WINES BY THE GLASS

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23	Col Vetoraz 'Brut' Prosecco Valdobbiadene DOCG Veneto IT	17
NV	Bellavista 'Alma Gran Cuvée' Franciacorta DOC Lombardy IT	29
NV	Louis Roederer 'Collection 244' Reims Champagne FR	32
23	Mandala Blanc de Blanc Yarra Valley VIC	17
NV	Quartz Reef Rosé Central Otago NZ	19
	WHITE WINES	150ML
23	Frankland Estate Riesling Frankland River WA	18
24	Shaw & Smith Sauvignon Blanc Adelaide Hills SA	18
23	Montevento Pinot Grigio Alto Adige IT	16
23	I Campi Campo Base Soave DOC Veneto IT	17
24	Henschke "Innes Vineyard" Pinot Gris Adelaide Hills SA	19
22	Stonier Chardonnay Mornington Peninsula VIC	20
23	St Micheal Eppan 'Fallwind' Chardonnay Alto Adige IT	28
22	Louis Jadot Chablis AOC FR	30
21	Livon 'Solarco' Friulano Ribolla Gialla Collio DOC Friuli-Venezia Giulia IT	2/
23	Giorgio Meletti Cavallari Vermentino Viognier Bolgheri Bianco DOC Toscana IT	20
	ROSÉ WINES	1 50ML
23	Minuty 'Prestige Rosé' Côtes de Provence AOP FR	20
23	Masseria Li Veli 'Torrerose' Negroamaro Rosé Puglia IT	16
	RED WINES	150ML
21	Vietti 'Perbacco' Nebbiolo Langhe DOC Piemonte IT	28
21	Villa Cerna "Primocolle" Chianti Classico DOCG Toscana IT	19
22	Bera Barbera D'alba DOC Piemonte IT	18
21	Catalina Sounds 'Sound of White' Pinot Noir Marlborough NZ	18
23	Tenuta Mazzolino 'Terrazze' Pinot Noir IGT Lombardia IT	22
21	Dolia Nova 'Anzenas' Cannonau 'Italian Grenache' di Sardegna DOC IT	17
22	Argiano Rosso di Montalcino DOC Toscana IT	25
22	Leeuwin Estate 'Prelude' Cabernet Sauvignon Margaret River WA	18
22	Tscharke 'Stonewell Vineyard' Shiraz Barossa Valley SA	20
22	Masseria Li Veli 'Orion' Primitivo Salento IGT Puglia IT	19

SPARKLING WINES - HALF BOTTLE 375MLS

NV Ca Del Bosco Franciacorta DOCG Lombardy IT

115

Predominately Chardonnay, defining the house style, for freshness and delicacy.

NV Pierre Gimonnet & Fils Cuis 1er Cru Blanc de Blancs Lombardy IT

120

Lively, ethereal, mouth-watering and perfectly balanced, this Non-Vintage Brut Cruis 1er Cru represents the archetype of the Pierre Gimonnet & Fils style. This cuvee is the pillar of the estate and an initiation into our approach.

NV Bruno Paillard 'Première Cuvée' Reims FR

128

More than 30 Crus and 25 vintages create this flagship, showing beautiful maturity.

NV Louis Roederer 'Collection 245' Reims FR

128

On the palate, plush, concentrated fruit is powered along by a wave of saline minerality, which carries through to the chalky, fresh, and persistent finish.

NV Taittinger 'Prestige Rosé' Reims FR

180

Vibrant in colour, bubbles are fine and persistent. Wonderfully expressive, aromas of wild raspberry, cherry, blackcurrant. A fine balance of velvety texture with fresh, crisp red fruits.

NV Ruinart Blanc de Blancs Reims FR

190

A supple, harmonious attack on the palate, very rounded. Vinosity that is not excessive, supported by excellent freshness. Beautiful pale golden yellow colour with gentle green reflections, a vibrant, luminous colour.

WHITE WINES - HALF BOTTLE 375MLS

22 Livon Pinot Grigio Collio DOC Friuli IT

63

Fresh apples and steely minerality. It is quite round and supple on the palate. The ripe apple flavour carries through with a touch of lemon and a bit of creaminess to the mineral driven finish.

23 Donnafugata 'Anthìlia' Sicilia Bianco DOC Sicilia IT

63

The nose offers a fresh and fragrant bouquet with notes of white pulp fruit (peach) combined with hints of wildflowers. In the mouth we find the evident fruity note, refreshed by a pleasant sapidity.

23 Jim Barry 'The Florita' Riesling Clare Valley SA

72

Purity in a glass, this Riesling is from a magnificent micro site that shows aromas and flavours of lime with stone fruit characters.

22 Pascal Jolivet Sancerre Loire Valley FR

78

A wine of style marked by richness, elegance and smoothness. Citrus and mineral herbaceous notes combined.

23 Kooyong Estate Chardonnay Mornington Peninsula VIC

72

Pristine and intense with notes of citrus blossom and grapefruit pith. Fine and complex, with great poise and concentration of flavour and minerality, the wine has beautiful line and length.

20 William Fevre Chablis Burgundy FR

82

Fleshy and elegant bouquet revealing citrus, white fruits and flowers aromas. The mouth is fresh, supple underscored by mineral.

18 Yarra Yering Chardonnay Yarra Valley VIC

125

Finesse combined with pillowy fruit weight, this is a wine that is fine boned with citrus flavours dominating its youth, A citrus energy drives the palate with a pithy interest and texture on the back palate. An extremely fine-grained oak tannin framework lingers on the finish.

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ROSÉ WINES - HALF BOTTLE 375MLS

23 Triennes Meditérranée IGP Provence FR

38

Provence Rosé with a bouquet of strawberries and white flowers with hints of vanilla. The perfect accompaniment to a sunny summer afternoon.

RED WINES - HALF BOTTLE 375MLS

22 Wirra Wirra 'Church Block' Cab Sauv|Shiraz|Merlot McLaren Vale SA

38

A full flavoured palate with delicious ripe blackberry, blackcurrant and dark chocolate with fine tannins. Generous fruits and savoury character come together in a long, even, and balanced palate.

19 Torre A Cona Chianti Colli Fiorentini DOCG Toscana IT

55

Juicy, ripe cherry notes are framed by pleasant tannins. A long backbone of acidity and forest floor notes compliment the vibrant fruit.

22 Brokenwood Shiraz Hunter Valley NSW

62

Bright crimson with gentle earth and leather folded into dark berry and plum fruit with fine, savoury tannins.

21 Torbreck 'The Steading' Grenache|Mataro|Shiraz Barossa Valley SA

65

The heart and soul of Torbreck: Aromas of dark cherry, blackberry and star anise. Dense dark fruits with liquorice, plum, black olive, earth, white pepper and Asian spice. Complex yet elegant with supple, silky tannins.

20 Isole e Olena Chianti Classico DOCG Toscana IT

74

Dark fruit and pressed flowers on the nose. Tight, young and grippy palate with racy plum and cherry fruit, touches of pepper and an aromatic, herby finish. A wine of depth and fascinating complexity.

19 Kooyong 'Estate' Pinot Noir Yarra Valley VIC

90

An aromatic and expressive nose offers dark cherry and red raspberry. Lovely earthy notes with some woody touches. Sweet spice with a crisp acidity feel. Medium length Fine tannin provides structural support.

21 Paringa Estate Pinot Noir Mornington Peninsula VIC

95

This wine has a lifted fragrant bouquet of red & dark cherries complimented by spicy, savoury oak. The palate has an abundance of fine tannins wrapped around a core of spicy dark cherry fruit, displaying great texture & length.

21 Rusden 'Black Guts' Shiraz Barossa Valley SA

120

Totally impenetrable black as night core with a deep dark red, black hue. Wafting out of the glass are hedonistic scents of black plums, liquorice, blackberry and dark chocolate which are married to vanillin oak, fennel and mocha. Rich and lush with velvet smooth tannins.

14 Voyager Estate Cabernet Sauvignon Margaret River WA

129

Only a small percentage of Merlot was used in this classic Cabernet. Complex with sweet cassis fruit, dried rose, bay leaf and sage. Rich earthiness is intertwined with notes of vanilla, dark chocolate and cigar box. Fine-grained velvety tannins and a long finish.

18 Marchesi di Barolo 'Barolo' DOCG Piemonte IT

144

This Barolo is a beautiful dense ruby red colour. Aromas of cherries, blueberries, raspberries, a hint of mint and even cedar wood. On the palate it is well balanced with lots of fruit, fine spice, and gentle tannins.

20 Fratelli Revello Barolo DOCG Piemonte IT

165

The 2020 Barolo is everything a wine in this peer group should be: open knit, inviting and ready to drink. Macerated red cherry, sweet spice, cedar and tobacco are pushed forward to round things out.

22 Gaja Ca'Marcanda Magari IGT Toscana IT

190

The nose is remarkably intense, immediately presenting saline notes, flower bulbs, fresh wood logs, oregano and other aromatic herbs. The floral aspect dominates over the fruit, with a mature, almost wilted flower character.

20 Gaja Barbaresco DOCG Piemonte IT

615

Aromatics of spiced orange peel, an assertive bouquet of dried purple florals and a touch of dried mint. The palate balances the savoury character of baking chocolate and fennel seed with an abundance of ripe red berry fruits—notes of strawberry and balsamic, raspberries and fresh mint and dried tobacco.

SPARKLING WINES

75

265

470

23 Mandala Blanc de Blancs Yarra Valley VIC

Crisp green apple with nutty and honey notes. Mineral and refreshing finish.

NV	Quartz Reef Methode Traditionnelle Brut Central Otago NZ 85 Pinot Noir and Chardonnay; exuding elegance and finesse. Royal gala apple and hints of lime and brioche. Focused and crisp with invigorating creamy acidity, beautiful balance and length.					
18	Yabby Lake Single Vineyard 'Cuvée Nina' Yarra Valley VIC The 2018 season was characterised by a warm and extended summer. The wines are intensely flavoured, yet poised and balanced, ensuring their longevity.					
16	Clover Hill 'Cuvée Exceptionnelle' Blanc de Blancs Piper River TAS 175 Brioche and honey with a hint of toasted hazelnuts. A creamy, textural palate with flavours of preserved citrus and lemon curd.					
	ITALIAN SPARKLING WINES					
NV	Bandini Prosecco DOC Veneto IT 100% Glera fruit. Extra dry with crisp acidity - yet delicate and complex with fruity notes of peach, green apple and melon.					
23	Col Vetoraz 'Brut' Valdobbiadene Prosecco Superiore DOCG Veneto IT 85 From the hillside vineyards of the Valdobbiadene. Fine and aromatic bouquet, dry and intense, very harmonious.					
22	Angelo Bartolin 'Brut' Valdobbiadene Prosecco Superiore DOCG Veneto IT Super fine bubbles, superb length and hints of complexity while still remaining fresh and vibrant.					
ΝV	Bellavista 'Grande Cuvée Alma Brut' Franciacorta DOCG Lombardy IT 160 Full and inviting with hints of ripe fruit, pastry and candied citrus peel. A crunchy texture of elegance and harmony					
17	Bellavista 'Rosé' Franciacorta DOCG Lombardy IT 225 Enchanting antique rose hue. White peach, wild strawberries, citrus fruit, golden delicious apples and rose. Dry and elegant with an undertone of blackcurrant and sweet almond.					
	ROSÉ SPARKLING WINES					
NV	Deviation Road 'Altair' Rosé Adelaide Hills SA 75 Strawberry, cherry and spice notes and a touch of Chardonnay gives citrus lift and finesse. Lively and enticing.					
ΝV	Quartz Reef Methode Traditionnelle Rosé Brut Central Otago NZ 90 100% single vineyard Pinot Noir, wild strawberry and brioche notes. Dry and crisp with vibrant, lingering acidity.					
	NON VINTAGE ROSÉ CHAMPAGNE					
NV	Moët & Chandon 'Rosé Impérial' Épernay 195 Balanced palate combining structure, smoothness and freshness. The texture is unctuous with a succulent sensation, finishes with a fresh note of blood orange.					

On the palate the attack is distinct and full, cradled by a gentle effervescence. The aromas of freshly picked berries

100% Pinot Noir, the full salmon colour an immediate indication of its provenance. The bouquet complex and alluring leading directly into the cherry and strawberry flavours of the long, sustained palate and excellent finish.

NV Ruinart Rosé Reims

are fully expressed.

NV Laurent-Perrier Cuvee Rose

VINTAGE ROSÉ CHAMPAGNE

12 Veuve Cliquot 'Reserve Rosé' Reims

315

The palate is powerful and voluminous, with an attack that is distinct and clear. It unfolds with initial aromas of luscious red fruit, strawberry, and Morello cherry.

16 Louis Roederer Rosé Reims

360

"Salmon pink hue with bright red tints. Deep, intense colour. The bubbles are fine yet vibrant and energetic. The summery bouquet shows exceptional intensity and freshness with its aromas of ripe, juicy stone fruit (wild peach) complemented by zesty red fruit (redcurrant) and citrus notes (blood orange). The soft, delicate bubbles coat the palate and impart a velvety texture.

12 Louis Roederer 'Cristal Rosé' Reims

1695

The 2012 is 55% Pinot Noir from Ay and 45% Chardonnay from Mesnil and Avize. Rich, vivid and crystalline in the glass. White-peach and nectarine aromas, chalky notes, white and red flowers with sweet red berry fruit.

NON VINTAGE CHAMPAGNE

NV Forest-Marié 'Brut Tradition' Trigny

160

It's a blend of all three Champagne grapes, with 58% reserve wine in the blend, delivering aromatic pear, citrus and shortbread, tart red cranberries, and freshness at every turn.

NV Taittinger 'Brut Réserve' Reims

170

The palate is soft and smooth, nicely modulated and finishing clean and fairly dry but still soft and creamy.

NV Veuve Clicquot Brut Reims

175

Tightly knit, focused by robust acidity and a streak of minerality, this offers subtle notes of white peach, anise, biscuit and kumquat.

NV Louis Roederer 'Collection 245' Reims

180

Bright, golden hue with shimmering highlights. Fine, lively mousse with lingering threads of bubbles. The bouquet is open and rich yet also wonderfully fresh.

NV Charles Heidsieck Brut Reserve Reims

220

An extra touch of aging before disgorgement has given this Champagne a fine balance. Hints of toast as well as tight acidity have come from the equal blend of the three main grapes. The fruitiness is still very present, offering crisp citrus to balance the edge of maturity.

NV Bruno Paillard 'Première Cuvée' Reims

235

More than 30 Crus and 25 vintages create this flagship, showing beautiful maturity.

NV Ruinart 'R de Ruinart' Brut Reims

245

The wine is elegant with floral notes to the fore and hints of white peach and acacia on the palate. An excellent apéritif wine, this is a splendid introduction to the delights from this most ancient of Champagne Houses.

NV Brocard Pierre Tradition Brut d'Assemblage NV

260

Brut d'Assemblage is dominated by the red fruit of pinot noir and offers beautiful harmony and freshness on the palate, lightly framed with notes of brioche. It is a vinous and substantial Champagne with great freshness and no heaviness, making it an ideal wine to enjoy solo or with food.

NV Ruinart Blanc de Blancs Reims

325

A supple, harmonious attack on the palate, very rounded. Vinosity that is not excessive, supported by excellent freshness. Beautiful pale golden yellow colour with gentle green reflections, a vibrant, luminous colour.

NV Krug 'Grande Cuvée Édition 171' Reims

750

52% Pinot Noir, 35% Chardonnay and 13% Meunier. Aromas of flowers in bloom, ripe, dried and citrus fruits, as well as marzipan and gingerbread. Flavours of hazelnut, nougat, barley sugar, jellied and citrus fruits, almonds, brioche and honey.

VINTAGE CHAMPAGNE

15 Moët & Chandon 'Grand Vintage' Épernay

245

The maturity of this champagne is immediately apparent with autumnal notes of roasted chestnuts, toasted buckwheat, honey and nougat. White fruit is revealed next, reminiscent of a beautifully ripe apple or pear.

15 Pierre Gimonnet & Fils 'Cuvée Fleuron' Blanc de Blancs Épernay

269

100% Chardonnay predominantly Grand Cru vineyards; crunchy pear and apple, delicate floral notes and citrus characters. Precise, fine and elegantly structured

18 Ayala Le Blanc de Blancs Reims

280

Bright, white gold, very fine bubbles. Great aromatic freshness, fizzy notes on the nose. The palate is lively and generous, white fruits, touch of pastry, citrus fruits, silky texture, long and enduring finish, chalky minerality.

16 Pol Roger Épernay

385

A very elegant and silky vintage Champagne with a seamless harmony of candied citrus fruit, sushi ginger and dried cherry character with racy acidity and delicate minerality at the long, straight and refined finish.

13 Pol Roger Épernay

415

The Brut Vintage 2013 from Champagne Pol Roger is made from the traditional house vintage blend of 60% Pinot Noir and 40% Chardonnay from 20 Grands and Premiers crus vineyards in the Montagne de Reims and the Côte des Blancs.

14 Bollinger 'La Grande Année' Aÿ

560

Bollinger La Grande Annee is the ultimate expression of the Bollinger house style, rich and full - one of the world's great Champagnes. The initial sensation is a fine and intense effervescence, followed by a wonderful vinosity, and then balanced with delicate acidity. It's very fine texture and sea-air finish bring excellent length on the palate, accompanied by a delicate minerality and the complex flavours of orchard fruit and citrus.

13 Dom Perignon Épernay

715

The 2013 is a lovely wine, defined by the long, cool growing season. Offering up aromas of crisp stone fruit, tangerine oil, buttered toast, pear, almonds and clear honey, it's medium to full-bodied, ample and seamless, with bright acids and a pillowy, enveloping profile, concluding with a long, saline finish.

12 Veuve Clicquot 'La Grande Dame' Reims

790

Initial notes of white flowers on the nose, such as jasmine and honeysuckle then opening with fruitier nuances of apple, pear, and peach. A few notes of fresh almond and frangipane complete the bouquet. In the mouth more complex aromas are revealed: dried apricot, hazelnut, honey, and sugar candy. Silky textures with depth, power and elegance.

og Ruinart 'Dom Ruinart' Reims

1150

Rich and elegant; delicate acidity meets the freshness of stone fruit to create wonderful sapidity on the palate. Beautifully balanced, Dom Ruinart 2009 is a flavourful and vivacious wine with a long and subtle finish. Its delicate effervescence only enhances its refined texture.

12 Pol Roger 'Sir Winston Churchill' Épernay

1295

"My tastes are simple; I am easily satisfied with the best" – Sir Winston Churchill.

Pinot Noir predominates, providing structure, breadth and robustness whilst Chardonnay contributes elegance, finesse and subtlety.

99 Salon 'Cuvée S' Blanc de Blanc Le Mesnil-sur-Oger

2015

Polished and subtly creamy in texture yet brightly juicy with apple and lemon, this displays an uncanny sense of lift and refinement, perfectly complementing the honeysuckle and heliotrope perfume that waft inner mouth. You could lose yourself in the ineffability of this wine's floral diversity and in its resonantly nut and grain low tones.

14 Louis Roederer 'Cristal' Reims

890

A deep and vinous wine, bright and noble, a true Cristal. It is balanced by a chalky freshness that cuts through and stretches the wine giving it with a slender fuselage and great finesse.

o8 Louis Roederer 'Cristal' Reims

1150

The 2008 Cristal is a perfect wine. This incredible wine offers a beautiful perfume of clean, crisp fruits, layers of complexity in its toasted spice and white flowers, and an utterly seamless, yet powerful style on the palate.

RIESLING

24	Alkoomi Frankland River WA Finger lime and orange blossom with a hint of musk. Racy acidity, Grapefruit and citrus characters	68
24	Rieslingfreak N5 Clare Valley SA The balance in this release is excellent. The ripeness of fruit and the laser-like acidity all lends itself perfectly make this more 'Germanic' expression of the Clare Valley.	68 y to
20	Mac Forbes 'Spring' Strathbogie Ranges VIC A luscious style of Riesling, almost off dry in style. Gentle acidity and generous fruit weight balance the minera that comes from the granitic soils of the Strathbogie ranges.	75 ality
23	Frankland Estate Frankland River WA A very crystalline Riesling with white citrus flowers, lime and lemon pith. Clean and driving acidity.	75
21	Chaffey Bros 'Zeitpunkt' Eden Valley SA Citrus, spiced apple and a hint of jasmine, fresh Eden Valley acidity from this organic single vineyard wine.	79
23	Parish Vineyard Coal River Valley TAS A long taut spine of slate like acidity is balanced by texture. Aromas and flavours of wildflowers and cit chamomile, lavender, jasmine and grapefruit with a touch of sea spray.	8 ₂ rus
23	Clos Clare Clare Valley SA Aromas of Granny Smith apples, lemon thyme and mandarin. The palate has finesse, generosity and structumenth flavours of finger lime, blood orange and star fruit.	84 ure,
17	Pewsey Vale 'The Contours' Eden Valley SA Pale straw with green hues, the aromas are intense but restrained with classic lemon and a floral influence values of bottle aged toast, clove oil and lemongrass.	92 vith
22	Donnnhoff Estate Nahe DE The wine is the absolutely perfect manifest destiny of German Riesling in its everyday form; complex, sp delineated and articulate, insanely delicious, and more versatile than its dry sibling, though this is never everyweet just sublime.	
21	Peter Zemmer Alto Adige DOC IT Elegant with delicate, soft florals, enticing acidity and lively scents of fresh peaches.	93
21	Hochkirch 'Towards Laidlaws' Henty VIC An intense style with vibrant acidity and a mineral centre. Crunchy green apple and floral aromas with flavour of crisp pear and floral blossom and a lovely weight.	98 rs
22	St. Michael Eppan 'Fallwind' Alto Adige DOC IT Intense aromas of white peach and stone fruit with mineral acidity make a truly captivating wine.	98
23	Koerner 'Gullyview' Clare Valley SA Freshness abounds! If you like a citrus focused Riesling, you can't go wrong with this. It has an electric energy pulsing with limes and grapefruit.	99 rgy,
14	Mitchell 'McNicol' Clare Valley SA This is a rich, luscious Riesling with the aged hallmarks of toast and butter. Preserved lemon and elegant acid drive the concentrated rich fruit that dominates in this mouth-filling powerhouse of Riesling.	LOE dity
22	G.D. Vajra 'Petracine' Langhe Piemonte DOC IT Pale lemon yellow in colour, this is a fresh, youthful wine with zesty lemon-lime aromas and classic miner notes. On the palate, it is dry and clean, with good structure and flavours of crisp ripe apple and a long, citruss finish.	
21	Heymann Lowenstein Shieferterrassen Mosel DE From the nose to the palate this wine shows a playful synthesis of fine nuances between fragrant fruit minerals. The palate shows pashi pear ripe citrus fruits, spice and a wet-slate character. It's piercing, engage	

and long.

SAUVIGNON BLANC|SEMILLON|BLENDS

23 Seresin Sauvignon Blanc Marlborough NZ

70

Ripe gooseberry, soft passionfruit and citrus notes, framed by mouth-watering acidity, chalky minerality with a persistent finish.

24 Shaw & Smith Sauvignon Blanc Adelaide Hills SA

78

Lively, delicate yet intense palate flavour, great varietal character and finishes clean, dry and long.

23 Pierro 'LTC' Sauvignon Blanc|Semillon Margaret River WA

78

'A Little Touch of Chardonnay' in this blend gives a touch of body and power to the fresh flavours of citrus, pear, green apple, melon and tropical fruit with both complexity and elegance.

22 Domaine Naturaliste 'Sauvage' Sauvignon Blanc Margaret River WA

78

'Sauvage' is matured "sur lie" on yeast lees in 500L French oak adding depth and richness to the palate. Aromas of red currant, passion fruit and orange blossom are laced with exotic notes of lychee and clove.

23 Craggy Range 'Te Muna Road' Sauvignon Blanc Martinborough NZ

82

Fresh and exuberant: Typical aromas of passionfruit pulp, white stone fruit and kaffir lime leaf. Fruit driven, with mineral notes and saline acidity.

23 Gentle Folk 'Blanc' Sauvignon Blanc Adelaide Hills SA

82

A homage to the wines of the Loire Valley, the 2022 Blanc is a pure expression of what our region can produce when the vineyard and vintage come together in perfect harmony. Barrel fermented with full malolactic fermentation from super vineyard sites in the heart of Piccadilly.

22 Balter Sauvignon Blanc IGT Trentino ITA

89

In the mouth, it is fresh and aromatic with mineral notes, a result of the vineyard's altitude, the influence of the wind blowing over Lake Garda, and the sun shining on the countryside to the south.

22 Latta 'Quartz Bianco' Sauvignon Blanc Pyrenees VIC

90

A great example of Owen Latta's explorative winemaking mind - a fascinating Sauvignon Blanc from a quartz riddled vineyard in Moonambel, Pyrenees. A brisk and minerally expression with sea spray, tart lemon and lime and fennel herbaceous ness.

24 Domain Simha Sauvignon Blanc Derwent Valley TAS

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An expressive Sauvignon Blanc, Passionfruit, sweet pea, lemon, gooseberry, and fresh basil notes. Bright, fruitful, softly textured, and fresh. A wonderful expression of cool climate Sauvignon Blanc.

18 Tyrrell's HVD Vineyard Semillon Pyrenees VIC

98

Textbook HVD Semillon showing a lifted, generous floral aromatic and just beginning to show a hint of bottle age complexity. The palate is vibrant with an abundance of mouth filling citrus fruit, typical of the vineyard with a fine boned acidity with an almost chalky finish.

22 The Paper Nautilus Sauvignon Blanc Marlborough NZ

98

The 2021 Nautilus Sauvignon Blanc displays intense lifted aromas of jasmine, preserved lemons and citrus blossom. The palate introduces delightful citrus-based mouth-watering intensity and finishes with a strong textural component.

23 Cullen 'Grace Madeleine' Sauvignon Blanc|Semillon Margaret River WA

102

60% Sauvignon Blanc, 40% Semillon harvested on fruit and flower days. With a touch of oak to build complex aromas of white flowers, nettle and gooseberry. Structured but refined.

Grace Madeleine was a suffragette; campaigned for women's rights and was awarded an MBE for charity work.

20 Domaine La Croix Caillottes Sancerre AOC

124

A stylish and focused Sancerre from vines growing in the limestone/gravel soils known as caillottes. After fermentation in tank, the wine ages in large acacia-wood barrels, gaining a bit of richness without wood notes. This feels smoky and savoury with plenty of stone and citrus fruit lifted by a crisp burst of zesty lime and salty stone minerality at the end. Supple enough for solo sipping and better still with food.

WHITE VARIETALS|BLENDS|SKIN CONTACT

24 Nuova Scuola Viognier South Barnett QLD

65

Grown widely in the Rhone Valley in France, Viognier ranges in flavour from pear, nectarine and peach to grapefruit, rose and honeysuckle. This 2023 Viognier has notes of citrus, nectarine and apricot.

23 Kalleske Florentine Chenin Blanc Barossa Valley SA

65

The palate is bright with plenty of fresh juicy fruits. White fruits lead along with tropical notes and a touch of sherbert. There is zesty citrus acidity and an underlying minerality that combine to give a beautiful structure and backbone.

22 Unico Zelo 'Alluvium' Fiano Adelaide Hills SA

73

A bright, textural, and refreshing wine with sweet-vermouth aromas, nectarine and toasted almond. The palate is balanced with lemon acidity and salty salinity.

21 Aphelion 'Callow" Grenache Blanc McLaren Vale SA

78

Intense and vibrant fruit character aromatics mingle with citrus and spice. A textural edge provides a food friendly aspect, and cinnamon and nutmed spice complement the nashi pear and stone fruit flavours.

24 Forest Hill Gewürztraminer Mount Barker WA

79

Aromas of honeysuckle and rose petals. Fresh lychee and ginger on the palate with fresh citrus mineral notes.

23 Nanny Goat 'Cross Breed' [skin contact] Central Otago NZ

85

51% Pinot Gris, 46% Gewürztraminer, 3% Sauvignon Blanc; The palate is fruit forward, with ripe stone fruit giving the illusion of sweetness ahead of a saline core of fine sinewy skin derived tannin. A bead of bright acidity brings focus, drawing the palate to a long lingering finish reminiscent of white peach stone and fennel.

23 Domain Simha 'Sunskrit' Pinot Gris Derwent Valley TAS

92

Skin fermented Pinot Gris with exotic fragrance and shapely texture (lightly cloudy). Perfumed dreams, heady lychee and damask rose, pink pear skins, stone fruit, smoky spice, bitter orange, gingerbread, musky dusk.

22 Scorpo 'Bestia' Pinot Grigio [skin contact] Mornington Peninsula VIC

95

A colour between burnt orange and rose gold, richly aromatic, spicy and heady with blood orange and mandarin, a touch of red fruit, pithiness and texture.

21 Warramate Marsanne-Roussanne Yarra Valley

115

A blend of two complimentary varieties. The Marsanne brings a lemony energy, citrus drive and line to the palate while the Roussanne was made for ultimate generosity, texture and mouthfeel. When blended we craft a bright yet delightfully waxy and generous wine full of fragrant orchard fruits.

22 Yalumba The Virgilius Viogner Eden Valley

119

The hallmark Viognier texture of the palate is clearly evident in this wine. It is complex while at the same time shows purity and restraint that will unwind slowly in the glass and take the imbiber on a sensory journey.

20 Falkenstein Gewürztraminer Südtirol Alto Adige DOC ITALY

135

Fresh acidity with intense aromatics of rose petal, lychee, vanilla, and sweet acacia honey. The flavours are enveloping and soft, harmonious, and aromatic retaining an appealing freshness.

21 Fumey Chatelain Savagnin Ouille 'Arbois' Jura FR

180

As one of France's best preserved winegrowing regions and one of the smallest, Jura's unspoilt low hills, expansive alpine woods and bountiful streams present the perfect conditions for Savagnin and other traditional varieties. Zippy citrus smoothed over, a la lemon curd. There's powerful bristling acid, pithy complexity and a little waxiness coating the mouth

19 Yarra Yering No 1 Dry White Yarra Valley VIC

190

65/35% semillon/chardonnay. Lime juice, green apple peel and a little white flower. Bright green apple crunch and lime citrus from the Semillon grapes, Chardonnay brings some of the stone fruit weight and a pillowy texture from maturation in neutral oak barrels.

PINOT GRIGIO|GRIS|BIANCO

23	Antonutti Pinot Grigio Friuli DOC This wine is crisp, clean and elegant and has flavours of green apple and bosc pear; it's pleasingly fresh and mouth-watering. The finish is clean and leaves a greatly refreshed palate.	65 d
23	Montevento Pinot Grigio delle Venezie DOC Vibrant, crunchy and citrus led, here is a grigio of texture, fragrance and energy seldom seen from Veneto.	65
23	Fattori 'Valparadiso' Pinot Grigio delle Venezie DOC Peach, pear and apple with subtle florals and green tea. A portion of barrels add texture and softness.	70
21	Vigneti Le Monde Pinot Grigio [skin contact] Friuli Grave DOC Golden in colour but delicate with an elegant structure. Stone fruits and floral notes. A touch of skin contact fo colour and phenolics.	75 or
24	Ghost Rock Pinot Gris Northdown TAS This Pinot Gris displays superb intensity and flavour. Hints of nectarine and pear are complimented by a freshnon the palate that will see this wine match wonderfully with a range of foods.	78 ess
23	Ocean Eight Pinot Gris Mornington Peninsula VIC Fine, aromatic wine with melon notes and a hint of ginger and nashi pear. Complexity and texture, with a clean acidity to finish.	82
22	Livon Pinot Grigio Friuli Collio DOC Aromas of freshly sliced apples and steely minerality. The ripe apple flavour carries through with a touch o lemon and a bit of creaminess to the crisp finish.	85 of
23	Peter Zemmer Pinot Bianco Alto Adige DOC A lightly smoky and minerally Pinot Bianco with sliced-apple and lemon aromas and flavours. Medium to full bo creamy texture and a long, flavourful finish.	87 dy,
22	Quartz Reef Pinot Gris Central Otago NZ Lemon-gold with an alluring bouquet of nutmeg, honey, ginger and white peach. Voluptuous texture with spice and richness finishing beautifully dry.	89
23	Henschke 'Innes Vineyard' Pinot Gris Adelaide Hills SA Fragrant aromas of white flowers, citrus blossom, stone fruits and nashi pear, with hints of rose petal, ginger tarragon, and white pepper. A beautifully intense palate of fresh nectarine, white peach, and pear.	89 ſ,
22	St. Michael Eppan 'Fallwind' Pinot Grigio Alto Adige DOC Aromas of Alpine wildflower and peach blossom unfold on this refined mountain white. The balanced palate offers Anjou pear, yellow apple, mineral, tangerine and white almond coupled with crisp acidity.	98 e
22	Nals Margreid 'Berg' Pinot Bianco Alto Adige DOC Golden Delicious apple, pear and a hint of melon. Chamomile and jasmine, a touch of sandalwood and fresh cut grass. A long clean finish.	99
18	Domaines Schlumberger Les Princes Abbés Pinot Gris Alsace FR The palate sweeps in with the ripe juiciness of yellow pear, adding lovely phenolic pithiness that provide texture and direction. Subtle freshness highlights the beautifully dry and concentrated finish.	09 s
21	Alois Lageder 'Porer' Pinot Grigio Sudtirol Alto Adige DOC For over 150 years the Lageder family have been committed to creating terroir driven wine from Alto Adige They have always had a sustainable, holistic approach, and are now Demeter certified biodynamic. This is a dynamic balance of acid and fruit sweetness, savouriness, power and delicacy.	25
22	Jermann Pinot Grigio Friuli Venezia Giulia IGT A fresh mineral laden wine, very expressive aromatics but tightly wound acidity and poise. An almost salty savoury finish with nutty, earthy characters underpinning the zesty citrus notes.	40 ⁄,
21	Vie di Romans 'Dessimis' Pinot Grigio Friuli Isonzo DOC "This copper-coloured Pinot Grigio (a result of brief skin contact) offers subdued aromas suggesting yellov	-75 v

flower, toasted nut and citrus zest. An expressive white wine with enveloping palate that makes for an elegant

and satisfying tasting experience.

CHARDONNAY

22 De Iuliis Hunter Valley NSW

64

Subtle aromas of vanillin oak and melon with a hint of green pear. Elegant fruit characteristics integrate with the creamy texture from the French Oak; rounded out with a clean and vibrant finish.

23 Nick O'Leary Tumbarumba NSW

73

Well balanced with bright citrus upfront and some tropical fruits. Creamy, buttered toast, rich and satisfying. Cool climate but generous in weight.

23 Kooyong 'Clonale' Mornington Peninsula VIC

80

A complex nose with citrus varietal aromas meshed with classy oak. Seamless on the palate with long, fine coolclimate flavours.

22 Stonier Mornington Peninsula VIC

82

This is a highly distinctive expression of Chardonnay, typically showing a complex array of exotic fresh citrus fruit flavours supported by natural acid with a delicate mineral character.

23 Domaine Naturaliste 'Floris' Margaret River WA

82

Fresh yet textural with flavours of white peach and nectarine, a flinty character and citrus crunch. A subtle creaminess rounds out the palate.

20 Mt Difficulty 'Roaring Meg' Central Otago NZ

90

Initially some classically rich Chardonnay fruit character on the palate, white stone fruit and toast notes which then picks up on the fresh and crisp finish.

23 Fleet Yarra Valley VIC

99

Bright pale lemon colour, yellow stone fruits, smoky/grilled almonds and flinty/mineral notes. Citrus backbone, powerful and salivating length.

22 Ata Rangi Pŏtiki Martinborough NZ

99

The palate has a refined mineral entry, with hints of salinity. It opens further with notes of citrus and fennel and flavours of pastry and almond. Beautifully balanced on the palate, this wine is fresh and joyous, combining cool fruit notes with fine acidity.

23 Scorpo 'Estate' Mornington Peninsula VIC

110

A concentrated and powerful chardonnay with delicious notes of Meyer lemon, Golden Delicious apple, stone fruits and nougat notes. Intricate yet complex on the palate with fennel, vanilla and mushroom undertones

22 Bicknell FC 'Applecross' Yarra Valley VIC

115

Dave Bicknell of Oakridge fame has his own little project: from the 'Applecross Vineyard' in Gladysdale he makes a zesty, smoky, spicy Chardonnay. Flint, lemon and stone fruit. Layered and tense yet complex.

23 Sentiō Beechworth VIC

125

This is from a range of vineyards across Beechworth. There's a fair whack of texture to this wine. It's not creamy or overtly oak-driven; it's grapey and soft and lees-induced, or so you'd imagine. It tastes of wheat and pears, cooked apples and hay, cedar and assorted woodsy spices.

22 Mac Forbes 'Villages Gladysdale' Yarra Valley VIC

128

Elegant intensity with grilled almond and marzipan, a whiff of smoke and a creamy character. A sweep of grapefruit and nectarine with long, refined, mouth-watering acidity.

22 La Crema Russian River Valley California USA

148

Ripe apples, fresh blossoms, a scant touch of citrus and mildly caramelly; subtle complementary oak merges seamlessly in this rich and very well-crafted wine.

22 Giant Steps 'Tarraford Vineyard' Yarra Valley VIC

155

This is impeccable 'not to mention incredible shape'. Controlled. Powerful. Tarraford should be the richest, for site and aspect, but it's so taut, almost salty in its savouriness. Cracking wine. The 'loudest' of the single vineyards in that it brings the flavour but simultaneously so very, very good.

CHARDONNAY

23 Marco Lubiana Huon & Derwent TAS

149

Hand-picked and hand sorted, the ferment was wild and slow. This wine has a powerful nose, which to me has a mix of lemon meringue, flint, oak spice, hazelnuts and toast, the acid line is long and taut but balanced out by a rich and smooth texture.

22 Savaterre 'Frere Cadet' Beechworth VIC

155

A complex and powerful Chardonnay made with tradition in mind, aromas of pear, white peach, citrus blossom and toasted almond waft from the glass. Exceptional quality grapes from the Savaterre Beechworth vineyard, mineral with a body of oak from ageing in French barriques.

21 Diatom Bar-M Santa Barbara County California USA

155

Revealing a medium to lighter gold hue, it's medium-bodied and juicy, with a lively, up-front nose of ripe Meyer lemon, tangerine, honeysuckle, and exotic white flowers. This pure, elegant Chardonnay brings beautiful fruit and texture, has plenty of acidity, and a great finish.

18 Michael Hall Museum Release Adelaide Hills SA

158

Hand-picked and barrel fermented under the aegis of ambient yeast. This has impressive intensity and aromas of sliced peach, lemon and pear sit fresh amid nicely placed oak and a minerally edge. The palate is succulently fresh, with acidity drawing a mouthwatering deep finish. Sliced nectarines hold long and fresh.

23 Battles 'Burnside' Margaret River WA

165

The 2023 vintage saw a wet winter, followed by a mild summer that allowed for ideal flavour development in the grapes. The Burnside Chardonnay is a selection of exceptional barrels, with the wine showing vibrant, toasty funk on the nose, progressing into a detailed palate of grapefruit, cashew paste and flint.

20 Lowestoft Estate Derwent Valley TAS

165

A revelry of fresh grapefruit and citrus zest is framed by rich cashew nut, toasted oak and baking spice. Powerful yet understated – a wine with a long future

22 Shaw + Smith 'Lenswood' Adelaide Hills SA

180

Offers a journey into the deep heart of Adelaide Hills chardonnay country, which is both fine and powerful. Quite the winemaking statement in what was a difficult year. Citrus, flint, grapefruit pith and bite and peach skin.

18 Stonestreet Estate Vineyard Sonoma County California USA

195

The 2018 Estate Chardonnay exhibits notes of caramel apple and pineapple upside down cake with subtle salinity. The rich and round palate is highlighted by fresh tropical fruits, salted caramel, and a clean inviting finish.

23 Tolpuddle Coal River Valley TAS

210

On the nose, there is great purity, with florals, lemon, and lime notes. The palate has intensity and flavour, but the personality of this wine is defined by its lightness, delicacy, and precision. It has excellent balance, with a crystalline character, fresh acid, and impressive persistence of flavour.

23 Felton Road 'Block 6' Central Otago NZ

235

Richer style, lots of lees weight. Very long and reverberating acidity. Spicy, evolving fruit with soft apple/stone-fruit and a complex, layered finish

23 By Farr 'Chardonnay by Farr' Geelong VIC

249

Gary Farr is still one of Victoria's true Chardonnay maestro's and his Chardonnay By Farr is another example. Taken from the original By Farr vineyard, this is a clearly a wine of true clarity and finesse. Flavours of melon and hints of spice with wonderful oak integration mean this wine is simply delicious upon release, but handle some careful medium-term cellaring.

22 Savaterre Beechworth VIC

265

Light straw with green Chartreuse tinges. Initial glimpses of pear, white peach, preserved lemon, lime blossom, galangal, white flowers, grilled almond, subtle gun flint and exotic spices such as curry leaf, nutmeg, and allspice in the background. All defined within a mineral framework. The palate confirms its pedigree. Power, complexity, minerality and incredible length interwoven seamlessly.

CHARDONNAY



21 Leeuwin Estate 'Art Series' Margaret River WA

350

Energetic and well poised, an array of fresh lime and nashi pear is laced throughout. The palate is ethereal, mineral and defined with a presence of natural acidity. There is an enticing element of saline, wet stone and phyletic characteristic that weaves within. The shape and frame on the palate is present and focussed with effortless length.

15 Leeuwin Estate 'Art Series' Margaret River WA

410

Creamy yet fresh in its textural feel it combines complexing elements of cashew, citrusy nougat and subtle infusions of gun flint with the fruit. Excellent acid structure, superb power and a long driving finish that persists for minutes on the aftertaste.

14 Leeuwin Estate 'Art Series' Margaret River WA

510

Incredibly youthful quartz-green colour; a great chardonnay, its intensity and length right up there with the best prior vintages; white peach and nectarine open the batting, pink grapefruit coming swiftly thereafter, creamy/nutty oak almost lost in the crowd. If this weren't enough, the aftertaste is a work of art, complete in itself.

12 Leeuwin Estate 'Art Series' Margaret River WA

580

It's all class and quality but the drinkability factor is extremely high. It's like sitting with someone expert in the art of conversation; it makes you laugh and cry and lean in closer. Fruit, oak, texture, acidity, length: a hand full of aces, neatly arranged, trim and terrific.

ITALIAN CHARDONNAY

22 Tormaresca Puglia IGT

65

Tormaresca is the Antinori family's outpost in Puglia. Restrained aromas of jasmine flower, citrus and white peach. Fragrant and savoury with well balance acid and fruit.

23 St. Michael-Eppan 'Fallwind' Alto Adige DOC

110

Ripe apple and melon notes, with a gentle minerality. The silky elegance coats the powerful core, well-balanced by the natural acidity. Deceptive in its complexity and freshness.

21 Bellavista 'Alma Terra' Curtefranca Bianco DOC Lombardy

135

This wine presents itself to the wine enthusiast wonderfully dry. On the nose you'll reveal a nuance of rose, lemongrass and pink grapefruit. The fruity aspects of the bouquet are joined by notes of barrel aging such as even more fruity-balsamic nuances.

22 Cantele 'Teresa Manara' Puglia IGT

140

Intense, rich and warm, this chardonnay spends 8 months in barrique and shows generous stone fruits and subtle nuances of white flowers and spice. Velvety, layered and complex on the palate.

17 Bellavista 'Convento SS. Anunciata' Curtefranca Bianco DOC Lombardy

229

Deep straw yellow, broad and appealing. Hints of ripe fruit; apricot and pineapple. An attractive and elegant vanilla note and a mineral vein. Excellent balance and freshness on the palate and a long, tangy finish.

21 Isole E Olena 'Collezione Privata' Toscana IGT

259

Rich aromas of toasted almonds with buttery notes. On the palate, there is great balance between rich, ripe fruit, creamy brioche and complex minerality.

20 Antinori 'Cervaro della Sala' IGT Umbria

269

A complex nose with intense notes of citrus fruit, acacia blossoms that blend with hints of vanilla. A rich, mineral palate offers light notes of hazelnut butter with a lengthy and persistent finish.

ITALIAN CHARDONNAY

GAJA

23 Gaja 'Rossj Bass' Chardonnay|Sav Blanc Langhe DOP IT

325

Gaja Rossj-Bass is a refined Chardonnay with wide maturation possibilities, soft and fragrant. In the glass it has a beautiful golden yellow color. The nose gives off a fine and captivating bouquet of citrus and flowers, with a touch of honey of considerable depth. The body is very elegant, with a strong character, with good acidity and a fresh and persistent finish.

22 Gaja 'Rossi Bass' Chardonnay|Sav Blanc Langhe DOP IT

325

In the mouth the rich, full texture is balanced by a crisp acidity and intense tropical fruit, citrus and toasty flavours which linger long on the tongue.

21 Gaja 'Rossi Bass' Chardonnay|Sav Blanc Langhe DOP IT

315

This wine opens on the palate to citrus and tropical fruit, mixed with a touch of minerality that adds complexity and depth to this wine. A vibrant wine, with a firm texture noticeable along the entire centre of the tongue with a crisp, long and lingering finish.

22 Gaja 'Gaia & Rey' Langhe DOC

1050

What a beautiful chardonnay, with sliced cooked apples, pears, light cream and pineapple, but so well knit together with a mouthfeel that is caressing and fine textured.

21 Gaja 'Gaia & Rey' Langhe DOC

1050

Always a fantastic chardonnay with apple pie, nougat, vanilla, and flint aromas and flavours. Hints of salted caramel. Medium to full body with racy acidity and bright fruit.

15 Gaja 'Gaia & Rey' Langhe DOC

1150

2015 was a hot vintage resulting in an opulence to this wine: aromas of Golden Delicious apple, white peach, wild sage, ginger and honey. Use of larger older oak keeps a tension and energy to the finish.

WHITE BURGUNDY

23 Louis Jadot Chablis AOC

139

A vibrant bouquet with subtle yellow flowers and underlying mineral tones. The palate is fresh and taut, superbly focused with just a touch of spiciness toward the long and sustained finish.

22 Saumaize-Michelin 'Pentacrine' Pouilly Fuissé AOC

169

The aromas here are of white flowers, honeysuckle, acacia and stone fruit with mineral notes. The expression of this wine is balanced with a silky structure and fresh fruit, without any heaviness with a saline finish.

23 Louis Michel & Fils Chablis AOC

175

This Chablis reveals white fruit notes such as peach and has a persistent mineral structure. In the mouth, a stony sensation which is so typical of Chablis makes this a round and pure wine. The grapes originate from eight locations that are mostly located on the left bank of the River Serein and are blended to create this authentic Chablis.

19 Domaine Famille Paquet 'Les Cras' Saint Veran AOP

185

The palate impresses with lemon curd, almond-vanilla pastry cream. Balanced and elegant, this wine is a delightful experience.

22 William Fevre 1er Cru 'Vaillons' Chablis AOC

190

Derived from old vines in Les Minots (that are a source for the Fèvre massale selection), as well as holdings in Roncières and Chatains, the 2021 Chablis 1er Cru Vaillons unwinds in the glass with notes of white flowers, crisp stone fruit and clear honey.

21 Château Meursault 'Clos du Chateau" Bourgogne AOC

249

Round, complex and well-balanced. Nice length with expressive floral notes and elegant oak. Good minerality to balance the toast and nutty characters. Classy Bourgogne Meursault.

18 Pascal Bouchard 'Vaudésirs' Les Veilles Vigne Chablis Grand Cru AOC

249

Round, complex and well-balanced. Nice length with expressive floral notes and elegant oak. Good minerality to balance the toast and nutty characters. Classy Bourgogne Meursault.

21 Domaine Marc-Antonin Blain 'Morgeot' 1er Cru Chassagne-Montrachet AOC 590 Super-ripe lemon and green fruits, almost veering to apricot. Creamy too. Powerful in its ripeness but, to my surprise, not lacking in freshness, though the acid seems quite soft. Persistent too. Dense rather than elegant.

21 Domaine de Montille `Les Folatieres' 1er Cru, Puligny Montrachet AOC

1050

Displays lovely concentration of bright passionfruit and lemon peel, with a hint of spice and plenty of salty mineral notes. There is abundant tension on the palate between the crisp acidity and the admirable breadth that leads to an impressive finish.

20 Vincent Dauvissat 'La Forest' 1er Cru, Chablis AOC

1790

A striking young wine, Dauvissat's brilliant 2020 Chablis 1er Cru La Forest unfurls in the glass with aromas of crisp orchard fruit, orange oil, pear, oyster shell, freshly baked bread and smoke, framed by a deft touch of reduction.

21 Blain Gagnard 'Bâtard-Montrachet' Grand Cru Chassagne-Montrachet AOC 1990
This superb rendition of Bâtard has surprisingly ripe notes of quince and melon de Cavaillon, acacia flower, and spice. The texture is dense and rich but kept lively by the fresh acidity of 2021.

20 Vincent Dauvissat 'Les Preuses' Grand Cru, Chablis AOC

4175

Offering up aromas of orange oil, white peach, jasmine, oyster shell, wet stones and struck flint, the 2020 Chablis Grand Cru Les Preuses is full-bodied, ample and layered, with terrific concentration, racy acids and a long, intensely mineral finish. As ever, this wine is more floral-mineral than it is fruity, standing out for its ethereal personality in contradistinction with the blockier, more muscular Les Clos.

16 Vincent Dauvissat 'Les Preuses' Grand Cru, Chablis AOC

4250

An airy, elegant and cool nose displays aromas of lemon-lime, white peach and sea shore whiffs. The incredibly refined yet highly seductive medium-bodied flavors possess excellent mid-palate density while delivering superb length on the sneaky long finish.

VALLE D'AOSTA

Tucked in Italy's Northwest corner above Piemonte and surrounded by the Alps, the Valle d'Aosta is home to the highest elevated vineyards in all of Europe.

21 Les Cretes 'Mont Blanc' Vino Bianco

80

Pinot Grigio, Bianco and Chardonnay: A tight and delicate with aromas of hay and alpine flowers. Citrus, crushed rocks and green melon on the palate; very precise and chiselled with lots of personality.

PIFMONTE

Piemonte is not usually thought of for white wines, but a few are worth considering: Cortese grown around the Village of Gavi and Arneis meaning "Little Rascal".

22 Fontanabianca Arneis Langhe DOC

72

Young and lively with fresh flavours and an intense bouquet of fresh white fruit and yellow flowers.

19 Paolo Scavino 'Sorriso' Langhe DOC

82

A blend of 40% Chardonnay and 40% Sauvignon Blanc with the rest Viognier. Fresh and charming with white flowers, sage, stone fruits and mineral notes. Elegant with a soft texture combined with refreshing acidity

22 Mauro Molino Arneis Roero DOCG

92

Straw yellow in colour with greenish highlights, intense floral and fruity aromas, well-structured with a balanced acidity and a long finish.

21 Villa Sparina Gavi DOCG

110

Apples and green almonds on the nose, with an overtone of chamomile flowers. Gently fruity on the palate with balanced mineral notes.

23 Bruno Giacosa Roero Arneis DOCG

155

Intense straw coloured with greenish glints. The nose presents lemon, pineapple, peach and apricot notes with floral hints. On the palate, it is fresh, full-bodied, with mineral notes and a persistent finish.

22 Luigi Baudana 'Dragon' Langhe Bianco DOC

104

The palate is citrusy whit flavours of orchard fruit, macerated elder flower and candied orange peel that shine through the fresh and vibrant acidity. Drinkable and accessible it totally reflects the elegance and energy of the vintage.

FRIULI VENEZIA GIULIA

Boasting some of the world's finest white wines. This northeast corner of Italy is renowned for perfumed, crisp whites as well as golden hued textural expressions.

17 Ronco del Gelso 'Latimis' Isonzo Del Friuli DOC

90

This wine is a blend of Friulano, Riesling, Pinot Bianco and a small amount of Traminer Aromatico. It is a big, concentrated yet balanced wine.

21 Zuani Bianco 'Vigne' Collio DOC

98

Friulano joining forces with Chardonnay, Sauvignon and Pinot Grigio to produce a balanced wine with complex, rich fruit enhanced by balanced acidity and lingering mineral notes.

21 Livon 'Solarco' Friulano Ribolla Gialla Collio DOC

112

Crunchy apples, acacia and fresh tropical fruits. A touch of fresh crusty bread and vanilla notes complete this very fine blend.

23 Foradori Fontanasanta Manzoni Bianco 'Vigne' Collio DOC

110

Amazing aromas of white flowers, beeswax, tangerines and ripe apples. Full and intense with dried lemons and apples and fascinating honey and floral notes.

FRIULI VENEZIA GIULIA

21 Ronco Dei Tassi Friulano Collio DOC

123

From fifty-year-old vines, this is aged mostly in stainless steel with a small portion going through malolactic in old barriques. Straw yellow with green highlights, the nose displays acacia flowers, and the palate is distinctly varietal with citrus fruit, pear, liquorice & almond.

20 Ronco Dei Tassi 'Fosarin' Collio DOC

140

Fosarin is a 40-40-20 blend of Pinot Bianco, Friulano and Malvasia. Aged for six months in a combination of stainless steel and barriques, this is fresh and fruity in its youth, filling out with time in the bottle to become rich and spicy.

22 Vie di Romans 'Flors di Uis' Friuli Isonzo DOC

145

The 'Flors di Uis' is relatively light on its feet, with a graceful personality that is impossible to resist. High-toned floral notes from the Malvasia grace the impeccable finish. A blend of Malvasia, Tocai and Riesling.

15 Gravner Ribolla Venezia Giulia IGT

335

Gorgeous aromas of persimmons and spices as nutmeg, cinnamon, orange peel, and hints of caramel. Honey and apricot. Full-bodied, dry and layered with dried fruits such as apricots and pears.

12 Gravner Ribolla Venezia Giulia IGT

355

Ribolla grapes date back more than a thousand years in this region. Gravner uses Georgian amphorae buried underground, with long maceration, wild yeasts and no temperature control. After five months in amphorae the wine spends six years in large oak barrels. Bottled without fining or filtration.

VENETO

Located in the North-East of Italy, Veneto is the home of the amazing white wines of Soave, made mostly from the Garganega grape.

22 Cantina Pra 'Otto' Soave Classico DOC

70

Fresh, aromatic with slightly savoury edge. Classic food wine.

22 Fattori 'Danieli' Soave DOC

73

Floral jasmine with fresh peach, pear, apricot and citrus fruit. Intriguing notes of graphite, nettle and sage.

23 Inama 'Vin Soave' Soave Classico DOC

78

A restrained fruit driven style: there is aromas of field flowers; chamomile, elderflower, iris. Minerality on the palate with a finish of almond, typical of classic Garganega.

22 I Campi 'Campo Base' Soave DOC

78

Plenty to enjoy on the 2022 release with aromas of apple, pineapple and perfumed minerals. Medium-bodied with intense and long-lasting flavours.

20 Tenuta Sant'Antonio Vigna Monte Ceriani Soave DOC

98

Straw yellow in colour with greenish highlights, the bouquet is pleasantly citrusy, with notes reminiscent of grapefruit. In the mouth it is fresh and long persistent, characterised by a bitter almond finish, typical of Soave.

23 Tamellini 'Le Bine de Costìola' Soave DOC

105

On the palate, it presents a rich, somewhat mineral texture with notes of almonds, finishing with bright, crisp acidity. Persistent and full bodied, this is a serious wine that ages well and gains complexity over time.

22 Quintarelli 'Bianco Secco' Veneto IGT

213

Wonderfully floral, the 2022 Bianco Secco entices with a spicy blend of pine resin and ground ginger, complicating hints of nectarine and dusty florals. This is energetic in style, with a solid core of minerality contrasting a mix of tropical citrus and white pit-fruits.

21 Quintarelli 'Bianco Secco' Veneto IGT

213

Garganega, with splashes of Trebbiano, Sauvignon Blanc, Chardonnay and Saorin. White peach, apricot and jasmine aromas. Riper characters of exotic fruits, blanched almonds and fresh herbs with mineral complexity

EMILIA ROMAGNA

Emilia-Romagna runs across the top of the Italian peninsula, south of the Po River, from the Adriatic Sea almost to the west coast.

21 Podere Pradarolo 'Vej 100 Bianco Antico'

125

100% Malvasia di Candia Aromatica with 210 days on skins in cement, aged in steel, here is a young and fresh wine with aromas of dried white flowers with notes of tea, dried herbs, citrus peels and preserved stone fruit.

TOSCANA

Tuscany is one of the most famous and prolific wine regions anywhere in Europe. Its vineyards produce an array of wine styles far beyond the well-known reds:

20 Val Delle Rose 'Litorale' Vermentino Maremma DOC

70

Juicy, vibrant and fresh. Ripe fruit notes with a lovely salinity from this coastal region. Classic Vermentino.

19 Poggio Al Sole 'Chiara' Toscana IGT

73

Light pale green in colour; a blend of 85% Chardonnay and 15% Bianco di Sangiovese. This is a racy, mineraldriven wine with crisp notes of citrus, melon and green apple.

22 Bibi Graetz 'Casamatta Bianco' Toscana IGT

95

This Vermentino is bright, saline and full of energy. Lovely perfumes of fresh red apple, honeydew melon and magnolia flowers and a very good depth of fruit with a rich, flavourful finish.

22 Giorgio Melleti Cavallari Bolgheri Bianco DOC

80

Vermentino and Viognier in equal parts. Complex and intense nose of pear and stone fruit. Floral characters and a savoury mineral note.

23 Il Palagione 'Hydra Vernaccia di San Gimignano' Toscana DOCG

84

Delicate scents suggesting white spring flower, citrus and white stone fruit lead the nose. The bright, enjoyable palate doles out white peach, honeydew melon, lemon zest and a tangy hint reminiscent of oyster shell.

19 Tenuta di Ghizzano 'Il Ghizzano' Bianco Costa Toscana IGT

92

Made from traditional Tuscan white grapes: Trebbiano, Vermentino and Malvasia Bianca. This is a fresh and fruity wine, easy drinking, but not at all simple. Long, fine acidity and subtle grip makes this a wonderful match with seafood.

23 Gaja Ca'Marcanda 'Vistamare' Toscana IGT

265

On the nose, the wine develops floral notes with scents of chamomile, lime and lemongrass; at second glance it displays notes of apple, apricot, peach, lychee and flint. On the palate, the wine is fresh with medium structure, the wood is well integrated and has a long salty finish.

22 Gaja Ca'Marcanda 'Vistamare' Toscana IGT

265

Gaja Ca'Marcanda Vistamare 2022 has garnered critical acclaim, with scores that reflect its excellence. This wine's symphonic fusion of Vermentino, Viognier, and Fiano has earned it praise from critics, a testimony to its balanced freshness, rounded structure, and lasting finish.

20 Gaja Ca'Marcanda 'Vistamare' Toscana IGT

295

The playful name of this wine was inspired by the sea breeze, sun, and cheerful and light-hearted outlook of the Tuscan coast. The vineyards used for Vistamare enjoy a panoramic view of the Tuscan horizon and their Vermentino and Viognier grapes are gently inebriated by the saline air and brilliant colours of the Tuscan Sea.

LE MARCHE

Le Marche region is located in Eastern Italy and sandwiched between the Adriatic Sea and the Apennines. Home to the regions beloved Verdicchio grape or 'little green one'.

22 Bisci Verdicchio di Matelica DOC

75

Pale straw yellow in colour with lovely green reflections. An intense and complex nose with white flowers, almond and green apple. It is well structured yet fresh and balanced.

22 La Distesa 'Terre Silvate' Marche Bianco IGT

98

An energetic Verdicchio with a small amount of Trebbiano, fermented and aged in old concrete vats. Open and expressive in its youth, it has stone fruits, salinity and a pleasant, almond-like bitterness.

ABRUZZO UMBRIA

The rugged mountainous region of Abruzzo offers an abundance of delightful, uncomplicated wines that tend to represent very good value.

22 Cirelli 'La Collina Biologica' Trebbiano d'Abruzzo DOC

71

One of Abruzzo's rising stars in organic viticulture; Francesco Cirelli. Shining yellow hue with white peach, musk melon, golden delicious apples and a floral note on this organic Trebbiano. Sweet hay and melon-tinged finish.

18 Paolo Bea 'Arboreus' Trebbiano Spoletino Umbria Bianco IGT

245

The result is a wine with a surprising amber yellow color. On the nose a triumph of aromas of ripe fruit, citrus, honey and spices. In the mouth it is velvety and vibrant, with a savory freshness and a persistent finish. An authentic expression of the grape variety and terroir from which it comes.

12 Paolo Bea 'Arboreus' Trebbiano Spoletino Umbria Bianco IGT

245

A white wine of precious and refined profile, it is macerated on the skins for more than 20 days. From 40 years old vines site at 200 meters above sea level. Complex bouquet of very ripe fruits, honey and spices. Enveloping on the palate, lush, fresh and sour.

LAZIO

Lazio, centred around the ancient capital city of Rome, has a long history of winemaking. Volcanic soils of the hills give minerality to the white of the region.

21 Cincinnato 'Pantaleo' Greco Lazio IGT

70

Pale straw yellow, peach, pear and fresh apple. A nice multi-layered, complexity from chamomile and almond notes, minerality and a lovely balanced acidity.

CAMPANIA

Campania, like many Italian regions, is home an impressive array of grape varieties, some of which are found almost nowhere else on earth.

20 Tenuta Scuotto Oi Ni Fiano di Avellino IGT

119

This wine is particularly fruity and floral, very intense, with hints of dried apricot, honey, pineapple, magnolia, rose, fennel, broom, roasted hazelnuts. Dry, warm, very soft with good freshness and a great persistence. Wine characterized by a full body but at the same time velvety and elegant.

20 Pietracupa Falanghina Benevento IGT

124

Fresh wine with drive and purity. Citrus notes of bitter orange and lemon zest with a touch of pine, minerality and a slight oiliness gives texture excellent length.

22 Cantine di Marzo Fiano di Avellino

99

The aroma of white flowers settles around the palate leaving a feeling of freshness and a taste of lime with notes of wildflowers. This wine matches beautifully with seafood.

SARDEGNA

In the region of Gallura, in the northeast of the island, the heat and marine winds create optimal conditions for ripening Vermentino as the island's only DOCG: Vermentino di Gallura DOCG.

20 Cantina Gallura 'Gemellae' Vermentino di Gallura DOCG

Citrus, orange blossom, delicate white peach, white grapes, bitter almond and just a touch of salty caper brine.

23 Dolia Nova 'Prendas' Vermentino di Sardegna DOC

75

70

Clean, slightly floral, vibrant fruit and a fresh salinity. A touch of nuttiness and a lifted acidity at the finish.

20 Cantina Gallura 'Gemellae' Vermentino di Gallura DOCG

70

Citrus, orange blossom, delicate white peach, white grapes, bitter almond and just a touch of salty caper brine.

SARDEGNA

22 Sardus Pater 'Terre Fenicie' Vermentino di Sardegna DOC

80

At the nose it has a scent of finesse, floral and fruity with notes of elderflower and white peach. In the mouth the wine is broad and smooth, with a good balance between fruity aromas and freshness.

22 Masone Mannu 'Petrizza' Vermentino di Gallura DOCG

99

"Petrizza" has a straw yellow color and greenish reflections. On the nose, the clean citric aromas emerge, with hints of bergamot and lime, alongside tropical fruity notes such as pineapple. You can also perceive an elegant floral component of wisteria and the finesse of almond.

PUGLIA

The southern portion of the region is a flat and fertile peninsula that forms the characteristic heel of the Italian "boot". Puglia has always been the engine-room of Italian wine production.

23 Varvaglione '12 e Mezzo' Bianco Puglia IGP

76

Organic blend of Chardonnay Malvasia and Fiano; its elegant aromatic bouquet of floral and citrus notes lead to a palate that is fresh and long, with more citrus and white flowers.

21 Cantele 'Rohesia' Bianco Puglia IGP

95

This Malvasia Bianca has aromas of pineapple and peach with floral note of chamomile and refreshing acidity.

20 Masseria Li Veli 'Askos' Verdeca Gioia Del Colle IGP

137

Intense tropical fruit, citrus, pear with honeysuckle and fresh spices. The palate is full, well balanced with a good acidity. Rich minerality with fruit, honey and a mildly spicy finish.

SICILIA

One of Europe's oldest wine regions, Sicilia is home to some unique varietals and many modern Sicilian producers have embraced ancient farming and winemaking techniques.

22 Graci Etna Bianco DOC

98

Carricante and Catarratto producing a tight, crisp and perfectly balanced wine, with accents of stone and graphite underscored by pear, green plum and anise notes.

22 Valdibella 'Sulle Bucce' Grillo IGP

102

Color: straw yellow with golden reflections. Bouquet: notes of flowers, citrus and aromatic herbs. Taste: full taste, rightly tannic, warm but elegant and balanced by a good minerality that gives a long and complex finish. Its organoleptic expression is therefore more complex, starting from its orange colour but also more authentic thanks to the choice not to add sulphites.

22 Donnafugata 'Sur Sur' Grillo IGP

107

SurSur 2022, with a bright straw yellow colour, offers the nose a fresh bouquet with captivating notes of white-fleshed fruit (peach and cantaloupe melon) combined with hints of wildflowers and mint. In the mouth it is soft, with a return of fruity notes combined with a pleasant freshness.

19 Wiegner 'Rampante' Etna Bianco DOC

129

100% Carricante, one of the native varieties of the region. Quite a versatile variety, this leans into the fresher, zippy, saline side of things... Perfect dinner party wine right here.

22 Tenuta di Fessina 'Erse' Etna Bianco DOC

169

Predominantly Carricante: Fresh with mountain herbs, lemon peel, almond and white flowers. Flinty notes with high acidity, salinity on the finish. 'Erse'; the call of the sunrise and the dew at dawn

21 Tenuta di Fessina 'A'Puddara' Etna Bianco DOC

215

100% Carricante here, lifted graphite, orange zest, mango, broom, aromatic herbs. Gentle buttery notes and a savoury and marine finish.

22 Idda Etna Bianco DOC

242

Gaja has a new project: IDDA means 'she' in Sicilian dialect referring to Mount Etna herself. Focussing on the native grape Carricante. This expression is taut and mineral with lovely, focused citrus and pear fruit. Clean, linear and with some grapefruit, a touch of salinity and a lovely precision.

ROSÉ

23 Torbreck Woodcutter's Barossa Valley SA Woodcutter's Rosé is unashamedly modelled after the gloriously scented and bone-dry rosés of Provence. The palate of Woodcutter's Rosé is invigorating, offering a refreshing and zingy sensation.

23 Longview 'Juno' Adelaide Hills SA

60

A light dry rosé with a pale pink hue with just a touch of orange. Bright strawberry aromas with fresh orange peel, pink grapefruit and subtle mush notes.

22 Chalmers Rosato Heathcote VIC

69

The Chalmers Rosato is made from mostly Aglianico with a splash of Nero d'Avola and Sagrantino. The Aglianico portion of this Rose is fermented in old oak barrels, while the other two are co-fermented in tank to retain those bright, lifted and fresh characters. The end result is an imminently drinkable dry and textural rose.

22 Masseria Li Veli 'Torrerose' Rosato Puglia IT

70

Pale and bright Negroamaro rose; dry, savoury and saline. Fresh fruit and floral notes. Refreshing acidity

22 La Calcinara 'Mun' Rosato Marche IGT IT

79

Made from Montepulciano this is completely dry but has a savoury-sweet complexity that is fantastic when food comes into play. Blood orange with Campari notes, thyme, wild rose and a touch of smoky flintiness.

23 Maison Aix Côtes de Provence AOP FR

82

An elegant pale pink colour. The nose is perfumed and complex with red berries, grapefruit and floral notes. A wonderful example of Provence rose to be enjoyed on a hot afternoon.

22 Latta 'Tranquil' Pyrenees VIC

82

Winemaker Owen Latta's take on Syrah rosé is an effortlessly cool and fresh affair, crafted naturally with terroir in mind. Bottled unfiltered and unfined, with spice, fruit, and freshness at the forefront.

23 Minuty Prestige Côtes de Provence AOP FR

85

Shimmering pink with crisp aromas that pack a punch with yellow grapefruit, white currant, blood orange and fresh berries. It's just as crisp, strong and clean on the palate with a lovely salty and zingy aftertaste.

22 Graci Etna Rosato Sicily DOC IT

88

Nerello Mascalese gives a bone-dry rosé with strawberries and herbs, spice and wildflowers, and a touch of blood orange. Shimmering with acidity, a sturdy mineral core.

18 Villa Sparina Rosato del Monferrato 'Chiaretto' Piemonte DOC IT

95

Contemporary style composed of Barbera and Dolcetto from Piemonte. Complexity, acidity, length and minerality but also delicate fresh fruits and floral notes to the palate of this wine.

21 Vini Cali 'Galatea' Terre Siciliane Rosato Sicily DOC IT

108

Nerello Mascalese rosé with wild strawberries and peach blossom. Crisp and elegant with minerality.

21 Cobaw Ridge II Pinko Macedon Rangers VIC

113

Silky texture that fines perk from minerally acidity, a faint sheath of tannin, extraordinary length and a sense of the palate being saturated in all and sundry flavours and textures. In essence, world class rose.

23 Whispering Angel Côtes de Provence AOP FR

114

Whispering Angel is today's worldwide reference for Provence rosé. Made from Grenache, Cinsault and Rolle (Vermentino), its pale colour is pleasing to the eye and draws one in. The rewarding taste profile is full and lush while being bone dry with a smooth finish.

22 Domaine Ott* 'Château Romassan' Bandol AOC FR

158

Predominantly Mourvèdre complimented by Grenache, Cinsault and Syrah, pink grapefruit, vine peach and floral notes. Complex and concentrated on the palate with lengthy acidity.

19 Château de Bellet Bellet AOC FR

169

Produced from the Braquet grape, native to this area of Provence. Very elegant wild strawberries with complex notes of violets and spices. Generous on the palate with notes of red berries, raspberries and redcurrants. The finish is long with notes of blood peach, almond, and a beautiful minerality.

20 Domaine Ott* 'Etoile' Côtes de Provence AOC FR

395

This Grenache dominant rosé is crystal-clear appearance tinged with pink mother-of-pearl. The captivating first nose is suggestive of grapefruit and vanilla. The complexity is lifted by touches of wild peach and raspberries.

PINOT NOIR

21 Catalina Sounds 'Sound of White' Marlborough NZ

80

The Sound of White vineyard provides a richness and density of fruit. Cherries, dark berries and plum with touch of violet aromatics. Juicy and powerful with a silken elegance framed with oak tannins.

24 Freycinet Vineyards 'Louis' Freycinet Coast TAS

86

Spicy red berry fruits with subtle oak and a generous round palate: Awash with sweet cherry and plum flavours overlaying savoury silky fine tannins and a smooth textural long finish.

23 Giant Steps Yarra Valley VIC

90

This wine delivers a remarkable vibrancy and approachability, the underlying complexity and intensity of flavour makes this a standout - and exceptional value for money at this price.

21 Millton 'La Cote' Gisborne NZ

90

Expressive with notes of dark cherry, juniper berry and a hint of fennel and manuka flower. Firm tannins and ripe fruit underpinned by a savoury mineral edge.

21 Domain Road Central Otago NZ

95

Lifted aromas of violets, plums and cherry. Rich dark fruits with pretty raspberry and a hint of leather and spice. A complex wine with good depth and concentration with a long finish.

20 La Crema 'Monterey' California USA

102

Aromas of black plum, cherry, rhubarb and hints of earth. Plush and richly textured with juicy, yet balanced acidity and integrated toasty barrel spice.

21 Springvale 'Estate' Freycinet Coast TAS

104

Deep ruby red in colour, dark cherry and spice with hints of dried herbs. An intensity of dark berry fruit flavours, plush mouthfeel, and forest floor undertones. Finishes with persistent velvety tannins.

22 Michael Hall Adelaide Hills SA

125

Medium-bodied, spicy red fruit with a blood orange zest, plenty of energy, a fine grip of emery tannin, and a sour cherry and grainy grip finish of good length.

22 Craggy Range 'Te Muna Road' Martinborough NZ

129

An elegant, concentrated core of savoury dark red berry and earthy flavours with nuances of game and dried herb. This is elegantly rich, complex and savoury with fine structure.

23 Gentle Folk 'Monomeith' Adelaide Hills SA

130

One of the great and distinctive vineyards of the Adelaide Hills, and arguably the coolest. Monomeith sits in its own very cool valley on the top ridge of Ashton and the vines benefit from an east-west orientation, where part of the vineyard gets the morning sun and the other half the afternoon sun. This results in a wine with great depth, complexity and all the classic aromatics of great Pinot noir.

23 Marco Lubiana Huon & Derwent TAS

140

This is great drinking for any pinot lover. Fragrant, all dark cherry and woody spice, tasty, all dark cherry and woody spice. You get seduced by its freshness and lithe, bright feel.

23 Yabby Lake Mornington Peninsula VIC

149

Attractive rose petals, dark cherries and spice aromas. The palate is fine, tight and dry with a cherry and plum centre and balanced, savoury tannins.

21 Burn Cottage 'Moonlight Race' Central Otago NZ

159

Bright notes of cherry, florals and pepper spice are accompanied by rosehip and savoury earth characters. There is a lovely, concentrated core supported by supple texture, and fine tannins extending through the palate.

23 Ten Minutes by Tractor 'Down the Hill' Mornington Peninsula VIC

15!

Firmer, darker and bolder than the Up the Hill version, and none the lesser for it. This is a thoroughly convincing pinot noir. Amaro-like herb and nut notes, drives of black cherry, woodsy spice dug into the tannin, and a suggestion of mint. It has a slightly macerated/stewy feel, but it works in context. There's authority here.

17 Nautilus 'Clay Hills' Marlborough NZ

159

Beautifully poised with aromas of raspberries, plums and toasted spice. Firm, fine grained tannins and an earthy, truffle character contribute to a lingering elegant finish.



Bannockburn

Felton Road winemaker Blair Walter and owner Nigel Greening (who bought the winery in 2000) are a formidable team producing elegant, powerful southern Pinots from their estate vineyards, all now organically and biodynamically certified. Felton Road farms four properties totalling 34 ha in the Bannockburn subregion of Central Otago. A blend of four vineyards: Cornish Point, Calvert, MacMuir, and The Elms. It has a classic nose of dark blossoms, including rose and violet, and notes of dark fruits, black cherries, cream, cherry crumble, baked spices, cassis, and vanilla.

- 23 Felton Road 'Bannockburn' Central Otago NZ 240
- 22 Felton Road 'Bannockburn' Central Otago NZ 275
- 21 Felton Road 'Bannockburn' Central Otago NZ 290

Cornish Point

The vineyard is located in Bannockburn on the Cainmur Peninsula, surrounded by Lake Dunstan on three sides The Cornish Point Pinot Noir is known for its dense, dark fruit flavors, warm textures, and spicy strawberry notes. It's made using organic and biodynamic viticulture practices, including spontaneous fermentation with wild yeasts, and the wine is not fined or filtered.

- 23 Felton Road 'Cornish Point' Central Otago NZ 240
- 22 Felton Road 'Cornish Point' Central Otago NZ 275
- 21 Felton Road 'Cornish Point' Central Otago NZ 290

Calvert

Felton Road Calvert is a Pinot Noir wine from the Calvert Vineyard in Central Otago, New Zealand. The wine has notes of dark cherry, plum, allspice, violets, pomegranate, rosehips, capers, green olive tapenade, and bone broth. It's described as having a floral and delicate style, with fine, focused tannins and distinct minerality.

- 23 Felton Road 'Calvert' Central Otago NZ 240
- 22 Felton Road 'Calvert' Central Otago NZ 275
- 21 Felton Road 'Calvert' Central Otago NZ 290

MacMuir

This wine is produced from the Calvert vineyard, which is located a kilometer from the Elms vineyard and winery. Some say the wine is more floral and delicate than other Felton Road Pinot Noirs. Others describe it as having pure and fine aromas

- 23 Felton Road 'MacMuir' Central Otago NZ 275
- 22 Felton Road 'MacMuir' Central Otago NZ 290

Block 5

Planted in 1993, Block 5 is located on a north-facing slope in The Elms vineyard. The vineyard is farmed biodynamically and certified by Demeter. The wine has a classic Felton Road nose of dark blossoms, such as rose and violet, with a compote of dark fruits. It has a harmonious balance of fruit, acidity, and structure, with a silky texture.

- 23 Felton Road 'Block 5' Central Otago NZ 340
- 22 Felton Road 'Block 5' Central Otago NZ 340

Block 3

Felton Road Block 3 Pinot Noir is a rare, sought-after wine from Central Otago, New Zealand. The wine has a dark inky color and deep, rich mocha-infused tannins. Some say it has a dark berry freshness and a savory tone.

- 23 Felton Road 'Block 3' Central Otago NZ 345
- 22 Felton Road 'Block 3' Central Otago NZ 360
- 21 Felton Road 'Block 3' Central Otago NZ 375

PINOT NOIR

23 Mewstone Flowerpot TAS

159

It's a prime spot for Jonathan Hughes to craft high-quality Pinot Noir. The fruit picked on the knife edge of ripeness, but with crunchy acidity as a backbone. A Pinot of full body and flavour with polish and precision in spades. It's a stellar release.

21 Scorpo 'Old Cherry Orchard' Mornington Peninsula VIC

188

Intense cherry along with porcini mushroom, dried herbs and hints of cedar. The palate is tight and delicate with great length. Fine tannins and a great backbone of acidity.

21 Savaterre Beechworth VIC

205

The extremely densely planted Savaterre vineyard sees low input biodynamic viticulture. This is a terroir driven pinot of great power, structure and intensity, seasoned in new, tight grained French oak.

14 Pegasus Bay 'Aged Release' Canterbury NZ

220

Aromas of a developing wine show first with red berry fruits beginning to dry a little, darker plum and an earthy, mineral integrated complexity. Primary fruit notes remain too, but these are hidden behind the toasty smoky layers of wood and bottle-age. aromas of cinnamon and wood smoke, clove and vanilla spice.

22 By Farr 'Farrside' Geelong VIC

198

Each vintage of Farrside pinot noir exhibits more finesse, structure and savoury components, while deep meaty, spicy and mineral flavours also continue to evolve. A balanced array of red and black fruits, Farrside pinot noir is fresh and edgy with bucketloads of character. This is a firm yet delicate wine with a long-textured finish.

19 Quartz Reef 'Single Ferment' Central Otago NZ

205

Rich and elegant on the palate with ripe plum, cherry and cinnamon. Medium bodied with velvet tannins integrated acidity and a long finish.

23 Domaine Simha 'Rama' Derwent Valley TAS

210

Vintage 2023 is a brilliant expression of a long, cool season. Phenomenal sunshine gave us perfectly balanced, fine and structured wine; perfumed, long, spicy and textural with striking character.

23 Tolpuddle Coal River Valley TAS

220

This wine is true to the Tolpuddle Vineyard Pinot Noir style: intensely aromatic, medium bodied with savoury spice notes, along with purity of varietal expression, fresh acidity and ripe tannins.

18 Craggy Range 'Aroha' Martinborough NZ

255

Aroha delivers an intriguing aromatic mix of wooden spices, dried herbs, dark red roses and dark cherries reminiscent of Burgundy. Vibrant dark cherry colour. Beguiling aromatics of dark rose, ripe cherry, and a hint of freshly trampled dry pine needles.

17 Craggy Range 'Aroha' Martinborough NZ

259

The palate has a smooth, fine and elegant yet dense and powerful tannin frame with a supple, even and plush feel and such composure and fruit purity.

12 Pegasus Bay 'Prima Donna' Canterbury NZ

295

This is totally seductive and delicious; it's wonderfully matured with dark berry, charcuterie, cedar, dried herb and leather notes on the nose. The multi-layered palate delivers outstanding concentration and persistency backed by seamlessly pitched tannins, offering structure as well as lavish texture.

ITALIAN PINOT NOIR

Pinot Noirs from the Alto Adige, Italy's northernmost wine region, yield a wonderful balance of natural acid and tannin. These are some of the finest Pinot Noirs in Italy.

22 St Micheal Eppan Sűdtirol Alto Adige DOC

90

Softly full and supple with harmonious sour cherry, bramble fruits and spice. Velvety and elegant with a subtle touch of oak.

22 Tenuta Mazzolino 'Terrazze' IGT Lombardia

95

Small red berries (raspberry/strawberry) dominate the sip, the well-ripened acidity present makes the sip crisp and invites a second glass. Lingering finish on raspberry and white pepper tones.

ITALIAN PINOT NOIR

21 Tieffenbrunner 'Turmhof' Sűdtirol Alto Adige DOC

130

This Pinot Noir is ruby-red in colour with a garnet-red glow and a subtle bouquet of blackberries, raspberries and cherries. It has a youthful strength and pedigree; soft and full-bodied while being balanced and elegant on the palate.

21 Falkenstein 'Vinschgau' Sűdtirol Alto Adige DOC

165

Beautiful cherry and fruits of the forest aromas with a subtle earthy tone. The palate is smooth, elegant and long with fine tannins. Finesse is the word that comes to mind.

RED BURGUNDY

18 Gabin et Félix Richoux Irancy AOC

149

A wine that delivers tons of fruit on the nose. Aromas of mulberry, black currant, and touches of violet. The palate is well balanced, regional in style but with fresh tightly wound blackberry supported with hints of white pepper. on the nose. Notes of earthy, leather, cherry, cranberry, oak, vanilla, dry, high acidity, medium-tannins, medium bodied, 13% abv, palate is similar to the nose, long length finish Lovely burgundy PN which hits the right spots.

21 Domaine Pavelot Savigny-les-Beaune AOC

195

A perfumed and equally fresh nose features cool aromas of various dark berries, newly turned earth and a whiff of underbrush character. The suave, round a delicious middleweight flavours possess slightly better density on the bitter pit fruit-inflected finish that is both clean and dry-in-the-best sense.

21 Henri Prudhon & Fils 'Sur le Sentier du Clou' 1er Cru Saint-Aubin AOC

215

This wine is from some of the oldest vines in the estate, planted between 45 and 85 years ago. The parcel is about 1.5 hectare in size and sits on a hillside between Saint Aubin and Gamay with an east-southeast exposure. Perhaps the most serious and complex of the red wines of the domaine with a character dominated by red fruits and spices supported by substantial backbone.

20 Henri Prudhon & Fils 'Sur le Sentier du Clou' 1er Cru Saint-Aubin AOC

230

This cuvée from old vines offers very complex notes combining red fruits and spices. The numerous small clusters very rich in "Millerand" (small berries) give a beautiful depth to the wine and an unsuspected ability to defy time.

19 Domaine Roux Les Boutières' Aloxe-Corton AOC

255

The deep soil begets a vigorous, full-bodied Pinot Noir, robust yet refined. Tender and fruity, this wine reaches its peak after 3 to 5 years in the cellar, revealing a firm and well-built body, richly chewy and with pleasing tannins.

21 Domaine Lucien Boillot Gevrey-Chambertin AOC

350

The Boillot Gevrey-Chambertin 2021 is an exquisite red wine from the renowned Gevrey-Chambertin wine-growing region in Burgundy, France. With an alcohol content of 13.5% and vinified from the best Pinot Noir grapes of the 2021 vintage, it is powerful and fruity. Its taste is characterized by round tannins and a structured, mineral note. A delight for every wine lover.

16 La Pousse d'Or `Les Caillerets' 1er Cru Volnay AOP

515

A wonderfully spicy nose offers up its aromas of both red and dark raspberry, violet and soft floral nuances. There is once again a lovely texture along with fine detail to the more refined middle weight flavors that deliver very good persistence on the youthfully austere and slightly grippy finale.

21 Domaine Lucien Boillot 'La Perrière' 1er Cru Gevrey-Chambertin AOC

615

La Perrière" runs adjacent to the grand cru Mazis-Chambertin, separated by a dirt path. Pierre's version is sumptuously laden with notes of cherries enrobing the deep limestone structure of the vineyard. This is archetypal Gevrey-Chambertin in all the best ways.

21 Domaine Lucien Boillot "Les Cherbaudes" 1er Cru Gevrey-Chambertin AOC 650 A wine of great purity and remarkable amplitude, while remaining delicate and voluptuous. Very elegant and

very wide. This Gevrey is very classy.

21 Mongeard Mugneret 'Grands-Echezeaux' Grand cru Echezeaux AOC 2400 Elegant taste wine with great balance of acidity and rounded tannins filled with bright, incredibly juicy fruit with dominant tones of cherry and black currant jam, and a long aftertaste remembered pleasant spicy undertones.

RED VARIETALS BLENDS

21 La Zona Barbera King Valley VIC

65

Ripe cherry, blackberry and chocolate, rounded out by toasty vanilla oak and balanced with fine tannin.

23 Unico Zelo Fresh A.F Riverland SA

70

Great red chilled (Yes that's right) during warmer weather. It's surprising refreshing, a great option for those folks who predominantly drink red though have to opt to Rose in summer.

22 Dominique Piron 'Beaujolais-Villages' FR

72

Piron's Beaujolais Villages gathers the best villages of Beaujolais. Such a generous and expressive wine for this humble appellation with plenty of violet and herbal aromas and healthy tannins.

22 Mr Riggs Montepulciano Adelaide Hills SA

73

Bright violet, vibrant with hints of cinnamon, sweet tobacco, fresh vanilla and opulent tannin structure.

20 SC Pannell Tempranillo Touriga McLaren Vale SA

73

Otherwise known as 'The Red One', a wine inspired by both the climate and lifestyle of the Iberian Penninsula. Both varieties are unquestionably suited to South Australian winegrowing conditions resulting in wines with natural balance, complexity and flavour.

16 La Prova 'Monaciello' Aglianico Adelaide Hills SA

82

'Monaciello' is the 'little monk'; a fairy tale character in Naples! Aglianico is ferrous and dark with bramble and graphite. A rustic charm and complex tannins demanding food. Mesmerising.

21 Longview 'Saturnus' Nebbiolo Adelaide Hills SA

96

Enticing fragrance of liquorice root and dark cherry with nuances of violets and roses. Spicy and delicious; medium bodied and complex with rich, savoury fruit, refreshing acidity and fine dusty tannins.

21 Koerner 'Classico' Cabernet Sauvignon Clare Valley SA

118

A much more traditional wine here from the Koerners, albeit with their own twist. Quality and longevity were certainly front of mind when they brought this to bottle. This is their finest wine to date and something that should live a long and distinguished life for a decade or two to come.

22 Latta 'Headwaters' Nebbiolo Pyrenees VIC

102

Another stunning wine from one of Victoria's most energised young winemakers, Owen Latta. Tannin is fine but firm, sweeps through the light juiciness of the palate, the length unreal with persistence of gamey things and pomegranate juice.

21 Dominique Piron 'Morgon' Côte du Py FR

120

The Côte du Py is the most revered climate of Morgon, which itself is generally regarded as one of the two greatest of the 10 crus of Beaujolais. Almost incense-like perfume, cherry and raspberry, plenty of spice and subtle earthiness. Medium-bodied, juicy cherry, but precise too, stony tannin, a smattering of aromatic herbs and spice, cool feel, and a long finish.

20 Angélica Zapata Malbec Alta Mendoza AR

145

This has a fragrant nose of wild raspberries, plums, baked blueberries, sandalwood, orange zest, chocolate and sage. Lavender and rose petals, too. Medium-to full-bodied with creamy tannins. Floral notes shine through on the supple, caressing finish.

18 Cobaw Ridge 'Lagrein' Macedon Ranges VIC

149

Some dark cherry, dark chocolate, tobacco too. Savoury, light and dry to taste. More of the dark cherry, chocolate going on, with leather, spice, graphite-like minerality a feature.

18 Castagna 'Un Segreto' Sangiovese|Syrah Beechworth VIC

195

The powdery, savoury tannins of Sangiovese still make their presence felt, and the Syrah contributes richness to the palate without dominating the blend. Un Segreto bears the stamp of its creator and also that of the vineyard. It's a unique wine.

CABERNET SAUVIGNON|BLENDS

21 Leeuwin Estate 'Prelude' Cab Sav Margaret River WA

72

Fine and elegant with redcurrants, blueberries and dark cherries. Energy and drive. Cedar and cassia notes and a deep core of fruit, finishing with dusty, graphite-like tannins.

18 Mitchell 'Sevenhill' Cab Sav Clare Valley SA

78

Dark crimson colour. Medium weight with a soft elegant structure, displaying refined flavours of blackcurrant, cedar and spice.

19 Freycinet Vineyards Cab Sav|Merlot Freycinet TAS

95

Full bodied style with plenty of cool climate charm and elegance. A lifted mixture of black currant and berry fruits with herbs, olives and cedar perfume, firm tannins and a long savoury finish.

21 Vasse Felix Cab Sav Margaret River WA

120

A bouquet of spice, floral and savoury earthy notes combine with chocolate, while the palate is silky, with gentle mouth-coating tannins. The use of a dash of Malbec gives great lift and structure.

o7 Mitchell 'Sevenhill' Cab Sav Clare Valley SA

140

Aged release of this stunning Clare Valley Cabernet: Dark cherries and blackcurrant move elegantly across the palate with some smoky cedar and spice. Soft fine grained well integrated tannins with leather and spice.

21 Forest Hill 'Block 5' Cab Sav Mount Barker WA

145

Blackcurrant, graphite and cinnamon followed by tobacco and dark chocolate. Vibrant red and blue fruits on the palate with characters of nutmeg and cloves. Silky tannins and a long finish.

o8 Bellwether Cab Sav Coonawarra SA

255

Sue put some of this wine away hoping her business would survive long enough to see it to maturity. Pleased to stay we are still here and this is in the zone! Milk Chocolate and Classic very fine grain tannins, drinking well but will age for 20 years or more. Hand pruned and picked, natural yeast fermentation, matured in french oak barriques, about 30% new.

19 Yalumba 'The Menzies' Cab Sav Coonawarra SA

170

Well evolved cabernet with cassis, espresso, tobacco leaf, touch capsicum aromas. Inky deep palate with ample dark berry fruits, roasted coffee, tobacco leaf, black olive and chinotto notes. Finishes grippy and long. A firm claret style with lovely volume and mineral length.

16 Craggy Range 'Sophia' Merlot|Cab Sav Hawkes Bay NZ

295

Exceptional vintage, a Merlot dominant blend from the Gimblett Gravels. Luxurious, polished wine showing blackberry, tobacco, black olive, mocha, graphite and dried herb. Focussed intensity and fine, layered tannins.

19 Henschke 'Cyril' Cab Sav Sav Eden Valley SA

370

Dark garnet with ruby hues. Fragrant and perfumed aromas of thyme, marjoram, cassis, blackcurrant, blackberry compote and violets, with hints of cedar, nutmeg, dark chocolate and pepper. A deep and textural palate of fresh redcurrant, plum, bay leaf and dark baking spices, supported by refreshing acidity and fine cocoa-dusted tannins for an endless finish.

18 Henschke 'Cyril' Cab Sav Sav Eden Valley SA

389

Rich purple and inky blue fruits soar from the glass: cassis, mulberry, violets and an almost pine forest-like ozone freshness that brings lift and clarity to the sumptuous palate. Beautiful length, elegance and purity, with smooth graphite-like tannins and vibrant acidity.

18 Mt Brave Mt Veeder Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley USA

625

A deep, full-bodied mountain Cabernet Sauvignon, it has a plush, layered texture, beautiful tannins, a deep, concentrated mid-palate, and a great finish. Another head-turning wine from this label, it's a candidate for the best Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon out there at the price point.

CABERNET SAUVIGNON|BLENDS



18 Leeuwin Estate 'Art Series' Cab Sav Margaret River WA

228

Rich and expansive the medium to full bodied palate is laden with red to black currant and mulberry fruits which meld into a vanillin cedar, spicy tobacco, light earth and bay leaf infused back drop.

17 Leeuwin Estate 'Art Series' Cab Sav Margaret River WA

235

Dense and concentrated nose with blackcurrants, blueberries and boysenberries. A delicate fragrant lift of violets and lavender offer beautiful symmetry and balance.

15 Leeuwin Estate 'Art Series' Cab Sav Margaret River WA

275

Rich yet possessing an elegant polish, the palate features red to dark currant and ripe mulberry flavours over vanillin cedar, subtle earthy herb infusions, light spicy tobacco, and bay leaf. Super fine, well integrated tannins.

14 Leeuwin Estate 'Art Series' Cab Sav Margaret River WA

315

A great vintage producing expressive Cabernet: generously textured mid palate, finishing fine, with long and silky tannins. Classical blackcurrant and cherry fruits meet with coffee bean and cocoa, well integrated oak.

13 Leeuwin Estate 'Art Series' Cab Sav Margaret River WA

382

Aromas of black licorice, blackberry, and rust. Hot stone. Full body layered and juicy with loads of fresh fruit and chewy tannins. Sexy, muscular cabernet with tone and focus. Screw cap. Hard not to drink now.

11 Leeuwin Estate 'Art Series' Cab Sav Margaret River WA

382

Concentrated dark fruit with ripe blackcurrants, cherries, and a hint of cassis. Coffee bean, dark chocolate and black olive lie beneath. Subtle dustiness combines with a seductive violet lift, enhancing the fragrant complexity.

GRENACHE|BLENDS

21 S.C. Pannell 'Basso' Grenache McLaren Vale SA

68

Fresh aromas of bright red berries and watermelon, a touch of rose petal and musk with a plush palate. Mediumbodied and lively, with lacey tannins and a hint of dark spice.

22 Minim 'Landsborough' Grenache Pyrenees VIC

93

Wild cherry, stewed quince and plum with heaps of spices. There is a savoury herbaceous element reminiscent of amaro and grippy tannins.

22 Latta 'Presence' Grenache Pyrenees VIC

104

Certified organic Grenache from Shays Flat vineyard in the Pyrenees. Super light, pretty expression, finer boned than many other Aussie styles. Designed for sessional sipping.

22 Kalleske Old Vine Grenache Barossa Valley SA

119

The palate is full-bodied with plush varietal fruit throughout. It is a rich wine; initial softness opens to a fine structure and then light natural tannins emerge. Pure and honest, varietal old vine Grenache fruit is meshed through every layer and extends long into the lingering finish.

21 MMAD Vineyard Grenache Blewitt Spring SA

149

Here is purity and density, but also a lightness that belies the energy and power of the fruit. The aromatics are intense and perfumed with notes of raspberry coulis, cinnamon and a hint of fennel seed which unfurl slowly.

18 Torbreck 'The Steading' Grenache | Shiraz | Mataro Barossa Valley SA

165

The heart and soul of Torbreck: Aromas of dark cherry, blackberry, and star anise. Dense dark fruits with liquorice, plum, black olive, earth, white pepper and Asian spice. Complex yet elegant with supple, silky tannins.

20 Torbreck 'Les Amis' Grenache Barossa Valley SA

450

The 2020 Les Amis Grenache is savoury, resinous, structural, and firm. The core of red fruit remains protected, but there is a long future for this wine that is obvious from now, and it will only evolve over time.

SHIRAZ|SYRAH

22 Chalk Hill Luna McLaren Vale SA

60

Medium to full bodied, this wine has silky soft tannins and a fine lingering finish. Layers of fresh dark fruits combine with red liquorice and spice notes.

20 Red Claw Heathcote VIC

70

This Shiraz though is sourced from the Cambrian rich soils of Heathcote, a region which has quickly become one of Australia's premier Shiraz growing areas. Dark berry and spice dominated, there are underlying notes of pepper and crushed herbs.

23 Ministry of Clouds McLaren Vale SA

75

Full flavoured, textural, and with gentle sandy tannins, this wine melds red, blue and black fruits to savoury heathy with salty notes.

22 Barr-Eden Estate 'Dream of Gold' Eden Valley SA

78

"Dreams of Gold" exhibits vibrant red fruits with minty, eucalypt and winter green nose. These aromatics pass through on the palate & complement the soft supple tannins.

15 Yangarra Estate Vineyard McLaren Vale SA

80

Excellent dark-purple hue; succulent and velvety texture with some power to the chiselled tannins, savoury yet pristine fruit the key.

21 Sons of Eden 'Zephyrus' Barossa SA

87

God of the West Wind: wild berry fruits, richly concentrated with supple layered tannins.

21 Wirra Wirra 'Woodhenge' McLaren Vale SA

87

Deep crimson with plum and dark chocolate, spiced with star anise and fresh cedar. Deep and juicy blue and black fruits framed by sandy tannins and rich vanillin oak.

22 Tscharke 'Stone Well Vineyard' Barossa Valley SA

90

Single Vineyard Barossa Shiraz with ripe dark raspberries, plums and a hint of liquorice over spicy vanillin oak.

22 Ngeringa Adelaide Hills, SA

90

A vibrant Syrah featuring abundant, lifted perfume, fruit and spice. Light to medium bodied, fruit plum and sour cherries, yet savory and spicy with approachable.

21 Tellurian 'Tranter' Heathcote VIC

93

A mighty tidy shiraz, striking deep purple hues with lifted aromatics melding with black berries, liquorice, chocolate and Aussie bush notes. Taut, fine tannins are in perfect balance.

21 Kaesler 'Reach for the Sky' Barossa Valley SA

98

Dark fruited opulence of the Barossa but with an air of freshness and lift. Blackberries, boysenberry, charcoal and chocolate. Fine tannins compliment and complete this wine.

19 Marion's Vineyard Deviot TAS

105

Crimson in colour and flavour. Layers of white pepper, cranberry and pomegranate which continue to the palate. There's a delicious savouriness here.

22 Battles Frankland River WA

120

The 2022 Battles Shiraz palate is full bodied with a deep core of dark fruits and a persistent tannin structure, which helps the wine draw long, with some gentle spice and savoury notes on the finish.

22 Torbreck 'The Struie' Barossa SA

122

Elegance and power combine to make a wine with layers of dark chocolate, nuances of plum, blackberries, violets and hidden spice characters all further enhance the natural elegance and tension.

SHIRAZ|SYRAH

23 Sentiō Beechworth VIC

124

Exaggerated perfume. Jubey. Raspberry coulis. Ample spice too. Palate is then tight, minerally, peppery and washed with red berried fruit. Nice wine. Fruit is juicy, sweet, lively and delicious. It's young, it's energetic, it's still building.

21 Michael Hall 'Flaxmans Vineyard' Eden Valley SA

135

Michael's attention to detail has led him to make single site wines of precision: plush redcurrant and tart plum, Asian spices, ferrous earth, cocoa and fine-grained tannins. Power as needed but finesse and elegance all over.

21 Sons of Eden 'Remus' Eden Valley SA

148

Remus the more refined Brother: Complex red cherry and blackcurrant aromas underpinned by dried spice and bay-leaf. Concentrated, fleshy and well-structured palate.

20 Shaw + Smith 'Balhannah' Adelaide Hills SA

195

A complex, finely textured Shiraz: Rich red plum, berry and smoke, dark chocolate, espresso, pepper and leather all combine richness and generosity.

21 Yarra Yering 'Dry Red N°2' Yarra Valley VIC

245

Moderate in weight; the summer pudding fruits come in all colours dialling up the flavour interest. There is cigar box and cardamom spice lending intrigue. Firm yet fine tannins ably support the fruit and texture drive the palate. This one is hard to put in a box, there is so much to love.

20 Yarra Yering 'Dry Red N°2' Yarra Valley VIC

245

A complex and layered wine; sweet and savoury all at once. The fragrance is melting pot of violets, plums, savoury spices and a whiff of bramble.

22 Standish Wine Co 'The Standish' Barossa Valley SA

330

Stylish, seductive and devastatingly powerful. Aromatics of coal, currant and black truffle. Dark and brooding with immense concentration and persistence laced with silken tannins.

22 Standish Wine Co 'The Relic' Barossa Valley SA

330

Delicately proportioned and beautifully balanced, notes of acacia, crème de cassis and Szechuan pepper, cocoa and limestone. Fragrant, taught and finely poised. A small addition of Viognier gives a vibrancy and lift.

22 Standish Wine Co 'Lamella' Barossa Valley SA

330

Full-bodied, dark and perfumed with distinct raspberry coulis aromas, liquorice and chocolate, earthy ferrous notes too! Intense tea-like tannins, black fruit and dried raspberry with spice and peppermint.

22 Standish Wine Co 'The Schubert Theorem' Barossa Valley SA

330

The 2020 The Schubert Theorem Shiraz was made with fruit from the Roennfeldt Road vineyard in Marananga, with 70% whole bunches in the ferment. Lots of tannin, kind of gummy and firm, a tea-like flavour and perfume too, really quite sticky in feel, but ample fruit flavour, lots of mouth-perfume, and iron grip of tannin to close on a long and fresh finish.

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SHIRAZ|SYRAH

TORBRECK

21 'Descendent' Barossa Valley SA

405

Wonderfully lifted aromatics perfumed fresh black and red fruits complemented by spice and florals wafting from the glass. A firm mouthfeel of fine-grained tannins balanced by dense yet creamy like texture extolling the vineyard pedigree.

16 'Descendent' Barossa Valley SA

415

Intense, perfumed fruits with an underlying layer of lavender and spice. Dense dark cherry and blueberry fruit is perfectly interwoven with subtle nuances of white peach, spice and cinnamon. Full-bodied with great concentration yet retaining soft supple tannins this suave wine has impeccable balance.

o6 'Descendent' Barossa Valley SA

468

The 2006 Descendant is another impressive release of this wine, the colour making that immediately apparent: completely black/purple with healthy, vibrant magenta hues. A pure, wild, powerful nose of blackberry and tar is complimented by a gentle floral lift of lavender and violets. Full-bodied with great concentration, silky tannins and perfectly judged extract, this vigorous and suave young wine has a long, long future ahead of it.

21 'The Factor' Barossa Valley SA

310

The wine's voluptuous texture envelops the mouth with soft yet dense tannins and mouth filling viscosity. The flavours linger and the cleansing acidity polishes the palates gorgeous length and depth. Oak maturation is harmonious and well-integrated adding to complexity on release.

16 'The Factor' Barossa Valley SA

320

Ripe aromas of plum and wild blackberries, olive, pepper and spice are all supported by a dark core of espresso roast, ripe blackberries and saltbush. Brooding and densely packed, this lavish wine has ample generosity to cellar for many years, where it will slowly unravel its beguiling riches.

15 'The Factor' Barossa Valley SA

320

2015 The Factor is predominantly from the Gomersal and Marananga sub-regions of the Barossa, providing dense texture and richness to the palate with subtle notes of olive tapenade, saddle leather and minerals.

14 'The Factor' Barossa Valley SA

330

From small parcels of fruit from old dry grown vines. Subtle notes of olive tapenade, saddle leather and minerals. Ripe aromas of plum and wild blackberries, olive, pepper and spice are all supported by a dark core of espresso roast, ripe blackberries and saltbush. Brooding and densely packed.

15 'RunRig' Barossa Valley SA

685

More approachable in its youth, with enormously appealing aromas of grilled fruit, savoury complexities and rich, velvety tannins. Of course, it's full-bodied and concentrated, with the stuffing to age for up to a couple of decades, and it has a long, liquorice-tinged finish.

14 'RunRig' Barossa Valley SA

785

Intense, lifted aromatics of dense cherry plum and dark chocolate all come to the fore with an opulent fruit profile of mulberry and five-spice. A silky textured palate of deep red cherry fruits, clove and liquorice all interwoven with hints of sweet spice and cinnamon.

13 'RunRig' Barossa Valley SA

790

Deep garnet-purple in colour, the 2013 RunRig has a tantalizingly exotic nose of cloves, fenugreek, star anise and cassia with a core of mulberries, baked blackberries and blueberry preserves, hints of potpourri and dusty earth.



ICONIC EDEN VALLEY SHIRAZ

The Henschke vineyards are nurtured under biodynamic principles.

The Wheelwright

'The Wheelwright' pays tribute to the founding father of the Henschke winery. Old Vine Shiraz, planted in 1968. Rich and plush, deep and concentrated with layers of spicy red cherry and red currant, interwoven with anise and vanilla.

18 'The Wheelwright' Eden Valley SA 305 17 'The Wheelwright' Eden Valley SA 305

Mount Edelstone

The Mount Edelstone vineyard, meaning gemstone, is a single delineated historic vineyard planted in the early 1900s on the eastern slopes of the hill of the same name, located near Keyneton high in the range east of the Barossa Valley. Aged vines, deep loam soil, Mediterranean climate and traditional hands-on winemaking techniques have continued to create one of Australia's most unique old-vine shiraz wines.

19 'Mount Edelstone' Eden Valley SA 460
18 'Mount Edelstone' Eden Valley SA 490
17 'Mount Edelstone' Eden Valley SA 510
16 'Mount Edelstone' Eden Valley SA 545
15 'Mount Edelstone' Eden Valley SA 560
13 'Mount Edelstone' Eden Valley SA 580

Hill of Roses

Hill of Roses is produced from a mass selection from the Grandfather vines in the Hill of Grace Vineyard, planted as a nursery block in 1989 by Prue Henschke. The planting is known as the 'Post Office Block' after the historic Parrot Hill Post Office ruins overlooking the vineyard. These vines were a mere 12 years old when the wine was first produced in 2001 and while the vines are too young to be considered for inclusion in Hill of Grace, the quality of fruit from this selection has produced a wine that warrants a separate bottling and limited release.

17 'Hill of Roses' Eden Valley SA 790 16 'Hill of Roses' Eden Valley SA 815 Hill of Grace

Hill of Grace is surely one of the most evocative phrases in the world of wine. It is a translation from the German 'Gnadenberg', a region in Silesia, and the name given to the lovely Lutheran church that overlooks the vineyard. The 8-hectare single-vineyard shiraz planting is situated at the historic village of Parrot Hill 4km north-west of the Henschke winery

19 'Hill of Grace' Eden Valley SA 1585 18 'Hill of Grace' Eden Valley SA 1650 17 'Hill of Grace' Eden Valley SA 1690 16 'Hill of Grace' Eden Valley SA 1740 15 'Hill of Grace' Eden Valley SA 1790 14 'Hill of Grace' Eden Valley SA 1850 08 'Hill of Grace' Eden Valley SA 1990

ITALIAN RED WINES

PIEMONTE

Nebbiolo, the greatest Italian red varietal, is grown and made here, with Barolo the epicentre for the finest Nebbiolo wines. Lighter, fresher Dolcetto and Barbera wines are great value, easy drinking styles.

21 Renato Corino Barbera d'Alba DOC

78

Simply stunning, elegant, clean, full fruit and velvety texture with notes of brown spice, deep red fruit and cassis. Good acidity and balancing tannins. Medium length finish.

22 Bera Dolcetto d'Alba DOC

80

It is the wine of the Langhe tradition, absolutely dry, young, and fragrant, ruby red in colour with violet tones and intense fruity fragrances that reminds one of cherries.

22 Bera Barbera d'Alba DOC

82

The rich, deep dark ruby tone is echoed by intense blackberry, sweet blackcurrant, black olive tapenade, charred meat and liquorice characters on the nose and the palate. The fine, juicy tannins are in total harmony with the dense fruit characters, making for a long, morish finish.

21 Paolo Scavino Dolcetto d'Alba DOC

85

Purple color, fresh and delicate aromatics of cherry, blueberry, spices and flowers. The structure has a lightness and brightness in it. Well defined by good tannins and harmonious acidity this wine has a pleasant freshness and intriguing character.

20 Laiolo Reginin 'La Mora' Barbera d'Asti DOCG

90

La Mora is a wine that recalls the sweet scent of the fruit. It contains all the essence of the limestone and sandy land, typical of the Monferrato.

20 Hilberg-Pasquero 'Vareij' Brachetto|Barbera

105

Pretty wild rose florals and elegant spice drive this blend of Brachetto and Barbera from Annette Hilberg & Michele Pasquero.

22 Giacomo Fenocchio Barbera Superiore Bussia DOC

129

The color is a deep ruby red with garnet reflections. It has a rather intense bouquet, with scents typical of the vine and a full bodied and dry flavor, with a distinct and pleasing acidity.

21 Renato Corino Nebbiolo DOC

122

The nose shows dark berries and spices. On the palate, the wine is juicy, concentrated with supple tannins and good balance. An excellent Nebbiolo with good development potential.

21 Vietti 'Perbacco' Nebbiolo Langhe DOC

129

Fruity with hints of mint, spices and candy. Round and elegant tannins add to a long and refined finish. Robust, intense, powerful in youth; complex, elegant with ageing.

22 Luigi Giordano Nebbiolo Langhe DOC

135

This Nebbiolo offers intense and fragrant aromas of violets, wild strawberry and raspberry. The palate exudes innate elegance with dusty tannins and a smattering of dried herbs.

22 Sottimano Nebbiolo Langhe DOC

144

Sweet, perfumed cherry and rose petal nose. Beautiful, dark cherry and plum fruit, this wine is already in balance and drinks lovely. Will reward mid-term aging and develop into something really special. Outstanding value for this baby Barbaresco!

20 Bera Barbaresco DOCG

165

An elegant Barbaresco, ethereal with a spicy fragrance, light vanilla and floral notes. A full-bodied, well-balanced wine with a long finish and structured tannins.

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19 Vinchio Laudana Nizza Barbera DOCG

160

The Laudana has a ruby red colour with garnet hues because of the oak ageing. The nose has intense aromas, ethereal slightly spicy with velvety oak scents. On the palate, the wine is full body, harmonious and round with velvety tannins and long finish.

21 Marchesi di Barolo 'Peiragal' Barbera d'Alba DOC

179

Concentrated aromas of dark plum and cherry fruits and a hint of vanilla spice. The palate is fine and fleshy with fine-grained tannins and great acid balance.

19 Aldo Conterno 'Il Favot' Nebbiolo Langhe DOC

240

Complex and layered aromatics of rose petal, wild raspberry and smoky earthy tones. A touch of vanilla and baking spices, long fine tannins and elegant structure.

22 Bruno Giacosa Nebbiolo d'Alba DOC

245

This is a stunning bottle of Nebbiolo that defies its humble DOC. Notably, it is not a Langhe Nebbiolo and carries quite a different profile to the Nebbiolo from further South. Instead, it is a wine that is very elegant, high toned but sure-footed and very much baring the maker's mark of restrained power and proudly the young Nebbiolo of the range.

20 GD Varja Barolo Able DOCG

220

The 2019 Barolo Albe is a nuanced, understated wine, but it is also a rare that Albe needs time in bottle. Sweet floral and spice notes open first, leading to an attractive core of Nebbiolo fruit.

20 Fratelli Revello Barolo DOCG

250

The wine is exceptionally pretty, showing an elevated and concentrated bouquet that leaps from the glass with a mixed of cherry, sweet spice and porcini. A mouthwatering experience that is both delightful and intense the palate is lifted and shows the purity of Nebbiolo with hight toned wild red fruits woven together with savory and earthy elements that no one could undo.

19 Seghesio Barolo Castelletto 'La Villa' DOCG

250

Aromas of red plums and cherries with hints of cocoa, nut shell and dried hibiscus flower. Some citrus peel, too. Medium- to full-bodied, firm and slightly chewy with a subtle red fruit character and hints of dried herbs and walnuts to close. Flavorful.

20 Fratelli Revello Gattera Barolo DOCG

279

Mineral, red cherries, plums and a touch of white pepper. Tight, fresh and refined on the palate with tight, minerally textured tannins and a long, linear finish. Mineral, transparent and very nicely austere.

19 Fratelli Revello Gattera Barolo DOCG

279

This is a rather feminine rendition of Barolo offering balance, elegance, and delicate spice. Lovely aromatics of sweet, dried cherry, mint, spice and crushed flowers. The fruit is forward, supple, and expresses lovely varietal sweetness, with fine tannin, fresh acid and a lingering spice note.

18 Paolo Conterno 'Riva Del Bric' Barolo DOCG

329

Younger vines producing an approachable and open style. The aromas are bright with wild cherry, crushed flower and blood orange. Earthy and ferrous notes also add layers of interest.

19 Luigi Vico 'Comune di Serralunga d'Alba' Barolo DOCG

345

A delightful and powerful Barolo sourced from the 'Meriame' vineyard in Serralunga is essentially a single-vineyard wine. Wild raspberry and plum, chocolate and cocoa nib, light pepper notes, fine tannins and elegance.

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22 Bruno Giacosa 'Vigna Valmaggiore' Nebbiolo d'Alba DOC

345

This is a stunning bottle of Nebbiolo that defies its humble DOC. Notably, it is not a Langhe Nebbiolo and carries quite a different profile to the Nebbiolo from further South. Nor is it one of the fashionable new pseudo-Barolo's or 'declassified' senior expressions of Nebbiolo. Instead it is a wine that is very elegant, high toned but sure-footed and very much baring the maker's mark of restrained power and proudly the young Nebbiolo of the range.

20 Fratelli Revello Cerretta Barolo DOCG

375

Captivating aromas of crushed red fruits and pretty floral notes greet the nose. The palate reveals darker fruit flavors of blackberries and plums, with a subtle hint of camp fire. Mouthwatering and drying, this Barolo showcases a firm structure supporting powerful flavors, creating a compelling balance between grace and strength.

18 Elvio Cogno 'Ravera' Barolo DOCG

379

Firm, elegant and potent on the nose; scents of rose, mint and tobacco, spice, coffee, liquorice, truffle, leather and minerals. A full-bodied, rounded bouquet of great structure and balance, redolent of plum jam and withered brambles. The persistent chocolatey aftertaste is harmonious and enticing.

17 Elvio Cogno 'Ravera' Barolo DOCG

379

The 2017 Barolo Ravera is a beautiful, precise wine. Bright acids and veins of tannin give the 2017 terrific energy that carries all the way through to the finish. Crushed flowers, sweet red berry fruit, chalk, white pepper and spice all open with a bit of coaxing. This is very nicely done

19 Giacomo Fenocchio 'Villero' Barolo DOCG

470

It's vibrant and youthful, with delicate yet luscious strawberry, redcurrant and cherry aromas and a rosy scent. The palate is fleshy with well-rounded tannins that are ripe and extremely polished, resulting in a wine that's opulent yet not overdone.

20 Giacomo Fenocchio 'Villero' Barolo DOCG

440

Ripe red/ruby in color, the 2020 Barolo Villero offers nice purity and ripeness in its notes of preserved cherries, menthol, fennel, and roses. It gains in intensity without weight on the palate, revealing ripe concentration, plush, ripe tannins, and good freshness. With mouthwatering saline and tension, notes of dried apricot on the back palate, and a long finish.

16 Luigi Vico 'Prapò' Barolo DOCG

550

Aromas of red cherry and crushed strawberry with liquorice, violet and cocoa nib notes. Rich but elegant with fine-grained tannins and a long, structured finish.

18 Giacomo Fenocchio 'Bussia 90 dì' Riserva Barolo DOCG

715

Aromas of red fruit, dried flowers, orange peel and walnuts. Medium- to full-bodied with chewy tannins. Dry with a fine texture. Hints of crushed stones and cedar at the end.

15 Giacomo Fenocchio 'Bussia 90 dì' Riserva Barolo DOCG

795

The color is a deep garnet red with orange reflections. Intense scents typical of Nebbiolo grape, rose, truffles, leather. The palate shows hints of black cherry, truffles, spices and notes of aromatic herbs. Texture subtle and velvety tannins with a remarkable depth and complexity.

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16 Paolo Scavino 'Rocche dell'Annunziata' Riserva Barolo DOCG

840

This is a stunner. The Paolo Scavino 2016 Barolo Riserva Rocche dell'Annunziata is a beautifully balanced and memorable wine that will continue to delight for years to come. It is compact and silky in texture with abundant and very lively aromas of dark fruit and wild cherry. The Rocche dell'Annunziata vineyard is located in La Morra. This is a gorgeous wine that awards lots of emotion.

13 Paolo Scavino 'Rocche dell'Annunziata' Riserva Barolo DOCG

915

The bouquet is redolent of dark fruit, spice, tar, black truffle and chocolate-covered hazelnut. It really hits home with beautifully tight and elegant Nebbiolo aromas. Moist earth and tobacco add subtle complexity at the back. The wine delivers firm but noble tannins that wrap smoothly over the palate without feeling too heavy or sharp.

19 Vietti 'Cerequio' Barolo DOCG

945

On the palate it is full, fruity and citrus notes are perceived (strawberry, plum, cherry). The tannin is fine and imposing at the same time to support an enveloping and persistent structure. All the harmony and complexity of one of the most important crus of the land of Barolo stands out.

19 Vietti 'Rocche di Castiglione' Barolo DOCG

1120

The 2019 Barolo Rocche di Castiglione is all class. Deep and sensual, the 2019 once again shows how magical this site is. A Barolo with no hard edges and tons of sensuality, the 2019 is positively stellar. Silky tannins wrap around a core of bright red-toned fruit.

19 Gaja Barbaresco DOCG

1200

Gaja's 2019 Barbaresco is gorgeous. Bright and nervy, with fabulous balance, the 2019 captures all the best this tricky vintage had to offer. Gaja did not bottle any other Barbaresco crus, opting to use the best lots for this bottling.

20 Gaja Barbaresco DOCG

1295

Aromatics of spiced orange peel, an assertive bouquet of dried purple florals and a touch of dried mint. The palate balances the savoury character of baking chocolate and fennel seed with an abundance of ripe red berry fruits—notes of strawberry and balsamic, raspberries and fresh mint and dried tobacco.

20 Bruno Giacosa 'Falletto' Barolo DOCG

1305

There are very few stories in the world of wine that are more important to tell than that of Bruno Giacosa. A man's legacy etched into lore, and with such gravitas that it is still felt today in his native Piemonte by almost all the producers in the region. Red garnet in colour. Showcasing elegant and fine aromas of fresh plum, cherry and spice notes, the wine is dense and structured with great freshness on the palate and well-balanced tannins.

19 Bruno Giacosa 'Falletto' Barolo DOCG

1305

There are very few stories in the world of wine that are more important to tell than that of Bruno Giacosa. A man's legacy etched into lore, and with such gravitas that it is still felt today in his native Piemonte by almost all the producers in the region. Red garnet in colour. Showcasing elegant and fine aromas of fresh plum, cherry and spice notes, the wine is dense and structured with great freshness on the palate and well-balanced tannins.

20 Bruno Giacosa Falletto Barbaresco Rabaja DOCG

1385

The purity of fruit is out of this world. Peaches, strawberries, bright plums and berries. Full-bodied yet compacted. The tunning structure is there but you don't see it. It's tight and resolved with perfect balance and length.

17 Bruno Giacosa 'Falletto' Vigna le Rocche Barolo Riserva DOCG

2998

In their youth, Le Rocche Riserva is an immense wine. It is not forthcoming with its fruit when young, but nor is it disjointed in alcohol or tannin at any point. A rare kind of wine that seems carved from billet rather than made up of different parts. A cohesive wine of the tallest order, with some vintages vying for greatest wine of Italy.

VENETO

Located in the North-East of Italy, Veneto is home to the famous Valpolicella and Amarone. The grapes for Amarone are dried to intensify the sugars of the fruit, which make these wines wonderfully intense.

22 Tommasi Valpolicella DOC

73

It is fresh and well-balanced on the palate, which elegantly recalls the attractive fruity notes on the nose, offering a light, supple and persistent taste profile.

22 Allegrini Valpolicella DOC

85

It's fragrant fruit with prominent notes of redcurrant, ruby red cherries and echoed by fresh hints of black pepper and aromatic herbs.

21 Cantine Pra 'La Morandina' Valpolicella DOC

90

Vibrant ruby red in colour with fresh cherry and plum aromas. Light and fresh with supple tannins.

20 Speri Valpolicella DOC

90

This generous and ripe traditional Valpolicella is all about leather, roasted almond, ripe currants and sour cherry. The palate is mellow, with fine tannins and a sour cherry finish.

20 Le Salette 'I Progni' Ripasso Valpolicella Classico Superiore DOC

105

Alluring aromas of spice, purple flower, blackcurrant and a chocolate note. Well-rounded, elegant and warm palate of dried cherry, ripe plum, liquorice and a hint of game with great acidity and well-structured tannins.

20 Bertani Ripasso Valpolicella Classico Superiore DOC

109

Intense ruby red colour. The nose offers fruity notes of cherry and underbrush, enriched with sensations of spice and chocolate. Tannin prevails in the mouth, with a meaty, savoury palate.

18 Bertani 'Secco-Bertani' Valpolicella Ripasso IGT

145

80% Corvina, 10% Sangiovese Grosso 5% Syrah 5% Cabernet Sauvignon. Intense ruby red colour. On the palate a pleasant flavor of red fruit, sour cherries, concentrated cherry and black tea, followed by fine, powdery tannins with a coffee bean finish. It is a plush wine with good weight and the typical complexity of mature vineyards.

18 Le Salette Amarone della Valpolicella Classico DOCG

230

There is a great persistence, purity and focus to this wine. Blackcurrant and cranberries are interwoven with cream and gentle oak spice. This is fresh and very drinkable.

19 Tommasi Amarone della Valpolicella Classico DOCG

275

Deep ruby red colour with garnet shades. Warm, ripe on the nose, intense but refined. Complex and smooth, full bodied, lots of morello cherry and plum notes with nutmeg and clove spices.

18 Tommasi Amarone della Valpolicella Classico DOCG

275

Deep ruby red colour with garnet shades. Warm, ripe on the nose, intense but refined. Complex and smooth, full bodied, lots of morello cherry and plum notes with nutmeg and clove spices.

12 Le Ragose Amarone della Valpolicella Classico DOCG

465

Intensely flavored wine, with concentrated black cherry jam-like fruitiness. Dense and extremely ripe, yet still elegant and harmonious, Amarone finishes rich and dry with firm tannins enabling long bottle aging.

13 Bertani Amarone della Valpolicella Classico DOCG

510

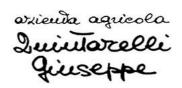
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17 Giuseppe Quintarelli Valpolicella Classico Superiore Veneto DOC

465

This hallmark Valpolicella is spicy, rustic, and loaded with classic flavors of meat, strawberry jam, and wild herbs. There is fruit, particularly black cherries and plums, but the wine goes way beyond that - forest scents, roses, prunes, cocoa powder, and minerals. Concentrated yet perfectly balanced with great depth and complexity, intense yet elegant, and, like all Quintarelli's wines, never heavy.

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16 Giuseppe Quintarelli 'Rosso Ca' del Merlo' Veneto IGT

465

As you'd expect from the late great Giuseppe Quintarelli, this is elegant, balanced and brooding. Black fruits, succulent red berries, peppery spices, dark chocolate and a savoury mineral core. The velvety tannins build to a lingering and kaleidoscopic finish. Using just enough Ripasso to build the power but retains elegance.

15 Giuseppe Quintarelli 'Rosso Ca' del Merlo' Veneto IGT

539

More explosive fruit in the ca del merlo with blackberry and bright savoury cherry /cassis notes. The palate is rich with plenty of red dark fruit and layers of dry herbs and spice. Finishes firm, tight and precise.

17 Giuseppe Quintarelli Amarone delle Valpolicella Classico Riserva DOCG 1650

There's an almost-woodsy character to the 2015 Amarone della Valpolicella Classico. It opens with a complex blend of woodland herbs and underbrush giving way to wild berries, cinnamon sticks, shaved cedar and crushed rocks. It's surprisingly energetic yet still quite potent, with an intense wave of ripe red fruits offset by hints of spiced citrus and cloves. This finishes remarkably long, yet it maintains a vibrancy seldom seen from Amarone, as autumnal spices and staining of raspberry preserves taper off under an air of violet-tinged florals.

15 Giuseppe Quintarelli Amarone delle Valpolicella Classico Riserva DOCG 1850

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FRIULI|TRENTINO ALTO ADIGE

In the far north of Italy Elisabetta Foradori has been largely responsible for resurrecting the Teroldego grape. An ancient variety native to the alpine Trentino region. But you also find varieties such as Lagrein and Pinot Noir

21 Nals Margreid 'Sand' Lagrein Sudtirol Alto Adige DOC

95

Maraschino cherry, pepper leaf and liquorice, opulent yet fresh. Lively on the palate with silky tannins and blackberry and balsamic notes. Smooth and elegant to finish.

18 Ronco dei Tassi 'Cjarandon' Riserva Friuli DOC

140

Released only in vintages favourable to Collio reds, Cjarandon is a blend of 60% Merlot, 30% Cabernet Sauvignon and 10% Cabernet Franc from a one-hectare vineyard. Aged 24 months in Allier barriques (60% new, 40% second use) and a further 24 months in the bottle, it is full of black cherry fruit with spice and mint, the palate fresh and focussed with a long finish.

19 Foradori 'Sgarzon' Teroldego Vigneti delle Dolomiti IGT

195

From the Sgarzon vineyard, meaning 'vine shoot' in the local dialect, this wine is fermented in clay amphorae. Firm yet polished tannins frame a core of expressive red fruit in this harmonious, impeccably balanced wine: Black cherry, gravel, smoke, liquorice and dark spices.

19 Foradori 'Morei' Teroldego Vigneti delle Dolomiti IGT

195

'Morei' means dark in the dialect of Trentino and the grapes from this vineyard mirror this meaning. Like its sister 'Sgarzon' this wine is fermented in Amphorae. It tends to have a darker, denser, more brooding character with chewier tannins and a stronger mineral finish.

21 Foradori 'Granato' Teroldego Vigneti delle Dolomiti IGT

325

The 2021 Granato is a wine with charm, beauty and intensity. The grape is a mutation of Teroldego with a particular concentration and density, the vines sink their roots deep into the stones of the Campo Rotaliano vineyards in which they reside.

18 Foradori 'Granato' Teroldego Vigneti delle Dolomiti IGT

375

Comparing the **Foradori "Granato" Teroldego** to the other single-vineyard Teroldego is a fool's errand. The Granato by Foradori owes its name to an ideal combination of two fruits, vine and pomegranate, which in this wine assume charm, beauty and surprising intensity. In this wine you find a display of wild berry, fresh peppery herbs, violets, and crushed stone.

TOSCANA

For its strength of image this province is easily the best known and most evocative. The principal grape is Sangiovese. Often blended with other varieties, it has become one of the highest selling wines in the modern world.

22 Fiore Nero Chianti DOCG

62

Intense and lively ruby-red colour. Rich aroma of wild berries, violet notes, and hints of spice. On the palate it is full bodied and well balanced, with soft, elegant tannins.

22 Toscolo Chianti DOCG

62

Chianti, 100% Sangiovese, is supple with cherry fruit and a soft, flavourful palate with appealing balance and that essential 'bite' that makes Sangiovese particularly food-friendly and versatile.

20 Poggio al Tufo 'Rompicollo' Toscana Rosso IGT

70

A delicious blend of sangiovese and cabernet sauvignon. Medium-bodied with a silky, spicy fruit core that pushes and pushes through the long finish, thanks to some citrusy acidity.

22 Poliziano Chianti Colli Senesi DOCG

74

A lighter, fresher style of Sangiovese which sees no oak, all red fruit and dark cherries with a subtle savoury character. Versatile with many foods.

20 Torre A Cona Chianti Colli Fiorentini DOCG

79

Juicy, ripe cherry notes are framed by pleasant tannins. A long backbone of acidity and forest floor notes compliment the vibrant fruit.

21 Villa Cerna 'Primocolle' Chianti Classico DOCG

87

As the intensity of fruit, flavour and alcohol increases, so does the 'body' and weight of the wine. Think of medium to full-bodied reds as the goldilocks zone, where ripe fruit flavours are balanced with underlying acidity, oak and tannins.

22 Antinori 'Pèppoli' Chianti Classico DOCG

88

Lively and elegant, showing herb, black cherry and spice flavours backed by dusty tannins. There's moderate length on the finish.

22 Argiano Rosso di Montalcino DOCG

10

The tannins are smooth, and the finish lingers. Intense ruby-red colour, medium-bodied, with good concentration in the mid-palate. The palate is elegant and well-balanced with captivating flavours of red fruits, violet, menthol, and earth.

20 Silvio Nardi Rosso di Montalcino DOC

115

Sangiovese made in a more savoury style. Cherry and red berries with tobacco, sweet earth, liquorice, rosemary and a firm structure and integrated tannins.

20 Isole e Olena Chianti Classico DOCG

125

Dark fruit and pressed flowers on the nose. Tight, young and grippy palate with racy plum and cherry fruit, touches of pepper and an aromatic, herby finish. A wine of depth and fascinating complexity.

21 Le Macchiole 'Bolgheri Rosso' Bolgheri DOC

135

Grilled herbs, orange zest, black plums, cherries, peach stones and peppercorns on the nose. Medium-bodied with creamy tannins. It's deliciously round and fruity, yet firm, with a long and polished finish. Merlot, Cabernet Franc, Cabernet Sauvignon and Syrah. So drinkable already

22 Casisano Rosso di Montalcino DOC

135

A complex bouquet that is reminiscent of violets, plums and red berry fruits, combined with delicate spicy hints. An attractive balance between acidity and tannin, offering the charm of an approachable style.

22 Tenuta San Guido 'Le Difese' IGT

152

The palate is smooth and elegant, with a balance of red fruit flavours, well-integrated tannins, and a light touch of oak. The finish is long and pleasant, with lingering notes of berry fruit.

21 Tenuta Biserno 'Insoglio del Cinghiale' Toscana Rosso IGT

155

2021 Insoglio del Cinghale is rich with crushed lavender, purple plum, mocha, and black pepper and plush and compelling with its aromatics. Ful-bodied, it is ripe with dark black cherry fruit, turned earth, and a clean lift off the finish. There are well integrated tannins and has a pleasing mineral touch.

21 Fontodi 'Filetta di Lamole' Chianti Classico DOCG

180

Bursting with succulent cherries and berries, minerals and herbs, and hints of loam and pressed wildflowers. Bright acidity and fine-grained tannins showing Sangiovese's finesse, rather than its raw power.

16 Villa Trasqua 'Trasgaia' Toscana Rosso IGT

185

A blend of 50% Sangiovese, 40% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Cabernet Franc with blackberry, currant and cherry aromas. Vanilla and nutmeg notes with balsamic and liquorice. Integrated smooth tannins and great length.

22 Tenuta San Guido 'Guidalberto' Toscana Rosso IGT

195

The favourable weather conditions have strongly characterized the vintage which has produced healthy grapes, with excellent aromatic component but lower sugar content than usual. Healthy, crisp and well matured grapes produced balanced musts, with low alcohol content, sweet and velvety tannins. The good acidity, the right PH ratio, and lower alcohol content conveyed freshness combined with a good structure.

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20 Tenuta San Guido 'Guidalberto' Toscana Rosso IGT

199

The 2020 Guidalberto is a gorgeous, classy wine. The 2020 impresses with its energy and drive. Sweet red cherry, plum, mint, rose petal, cedar and pipe tobacco all take shape in this super-attractive, mid-weight offering from Tenuta San Guido. There's a bit more Merlot in the 2020, but Guidalberto is increasingly made from lots that don't make it into Sassicaia, which explains the style of recent vintages.

22 Tenuta Le Potazzine Sangiovese Toscana IGT

205

The Sangiovese Toscana IGT 2022 by Tenuta Le Potazzine bursts with a deep ruby hue, offering ripe red fruits, violets, tobacco, and earthy undertones, with a touch of oak spice. Exceptionally balanced, it marries bright acidity with smooth tannins and a fruit-forward palate, leading to a savoury, enduring finish.

18 Tenute Silvio Nardi Brunello di Montalcino DOCG

250

Powerful and elegant Brunello: Intense ruby red colour with garnet highlights. Clean, sophisticated, intense and complex aromas with hints of anise, ripe wild berries and a light touch of vanilla. Warm with supple tannins, great structure and good length.

18 Antinori Pian delle Vigne Brunello Di Montalcino DOCG

269

Bright ruby red colour. On the nose some kitchen herbs, candied red berries, a touch of apricot, then floral notes of Christmas cookies. On the palate juicy, clear and balanced, shows polished tannin, nicely integrated, the fruit is beautifully elaborated, fun, a balanced finish.

16 Casisano Brunello di Montalcino DOCG

275

Aromas of dried flowers and black cherries with complex fruit and spicy undertones. Full, velvety tannins with a bright acidity underneath and a harmonious texture. Elegant, balanced and powerful with impressive length.

22 Le Potazzine Rosso di Montalcino DOC

315

A nose immediately developing, characterised by intense notes of red berries and light underbrush. On the palate the sensation is immediate: a rich and intense body that goes to perfectly intertwine with grace and elegance of a present tannin but very soft and velvety. A Rosso di Montalcino that whispers longevity.

20 Argiano Solengo Toscana Rosso IGT

330

Extremely captivating, breathtaking at first sight giving notes of black prunes, blackberries, coriander, nutmeg and cumin. Really spicy but solid with concentrated fruit showing a lot of muscle which covers the elegance in a balanced manner. Full bodied, very fine-grained tannins which border on silkiness and a persuasive finale, balsamic and essential which closes in a fulfilling manner without showing any heaviness. One of the best Solengo wines ever.

18 Casanova di Neri Brunello di Montalcino DOCG

345

Translucent and bright ruby red colour. Its appealing and fascinating nose immediately reveals the freshness of the vintage 2018 followed by hues of nutmeg and crisp red berries. On the palate it is well-hatched, generous and measured at the same time. It shows overall great balance between tannic texture and acidity. Perfectly enjoyable even young."

17 Casanova di Neri Brunello di Montalcino DOCG

355

In the palate the generosity of vintage 2017 becomes evident: the tannins are soft and silky, balanced by a subdued acidity, which perfectly embodies the energy of this sunny vintage. The ending is long and elegant, fresh and harmonious.

16 Frescobaldi 'CastelGiocondo' Brunello di Montalcino DOCG

355

Black-cherry and blackberry aromas with minerals and fresh flowers, following through to a full body with firm, silky tannins that are polished and intense. Lovely finesse and length.

15 Frescobaldi 'CastelGiocondo' Brunello di Montalcino DOCG

365

A pure and beautiful Brunello from organically grown grapes. Lively, vivid aromas of berries and sour cherry. Fine, abundant tannins, cinnamon, tobacco, mint and tea leaves complex with beautiful fruit and length.

21 Gaja Ca' Marcanda 'Magari' Bolgheri DOC

399

The 2021 Magari is the most elegant Magari I can remember tasting. Vibrant, nuanced and medium in body, the 2021 possesses notable energy from start to finish. All the elements are so nicely balanced. Dark cherry, mocha, dried herbs, licorice and menthol are finely sculpted in this super-expressive Bolgheri red.

20 Gaja Ca' Marcanda 'Magari' Bolgheri DOC

405

Inky dark, exploding with aromas of juicy berries, exotic spices, cigar wrapper and fresh-cut herbs. Cabernet Franc with Cabernet Sauvignon and Petit Verdot.

21 Antinori 'Tignanello' Toscana Rosso IGT

520

Silky and polished, with exceptional finesse, the 2021 has all the pedigree to become a modern benchmark for Tignanello and Italian wine more broadly. Bright dark red fruit, blood orange, spice, cedar and sweet pipe tobacco all soar out of the gals, framed by a discreet touch of French oak that adds raciness. In some vintages, the elements are discernible. In 2021, it is the total harmony of the wine that makes the strongest and deepest impression.

20 Antinori 'Tignanello' Toscana Rosso IGT

520

The 2020 vintage is anticipated to offer a harmonious balance of ripe fruit, refined tannins, and well-integrated oak, creating a wine of remarkable depth and sophistication. As with previous vintages, the 2020 Tignanello promises to be a true expression of Antinori's commitment to excellence in winemaking and a timeless masterpiece in the world of Italian wines.

19 Antinori 'Tignanello' Toscana Rosso IGT

525

Tignanello 2019 is an intense ruby red colour. Complex notes of red fruits give rise to delicate aromas of apricots and peaches with sensations of vanilla, dried flowers, chocolate and spice. Its bouquet is complemented by notes of coffee, caramel and Mediterranean herbs. On the palate, the wine is rich and vibrant with silky tannins. Its lengthy finish and aftertaste bring back coffee and chocolate notes perceived on the nose.

18 Antinori 'Tignanello' Toscana Rosso IGT

539

Breaking the 1970's Chianti rules to produce a blend of Sangiovese and Cabernets from the Tignanello Vineyard. Complex with notes of ripe red fruit, black cherries and sour cherries with sweet hints of vanilla and delicate white pepper and myrtle. It is rich and well-balanced: supple velvety tannins, exceptional freshness with length, elegance and persistence.

20 Isole e Olena 'Cepparello' Toscana Rosso IGT

495

The 2020 Cepparello brings Sangiovese to soaring heights in a manner only Paolo De Marchi can manage. This is his second to last vintage before he would retire and sell this historic estate. The wine opens to medium to full-bodied concentration with dark plum and redcurrant. Those cede to sweet spice, earth, crushed stone, rusty nail and candied orange peel.

19 Isole e Olena 'Cepparello' Toscana Rosso IGT

510

One of the icon wines of Tuscany, the Isole e Olena 2019 Cepparello is all Sangiovese crafted by the loving hands of a winemaking legend, the great Paolo De Marchi. It is elegant and rich with fine aromas of black and purple fruit. It ferments in oak and ages in French barrique for 20 months, with one-third new oak.

20 Fontodi 'Flaccianello della Pieve' Colli Toscana Centrale IGT

515

Extremely floral with sage and liquorice to the berry and dark cherry aromas that follow through to a medium body, with fine and silky tannins that run the length of the wine. Very crunchy for Flaccianello. Vivid on the palate. From organically grown grapes.

19 Fontodi 'Flaccianello della Pieve' Colli Toscana Centrale IGT

515

The 2019 Flaccianello della Pieve is another potent wine from Fontodi in this vintage. That said, it has more than enough mid-palate heft and overall intensity to balance its equally imposing tannins. Black cherry, mocha, licorice, lavender, spice and tobacco fill out the layers.

18 Fontodi 'Flaccianello della Pieve' Colli Toscana Centrale IGT

535

100% Sangiovese from the heart of the Chianti Classico region. Pretty dried black cherries, hints of sandalwood, spice and savoury herbs. A lean yet focused palate of red berry fruits; cherry and raspberry, with silky textures giving way to subtle floral tones and spice in a pretty and lifted expression.

19 Tenute le Potazzine Brunello di Montalcino DOCG

640

2019 is a remarkable vintage that displays a similar elegance to that of the 2016. The wine is awash with red berry fruits, cranberries and blood orange notes combined with wildflowers and crushed raspberries. The palate shows great energy and focus with refreshing acidity, fine grained tannins as well as lots of concentration and length.

18 Tenute le Potazzine Brunello di Montalcino DOCG

695

Dark ruby with a light rim. On the nose dark red fruits, cedar and crushed rock with a fine grilled spiciness. A balanced wine, to which the cooler sites and the light sea breeze give profile and contour at the same time.

21 Montevertine Le Pergole Torte Toscana Rosso IGT

905

On the nose, it releases scents of sour cherry and ripe red fruits intertwined with hints of rose and violet potpourri, and notes of dark oriental spices. Completing the aromatic profile, there are hints of balsamic herbs and fragrant notes. The taste is rich and elegant, enhanced by silky tannins and a long spicy finish.

19 Montevertine Le Pergole Torte Toscana Rosso IGT

945

'Le Pergole Torte' preserves its elegant and timeless style. Ripeness and a hint of extra cherry concentration that gives this wine beautiful intensity. The tannins are shapely and fine, but they reveal tight youthfulness that will soften with more time in the bottle. Silky, supple tannins are a hallmark of 'Le Pergole Torte'.

19 Le Macchiole 'Scrio' Toscana Rosso IGT

920

The 2019 Scrio (Syrah) is a wine of remarkable precision that has little, if anything, in common with previous vintages. Understated and gracious, with compelling aromatic presence, the 2019 is all class, all refinement. Bright, red-fleshed fruit, spice and subtle earthy notes open nicely. The 2019 is such a gorgeous wine done in a style that emphasizes freshness and a much more ethereal expression of Syrah than was the norm some years ago.

17 Le Macchiole 'Scrio' Toscana Rosso IGT

880

Aromas of scorched earth, cassis, leather and eucalyptus form the nose along with a whiff of lead pencil. On the forward palate, velvety, fine-grained tannins accompany dried cherry, prune, black pepper and vanilla. Showing the heat of the vintage, this is already accessible but also offers several years or more of fine drinking.

21 Tenuta San Guido 'Sassicaia' Bolgheri Sassicaia DOC

815

The Tenuta San Guido 2021 Bolgheri Sassicaia offers impeccable balance, excellent freshness and absolutely no signs of over-ripeness. The fruit balance is ideal with a hint of crunch and lasting tension from pulp and skins. The tannins are deftly managed with firm grip and enough velvetiness to add volume and length. There is no greenness on the bouquet that instead offers mulled herbs and spice, with cinnamon and clove, layered delicately between mostly red and some purple berry fruits. Redcurrant, blueberry, sweet pomegranate and Rainier cherry run strong in this vintage.

20 Tenuta San Guido 'Sassicaia' Bolgheri Sassicaia DOC

849

The 2020 Sassicaia is a bold, rapturous wine. Dark, fleshy and expansive on the palate, the 2020 offers up scents of blackberry jam, gravel, spice, new leather, liquorice and crème de cassis. Potent tannins are nearly buried by the sheer intensity of the fruit. Sassicaia is never a huge wine, the 2020 does seem to have an extra dimension of textural intensity. It's an intensity that is hugely appealing.

19 Tenuta San Guido 'Sassicaia' Bolgheri Sassicaia DOC

895

The bouquet is up front and very expressive from the get-go. It offers a generous display of crunchy, dark cherry that hints at the extra concentration and fruit weight obtained in the 2019 growing season. This vintage will be remembered for the crisp richness of the fruit and its important textural imprint.

18 Tenuta San Guido 'Sassicaia' Bolgheri Sassicaia DOC

965

Another success, this 2018 Sassicaia has garnered rave reviews. James Suckling scored these 98 points saying "Beautiful, serene aromas of sweet berries and wildflowers with light lavender and fresh sage. Really aromatic. A firm, silky red with medium to full body and ultra fine tannins that are polished and beautiful.

16 Isole e Olena 'Gran Selezione' Chianti Classico DOCG

1065

The 2016 Chianti Classico Gran Selezione is stunning. That's hardly a surprise as Paolo De Marchi has a track record at making compelling Gran Seleziones in his own unique style. A brilliant, focused wine, the 2016 bristles with energy from start to finish. It is the rare wine that offers superb evolution in the glass as it opens over time. The blend is 90% Sangiovese plus dollops of Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, Merlot, Petit Verdot and Syrah.

13 Isole e Olena 'Gran Selezione' Chianti Classico DOCG

845

Black cherry, pomegranate, rose petal, mint and lavender all meld together in this super-expressive, resonant Chianti Classico. An absolutely killer wine, the Gran Selezione is a fabulous, contemporary expression of Chianti Classico at its very finest. Drops of Cabernet Sauvignon and Syrah round out the blend. Paolo De Marchi gave the 2013 a year in barrique and second year in cask.

20 Antinori Solaia 2045

The 2020 Solaia is a blend of Cabernet Sauvignon, Sangiovese, and Cabernet Franc. Deep garnet-purple in color, it needs a little coaxing to bring out notes of warm cassis, black cherry compote, and black raspberries, followed by hints of cedar chest, unsmoked cigars, violets, and cardamom. The full-bodied palate is densely laden with rich, bold black fruits, supported by a firm backbone of ripe, grainy tannins and jaw-dropping tension, finishing long and lifted.

15 Antinori Solaia 2045

The nose to this Solaia is truly phenomenal with currants, blackberries, roses and violets. So perfumed. Full-bodied and everything is in check and harmony with polished tannins that last for minutes. Purity and focus. Is it the greatest Solaia ever? So drinkable already, but this is a wine for ages ahead.

13 Antinori Solaia 1862

Marchesi Antinori's 2013 Solaia is a profound and meaningful wine that is based mostly on Cabernet Sauvignon with Sangiovese and Cabernet Franc in supporting roles. It sports a dark and thick texture with plump fruit and spice, grilled herb and black pepper. The bouquet is intense and layered with the kind of complexity that is best admired as the wine shifts and evolves in the glass.

12 Antinori Solaia 1892

This stunning expression of Solaia opens with ample aromas of exotic spices, tilled soil, mature, black-skinned fruit and an underlying whiff of fragrant blue flowers. The vibrant, elegantly structured palate doles out high-toned black cherry, ripe blackberry, white pepper, cinnamon, clove and Mediterranean herbs alongside a backbone of firm, polished tannins and bright acidity.

PIEVE SANTA RESTITUTA.

The Pieve Santa Restituta estate was acquired by the Gaja family in 1994, named after the church situated in the middle of the estate which dates back to 400AD.

19 Gaja Pieve di Santa Restituta Brunello di Montalcino DOCG

375

Medium ruby red hue. Black cherry, red earth and dried sage aromatics. Deep dark cherry fruit at its core, wrapped with dusty tannins and dried herbal savouries. As it flows, we see a cured pork undertone build that adds to its sense of complexity. Great length, tannins lift and drive right to the finish.

18 Gaja Pieve di Santa Restituta Brunello di Montalcino DOCG

385

Rich notes of ripe red cherries, blackberries, and plums dance harmoniously with elegant hints of dried herbs and delicate floral undertones. With each swirl, the bouquet unfolds, revealing layers of complexity and depth. On the palate, the 2018 Gaja Pieve Santa Restituta Brunello di Montalcino is a revelation.

17 Gaja Pieve di Santa Restituta Brunello di Montalcino DOCG

395

This vintage of Brunello di Montalcino displays initial aromas of dried rose petal and hawthorn, followed by blackberry and white pepper. The palate is juicy, smooth and lush with velvety tannins and vibrant acidity leading into an elegant and lingering finish.

16 Gaja Pieve di Santa Restituta Brunello di Montalcino DOCG

405

Intense colour. Expressive nose with cherry, aromatic herb, flowery and juniper notes. On the palate it reveals mature tannins, balanced acidity, rich structure and lingering finish.

19 Gaja 'Rennina' Brunello di Montalcino DOCG

795

The Pieve Santa Restituta 2019 Brunello di Montalcino Rennina represents a blend of fruit from sites of various soil compositions and exposures. In this classic vintage, you can count on a wine that is firmly structured and important in terms of mouthfeel, but it also yields to delicate and softer nuances of wild rose, toasted cumin seed, campfire ash and grilled rosemary.

18 Gaja 'Rennina' Brunello di Montalcino DOCG

795

With the 2018 Rennina, one can immerse themselves in the evocative essence of Tuscany's dusty terrain and aromatic, herbaceous notes. The palate is filled with flavours of cherry and violet, saturating it with their vibrant presence.

16 Gaja 'Rennina' Brunello di Montalcino DOCG

805

Rennina comes from three ancient vineyard sites around the church. Often more structured than 'Sugarille'. The 2016 'Rennina' has aromas of spices, liquorice, rosemary and juniper bark with blueberry, black cherry and walnut. It is rich and graceful on the palate with a lively freshness of rose and pomegranate. A taut but silky texture, fine-grain tannins and a polished finish.

19 Gaja 'Sugarille' Brunello di Montalcino DOCG

985

The Pieve Santa Restituta 2019 Brunello di Montalcino Sugarille reveals a finely chiselled quality, with direct and lifted fruit, that gives this wine an angular or delineated personality. The wine is elegant, but it also shows lots of umami or textural deliciousness thanks to the natural ripeness and concentration of the fruit.

18 Gaja 'Sugarille' Brunello di Montalcino DOCG

981

The 2018 Brunello di Montalcino Sugarille keeps me coming back to the glass again and again to take in its spicy yet also wonderfully lifted bouquet, as shavings of cedar and pine evolve to reveal mentholated herbs, flinty stone and dried black cherries.

16 Gaja 'Sugarille' Brunello di Montalcino DOCG

995

Single vineyard site offering floral complexity, a tighter core and a blacker heart compared to 'Rennina' Toned, poised yet wonderfully elegant. Purple-tinged florals, crushed stone, blackberries with hints of tobacco and spiced orange. It's silky and soft with a dense core of primary fruits and fine-grained tannins combined.

UMBRIA

Bordering Tuscany and right above Rome is the lesser-known and less travelled region of Umbria. It's here where you'll find some of the most amazing, delightfully undervalued Italian wines.

20 Antonelli Rosso di Montefalco DOC

95

Sangiovese with Sagrantino and Montepulciano; an intense and fruity wine with hints of cherry and wild berries. Balanced and well structured. The freshness provided by the Sangiovese gives it an excellent drinkability.

15 Fongoli Montefalco Sagrantino DOCG

180

Dark garnet, dense, almost impenetrable, with great consistency. The olfactory impact is intense and elegant, with ample fruity, ethereal, and spicy notes. On the palate it shows remarkable structure, offering perfect tannins, it is a wine of great body, dense, chewy, unique.

16 Paolo Bea 'Pipparello' Montefalco Rosso Riserva DOC

460

Savory notes of game, minerals, truffles and underbrush frame the sweet red and black fruits in this Montefalco Rosso Riserva Pipparello; it's a wild yet fantastic ride that shows new flavour profiles at every turn. Intense and vibrant, this wine oozes across the palate with a brocade-like feel, studding the cheeks with chewy tannins as it builds to a mineral-inflected, resonant finish.

10 Paolo Bea 'Pipparello' Montefalco Rosso Riserva DOC

390

The 2010 Montefalco Rosso Riserva Pipparello is a blend of 60% Sangiovese, 15% Sagrantino and 25% other red grapes from the vineyards. The bouquet reveals immediate and compelling spiciness, with dried blackberry and black fruit backed by smoke, tar, cardamom and Teriyaki barbecue sauce. The wine is black, austere and savoury at its core. There is virtually no fruity sweetness, nor will you find much in the way of primary intensity. Instead, you get bold personality with smoky flavours of scorched earth and charred spice. The finish is powerful and firm

16 Paolo Bea 'Pagliaro' Montefalco Sagrantino DOCG

540

Giampiero Bea did a fantastic job in 2016, and the Montefalco Sagrantino Pagliaro is a perfect way to experience it. An intense mix of dusty dried cherries, blood orange, crushed roses and hints of plum sauce totally captivates as this opens in the glass. It's deeply textural yet not weighty; instead, it impresses with a near-juicy personality and core of vivid blackberry offset by sour citrus and mounting mineral tones.

10 Paolo Bea 'Pagliaro' Montefalco Sagrantino DOCG

365

The 2010 Sagrantino di Montefalco Pagliaro is gracefully tamed and tranquil. All those biting tannins that you might expect from the structured Sagrantino grape have been delicately subdued and rendered silky and smooth. It's magic. The wine opens to a dark garnet colour with luminous ruby-like sparkles. The bouquet delivers fine aromas of dried cherry and exotic spice.

EMILIA ROMAGNA|ABRUZZO|MARCHE

Italy is seldom known for the simplicity of its wines, yet the ruggedly mountainous region of Abruzzo offers an abundance of delightful, uncomplicated wines that tend to represent good value.

19 Collefrisio 'Vignaquadra' Montepulciano d'Abruzzo DOC

92

Young forward-thinking wine makers producing rich wire from the traditional grapes of the area. A strong fruit forward aroma, containing hints of spices, cherry plum and jam. Well balanced and lasting taste.

19 Tenuta Terraviva 'Lui' Montepulciano d'Abruzzo DOCG

105

This organic Montepulciano D'Abruzzo is ruby coloured in the glass with aromatics showing black cherry, forest floor and musk. Fruit dominates the palate via soft tannins and mild acidity.

17 Tenuta Mara 'Guiry' Sangiovese grosso Emilia Romagna IGT

148

"Guiry" by Tenuta Mara is an elegant and delicate red wine from Sangiovese grapes cultivated according to biodynamic farming on the Rimini hills, Vinified in wooden vats and aged in concrete vats. It evokes subtle nuances of red flowers, wild berries and fresh black cherries. The taste is smooth and velvety, with light tannins. Organic and Biodynamic wine, made with old style artisanal methods.

17 San Lorenzo 'Il Solleone' Montepulciano Marche Rosso IGT

148

Dark ruby red, notes of beetroot, elderberry, cocoa, ink and liquorice. An unmistakable olfactory profile that opens to a rich, deep and sanguine taste. Balanced by a slight acidity.

SARDEGNA

Sardegna's wine growing history stretches back to the 16th century. Dozens of indigenous varieties make for diverse wines. Cannonau and Carignano feature heavily.

21 Sardus Pater 'Foras' Cannonau di Sardegna DOC

70

Intense ruby red colour. Mediterranean bouquet, complex, blueberry and ripe-blackberry aromas. warm, soft, sweet tannins of rare intensity in the mouth.

20 Dolia Nova 'Anzenas' Cannonau di Sardegna DOC

75

Pleasant aromas of white flowers and herbs, with a delicate salty nuance. A fruity bouquet and balanced freshness on the palate. The finish is savoury and mineral.

20 Capichera 'Liánti' Carignano|Syrah Isola dei Nuraghi IGT

105

The "Lianti" by Capichera is an intense and full-bodied red wine from <u>Carignano</u> grapes, aged for 12 months in barrique. It has a complex and fruity aromatic profile, with nuances of ripe cherries, wild berries, coffee and sweet spices. On the palate it smooth, warm and structured, with a generous character.

15 Giuseppe Sedilesu 'Carnevale' Cannonau di Sardegna Riserva DOC

159

It is, let's say, the most "modern" Cannonau of the estate thanks to a skilful and balanced use of small French oak casks (20% new barriques). The aroma is marked by clear notes of spice and graphite. Full-bodied on the palate, it is vibrant and elegant, with succulent tannins.

PUGLIA

Puglia forms the heel of the Italian "boot", a region of constant sea breezes and long-established bush vines, with indigenous varieties such as Nero di Troia, Aglianico and Primitivo.

20 Rocca 'Rossovero' Primitivo del Salento IGT

60

Layers of herbal characters and spice keep you coming back. Concentrated flavour with a classy, zesty twist.

21 Varvaglione 'Passione' Primitivo del Salento IGP

75

Deep red in colour, an elegant bouquet and a rich aromatic taste. This wine is full-bodied with a smoothness to its tannins.

19 Pietraventosa 'Ossimoro' Primitivo/Aglianico del Salento IGT

75

Bright ruby with purple tinges. Lovely floral lift and aromas of black cherry, blueberry, violet & tar. Dense, structured and serious, with highly concentrated flavours of blackcurrant, tobacco and good structure. Muscular in style, but delightfully broad, textured and long. A blend of Primitivo and Aglianico aged in stainless steel and new oak barriques.

21 Varvaglione Salice Salentino 'Ossimoro' Primitivo/Aglianico del Salento IGP

95

Fruity notes, with cocoa, vanilla and coffee aromas. On the palate, it is harmonious, balanced and elegant, with a long aromatic and fruity aftertaste. It perfectly matches with shellfish and red meat.

22 Masseria Li Veli 'Orion' Primitivo IGT

98

Orion is dense ruby red with a purplish rim, it is immediately intense on the nose with marked aromas of ripe and fleshy red fruits, notably cherries followed by spicy notes of cinnamon and nutmeg; in the mouth it is full, powerful, smooth and very long.

20 'Papale' by Varvaglione Primitivo di Manduria DOP

138

Ruby red with round, soft aromas of jam and berries. First made for Varvaglione's 90th anniversary this wine identifies its territory with its structure, while respecting the elegance that sets it apart. Generous and velvety

18 Cantele 'Teresa Manara' Negroamaro IGT

140

Intense, cherry and spice notes. Bold and refined flavours of blueberry, vanilla, tobacco and cocoa.

22 Masseria Li Veli Susumaniello Salento IGT

155

Susumaniello, is an ancient indigenous grape variety in the southern Italian region of Puglia. Pretty aromas of violet, raspberry and blackberry carry to the light, fresh palate. This shows juicy fruit flavours struck against a solid structure, making this a great red to enjoy as the weather turns slightly cooler.

17 Varvaglione 'Collezione Privata' Negroamaro del Salento IGT

158

Specially selected Negroamaro that stands out for its elegant red fruit, black pepper, cinnamon, tobacco and distinctive aromas of liquorice. On the palate, its balance leaves a long and persistent balsamic finish.

18 Tormaresca Bocca di Lupo Aglianico Castel del Monte IGT

290

Rich with silky, vibrant tannins on the palate that reveals excellent aging potential. A lengthy and persistent finish with balsamic notes. Made from 100% Aglianico Bocca di Lupo is a deep, intense ruby red colour. The palate is refined with vibrant yet silky tannins. A lengthy and persistent finish delivers pleasant sensations of freshness and complexity.

12 Gianfranco Fino 'Es' Primitivo di Manduria IGT

450

Deep ruby colour, rich, warm and flamboyant character with extremely slow legs. Solid structure, deep complexity and tremendous nose based on plum, dark chocolate with some liquorice notes. Flavours of fig, cassis, coffee, vanilla, tobacco, prune and cherry make this wine very special. Simply remarkable.

SICILIA

One of Europe's oldest wine regions, Sicilia is home to some unique varietals and many modern Sicilian producers have embraced ancient farming and winemaking techniques.

21 Graffetta Nero d'Avola DOC

70

Ripe red fruit combine with leather and mineral notes. The palate it is velvety, with a juicy and soft finish.

22 Colomba Bianca 'Resilience' Nero d'Avola DOC

95

Embracing, silky, Resilience Nero d'Avola possesses a red berry, wild strawberries and raspberries palate alongside notes of orange peels and oriental spices, a subtle hint of vanilla.

21 Vini Cali 'Moro' Etna Rosso DOC

99

Predominantly Nerello Mascalese with a parcel of older vine Cappuccio which brings a savoury, darker edge to this wine. Bramble fruits, soft wild herbs and florals with the minerality of volcanic soils.

21 COS Cerasuolo di Vittoria Classico DOC

135

A deep ruby red colour. It has aromas of dried cherry, chocolate, smoke, herb and spice. It gains some liquorice notes with time in the glass. Soft round fruity medium bodied palate with a good dose of acidity.

22 Tenuta di Fessina 'Erse' Etna Rosso DOC

169

Round and spicy; 'Erse' tells an old story about Etna winemaking, where for hundred years the red grapes have been mixed with the white ones. A touch of Carricante with the reds here. A picture of our melting pot vineyard where tastes and roots are melted together, giving a feminine complexity.

19 Tenuta di Fessina 'Il Musmeci' Etna Rosso DOC

245

Clear, bright ruby red with purple hues. The nose initially has some reductive hints, reminiscent of smoke with pomegranate and sour cherry, black tea and coffee. Light-footed and lively palate, a lot of salt and juice, firm tannins, vibrant acidity, some herbal spice on the long finish.

18 Tenuta di Fessina 'Il Musmeci' Etna Rosso DOC

265

A silky and velvety wine made from Nerello Mascalese: Red fruit, spice and forest floor notes with persistent acidity, marasca cherry with nutmeg. A round finish which is enveloping and complex.

20 Girolamo Russo 'San Lorenzo' Etna Rosso DOC

255

Complex nose, wet rocks smoke and wild forest berries. The palate is very elegant yet fleshy and seductive with red fruit, sweet floral notes and spice. Powerful finish with firm tannins structure.

19 Girolamo Russo 'San Lorenzo' Etna Rosso DOC

270

Nerello Mascalese with small percentages of Nerello Cappuccio. This displays an amazing balance of power and grace, throwing in a shovel load of terroir, Of the three Girolamo Russo 'contrada' wines, this is the purest, most high-toned expression of Nerello.

22 Idda Etna Rosso DOC

295

The 2022 Etna Rosso tempts the imagination as depths of crushed raspberry come together with rose petals, ground cloves, sage leaf and incense to form its truly captivating bouquet. This is elegant and softly contoured, with silky textures and ripe wild berry fruits that swirl throughout.

21 Idda Etna Rosso DOC

29

IDDA is also the name of the joint project of two families, Gaja and Graci. Concentrated notes of juniper, graphite, cinchona, and orange lead to delicate rose on the finish. Very intense and spicy, with a warm, enveloping aroma. Tamarind, carob, and date emerge in the mouth. Creamy and enveloping. Straight tannins, medium-bodied, fresh, and flowing.

19 Donnafugata 'Mille e una Notte' Rosso di Sicilia DOC

360

With an intense ruby red colour, Mille e Una Notte 2019 presents a complex bouquet characterized by fruity notes of blackberries and currants, fresh mentholated hints, spicy notes of black pepper and delicate nuances of sweet toasting. In the mouth it is broad and with velvety tannins.