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wines of the month

Vibrant and
characterful

GRAHAM NORTON SAUVIGNON BLANC 2025

New Zealand
(Invivo & Co.)

560284 (XD) 750 ml \$19.95 

It's instantly appealing on the nose with passionfruit, kiwifruit, mango, and lime zest aromas. The palate is equally satisfying with excellent vibrancy and fine acidity, making it intensely flavoursome and highly enjoyable. At its best: now to 2028. Score: **94** (Sam Kim, wineorbit.co.nz, Nov. 2025)

Aromatic & Flavourful

LA VITE LUCENTE 2023

IGT Toscana, Tuscany, Italy
(Luce)

747030 (XD) 750 ml \$32.95 

A juicy and delicious wine with aromas of black cherries, walnuts, flint, graphite and matchsticks. Medium-bodied with creamy and refined tannins and a pretty finish. Inky aftertaste with some iodine. 60% merlot and 40% sangiovese. Drink or hold [into mid-2030s]. Score: **95** (jamessuckling.com, June 3, 2025)

Medium-bodied & Fruity



ALL ABOARD FOR THE HOLIDAYS

GREAT BITES AND WINES TO MATCH

Effortlessly sail into holiday entertaining with versatile boards – shareable spreads beautifully arranged to bring people together. Whether it's a brunch board or a classic charcuterie, we've paired each spread with the perfect wines. The best part? These flexible spreads can be adapted to suit different budgets, dietary needs and gatherings, taking the guesswork out of hosting. Happy holidays, indeed!



A BOUNTIFUL BRUNCH

Brunch is the the most relaxing way to dine, so you want foods and wines that bring an easy joy.

STAR OF THE BOARD

Versatile and cozy, potatoes are the perfect anchor for a brunch board. These crispy **Food & Drink Smashed Potato Bites with Braised Bacon and Appenzeller** make a crowd-pleasing centrepiece. Topped with smoky braised bacon and robust Alpine cheese, they bring loaded-baked-potato comfort with a raclette-inspired feel.

FILL THE BOARD

Surround your spuds with soft cheeses, smoked salmon, halved croissants, jammy eggs, fresh fruit, tangy pickles, fruity desserts, and pastries.

PERFECT WINE PAIRINGS

The bubbles and acidity of rosé Champagnes and dry sparkling wines will refresh your palate between rich bites, keeping potatoes, cheese and bacon from feeling too dense. Dry sake is a smooth match for bacon, cheese and eggs. Sweeter-styled sparklers and sakes are great with desserts and saltier foods.



OZAWA SHUZO SAWANOI KURABITO TOKYO JUNMAI GINZO SAKE

Tokyo, Japan

29071 (M) 720 ml \$39.95



PERRIER-JOUËT BLASON ROSÉ CHAMPAGNE ★

AOC, France

92 (Alison Napjus, winespectator.com)

Rich & Complex

49033 (XD) 750 ml \$103.95

VIETTI MOSCATO D'ASTI 2025

DOCG, Piedmont, Italy

Light & Fruity

45155 (S) 750 ml \$24.95

KEW TRADITION SPARKLING 2021

VQA Beamsville Bench, Niagara

Escarpment, Ontario, traditional method

91 (Megha Jandhyala, S.J.D.,
winealign.com)

Medium-bodied & Flavourful

491092 (XD) 750 ml \$32.95



Acacia Wood Tray (52987, \$19.95), Holiday Bottle Bow with Tag (52824, \$1.95), Flute Glasses (46560, \$9.95 for 2), Vintages Tea Towels (39989, \$19.95 for 2)





**BACHELDER LES VILLAGES
GAMAY NOIR 2023** 🇨🇦

VQA Niagara Peninsula, Ontario

91 (Rick VanSickle, winesinniagara.com)

Light-bodied & Fruity

17239 (XD) 750 ml \$25.95 ✎



KEW SOLDIER'S GRANT 2023 🇨🇦

VQA Niagara Peninsula, Ontario

93 (John Szabo, MS, winealign.com)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

367318 (XD) 750 ml \$21.95 ✎



QUADRUS RESERVA 2017 ★

DOC Douro, Portugal

92 (Sara d'Amato, winealign.com)

Full-bodied & Smooth

534271 (XD) 750 ml \$39.95 ✎



**STAETE LANDT STATE OF GRACE
PINOT NOIR 2024**

Marlborough, South Island, New Zealand

94 (Sam Kim, wineorbit.co.nz)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

17587 (XD) 750 ml \$34.95 ✎

ARBOLEDA CARMENÈRE 2023

DO Valle del Aconcagua, Chile

93 (nataliemaclean.com)

Full-bodied & Firm

46284 (XD) 750 ml

\$19.95 ✎

Wooden Cheese Board
(52826, \$16.95)



Holiday Gift Bag (53267, \$0.95)

COZY UP APRÈS-SKI

After a day's fun in the cold, what could be better than sitting down to enjoy something warm, crunchy and indulgent.

STAR OF THE BOARD

These **Food & Drink Charcuterie Nachos** turn grazing into amazing. This golden, gooey comfort food layers kettle chips, brie, prosciutto, gherkins and hot honey, delivering salty, creamy, tangy, and sweet heat flavours in every bite. Made to share and endlessly adaptable, it's all you could ask for when it comes to winding down with a glass in hand.

FILL THE BOARD

Pile on the fun by adding pretzel bits, toasted sourdough, spiced

and roasted nuts, bread-and-butter pickles, aged cheddar, smoked Gouda, and assorted cured meats.

PERFECT WINE PAIRINGS

Look for wines that suit the laid-back, cozy character of the nachos. Ripe, savoury, medium-bodied reds like Gamay, Pinot Noir, Chilean Carmenère, and Ontario blends are flexible options. Fuller-bodied, mildly spicy Portuguese reds work with the board's richer flavours.



MEDITERRANEAN FLAIR

Add a little warmth to your winter hosting with Mediterranean-inspired nibbles.

STAR OF THE BOARD

Warm halloumi makes a natural centrepiece for a Mediterranean board. In our ***Food & Drink*** **Seared Halloumi & Roasted Red Peppers in Herb Oil** recipe, the cheese is crisped in a skillet until browned outside and melty-squeaky within. It brings hearty winter comfort, while roasted red peppers, fresh herbs and crusty bread add colour, aroma, and easy sharing appeal.

FILL THE BOARD

Serve this warm surrounded by olives, dips, cured meats, vegetables and flatbreads for a simple yet impressive spread.

PERFECT WINE PAIRINGS

This style of board calls for crisp, fresh white wines; fruity, herbal Grenache-led blends; or juicy, gently spiced, light-to-medium-bodied reds like Nerello Mascalese.



Find all these ***Food & Drink*** recipes and so much more here.



CHEVALIER DELAUDE LANGUEDOC 2022

AOP, Languedoc, France

95 (Decanter World Wine Awards, 2024)

Full-bodied & Smooth

49872 (XD) 750 ml \$16.95

New at Vintages



LUNA GAIA LOGISTILLA NERELLO MASCALESE 2024

IGP Terre Siciliane, Sicily, Italy

Medium-bodied & Fruity

51562 (XD) 750 ml \$20.95

New at Vintages

Organic & biodynamic product



PANDORA VERDEJO 2024

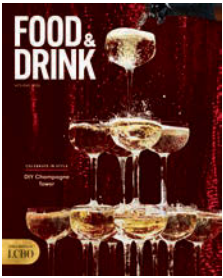
DO Rueda, Spain

91 (Beth Willard, timatkin.com, Rueda Top 100 Special Report 2025)

Aromatic & Flavourful

50979 (XD) 750 ml \$16.95

New at Vintages



Find our Holiday
Food & Drink
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LOCAL OPULENCE

Top-quality local charcuterie and fine cheeses sourced from your own neck of the woods can make an elevated board built around rich textures, savoury depth and local flavour.

STAR OF THE BOARD

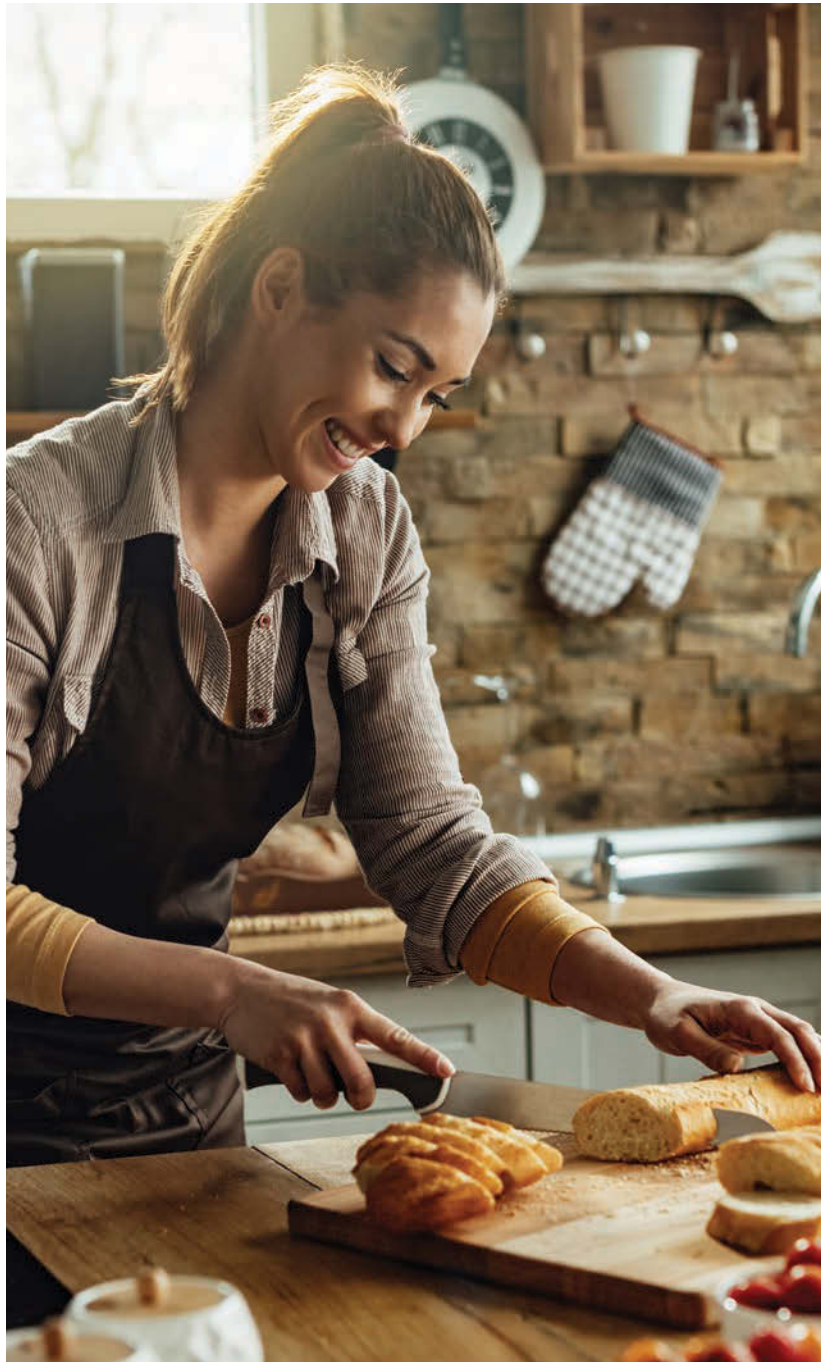
Let locally sourced meats, cheeses, veggies, nuts, et al. take centre stage as you create a bold, sophisticated board featuring premium ingredients.

FILL THE BOARD

Think big. Hearty, premium charcuterie, pâté, smoked fish, roasted nuts, marinated olives, cornichons, pickled onions, grainy mustard, onion jam, cranberry chutney, sliced pears, grapes, dried figs, toasted baguette, seeded crackers, focaccia, and a garnish featuring fresh herbs or edible flowers.

PERFECT WINE PAIRINGS

Bigger reds such as Brunello and Barolo bring the depth, structure and sophistication to match charcuterie and aged cheeses, making the board feel opulent and dinner-worthy. For creamy cheeses and smoked fish, a crisp, mineral-led Chardonnay adds freshness and lift, keeping each bite balanced and elegant.



CASALI DEL BARONE BAROLO 2021

DOCG, Piedmont, Italy

95 (Eros Teboni, *The Wine Journal*)

Full-bodied & Firm

51595 (XD) 750 ml \$49.95 ✂

New at Vintages



LUCE BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2021

DOCG, Tuscany, Italy

99 (jamesuckling.com)

Full-bodied & Firm

120881 (XD) 750 ml \$165.95 ➡



ANTINORI BRAMITO DELLA SALA CHARDONNAY 2024

IGT Umbria, Italy

93 (Jeff Porter, *Wine Enthusiast*)

Full-bodied & Rich

176792 (XD) 750 ml \$34.95 ✂

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BLACK BANK HILL HERITAGE SERIES ÉGALITÉ 2022 🍷

VQA Lincoln Lakeshore,
Niagara Peninsula, Ontario

Medium-bodied & Fruity

54660 (XD) 750 ml \$54.95 🍷

New at Vintages



CLOUDSLEY HANCK VINEYARD PINOT NOIR 2019 🍷

VQA Twenty Mile Bench,
Niagara Escarpment, Ontario

Medium-bodied & Fruity

54649 (XD) 750 ml \$59.95 🍷

New at Vintages



CLOUDSLEY WINGFIELD VINEYARD CHARDONNAY 2023 🍷

VQA Twenty Mile Bench,
Niagara Escarpment, Ontario

Full-bodied & Rich

16074 (XD) 750 ml \$59.95 🍷



MARCHESI DI BAROLO DEL COMUNE BAROLO 2021

DOCG, Piedmont, Italy

Full-bodied & Firm

399725 (XD) 750 ml \$84.95 🍷



PAITIN STARDA LANGHE NEBBIOLO 2023

DOP, Piedmont, Italy

Full-bodied & Firm

50808 (XD) 750 ml \$40.95 🍷

New at Vintages



PALMENTO COSTANZO MOFETE ETNA ROSSO 2023

DOC, Sicily, Italy, sustainable

Medium-bodied & Fruity

51717 (XD) 750 ml \$37.95 🍷

New at Vintages



CAPARZO LA CADUTA ROSSO DI MONTALCINO 2022

DOC, Tuscany, Italy

Medium-bodied & Fruity

49368 (XD) 750 ml \$39.95 🍷

New at Vintages



CORTONESI LA MANNELLA BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2020

DOCG, Tuscany, Italy

Full-bodied & Firm

39283 (XD) 750 ml \$69.95 🍷



TARRAS CENTRAL OTAGO PINOT NOIR 2021

Central Otago, South Island, New Zealand

Medium-bodied & Fruity

43605 (XD) 750 ml \$38.95 🍷



MARQUÊS DE MARIALVA BAGA BLANC DE NOIRS 2023

DOC, Portugal, traditional method

Medium-bodied & Flavourful

31777 (XD) 750 ml \$21.95 🍷

New at Vintages



PRATS & SYMINGTON POST SCRIPTUM DE CHRYSEIA 2023

DOC Douro, Portugal

Full-bodied & Firm

67538 (XD) 750 ml \$34.95 🍷



COMENGE EL ORIGEN TEMPRANILLO 2020

DO Ribera del Duero, Spain

Medium-bodied & Fruity

50924 (XD) 750 ml \$42.95 🍷

New at Vintages

LOCAL FIND



Sean Adams
Ontario Wine Buyer

An insider's
guide to great
Ontario wines.

November no-doubter

As we hunker down for fall feasts and fireside contemplation, we need a wine to match. Something with some serious pedigree that's also versatile enough to please a lot of palates. I have no doubt that this elegant Cabernet Sauvignon from the historic Lailey Vineyard will fit the bill. Crafted by Ontario wine luminaries Ann Sperling and Peter Gamble and sporting notes of redcurrant, wild raspberry and subtle spice, it's sure to impress.



**LAILEY CABERNET
SAUVIGNON 2022** 🍷
VQA Niagara River,
Niagara-on-the-Lake

591370 (XD)
750 ml \$22.95 🍷
Medium-bodied & Fruity

I love it
because...

1. It has notes of dark berry and plum, with hints of sweet spice.
2. It's made using 100% estate fruit from Lailey Vineyard.
3. It will be a great match for fuller autumn meals.

Sean



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

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FORTIFIED WINE

QUINTA DO PILOTO MOSCATEL DE SETÚBAL 2023 DOC, Portugal

NEW

Deep amber-coloured, this raisined moscato has intense flavours and plush, sweet palate, a real tour-de-force of flavours at this price to be sure. Balance is excellent and this is a remarkably good, clean, well-made wine for the money. I'd be pouring this by the glass at my imaginary wine bar, and garnering many smiles. Tasted January 2026. Score: **91** (John Szabo, MS, [winealign.com](https://www.winealign.com))

Sweet
52408 (S) 750 ml \$16.95 🍷



SPARKLING WINE

THE TRAGICALLY HIP FIREWORKS SPARKLING 2023 🇨🇦 VQA Ontario, Charmat method (Stoney Ridge)

NEW

The blend for this charmat style sparkling wine is 82% Chardonnay from Lincoln Lakeshore and 18% Riesling from Four Mile Creek. The wine spent six months on its lees. The nose starts with a toasty/brioche note followed by bright apple, pear and citrus with a gentle bead in the glass. The bubble is more robust on the palate followed by apple, quince and bergamot with subtle stony minerality and baked bread that all leads to a bright, clean finish with a just a touch of sweetness. Score: **91** (Rick VanSickle, [winesinniagara.com](https://www.winesinniagara.com), June 18, 2024)

Medium-bodied & Flavourful
54651 (D) 750 ml \$26.95 🍷



LAVÌ BLANC DE NOIR NERELLO MASCALESE BRUT SPARKLING IGP Terre Siciliane, Sicily, Italy, Charmat method (Colomba Bianca)

NEW

This fine, fresh sparkler has lifted white flowers and honeysuckle on the nose, with flavours of peach, apricot and tropical fruit and a delicate honeyed character. Nice mineral-led finish. Perfect for grilled chicken or a savoury mushroom stew.

Medium-bodied & Flavourful
52446 (XD) 750 ml \$19.95 🍷
🌿 Organic product



SPARKLING WINE CONT'D

ASTORIA FANÒ ASOLO EXTRA BRUT PROSECCO SUPERIORE DOCG, Veneto, Italy, tank method

NEW

The beautiful bottle makes this an eye-catching gift, and the elegant, sharply defined fruit and dried petal tones make this Prosecco Superiore as pleasing to drink as it is to look upon. Mouth-watering and balanced.

Rich & Complex

52454 (XD) 750 ml \$21.95



HIDDEN BENCH ROSOMEL VINEYARD FUMÉ BLANC 2025

VQA Beamsville Bench, Niagara Escarpment

Inspired by the oaked Sauvignon Blanc wines of Bordeaux and Pouilly-Fumé, Hidden Bench uses estate fruit from the Rosomel Vineyard in Beamsville Bench and ferments the wine using indigenous yeasts and ages it in oak. This 2025 shows gooseberry, tangerine, pear, tropical fruit, savoury herbs, and a flinty mineral quality. Give it a try with seafood cooked in white wine.

Aromatic & Flavourful

68825 (XD) 750 ml \$29.95

Organic product



CANADA - WHITE WINE

ONTARIO

FEATHERSTONE CANADIAN OAK CHARDONNAY 2025

VQA Niagara Peninsula

The Canadian oak used to craft this fan favourite is sourced from trees grown along the Grand River in Ontario, and the grapes are hand-picked and fermented using native wild yeasts. Expect complex suggestions of campfire smoke, pine cone, golden russet apple and yellow plum, and savour the wine alongside falafel patties and baked apples, or carnitas with smoky cheddar and apple slaw.

Full-bodied & Rich

149302 (XD) 750 ml \$25.95



CANADA - RED WINE

ONTARIO

HUFF'S CORNERS PINOT NOIR 2023

VQA Prince Edward County

Lighter style, juicy, pretty and really quite elegant. Lovely drop, focused and precise, sneaky concentration and drip of structure. Good work, likely some whole bunch (as much as 20 percent), and a joy to sip. Drink date: 2026-2029. Tasted blind at NWACs 2026, June 2026. Score: **91** (Michael Godel, winealign.com)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

489708 (XD) 750 ml \$39.00



HENRY OF PELHAM SPECK FAMILY RESERVE RIESLING 2023

VQA Short Hills Bench,

Niagara Escarpment, sustainable

... lifted notes of lemons, limes, and spring blossoms. Elegant with an alluring mineral texture and persuasive tension, the zesty acidity is balanced by just enough sweetness. It has a very long finish and a high concentration of flavours; think of a cross between lemon curd and key lime pie. Brilliant in its youth, savour extra bottles to enjoy as this youthful wine evolves over the coming years. Drinking window: 2024-2030. Score: **92** (Magdalena Kaiser, decanter.com, Sept. 15, 2024)

Aromatic & Flavourful

643361 (M) 750 ml \$32.95



LEANING POST PINOT NOIR 2024

VQA Niagara Peninsula

Very pretty and fruity on the nose in the classic spectrum, all raspberry and cherry, with no evident oak influence. There's still some grip on the palate from the dusty tannins, framed by lively acids even in this warm vintage. Length and depth are impressive in the category. An excellent entry point into the Leaning Post portfolio. Tasted July 2026. Score: **91** (John Szabo, MS, winealign.com)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

523183 (XD) 750 ml \$35.95



**ORGANIZED CRIME SACRED
SERIES UNFILTERED CABERNET
SAUVIGNON 2023** ★

NEW

VQA Beamsville Bench,
Niagara Escarpment

Made from 100% Cabernet Sauvignon, this is the winery's first single-varietal Cab Sauv since 2019. It's aged in French oak and offers loads of black raspberry, cassis, vanilla and spice, brightened by juicy, food-friendly acidity. Drink through 2030.

Full-bodied & Smooth

54904 (XD) 750 ml \$29.95



THE FOREIGN AFFAIR DREAM 2023 ★

VQA Niagara Peninsula

As mentioned, not all the reds in the Foreign Affair red portfolio have appassimento grapes used in the blend, but The Dream, a mix of Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, Merlot and Malbec, aged for 14 months in older oak barrels, sees about 15% of the grapes dried. The nose leans toward the darker fruits of blackberries and cassis with dark cherries, subtle earthy notes and integrated spice accents. It has good structure, weight, a plush texture and super concentrated dark berries and spice on a finessed finish. It's drinking nicely right now but can cellar through 2032. Score: **91** (Rick VanSickle, winesinnagara.com, Aug. 27, 2025)

Full-bodied & Smooth

364380 (XD) 750 ml \$29.95



**THE TRAGICALLY HIP FIFTY MISSION
CAB CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2023** ★

VQA Lincoln Lakeshore, Niagara Peninsula
(Stoney Ridge)

Made in collaboration with Hip guitarist Rob Baker and composed of 100% Cabernet Sauvignon harvested by hand from Martin Vineyard in the Lincoln Lakeshore region of Niagara, this wine spent 19 months in French oak barrels. It's rich and complex with notes of ripe cherry, black raspberry, plum, cigar box and smoke. Savour through 2037.

Full-bodied & Smooth

36233 (XD) 750 ml \$39.95



ARGENTINA - RED WINE

**LA POSTA PIZZELLA FAMILY
MALBEC 2024**

Mendoza

(Laura Catena)

Blackberries, elderberries and licorice wrapped with underbrush. The palate is medium- to full-bodied with textbook malbec dark-fruit flavors, round tannins and a velvety finish. Drink now. Score: **91** (Jacob Garcia-Andrade Llamas, jamesuckling.com, June 20, 2025)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

166298 (XD) 750 ml \$17.95



CHILE - WHITE WINE

**ERRÁZURIZ MAX
CHARDONNAY 2024** ★

NEW

DO Aconcagua, sustainable

A very fresh, slightly limey chardonnay with sliced pineapple and a touch of spices on the nose. Pure and driven, with a medium body and zingy acidity. Bright finish. Quite well balanced. Drink now. Score: **91** (Zekun Shuai, jamesuckling.com, March 24, 2025)

Full-bodied & Rich

51204 (XD) 750 ml \$18.95



CHILE - RED WINE

MONTES WINGS CARMENÈRE 2021 ★

DO Apalta, Valle de Colchagua

The blue fruit combines with violets, lavender, sandalwood, iodine and mussel shells. Medium-bodied with very poised fruit and tannins that are integrated nicely in a refined and sophisticated way. Silky and very attractive at the end. 85% carmenere and 15% cabernet franc. Drink or hold. Score: **96** (James Suckling, jamesuckling.com, Feb. 12, 2024)

Full-bodied & Smooth

33354 (XD) 750 ml \$67.95



NEW ZEALAND – RED WINE

SQUEALING PIG PINOT NOIR 2023

Central Otago, South Island
Restaurant lists and home gatherings alike are where this crowd-pleaser belongs. Central Otago and Marlborough both enter into the blend, which explains the extra lift. Redcurrant and a whisper of five-spice show through the glass. The mouth is soft and gentle, with juicy acidity and barely-there tannins. Lamb chops with rosemary and garlic or a rich rabbit fricassee are the kind of company it keeps best ... Drink date: 2026-2030. Score: **93** (nataliemaclean.com, undated)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

427211 (XD) 750 ml \$24.95



FRANCE – RED WINE

BEAUJOLAIS

LAURENT PERRACHON ET FILS TERRES ROSES MOULIN-À-VENT 2023 AOC

This wine is a beguiling mix of youth and seriousness. Black raspberry rubs up against freshly-picked red cherry that flirts with cranberry skin and dried field grass. The palate is defined by a red-fruit-led freshness that washes over wet stone and gives whispers of Darjeeling tea on the finish. Drink now until 2035. Cellar Selection. Score: **93** (Reggie Solomon, *Wine Enthusiast*, April 1, 2025)

Light-bodied & Fruity

11877 (XD) 750 ml \$22.95



KANONKOP KADETTE CAPE BLEND 2023 ★

WO Stellenbosch

Currants, olives, mushrooms and mocha on the nose of this juicy red. It's savory and gently smoky with a full body and mellow tannins. 38% pinotage, 34% merlot, 24% cabernet sauvignon, 3% cabernet franc and 1% petit verdot. Drink now or in the next couple of years. Score: **92** (Claire Nesbitt, *jamesuckling.com*, Oct. 31, 2025)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

21108 (XD) 750 ml \$21.95



OENOPS APLA WHITE BLEND 2025

Greece

Crafted in stainless steel with more than two months of lees contact, this wine is a blend of indigenous Greek varieties: 50% Malagousia, 30% Assyrtiko and 20% Vidiano. It exhibits attractive tropical fruit, floral blossoms and white pepper, with a lingering, fruity finish. Pair with salads, seafood or sushi.

Aromatic & Flavourful

51115 (XD) 750 ml \$19.95



VERGELEGEN THE MILL RED BLEND 2022

WO Stellenbosch

This historic winery was founded in 1700. The wine is built around Merlot and Cabernet Sauvignon with Cabernet Franc, Syrah and a dash of Petit Verdot. It's delightfully opulent, with suggestions of juicy red berry and dark chocolate wrapped in velvety tannins. Drink through 2030 with creamy risotto, fillet steak, or black-bean burgers.

Full-bodied & Smooth

52072 (XD) 750 ml \$19.95



ITALY – WHITE WINE

ALTO ADIGE-TRENTINO

BARONE FINI PINOT GRIGIO 2025 DOC Valdadige

Founded in 1497 and built upon the ruins of an ancient Roman winery, Barone Fini follow a philosophy of minimal intervention in their winemaking. Their aim is to allow their grapes and land to reveal themselves as accurately as possible. This Pinot Grigio is fresh, crisp and lively, with honeydew melon and apple tones and a sharply defined mineral character. Perfect for seafood appetizers.

Light & Crisp

50994 (XD) 750 ml \$19.95



TUSCANY

BANFI LA PETTEGOLA VERMENTINO 2025

IGT Toscana, sustainable

This is a stylish, lively, fun Vermentino with a complex personality featuring lifted florals, green apple, peach, citrus, dried tropical fruit, sage, thyme, and a shapely stone-edged mineral note. Good balance and structure and a thoroughly satisfying finish. Try it with herb-encrusted freshwater fish.

Aromatic & Flavourful

477927 (XD) 750 ml \$22.95



TUSCANY

CASISANO ROSSO DI MONTALCINO 2023 DOC

(Tommasi)

The nose opens with savory, umami aromas of hot tar, flint and top soil, then leans into the sweetness of ripe Bing and black cherries. The palate uses warm, high-toned citrus notes to outline tangy, tart cherries and berries, above an anchor of cool earth, while vigorous acid adds a lightning bolt of energy. [Drink through 2031+.] Score: **92** (Danielle Callegari, *Wine Enthusiast*, Dec. 31, 2025)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

551267 (XD) 750 ml \$27.95



ITALY - RED WINE

PIEDMONT

MARCHESI DI BAROLO MARAIA BARBERA DEL MONFERRATO 2022 DOC

Morning-picked berries and fresh Italian plums create an inviting introduction to this everyday charmer. The wine keeps things casual and friendly, with just enough juicy acidity to complement a family pasta dinner, while gentle tannins and bright cherry flavors make this an easy choice for the table. Best Buy. [Drink through 2028+.] Score: **91** (Jeff Porter, *Wine Enthusiast*, Feb. 1, 2026)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

748277 (XD) 750 ml \$20.95



DIEVOLE PETRIGNANO CHIANTI CLASSICO 2021 DOCG

Supple and harmonious, this red delivers cherry, raspberry, rose and mineral flavors on an elegant frame. Balanced and fresh, with a lingering aftertaste echoing the fruit and mineral elements. Drink now through 2038. Score: **93** (Bruce Sanderson, *winespectator.com*, Oct. 31, 2024)

Full-bodied & Firm

39448 (XD) 750 ml \$29.95



RÉVA BAROLO 2021 DOCG

Here's a Barolo that's teaching a masterclass in Nebbiolo without making you sit through a boring lecture. The nose opens like a perfectly orchestrated symphony with ripe cherries taking the lead, fresh-ground spices and orange peel handling backup vocals, while rose petals and herbs add their acoustic unplugged vibe. The palate keeps the show rolling with cranberry and pomegranate bringing the crunch factor, while that earthy undertone drops the bass ... Drink date: Now-2040. Cellar Selection. Score: **92** (Jeff Porter, *Wine Enthusiast*, Sept. 1, 2025)

Full-bodied & Firm

490045 (XD) 750 ml \$69.95



FATTORIA DEI BARBI BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2019 ★ DOCG

Offering a clean and bright fruit profile, the Fattoria dei Barbi 2019 Brunello di Montalcino shows plum, dark cherry and blackberry. The fruit presented in this vintage is fresh, velvety, nicely contoured and still tastes quite primary in nature. This bodes well for the wine's future bottle evolution. The tannins are slightly chalky but supported by rich texture. Great job here. Drink date: 2025-2040. Score: **95** (Monica Larner, *robertparker.com*, Dec. 14, 2023)

Full-bodied & Firm

372938 (XD) 750 ml \$62.95

ITALY – RED WINE CONT'D

TUSCANY

TENUTE ROSSETTI

IGT Toscana

(Fantini)

[Though not the same bottling as reviewed, this will show consistent quality and character.] Notes of roasted herbs, nutmeg, and cloves season flavours of ripe red plums and dark cherries in this cheerful blend of sangiovese and merlot.

There is a hint of sweetness on the medium bodied palate, while tannins are fine, sandy, and drying and acids, juicy. Length and depth are solid at this pricepoint and while this is not a very complex wine, its unaffected simplicity has appeal. Tasted July 2024. Score: **88** (Megha Jandhyala, S.J.D., winealign.com)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

36515 (D) 750 ml \$17.95

TOMMASI POGGIO AL TUFO CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2021

IGT Toscana

A hefty dose of black currant fruit leads off, with shades of iron, tobacco and bell pepper. This red is taut, yet the lively acidity keeps everything moving through the finish. Drink now through 2032. Score: **92** (Bruce Sanderson, wine spectator.com, Feb. 24, 2025)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

203927 (D) 750 ml \$19.95

TOSCOLO RISERVA CHIANTI CLASSICO 2019

DOCG

A medium-bodied red with firm tannins and spicy red-fruited character. It offers ripe cherries, licorice, cocoa and hints of nutshells on the nose. Structured and lightly chewy with a core of juicy berry fruit and a lingering finish. Drink or hold [through 2029+]. Score: **92** (Andrii Stetsiuk, jamessuckling.com, June 14, 2024)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

69369 (XD) 750 ml \$34.95

VENETO

BRIGALDARA VALPOLICELLA RIPASSO SUPERIORE 2024

DOC

An elegant and fresh Ripasso with graceful aromas of strawberries, peach tea, dried flowers and black pepper. Light- to medium-bodied, it shows soft ripe tannins, crisp acidity and a savory finish. Drink now [into early 2030s+]. Score: **92** (Aldo Fiordelli, jamessuckling.com, Feb. 26, 2026)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

16090 (XD) 750 ml \$22.95

LUCIANO ARDUINI RIPASSO VALPOLICELLA CLASSICO SUPERIORE 2022

DOC

(Translated from the Italian) Sensations: exceptional in both concentration and smoothness, its spicy, vanilla-infused blackberry jam highlights its supreme density, its perfect balance between acidity, tannins, and the ripeness of its grape. Here, in aroma and fragrance, it remains as clear as first. Chapeau. Ranked 1st Best Red Italian Wine. Score: **98** (lucamaroni.com, Oct. 6, 2025)

Full-bodied & Smooth

12407 (D) 750 ml \$26.95

PORTUGAL – RED WINE

CASA FERREIRINHA PAPA FIGOS TINTO 2024

DOC Douro, sustainable

(V.N. de Gaia)

30% Tinta Barroca, 33% Tinta Roriz, 23% Touriga Franca. With a slight wet stone minerality underpinning the intense fruit this delivers a classic, uncomplicated, elegantly rustic expression of the Douro. Black plum, blackberry and blueberry are infused with black olive, sage, thyme and rosemary oil. A perfect, classy everyday drinker. Drinking window: 2026-2029. Score: **90** (Ines Salpico, decanter.com, April 13, 2026)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

11157 (XD) 750 ml \$17.95



**MANUEL CARVALHO MARTINS
GOLPE RED 2023**
DOC

NEW

Another super value from Portugal, this wine is Touriga Nacional, Tinta Roriz and Touriga Franca sourced from 25-year-old vines. It's elegant and sleek, with wonderful balance, generous red and dark fruit, oak spice, dark chocolate and smoke. A wine with broad appeal, it will be a hit with a holiday meal featuring lamb, beef, or turkey with all the trimmings. Drink into mid-2030s+.

Full-bodied & Smooth

26834 (XD) 750 ml \$20.95



SPAIN - RED WINE

**COSME PALACIO GLORIOSO
SELECCIÓN ESPECIAL 2022**
DOCa Rioja Alavesa

NEW

Fresh blackberries, iodine, mussel shells and sweet dark spices on the nose. Medium-bodied with tight, chewy tannins and a long, slightly robust finish. Drink from 2028. Score: **91** (Zekun Shuai, jamessuckling.com, Jan. 19, 2026)

Medium-bodied & Fruity

51380 (XD) 750 ml \$22.95



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3 RINGS SHIRAZ 2023

Barossa Valley, South Australia

15495 (XD) 750 ml **\$18.00**

Full-bodied & Smooth

93 points (Sam Kim, wineorbit.co.nz)

CHÂTEAU LOIRAC MÉDOC 2020

AOP, Bordeaux, France, sustainable

50677 (XD) 750 ml **\$18.00**

Medium-bodied & Fruity

91-92 points (jamessuckling.com)

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Wairau Valley, New Zealand (536201)

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DO Valle del Rapel, Chile, sustainable

When Luis Pereira founded Vina Santa Carolina in 1875, he named it after his wife, Carolina Iniguez. Since that time, it's become one of the most important wine producers in Chile, creating wines that faithfully convey their origins. This savoury yet fruity Carmenère is a lovely example.

14080 (XD) 750 ml 

\$19.95

Full-bodied & Smooth

92 points (winespectator.com)

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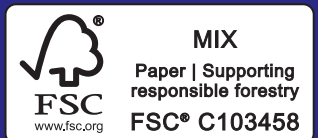


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