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Le Jeune Chef
Wine List

Champagne

Champagne is a region in France – the country's northernmost winemaking region, to be exact. In the Champagne region, the growing season is shorter; thus, the grapes are picked with higher acidity than in most other regions, which is one of the reasons for Champagne's distinct taste. Three grapes can be used to produce Champagne: Pinot Noir, Pinot Meunier, and Chardonnay. In France, only sparkling wines that come from the region of Champagne may be called "Champagne." Some American producers have borrowed the name "Champagne" to put on the label of their sparkling wines. These cannot and should not be compared with Champagne from France. Champagnes are classified according to sweetness/dryness: Brut – driest; Extra dry – less dry; Sec – sweeter; and Demi sec – sweetest.

France

24 De Chanceny, Crémant de Loire, "Brut Excellence", Loire, France, 2009 69
30 Taittinger, ***Brut***, "La Française", Champagne, France, NV 65
32 Veuve Clicquot, ***Brut***, "Yellow Label", Champagne, France, NV 65
12 Veuve Clicquot, ***Brut Rosé***, Champagne, France, NV 75

Italy

18 Ruffino Prosecco, Italy 187 ml – Split of Prosecco 9
23 **Prosecco**, Italy, NV 27

USA

28 Mumm Napa, **Blanc de Blancs**, Napa County, California, NV 33

Arneis

Arneis is a white Italian wine grape variety originating from Piedmont, Italy. It is most commonly found in the hills of the Roero, northwest of Alba, where it is part of the white Denominazione di Origine Controllata e Garantita (DOCG) wines of Roero. Arneis (literally: little rascal, in Piemontese) is so called because it is regarded as a somewhat difficult variety to grow. It is a crisp and floral varietal, and has been grown for centuries in the region. The white wines made from the Arneis grape tend to be dry and full body with notes of pears and apricots.

Italy

721 Terre da Vino, Roero Arneis, "Villata", Piedmont, Italy, 2014 22
128 Valdinera, Roero Arneis, Piedmont, Italy, 2009 36

Cabernet Franc

Cabernet Franc is a cedar and herbaceous scented wine that is much lighter in color and body than either Cabernet Sauvignon or Merlot. Often used in blended wines, it gives complexity to a wine's bouquet and softness. When it stands by itself, it is generally considered an exceptional wine.

France

625 Catherine & Pierre Bréton, **Cabernet Franc**, "La Dilettante", Bourgueil, Loire, France, 2013 36

USA

198 Alexander Valley Vineyards, **Cabernet Franc**, Alexander Valley, California, 2014 38

Cabernet Sauvignon

Considered the most successful red vinifera grape in California, this grape yields some of the greatest red wines in the world. It is the predominant variety used in the finest red Bordeaux wines. These wines have long been recognized for their quality and are the standard to which the red wines of other regions-new and established-are compared. Almost all California Cabernets are dry, and depending upon the producer, they range in style from light- to extremely full bodied. They are rich, complex, highly tannic wines that need barrel and bottle aging and are normally blended with Merlot and Cabernet Franc to quicken the aging process. Cabernet Sauvignon is often described as having berry, black currant, cassis, herbaceous or vegetative (bell pepper, green bean, olives), mint, black pepper aromas and flavors. It can age 10 20 years.

Argentina

609 Cautivo de Orfila, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, Mendoza, Argentina, 2003 44
658 Cautivo de Orfila, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, Mendoza, Argentina, 2001 44

Australia

596 Leeuwin Estate, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, "Art Series", Margaret River, Western Australia, 2003..... 96

Chile

252 Concha y Toro, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, "Don Melchor", Puente Alto, Chile, 2004 84
663 Concha y Toro, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, "Don Melchor Puente Alto Vineyard", Puente Alto, Chile, 2012 111

Italy

953 La Sansonina, Garda, "Evaluna", Lombardy, Italy, 2017 27

USA

240 Anderson's Conn Valley Vineyards, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, "Estate Reserve", Napa Valley, California, 2009 95
241 Anderson's Conn Valley Vineyards, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, "Estate Reserve", Napa Valley, California, 2007 119
228 Anderson's Conn Valley Vineyards, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, "Prologue", Central Coast, California, 2010 37
722 Arns, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, Napa Valley, California, 1999 80
445 Arrowood, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, "Réserve Spéciale", Sonoma County, California, 1996 111
522 Asura, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, Napa Valley, California, 2012 399
235 B.R. Cohn, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, "Olive Hill Estate Vineyards", Sonoma Valley, California, 2005 ... 71
720 Caymus Vineyards, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, "Special Selection", Napa Valley, California, 2014 184
379 Charles Krug, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, "Family Reserve", Howell Mountain, California, 2012 150
378 Chimney Rock Winery, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, Stags Leap District, California, 2015 98
355 Decoy by Duckhorn, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, Sonoma County, California, 2013 39
399 Dominus, Napa Valley, California, 2012 230
398 Dominus, Napa Valley, California, 2011 172
101 Far Niente, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, Oakville, California, 2013 159
523 Faust, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, Napa Valley, California, 2014 65
168 Faust, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, Napa Valley, California, 2010 70
111 Faust, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, Napa Valley, California, 2007 65
147 Faust, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, Napa Valley, California, 2005 78
274 Geyser Peak, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, "Walking Tree Block Collection", Alexander Valley, California, 2013 31
127 Ghost Block, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, "Estate", Oakville, California, 2014 100
107 Ghost Block, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, "Single Vineyard", Yountville, California, 2009 144
244 Grovedale Winery, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, Long Island, New York, 2012 30

Cabernet Sauvignon

USA continued

260 Heitz Cellar, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, "Martha's Vineyard", Napa Valley, California, 2004 187
266 Heitz Cellar, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, "Martha's Vineyard", Napa Valley, California, 2002 211
255 Heitz Cellar, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, "Trailside Vineyard", Napa Valley, California, 2006 93
186 Inglenook, "Rubicon", Rutherford, California, 2012 200
126 Jordan, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, Alexander Valley, California, 2012 74
380 Joseph Phelps, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, Napa Valley, California, 2014 80
461 Kenwood Vineyards, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, "Artist Series", Sonoma County, California, 2002 70
382 Mount Veeder Winery, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, Napa Valley, California, 2014 64
146 Mount Veeder Winery, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, Napa Valley, California, 2008 58
116 Mount Veeder Winery, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, Napa Valley, California, 2003, 375ml 41
676 Napanook by Dominus Estate, Napa Valley, California, 2012 78
675 Napanook by Dominus Estate, Napa Valley, California, 2011 70
314 Nickel & Nickel, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, "Branding Iron Vineyard", Oakville, California, 2014 108
406 Nickel & Nickel, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, "State Ranch", Yountville, California, 2014 108
554 PreVail, "Back Forty", Alexander Valley, California, 2003 86
556 PreVail, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, "Back Forty", Alexander Valley, California, 2007 76
123 Provenance Vineyards, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, Rutherford, California, 2005 53
709 Robert Hall, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, Paso Robles, California, 2011 36
989 Robert Mondavi Private Selection, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, California, 2019 20
363 Robert Mondavi Winery, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, Oakville, California, 2009 138
329 Robert Mondavi Winery, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, "Reserve To Kalon Vineyard", Oakville, California, 2013 160
250 Rubissow, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, Mount Veeder, California, 2007 81
577 Silverado Vineyards, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, "Limited Reserve", Napa Valley, California, 1997 121
283 Simi, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, Alexander Valley, California, 2015 33
570 Staglin Family Vineyard, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, Rutherford, California, 2015 297
569 Staglin Family Vineyard, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, Rutherford, California, 2014 297
567 Staglin Family Vineyard, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, Rutherford, California, 2013 307
563 Staglin Family Vineyard, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, Rutherford, California, 2011 327
562 Staglin Family Vineyard, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, Rutherford, California, 2010 327
565 Staglin Family Vineyard, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, "30th Anniversary Selection", Rutherford, California, 2012 347
184 The Prisoner Wine Company, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, "Cuttings", California, 2014 64
253 The Prisoner Wine Company, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, "Cuttings", California, 2013 62
172 Tom Gore Vineyards, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, California, 2014 23
448 Trefethen, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, "Reserve", Oak Knoll District of Napa Valley, California, 1999 111
617 Twenty Four, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, Napa Valley, California, 2011 100
608 Twenty Four, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, Napa Valley, California, 2010 113
606 Twenty Four, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, Napa Valley, California, 2009 109
604 Twenty Four, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, Napa Valley, California, 2008 234
602 Twenty Four, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, Napa Valley, California, 2007 208
601 Twenty Four, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, Napa Valley, California, 2006 159
633 Vineyards Found, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, Napa Valley, California, 2012 40
118 White Rock, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, "Laureate", Napa Valley, California, 2004 64
383 Whitehall Lane, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, Napa Valley, California, 2014 55
275 Whitehall Lane, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, Napa Valley, California, 2013 50
209 Whitehall Lane, **Cabernet Sauvignon**, Napa Valley, California, 2004 90

Chardonnay

This green skinned European grape is considered the finest white grape variety in the world. Chardonnay originated in France, where it was blended to make Champagnes and used to produce excellent oak aged, rich, dry white wines in the Burgundy district, which includes the Chablis region whose wines are often more tart and lighter-bodied. Chardonnay is very popular internationally and is vinified successfully in Italy's northern districts, as well as in Spain and Eastern Europe. Outside of Europe, it has performed well on the east and west coastlines of the U.S., South Africa, New Zealand, and Australia. In California, it has been the most successful white grape, yielding a wine of tremendous character and magnificent flavor. The wines are often aged in small oak barrels, increasing the complexity. Chardonnay is always dry, and benefits from aging more than any other American white wine. Superior examples can keep and develop well in the bottle for five years or longer. Because it is often aged in oak, it is difficult to pinpoint the varietal aroma characteristics of Chardonnay. Descriptions heard around the tasting table are fruity (apple, peach, citrus, pineapple), ripe grape, and fig, along with the bouquet terms vanilla (from oak aging) and buttery (from the malolactic fermentation). Outstanding Chardonnays can age five years or more.

Argentina

776 Trapiche, **Chardonnay**, "Oak Cask", Mendoza, Argentina, 2014 23
286 Viña Cobos, **Chardonnay**, "Bramare Marchiori Vineyard", Mendoza, Argentina, 2005 52

Australia

284 Philip Shaw, **Chardonnay**, "No 11", Orange, New South Wales, Australia, 2005 42

Chile

630 La Playa, **Chardonnay**, ***Unoaked***, Colchagua Valley, Chile, 2017 20
99 Veramonte, **Chardonnay**, "Reserva", Casablanca Valley, Aconcagua, Chile, 2009 21
566 Vino del Paso, **Chardonnay**, Valle Central, Chile, 2014 23

France

536 Auguste Bonhomme, ***Demi-Sec***, Vouvray, "La Forcine", Loire, France, 2013 26
624 Domaine Bernard Defaix, Chablis, Burgundy, France, 2014 31
236 Drouhin Vaudon, Chablis, Burgundy, France, 2010 39
182 Les Cadoles, **Chardonnay**, Mâcon-Villages, Burgundy, France, 2013 29
519 Louis Latour, Pouilly-Fuissé, Burgundy, France, 2015 40
504 Paul Bouchard & Cie, Chablis, Burgundy, France, 2013 38
503 Paul Bouchard & Cie, **Chardonnay**, Bourgogne, Burgundy, France, 2014 27
544 Tussock Jumper, **Chardonnay**, Vin de France, 2012 24

Spain

704 Bodegas Castillo de Monjardín, **Chardonnay**, "El Cerezo", Navarra, Spain, 2015 23

USA

98 Ferrari-Carano, **Chardonnay**, "Tré Terre", Russian River Valley, California, 2013 37
404 Freestone, **Chardonnay**, Sonoma Coast, California, 2007 46
962 Gloria Ferrer, **Chardonnay**, Carneros, California, 2014 27
108 Jordan, **Chardonnay**, Russian River Valley, California, 2013 45
381 Joseph Phelps, **Chardonnay**, "Freestone Vineyards", Sonoma Coast, California, 2014 49
551 Kite Hawk, **Chardonnay**, Napa Valley, California, 2014 30
293 Migration by Duckhorn, **Chardonnay**, Russian River Valley, California, 2013 42
150 O Wines, **Chardonnay**, Columbia Valley, Washington, 2011 22
356 Patz & Hall, **Chardonnay**, Sonoma Coast, California, 2015 48
357 Patz & Hall, **Chardonnay**, Sonoma Coast, California, 2014 48
483 Ramey, **Chardonnay**, Sonoma Coast, California, 2014 50
499 Ramey, **Chardonnay**, Sonoma Coast, California, 2013 50
520 Ramey, **Chardonnay**, Sonoma Coast, California, 2012 34

Chardonnay

USA continued

334 Robert Mondavi Winery, **Chardonnay**, "Reserve", Napa Valley Carneros, California, 2014 56
370 Robert Mondavi Winery, **Chardonnay**, "Reserve", Napa Valley Carneros, California, 2011 66
110 Rodney Strong, **Chardonnay**, "Estate Vineyards", Chalk Hill, California, 2014 34
972 Shannon Ridge, **Chardonnay**, "Circle O Ranch", Lake County, California, 2015 25
985 Simi, **Chardonnay**, Sonoma County, California, 2019 26
622 Steele Canyon Cellars, **Chardonnay**, Napa Valley, California, 2012 30
230 Villa Mt. Eden, **Chardonnay**, "Bien Nacido Vineyard Grand Reserve", Santa Maria Valley, California, 2006 52
40 William Hill Estate Winery, **Chardonnay**, Central Coast, California, 2019 30

Chenin Blanc

Chenin Blanc is a grape planted throughout the world. Properly ripened, the Chenin Blanc grape shows aromas of honeysuckle, apricot, honey and flowers, always with a firm acidity, which allows for lengthy aging in the bottle. Vouvray is the most important white wine appellation in the Touraine District of the Loire.

USA

114 Zaca Mesa, **Viognier**, Santa Ynez Valley, California, 2013 26

Cortese

Cortese has the dubious distinction of producing Italy's most expensive dry white wine, Gavi di Gavi. To many this accolade is a little difficult to understand, although Cortese wine certainly conforms to the Italian ideal for a bianco: low in aroma, high in acid and fairly neutral in character.

Italy

410 Fontanafredda, Gavi, Piedmont, Italy, 2016 29
409 La Scolca, Gavi, "Black Label", Piedmont, Italy, 2013 33

Corvina Rondinella

Found in Northeast Italy, Corvina is one of the most important varietals when producing Valpolicella and neighboring reds, making up 70 percent of the blend. The light crimson color, light to medium body, and tart, soft, bitter almonds gives this wine its character.

Italy

290 Aldegheri, Amarone della Valpolicella Classico, Veneto, Italy, 2004 84
313 Cesari, Amarone della Valpolicella, "Bosan", Veneto, Italy, 1998 131
773 Masi, **Rosso** del Veronese, "Brolo di Campofiorin", Veneto, Italy, 1998 40
227 Secoli, Amarone della Valpolicella, Veneto, Italy, 2014 38

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773 Masi, **Rosso** del Veronese, "Brolo di Campofiorin", Veneto, Italy, 1998..... 40
227 Secoli, Amarone della Valpolicella, Veneto, Italy, 2014 38

Furmint

Furmint is the white variety that most international wine drinkers associate most readily with Hungary, chiefly because it is the predominant variety in the official Tokay blend, one of the few wines that could justifiably be described as legendary.

Hungary

837 Disznókö, ***Aszú 6 Puttonyos***, Tokaji, Hungary, 1999, 500ml 156
121 Puklus Pincészet, ***Aszú 3 Puttonyos***, Tokaji, Hungary, 2008, 500ml 31

Grenaché

Grenache is the most widely planted red wine grape in Spain, from where it originates. It is the main grape in Navarra and is a constituent of Rioja. It is widely planted in the Southern Rhone Valley, California and Australia. When mature, it can produce excitingly dense reds that demand several decades of cellaring.

Australia

510 Yangarra Estate, **Grenache**, "Old Vine", McLaren Vale, South Australia, 2004 44

Spain

469 Álvaro Palacios, Priorat, "L'Ermita", Catalonia, Spain, 2009 771

Grenache Blanc

Grenache Blanc is a variety of white wine grape that is related to the red grape Grenache. It is mostly found in Rhône wine blends and in northeast Spain. Its wines are characterized by high alcohol and low acidity, with citrus and or herbaceous notes. Its vigor can lead to overproduction and flabbiness. However, if yields are controlled, it can contribute flavor and length to blends, particularly with Roussanne.

USA

219 Curran, **Grenache Blanc**, Santa Ynez Valley, California, 2007 39

Malbec

In France, Malbec is considered a weaker version of Merlot, matures earlier, and is used in blends. In Chile and Argentina, the grapes have much greater "staying power", and may be blended with Merlot and Petit Verdot, or bottled alone.

Argentina

50 Trapiche, **Malbec**, Oak Cask, Mendoza, Argentina 28
377 Pascual Toso, **Malbec**, "Alta Barrancas Vineyards", Maipú, Mendoza, Argentina, 2012..... 50

Meritage - Red

Red Meritage wines historically have been among the world's most highly rated wines. They are prized for their smooth, silky texture and complex, robust structure. While they age beautifully - often for decades - most are also very drinkable in their younger years.

Argentina

548 Finca Flichman, "Dedicado", Mendoza, Argentina, 2013 43

Chile

149 Viñedos Emiliana, "Coyam", Colchagua Valley, *Organically Grown*, Chile, 2005 41

France

853 Baron Philippe de Rothschild, "Mouton Cadet Réserve", Bordeaux, France, 2013 22
243 Château Bel-Orme-Tronquoy-de-Lalande, Haut-Médoc, Bordeaux, France, 2010 38
695 Château de Lancyre, Coteaux du Languedoc Pic St.-Loup, "Grande Cuvée", Languedoc, France, 2013 40
429 Château de Lascaux, "Garrigue", Languedoc, France, 2016 23
511 Château de Peyguerol, Costières de Nîmes, Rhône, France, 2011 25
307 Château des Tuquets, Bordeaux, France, 2010 27
647 Château Fleur-Cardinale, St.-Émilion, Bordeaux, France, 2010 90
646 Château Fleur-Cardinale, St.-Émilion, Bordeaux, France, 2009 88
743 Châteâu Gonin, Bordeaux, France, 2010 25
124 Château Lamothe de Haux, Côtes de Bordeaux, Bordeaux, France, 2013 30
498 Château Lamothe de Haux, Côtes de Bordeaux, "Première Cuvée", Bordeaux, France, 2014 35
507 Chateau Maine d'Arman, Côtes de Bourg, Bordeaux, France, 2010 22
190 Château Prieuré Lichine, Margaux, Bordeaux, France, 2015 63
220 Château Ramage La Bâtisse, Haut-Médoc, Bordeaux, France, 2005 42
106 Domaine Charvin, Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Rhône, France, 2014 60
371 Domaine de Beaurenard, Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Rhône, France, 2012 53
156 Domaine des Remizières, Hermitage, "Autrement", Rhône, France, 2007 101
390 Domaine du Pégaü, Châteauneuf-du-Pape, "Cuvée Réservée", Rhône, France, 2014 60
315 Domaine Font de Michelle, Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Rhône, France, 2003 55
737 Gérard Bertrand, Côtes du Roussillon-Villages Tautavel, "Grand Terroir", Roussillon, France, 2008 26
515 Lavergne, Bordeaux, France, 2014 22

Italy

631 Casetto, Bardolino Classico, Veneto, Italy, 2015 20
470 Castello Banfi, Sant'Antimo, "Excelsus", Tuscany, Italy, 2001 97
539 Castello Banfi, Sant'Antimo, "Summus", Tuscany, Italy, 2004 82
664 Castello Banfi, Toscana, "Summus", Tuscany, Italy, 2011 80
138 Planeta, **Rosso**, "La Segreta", Sicilia, Sicily, Italy, 2009 26
169 Santa Cristina, Toscana, "Le Maestrelle", Tuscany, Italy, 2012 33
712 Tenute Poggio Bonelli, Toscana, "Tramonto d'Oca", Tuscany, Italy, 2007 51
298 Tormaresca, **Negroamaro**, "Masseria Maìme", Salento, Puglia, Italy, 2002 40

USA

177 50 Harvests, **Meritage**, Napa Valley, California, 2013 67
727 Bernardus, **Cabernet Blend**, "Marinus", Carmel Valley, California, 1996 51
191 Charles Krug, **Cabernet Blend**, "Generations Family Reserve", Napa Valley, California, 2003 60
333 Chimney Rock Winery, "Elevage", Stags Leap District, California, 2004 95
648 Dry Creek Vineyard, **Meritage**, Sonoma County, California, 2010 40
530 Dry Creek Vineyard, **Meritage**, "The Mariner", Dry Creek Valley, California, 2004 57

Meritage - Red

USA continued

153 Ferrari-Carano, "Siena", Sonoma County, California, 2011 39
579 Geyser Peak, **Meritage**, "Reserve Alexandre", Alexander Valley, California, 2006 54
671 Geyser Peak, **Meritage**, "Reserve Alexandre", Alexander Valley, California, 2003 55
216 Napanook by Dominus Estate, Napa Valley, California, 2004 68
500 Napanook by Dominus Estate, Napa Valley, California, 1998 117
473 Napanook by Dominus Estate, Napa Valley, California, 1996 135
576 Niebaum-Coppola, **Cabernet Blend**, "Rubicon", Rutherford, California, 1992 126
526 Opus One, Napa Valley, California, 1998 331
557 PreVail, "West Face", Alexander Valley, California, 2007 63
669 PreVail, "West Face", Alexander Valley, California, 2004, 375ml 61
109 Ridge, **Zinfandel**, "Lytton Springs", Dry Creek Valley, California, 2005 59
303 Robert Mondavi Winery, **Red**, "BDX", Oakville, California, 2012 70
580 Spring Valley Vineyard, "Frederick", Walla Walla Valley, Washington, 2013 59
623 St. Clement Vineyards, **Red**, "Oroppas", Napa Valley, California, 1994 70
119 Stonehedge, **Red**, "Terroir Select The Nobel", Napa Valley, California, 2013 61

Meritage - White

White Meritage wines, while rare, are some of the most elegant and exquisite white wines crafted. They are the perfect accompaniment to seafood and poultry, but also superb just on its own.

Austria

578 Wieninger, ***Gemischter Satz***, *Qualitätswein*, Wien, Austria, 2017 27
202 Wieninger, **Gemischter Satz**, *Qualitätswein*, Wien, Austria, 2008 36

France

490 Château de Fontenille, Entre-Deux-Mers, Bordeaux, France, 2016 22
690 Château Ducasse, **Blanc**, Bordeaux, France, 2015 26
705 Château Graville-Lacoste, **Blanc**, Graves, Bordeaux, France, 2014 27
618 Château Les Arromans, Entre-Deux-Mers, Bordeaux, France, 2014 31
143 Domaine de la Verrière, **Blanc**, Ventoux, Rhône, France, 2013 28
495 Domaine des Saumades, **Blanc**, ChâteauneufduPape, Rhône, France, 2003 45
696 Gueissard, **White**, Côtes de Provence, Provence, France, 2013 23
736 Hecht & Bannier, **Blanc**, Languedoc, France, 2014 25
861 M. Chapoutier, **Blanc**, Côtes du Rhône, "Belleruche", Rhône, France, 2016 24

Italy

998 Ruffino, Orvieto Classico, Umbria, Italy, 2017 20

Portugal

711 Duorum, **White**, "Tons", Douro, Portugal, 2012 37

USA

479 Conundrum, California, 2001 38
197 Grovedale Winery, "8th Generation", Pennsylvania, 2012 21

Merlot

For many years Merlot was thought of as a grape to be blended with Cabernet Sauvignon, because Merlot's tannins are softer, and its texture is suppler. France is the largest grower of the Merlot grape, Italy second. Of red grape varietals in California, Merlot has seen the fastest rate of new plantings in the last five years. Typical aroma and flavor descriptors: fruit and floral, red cherry and plums.

France

621 Château Bonalgue, Pomerol, Bordeaux, France, 2010 75
620 Château Bonalgue, Pomerol, Bordeaux, France, 2009 72
239 Raoul Clerget, Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Rhône, France, 2012 46

Italy

117 Antinori, Toscana, "Tignanello", Tuscany, Italy, 2013 118

USA

489 Beringer, **Merlot**, "Bancroft Ranch", Howell Mountain, California, 1997 112
296 Bogle, **Merlot**, California, 2015 32
213 Charles Krug, **Merlot**, Napa Valley, California, 2005 36
482 Chateau Ste. Michelle, **Merlot**, Columbia Valley, Washington, 2013 26
193 Columbia Crest, **Merlot**, "Grand Estates", Columbia Valley, Washington, 2013 24
393 Cosentino, **Merlot**, "Legends", Napa County, California, 2004 35
702 DeLoach, **Merlot**, "Estate", Russian River Valley, California, 2000 36
564 Dr. Konstantin Frank, **Merlot**, New York, 2001 37
188 Grgich Hills, **Merlot**, Napa Valley, California, 2003 56
171 Grovedale Winery, **Merlot**, Pennsylvania, 2008 25
458 Kenwood Vineyards, **Merlot**, "Jack London Vineyard", Sonoma Valley, California, 2002 45
180 Robert Mondavi Private Selection, **Merlot**, California, 2014 22
982 Robert Mondavi Private Selection, **Merlot**, ***Rum Barrel Aged***, California, 2018 21
112 Rombauer, **Merlot**, Carneros, California, 2010 43
353 St. Clement Vineyards, **Merlot**, Napa Valley, California, 2005 40
963 St. Francis, **Merlot**, "Wild Oak", Sonoma County, California, 2012 38
194 Toasted Head, **Merlot**, "Barrel Aged", California, 2013 23
514 White Oak, **Merlot**, "Monarch Vineyard", Napa Valley, California, 1999 32
476 Whitehall Lane, **Merlot**, Napa Valley, California, 2013 38
401 Whitehall Lane, **Merlot**, Napa Valley, California, 2005 43
654 Whitehall Lane, **Merlot**, Napa Valley, California, 2000 38
464 Whitehall Lane, **Merlot**, Napa Valley, California, 1999 38
247 Wild Horse, **Merlot**, Paso Robles, California, 2005 49

Muscadet

Muscadet is a white French wine. It is made at the western end of the Loire Valley, near the city of Nantes in the Pays de la Loire region neighboring the Brittany Region. More Muscadet is produced than any other Loire wine. It is made from the Melon de Bourgogne grape, often referred to simply as melon.

France

698 Magaly et Sylvain Gobin, ***Sur Lie***, Muscadet, "La Berrière", Loire, France, 2014 20

Muscat

The Muscat family of grapes include over 200 grape varieties belonging to the Vitis vinifera species that have been used in wine production and as raisin and table grapes around the globe for many centuries. Their colors range from white to yellow, to pink, to near black. Muscat grapes and wines almost always have a pronounced sweet floral aroma.

France

431 Famille Perrin, **Muscat** de Beaumes de Venise, Rhône, France, 2013 62

USA

865 Robert Mondavi Winery, **Moscato**, "Moscato d'Oro", Napa Valley, California, 2015, 375ml 20
38 Sutter Home, **Moscato**, California 20

Muscat Ottonel

Muscat Ottonel is a younger and less-distinguished member of the broader Muscat family. It was created in 1852 in France by a private breeder who crossed Chasselas and Muscat Ingram. The variety makes a range of wine styles, from light, dry table wines to richer styles with more residual sugar.

Austria

468 Weinlaubenhof Kracher, **Muskat Ottonel**, ***Trockenbeerenauslese***, "Zwischen den Seen No. 9", Burgenland, Austria, 2011, 375ml 114

Pecorino

Pecorino is a light-skinned wine grape used in Italy's eastern coastal regions, particularly in Marche and Abruzzo. A classic Pecorino-based wine is dry and minerally, straw-yellow in color and has an elegantly floral bouquet of acacia and jasmine, sometimes spiced with a faint hint of licorice.

Italy

217 Collevite, Falerio, "Cantine della Marca", The Marches, Italy, 2012 53
593 Dragani, **Pecorino**, "Selva de' Canonici", Terre di Chieti, Abruzzi, Italy, 2016 23
517 Dragani, **Pecorino**, "Selva de' Canonici", Terre di Chieti, Abruzzi, Italy, 2014 22

Petite Sirah

A black skinned vinifera grape developed and named after Dr. Durif, who propagated it in the 1880's in the Isère and It has no relationship to either the Syrah of France, or Shiraz of Australia. Petite Sirah is not grown much in Europe anymore because it is too susceptible to rot and mold caused by higher hyumidity and moisture in the vineyards. Petite Sirah does produce deeply colored, tart and tannic wine in the California vineyards that makes a statement when bottled as a varietal, though it is often blended with Zinfandel.

USA

706 Rosenblum Cellars, **Petite Sirah**, "Heritage Clones", California, 2012 29
707 Rosenblum Cellars, **Petite Sirah**, "Heritage Clones", California, 2010 27
167 Shannon Ridge, **Petite Sirah**, "High Elevation Collection", Lake County, California, 2013 22
237 Sobon Estate, **Petite Sirah**, "Vicious", California, 2009 28

Pinot Blanc

The great majority of the world's Pinot Blanc wines come from Alsace and (as Pinot Bianco) from Northern Italy. The base for many Italian sparkling wines, Pinot Blanc is a softer cousin of Chardonnay in both its flavor and structure. Flavor descriptions are butterscotch, minerals, apples, and citrus.

France

749 KuentzBas, **Pinot Blanc**, Alsace, France, 2014 26

Pinot Grigio / Pinot Gris

Pinot Gris is considered by some to be the world's most underrated great white wine grape. Known as Pinot Grigio in Italy where it is crisp and fruit forward, it can contain a whiff of smoke, the creamy taste of baked apples and nuts, and gobs of fruit when produced in Oregon. A mutation of the Pinot Noir, this variety generally shows a pale straw color in the wine. Its nose depicts delicate fruit and shows beautiful floral notes. It is a light, crisp and fresh wine.

France

719 Trimbach, **Pinot Gris**, "Reserve", Alsace, France, 2011 78

Pinot Noir

The great grape of the Burgundy region of France is also one of the principal grapes in French Champagne. In California, many years of experimentation in finding the right location to plant the Pinot Noir and perfect the fermentation techniques have elevated some of the Pinot Noirs to the status of California, and Oregon have produced some fine Pinot Noirs. Pinot Noir is usually less tannic than Cabernet and matures more quickly, generally in two to five years. Pinot Noir has no single recognizable flavor. Aroma descriptors include fresh berry, berry jam, black pepper, cloves, green tea, leather, smoke/tar, and peppermint. The bottle bouquet suggests violets, game or truffles.

Austria

475 Loimer, **Pinot Noir**, "Langenlois", Niederösterreich, Austria, 2006 50

France

136 Joseph Drouhin, **Pinot Noir**, Bourgogne, Burgundy, France, 2011 41
667 Joseph Faiveley, Gevrey-Chambertin, Burgundy, France, 2012 75
373 Joseph Faiveley, Gevrey-Chambertin, Burgundy, France, 2012 75
273 Louis Latour, Aloxe-Corton, "Domaine Latour", Burgundy, France, 2009 71
665 Roger Peguet, Charmes-Chambertin, "Chb", Burgundy, France, 2014 94

Germany

120 Weingut Spiess, **Spätburgunder**, ***Halbtrocken***, Rheinhessen, Germany, 2013 24

New Zealand

547 Kim Crawford, **Pinot Noir**, "SP Rise and Shine Creek", Central Otago, New Zealand, 2006……...49

USA

304 Argyle, **Pinot Noir**, "Spirithouse", Dundee Hills, Oregon, 2012..... 82
574 J Vineyards & Winery, **Pinot Noir**, Russian River Valley, California, 2013..... 45
571 Joseph Phelps, **Pinot Noir**, "Freestone Vineyards", Sonoma Coast, California, 2014 55
369 Joseph Phelps, **Pinot Noir**, "Freestone Vineyards", Sonoma Coast, California, 2013 55

Riesling

Riesling wines are often described as floral, fruity (citrus, peach, apricot, pineapple), and honey-like. They range from dry to very, very sweet. Behind the entire flavor (in top Rieslings) is a steely, zesty, vibrant natural fruit acidity that gives these wines exceptional degree of clarity and focus. German Rieslings are generally sweeter with less alcohol as opposed to Alsace Rieslings, which are totally dry and higher in alcohol content.

Austria

497 Wieninger, **Riesling**, "Riedencuvée", *Qualitätswein*, Wien, Austria, 2008 36

Chile

728 Viña Cono Sur, **Riesling**, "Bicicleta", Bío Bío Valley, Chile, 2015 20

Riesling

France

591 Domaine Robert Klingenfus, **Riesling**, "Signature", Alsace, France, 2016 27
308 Hugel, **White**, "Gentil", Alsace, France, 2013 25
575 Kuentz-Bas, **Riesling**, Alsace, France, 2015 24
105 Michel Fonné, **Riesling**, "Tradition", Alsace, France, 2013 29
364 Trimbach, **Riesling**, "Réserve", Alsace, France, 2013 35
223 Zind-Humbrecht, **Riesling**, Alsace, France, 2006 77

Germany

309 Nik Weis St. Urbans-Hof, **Riesling**, ***Kabinett***, "Goldtröpfchen", Mosel, Germany, 2017 38
196 St.UrbansHof, **Riesling**, ***Spätlese***, "Piesport Goldtröpfchen", Mosel, Germany, 2012 56

USA

46 Charles Smith Wines, **Riesling**, "Kung Fu Girl", Washington State, Washington, 2019 28

Sangiovese

In America, the most famous Italian red wine is Chianti, made with the Sangiovese grape in Tuscany. Chianti must contain at least 80% Sangiovese grapes. There are three quality levels: Chianti and Chianti Classico, both from the best region; and Chianti Classico Riserva aged at the winery.

Italy

158 Querceto, Chianti, Tuscany, Italy, 2012 39
673 Ruffino, **Brunello** di Montalcino, "Tenuta Greppone Mazzi", Tuscany, Italy, 2003 90
394 Tenuta di Arceno, Toscana, "Ataison", Tuscany, Italy, 2002 63
405 Villa Calcinaia, Chianti Classico, *Riserva*, Tuscany, Italy, 2004 86
572 Zingara, **Sangiovese**, Toscana, Tuscany, Italy, 2011 28
555 Antinori, Vin Santo del Chianti Classico, "Marchesi Antinori", Tuscany, Italy, 2009, 500ml 52

USA

267 Di Bruno, **Sangiovese**, "Stolpman Vineyards", Santa Barbara County, California, 2004 32
179 Eberle, **Sangiovese**, Paso Robles, California, 2007 35

Sauvignon Blanc

Sometimes labeled Fumé Blanc, this is one of the grapes used in making the dry white wines of the Graves region of Bordeaux, and the white wines of Sancerre and Pouilly Fumé in the Loire Valley of France. This grape is capable of producing as good a wine in California as it does in France. It is sometimes aged in small oak barrels. Sauvignon Blanc is described as floral, fruity (citrus, peach, apricot) to vegetative (bell pepper, asparagus), green olive/herbaceous, and smoky. The name Fumé Blanc is used for dry California Sauvignon Blanc. Current styles emphasize fruity rather than herbaceous character. The leaf removal in the vineyard reduces herbaceous aromas. Sauvignon Blanc seems less fruity and tart as it ages.

USA

302 Robert Mondavi Winery, **Fumé Blanc**, "To Kalon Vineyard", Napa Valley, *Reserve*, California, 201361
175 Robert Mondavi Winery, **Sauvignon Blanc**, ***Late Harvest***, "Botrytis",
Napa Valley, California, 2001, 375ml 91

Sémillon

The Semillon grape makes a somewhat softer, fuller bodied white wine and is frequently married with Sauvignon Blanc to produce a less assertive and more complex white wine. Sauvignon Blanc/Semillon blends are sometimes labeled Meritage. Semillon can be bottled as a dry varietal wine and some winemakers craft a sweet botrytis infected Semillon in the style of Sauternes. Chateau d' Yquem, a Sauterne, is among the most expensive wines produced in the world today.

USA

595 Dolce, ***Late Harvest***, Napa Valley, California, 2012, 375ml 90
607 Dolce, **Sémillon/Sauvignon Blanc**, ***Late Harvest***, Napa Valley, California, 1994, 375ml 186

St. Laurent

St. Laurent (sometimes written in French as Saint Laurent or in German as Sankt Laurent) is a highly aromatic dark-skinned wine grape variety. In Austria, St. Laurent is the third most popular red grape variety and is primarily grown in Lower Austria and Burgenland.

Austria

430 Gernot Heinrich, **Saint Laurent**, Burgenland, Austria, 2006 51
739 Paul Achs, **St. Laurent**, Burgenland, Austria, 2013 34

Syrah / Shiraz

Shiraz is the most important red-grape variety in Australia and is blended with Cabernet Sauvignon. The aroma and flavor derived from wine made from Syrah grapes are described as being intense blackberry, cassis, black pepper, violets, smoke, and tar. The wines are dark, dense, tannic, and capable of maturing for many years.

Australia

259 Two Hands, **Shiraz**, "Lily's Garden", McLaren Vale, South Australia, 2014 74
258 Two Hands, **Shiraz**, "Lily's Garden", McLaren Vale, South Australia, 2013 73
561 Two Hands, **Shiraz**, "Max's Garden", Heathcote, Victoria, Australia, 2005 83

France

292 Château de Beaucastel, Côtes du Rhône, "Coudoulet de Beaucastel", Rhône, France, 2011 45
471 E. Guigal, Ermitage, "Ex Voto", Rhône, France, 2007 366

South Africa

973 Babylon's Peak, **Shiraz/Carignan**, Swartland, South Africa, 2015 24

USA

361 Cougar Crest, **Syrah**, "Reserve", Walla Walla Valley, Washington, 2006 48

Tempranillo

This red grape varietal produces a straightforward, aromatic wine with long lasting ruby color. The bouquet often exhibits an intense black raspberry character. These wines are fresh and fruity when young and are considered excellent aging wines, developing into smooth, complex, refined wines when mature.

Spain

694 Viña Bujanda, Rioja, Spain, 2014 53

Vignoles

Intensely sweet and luscious, these American hybrid grapes, developed by Cornell University, are typically vinified in the manner of late-harvest and ice wine. More affordable than its German counterpart,

USA

455 Hunt Country, **Vignoles**, ***Late Harvest***, Finger Lakes, New York, 375ml 44

Zinfandel

Zinfandel is the surprise grape of California. The wines can range from big, rich, intensely flavored types with substantial tannin, to very light, fruity wines. Aroma and flavor descriptors associated with Zinfandel include raspberries, berries, black pepper and raisins. Unlike Cabernet Sauvignon, flavor researchers have not been able to associate Zinfandel aromas and tastes with specific aromatic compounds.

USA

280 Beringer Main & Vine, **White Zinfandel**, California 20
993 Settler's Creek, **White Zinfandel**, "Barrel Select", California, NV 20
974 Sutter Home, **White Zinfandel**, California 20
635 Carol Shelton, **Zinfandel**, "Karma Zin Rue Vineyard Wood Rd. Old Vines", Russian River Valley, California, 2005 47
636 Carol Shelton, **Zinfandel**, "Rocky Reserve Florence Vineyard", Rockpile, California, 2005 49
528 Francis Ford Coppola, **Zinfandel**, "Red Label Diamond Collection", California, 2013 43
330 Quivira Vineyards, **Zinfandel**, Dry Creek Valley, California, 2004 37
605 Ridge, **Zinfandel**, "Pagani Ranch", Sonoma Valley, California, 2002 100
176 Ridge, **Zinfandel Blend**, "Geyserville", Sonoma County, California, 2007 75
717 Robert Biale Vineyards, **Zinfandel**, "Napa Ranches", Napa Valley, California, 2001 47
814 Robert Biale Vineyards, **Zinfandel**, "Spenker Vineyard", Lodi, California, 2000 46

Zweigelt

Dr. Zweigelt's great claim to fame is the crossing of St. Laurent and Blaufrankisch grapes. Zweigelt was head of the wine school in Klosterneuburg until 1945 when he was removed as part of the general purge of those who had held office under the Third Reich. With 7.9%, it is the most widely planted of Austria's black grapes. It is a good crop, providing growers trim off bunches and keep the yields low. It can yield excellent cherry-scented wines.

Austria

281 Ecker, **Zweigelt**, Austria, *Landwein*, 2013 26
463 Paul Achs, **Zweigelt**, Burgenland, Austria, 2017 26
113 Paul Achs, **Zweigelt**, Burgenland, Austria, 2015 26
181 Paul Achs, **Zweigelt**, Burgenland, Austria, 2014 26
629 Paul Achs, **Zweigelt**, Burgenland, Austria, 2013 34
843 Pöckl, **Zweigelt**, Burgenland, Austria, 2003 35
467 Weinlaubenhof Kracher, "L11A Nouvelle Vague No. 2", Burgenland, Austria, 375ml 98