

the wine

The Book says “the apple tempted eve”,
our book says, “it must have been the grape”.

frivolous, intense, sexy, dirty, crisp, full-bodied, light-bodied,
fruity, earthy, cherry, blackberry, grapefruit, apple, dry, oaky.
we could fill this page with descriptors used for the juice, and
it would only be the beginning...

from wines that pair naturally with food...
to the wines that are the show...
from here and around the world...

food & wine

contrasts are a beautiful thing:
i.e. complex with simple, spicy with sweet, salty with fruity.
but sometimes birds of a feather:
i.e. tangy with tangy, earthy with earthy, sweet with sweeter.

have fun with this, as rules are meant to be...

corkage policies

no corkage on the first 750 ml bottle—if we don't carry that
special wine, bring it in.

explore

if you would like a taste of any wine we offer by the glass,
just ask.
want a half glass, let us know.

the point:

sniffing, sipping, tasting, quaffing...
be sure to experiment and enjoy...

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flights

flights . white

a sampling of four 2.5oz pours

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every day should be a celebration!

sample different styles of bubbly from around the world.

montelvini prosecco . montello e colli asolani, italy . nv

castellar . cava, spain . nv

gruet blanc de noirs brut . albuquerque, new mexico . nv

louis barthélémy ‘améthyste’ . champagne, france . nv

crisp & light . 18

awaken your senses—mouth-watering citrus fruits combined with intriguing hints of herbaceousness and minerality.

cantina tolo ‘villa castello’ pinot grigio . terre degli osci, italy . 07

pewsey vale riesling . eden valley, australia . 07

graf v. schönborn müller thurgau . franken, germany . 06

gunn estate sauvignon blanc . marlborough, new zealand . 06

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here’s a chance to get to know one of the great grapes of the world...

mckinley springs . horse heaven hills, washington . 06

kanu . stellenbosch, south africa . 07

pierre chainier . vouvray, france . 06

clos château gaillard . touraine-mesland, france . 07

lush & juicy . 18

medium-bodied whites with lush, complex flavors and rich, seductive aromas.

mil piedras viognier . mendoza, argentina . 07

prà . soave, italy . 06

carmel road chardonnay . monterey county, california . 06

twelve pinot blanc . yamhill-carlton district, oregon . 06

off the radar . 16

here are some wines that may not be the first thing you think of when you wake up in the morning.

izadi . rioja, spain . 06

j. scott cellars roussanne . columbia valley, washington . 07

esporão ‘reserve’ . reguengos, portugal . 05

ampelidæ ‘marigny-neuf’ . haut-poitou, france . 06

a kiss of sweetness . 17

don’t fear a bit of sweetness in your life. ripe fruit, spice & floral bits swimming around in a pool of balancing acidity.

schoenheitz muscat . alsace, france . 05

anselmann kabinet gewürztraminer . pfalz, germany . 05

graff ‘graacher himmelreich’ spätlese riesling . mosel-saar-ruwer, germany . 07

marlunghe ‘fior d’arancio’ spumante . colli euganei, italy . 07

local whites . 18

four distinct styles of wine, all made in our backyard.

chateau ste. michelle ‘marier’ sauvignon blanc . columbia valley . 06

milbrandt vineyards ‘traditions’ chardonnay . washington . 06

a to z pinot gris . oregon . 07

efeste ‘evergreen vineyard’ riesling . columbia valley . 07

pinot noir . 21

this gorgeous grape deserves a flight of its own. explore how different parts of the world bring out unique styles from this finicky but beloved varietal.

patriarche père & fils . bourgogne, france . 06

matahiwi estate . wairarapa, new zealand . 04

angelina . sonoma and mendocino county, california . 07

the cost vineyard . willamette valley, oregon . 05

malbec . 20

seems we can't get enough of malbec these days...
same grape, four distinct expressions...this might change what you think about malbec...

melipal rosé . mendoza, argentina . 08

tittarelli 'reserva' . mendoza, argentina . 04

substance . columbia valley, washington . 07

domaine roc de châteauvieux . touraine, france . 06

bold yet elegant . 19

like an ex-football player ballroom dancing...power and grace in a glass...

château lagarosse . premières côtes de bordeaux, france . 05

la uve . toro, spain . 06

epsilon shiraz . barossa valley, australia . 06

domaine de la serre cailloux 'vieilles vignes' . vin de pays, france . 05

ciao bellissimo . 17

one country, four unique styles...

dante rivetti 'mara' . barbera d'alba . 05

fattoria montellori . chianti . 06

campodelsole 'durano' . sangiovese di romagna . 07

l'arco . veronese . 05

off the beaten path . 16

how about we take the road less traveled by...?

trenel . beaujolais-villages, france . 05

esboço . douro, portugal . 05

trullari . primitivo del tarantino, italy . 06

root: 1 cabernet sauvignon . colchagua valley, chile . 06

dirty birds . 15

some like a little funk—if you're a fan of terroir-driven wines,
your flight has arrived...

vega sindoa . navarra, spain . 05

cave de saumur 'réserve de vigneron' cabernet franc . saumur, france . 05

colosi . sicilia, italy . 06

apaltagua carmenère . colchagua valley, chile . 05

washington red . 28

home-grown goodness.

three rivers winery merlot . columbia valley . 06

woodward canyon winery 'nelms road' cabernet sauvignon . washington state . 07

l'école no. 41 'recess red' . columbia valley, washington . 07

w j meek syrah . yakima valley . 04

glass

glass . white

a 6oz pour

champagne & sparkling

marquis de la tour rosé . vin mousseux, france . nv	7.00
castellar . cava, spain . nv	8.50
montelvini prosecco . montello e colli asolani, italy . nv	9.00
gruet blanc de noirs brut . albuquerque, new mexico . nv	9.50
louis barthélemy 'améthyste' . champagne, france . nv	18.50

sauvignon blanc

chateau ste. michelle 'marier' . columbia valley, washington . 06	9.00
gunn estate . marlborough, new zealand . 06	9.50

pinot gris

cantina tolo 'villa castello' . terre degli osci, italy . 07	6.00
a to z . oregon . 07	8.00

chenin blanc

kanu . stellenbosch, south africa . 07	7.00
mckinley springs . horse heaven hills, washington . 06	8.00
pierre chainier . vouvray, france . 06	8.00

pinot blanc

twelve . yamhill-carlton district, oregon . 06	9.00
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chardonnay

milbrandt vineyards 'traditions' . washington . 06	8.50
carmel road . monterey county, california . 06	10.00
p. ferraud & fils . mâcon-villages, france . 06	10.50

glass . white
a 6oz pour

viognier

mil piedras . mendoza, argentina . 07 8.00

roussanne

j. scott cellars . columbia valley, washington . 07 9.50

riesling

efeste 'evergreen vineyard' . columbia valley, washington . 07 9.00

pewsey vale riesling . eden valley, australia . 07 9.50

graff 'graacher himmelreich' spätlese . mosel-saar-ruwer, germany . 07 9.50

gewürztraminer

anselmann kabinet . pfalz, germany . 05 9.00

oddball white varietals

prà . soave, italy . 06 9.00

graf v. schönborn müller thurgau . franken, germany . 06 9.00

schoenheit muscat . alsace, france . 05 9.50

oddball white blends

clos château gaillard . touraine-mesland, france . 07 8.50

esporão 'reserve' . reguengos, portugal . 05 9.00

izadi . rioja, spain . 06 9.50

rosé

ampelidæ 'marigny-neuf' . haut-poitou, france . 06 7.00

melipal . mendoza, argentina . 08 8.00

glass . red

a 6oz pour

pinot noir

matahiwi estate . wairarapa, new zealand . 04	8.50
patriarche père & fils . bourgogne . 06	9.50
angeline . sonoma and mendocino county, california . 07	9.50
paggio . delle venezie, italy . 05	10.00
the cost vineyard . willamette valley, oregon . 05	12.50

gamay noir

trenel . beaujolais-villages, france . 05	7.00
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merlot

langetwins family winery & vineyards . california . 06	8.50
three rivers winery . columbia valley, washington . 06	10.00

malbec

tittarelli 'reserva' . mendoza, argentina . 04	8.50
domaine roc de châteauneuf . touraine, france . 06	8.50
substance . columbia valley, washington . 07	10.50

cabernet franc

cave de saumur 'réserve de vigneron' . saumur, france . 05	7.00
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carmenère

apaltagua . colchagua valley, chile . 05	7.00
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cabernet sauvignon

root: 1 . colchagua valley, chile . 06	7.50
morro bay 'split oak vineyard' . california . 05	8.00
woodward canyon winery 'nelms road' . washington state . 07	12.50
ehlers . st. helena . 05	15.00

bordeaux & bordeaux blends

château lagarosse . premières côtes de bordeaux, france . 05	9.50
gilbert cellars 'claret' . wahluk slope, washington . 06	11.00

red blends

l'école no. 41 'recess red' . columbia valley, washington . 07	11.50
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rhône & southern france

domaine de couron . côtes du rhône villages, france . 05	8.50
domaine de la serre cailloux 'vieilles vignes' . vin de pays, france . 05	9.50
domaine le colombier 'tradition' . vacqueyras, france . 06	10.50

grenache

simon hackett 'old vine' . mclaren vale, australia . 05	9.00
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syrah/shiraz

elle . columbia valley, washington . 06	9.50
w j meek . yakima valley, washington . 04	10.00
epsilon . barossa valley, australia . 06	12.00

italy

campodelsole 'durano' . sangiovese di romagna . 07	7.00
colosi . sicilia . 06	7.50
fattoria montellori . chianti . 06	8.00
dante rivetti 'mara' . barbera d'alba . 05	10.00
l'arco . veronese . 05	12.00

spain

vega sindoa . navarra . 05	7.50
pedro martinez alesanco 'crianza' . rioja . 04	9.00
la uve . toro . 06	10.00
arzuaga 'la planta' . ribera del duero . 06	11.00

portugal

esboço . douro . 05	8.00
chaminé . alentejano . 07	8.50

zinfandel

trullari . primitivo del tarantino, italy . 06	7.00
four vines 'old vine cuvée' . california . 06	8.50

glass . dessert/decadent

dessert white sparkling **6oz gls**

marlunghe 'fior d'arancio' spumante . colli euganei, italy . 07 10.00

tranchero 'casot' . moscato d'asti, italy . 07 10.00

dessert red sparkling **3oz gls**

giacomo bologna 'braida' . brachetto d'acqui, italy . 06 8.50

dessert white **3oz gls**

rudolf müller eiswein . rheinhessen, germany . 07 11.00

prieuré d'arche . sauternes, france . 98 10.00

chateau d'orignac . pineau des charantes, france . nv 10.00

j. vidal-fleury . muscat de beaumes de venise, france . 05 10.00

san felice . vin santo del chianti classico, italy . 02 8.00

yalumba 'hand picked' botrytis viognier . wrattonbully, australia . 06 10.00

dessert red **3oz gls**

trenel crème de framboise . bourgogne, france . nv 8.00

domaine des gatinauds 'pineau francois' . pineau des charantes, france . nv 12.00

domaine pietri-geraud 'cuvée méditerranée' . banyuls, france . 00 9.00

madeira **3oz gls**

vinhos justino hernriques 'feist' full rich . portugal . nv 6.00

cossart gordon 10 year bual . portugal . nv 13.00

broadbent colheita . portugal . 96 14.00

port **3oz gls**

quinta do crasto late bottled vintage . porto, portugal . 01 7.50

alves de sousa 'quinta de gavosa' . porto, portugal . 03 14.00

quinta de la rosa 10 year tawny . porto, portugal 12.25

kopke 20 year tawny . porto, portugal 16.00

bottles . white

bottles . white

sparkling, champagne & rosé

bubbles! exactly where we should begin. whether alone in celebration or with a wide variety of foods, sparkling wines are the ultimate “happy wine”.

try charming bubbles from various regions of the world—or go with the only wine that can truly be called Champagne!

brut champagne

montaudon . reims . nv	66
julien chopin ‘carte rouge’ . monthelon . nv	68
louis barthélémy ‘améthyste’ . épernay . nv	72
gosset excellence . ay . nv	78
pierre peters grand cru blanc de blancs . le mesnil-sur-oger . nv	99
christian bannière grand cru . bouzy . nv	102
boizel brut millésimé . épernay . 98	120
egly-ouriet ‘les vignes de vrgny’ premier cru . ambonnay . nv	135
bollinger ‘la grande année’ . ay . 99	225
palmes d’or . chouilly . 97	245
moët et chandon ‘dom pérignon’ . épernay . 99	295
krug ‘grande cuvée’ . reims . nv	375
salon ‘le mesnil’ blanc de blancs . le mesnil-sur-oger . 96	550

extra dry champagne

piper-heidsieck . reims . nv	82
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demi-sec champagne

r. dumont & fils ‘douce cuvée’ . champignol-lez-mondeville . nv	65
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sparkling white

argyle brut . willamette valley, oregon . 03	53
schramsberg blanc de noirs brut . napa valley, california . 05	67
gruet blanc de noirs brut . albuquerque, new mexico . nv	36
clover hill . tasmania, australia . 03	70
montelvini prosecco . montello e colli asolani, italy . nv	34
monte rossa 'prima cuvée' . franciacorta, italy . nv	78
castellar . cava, spain . nv	34
lucien albrecht blanc de blancs brut . crémant d'alsace, france . nv	38
cave de lugny 'l'aurore' brut . crémant de bourgogne, france . nv	28

rosé champagne

j. dumangin fils premier cru rosé . chigny-les-roses . nv	69
montaudon grande rosé . reims . nv	78
boizel brut rosé . épernay . nv	89
veuve cliquot ponsardin brut rosé . reims . nv	135
ruinart brut rosé . reims . nv	145
billecart-salmon brut rosé . mareuil-sur-ay . nv	175

sparkling rosé

soter 'beacon hill' brut rosé . willamette valley, oregon . 04	109
alma negra malbec rosé . mendoza, argentina . 07	37
marquis de la tour rosé . vin mousseux, france . nv	26

sparkling red

cantine ceci 'la luna' lambrusco . emilia, italy . 06	35
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bottles . white

sauvignon blanc

from its original home in the loire valley, with super-crisp lime & grapefruit flavors; to new zealand where it is often lush, with tropical fruit & vegetal characteristics; to california and washington where the grape often displays a touch of richness...choose your style...

chateau ste. michelle ‘marier’ . columbia valley, washington . 06	34
groth . napa valley, california . 07	37
rochioli estate . russian river valley, california . 07	67
gunn estate . marlborough, new zealand . 06	36
staete landt . marlborough, new zealand . 06	42
shaw and smith . adelaide hills, australia . 07	37
mulderbosch . western cape, south africa . 07	43
domaine andré neveu ‘le grand fricambault’ . sancerre, france . 07	39
château couhins-lurton . pessac-léognan, france . 05	87

sauvignon blanc and semillon blends

as is tradition in bordeaux, a blend of sauvignon blanc and semillon creates lively wines that mix the lush fruit and floral notes of semillon with the crisp snap of sauvignon blanc...

buty . columbia valley, washington . 07	55
delille cellars ‘chaleur estate’ . columbia valley, washington . 07	69
château latour-martillac grand cru . pessac-léognan, france . 03	85

pinot gris/grigio

pinot gris, pinot grigio: same grape, but often different styles. quaffable, light & friendly is the pinot grigio from italy; refined fruit & mineral from alsace; or the gorgeously fruity & complex pinot gris from around here.

a to z . oregon . 07	30
sineann . oregon . 07	39
willakenzie estate . willamette valley, oregon . 07	31
van duzer 'estate' . willamette valley, oregon . 07	35
lange 'yamhill vineyards reserve' . willamette valley, oregon . 07	42
handley . anderson valley, california . 07	35
cantina tolo 'villa castello' . terre degli osci, italy . 07	22
schiopetto . collio, italy . 06	65
schoenheitz . alsace, france . 06	40

pinot blanc

if you're a fan of the pinot gris, why not take pinot blanc for a spin?
(they're cousins, after all)

bright citrus, apple and pear fruits in a sleek and zippy package...

the best in the world come from alsace, but in recent years great pinot blancs have emerged here in the northwest...

st. innocent 'freedom hill vineyard' . willamette valley, oregon . 07	39
twelve . yamhill-carlton district, oregon . 06	36
robert foley vineyards . napa valley, california . 07	55
paul kubler 'k' . alsace, france . 05	31
domaine marcel deiss 'bergheim' . alsace, france . 04	43

bottles . white

chenin blanc

chenin blanc is one of those chameleon grapes that can be bone-dry, off-dry, or sticky sweet—all depending on how and where it is grown, and what the winemaker intends to create...

mckinley springs . horse heaven hills, washington . 06	30
kanu . stellenbosch, south africa . 07	26
nicolas joly 'les clos sacrés' . savennières, france . 05	59
domaine matignon . coteaux du layon, france . 06	34
pascal janvier . jasnières , france . 04	37
françois pinon 'cuvée tradition' . vouvray, france . 05	28
pierre chainier . vouvray, france . 06	30
domaine de la fontainerie 'coteau les brûlés' demi-sec . vouvray, france . 05	49

gewürztraminer

gewürztraminer is often misunderstood. like the riesling, it comes in many different styles. the ones below exhibit all the floral juiciness and spice this grape can offer.

latitude 46° n 'celilo vineyard' . columbia gorge, washington . 06	39
paul ginglinger 'cuvée wahlenbourg' . alsace, france . 05	41
anselmann kabinet . pfalz, germany . 05	36
tramin 'nussbaumer' . südtirol alto adige, italy . 06	49

grüner veltliner

there are over thirty sanctioned wine varieties in austria, but the grüner veltliner is far and away the most important—accounting for over one-third of austria's total wine production...citrus, spice, and perhaps one of the most versatile food wines in the world...

bründlmayer 'alte reben' . kamptal . 02	95
stadt krems . kremstal . 07	33

riesling

a favorite amongst wine geeks (just ask one). talk about dexterity—this grape produces wines that are dry, off-dry—all the way to sweet. whichever you prefer, the rieslings of germany, australia & the northwest are magnificent and (for now) mostly underappreciated...

efeste 'evergreen vineyard' . columbia valley, washington . 07	34
poet's leap . columbia valley, washington . 07	37
o'shea scarborough 'the haymaker' . columbia valley, washington . 06	42
chateau ste. michelle 'eroica' . columbia valley, washington . 07	48
belle pente . willamette valley, oregon . 05	30
elk cove vineyards 'estate' . willamette valley, oregon . 06	35
pewsey vale 'individual vineyard selection' . eden valley, australia . 07	34
hans bausch 'hattenheimer engelmannsberg' spätlese . rheingau, germany . 05	33
helmut hexamer 'meddersheimer rheingrafenberg' kabinet . nahe, germany . 04	37
graff 'graacher himmelreich' spätlese . mosel-saar-ruwer, germany . 07	36
bert simon 'serrig würzberg' spätlese . mosel-saar-ruwer, germany . 05	42
kerpen 'wehlener sonnenuhr' kabinet . mosel-saar-ruwer, germany . 06	45
müller-catoir 'haardter bürgergarten' halbtrocken kabinet . pfalz, germany . 03	59
loimer 'seeberg' . langenlois, austria . 06	79
josef högl 'loibner-vision' smaragd . wachau, austria . 04	85
domaine weinbach 'clos des capucins' schlossberg . alsace grand cru, france . 04	75
domaine schoffit 'clos saint-théobald' rangen . alsace grand cru, france . 02	105

bottles . white

chardonnay

what would the world of wine be without chardonnay? This wine comes in different styles from all over the wine world—experiment from a crisp, non-oaked style all the way to a fully-oaked butter ball...a flexible food-pairing wine—give it a try with cream sauces, heftier meats & bolder dishes.

northwest

milbrandt vineyards 'traditions' . washington . 06	32
woodward canyon . washington . 07	64
cave b estate winery . columbia valley, washington . 06	37
dunham 'shirley mays lewis estate vineyard' . columbia valley, washington . 06	44
buty 'conner lee vineyard' . columbia valley, washington . 06	69
abeja . columbia valley, washington . 06	75
ken wright cellars 'celilo vineyard' . columbia gorge, washington . 06	59
st. innocent 'freedom hill vineyard' . willamette valley, oregon . 06	45
brick house . ribbon ridge, oregon . 06	49

california

navarro vineyards . mendocino . 05	32
lioco . sonoma county . 07	39
peter michael winery 'belle côte' . knights valley . 06	125
frank family vineyards . napa valley . 06	59
kongsgaard . napa valley . 05	140
paul hobbs . russian river valley . 06	90
lewis cellars . russian river valley . 06	98
rombauer vineyards . carneros . 07	69
carmel road . monterey county . 06	38
arcadian 'sleepy hollow—young vines' . santa lucia highlands . 05	63
cambria 'bench break vineyard' . santa maria valley . 05	49

france

lionel bussy 'vieilles vignes' . chablis . 05	49
domaine william fevre 'vaillons' . chablis 1er cru . 04	115
domaine charles audoin 'au champ salomon' . marsannay . 04	67
chanson père & fils 'les caradeux' . pernard-vergelesses 1er cru . 05	86
domaine parent . corton grand cru . 01	145
dufouleur père & fils . corton charlemagne grand cru . 03	210
guy bocard . meursault . 02	78
domaine ramonet . chassagne-montrachet . 04	137
leroy . montagny 1er cru . 01	89
collovray & terrier . mâcon-villages, france . 06	36
p. ferraud & fils . mâcon-villages, france . 06	40
les héritiers du comte lafon . mâcon . 05	49
domaine noblet-charvet . pouilly-fuissé . 04	56
domaine des deux roches 'vieilles vignes' . saint-véran . 05	58

italy

les crêtes 'cuvée frissonnière' . vallée d'aoste, italy . 06	62
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bottles . white

viognier

as the story goes, there was less than 20 acres of viognier left in the world some 40 years ago...now there are thousands of acres planted worldwide...(rather nice comeback)...powerful, rich and complex—viognier is a full-bodied white with a flavor spectrum of tropical fruits with the aroma of citrus flowers...

walnut city wineworks . columbia valley, washington . 05	35
àmaurice cellars . columbia valley, washington . 07	49
elemental cellars ‘deux vert vineyard’ . willamette valley, oregon . 06	41
mil piedras . mendoza, argentina . 07	30
cèdre blanc . vin de pays du lot, france . 06	64
domaine georges vernay ‘les terrasses de l’empire’ . condrieu, france . 06	98

roussanne

of all the white grapes coming out of the rhône valley of france, it’s been viognier that has proven to be the popular kid on the block...but keep an eye out for roussanne—it’s just starting to emerge as a varietal wine...

j. scott cellars . columbia valley, washington . 06	36
mccrea ‘ciel du cheval vineyard’ . red mountain, washington . 06	42
yangarra estate vineyard . mclaren vale, australia . 07	46

rhône-style blends

viognier is joined by one or more of the traditional white grapes of the rhône valley: marsanne, roussane, grenache blanc and bourboulenc...

isenhower ‘snapdragon’ . columbia valley, washington . 07	39
treana ‘mer soleil vineyard’ . central coast, california . 06	44
rubicon estate ‘blancaneaux’ . rutherford, california . 05	95
turley ‘the white coat’ . san luis obispo county, california . 06	82
ferraton père & fils ‘la source’ . crozes hermitage, france . 06	51
domaine de la becassonne . côtes du rhône, france . 06	29

oddball white varietals

with thousands of wine grapes in the world, there's always an opportunity to try something new...

tomero torrentes . mendoza, argentina . 07	32
graf v. schönborn müller thurgau . franken, germany . 06	34
domaine michel david 'clos du ferré' . muscadet sèvre et maine, france . 06	26
schoenheit muscat . alsace, france . 05	36
prà . soave, italy . 06	34
conti sertoli salis 'chiavennasca' . terraze retiche di sondrio, italy . 06	31
garofoli 'podium' . verdicchio dei castelli di jesi, italy . 04	37
r. lópez de heredia 'viña gravonia' crianza . rioja, spain . 98	55
paco & lola albariño . rias baixas, spain . 07	33
conclass verdejo . rueda, spain . 07	29
broadbent . vinho verde, portugal . nv	20

oddball white blends

two great tastes that taste great together...or three...or seven...
sometimes the sum of the parts are pretty great...

clos château gaillard . touraine-mesland, france . 07	32
esporão 'reserve' . reguengos, portugal . 05	34
izadi . rioja, spain . 06	36
sadie family 'palladius' . swartland, south africa . 04	90

bottles . white

rosé

a rosé by any other name...

revenant . napa valley, california . 07	31
melipal . mendoza, argentina . 07	30
muga . rioja, spain . 07	32
ampelidæ ‘marigny-neuf’ . haut-poitou, france . 06	26
domaine brice beaumont . tavel, france . 07	45
domaine tempier . bandol, france . 07	78

sparkling rosé

soter ‘beacon hill’ brut rosé . willamette valley, oregon . 04	109
alma negra malbec rosé . mendoza, argentina . 07	37
marquis de la tour rosé . vin mousseux, france . nv	26
j. dumangin fils premier cru rosé . chigny-les-roses . nv	69
montaudon grande rosé . reims, france . nv	78
boizel brut rosé . épernay, france . nv	89
veuve cliquot ponsardin brut rosé . reims, france . nv	135
ruinart brut rosé . reims, france . nv	145
billecart-salmon brut rosé . mareuil-sur-ay, france . nv	165

bottles. red

bottles . red

pinot noir

welcome to our pinot lover’s paradise...four pages of pinot from all around the world—but first we introduce you to a bevy of pinots from our own “backyard”...

oregon

cloudline . oregon . 07	35
walnut city wineworks . willamette valley . 07	38
illahe . willamette valley . 07	42
the cost vineyard . willamette valley . 05	48
j. scott cellars . willamette valley . 06	50
soléna ‘grand cuvée’ . willamette valley . 06	53
raptor ridge . willamette valley . 06	57
boedecker ‘athena’ . willamette valley . 05	69
cancilla cellars . willamette valley . 06	71
lumos ‘temperance hill vineyard’ . willamette valley . 06	81
st. innocent ‘shea vineyard’ . willamette valley . 06	86
beaux frères ‘the beaux frères vineyard’ . willamette valley . 04	144
bethel heights vineyard ‘estate grown’ . eola-amity hills . 06	61
belle pente . yamhill-carlton district . 06	65
soter ‘beacon hill’ . yamhill-carlton district . 05	99
ken wright cellars ‘abbot claim vineyard’ . yamhill-carlton district . 06	110
brick house ‘cuvée du tonnelier’ . ribbon ridge . 06	96
stoller ‘jv estate’ . dundee hills . 06	55
sokol blosser . dundee hills . 06	63
cameron ‘clos électrique’ . dundee hills . 05	102

california

littorai 'les larmes' . anderson valley . 05	92
rochioli estate . russian river valley . 06	112
kosta browne 'koplen vineyard' . russian river valley . 05	188
dumol 'aidan' . green valley . 05	160
saintsbury 'garnet' . carneros . 07	40
angeline . sonoma and mendocino county, california . 07	36
freeman vineyard and winery . sonoma coast . 05	88
radio-coteau 'la neblina' . sonoma coast . 06	105
talley vineyards . arroyo grande valley . 05	61
laetitia 'les galets' . arroyo grande valley . 06	78
failla 'rancho santa rosa' . santa rita hills . 05	85

new zealand

matahiwi estate . wairarapa, new zealand . 04	32
greenhough . nelson . 05	49
craggy range 'te muna road vineyard' . marlborough . 06	99
pegasus bay . waipara valley . 05	85
amisfield . central otago . 06	71

bottles . red

france

rene barth 'm' . alsace . 03	47
domaine marcel deiss 'burlenberg' . alsace . 01	68
patriarche père & fils . bourgogne . 06	36
domaine henri perrot-minot . bourgogne . 05	57
domaine denis mortet . gevrety-chambertin . 02	196
claudé dugat . gevrety-chambertin . 05	225
domaine bertagna 'les dames huguettes' . hautes côtes de nuits . 04	59
nicolas potel . nuits-saint-georges . 05	105
domaine tollot-beaut . chorey-les-beaune . 04	63
domaine du pavillon 'clos des ursulines' . pommard . 05	96
bouchard père & fils 'caillerets ancienne cuvée carnot' . volnay 1er cru . 04	125
domaine ramonet . chassagne-montrachet . 04	89
domaine saint-marc . santenay . 03	53

beaujolais

the following wine is gamay noir produced in the beaujolais region of france, south of burgundy proper. while most are familiar with the beaujolais nouveau traditionally released the third thursday of november—these wines are not produced in the same fashion. light in body and tannin, the gamay noirs of beaujolais are serious wines well suited for a variety of foods...

trenel . beaujolais-villages . 05	26
p. ferraud & fils 'les merrains' . beaujolais-villages . 06	30
domaine du pavillon de chavannes 'cuvée ambassades' . côte de brouilly . 06	35

gamay noir

the following wine is a bit of an anomaly—gamay noir grown within the boundaries of flagey-échézéaux in burgundy...however, according to french labeling laws, gamay noir grown in this area must be classified as "bourgogne grand ordinaire"... there is nothing ordinary about this wine, however.....

domaine de la vougeraie 'en bollery' . bourgogne grand ordinaire . 03	39
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the rest of the world

if one is so inclined to explore pinot noir from other parts of the world, here's a good place to start:

washington

there are over 30,000 acres of vines planted in washington state, yet only 1% of those grapes fall within the boundaries of the puget sound AVA...guess what, though? it's one of the few places (so far) that has produced quality pinot noir...

challenger ridge 'reserve' . puget sound . 06 59

austria

yes, austria...though they often call it blauer burgunder...

loimer 'terrassen' . kamptal . 05 49

italy

yes, italy...though in italy, they call it pinot nero...

paggio . delle venezie . 05 38

pinot noir was introduced to italy in the 1800s, and there are some truly ancient vines contributing to the small production of the following wine...(some are pre-phyloxera vines planted more than 170 years ago)...only 350 cases are made, and only in great vintages...

marchesi alfieri 'san germano' . monferrato . 05 67

south africa

yes, south africa...hamilton russell is the most southerly winery in south africa, and it can be argued that this distinct maritime climate produces a pinot noir to rival the best in the world...

hamilton russell vineyard . walker bay . 06 72

argentina

yes, argentina...pinot noir is emerging as a viable grape in the extreme south—39°S, to be exact...

caitec . patagonia . 06 25

bottles . red

merlot

please don't feel the need to apologize...it was just a movie, after all, and some of the world's finest and most sought-after wines are based on merlot...

washington

three rivers winery . columbia valley . 06	38
l'ecole no. 41 . columbia valley . 05	61
pedestal . columbia valley . 05	100
leonetti cellars . columbia valley . 05	155
chandler reach vineyards . yakima valley . 05	36
robert karl . horse heaven hills . 06	51
mannina cellars 'pepper bridge vineyard' . walla walla valley . 05	49
fort walla walla cellars . walla walla valley . 05	59

california

langetwins family winery & vineyards . california . 06	32
robert sinskey vineyards 'los carneros' . napa valley . 04	43
havens . napa valley . 04	49
shafer . napa valley . 05	92
swanson vineyards . oakville . 04	59
pride mountain vineyards . napa/sonoma valley . 06	135

malbec

the most widely planted grape in argentina is grown in just about every other corner of the world as well, only it generally finds itself a player in a blend, rather than the main stage attraction...malbecs tend to be medium to full-bodied affairs with ample tannins and dark, plummy fruits...

a'maurice cellars . columbia valley, washington . 06	67
domaine roc de châteauxvieux . touraine, france . 04	32
le clos d'un jour . cahors, france . 04	49
xumek 'sol huarpe' . valle de zonda, argentina . 05	30
tittarelli 'reserva' . mendoza, argentina . 04	32
luigi bosca 'reserva' . lujan de cuyo, argentina . 05	39
altocedro 'reserva' . la consulta, argentina . 06	53

cabernet franc

it is (like the malbec) usually a supporting cast member, but on its own it can bring all manner of juicy red fruits and a bit of a herbaceousness as well...(for you trivia buffs, cabernet franc got together with sauvignon blanc once, and they had a rather famous progeny...)

tamarack cellars . columbia valley, washington . 06	54
la jota vineyard co. 'estate' . howell mountain, california . 02	89
cave de saumur 'réserve de vigneron' . saumur, france . 05	26
domaine jo pithon . anjou, france . 06	65
wilfrid rousse 'clos de la roche' . chinon, france . 05	49
tenuta luisa . isonzo del friuli, italy . 05	33

carmenère

at one point in the history of the world, carmenère was widely planted throughout bordeaux...it is still an allowed grape, and it may be making a comeback in the future...speaking of today, however, the leader in carmenère cultivation and quality is chile...think dark fruit with a heap of herbaceousness...

apaltagua . colchagua valley, chile . 05	26
de martino 'legado' reserva . maipo valley, chile . 06	31
errazuriz 'don maximiano estate' . aconcagua valley, chile . 06	45

bottles . red

cabernet sauvignon

this grape provides the backbone to many great and famous wines—some might call cabernet sauvignon the king of grapes...or at least the most popular... well-structured with silky, juicy black fruit, its classic flavor profile includes firm tannins, cassis, bing cherry, plenty of oak, spicy cedar scents with hints of mint.

california

morro bay 'split oak vineyard' . california . 05	30
valhall wines 'west' reserve . dry creek valley . 03	56
pelton house . knights valley . 04	69
peter michael winery 'les pavots' . knights valley . 05	350
joseph carr . napa valley . 05	39
bella novello . napa valley . 06	43
bennett family 'the reserve' . napa valley . 06	50
joseph phelps vineyards . napa valley . 05	96
palmaz vineyards 'gaston' . napa valley . 01	120
clark-claudon vineyards 'estate grown' . napa valley . 01	143
darioush . napa valley. 05	174
lewis cellars 'reserve' . napa valley. 05	256
o'shaughnessy . howell mountain . 05	147
j. davies . diamond mountain district . 03	135
ehlers . st. helena . 05	58
spottswode estate vineyard & winery . st. helena . 04	240
terra valentine . spring mountain district . 05	75
tres sabores 'perspective' . rutherford . 04	118
frank family vineyards 'reserve' . rutherford . 03	145
groth . oakville . 05	112
rubissow-sargent . mount veeder . 02	65
hartwell estate 'misté hill' . stags leap district . 05	105
clos lachance 'ruby throated' . central coast . 05	38

washington

woodward canyon winery 'nelms road' . washington state . 07	48
novelty hill . columbia valley . 05	45
gamache vintners . columbia valley . 04	54
januik . columbia valley . 05	59
l'ecole no. 41 . columbia valley . 05	61
syzygy . columbia valley . 05	63
o'shea scarborough 'fortitude' . columbia valley . 05	67
boudreaux cellars . columbia valley . 05	98
three rivers winery 'champoux vineyard' . horse heaven hills . 05	89
laurelhurst cellars . red mountain . 05	74
gorman winery 'the bully' . red mountain . 06	82
reininger . walla walla valley . 03	70
waters . walla walla valley . 05	85
pepper bridge . walla walla valley . 04	107

southern hemisphere

mitolo 'jester' . mclaren vale, australia . 06	38
mollydooker 'the maitre d' . south australia, australia . 06	49
root: 1 . colchagua valley, chile . 05	28

bottles . red

bordeaux

the bordeaux region of france is split into two banks, right & left—sound familiar?
the left bank wines are dominated by cabernet sauvignon, and offer a touch more
power & robust qualities...

left bank

château bel air . saint-estèphe . 03	70
château du glana . saint-julien . 04	72
château caronnes ste. gemme . haut-médoc . 05	49
château bibian . listrac-médoc . 02	30
moulin d'angludet . margaux . 04	72
château palmer 'alter ego' . margaux . 04	79
château brane-cantenac . margaux . 04	105
clos du jaugueyron . margaux . 04	140
château la louvière . pessac-léognan . 98	89
château couhins-lurton . pessac-léognan . 05	97
château pont de brion . graves . 05	40

right bank

...while on the right bank, we tend to find softer, more approachable merlot-based blends.

château bel-air la royère . blaye . 03	58
château ratouin . pomerol . 04	50
château la commanderie de mazeyres . pomerol . 05	102
château l'archange . saint-émilion . 00	115
château gueyrosse . saint-émilion grand cru . 02	54
château vignot . saint-émilion grand cru . 03	59
château lassègue . saint-émilion grand cru . 03	91
château croix de labrie . saint-émilion grand cru . 04	155
château saint-andré corbin . st-georges-st-émilion . 04	46
château st. georges . st-georges-st-émilion . 02	70
château robin . côtes de castillon . 04	40
clos l'église . côtes de castillon . 01	65
château lagarosse . premières côtes de bordeaux, france . 05	36

bottles . red

bordeaux-style

outside of france, wines fashioned in the style of bordeaux are sometimes called 'meritage' blends, or 'clarets'...(both words, generally, mispronounced)...

it doesn't really matter what the label says, so long as they employ the traditional grapes of cabernet sauvignon, merlot, cabernet franc, petit verdot & malbec. below are wines exclusively using 2 or more of these grape varietals.

california

paoletti winery 'piccolo cru' . napa valley . 05	37
cliff lede 'claret' . napa valley . 05	66
selene 'chesler' . napa valley . 02	99
pahlmeyer . napa valley . 03	240
justin vineyards & winery 'isosceles' . paso robles . 05	110

argentina

paris goulart 'reserva' . mendoza . 05	36
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chile

estampa 'assemblage' . colchagua valley . 05	28
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washington

stella maris . columbia valley, washington . 04	39
ross andrew . columbia valley, washington . 05	55
pomum ‘shya red’ . columbia valley, washington . 05	67
robert karl cellars ‘claret’ . horse heaven hills, washington . 05	42
andrew will ‘champoux vineyard’ . horse heaven hills, washington . 05	110
gilbert cellars ‘claret’ . wahluke slope, washington . 06	44
delille cellars ‘chaleur estate’ . yakima valley, washington . 05	145
fall line winery . red mountain, washington . 05	57
nota bene cellars ‘ciel du cheval vineyard’ . red mountain, washington . 05	65
spring valley vineyards ‘uriah’ . walla walla valley, washington . 05	100

washington blends

they haven't (yet) coined the marketing term for our home-grown blends, but these wines are a combination of classic bordeaux varietals served up with a helping of syrah.

saviah cellars ‘the jack’ . columbia valley . 06	32
l'ecole no. 41 ‘recess red’ . columbia valley, washington . 07	44
efeste ‘final-final’ . columbia valley . 05	50
darby ‘chaos’ . columbia valley . 06	55
buty ‘columbia rediviva’ . horse heaven hills . 04	95
beresan ‘stone river’ . walla walla valley . 05	69

bottles . red

washington syrah

twenty years ago, the first syrah was being planted as an experiment...(for the trivia-minded, the first washington syrah debuted in 1988...)

ten years ago, you could still count washington syrahs on one hand, but there was a revolution brewing...

today, there are almost 3000 acres of syrah being harvested with more on the way...the best offer rich red and black berries, plums, smoked meats, and a dash of pepper...

mccrea . washington . 06	48
januik 'lewis vineyard' . columbia valley . 05	56
dunham cellars . columbia valley . 03	88
sequel . columbia valley . 05	108
va piano . columbia valley & walla walla valley . 06	72
w j meek . yakima valley . 04	38
chatter creek 'lonesome spring ranch' . yakima valley . 05	45
sheridan vineyard . yakima valley . 04	78
delille cellars 'doyenne' . yakima valley . 05	97
syncline 'mckinley springs' . horse heaven hills . 06	59
mark ryan 'wild eyed' . red mountain . 06	90

oregon syrah

when people think oregon, they think pinot noir...however, a good portion of the walla walla valley is actually on the oregon side of the border...also, once you get into central oregon, it's a desert out there...

dobbles family estate 'grande assemblage cuvée' . rogue valley . 04	48
rockblock 'del rio vineyard' . rogue valley . 03	79

california syrah

if the pace of things continue, in a few years there will be as many acres of syrah in california as there is in the rhône valley...imagine that comes as a surprise to those syrah pioneers that enthusiastically/fanatically started things off back in the 80s...

radio-coteau 'las colinas' . sonoma coast . 05	98
seven sinners 'the ransom' . napa valley . 05	42
three saints . santa ynez valley . 06	33

italian syrah

acreage of syrah in italy has been soaring in the past decade as well...the following bottle may be italy's finest 100% syrah...

tenimenti luigi d'alessandro 'il bosco' . cortona . 03	85
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shiraz

the australians call it shiraz, but the grape is the same—the name difference stems from a disagreement concerning origin...and maybe a little bit of a personality conflict...same grape, but often a different style—a little more jammy fruit down under...

lengs & cooter 'the victor' . south australia . 05	33
epsilon . barossa valley . 06	46
kaesler 'stonehorse' . barossa valley . 05	51
de lisio 'krystina' . mclaren vale . 05	59
mitolo 'g. a. m.' . mclaren vale . 06	76

bottles . red

northern rhône valley, france

in the northern rhône, syrah stands alone (though sometimes a small percentage of viognier finds itself in the mix)...and there is no argument that in the northern rhône you will discover the purest, most complex expression of the syrah grape...

j. vidal-fleury 'la chatillonne' . côte rôtie . 03	99
ferraton père & fils . côte rôtie . 05	125
cave de tain . hermitage . 03	88
domaine des hauts châssis 'les châssis' . crozes hermitage . 04	57
domaine clape . cornas . 02	98
sarl alain vogé 'les vieilles vignes' . cornas . 03	126
eric & joel durand 'les coteaux' . saint-joseph . 05	59
earl pierre gaillard 'côte belley' . saint-joseph . 05	92

southern rhône valley, france

in the southern rhône, grenache is blended with numerous other grapes such as syrah, mourvedre, & cinsault. in fact, as many as thirteen varietals allowed for blending in châteauneuf du pape...(for the trivia minded, here they are: grenache, syrah, mourvedre, picpoul, terret, cunoise, muscardin, vaccarese, picardin, cinsault, clairette, rousanne and bourboulenc...)

domaine de couron . côtes du rhône villages . 04	32
château les quatre filles . cairanne . 06	34
domaine de la maurelle . gigondas . 06	45
maison du midi . plan de dieu . 05	49
domaine le colombier 'tradition' . vacqueyras . 06	40
domaine les sang des cailloux . vacqueyras . 04	59
château de ségriès 'cuvée réservée' . lirac . 06	33
domaine de pignan . châteauneuf du pape . 04	65
château fortia 'cuvée du baron' . châteauneuf du pape . 04	72
château la nerthe . châteauneuf du pape . 04	88
andré brunel 'les cailloux' . châteauneuf du pape . 05	93
château beaucastel . châteauneuf du pape . 05	216

bottles . red

grenache

trivia question: name the second most planted red varietal on the planet...?
well, here you go...grenache hasn't garnered the attention it deserves...yet.
if you like a wine with a big personality, get to know grenache...

qupé 'purisima mountain vineyard' . santa ynez valley, california . 06	48
simon hackett 'old vine' . mclaren vale, australia . 05	34
d'arenberg 'the derelict vineyard' . mclaren vale, australia . 05	49
betts & scholl 'the o.g.' . barossa valley, australia . 06	59
pala 'triente' . cannonau di sardegna, italy . 05	33

rhône-style

borrowing from the rhône playbook, winemakers in australia and america are experimenting with the grapes of the southern rhône with great success...

elle . columbia valley, washington . 06	38
betz family winery 'bésoleil' . columbia valley, washington . 05	90
andrew rich 'coup d'état' . yakima valley, washington . 06	49
domaine terlato & chapoutier . victoria, australia . 06	41
ben glaetzer 'wallace' . barossa valley, australia . 06	44

other french wines***provence***

the ancient greeks planted vines in provence 2,500 years ago...(but that might have only been because it was so convenient to their favorite beaches)...grenache, carignan and cinsaut are the major players, but there's plenty of mourvèdre (especially in bandol), syrah and cabernet sauvignon as well...

saint jean du barroux 'l'oligocène' . cotes du ventoux . 04	46
domaine de triennes 'st. auguste' . vin de pays du var . 04	35
la bastide blanche 'cuvée estagnol' . bandol . 04	55

languedoc-roussillon

last time we counted, the languedoc-roussillon was the largest wine-growing region in the world, accounting for about two billion (yes, billion) bottles a year... generalizing such a vast area would be foolhardy, however what can be said is that a lot of creative people producing some really wonderful, original wines here...

carignan, cinsault, grenache, syrah and mourvèdre are the major grapes, but cabernet sauvignon and merlot are proven here as well...

domaine ollier taillefer 'castel fossibus' . faugères . 04	43
moulin de gassac 'guilhem' . vin de pays de l'hérault . 06	27
château pech rosié . cabardès . 03	30
calvet-thunevin 'cuvée constance' . vin de pays des côtes catalanes . 05	33
domaine de la serre 'cailloux' . vin de pays de côtes catalanes . 05	35

jura

in the jura region of france (just north of geneva), they're allowed to grow and bottle two white grapes (savignan, chardonnay) and three red grapes (poulsard or ploussard, trousseau and pinot noir)...

this one's got all five...

chateau d'arlay 'corail' . cotes du jura . 00	45
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bottles . red

italy

italy is responsible for about one-fifth of the world's wine production. (which comes to about 8 billion bottles a year, give or take...) no other country on earth has the variety of indigenous grape varietals as found in italy, either. (several hundred have been "officially" cataloged...) and take into consideration over 4,000 years of winemaking history, it's a wonder...a sometimes confusing wonder...so we've split things up a bit, according to region...

and for the curious, the varietal is listed below each selection in parenthesis...

northeast

the veneto traditionally gets all the press in the northeast, and for good reason...with the famous whites as well as the most famous of reds—amarone—there is a lot to enjoy...however, the quality wines emerging from its neighbors is worth a look for certain...

paggio . delle venezie . 05 (pinot noir)	38
foradori . teroldego rotaliano . 05 (teroldego)	43
tenuta luisa . isonzo del friuli . 05 (cabernet franc)	33
l'arco . veronese . 05 (corvina veronese, rondinella, molinara)	46
allegriani 'palazzo della torre' . veronese . 04 (corvina veronese, rondinella, sangiovese)	47
tommaso bussola 'l'errante' . veronese . 03 (merlot, cabernet franc, cabernet sauvignon)	85
giuseppe quintarelli 'primo fiore' . veneto . 04 (corvina veronese, cabernet sauvignon, cabernet franc)	95
monte faustino . valpolicella classico superiore . 00 (corvina veronese, rondinella, molinara)	55
domini veneti 'vigneti di jago' classico . amarone della valpolicella . 03 (corvina veronese, rondinella, molinara)	115
brigaldara . amarone della valpolicella . 03 (corvina veronese, rondinella, molinara)	130

northwest

big names dominate the northwest...superstar region peidmont home to the superstar wines of barolo and barbaresco...though sometimes it's the bench player that wins the big game, no?

anzivino . gattinara . 03 (nebbiolo)	64
vietti 'tre vigne' . barbera d'asti . 05 (barbera)	35
dante rivetti 'mara' . barbera d'alba . 05 (barbera)	38
bruno giacosa . barbera d'alba . 06 (barbera)	66
la spinetta . langhe . 05 (nebbiolo)	55
renzo castella 'vigna della rivolia' . dolcetto di diano d'alba . 06 (dolcetto)	28
luigi einaudi 'vigna tecc' . dogliani . 05 (dolcetto)	52
monchiero carbone 'printi' . roero . 03 (nebbiolo)	69
castello di verduno 'rabajà' . barbaresco . 98 (nebbiolo)	73
cascina bruciata . barbaresco . 03 (nebbiolo)	79
elvio pertinace 'vigneto marcarini' . barbaresco . 97 (nebbiolo)	103
dante rivetti 'bricco' riserva . barbaresco . 00 (nebbiolo)	115
marziano abbona . barolo . 01 (nebbiolo)	99
fratelli alessandria . barolo . 03 (nebbiolo)	108
oddero 'rocche di castiglione' . barolo . 01 (nebbiolo)	116
famiglia anselma . barolo . 97 (nebbiolo)	125
giuseppe e figlio mascarello 'monprivato' . barolo . 00 (nebbiolo)	145
nino negri 'sfursat' . sforzato di valtellina . 04 (nebbiolo)	98

bottles . red

central

ah, tuscan...often when images of italy float through our heads, we picture the tuscan villa backdrop and a bottle of chianti...and for many of us, our first introduction to italian wine was a bottle of chianti, wrapped in wicker with a candle stuck in its neck...

but the days of cheap chianti are long gone...tuscan is the undisputed home of sangiovese, where it is the backbone of chianti and the engine of brunello...

but don't forget that central italy also includes the region of abruzzo, with its sun-drenched montepulciano grape...

campodelsole 'durano' . sangiovese di romagna . 07 (sangiovese)	26
fattoria paradiso 'vigna delle lepri' . sangiovese di romagna . 03 (sangiovese)	65
altesino 'rosso di altesino' . toscana . 06 (sangiovese, merlot, cabernet sauvignon)	35
carpineta fontalpino 'montaperto' . toscana . 05 (sangiovese, alicante bouschet, gamay noir)	44
gaja ca'marcanda 'promis' . toscana . 05 (merlot, syrah, sangiovese)	72
tua rita 'perlato del bosco' . toscana . 05 (sangiovese, cabernet, syrah)	78
fattoria montellori . chianti . 06 (sangiovese)	30
castello di volpaia . chianti classico . 05 (sangiovese)	39
terreno 'riserva' . chianti classico . 96 (sangiovese)	59
félsina 'rancia' riserva . chianti classico . 04 (sangiovese)	75
tenimenti luigi d'alessandro 'il bosco' . cortona . 03 (syrah)	85
icario . vino nobile di montepulciano . 03 (sangiovese, canaiolo, mammolo)	67
argiano . rosso di montalcino . 06 (sangiovese)	50
canalicchio di sopra . rosso di montalcino . 06 (sangiovese)	56
caparzo . brunello di montalcino . 03 (sangiovese)	89
capanna . brunello di montalcino . 03 (sangiovese)	113
gianni brunelli . brunello di montalcino . 99 (sangiovese)	139
marramiero 'inferi' . montepulciano d'abruzzo . 03 (montepulciano)	69

south and islands

pedirosso from the slopes of mount vesuvius...carignan from the island of sardegna...aglianico...primitivo...the wines of southern italy and the islands off its coast provide a departure from the familiar into the exotic...

caterina cecere 'iovi tonant riserva' . aglianico del taburno . 03 (aglianico)	111
pala 'triente' . cannonau di sardegna . 05 (cannonau)	33
terredora dipaolo 'lacryma christi' . vesuvio rosso . 04 (pedirosso)	47
torreguaceto 'sum' . manduria . 05 (susumaniello)	42
trullari . primitivo del tarantino . 06 (primitivo)	26
rosa del golfo . salento . 05 (primitivo)	37
basilisco . aglianico del vulture . 00 (aglianico)	65
colosi . sicilia . 06 (nero d'avola)	26
firriato 'chiamonte' . sicilia . 05 (nero d'avola)	35

bottles . red

spain

spain, spain, spain...there is such a wide range of varietals here that are unknown to most of the world—but tempranillo is the backbone to many of its reds, with garnacha a close second. these wines are generally well-structured with red & black berries, earth, spice & vanilla.

vega sindoa . navarra . 05	28
pedro martinez alesanco 'crianza' . rioja . 04	34
la rioja alta 'viña alberdi' selección especial . rioja . 01	47
muga reserva . rioja . 04	59
lan 'edición limitada' . rioja . 04	98
el puntido . rioja . 03	114
la uve . toro . 06	38
pintia . toro . 02	95
viñas del cénit . zamora . 04	55
pago florentino . tierra de castilla . 05	39
atalayas de golban . ribera del duero . 04	37
arzuaga 'la planta' . ribera del duero . 06	42
scala dei 'negre' . priorat . 05	36
vall llach 'embruix' . priorat . 05	67
ferrer bobet . priorat . 05	77
joan d'anguera 'la planella' . montsant . 05	35

portugal

in the past decade and half, there has been a renaissance of sorts in portugal.

no longer tethered by outdated and constrictive wine laws of the past, growers and producers have started to diversify from traditional fortified wines into dynamic and unique still wines. in these wines, you will find traditional port varietals (touriga nacional, tinta roriz, tinta barroca, trincadeira) being showcased as still wines, and often blended with more “mainstream” grapes (cabernet sauvignon, syrah).

needless to say, these are wines that are as exciting as they are original.

and yes, they are hard to pronounce...but rather easy to enjoy...

quinta da viega . dão . 05	45
esboço . douro . 05	30
quinta de la rosa . douro . 04	35
alves de sousa ‘grande escolha’ . douro . 03	64
conde de vimioso . ribatejano . 05	25
josé maria da fonseca periquita clássico . terras do sado . 01	41
esporao ‘reserva’ . alentejo . 04	32
chaminé . alentejano . 07	32
monte dos cabaços . alentejano . 02	27

bottles . red

zinfandel

well known for its brambly fruit & boozy personality, zinfandel can be a solid food wine when paired with spicy foods, roasted meats, cheeses & even dessert...

california is zin country, you can find a fair amount of it in southern italy...only they call it primitivo...

the pines 1852 'old vine' . columbia valley, washington . 07	78
four vines 'old vine cuvee' . california . 06	32
dashe . dry creek valley, california . 06	47
a. rafanelli . dry creek valley, california . 05	79
ridge 'three valleys' . sonoma, california . 06	42
frank family vineyards . napa valley, california . 06	67
robert biale vineyards 'napa ranches' . napa valley, california . 06	82
klinker brick winery 'old vine' . lodi, california . 06	38
turley 'pesenti vineyard' . paso robles, california . 05	84
trullari . primitivo del tarantino, italy . 06	26
rosa del golfo primitivo . salento . 05	37

petite sirah

or you can spell it "petit sirah", "petite syrah" or "petit syrah"...which is funny, since it turns out that it should be spelled "durif"...(it was developed by one dr. françois durif back in the 1870s...) generally, you'll find something dark, tannic and inky in the bottle...

c. g. di arie . lodi, california . 04	46
the terraces . napa valley, california . 05	65
stags' leap winery . napa valley, california . 05	73

oddball red blends

take some time and explore this page...just because they're odd, doesn't mean they're not excellent...be it a creative blend of grapes or an obscure varietal—there's something here to thrill...

brian carter cellars 'tuttorosso' . yakima valley, washington . 05	57
sean h. thackrey 'pleiades' old vines . california . XVI	59
flowers 'perennial' . sonoma county, california . 06	75
robert biale vineyards 'zappa' . napa valley, california . 05	92
lewis cellars 'alec's blend' . napa valley, california . 05	117
chateau musar . bekka valley, lebanon . 98	85
boekenhoutskloof 'the chocolate block' . franschhoek, south africa . 06	70

oddball red varietals

while you might not know these grapes by name, you'll want to get to know them...

anselmann acolon . pfalz, germany . 06	43
mccrea 'ciel du cheval vineyard' counoise . red mountain, washington . 06	55
gramercy cellars 'inigo montoya' tempranillo . walla walla valley, washington . 06	87
stag hollow dolcetto . yamhill-carlton district, oregon . 06	45
willakenzie estate pinot meunier . willamette valley, oregon . 06	50
dominio IV '3 sleeps vineyard' tempranillo . columbia gorge, oregon . 05	59
acorn 'alegría vineyards' sangiovese . russian river valley, california . 05	54
robert foley vineyards charbono . napa valley, california . 06	75
scali pinotage . voor-paardeberg, south africa . 04	49

northwest wines

northwest . white

sparkling

argyle brut . willamette valley, oregon . 03	53
soter 'beacon hill' brut rosé . willamette valley, oregon . 04	109

sauvignon blanc

chateau ste. michelle 'marier' . columbia valley, washington . 06	34
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sauvignon blanc and semillon blends

buty . columbia valley, washington . 07	55
delille cellars 'chaleur estate' . columbia valley, washington . 07	69

pinot gris

a to z . oregon . 07	30
sineann . oregon . 07	39
willakenzie estate . willamette valley, oregon . 07	31
van duzer 'estate' . willamette valley, oregon . 07	33
lange 'yamhill vineyards reserve' . willamette valley, oregon . 07	42

pinot blanc

st. innocent 'freedom hill vineyard' . willamette valley, oregon . 07	39
twelve . yamhill-carlton district, oregon . 06	36

chenin blanc

mckinley springs . horse heaven hills, washington . 06	30
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gewürztraminer

latitude 46° n 'celilo vineyard' . columbia gorge, washington . 06	39
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riesling

efeste 'evergreen vineyard' . columbia valley, washington . 07	34
poet's leap . columbia valley, washington . 07	37
o'shea scarborough 'the haymaker' . columbia valley, washington . 06	42
chateau ste. michelle 'eroica' . columbia valley, washington . 07	48
belle pente . willamette valley, oregon . 05	30
elk cove vineyards 'estate' . willamette valley, oregon . 06	35

chardonnay

milbrandt vineyards ‘traditions’ . washington . 06	32
woodward canyon . washington . 07	64
cave b estate winery . columbia valley, washington . 06	37
dunham ‘shirley mays lewis estate vineyard’ . columbia valley, washington . 06	44
buty ‘conner lee vineyard’ . columbia valley, washington . 06	69
abeja . columbia valley, washington . 06	75
ken wright cellars ‘celilo vineyard’ . columbia gorge, washington . 06	59
st. innocent ‘freedom hill vineyard’ . willamette valley, oregon . 06	45
brick house . ribbon ridge, oregon . 06	49

viognier

walnut city wineworks . columbia valley, washington . 05	35
àmaurice cellars . columbia valley, washington . 07	49
elemental cellars ‘deux vert vineyard’ . willamette valley, oregon . 06	41

roussanne

j. scott cellars . columbia valley, washington . 06	36
mccrea ‘ciel du cheval vineyard’ . red mountain, washington . 06	42

rhône-style blends

isenhower ‘snapdragon’ . columbia valley, washington . 07	39
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ice wine

airfield estates riesling icewine . yakima valley, washington . 06 . 375ml	55
mission hill ‘five vineyards’ riesling icewine . okanagan, canada . 04 . 187ml	42

northwest . red

pinot noir

oregon

cloudline . oregon . 07	35
walnut city wineworks . willamette valley . 07	38
illahe . willamette valley . 06	42
shadow mountain vineyards . willamette valley . 06	46
the cost vineyard . willamette valley . 05	48
j. scott cellars . willamette valley . 06	50
soléna 'grand cuvée' . willamette valley . 06	53
raptor ridge . willamette valley . 06	57
broadley vineyards 'estate' . willamette valley . 06	64
boedecker 'athena' . willamette valley . 05	69
cancilla cellars . willamette valley . 06	71
lumos 'temperance hill vineyard' . willamette valley . 06	81
st. innocent 'shea vineyard' . willamette valley . 06	86
beaux frères 'the beaux frères vineyard' . willamette valley . 04	144
bethel heights vineyard 'estate grown' . eola-amity hills . 06	61
belle pente . yamhill-carlton district . 06	65
soter 'beacon hill' . yamhill-carlton district . 05	99
ken wright cellars 'abbot claim vineyard' . yamhill-carlton district . 06	110
brick house 'cuvée du tonnelier' . ribbon ridge . 06	96
stoller 'jv estate' . dundee hills . 06	55
sokol blosser . dundee hills . 06	63
cameron 'clos électrique' . dundee hills . 05	102

malbec

a'maurice cellars . columbia valley, washington . 06	67
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merlot

three rivers winery . columbia valley, washington . 06	38
hightower . columbia valley, washington . 05	55
l'école no. 41 . columbia valley, washington . 05	61
pedestal . columbia valley, washington . 05	100
leonetti cellars . columbia valley, washington . 05	155
robert karl . horse heaven hills, washington . 06	51
chandler reach vineyards . yakima valley, washington . 05	36
mannina cellars 'pepper bridge vineyard' . walla walla valley, washington . 05	49
fort walla walla cellars . walla walla valley, washington . 05	59

cabernet franc

tamarack cellars . columbia valley, washington . 06 57

cabernet sauvignon

woodward canyon winery 'nelms road' . washington state . 07 48

novelty hill . columbia valley, washington . 05 45

gamache vintners . columbia valley, washington . 04 52

januik . columbia valley, washington . 05 59

l'ecole no. 41 . columbia valley, washington . 05 61

syzygy . columbia valley, washington . 05 63

o'shea scarborough 'fortitude' . columbia valley, washington . 05 67

boudreaux cellars . columbia valley, washington . 05 98

three rivers winery 'champoux vineyard' . horse heaven hills, washington . 05 89

laurelhurst cellars . red mountain, washington . 05 74

gorman winery 'the bully' . red mountain, washington . 06 82

reininger . walla walla valley, washington . 03 70

waters . walla walla valley, washington . 05 85

pepper bridge . walla walla valley, washington . 04 107

bordeaux-style

stella maris . columbia valley, washington . 04 39

ross andrew . columbia valley, washington . 05 55

pomum 'shya red' . columbia valley, washington . 05 67

robert karl cellars 'claret' . horse heaven hills, washington . 05 42

andrew will 'champoux vineyard' . horse heaven hills, washington . 05 110

gilbert cellars 'claret' . wahluke slope, washington . 06 44

delille cellars 'chaleur estate' . yakima valley, washington . 05 145

fall line winery . red mountain, washington . 05 57

nota bene cellars 'ciel du cheval vineyard' . red mountain, washington . 05 65

spring valley vineyards 'uriah' . walla walla valley, washington . 05 100

washington blends

saviah cellars 'the jack' . columbia valley . 06 32

l'ecole no. 41 'recess red' . columbia valley . 07 44

efeste 'final-final' . columbia valley . 05 50

darby 'chaos' . columbia valley . 06 55

beresan 'stone river' . walla walla valley . 05 69

northwest . red

syrah

washington

mccrea . washington . 06	48
va piano . columbia valley . 05	72
dunham cellars . columbia valley . 03	88
sequel . columbia valley . 05	108
w j meek . yakima valley . 04	38
chatter creek 'lonesome spring ranch' . yakima valley . 05	47
sheridan vineyard . yakima valley . 04	78
delille cellars 'doyenne' . yakima valley . 05	97
syncline 'mckinley springs' . horse heaven hills . 06	59
mark ryan 'wild eyed' . red mountain . 06	90

oregon

dobbles family estate 'grande assemblage cuvée' . rogue valley . 04	48
rockblock 'del rio vineyard' . rogue valley . 03	79

rhône-style

elle . columbia valley, washington . 06	38
betz family winery 'bésoleil' . columbia valley, washington . 05	90
andrew rich 'coup d'état' . yakima valley, washington . 06	49

oddball red blends

brian carter cellars 'tuttorosso' . yakima valley, washington . 05	57
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oddball red varietals

stag hollow dolcetto . yamhill-carlton district, oregon . 06	45
willakenzie estate pinot meunier . willamette valley, oregon . 06	50
dominio IV '3 sleeps vineyard' tempranillo . columbia gorge, oregon . 05	59
mccrea 'ciel du cheval vineyard' counoise . red mountain, washington . 06	55
the pines 1852 'old vine' zinfandel . columbia valley, washington . 07	78

bottles . beer

sure, we're a wine bar—but we're enthusiastic about the brewed liquids as well... a frothy, bubbly, refreshing, sometimes burpy beverage. tasty as an apéritif or a unique and fun change to pair with our food. (we do have pizzas on the menu, after all...)

amstel light . amsterdam, holland	4
stella artois . leuven, belgium	4
red stripe lager . kingston, jamaica	4
scuttlebutt brewing company 'homeport blonde' ale . everett, washington	4
duvel belgian golden ale . breendonk, belgium	8
hoegaarden biere blanche . liège, belgium	5
orval trappist ale . villers-devant-orval, belgium	12
ommegang 'hennepin' saison farmhouse ale . cooperstown, new york	6
franziskaner hefe-weissbier . munich, germany	4
chimay blue 'grande réserve' . scourmont abbey, belgium . 750ml	19
brother thelonious . fort bragg, california . 750ml	15
rogue 'dead guy' ale . newport, oregon	4
de koninck . antwerp, belgium	6
hales 'mongoose' ipa . seattle, washington	4
bear republic 'racer 5' ipa . healdsburg, california . 650 ml	10
old rasputin russian imperial stout . fort bragg, california	5

dessert and ports

apéritifs

digestifs and more

liqueurs

cocktails

champagne cocktails

decadent/dessert

here's a big secret:

you don't actually have to wait for dessert to enjoy these wines...

because sometimes I have an apple for breakfast, and sometimes I have an apple fritter...

(all bottles on this page are 375 ml unless otherwise noted...)

late harvest & botrytised

far niente 'dolce' . napa valley, california . 04	145
yalumba 'hand picked' botrytis viognier . wrattonbully, australia . 06	38
jorge ordoñez & co. '1' moscatel . malaga, spain . 05	34
alvear pedro ximenez . mantilla-moriles, spain . solera 1927	47
prieuré d'arche . sauternes, france . 98	38
domaine pietri-geraud 'cuvée méditerranée' . banyuls, france . 00 . 750ml	63
domaine pouderoux . maury, france . 04 . 500ml	42
j. vidal-fleury . muscat de beaumes de venise, france . 05	38
chateau pierre-bise 'les rayelles' . coteaux du layon rochefort, france . 00	50
le sponde 'coffele' . recioto di soave classico, italy . 04	71
san felice . vin santo del chianti classico, italy . 02	39
nobil casa contini bonacossi 'capezzana' . vin santo di carignano, italy . 99	95
anselmann spätburgunder beerenauslese . pfalz, germany . 03	73
kracher trockenbeerenauslese . burgenland, austria . nv . 187ml	35

ice wine

airfield estates riesling icewine . yakima valley, washington . 06	55
mission hill 'five vineyards' riesling icewine . okanagan, canada . 04 . 187ml	42
inniskillin 'vidal pearl' icewine . niagara penninsula, canada . 06	99
rudolf müller eiswein . rheinhessen, germany . 07	40
friedrich baumann 'oppenheimer kreuz' eiswein . rheinhessen, germany . 89	78

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fortified

chateau d'arlay . macvin du jura, france . nv . 375 ml	39
chateau d'ornac . pineau des charantes, france . nv	67
dom des gatinauds 'francois' . pineau des charantes, france . nv	96
vinhos justino hernriques 'feist' full rich . madiera, portugal . nv	35
cossart gordon 10 year bual . madiera, portugal . nv	92
broadbent colheita . madiera, portugal . 96	98
quinta do crasto late bottled vintage . porto, portugal . 01	55
alves de sousa 'quinta de gaivosa' . porto, portugal . 03	85
quinta de la rosa 10 year tawny . porto, portugal	63
kopke 20 year tawny . porto, portugal	90

sparkling white

marlunghe 'fior d'arancio' spumante . colli euganei, italy . 07	38
tranchero 'casot' . moscato d'asti, italy . 07	38

sparkling red

giacomo bologna 'braida' . brachetto d'acqui, italy . 06 . 375 ml	32
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fruit

neige 'cidre de glace' apple ice wine . quebec, canada . nv . 375ml	59
trenel crème de framboise . bourgogne, france . nv	65

apéritif . stimulate your appetite

tio pepe palomino fino sherry . 7

revive your mouth after a day of abuse...dry, tangy, nutty...
sherry is not just for old british ladies at bridge club...at least not this sherry...

domaine de joÿ 'floc de gascogne' . 6

floc de gascogne has been the traditional apéritif of armagnac since the 17th century...it's a blend of 1/3 armagnac and 2/3 fresh grape juice...a great way to kick things off...

lillet blanc . 6

since its creation in 1887, lillet is the only apéritif made in bordeaux...it's a blend of wine, fruit liqueurs, fruit and fruit peels aged for up to one year in oak...
try it on the rocks with a twist of orange or lemon...

kopke dry white port . 6

white port? yes, indeed-give it a go on the rocks with a splash of soda...
it might be your new favorite...

noilly prat dry vermouth . 5

what if we were to offer you a beverage that consists of white wine blended with over 20 herbs from five continents? What if we also mentioned that it takes three years to produce said beverage-a process that includes a year spent outdoors in barrel? really...it's not just for martinis...

campari . 7

more than sixty ingredients go into this rather bracing beverage. order it on the rocks with a slice of orange, or ask us to make you a negroni...

dubonnet rouge . 6

red wine grapes harvested in the south of france, flavored with a secret blend of spices with a touch of quinine...

montenegro amaro . 8

montenegro amaro was created in 1885 by herbalist and distiller stanislao cobianchi just outside of the town of bologna...the recipe and preparation is the same today as it was back then...over 40 ingredients go into the production, and the result is a liquid with a dramatic mixture of bitter and sweet...

fernet-branca . 8

twenty-seven herbs picked in four continents and aged in oak for a year, this grape-based digestif is a little hard to pin down...it is as much a revitalizing medicine as it is a beverage—but be warned: it's not so subtle...

becherovka . 8

in 1807, a czechoslovakian pharmacist began selling this recipe as a medicinal tonic...today, only two people hold the recipe to this bracing oak-aged mixture of macerated herbs, cinnamon and anise...ours is in the fridge—so it comes to you cold...

unicum . 8

it's a bitter herbal liqueur that's been produced for over 150 years...it has been dubbed "the hungarian national accelerator", which is reason enough...it smells like a hospital room, and tastes like a cold bitter wind in winter...

green chartreuse . 10

the recipe for this distinct liquid is known by only three chartreuse monks who oversee its production and maturation. it's said that over 130 different plants are used...some like it neat, but we find it most pleasing on the rocks

pastis . 7.50

when absinthe was banned in france 1915, pastis was created...add a little sugar... add a little water...

kübler absinthe . 12.50

but if you'd like to do real thing, the 95 year ban on absinthe has been partially lifted...please keep in mind, however, that it is still listed by the DEA under the nomenclature of "drugs and chemicals of concern"...

castello banfi grappa . 10

grappa produced from the skins of castello banfi brunello di montalcino and aged in small oak barrels...clean...penetrating...grappa...

also appropriate for after dinner ...

armagnac

leriche vsop . 9

cognac

hennessy vs . 9

chalfonte vsop . 8

courvoisier vsop . 10

kelt xo . 30

brandy

germain robin fine alembic lot 22 . 9

calvados

boulard grande solage . 9

single malt scotch

glenmorangie burgundy wood finish 12 year . 10

auchentoshan lowland . 8

macallan 12 year . 10

dalmore 12 year . 9

balvenie doublewood 12 year . 10

dalwhinnie 15 year . 12

laphroaig 10 year . 10

blended scotch

johnnie walker black . 9

dewar's white label . 8

canadian

crown royal . 7

pendleton . 8

irish

jameson . 8

redbreast 12 year . 9

bourbon

basil hayden's 8 year . 8

knob creek 9 year . 8

woodford reserve . 8

maker's mark . 8

rum

10 cane . 9

ron pampero aniversario . 9

gin

aviation . 8

bombay sapphire . 8

hendrick's . 8

tanqueray 10 . 8

liqueurs . flavored and sweetened liquor

di saronno amaretto . 7

the recipe hasn't changed since 1525...seventeen fruits and herbs soaked in apricot kernel oil in the town of saronno, italy. have it on the rocks

drambuie . 8

a secret elixir created for the rebel prince charles edward stuart over 250 years ago...its recipe remains a secret today. if you are a lover of scotch, you might want to give this a try...and if you mix it with equal parts scotch, you're having a rusty nail...

frangelico . 7

produced in the piedmont region of italy for over 300 years, that funny shaped bottle is an homage to the monks that made it. hazelnuts and chocolate...have it on the rocks, with or in coffee

grand marnier . 8

a blend of cognac and a rare variety of caribbean oranges created by louis alexandre marnier-lapostolle six generations ago

bailey's . 6

whiskey from ireland...chocolate from belgium...what's not to like

kahlúa . 6

add an exotic touch to your coffee

godiva original . 7

yes. chocolate. splash a shot of this in your cappuccino

cocktails

\$9 each

cocktail #1: the old fashioned

really—it's one of america's oldest cocktails...your great-grandfather used to drink them at the pendennis club in louisville...and yet, when's the last time you tried one? we'll make you one with knob creek, makers mark, basil hayden's or woodford reserve.

cocktail #2: the martini

take your pick of gin (I like hendricks) or vodka (take the monopolowa for a spin), but be forewarned: your martini will have a dose of vermouth, as was intended by those that created it...and, well, vermouth is fortified wine...and this is a wine bar...

cocktail #3: the manhattan

ok...so rumor has it that the manhattan was invented at a party hosted by winston churchhill's mother...it really must have been quite a party...bourbon, bitters and sweet vermouth shaken and strained...

cocktail #4: the rob roy

if you take your manhattan and trade bourbon for scotch, you've got a rob roy. historically, rob roy is known both as folk hero and an outlaw...we prefer you sip on one of these and aspire to the former.

cocktail #5: the sidecar

the history of this drink involves an american army captain in paris during world war one who was astute enough to always arrive and depart the bar via motorcycle sidecar...we like to make ours with metaxa.

cocktail #6: the negroni

feeling a little bitter? well, bitterness loves company, and there is no better bitter way to cleanse one's palate than a helping of camillo negroni's favorite florentine beverage...seriously...it's not for the faint of heart, and it is better than brushing your teeth.

cocktail #7: the sazerac

invented in new orleans just about 150 years ago...in fact, some trace the name "cocktail" to the very glass used to serve the original sazerac...which means that if you want to get back to your roots, order a sazerac immediately. We prepare our sazeracs with old overholt straight rye, by the way, and if you've never had one: it's like a costume party in a glass.

cocktail # 8: the gimlet

jack nicholson...ernest hemingway...raymond chandler...how about you?

cocktail #9: the margarita

please note that your margarita will be served with a choice of: don julio añejo, herradura reposado, patron silver or sauza conmemorativo.

cocktail #10: the daiquiri

we don't have a blender, so you'll have to have your daiquiri the way we had them back when...it's a quieter cocktail, for certain...and the flavor will leave you wondering what possessed them to throw it in a food processor in the first place.

cocktail #11: the brandy alexander

google 'brandy alexander' and you get a hard rock band from greensboro, a professional female wrestler and a whole lot of homepages belonging to girls named brandy...drinking a brandy Alexander, however, beats the internet any day.

cocktail #12: the pastis

before you order this, ask christene to talk you into it...if she's not around to do the job, just close your eyes and imagine yourself at a paris sidewalk café with a fascinating companion and a copy of a moveable feast in your back pocket...

cocktail #13: the long island iced tea . 13

so you've had a long island iced tea before...well, this is much the same—only we use nothing but premium liquors to put ours together...

scotch . flight . 23

a sampling of four .75oz pours of delicious scotch

dewar's 'white label'

the macallan 12

the balvenie doublewood 12

laphroaig 10

cocktails with bubbles

\$10 each

the classic champagne cocktail

people will argue about the true recipe...fact is, the bartenders that started calling their creations “champagne cocktails” aren’t around to testify, so we’re going with the old stand-by—bitters, sugar, and bubbles with a twist of lemon.

the alfonso

so there’s a whole gaggle of variations on the classic champagne cocktail, but this is one that we all rather liked...the addition of dubonnet (a red wine apéritif from france) adds an aromatic burst and a little spicy edge...

kir royale

you’ve maybe ordered and consumed a “kir royale”, but if it wasn’t produced with real crème de cassis—you got ripped off...ours consists of bubbles with a splash of ternel crème de cassis de bourgogne...

purple royale

clear creek distillery in portland makes a lovely, intense liqueur using loganberries (a hybrid of raspberries and blackberries)...we use it to make a distinctly northwest version of the kir royale...

the french 75

as in 75mm guns used by the french during world war one...seriously...sipped by officers just before battle...gin, fresh squeezed lemon juice (lightly sweetened) with the addition of bubbles...bang...

cold duck

the deal with this champagne cocktail is that if you order it, you have to drink it...it is a strange and beguiling concoction for the adventurous...two parts red wine (we use a classic bordeaux rouge) and three parts sparkling with just a touch of added sweetness...

black velvet rasputin

back in 1861, the nation of england was mourning the death of prince albert, and a rather empathetic barman decided that even the champagne should wear black...our drink is not so dour—old rasputin russian imperial stout married with an equal part bubbles...incidentally, a top-notch hangover cure...

the sally bowles

it’s not a pre-requisite to have seen Cabaret, though it does give some insight into the drink...german ice wine is mixed with st. germain elderflower liqueur, a splash of sweetness and topped off with sparkling wine...divine decadence, indeed...

cocktails with bubbles

\$10 each

mimosa

though most everybody knows that a mimosa is orange juice and bubbles, we thought it prudent to mention that we get to use fresh orange juice in ours...

d'artagnan

if you can come up with the names of the musketeers (without the aid of your internet ready cellular device), we just may buy you one...though if you can also come up with the author, then we might really have to buy you one...

by the way, if one were to spruce up a mimosa with some armagnac and grand marnier, one would ostensibly have themselves a d'artagnan...

the griffin

the tuscarora mill in leesburg virginia has been around since 1899, and this is one of their concoctions—though jim probably didn't know that when he suggested mixing red pineau des charentes with sparkling wine...

champagne antoine

antoine's (new orleans) is america's oldest family run restaurant (1840), and it's said that they invented oysters rockefeller...seems they also came up with this vexing mixture of gin, dry vermouth, pernod and champagne...

the american flyer

while nobody can tell us why it's called an american flyer, we can assure you that it's unsafe to operate any manner of aviation related machinery after drinking one of these...fresh lime juice and white rum placed in a flute rimmed with sugar, then finished off with some bubbles...

the moulin rouge

if you're a fan of early 90s british comedies, then you might know this as the "bolli-stoli" that patsy and edina used to drink in excess...ours is a more humble mixture of stolichnaya and sparkling wine...not the most elegant idea, for certain—but a fast track to feeling absolutely fabulous...

the horn of plenty

we rather like the idea of a horn filled with inexhaustible gifts and celebratory fruits...but since that isn't available, perhaps a blend of campari and grand marnier in a flute of sparkling wine will suffice...?

sea captain's special

it seems a shame to sacrifice a bottle of champagne on the bow of newly minted seafaring vessels...

better to save the bottle, throw in some rye, a bit of pastis and enjoy...

oh, and because the water is sometimes rough, this one's served on the rocks in a very stable glass...

glossary of terms

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acid: acids are important in wine, they make the wine more refreshing and rid the wine of harmful bacteria. it is truly a mouth-watering experience, yum

adelaide hills: south australian wine region, cool climate, known for sauvignon blanc

a.o.c.: an abbreviation for appellation d'origine contrôlée; the french government agency that controls wine production

aligoté: the 'other' white grape of burgundy, important ingredient for a kir, just add blackberry liqueur

anthocyanins: natural phenolics responsible for the color of black and red grapes

auslese: a german quality wine category, made from selected bunches of late-picked grapes. a riesling auslese can last for decades!

a.v.a.: an abbreviation for american viticultural area

barolo: a beautiful town and a very powerful, yet supple red wine, made from the nebbiolo grape in northwest italy

beaujolais: a light, fruity red wine from the region of beaujolais, france; made from the gamay grape

blanc de blancs: a white wine made from white grapes

blanc de noir: a white wine made from red grapes

botrytis cinerea: a beautifully ugly mold that forms on the grapes, in humid climates, known also as "noble rot" makes sublime dessert wines

boxes, wine: check the expiration date

brix: a scale that measures the sugar level of the unfermented grape juice (must)

brunello di montalcino: a high quality, heavenly red wine made with the tuscan sun and sangiovese grosso

brut: one of the driest styles of champagne, about 16 grams of sugar per liter

cabernet franc: the daddy of cabernet sauvignon, at home in the loire valley and one of the five grapes in a left bank bordeaux

cabernet sauvignon: the most sought after red grape in the world, known for its structure, power and ageworthiness. expresses itself best in bordeaux and california

d.o.c.: an abbreviation for denominazione de origine controllata; the italian government agency that controls wine production

d.o.c.g.: an abbreviation for denominazione de origine controllata e garantita; the italian government allows this marking to appear only on the finest wines. the "g" stands for "guaranteed"

dolcetto: a soft, fleshy red grape from piedmont, italy, that is lighter in style than a barolo or barbaresco

estate-bottled: a wine that's made, produced & bottled by the winery's owner

extra dry: actually, a somewhat sweeter sparkling wine, than the brut style

fermentation: the process by which the sugars in the grape must are being devoured by wine yeasts, which in turn creates alcohol and carbon dioxide

fino: the driest, most delicate of sherries; serve chilled with almonds and shellfish

fortified wine: a wine such as port, that has an arrested fermentation by the addition of grape spirit/brandy to leave a little sugar and raise the alcohol

gamay: a fruity, thin-skinned red grape used in the beaujolais region of burgundy

gewürztraminer: "flowers, bitter oranges, lychee nuts" words used to describe this special white grape. grown mainly in eastern france, germany and western usa

glycerol: a product of alcoholic fermentation, gives wine a smoothness and weight. a minor contribution to the "tears/legs" on the glass

grand cru: the highest classification for a cru, or vineyard, in burgundy

graves: a region in bordeaux, france. home to the first-growth, château haut brion

grenache: the most widely planted red grape of the rhône valley, france. white pepper, strawberries and earth add backbone to the blends

halbtrocken: the german term meaning "semi-dry"

hermitage: perhaps the greatest syrah in the world, from the rhône valley, france

kabinett: the lightest of german whites, semi-sweet. picked earlier than other quality levels, the next ripest being spätlese

margaux: a village & district in bordeaux, france. home to first-growth château margaux, the most feminine of the top bordeaux

médoc: a district in bordeaux, france, encompassing all the greatest châteaux

merlot: the soft, cherry red grape grown primarily in the bordeaux region of france, california & washington state

méthod champenoise: a term no longer used to describe the traditional method of making sparkling wine from the champagne region of france

meursault: a village in the côte de beaune in burgundy, france

microclimate: a term that refers to an area that has a climate within a climate. while one area may be generally warm, it may have a cooler "microclimate" or region

mosel-saar-ruwer: a famous wine-producing region in germany that grows the most breath-taking rieslings in the world

müller-thurgau: a cross between the riesling & the silvaner grapes of germany...chris horn's favorite white wine...ask him for one

glossary of terms

muscadet: a cool climate region and a light, dry wine from the melon de bourgogne grape, in loire valley, france

must: the thick juice of wine grapes just before alcoholic fermentation

nebbiolo: a red grape grown in piedmont, italy, which produces some of the finest italian wine, such as barolo & barbaresco

nose: the term used to describe the bouquet & aroma of wine

nuits-st-georges: a village in the côte de nuits in burgundy, france. known for some very happy, ethereal pinot noir

paulliac: a village & district in the bordeaux, france, boasting three of the five first-growths

petite sirah: a small, yet thick-skinned red grape grown primarily in california, originally known as durif in the rhône valley, france—the original teethstainer

pfalz: a quality wine region in germany

piedmont: a region in northwest italy, one of the most important, holds the towns of barolo and barbaresco

pinot blanc: a medium-bodied white grape grown primarily in the alsace region of france

pinot grigio: the most popular white wine from italy made from the grape variety called pinot grigio, a.k.a. pinot gris in france

pinot meunier: a red grape grown primarily in the champagne region of france

pinot noir: a fragile red grape that is difficult to grow, but is now the most requested red grape in the world. the red grape of burgundy and northern oregon

pomerol: a district in the bordeaux region of france, known for the world's greatest merlots

pommard: a village in the côte de beaune, france, creates powerful pinot noirs

pouilly-fuissé: a region in mâconnais, france, creates delicious chardonnay

pouilly-fumé: a region known for sauvignon blanc in the loire valley, france

parellada: a spanish white grape, used in the blend for making sparkling cavas

puligny-montrachet: a village in the côte de beaune, france, amazing chardonnays

qualitätswein: a german term meaning “quality wine”

residual sugar: sugars remaining in the finished wine

rheingau: a grape growing region in southern germany, producing rieslings that will bring tears to your eyes

riesling: the white grape. incredible dry, and completely luscious sweet, capable of ageing for decades. grown primarily in alsace, germany & australia

rioja: wine region in spain, famous for reds from the tempranillo and garnacha grape

rosé: a wine with a slight pinkish hue, made from red grapes, where the juice merely passes over the skins. most are very dry, with a delicious raspberry, rhubarb taste

ruby port: a ruby-hued & sweet fortified wine, blended from non-vintage wines in portugal

sancerre: a town known for incredible sauvignon blancs from the loire valley, france

sangiovese: a red grape grown primarily in tuscan, italy

sauternes: the most expensive sweet white wine from the bordeaux region of france

sauvignon blanc: a white grape, very versatile, depending on where it is grown. classically, it is known for grapefruit, lime and mineral notes. in riper vintages, it is lovingly referred to as, "cat pee on a gooseberry bush"

sémillon: a white grape found primarily in the graves & sauternes regions of bordeaux, france

shiraz: a red grape grown primarily in australia, a.k.a. syrah

spätlese: a german wine quality term, a wine made from grapes picked later than the normal harvest

st-émilion: a charming town in the bordeaux region of france, also producing some of the most famous bordeaux that are based on merlot

st-estèphe: a village & northern most district in the médoc region of bordeaux, france

st-julien: a village & district in the médoc region of bordeaux, france

syrah: a smoky, spicy red grape grown primarily in the rhône valley region of france, washington & california. known as shiraz in australia and south africa

tannin: a natural compound & preservative that comes from the skins, stems & pips of the grapes & also from the wood in which wine is aged

tawny port: a port that is lighter, nuttier & aged longer in cask than a ruby port

tempranillo: a red grape grown primarily in spain, the backbone to a great rioja

trebbiano: a white grape grown in italy, also known as ugni blanc in france. the main ingredient in cognac and armagnac

tuscany: a great wine region in italy, holds the great towns and wines of chianti classico and brunello di montalcino

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varietal wine: a wine that is labeled with the predominant grape used to produce the wine, i.e., a wine made from chardonnay grapes would be labeled “chardonnay”

vintage: the year the grapes are harvested

viognier: a white grape from the Rhône valley region of France. bursting with white lilies, peaches and perfume

vouvray: a region in the Loire valley, France; it can be dry, semi-sweet or sweet from the Chenin Blanc grape

zinfandel: a juicy red grape that is grown all over California; Primitivo in Italy