beaune 1er Cru “La Dominode” 2019	215
Bruno Clair Savigny-lès-Beaune 1er Cru “La Dominode” 2022	250
Maison Harbour Savigny-lès-Beaune 1er Cru “La Dominode” 2021	140
Maison Harbour Savigny-lès-Beaune 1er Cru “La Dominode” 2022	150
Pierre Guillemot Savigny-lès-Beaune “Les Grands Picotins” 2022	106
Pierre Guillemot Savigny-lès-Beaune 1er Cru “Aux Serpentières” 2022	148
Pierre Guillemot Savigny-lès-Beaune 1er Cru “Les Narbantons” 2022	148
Jean-Jacques Girard Savigny-lès-Beaune 2022	66
Pavelot Savigny-lès-Beaune 1er Cru “La Dominode” 2005	220
Pavelot Savigny-lès-Beaune 1er Cru “La Dominode” 2017	114
Pavelot Savigny-lès-Beaune 1er Cru “La Dominode” 2020	138

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Bouchard Beaune 1er Cru Greves "Vigne de L'Enfant Jesus" 2016	198
Bouchard Beaune 1er Cru Greves "Vigne de L'Enfant Jesus" 2019	175
Domaine des Croix Beaune 2019	114
Jadot Beaune 1er Cru "Clos des Ursules" (magnum) 2010	465

POMMARD

Louis Boillot Pommard 1er Cru "Les Fremiers" 2016	200
Comte Armand Pommard 1er Cru "Clos des Epeneaux" 2013	346
Michel Gaunoux Pommard 1er Cru "Les Grands Epenots" 2005	275
Aleth Girardin Pommard 1er Cru "Les Rugiens-Bas" 2007	242
Aleth Girardin Pommard 1er Cru "Les Rugiens-Bas" 2011	233
Maison Harbour Pommard 1er Cru "Les Chanlins" (magnum) 2013	575

VOLNAY

J.M. Boillot Volnay 2014	190
Jean-Michel Gaunoux Volnay 1er Cru "Clos des Chenes" 1993	285
Comtes Lafon Volnay 2005	990
Benjamin Leroux Volnay 1er Cru "Clos de la Cave des Ducs" 2018	224
Benjamin Leroux Volnay 1er Cru "Les Mitans" 2018	228
Pontinet-Ampeau Volnay 1er Cru "Clos des Chenes" 2005	180
Nicolas Rossignol Volnay 2020	142

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Domaine Michel Lafarge

The late Michel Lafarge was a legend among both wine lovers and his fellow winemakers in Burgundy. During his lifetime, he experienced over 70 vintages in his home village of Volnay and made soulful wines full of character in the great vintages as well as the challenging ones. Michel's quiet confidence and humble attitude meant that the wines were sometimes overlooked in the past, despite the high quality. All that has changed today and Domaine Lafarge is now one of the most sought after producers in Burgundy. Michel's son, Frédéric, and his granddaughter, Clothilde, are now faithfully continuing his legacy and show no signs of slowing down.

Michel Lafarge Bourgogne Passetoutgrain "Anthologie" (magnum) 2020	186
Michel Lafarge Bourgogne Passetoutgrain "Anthologie" (magnum) 2022	168
Michel Lafarge Bourgogne Passetoutgrain "L'Exception" 2022	70
Michel Lafarge Bourgogne Rouge 2022	122
Michel Lafarge Côte de Beaune Villages 2018	184
Michel Lafarge Beaune 1er Cru "Clos des Aigrots" 2022	280
Michel Lafarge Volnay 2007	330
Michel Lafarge Volnay 2013	220
Michel Lafarge Volnay 2016	230
Michel Lafarge Volnay 2021	190
Michel Lafarge Volnay 2022	198
Michel Lafarge Volnay "Vendanges Sélectionnées" 2022	240
Michel Lafarge Volnay 1er Cru "Les Pitures" (1.5L) 2018	750
Michel Lafarge Volnay 1er Cru "Les Mitans" 2017	380
Michel Lafarge Volnay 1er Cru "Les Mitans" 2022	340
Michel Lafarge Volnay 1er Cru "Clos des Chênes" 1998	915
Michel Lafarge Volnay 1er Cru "Clos des Chênes" 2022	474
Michel Lafarge Volnay 1er Cru "Clos des Ducs" 2017	590
Michel Lafarge Volnay 1er Cru "Clos du Château des Ducs" 2022	550

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MONTHÉLIE

Pierre Morey Monthélie 2014	96
Charles Van Canneyt Monthélie 2020	126

AUXEY-DURESSES

Chistophe Buisson Auxey-Duresses 2016	96
Taupenot-Merme Auxey-Duresses 2020	90

SAINT-AUBIN

Henri Prudhon & Fils Saint-Aubin 1er Cru “Les Frionnes” 2020	98
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CHASSAGNE-MONTRACHET

Henri Prudhon & Fils Chassagne-Montrachet “Les Chambres” 2020	112
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SANTENAY

Jacques Girardin Santenay 1er Cru “Clos Rousseau” (magnum) 2020	260
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MARANGES

Domaine Regnaudot Maranges 2021	68
Domaine Regnaudot Maranges 1er Cru "La Fussière" 2020	78
Domaine Regnaudot Maranges 1er Cru "La Fussière" 2021	74

COTE CHALONNAISE

Vincent & Jean-Pierre Charton Mercurey 2022	80
Masse Givry 1er Cru "La Brûlée" 2022	98

Jura

Parting with Burgundy is indeed sweet sorrow, but we have places to go and vineyards to discover. There are more wines in heaven and earth, Horatio, than just those in Burgundy, wonderful though they may be. Before going south to Lyon and the wines of Beaujolais, we're going to travel east across the Saône River for a quick visit to the intensely rural wine region of the Jura. Jura reds are made from Pinot Noir, Poulsard and Trousseau and are unique wines: crunchy red fruit, earthy and even a bit funky sometimes.

Domaine de l'Aigle à Deux Têtes "Les Clous" Poulsard 2013	134
Domaine des Carlines Côtes du Jura Poulsard 2021	60
Anne & Jean-François Ganevat Côtes du Jura Pinot Noir "En Billat" 2018	270
Anne & Jean-François Ganevat VdF "J'en Veux Encore" 2021	136
Jean-François Ganevat Côtes du Jura Trousseau "Plein Sud" 2016	280
Les Matheny Arbois Poulsard 2022	98
Domaine Rolet Arbois "Rouge Tradition" 2019	60
Domaine Rolet Arbois Trousseau (magnum) 1985	325
Domaine Rolet Arbois Poulsard "Vieilles Vignes" (magnum) 2002	275
Tissot Arbois "DD" 2020	70

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Beaujolais

Now we are free to continue our journey south along the Saône toward Beaujolais. Around the city of Mâcon, the soil abruptly changes from limestone, clay and sand to granite and granitic sands. Granite soils are to the Gamay grape what Abbey Road was to the Beatles. The grape can make okay wines in many places, but the granite of Beaujolais can propel Gamay to Revolver or Sgt. Pepper levels.

If your perception of Beaujolais is based on that industrial monstrosity known as Beaujolais Nouveau, then these bottles are going to blow your mind. Real Beaujolais is nothing like the bubblegum and banana flavored alcohol water that the worst examples of Nouveau have become. True Beaujolais shows similarities to Burgundy and when produced in one of the ten Cru villages, the wines are worthy rivals of some of the best of the Cote d'Or.

Stephane Aviron Chenas “Vieilles Vignes” 2013	42
Yann Bertrand Fleurie “Cuvée du Chaos” 2022	98
Yann Bertrand Fleurie “Mon Petit Chéri” 2023	86
Yann Bertrand Fleurie “Vieilles Vignes” 2020	94
Yann Bertrand Fleurie “Chaos Supreme Olivia” 2020	94
Yann Bertrand Morgon “Dynamite” 2022	98
Yann Bertrand Saint Amour “Les Bambins” 2023	86
Sebastien Besson Chenas 2021	66
Sebastien Besson Juliéas 2020	66
Guy Breton Chiroubles “Cuvée Lea” 2023	80
Guy Breton Côte de Brouilly 2023	82
Guy Breton Morgon 2023	84
Guy Breton Morgon “P’tit Max” 2022	110
Guy Breton Régnié 2023	72
Mélanie et Daniel Bouland Morgon “Corcelette Cailloux” 2022	90
Joseph Chamonard Fleurie “La Madone” 2022	86
Joseph Chamonard Morgon 2015	110
Joseph Chamonard Morgon 2020	78
Chignard Fleurie “Les Moriers” 2010	150
Chignard Juliéas “Beauvernay” 2012	110
Bonnett Cotton Brouilly 2022	80
Bonnett Cotton Côte de Brouilly 2022	90
Marc Delienne Fleurie “Avalanche de Printemps” 2021	88
Diochon Moulin-à-Vent 2013	132
Rémi Dufaitre Beaujolais Villages “Prémices” 2023	50
Rémi Dufaitre Beaujolais Villages “Super Remi” 2021	48
Dupeuble Beaujolais Villages 2023	44

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Jean Foillard Beaujolais-Villages 2019	50
Jean Foillard Beaujolais-Villages 2022	50
Domaine de la Grand’Cour Brouilly “Vieilles Vignes” 2022	76
Domaine de la Grand’Cour Fleurie “Clos de la Grand’Cour” 2022	76
Harel Beaujolais “Charron” 2020	66
Harel Beaujolais “Charron” 2021	58
Lafarge Vial Chiroubles 2016	82
Lafarge Vial Chiroubles 2017	88
Lafarge Vial Côte de Brouilly 2017	88
Lafarge Vial Fleurie “Clos Vernay” 2016	90
Lafarge Vial Fleurie “Clos Vernay” 2017	100
Lafarge Vial Fleurie “Joie du Palais” 2016	108
Marcel Lapierre “Le Beaujolais” 2023	74
Marcel Lapierre VDF “Raisins Gaulois” 2022	42
Charly Thévenet Régnier “Grain & Granit” 2013	105
Jean-Paul et Charly Thévenet Morgon “VV” 2023	86
Jean-Paul et Charly Thévenet Régnier “Grain & Granit” 2023	78
Chateau Thivin Côte de Brouilly “Cuvee Zachary” 2019	100
Domaine Valma Fleurie “Prelude Face B” 2021	90
Domaine de Vernus Moulin-à-Vent “Les Verillats” 2020	126
Domaine de la Voûte des Crozes (Nicole Chanrion) Côte-de-Brouilly 2013	118
Domaine de la Voûte des Crozes (Nicole Chanrion) Côte-de-Brouilly 2023	60

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Beaujolais

Winemakers in Beaujolais are well known for their love of a good party. Friends, family and visitors are often treated to hospitality that lasts well into the wee hours and is fueled by large quantities of Beaujolais wine. It's in that spirit that we've put together a collection of magnums for you to enjoy with your friends and families and maybe even a stranger or two.

Yann Bertrand Morgon “Dynamite” (magnum) 2020	210
Yann Bertrand Fleurie “Chaos Supreme Olivia” (magnum) 2020	220
Yann Bertrand Fleurie “Cuvée du Chaos” (magnum) 2022	184
Guy Breton Régnié (magnum) 2021	158
Guy Breton Côte de Brouilly (magnum) 2021	168
Jean Foillard Morgon “Cote du Py” (magnum) 2019	205
Marcel Lapierre “Le Beaujolais” (magnum) 2022	130
Domaine Valma Fleurie “Prelude” (magnum) 2021	140
Domaine Valma Fleurie “Prelude Face B” (magnum) 2021	170
Domaine de Vernus Morgon (magnum) 2020	150
Domaine de Vernus Moulin-à-Vent “Les Verillats” (magnum) 2020	278
Domaine de la Voûte des Crozes (Nicole Chanrion) Côte-de-Brouilly 2021	205

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Rhône Valley

Beaujolais, gone but not forgotten as we head south to the gluttony capital of France, Lyon, and meet up with the Rhone River. After leaving lake Geneva, the Rhône heads west to Lyon before turning abruptly south towards the Mediterranean. The Rhône Valley wine region is massive and is divided into the steep hillside vineyards of the north and the flat alluvial plain of the south.

Northern Rhône

The Northern Rhône Valley is tiny in comparison to the southern valley and the vineyards are predominately on steep granite cliffs that are often terraced. Syrah is the only red grape allowed in Northern Rhone wines which tells you how well suited the grape is to these meager soils.

Julien Cecillon VdF Syrah “Les Gravieres” (magnum) 2023	110
Louis Cheze VdF Syrah “Syrahvissante” 2023	74
Vincent Paris VdF Syrah 2019	32
Matthieu Barret Côtes-du-Rhône “Petit Ours” 2022	54
Mattieu Barret Ardèche IGP “Black Flag” 2021	62
Georges Vernay Côtes-du-Rhône “Sainte-Agathe” 2013	72
Georges Vernay Côtes-du-Rhône “Sainte-Agathe” 2014	60
Georges Vernay Côtes-du-Rhône “Sainte-Agathe” 2016	68

CÔTE-RÔTIE

Louis Cheze Côte-Rôtie “Bellissima” 2022	174
Jasmin Côte-Rôtie “Giroflarie” 2018	117
Julien Pilon Côte-Rôtie “La Porchette” 2017	152
Saint Cosme Côte-Rôtie 2019	168
Georges Vernay Côte-Rôtie “Blonde du Seigneur” 2010	290

SAINT-JOSEPH

Julien Cecillon Saint-Joseph “Babylone” 2022	88
Domaine Jean-Louis Chave Saint-Joseph “Clos Florentin” 2022	300
Pierre Gonon Saint-Joseph (magnum) 2011	765
Alain Graillot Saint-Joseph 2020	86
Vincent Paris Saint-Joseph “Les Cotes” 2019	54
Hervé Souhaut Saint-Joseph “Clos des Cessieux” 2021	116

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CROZES-HERMITAGE

Domaine Aléofane Crozes-Hermitage 2022	90
Matthieu Barret Crozes-Hermitage "La Banniere" 2020	72
Julien Cecillon Crozes-Hermitage "Marguerites" 2022	104
Alain Graillot Crozes-Hermitage 2019	76
Alain Graillot Crozes-Hermitage 2020	82
Alain Graillot Crozes-Hermitage "La Guiraudé" 2018	116
Alain Graillot Crozes-Hermitage "La Guiraudé" 2019	120

The hill of Hermitage is one of the most iconic landforms of the wine world. This imposing chunk of granite juts out into the Rhone River and changes its course in a not so subtle show of geological force. Hermitage produces the most well known and arguably the best Syrah wines in existence. Popular legend says that the name "Hermitage" comes from a refuge that was built on top of the hill in the 13th century by Gaspard de Sterimberg, a knight wounded in the Crusades, as a place to recover. Apparently ole Gaspy decided never to leave the hillside retreat and became a hermit, hence the name.

HERMITAGE

Louis Barruol Hermitage "La Pierrelle" 2018	174
Bernard Faurie Hermitage 2001	430
J.L. Chave Selection Hermitage "Farconnet" 2020	138
Domaine Jean-Louis Chave L'Hermitage 2021	595
Domaine Jean-Louis Chave L'Hermitage (magnum) 2021	1100
Domaine Jean-Louis Chave L'Hermitage 2022	620
Alain Graillot Hermitage 2020	262

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CORNAS

NEE

Alain Verset Cornas 2010	200
Mikhael Bourg Cornas "P'tits Bouts" 2018	180
Julien Cecillon Cornas "Saint Pierre" 2022	176
Cuchet-Beliando Cornas 2014	265
Domaine Courbis Cornas "Champelrose" 2018	90
Domaine Courbis Cornas "Eygats" 2019	150
Vincent Paris Cornas "Granit 60" 2019	102
Vincent Paris Cornas "La Geynale" 2019	130

BRÉZÈME

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Domaine de Pergaud (Eric Texier) Brézème "Vieille Serine" 2016	79
Eric Texier Brézème 2019	58

Southern Rhône

At Montélimar, the narrow granite valleys give way to a broad plain that has seen the Rhone meander across its surface for thousands of years, leaving deposits of sand, clay, and pebbles. Glacial formation and retreat during the last ice age has left much larger rounded stones known as galets. Syrah also gives way to Grenache, which is blended with Syrah, Mourvedre, Cinsault or Carignan for most of the area's red wines.

Domaine de La Biscarelle "Le Grand Saint-Paul" VdF 2020	68
J.L. Chave Selection "Mon Coeur" Côtes-du-Rhône 2022	44
Domaine Gravennes Côtes-du-Rhône 2020	32
Domaine de la Jaufrette Côtes-du-Rhône 2021	60
Domaine La Manarine Côtes-du-Rhône 2020	34
Château Pesquié "Artemia" Ventoux 2020	76
Domaine Roche-Audran "César" Côtes-du-Rhône 2019	78

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GIGONDAS

Domaine de Font-Sane Gigondas "Tradition" 2021	60
Les Pallieres Gigondas "Terrasse du Diable" 2020	90

VACQUERIAS

Domaine de la Jaufrette Vacqueryas 2012	80
Edmond Latour Vacqueryas 2022	48

Chateauneuf-du-Pape, "The New House of the Pope", is home to more than the summer residence of a few antipopes. Dante put Clement V in his eighth circle for moving the papacy to Avignon, but we're a bit more lenient. After all, their presence was likely the genesis of the luscious Grenache based wines made in Chateauneuf today, which, in our opinion, deserves much better treatment than an eternity in a Hieronymus Bosch scene.

CHATEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE

Domaine du Banneret Châteauneuf-du-Pape 2020	128
Domaine de Beaurenard "Gran Partita" Châteauneuf-du-Pape 2015	256
Domaine de la Biscarelle "Les Anglaises" Châteauneuf-du-Pape 2019	120
Lucien et André Brunel "Les Cailloux" Châteauneuf-du-Pape 2009	178
Domaine du Caillou "Les Quartz" Châteauneuf-du-Pape 2001	220
Chapelle St. Theodoric "Le Grand Pin" Châteauneuf-du-Pape 2021	182
Domaine Charvin Châteauneuf-du-Pape 1995	306
Domaine Charvin Châteauneuf-du-Pape 2001	255
Domaine Charvin Châteauneuf-du-Pape 2006	218
Domaine Charvin Châteauneuf-du-Pape 2007	290
Domaine Charvin Châteauneuf-du-Pape (magnum) 2009	410
Domaine la Consonniere Châteauneuf-du-Pape 2012	80
Le Vieux Donjon Châteauneuf-du-Pape 2021	136

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CHATEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE cont.

La Font du Loup “Legend” Châteauneuf-du-Pape 2022	176
Domaine Olivier Hillaire “Les Petits Pieds d’Armand” Châteauneuf-du-Pape 2013	180
Domaine de la Jaufrette Châteauneuf-du-Pape 2012	114
Domaine de Lavieille Julienne Châteauneuf-du-Pape “VV” 2000	290
Château La Nerthe Châteauneuf-du-Pape (magnum) 2019	230
Clos Du Mont-Olivet “La Cuvée du Papet” Châteauneuf-du-Pape 2004	196
Clos Du Mont-Olivet “La Cuvée du Papet” Châteauneuf-du-Pape 2005	224
Clos Du Mont-Olivet Châteauneuf-du-Pape 2007	210
Clos Du Mont-Olivet “La Cuvée du Papet” Châteauneuf-du-Pape 2015	324
Clos des Papes Châteauneuf-du-Pape 2008	290
Domaine du Pegau “Cuvée Réserve” Châteauneuf-du-Pape 1995	340
Domaine Saint Préfert Châteauneuf-du-Pape 2010	188
Domaine Saint Préfert “Réserve Auguste Favier” Châteauneuf-du-Pape 2007	233
Domaine de Villeneuve “Les Vieilles Vignes” Châteauneuf-du-Pape 2014	154

France

We've now reached the mouth of the Rhone and the vastness that is southern France. Grenache and friends dominate the red wines of the various regions, but there are many unique varieties and vineyards that make the area between Italy and the Pyrenees Mountains akin to the wild west when it comes to wine.

Languedoc/ Roussillon

Leon Barral Faugeres 2018	74
Clos Del Rey Côtes Catalanes "L'Aragone" 2022	78
Clos Del Rey Côtes Catalanes "L'Episcata" 2021	78
Danjou-Banessy Côtes Catalanes "La Truffière" 2022	84
Mas de Daumas Gassac 2021	116
Domaine Gauby Côtes Catalanes "Muntada" 2015	202
Domaine de Montcalmès Terrasses du Larzac 2019	110
Res Fortes "Brave" 2017	168

Provence

Domaine de Terrebrune Bandol 2014	102
Domaine du Gros' Noré Bandol (magnum) 2017	208
Domaine du Gros' Noré Bandol 2018	98
Domaine Hauvette Baux de Provence "Cornaline" 2016	102
Domaine Tempier Bandol "Lulu & Lucien" 2022	126
Domaine de Trévallon Alpilles IGP 2012	320
Domaine de Trévallon Alpilles IGP 2021	196
Chateau Vannieres Bandol 1998	252
Chateau Vannieres Bandol 2005	210

Southwest

Domaine Labastidum "Giose" Fronton Cabernet Sauvignon/Negrette - 2020	60
Domaine Labranche Laffont "Vieilles Vignes" Tannat - 2018	74
Clos Siguier Cahors Malbec - 2019	40



Piemonte

We say au revoir to France and head over the Alps into Northern Italy and prepare ourselves for a marathon of some of the world's greatest, and most distinctive, red wines. Some areas in Italy have been making high quality red wines for a century or more, but it wasn't until the '60s and '70s that most wine producing regions began to focus on high quality wines. This revolution was led by personalities such as Luigi Veronelli, who stressed to producers that great wine starts with the vineyard and respecting the grapes and soil is the key to quality. Now Italy's red wines take a back seat to no one, but don't take our word for it. Pull a cork and find out for yourself!

First stop on our Italian adventure is Piemonte, because we are too impulsive to save the best for last. The Nebbiolo grape, when planted in the rolling hills of limestone and clay that define Piemonte's most famous villages, Barolo and Barbaresco, is capable of producing spectacular wines that make us wonder why we would ever drink anything else. Piemonte and its capital, Turin, have been closely associated with France throughout history, even being ruled by Napoleon for a spell in the 19th century after the battle of Marengo (which spawned a famous chicken recipe). This close association is responsible for the Piemontese adopting French winemaking techniques much sooner and is also partly responsible for the trend of bottling single vineyards in Barolo and Barbaresco.

LANGHE NEBBIOLO

Sori della Sorba Langhe Nebbiolo 2021	124
Sori della Sorba Langhe Nebbiolo (magnum) 2021	268
Trediberri Langhe Nebbiolo 2022	58
Trediberri Langhe Nebbiolo 2023	52

BARBARESCO

Olek Bondonio "Roncaglette" 2021	140
Cascina Delle Rose "Tre Stelle" 2018	110
Cascina Luisin "Paolin" 2016	135
Cascina Luisin "Rabaja" 2015	150
La Ca'Nova "Montestefano" 2016	130
Franco Fiorina 1958	375
Lodali "Rocche dei 7 Fratelli" 2020	122
Luigi Giordano "Cavanna" 2020	75
Marchesi di Gresy "Gaiun Martinenga" 1995	480
Poderi Colla "Bussia Dardi Le Rose" 2013	169

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BARBARESCO cont.

Produttori del Barbaresco "Asili" Riserva 1985	850
Produttori del Barbaresco 1970	290
Produttori del Barbaresco 1988	380
Produttori del Barbaresco 2002	240
Produttori del Barbaresco 2020	98
Produttori del Barbaresco (magnum) 2017	194
Produttori del Barbaresco "Vendemmia" 1996	290
Produttori del Barbaresco "Vendemmia" 1999	276
Produttori del Barbaresco "Vendemmia" 2001	264
Francesco Rinaldi 1967	530
Scarpa "Tetti di Neive" 1978	390
La Spinona "Bricco Faset" 1985	322
La Spinona "Bricco Faset" 1989	358
La Spinona "Bricco Faset" 2015	144
La Spinona "Bricco Faset" Riserva 2012	198
La Spinona "Bricco Faset" Riserva 2013	186
Vacca "Gaia Principe" 2019	88
Vietti "Masseria" 2000	268

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BAROLO

Elio Altare "Arborina" 2018	186
Burlotto "Monvigliero" 1985	2400
Brezza 1982	340
Brezza Riserva "Sarmassa" 1985	380
Brezza "Sarmassa" 2017	220
Brezza "Sarmassa" 2019	188
Luigi Baudana "Ceretta" 2018	180
Luigi Baudana "Baudana" 2018	184
Piero Benevelli "Ravera di Monforte" 2019	158
Giacomo Borgogno Riserva 1958	600
Giacomo Borgogno Riserva 1961	430
Giacomo Borgogno Riserva 1964	495
Ca'Brusa "Bricco San Pietro Vigna D'Vai" Riserva 2012	140
Cavallotto "Bricco Boschis" 1996	450
Cavallotto "Bricco Boschis" 2018	188
Cavallotto "Vigna San Giuseppe" Riserva 2004	530
Cavallotto "Vignolo" Riserva 2015	260
Paulo Cordero di Montezemolo "Monfalletto" 1971	480
Paulo Cordero di Montezemolo "Monfalletto" 1990	500
Luigi Einaudi "Bussia" 2016	206
Luigi Einaudi "Terlo" 2012	102
A&G Fantino "Bussia Cascina Dardi" 2014	110
A&G Fantino "Vigna dei Dardi" 1998	288

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BAROLO cont.

Giacomo Fenocchio 2021	114
Giacomo Fenocchio "Castellero" 2017	150
Giacomo Fenocchio "Cannubi" 2018	186
Giacomo Fenocchio "Villero" 2013	230
Cascina Fontana 2015	124
Fontanafredda "Lazzarito" 1999	460
Fontanafredda Riserva 2010	380
Bruno Giacosa 2017	400
Elio Grasso Barolo "Gavarini Chiniera" 2020	178
Elio Grasso Barolo "Ginestra Casa Mate" (magnum) 2020	390
Giovanni Manzone "Gramolere" 2017	135
Marcarini "Brunate" 1978	510
Cantina Massara "Massara" 2018	125
Marcarini "Brunate" 1964	480
Marchesi di Barolo 1955	390
Marchesi di Barolo 1961	315
Bartolo Mascarello 1967	1700
Bartolo Mascarello 1971	2200
Bartolo Mascarello 2020	340
Giuseppe Mascarello & Figlio Monprivato Barolo 2006	640
Giulia Negri "Serradenari" 2017	155
Oddero 1961	450
Luigi Pira "Margheria" 2017	105
Ferdinando Principiano "Boscareto" 2019	240
Ferdinando Principiano "Di Serralunga d'Alba" 2020	114

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BAROLO cont.

Renato Ratti "Marcenasco" 1998	376
Francesco Rinaldi 1967	426
Francesco Rinaldi 1974	450
Roccheviberti "Rocche di Castiglione" 2018	174
Roccheviberti "Vecchie Viti" 2019	118
Terre del Barolo Riserva 1978	202
Trediberri "Berri" 2020	98
Trediberri "La Morra" 2018	105
G.D. Vajra "Bricco Delle Viole" 2017	170
Voerzio Martini Barolo 2019	128



Piemonte

The other red grapes of Piemonte were historically the peasant wines of the region, with Nebbiolo being reserved for the nobility and merchant class. Things have changed dramatically since then for these once ignored grapes. Dolcetto, Barbera, Freisa and other peasant grapes are now being made with the same TLC as Nebbiolo and the results are fantastic wines of character that most people have never heard of. So go ahead and drink like a peasant, but let's keep it our little secret for now.

ALTO PIEMONTE

Massimo Clerico Lessona Riserva 2012	102
Nervi Gattinara 1955	410
Nervi Gattinara 1964	380
Antonio Vallana Spanna di Traversagna 1955	440

OTHER PIEMONTE

Giacomo Borgogno Barbera d'Alba 2021	54
Massolino Barbera d'Alba 2022	60
Albino Rocca "Gepin" Barbera d'Alba Superiore 2021	68
La Spinona "Vigna Qualin" Barbera d'Alba Superiore 2005	78
Vigneti Massa Colli Tortonesi "Monleale" Barbera 2015	66
Bava Nizza "PianoAlto" 1999	254
Bava Nizza "PianoAlto" 2000	220
Mirafiore Dolcetto d'Alba 2020	48
Luigi Pira Dolcetto d'Alba 2020	40
San Fereolo Dogliani Superiore 2012	72
San Fereolo Dogliani Superiore 2015	90
Giacomo Fenocchio Langhe Freisa 2019	58
G.D Vajra Langhe Freisa "Kye" 2018	80
Tenuta Santa Caterina Grignolino d'Asti "Arlandino" 2020	44



Lombardia

Continuing east from the Alto Piemonte along the base of the Alps we cross over into the region of Lombardia. Although Milan is the capital, we are going to skip the industrial city in search of something rustic and closer to nature. Instead we head towards the beautiful Lake Como and then trek even deeper into the foothills of the Alps until we reach the Adda River Valley, home to the Valtellina wine region. Valtellina is known for very high altitude and very steep vineyards where the farmers toil on the grueling slopes for very low yields of delicate and floral Nebbiolo. Valtellina provides the perfect complement to the powerful Nebbiolo of Barolo/Barbaresco.

Dirupi Rosso di Valtellina “Olé!” 2023	64
Dirupi Valtellina Superiore Grumello “Vigna Gèss” 2018	126
Dirupi Valtellina Superiore Grumello “Vigna Gèss” 2021	142
Dirupi Valtellina Superiore Grumello Riserva “Vigna Dossi Salati” 2017	150
Dirupi Sforzato di Valtellina “Vino Sbagliato” 2022	220
Sandro Fay Rosso di Valtellina “Tei” 2020	38
Tenuta Scersce Rosso di Valtellina “Nettare” 2019	52
Tenuta Scersce Valtellina Superiore “Essenza” 2018	86
Tenuta Scersce Sforzato di Valtellina “Infinito” 2016	106
Bruno Verdi “Buttafuoco” Oltrepò Pavese DOC 2021	58

Trentino - Alto Adige

If you are up to it, we'll continue our mountainous excursion east and into the region of Trentino-Alto Adige. This is another region known for fresh varietal wines made from both international and indigenous varieties. Look here for a great patio red.

Andriano “Bocado” Schiava 2022	56
Kurtatsch “Vernatsch Alte Reben Sonntaler” Schiava 2020	62
Elena Walch Schiava 2023	50
Foradori Teroldego Dolomiti IGT 2022	60
Foradori “Sgarzon Cilindrica” Teroldego 2020	110



Friuli

Gravner “Rosso Breg” Pignolo 2007	330
Edi Kante IGT Venezia Giulia Terrano 2019	98
Vigna del Malina IGT Venezia Giulia Refosco dal Peduncolo Rosso 2009	54

Veneto

The Adige River is not exactly navigable, so we'll have to drive alongside as we leave Bolzano and head south to Verona, in the region of the Veneto. We are now in the former kingdom of Venice and the capital city is still the center of gravity for all of northeastern Italy. The distinctive red wines of Veneto are blends based predominately on the Corvina grape and many are made from grapes dried for months in ventilated lofts called fruttai. Veneto reds are rich and sensuous wines that closely mimic the feel of jumping naked into a pool of liquid velvet, and we all know exactly what that's like.

Allegrini Amarone della Valpolicella Classico 1993	390
Allegrini Amarone della Valpolicella Classico 1996	420
Bertani Amarone della Valpolicella Classico 2008	260
Bertani Amarone della Valpolicella Classico 2009	248
Bertani Amarone della Valpolicella Classico 2011	248
Bertani Amarone della Valpolicella Classico 2012	240
Bertani Amarone della Valpolicella Classico 2013	240
Monte Dall’Ora Amarone Della Valpolicella Classico “Stropa” 2013	264
Quintarelli Vallpolicella Classico Superiore 2016	244
Quintarelli Veneto Rosso IGT “Ca’del Merlo” 2015	238
Le Ragoze Amarone della Valpolicella Classico 2018	98
Speri Amarone della Valpolicella Classico “Sant’Urbano” 2017	260
Tinazzi Amarone della Valpolicella 2018	84



Tuscany

Central Italy is beckoning and we must heed the call. From Verona, we'll head south towards the rolling hills of Tuscany. Obviously, we'll stop in Bologna along the way for a hearty meal and a pile of Prosciutto di Parma, washed down with bottles of Lambrusco, as one does. Tuscany is where the continental climate gives way to Mediterranean and olive trees begin to heavily populate the landscape. Sangiovese is the most widely planted grape in Italy, but it's only in Tuscany where it achieves superstar status. Tuscany is a great place to get out of your comfort zone. Try a Chianti if you are a Burgundy drinker or a Brunello if you normally swig on Bordeaux or a Supertuscan if your thing is a big Napa Cab.

Historically, the cities of Florence and Sienna have skirmished over one of the most recognizable regions in wine: Chianti. That seems like a pretty good reason to open a bottle to see what all the fighting was about. This historical area is now known as Chianti Classico and is where most, but not all, of the best examples are made. Forget those 1980s straw covered flasks, these Chiantis are the real deal.

CHIANTI

Monte Bernardi Chianti Classico Riserva "Sa'Etta" 2019	98
Castello Di Ama Chianti Classico 1990	290
Casello Dei Rampolla Chianti Classico Riserva 1998	240
Castellina Chianti Classico "L'Aura" 2022	58
Felsina Chianti Classico Riserva "Rancia" 2019	125
Felsina Chianti Classico Gran Selezione "Colonia" 2018	270
Fontodi Chianti Classico Gran Selezione "Vigna del Sorbo" 2013	210
Isole e Olena Chianti Classico 2020	56
Istine Chianti Classico "Vigna Istine" 2019	110
Monsanto Chianti Classico "Il Poggio" Gran Selezione 2017	180
Ormanni Chianti Classico 2022	40
Ormanni Chianti Classico Riserva "Borro dei Diavolo" 2019	62
Ormanni Chianti Classico Gran Selezione "Etichetta Storica" 2011	86
Volpaia Chianti Classico Gran Selezione "Coltassala" 2017	152
Selvapiana Chianti Rufina Riserva "Bucerchiale" 2019	68

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Tuscany

Brunello di Montalcino is believed by many to be the highest expression of the Sangiovese grape. The wine was created pretty much single handedly by the producer Biondi-Santi in the 1880s. Big, bold and spicy Sangiovese from the hills of Montalcino.

MONTALCINO

Capanna Rosso di Montalcino 2019	64
Ciacci Piccolomini d'Aragona Rosso di Montalcino 2022	58
Lisini Rosso di Montalcino 2019	74
Mastrojanni Rosso di Montalcino 2022	70
Altesino Brunello di Montalcino "Montosoli" 2017	260
Col D'Orcia Brunello di Montalcino 1978	420
Col D'Orcia Brunello di Montalcino 2019	114
Col D'Orcia Brunello di Montalcino Riserva "Poggio Al Vento" 1985	850
Col D'Orcia Brunello di Montalcino Riserva "Poggio Al Vento" 1995	740
Col D'Orcia Brunello di Montalcino Riserva "Poggio Al Vento" 2016	300
Fattoria dei Barbi Brunello di Montalcino 1969	384
Fattoria dei Barbi Brunello di Montalcino 1975	420
Fattoria dei Barbi Brunello di Montalcino Riserva 2012	234
Bondi-Santi Brunello di Montalcino 1975	1450
Bondi-Santi Brunello di Montalcino 1999	925
Bondi-Santi Brunello di Montalcino 2017	468
Bondi-Santi Brunello di Montalcino Riserva 1997	1700
Bondi-Santi Brunello di Montalcino Riserva 2016	1200
Ciacci Piccolomini d'Aragona Brunello di Montalcino 2012	152
Donatella Cinelli Colombini Brunello di Montalcino 2018	130
Lisini Brunello di Montalcino 1997	280
Le Macioche Brunello di Montalcino 2010	210

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MONTALCINO cont.

Il Poggione Brunello di Montalcino 1970	410
Il Poggione Brunello di Montalcino "Paganelli" Riserva 2004	940
Le Potazzine Brunello di Montalcino 2018	220
Le Potazzine Brunello di Montalcino Riserva 2015	585
Pieve Santa Restituta (Gaja) Brunello di Montalcino 2014	170
Pieve Santa Restituta (Gaja) Brunello di Montalcino "Sugarille" 1996	350
Le Ragnaie Brunello di Montalcino "Ragnaie V.V." 2018	318
Salicutti Brunello di Montalcino Riserva 2013	330
Salicutti Brunello di Montalcino "Teatro" 2016	360
Salvioni Brunello di Montalcino 2006	870
Salvioni Brunello di Montalcino 1994	890
San Polino Brunello di Montalcino 2018	140
San Polino Brunello di Montalcino "Helichrysum" 2012	198
San Polino Brunello di Montalcino "Helichrysum" 2013	184
San Polino Brunello di Montalcino "Helichrysum" 2014	170
San Polino Brunello di Montalcino Riserva 2006	365
San Polino Brunello di Montalcino Riserva 2016	210
Sasso di Sole Brunello di Montalcino 2018	82
Sasso di Sole Brunello di Montalcino Riserva 2016	182
Sesti Brunello di Montalcino 2016	195
Stella di Campalto Brunello di Montalcino "Bosco" 2018	680
Talenti Brunello di Montalcino 1982	390

Italy

Tuscany

If Montalcino and Chianti Classico are the Groucho and Chico of Sangiovese, then certainly Montepulciano makes a compelling case as Harpo. As the silent brother, you don't hear much about Vino Nobile di Montalcino, but there great wines being made here from Sangiovese and many producers are working to revive the historical reputation of this "noble wine".

MONTEPULCIANO

Boscarelli Vino Nobile di Montepulciano Riserva "Sotto Casa" 2017	68
Boscarelli Vino Nobile di Montepulciano Riserva "Costa Grande" 2017	152
Salcheto Vino Nobile di Montepulciano "Salco" 2013	126



Tuscany

What is a Super Tuscan? That's a great question and we wish we could give you a straight answer. Bordeaux blend? Sure. Sangiovese? Maybe. Single varietal? Could be. As Stewart Potter famously said: "I know it when I see it", and we tend to agree. Sometimes Super Tuscans are wines that break the rules and can't be labeled as Chianti Classico. Sometimes Super Tuscans are like your Gen X dad who thinks he is breaking the rules, but doesn't realize that the rules changed long ago. This category is very diverse, but all of the wines show a certain Tuscan style, regardless of grape variety or vineyard location.

SUPER TUSCAN

Antinori "Tignanello" Cabernet Sauvignon, Sangiovese - 1991	920
Antinori "Tignanello" Cabernet Sauvignon, Sangiovese - 2020	310
Badia a Coltibuono "Sangiovese" Sangiovese - 2015	116
Bibi Graetz "Testamatta" Sangiovese - 2020	190
Ca'Marcanda "Magari" (Gaja) Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, Petit Verdot - 2021	180
Costanti "Ardingo" Merlot, Sangiovese - 2020	94
Felsina "Fontalloro" Sangiovese - 2019	140
Isole e Olena "Cepparello" Sangiovese - 1985	690
Isole e Olena "Cepparello" Sangiovese - 2019	295
Le Macchiole "Paleo" Cabernet Franc, Sangiovese, Cabernet Sauvignon - 1993	810
Le Macchiole "Paleo" Cabernet Franc - 2019	290
Le Macchiole "Scorio" Syrah - 2016	360
Montenidoli Colorino Colorino - 2020	66
Querciabella "Mongrana" Sangiovese, Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon - 2021	48
Querciabella "Camartina" Cabernet Sauvignon, Sangiovese - 2018	274
Sapaio Cabernet Sauvignon, Petit Verdot, Cabernet Franc - 2019	188
Michele Satta Bogheri Rosso Cabernet Sauvignon, Sangiovese, Merlot, Syrah - 2022	80
Sesti "Monteleccio" Sangiovese - 2021	70
Tenuta Sette Cielli "Scipio" Cabernet Franc - 2017	228
Terenzuola Vermentino Nero - 2023	46
Tenuta di Trinoro "Le Cupole" Cabernet Franc, Cabernet Sauv, Merlot, Petit Verdot - 2021	80
Tenuta di Trinoro "Campo di Magnacosta" Cabernet Franc - 2013	244



SUPER TUSCAN cont.

Tenuta San Guido "Sassicaia" Cabernet Franc, Cabernet Sauvignon - 1997	1200
San Giusto a Rentennano "Percarlo" Sangiovese - 1985	680
San Giusto a Rentennano "Percarlo" Sangiovese - 2005	490
Tenuta di Valgiano Sangiovese, Syrah, Merlot - 2015	194
Capezzana "Villa di Capezzana" Carmignano DOCG Sangiovese, Cabernet Sauvignon - 2011	126

Emilia-Romagna

Chiara Condello Sangiovese 2021	56
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Umbria

Arnaldo-Caprai Sagrantino di Montefalco 1995	390
Scacciadiavoli Sagrantino di Montefalco 2017	78

Abruzzo

Caprera "Le Vasche" Montepulciano d'Abruzzo 2021	70
Emidio Pepe Montepulciano d'Abruzzo 2022	240
Torre Dei Beati Montepulciano d'Abruzzo 2020	48

Molise

Catabbo Cantine "Tintilia in Anfora" 2019	82
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Italy

Puglia/ Campania

We still have half a boot to experience, so we must pull ourselves away from the beautiful Tuscan villas and head south to the hotter, drier and more sparsely populated southern regions of Italy. This area is not widely known for high quality wines, but some producers are knocking it out of the park with indigenous varieties that have adapted very remarkably to the climate. These are truly wines for the adventurer.

Antonio Mazzella “Per’e Palummo” Ischia DOC 2023	58
Mastroberardino Radici Riserva Taurasi DOCG 2006	250
Masca Del Tacco “Piano Chiuso” Primitivo Riserva 2019	78

Sicily

We’ve barely scratched the surface of what the peninsula has to offer in terms of wine, but, alas, time waits for no wine soaked explorer and it’s time to jump on over the Strait of Messina and to the island of Sicily. The high altitude vineyards on the side of the slopes of Mount Etna, an active volcano, offer some of the most distinctive wines of the island and the Nero d’Avola and Frappato grapes are the source of head turning wines in the cellars of Vittoria in the southwest of the island.

Calabretta “Vigne Vecchie” Nerello Mascalese 2015	88
COS Vittoria Rosso 2019	62
Cusumano “Noà” 2019	92
Passopisciaro “Contrada Porcaria” 2020	144
Passopisciaro “20 Anni” (magnum) 2019	400
Il Custodi “Aetneus” Etna Rosso (magnum) 2014	198

With that, we say ciao and set sail for Barcelona!

Spain

Catalunya

Barcelona may be our port of call, but we can't stay long, for we have a date with the utterly timeless wines of Rioja. First let's make a quick detour to the mountainous region of Priorat, Spain's answer to the Grenache based wines of Chateauneuf du Pape. The black slate and mica soils of Priorat give the wines otherworldly concentration, almost painfully so, but more Swedish massage than 50 Shades of Grey.

Cims de Porrera Priorat "Trosset" 2004	295
Cims de Porrera Priorat "Masos d'En Ferran" 2004	295
Cims de Porrera Priorat "Masos d'En Ferran" 2007	295
Cims de Porrera Priorat "Vi de Vila Porrera" 2019	64
Celler Piñol Terra Alta "Finca Morenillo" Tarragona 2016	186
Terroir Sense Fronteres Montsant "Vèrtebra de la Figuera" 2021	224

La Rioja

We meet up with the Ebro river at the edge of Catalonia and follow it inland until we reach Haro, the de facto capital of Rioja wine production. Rioja wine as we know it was essentially created by Bordeaux merchants at the end of the 1800s to compensate for the massive loss of vines in France due to a vicious little rascal endearingly known as *Phylloxera vastatrix* ("the devastator"). Made from a blend of Tempranillo, Garnacha (Grenache), Graciano and Mazuelo (Carignan) and traditionally aged in large American oak vats, Rioja has the ability to age and improve for decades.

Allende Rioja 2017	62
Bodegas Riojanas "Monte Real" Gran Reserva 1998	180
C.V.N.E. "Imperial" Gran Reserva 2011	150
Faustino I Gran Reserva 2001	435
Manzanos "Red Wine" (Rioja) 1961	275
Muga "Prado Enea" Gran Reserva 2015	202
La Rioja Alta "904" Gran Reserva 1985	475
La Rioja Alta "904" Gran Reserva 1994	400
La Rioja Alta "904" Gran Reserva 1997	360
La Rioja Alta "904" Gran Reserva 2015	200
Vinedos de Paganos "El Puntido" Gran Reserva 2007	124

Spain

La Rioja

López de Heredia

In Rioja there is López de Heredia and then there is everyone else. This ultra-traditional estate has hardly changed a thing in 150 years and today serves as an example of multigenerational excellence for family owned wineries around the world. Maria José López de Heredia is the fourth generation to run the estate and she energetically crafts the wines from the family's four vineyards with the same philosophy as her great-grandfather. LdH's Riojas are released after years of age in barrel and bottle and deliver a kaleidoscopic range of scents and flavors that will leave you in disbelief that a glass of wine could be capable of such complexity.



López de Heredia “Viña Cubillo” Crianza 2016	64
López de Heredia “Viña Cubillo” Crianza 2017	64
López de Heredia “Viña Bosconia” Reserva 2012	92
López de Heredia “Viña Bosconia” Reserva 2014	84
López de Heredia “Viña Tondonia” Reserva 1985	380
López de Heredia “Viña Tondonia” Reserva 1986	360
López de Heredia “Viña Tondonia” Reserva (magnum) 2004	485
López de Heredia “Viña Tondonia” Reserva 2006	250
López de Heredia “Viña Tondonia” Reserva (magnum) 2007	475
López de Heredia “Viña Tondonia” Reserva 2008	230
López de Heredia “Viña Tondonia” Reserva 2009	160
López de Heredia “Viña Tondonia” Reserva 2011	114
López de Heredia “Viña Tondonia” Reserva 2012	100

Spain

Castilla y León

As we venture west from La Rioja and over the Sierra de la Demanda, we find ourselves in the region Castilla y León. As one of the largest regions of Spain, it is home to many famous producers that are located in some of the more popular denominaciones de origen (DO's) like Toro and Rivera del Duero where Tempranillo reigns supreme. Aside from the rich history of wine making, this region is also known for its UNESCO World Heritage sites, museums, and castles. We don't recommend traveling here in the summers unless you enjoy the hot, dry, and dusty weather. However, we have brought the wines here so you may enjoy them year round.

Gran Tábula Ribera del Duero 2018	96
Peñafalcon Vendimia “Seleccionada” Ribera del Duero 2009	180
Pinea “17” Ribera del Duero 2020	118

Galicia

Albamar “Capitán Xurelo” 2021	76
Amandi “Capador” Ribeira Sacra 2019	54
La Perdida “O Poulo” 2022	82
La Perdida “O Trancado” 2022	70

Andalusia/ Canary Islands

Envinate “Migan” 2021	92
Envinate “La Santa de Úrsula” 2022	86

Portugal

Quinta Maria Izabel "Tinto Duro" Touriga Nacional 72
2015

Germany

Enderle & Moll "Basis" Pinot Noir 146
2013

Austria

Judith Beck "Judith" Blaufrankisch 100
2018
Schloss Gobelsburg Niederosterreich Zweigelt
"Schlosskellerei" 32
2019

Lebanon

Chateau Musar

Musar might be the greatest wine that you've never heard of. Everything about this producer and its wines is sui generis. For starters, it's located in Lebanon, a place not normally thought of for fine wine production. Secondly, there has never been a wine personality more inspiring or consequential than Serge Hochar. In the 60s Serge took over the estate that his father founded and brought it to global prominence through sheer force of will. Through trials and tribulations and even the devastating Lebanese Civil War, Serge remained devoted to making his unique blend of Cabernet, Cinsault and Carignan until his death in 2014. Each vintage tells a different story of Chateau Musar, and that diversity is what puts the wines, both red and white, in a class all their own.



Chateau Musar Bekaa Valley 1983	620
Chateau Musar Bekaa Valley 1997	356
Chateau Musar Bekaa Valley 1998	260
Chateau Musar Bekaa Valley 2000	280
Chateau Musar Bekaa Valley 2002	260
Chateau Musar Bekaa Valley 2004	220
Chateau Musar Bekaa Valley 2012	188
Chateau Musar Bekaa Valley 2016	168
Chateau Musar Bekaa Valley 2017	140

United States

California

Throw on a Springsteen record and get ready to party because we are back in the U.S.A. After everything we've been through together we think that we've earned your trust, so we're going to be honest with you about something. California wines used to be awesome back in the day, then they got kind of monotonous and boring for a while, and now they are back to being the bee's knees. New and exciting grapes, regions and styles abound and the old classics are still at the top of their game. It's an exciting time to drink Cali wine, from Diego to the Bay, as the good Dr. might put it.

Au Bon Climat Pinot Noir "Rincon & Rosemary's" Arroyo Grande Valley - 1999	176
Au Bon Climat Pinot Noir "Talley Vineyard" Arroyo Grande Valley - 2001	176
Au Bon Climat Pinot Noir "Runway Vineyard" Santa Maria Valley - 2020	110
BloodRoot Pinot Noir Sonoma - 2023	48
Dragonette Cellars Pinot Noir Santa Rita Hills - 2022	124
Dragonette Cellars Pinot Noir "Radian Vineyard" Santa Rita Hills - 2022	196
Rhys Pinot Noir "Alpine Vineyard" Santa Cruz Mountains - 2016	274
Rhys Pinot Noir "Horseshoe Vineyard" Santa Cruz Mountains - 2013	320
Rhys Pinot Noir "Horseshoe Vineyard" Santa Cruz Mountains - 2016	249
Truchard Pinot Noir Carneros, Napa Valley - 2023	60

Bedrock Wine Co.

Morgan Twain-Peterson was born into Zinfandel royalty. His father, Joel, founded Ravenswood Winery in the 1970s and was a pioneer in making high quality and age worthy Zinfandels from some of the oldest vineyards in the U.S. Morgan was steeped in winemaking from old vines from an early age and now produces wines from many of the ancient vineyards still remaining in California. Morgan and his partner, Chris Cottrell, have become protectors of these old vineyards, sometimes saving them from destruction due to their painfully low yields. The results are oh so good: deeply complex and fascinating wines produced from 100+ year old vines of mixed varieties that will tell you their story from the pop of the cork to the last drop in the glass.

Bedrock Wine Co. Zinfandel "Old Vine" Sonoma Valley - 2022	52	Bedrock Wine Co. "Pato Heritage" Sonoma Valley, Zin./Carignan/Mourv./etc. - 2013	85
Bedrock Wine Co. Syrah Sonoma Valley - 2022	60	Bedrock Wine Co. "Monte Rosso" Napa Valley, Zinfandel - 2013	215
Bedrock Wine Co. "Bedrock Heritage" Sonoma Valley, Zin./Carignan/Mourv./etc. - 2013	265	Bedrock Wine Co. Oakville "Farmhouse" Sonoma Valley, Zin./Pet. Sirah/Carignan/etc. - 2016	275
Bedrock Wine Co. "Papera Ranch Heritage" Russian River Valley, Zin./Carignan/etc. - 2015	122	Bedrock Wine Co. "Old Hill Ranch Heritage" Napa Valley, Zinfandel - 2018	120

United States California

Some of you have been riding along on this half-cocked wine adventure patiently waiting for the sun kissed and well structured goodness that is Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon. Well friends, your perseverance has been rewarded, because we have arrived at the pinnacle of pure Cabernet enjoyment tucked in between the Mayacamas and Vaca mountain ranges. Mountain Cabernet shows the more tannic side of the grape and grapes grown on the valley floor show a much softer persona. Don't limit yourself to Napa, however. Other areas of California are producing Cabernets that might entice you to stray from your first Cabernet love every now and then.

Arnot-Roberts Cabernet Sauvignon "Bugay Vineyard" Chalk Hill, Sonoma County - 2008	360
Arnot-Roberts Cabernet Sauvignon "Clajeux Vineyard" Sonoma County - 2010	340
Arnot-Roberts Cabernet Sauvignon "Fellom Ranch" Santa Cruz Mountains - 2019	238
Burgess Estate Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley - 2009	260
Cartello Cabernet Sauvignon Alexander Valley - 2021	82
Ty Caton Cabernet Sauvignon "Caton Vineyard" Moon Mountain District, Sonoma County - 2021	70
Corison Cabernet Sauvignon St. Helena, Napa Valley - 1998	430
Dunn Vineyards Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley - 1988	450
Dunn Vineyards Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley - 2004	350
Kelly Fleming "Big Pour" Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley - 2017	150
Laurel Glen "Counterpoint" Cabernet Sauvignon Sonoma Mountain - 2019	114
Laurel Glen Estate Cabernet Sauvignon Sonoma Mountain - 2013	250
Grgich Hills Estate Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley - 2009	380
Grgich Hills Estate Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley - 2010	420
Grgich Hills Estate Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley - 2011	360
Grgich Hills Estate Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley - 2012	330
Grgich Hills Estate Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley - 2013	350
Hestan Vineyards Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley - 2017	216
Matthiasson Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley - 2021	168
Marston Family Vineyards Cabernet Sauvignon Spring Mtn. District, Napa Valley - 2012	347
Meteor Vineyards "Perseid" Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley - 2009	270

United States California

Chateau Montelena Cabernet Sauvignon “Estate” Calistoga, Napa Valley - <i>1991</i>	490
Chateau Montelena Cabernet Sauvignon “Estate” Calistoga, Napa Valley - <i>1992</i>	570
Chateau Montelena Cabernet Sauvignon “Estate” Calistoga, Napa Valley - <i>1994</i>	530
Chateau Montelena Cabernet Sauvignon “Estate” Calistoga, Napa Valley - <i>2009</i>	360
Morlet “Mon Chevalier” Cabernet Sauvignon Knights Valley, Sonoma County - <i>2012</i>	490
Morlet “Mon Chevalier” Cabernet Sauvignon Knights Valley, Sonoma County - <i>2018</i>	490
Spring Mountain Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon “Reserve” (magnum) Spring Mountain, Napa Valley - <i>1997</i>	528
Pine Ridge Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley - <i>1999</i>	198
Pine Ridge Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley - <i>2001</i>	180
Rudd Oakville Estate Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley - <i>2009</i>	620
Snowden “The Ranch” Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley - <i>2022</i>	136
Truchard Cabernet Sauvignon (magnum) Carneros - <i>1990</i>	320
Truchard Cabernet Sauvignon Carneros - <i>2022</i>	90
Zeitgeist Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley - <i>2021</i>	180
Cain Vineyards “Cain Five” Spring Mountain, Napa Valley, Bordeaux Blend - <i>2011</i>	276
Ty Caton “Tytanium” Caton Vineyards Sonoma County, Cab Sauv/Petite Sirah/Syrah/Malbec/Merlot - <i>2019</i>	128
Colgin “IX Estate” Napa Valley, Cab Blend- <i>2011</i>	980
Keenan “Mernet Reserve” Spring Mountain, Napa Valley, Merlot/Cab Sauv - <i>2005</i>	320
Keenan “Mernet Reserve” Spring Mountain, Napa Valley, Merlot/Cab Sauv - <i>2010</i>	290
Keenan Merlot Napa Valley - <i>2021</i>	98
Keenan Merlot “Mailbox Vineyard” Reserve Spring Mountain, Napa Valley - <i>2008</i>	254
Matthiasson Merlot “Red Hen Vineyard” Napa Valley - <i>2013</i>	160
Neyers Merlot Napa Valley - <i>1999</i>	164
Peter Franus Merlot Napa Valley - <i>2018</i>	72
Tate Merlot “Spring Street” Napa Valley - <i>2019</i>	90

United States

California

Cartello “Sonoma Red” Sonoma County, Grenach/Carignan - 2021	66
Dragonette Cellars “Seven” Santa Ynez Valley, Syrah - 2020	124
Railsback Freres “Cuvee Speciale Le Carignan” Santa Maria Valley - 2021	58
Iruai “Poulsard” Mendocino County - 2023	58
Keenan Cabernet Franc Spring Mountain, Napa Valley - 2015	224
Lioco “Sativa” Mendocino, Carignan - 2021	74
Phelan Farm “Autrement” San Luis Obispo, Gamay/Pinot Noir - 2022	104
Terre Rouge Syrah “DTR Ranch” Fiddletown, Sierra Foothills - 2012	85
Truchard Cabernet Franc Carneros, Napa Valley - 2022	70
Y. Rousseau “The Muskateer” Alder Spring Vineyard Mendocino County, Tannat - 2018	104

Washington

Cayuse “En Cerise Vineyard” Syrah Walla Walla Valley - 2021	236
Hedges Family Estate “La Haute Cuvée” Cabernet Sauvignon Red Mountain - 2019	146
Reynvaan “Stonessence” Syrah (magnum) Walla Walla Valley - 2014	190
Reynvaan “The Contender” Syrah (magnum) Walla Walla Valley - 2015	220

United States

Oregon

Audeant Pinot Noir Willamette Valley - 2016	132
Audeant Pinot Noir Willamette Valley - 2018	114
Audeant Pinot Noir Willamette Valley - 2021	98
Audeant Pinot Noir “Nysa Vineyard” Dundee Hills - 2021	158
Eyrie Vineyards Pinot Meunier Dundee Hills - 2019	108
Patricia Green Cellars Pinot Noir “Freedom Hill Vineyard” Willamette Valley - 2022	68
St. Innocent Pinot Noir “Momtazi Vineyard” McMinnville - 2019	108
St. Innocent Pinot Noir “Shea Vineyard” Yamhill-Carlton District - 2019	148
St. Innocent Pinot Noir “Villages Cuvée” Willamette Valley - 2023	62
Teutonic Pinot Noir “Alsea Vineyard” Willamette Valley - 2016	96

Martin Woods

Think you know Oregon Pinot Noir? Prepare to have your mind blown by the beautifully singular wines of Evan Martin. Evan is a philosophy major who was bitten by the wine bug, leading him work as a sommelier in Santa Fe and eventually a winery employee in Oregon. He took the leap in 2014 and began making his own wine and hasn't looked back since. Forgive the flowery prose, but the small production wines from Martin Woods are some of the most beautiful and mesmerizing expressions of Pinot Noir on the planet. These wines scratch an itch in your id that you didn't even know existed. Evan endeavors to express the individual vineyard site above all else, and in that regard he knocks it out of the park. All of the single vineyard Pinot Noirs are incredibly unique and the differences become more apparent with bottle age. Regardless of grape variety, the overarching style is one of elegant transparency, energy and personality. If it's not clear enough, we are begging you to try these wines. You won't regret it, and if you do then we'll drink it!

Martin Woods Cabernet Franc (magnum) Walla Walla Valley - 2018	240	Martin Woods Pinot Noir “Hyland Vineyard” McMinnville - 2017	146
Martin Woods Cabernet Franc Walla Walla Valley - 2019	88	Martin Woods Pinot Noir “Jessie James Vineyard” (magnum) Willamette Valley - 2018	300
Martin Woods Gamay “Tualatin Estate Vineyard” Willamette Valley - 2021	64	Martin Woods Pinot Noir “Jessie James Vineyard” Eola-Amity Hills - 2021	96
Martin Woods Pinot Noir “Bednarik Vineyard” Willamette Valley - 2022	112	Martin Woods Syrah “The Rocks” The Rocks District - 2022	112

Argentina

Cuvelier Los Andes “Colección” Uco Valley, Malbec/Cab Sauv/Petit Verdot/Syrah/Merlot - 2018	58
Durigutti “Reserva” Mendoza, Malbec - 2021	60

Australia

Hentley Farm “The Beauty” Shiraz Barossa Valley - 2019	115
John Duval “Annexus” Mataro Barossa Valley - 2017	98
Mac Forbes Pinot Noir Yarra Valley - 2023	68
De Iuliis “Steven Vineyard” Shiraz Hunter Valley - 2019	68
Leeuwin Estate “Prelude Vineyards” Cabernet Sauvignon Margaret River - 2020	52
Moorooduc Estate Pinot Noir Mornington Peninsula - 2018	66

Mexico

Rivero Gonzalez “RG-MX” Cabernet Franc Valle de Parras - 2016	138
Rivero Gonzalez “RG-MX” Malbec Valle de Parras - 2020	120

New Zealand

Brood Fermentation “Sedure” Pinot Noir Nelson - 2022	68
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South Africa

Craven Cabernet Sauvignon Stellenbosch - 2022	64
l’Equinox “Stone” Cabernet Sauvignon Swartland - 2022	78
Porseleinberg Syrah Swartland - 2014	170
Salt Rock “Stand Alone” Pinot Noir Walker Bay, Hemel-En-Aarde Ridge - 2023	80
Waterkloof “Circumstance” Cabernet Sauvignon Stellenbosch - 2019	46

France

Chateau Climens Barsac (375 mL) Bordeaux - <i>2010</i>	182
Chateau Climens Barsac (750 mL) Bordeaux - <i>1990</i>	255
Chateau Coutet Barsac (750 mL) Bordeaux - <i>2006</i>	122
Chateau Suduiraut Sauternes (375 mL) Bordeaux - <i>2005</i>	86
Domaine des Baumard Quarts de Chaume Loire Valley - <i>1973</i>	290
Caves Jean Bourdy Cotes du Jura Vin de Paille (375 mL) Jura - <i>2014</i>	150
Domaine de Montbourgeau Macvin du Jura Jura - <i>NV</i>	82
Domaine Cazes Rivesaltes Blanc Languedoc-Roussillon - <i>1945</i>	530
Chateau Mosse Rivesaltes Languedoc-Roussillon - <i>1936</i>	675
Domaine du Mas Blanc Banyuls Languedoc-Roussillon - <i>1975</i>	160

Italy

Felsina Vin Santo del Chianti Classico (375 mL) Tusacany - <i>2009</i>	82
Hauner Malvasia delle Lipari (375 mL) Sicily - <i>2012</i>	40
Livio Felluga Picolit (500mL) Friuli - <i>2011</i>	218

Portugal

Madeira

Rare Wine Co. Sercial "Charleston" NV	9/gl
Rare Wine Co. Verdelho "Savannah" NV	9/gl
Rare Wine Co. Bual "Boston" NV	9/gl
Rare Wine Co. Malmsey "New York" NV	9/gl
D'Oliveiras Sercial 1937	60/oz
D'Oliveiras Sercial 1969	39/oz
D'Oliveiras Sercial 1977	36/oz
D'Oliveiras Sercial 1999	16/oz
D'Oliveiras Verdelho 1912	125/oz
D'Oliveiras Verdelho 1973	48/oz
D'Oliveiras Verdelho 1985	36/oz
D'Oliveiras Verdelho 1986	20/oz
D'Oliveiras Boal 1908	130/oz
D'Oliveiras Boal 1968	48/oz
D'Oliveiras Boal 1992	28/oz
D'Oliveiras Malvazia 1907	140/oz
D'Oliveiras Malvazia 1990	20/oz
D'Oliveiras Terrantez 1971	54/oz
Blandy's Terrantez 1976	25/oz

Port

Kopke Tawny Port Colheita 1938	1600
Kopke Tawny Port Colheita (375 mL) 1974	230
Kopke Tawny Port Colheita (375 mL) 1976	190
Kopke Tawny Port Colheita (375 mL) 1985	134
Kopke Tawny Port Colheita 1985	198
Warre's 1985	230
Warre's 2000	246

Sparkling

J. Lassalle “Cuvée Angeline” 1er Cru Blanc de Blancs (magnum) 2011	590
Philipponnat “Clos des Goisses” Extra Brut (magnum) 2012	1200
Philipponnat “Clos des Goisses” Extra Brut (magnum) 2013	1300

White

Selbach-Oster Zeltinger Himmelreich Riesling “Anrecht” (magnum) 2010	525
Selbach-Oster Zeltinger Himmelreich Riesling “Schmitt” (magnum) 2010	570
Donnhoff Kreuznacher Krottenpfuhl Riesling Kabinett (magnum) 2021	152
François Chidaine Montlouis-sur-Loire “Clos Habert” (magnum) 2010	240
François Chidaine Vouvray “Le Bouchet” (magnum) 2010	280
Edmond Vatan “Clos la Néore” Sancerre (magnum) 2018	850
Domaine de Villaine Bouzeron Aligoté (magnum) 2022	190
Pierre-Vincent Girardin Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru “La Croix” (magnum) 2020	1100
Pierre Guillemot Savigny-les-Beaune “Dessus les Gollardes” (magnum) 2018	200
Maison Harbour Chassagne-Montrachet 1er Cru “en Cailleret” (magnum) 2013	565
Domaine Jean-Louis Chave L’Hermitage (magnum) 2021	1100
Domaine du Vieux Telegraphe Chateauneuf du Pape (magnum) 2018	300
Isabel Ferrando “Cuvée Spéciale Vieilles Clairettes” Saint-Prefert Chateauneuf-du-Pape (magnum) 2020	680

Rosé

Clos Cibonne Côtes de Provence “Cuvée Vignettes” (magnum) 2019	178
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Red

Les Brulieres de Beychevelle (magnum) 2015	150
Chateau Beychevelle (magnum) 1978	865

Red cont.

Château Cantemerle Haut-Medoc (magnum) 1986	860
Château Cantemerle Haut-Medoc (magnum) 2009	404
Château Sénéjac Haut-Medoc (magnum) 2016	150
Château Montrose (magnum) 1978	1920
Château Poujeaux (magnum) 2005	319
Château Pavie Macquin (magnum) 2010	660
Alain Burguet Gevrey-Chambertin “Mes Favorites Vieilles Vignes” (magnum) 2020	370
Michel Lafarge Bourgogne Passetoutgrain “Anthologie” (magnum) 2020	168
Michel Lafarge Volnay 1er Cru “Les Pitures” (magnum) 2018	750
Maison Harbour Gevrey-Chambertin 1er Cru “Combe au Moine” (magnum) 2013	615
Maison Harbour Gevrey-Chambertin “La Justice” (magnum) 2013	550
Maison Harbour Vosne-Romanee “Champs Perdrix” (magnum) 2013	1400
Jadot Beaune 1er Cru “Clos des Ursules” (magnum) 2010	465
Maison Harbour Pommard 1er Cru “Les Chanlins” (magnum) 2013	575
Domaine Rolet Arbois Trousseau (magnum) 1985	325
Domaine Rolet Arbois Poulsard “Vieilles Vignes” (magnum) 2002	275
Yann Bertrand Morgon “Dynamite” (magnum) 2020	210
Yann Bertrand Fleurie “Chaos Supreme Olivia” (magnum) 2020	220
Guy Breton Regnie (magnum) 2021	158
Guy Breton Cote de Brouilly (magnum) 2021	168
Domaine Valma Fleurie “Prelude” (magnum) 2021	140
Domaine Valma Fleurie “Prelude Face B” (magnum) 2021	170
Domaine de la Voûte des Crozes (Nicole Chanrion) Côte-de-Brouilly (magnum) 2021	105

Red cont.

Jean Foillard Morgon “Cote du Py” (magnum) 2019	205
Domaine de Vernus Morgon (magnum) 2020	150
Domaine de Vernus Moulin-a-Vent “Les Verillats” (magnum) 2020	278
Julien Cecillon VdF Syrah “Les Gravieres” (magnum) 2023	110
Pierre Gonon Saint-Joseph (magnum) 2011	765
Domaine Jean-Louis Chave L’Hermitage (magnum) 2021	1100
Domaine Charvin Châteauneuf-du-Pape (magnum) 2009	410
Chateau La Nerthe Châteauneuf-du-Pape (magnum) 2019	230
Domaine du Gros’ Noré Bandol (magnum) 2017	208
Produttori del Barbaresco (magnum) 2017	194
Elio Grasso Barolo “Ginestra Casa Mate” (magnum) 2020	390
Passopisciaro “20 Anni” (magnum) 2019	400
Il Custodi “Aetneus” Etna Rosso (magnum) 2014	198
Lopez de Heredia “Viña Tondonia” Reserva (magnum) 2004	485
Chateau Montelena Cabernet Sauvignon “Estate” (magnum) Calistoga, Napa Valley - 2005	360
Spring Mountain Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon “Reserve” (magnum) Spring Mountain, Napa Valley - 2018	528
Truchard Cabernet Sauvignon (magnum) Carneros - 2018	320
Reynvaan “Stonessence” Syrah (magnum) Walla Walla Valley - 2014	190
Reynvaan “The Contender” Syrah (magnum) Walla Walla Valley - 2015	220