

C Level Bistro & Wine Bar

Wine List

White Wines

Champagne/Sparkling

2020	<p>Luna Nuda Prosecco <i>VARIETAL COMPOSITION</i>85% Glera grapes, 15% Chardonnay & Pinot Grigio <i>TASTING NOTES</i>The Luna Nuda Prosecco boasts a brilliant, light straw color with a fine, persistent perlage. Enticing, delicate aromas present a bouquet of floral notes with hints of ripe golden apple and mountain flowers. The finish is crisp and refreshing, leaving the palate with inviting fruit flavors. This sparkling wine is an excellent aperitif paired with buttery popcorn, or divine served with any meal. <i>VINEYARDS:</i>Sourced from the Treviso area of Northeast Italy, which is considered the birthplace of Prosecco. The vineyards are on the Montello and Asolo hills, at an altitude of 120-250 meters above sea level. The soil consists of medium textures of alluvial origin; the gravely subsoil allows excellent drainage of rainwater.</p>	\$12 \$44
2017	<p>Sofia Blanc de Blancs - Francis Ford Coppola Winery <i>When his daughter was a little girl, Francis Coppola made her a promise that he would someday make a sparkling wine and name it after her. Today, this Blanc de Blancs is one of our most popular offerings, a favorite for parties and weddings.</i>Fruity and refreshing, Sofia Blanc de Blancs is a rare blend of Pinot Blanc, Muscat, and Riesling. Mellow flavors of apples and pears are topped by a hint of citrus and honeysuckle. Elegant in character, this wine is lightly textured and vibrant through the finish.</p>	\$50
2017	<p>Villa Rosa - <i>Moscato grapes are sourced from southern-facing hillside vineyards that surround the town of Santo Stefano Belbo in Piedmont. Villa Rosa Moscato is frizzante, or lightly sparkling, with an aromatic bouquet of sweet peach and apricot and delicate mineral qualities. A pleasantly sweet, yet refreshing way to end a meal.</i></p>	\$14 \$52
NV	<p>Le Grand Courtaige - Rose <i>The bouquet presents undertones of Granny Smith apples, honeysuckle, strawberry & toasted brioche. The palate reaches a perfect balance of dryness, acidity and fruit. It lingers nicely with a bit of Meyer lemon, honeydew and a continuing apple finish. Great length, crisp and refreshing.</i>A versatile accompaniment that is very cuisine and cocktail friendly. Try it with savory hors d'oeuvres, buttered popcorn, creamy pasta dishes, fried chicken, spicy Asian dishes, seafood, fruit based desserts or semi-soft cheese. <i>The Blend:</i> Chardonnay imparts depth and complexity for the overall balance while Chenin Blanc lends citrus and hints of honey for a creamy texture. Colombard's higher acidity provides structure, length and a pleasant minerality that is supplemented by the Ugni Blanc's fruit profile.</p>	\$56
NV	<p>Haute Couture French Bubbles - Rose <i>Forever Sparkling. Forever in Fashion. Forever French. Haute Couture French Bubbles epitomizes a decadent style of ultimate sophistication, delicate bubbles and a graceful palate... Assert your style! OUR MAISON STYLE</i> Haute Couture is a composition of the best of France has to offer tailor-made into a beautiful elixir. The stylist's secret is the key to her creation. <i>WINEMAKING NOTES</i> The grapes were pressed and fermented into a still wine. After blending, the wine was bottled with the</p>	\$12 \$60

liqueur de tirage to start secondary fermentation in the méthode traditionnelle or traditional method. After disgorgement and right before final corking, dosage of 22g/l was added. TASTING NOTES Pale yellow in color with a fine and persistent bubble stream. The nose displays intense layered notes of pear and peach over a background of toasted bread aromas. It's full on the palate, with just a touch of sweetness.

NV **Moët & Chandon - Brut Imperial**
Winemaker's Notes: pale yellow with shades of green in color. On the nose, subtly vinous aromas of citrus, nut and bread. This champagne is delicate, soft and fruity. An impressive consistency of lemon and lime flavors, smooth, crisp and easy to drink. A good length that is clean and full of apple and honey notes. Richness and softness fills the finish with a clean aftertaste. \$26 \$100

NV **Veuve Clicquot - Veuve Clicquot Winery**
A Champagne House is eventually judged on the quality of its Brut Non Vintage. It is in the making of such a wine that the true Art of Champagne blending reveals itself. This is an art in which the House of Veuve Clicquot excels. Our Brut Yellow Label reflects the superb vineyards we own and the consistent nature of our House style. The predominance of Pinot Noir provides the structure that is so typically Clicquot, while a touch of Pinot Meunier rounds out the blend. Chardonnay adds the elegance and finesse essential in a perfectly balanced wine. Critical Acclaim WW92 Wilfred Wong of Wine.com - "Medium straw, yellow color; complex aromas of ripe apple and light cream, excellent depth and persistence; medium bodied, active and layered on the palate; dry, medium acidity, well balanced; bright and beautiful ripe fruit and cream in the flavors; medium finish, lasting impression in the aftertaste. Calls for petrale in a Champagne reduction sauce with fresh, savory herbs. "WS90 Wine Spectator - "Bright and lightly toasty, this elegant Champagne layers flavors of cassis, crushed hazelnut and lemon meringue pie on the creamy bead. \$110

NV **Perrier-Jouët - Grand Brut**
Crisp and light, with sweet aromas of apple, pear and citrus, lingering with notes of toast and butter on the finish. A hint of lemon zest remains on palate. Tasting Notes: always crowd-pleaser, open-knit and lightly juicy, with a lively, frothy bead. Mixes white cherry, ripe apricot, pickled ginger and mineral notes, with a fresh, spiced finish. Perrier-Jouët was founded in 1811 in Epernay by Pierre-Nicolas-Marie Perrier and his wife, Adele Jouët. One of the most prestigious houses in Champagne, the firm was shipping wine to Great Britain by 1813 and to the United States by 1837. Perrier-Jouët owns 266 acres of vineyards in Champagne, with an average rating of 95%, and is known worldwide for its consistency of style. \$110

Pinot Grigio

2020 **Masi Masi Pinot Grigio - Masi Winery (401)**
Strong straw yellow colour. Original and attractive bouquet with tropical fruit aromas. Fresh and easy on the front palate, becoming weightier and fuller bodied on the mid palate where fruitiness blends with flavours reminiscent of honey and boiled sweets. A dry finish with an attractive citrus twist making it especially drinkable. Masi Pinot Grigio is an ideal aperitif. Perfect with hors d'oeuvres, fish, and white meats. Shows attractive, tropical fruit aromas. Fresh and charming palate flavors gain weight and become full on the midpalate, where fruitiness blends with traces of honey. A dry finish has a citrus twist. An ideal aperitif, this wine is perfect with hors d'oeuvres, fish, and white meats. This medium bodied white has great personality, well suited to modern cuisine. Critical Acclaim 90 Points "This fruity little number is full of personality. It's mainly Pinot Grigio, which gives freshness with a fruit profile of peach, pineapple and \$46

apple, while the local grape Verduzzo, picked slightly overripe, adds texture, complexity and body."

- 2021 **Luna Nuda Pinot Grigio** - Luna Nuda Winery
Golden reflections in the glass tell you right away that you are going to taste a different Pinot Grigio. This is not your standard Pinot Grigio. Soft lemon and lime flavors with a little golden delicious apple for good measure. Nice weight and mouth feel with a little mineral and wet stone to add complexity. Simply lovely. Refreshing, and great by itself or with many dishes like simply prepared fish, sushi, salads, light tapas, and much more. If you like Chardonnay, Sauvignon Blanc, or other aromatic whites, you will love this wine. In one word, elegant. \$12 \$52
- 2021 **Santa Margherita** - Santa Margherita Wines
The wine is dry with intense aromas and appealing flavors of Golden Delicious apples and citrus with a long, multi-layered finish. Excellent as an aperitif and with a medium body that makes it versatile to pair with everything from salads to chicken or grilled fish. Wonderful pairing ideas include butter lettuce with apples, walnuts and pomegranate seeds, pizza topped with prosciutto and arugula, scallops with tarragon cream, or tagliatelle with Italian olive oil, lemon zest and pine nuts. \$58

Sauvignon Blanc

- 2022 **Kim Crawford** - Kim Crawford Wines
Kim Crawford all about expressive fruit flavors. The wine possesses a light straw color and tropical aromas of guava, melon and citrus. The palate exhibits the same fine flavors followed by a crisp, dry, flinty finish. Critical Acclaim WW90 Wilfred Wong of Wine.com This is so delicious!, I could make this my go-to, everyday wine, Kim Crawford is a top-notch Sauvignon Blanc. Light straw, green color; grapefruit rind and ripe melon in the nose; medium bodied, zippy on the palate; dry, very good acidity, well balanced; racy citrus and ripe melon flavors; medium finish, lively aftertaste. (Tasted: June 11, 2022, San Francisco, CA) \$50
- 2021 **Whitehaven**
Winemaker's Notes: Light straw in color with a bright clarity. Displays lifted grapefruit and white currants, with hints of freshly crushed herbs, nettles and flint. The palate has freshness and clean fruit purity, with a finely balanced, refreshing acidity. It shows vibrant varietal aromas, making a powerful palate impression that is quintessential Marlborough. \$14 \$54
- 2021 **Domaine La Grappe D'Or Pouilly Fumé** - Michel Girault Winery (502)
Clean, clear in the glass with some grassy aromas. The palate offers flavors of lemon/lime, green grass and under-ripe green plum, with bracing acidity, in a rugged old-school style. Pouilly-Fumé is a 100 percent Sauvignon Blanc wine, produced at the eastern end of the Loire Valley in Central France. There, eight small villages make up the Pouilly-Fumé appellation. The limestone soils produce grapes that make medium-to light-bodied wines, zesty with citrus and mineral notes. \$60
- 2021 **Sancerre** - Reserve Murielle Sancerre (504)
Pascal Jolivet is a small estate, nestled in the heart of Sancerre, in the Loire. Its vineyards are planted in the classic limestone chalk soils that characterize the region and help to create the finest expressions of Sauvignon Blanc in the world. Pascal Jolivet winery that has been family run for over five generations. Today the team is lead by a husband and wife duo who consistently make round, expressive wines. The classic Sancerre wine is white, bracingly acidic, and has pungent aromas of gooseberries, grass, nettles, and a hint of stony minerality. Richer, riper examples – particularly those from warmer, west-facing sites with chalky soils – often show fruitier \$16 \$64

notes of passionfruit and lemon peel. Sancerre is typically less 'obvious' than the most famous New World styles of Sauvignon Blanc; less grassy than those from Marlborough and less overtly citrusy than those from Casablanca. A couple of prizes have been won by this wine in competition: the Guide Hachette des Vins awarded the 2014 vintage 2 Stars and the 2015 vintage Cité.

Chardonnay Unoaked

2019

Mer Soleil Silver Unoaked by 'Caymus' - Caymus Vineyards

Mer Soleil Silver Unoaked Chardonnay Silver Captures The Crisp, Pure, Mineral Essence Of The Classic Chablis Style With The Tropical Elements Found In Chardonnays Of The Pacific Coastline. Using Chardonnay Grown In Special Blocks Of The Mer Soleil Vineyard In The Santa Lucia Highlands Of Monterey County, We Harvest The Grapes When Just Fully Ripe, Their Gold Color Hued With Green, Expressing Clean Aromas Of Chardonnay Fruit And Firm Acidity. The Grapes Were Pressed And Fermented In Both Stainless Steel And Natural Cement Tanks Imported From France, With No Oak Contact Or Malolactic Fermentation. We Bottle The Wine Early In The Year To Maintain Its Fresh Character And Crisp Citrus Finish. Tasting Notes: Mineral Driven Nose With Citrus Shining Through. Cement Tank Fermentation And Aging Bring Out Aromas Remindful Of The First Rain Of The Season Or A Wet Rock. Soft And Round Entry With An Acid Backbone Informs You These Grapes Are Grown In A Cooler Climate. Mid Palate Reveals Ripe Fruits Such As Lemons, Gooseberry, And Grapefruit. Finishes Dry While The Acid Comes And Goes In A Balanced Fashion. Laser Sharp Minerality Carries Through From Start To Finish On Both Palate And Aroma.

\$62

Pinot Gris

2019

King Estate - King Estate Winery

2018 King Estate Pinot Gris is a gorgeous example from a stellar Oregon vintage. This has a glistening pale straw color with aromas of fresh Bartlett pear, ripe white peach, wildflowers, and crushed gravel. There are immediate fruit flavors that dance on the pallet like peach, Key lime, nectarine, and ripe pear. These fruit flavors are balanced by fresh acidity and fleshy viscosity. There is a lingering elegant finish that begs to be paired with soft cheeses and charcuterie. Drink now and at least through the next decade. Critical Acclaim WE91 Wine Enthusiast This baseline Pinot Gris really shines in this vintage. It's bursting with freshly cut pear that feels fleshy and textured. Juicy highlights of citrus boost the mouthfeel and add further liveliness to the finish, which ultimately resolves a papaya tone. Editors' Choice WW90 Wilfred Wong of Wine.com COMMENTARY: The 2018 King Estate Pinot Gris offers satisfaction on the palate. TASTING NOTES: This wine is fresh, briny, lightly earthy in its aromas and flavors. Pair it with a winter potato soup with savory spices. (Tasted: October 11, 2020, San Francisco, CA)

\$50

Gavi di Gavi

2019

Principessa Gavi di Gavi -

The 2019 Banfi Principessa Gavia Gavi begins with pleasant aromas of green apple, a little graphite minerality and a nice light floral component. The light-bodied wine tastes fresh, fruity and fun. Green apple, luscious lime and a little pear and grapefruit combine with a great texture and lively acidity to make a crisp and delicious wine. It ends dry, clean and crisp with lasting tart fruit flavors.

\$12 \$54

Riesling

2020 **Schmitt Söhne - Zeller Schwarze Katz**
Waxy lemon rind and blossom notes accent this off-dry Riesling full of ripe, almost preserved peach flavor. Briskly textured and fresh in acidity, it's an uncomplicated, drinkable wine. This Moselland Riesling entices with fruit, spice and lime aromas, followed by ripe apricots, pears, citrus and minerals. Its light sweetness, offset with generous acidity, makes it an ideal match for salads and fish dishes. \$12 \$44

Chardonnay

2020 **Hill Family Estates - Hill Family Winery (402)**
The Hill family knows about Napa Valley grapes, having farmed vineyards for three decades before founding their namesake winery. Doug Hill planted the estate's first vineyard in 1984. Hill Family Estate has grown to twelve vineyards totaling 250 acres including both hillside and valley floor sites. Currently, the winery produces Sauvignon Blanc, Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Syrah, Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon and several red blends. The 2014 "Carly's Cuvee" Chardonnay comes from a selection of both hillside and valley vineyards to produce a complex wine. On the nose, the Chard offers pear and tropical fruit aromas, vanilla and a modest oak influence. Soft on the palate, its flavors are of Bartlett pear, crisp apple and a touch of white peach mingled with bright citrus acidity and a bit of honey and toast on the finish. It's a pretty wine, although we would prefer if it were slightly lower in alcohol. Try it with pasta in a cream-based sauce, roast chicken with garlic mashed potatoes or a roasted vegetable casserole. The wine would also work well with brunch dishes like a bacon-laced quiche. \$50

2021 **Chalk Hill - Chalk Hill Estate Vineyards**
The Sonoma Coast Chardonnay is golden in color. Aromas of yellow apple, melon, citrus zest and mango meld beautifully with notes of toasted hazelnut and vanilla custard from the oak aging. Pure and rich with an elegant palate, it displays fruit-forward flavors of golden apple, nectarine, and guava with subtle hints of butterscotch. With its cool-climate influences, this Chardonnay has remarkable varietal intensity, balanced acidity and mineral notes that complement the rich and full flavors of baked apples, and vanilla cream. \$52

2021 **Harken - Harken Winery**
This rich Chardonnay exhibits a classic profile of tropical fruit and Bosc pear alongside warm oak aromatics. The luscious palate suggests crème brûlée and buttered toast, and finishes with fresh acidity. A tasty tang of toasted oak adds a great top note to this full-flavored and full-bodied wine, so that it seems to build complexity from the bass notes of ripe pear, to the butter and cinnamon in the middle and up to the wrapping of spicy, smoky oak. \$44

2016 **Aviary - Aviary Vineyards**
In the glass, the wine is a bright straw laced with honey. Aromas of tropical fruit, vanilla bean, banana, and apricot invite you in. On the palate, the texture is round and smooth with bright acid. Flavours of pineapple, guava, buttered toast, and banana balance together into a wine that is both rich and refreshing. Aviary Chardonnay is beautifully pale gold in the glass, with notes of tropical fruit and vanilla bean. Bright flavors of vanilla and subtle hints of banana continue on the palette, where they are complimented with a creamy, silky texture which reminds us of a delicious banana cream pie. A long, smooth finish will keep you wanting more. \$44

2020 **Chateau Ste. Michelle - Chateau Ste. Michelle Vineyards**
Chateau Ste. Michelle Chardonnay is a pleasurable, food-friendly wine. It is crafted in a fresh, soft style with bright apple and sweet citrus fruit character with subtle spice and oak nuances. Pairs well with crab, poultry, salmon, and scallops. Try seasoning with ginger, lemon zest, tarragon, or thyme. Critical Acclaim WE88 Wine \$40

Enthusiast Aromas of corn silk, candy corn, vanilla and clarified butter are followed by creamy-feeling fruit flavors with plentiful baking spice accents. It's a spot on example of the variety at a great price. Best Buy.

- 2021 **Chablis** - Bardet & Fils (402)
#94 Wine Spectator Top 100 of 2016 Very elegant bouquet, developing citrus, white-fleshed fruit and floral notes. Fresh and supple, the wine is marked by mineral notes that are typical of the appellation. Pair with oysters, seafood, grilled fish, light-to-medium-flavoured courses. Critical Acclaim WS90 Wine Spectator - "This is delicate, featuring lemon, herb and stone flavors lifted by the fine acidity. Touches of seashore and oyster shell add depth as this coasts to a clean finish. Drink now through 2021." V90 Vinous / Antonio Galloni - "Oyster-shell reduction and a note of lime on the classic Chablis nose. Dense, juicy and firm, boasting excellent definition to its flavors of oyster shell, lime and white flowers. Penetrating but not aggressive in spite of its firm acidity, finishing with excellent subtle length and grip. This terrific village wine is an exceptional value--but make sure you get the Domaine bottling." \$48
- 2016 **Five Rivers** - Five Rivers (401)
Bright golden yellow in color, the Five Rivers Chardonnay leads with classic varietal fruit aromas of apple, pear, ginger and lemon blossom, followed by subtle vanilla notes. In the glass, a bright acidity is broadened by lemon custard and honey flavors. Five Rivers Chardonnay versatile white wine that can pair with appetizers, poultry and seafood, as well as spicy cuisines. \$46
- 2020 **Mâcon-Villages** - Domaine Sangouard-Guyot
A fresh, lemon-scented wine, this has fine minerality and youthful acidity that needs some months to become round. The vast Maconnais region of southern Burgundy is a particularly rich source for reasonably priced Chardonnays. Most of this area is somewhat warmer than the Cote d'Or, and thus the vines here usually enjoy a longer season and achieve greater ripeness. You'll find everything from lush, tropical-fruity examples that can out-California California Chardonnay at half the price to more serious wines that can rival examples from the Cote d'Or at a fraction of the cost. There is very little red wine of note made in the Maconnais: Pinot Noir here must be labeled simply ""Bourgogne"" and the wine called Macon rouge is made from Gamay. The most basic wines of the region, labeled ""Macon"" or ""Macon-Villages,"" are usually made in stainless steel tanks and bottled quickly to preserve their bright, crisp fruit. These wines are generally best suited for drinking within a few years after their release. In theory, Macon-Villages is the appellation used to signify higher-quality wines from the region's favored villages. As a general rule, sites on the first slopes near the Saone River are best. Wines made from fruit from a single village generally append their name to Macon on the label (i.e., Macon-Fuisse, Macon-Vergisson, Macon-Davaye); wines that are blends from two or more of these villages are typically bottled as Macon-Villages. In the northern portion of the large Maconnais area a new appellation controlée, Vire-Clesse, was created in 1999, originally for dry wines only but now including wines with residual sugar too--from a large delimited area around the towns of Viré and Clessé. The harvest here takes place a good week to ten days later than in vineyards farther to the south, leaving open the possibility of extra ripeness and the incidence of botrytis. \$14 \$52
- 2019 **Bread & Butter** -
This Chardonnay opens delicately with rich notes of vanilla bean and almond husk, which reminds me of a decadent crème brûlée. The creamy custard notes are balanced by a soft minerality and a hint of worn leather. Those creamy notes continue to your palate where they are joined with a light woodiness from the oak. Just like that first bite of brûlée, this wine will melt in your mouth for a long, creamy finish. The wine is bright and clean in the glass with a beautiful golden yellow tone. The aromas of \$14 \$52

fresh butter, vanilla oak, and citrus fruit combine in a way that reminds me of orange Creamsicle, with a floral, jasmine hint. A decadent introduction. The aromas introduced in the nose continue on the palate. Buttered popcorn and vanilla oak characters mingle with flavors of honeydew melon, lemon peel, papaya, jasmine, honeysuckle, banana, and lychee. The richness and creaminess of our Chardonnay lends itself well to creamy sauces and fish dishes. I like it with soft, mild cheeses and chicken breast.

2018	<p>Rutherford - Rutherford Ranch <i>Rutherford Ranch Napa Valley Chardonnay was fermented in a combination of both stainless steel and French oak. The stainless steel fermentation process allows the winery to preserve the fruit's natural lush flavors and aromatic qualities. The French oak barrel sur lies then imparts a rich and buttery mouthfeel, creating a complex yet elegantly balanced Chardonnay. This is a deliciously versatile wine; enjoy as an aperitif or pair with chicken and grilled fish entrees, creamy vegetable soups or your favorite selection of cheeses.</i></p>	\$60
2021	<p>Pouilly-Fuisse - Louis Jadot (402) <i>Clear golden color. The nose has a very strong anise component, nearly exclusive to any other aromatic components. Medium bodied with medium intensity. This is mostly about texture, acidic structure and mineral components rather than fruit. It takes crisp and clean to a high degree and is a lovely wine to pair up with a simple salad of arugula, pear and havarti dressed with olive oil and black pepper. The pepper draws out a lovely saline/rocky component on the finish. As it lingers, you really get the complexion of some tart key lime which has lingered behind the scenes, but you didn't realize was there until you finished your sip.</i></p>	\$70
2021	<p>Rombauer - Rombauer Vineyards <i>Carneros, Napa, CA- Rombauer Carneros Chardonnay is a rich wine with layers of tropical fruit, peaches and pears. The fruit opens up into creamy textures of apples and pears that glide across the palate. Hints of citrus and light oak tones highlight the wine's lingering finish. Wine Spectator: ripe pear, apple and honeydew melon flavors are shaded by spicy, toasty oak. A rich, creamy style. Full-bodied, with a touch of sweetness. Rated 91</i></p>	\$20 \$75
2020	<p>Chassagne-Montrachet - Florent Descombe (402) <i>Located in the southern part of Burgundy's Côte de Beaune, Chassagne-Montrachet has a varied terroir consisting of pebbly limestone, marl, and sandy soil. The bouquet shows floral tones, accented by herbal and mineral undertones and a subtly nutty quality. Honey and pear aromas appear over time. Fermented on the lees and aged in French oak barrels for more than a year, Florent Descombe Chassagne-Montrachet is smooth and rich in texture.</i></p>	\$150

Blush Wines

Rosé

2019	<p>Sables d'Azur - Bronco Wine Company <i>Sables d'Azur blends the best selection of Rosé wines from the interior Valley of Provence and Sainte Victoire Terroir. These Côtes de Provence vineyards benefit fully from the Mediterranean climate: mild winters, early spring and moderate summers, when the sun's continuous and beneficial rays ensure the vines produce fully mature grapes, oozing ripe juice. A dry fresh and clean rosé wine, with crispy acidity, and a wonderful souvenir of Provence! Critical Acclaim TP89 Tasting Panel A charming Provencal quaffer for beach days; dry, crisp and racy; lively and lifted.</i></p>	\$14 \$54
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Cinsault, Grenache, Syrah. V89 Vinous / Antonio Galloni Pale salmon skin. Orange zest, red currant and strawberry aromas show good energy and lift. Fresh and lively in the mouth, offering juicy red berry and tangerine flavors complemented by a hint of succulent herbs. Closes firm and stony, delivering solid thrust and a lingering, refreshingly bitter berry skin quality.

Red Wines

Pinot Noir

2019	<p>Cherry Pie - Three Counties (104)</p> <p><i>The Cherry Pie Pinot Noir jumps from the glass with aromas of raspberry, nutmeg, sandalwood and light smokiness, lifted by a floral note. Silky and delicate up front, with ripe acidity framing the rich, sweet flavors of red berries, and finishing with red cherry and earth. Critical Acclaim WW89 Wilfred Wong of Wine.com Smooth and easy, the fruit-forward 2015 Cherry Pie Pinot Noir is a soft red. The wine's pleasing jammy, red fruit, and soft palate textures make it a perfect cocktail or pizza wine. (Tasted: December 7, 2017, San Francisco, CA)</i></p>	\$60
2019	<p>Sancerre Les Beaux - Michel Girault (103)</p> <p><i>Vinification: After destemming the grapes undergo fermentation at 25° C for 10 days. Then they are pressed and wine is stored 20% in oak barrels and 80% in stainless steel tanks where the wine undergoes malolactic fermentation. Tasting Notes: Ruby red dress with aromas of red fruits on the nose. The palate presents with a slight wood perception and supple finish. We recommended pairing with red meat or game.</i></p>	\$60
2020	<p>Chloe - Chloe Wines (101)</p> <p><i>Chloe's Pinot Noir is an elegant yet complex wine that delivers structure, flavors and aromas. Using grapes grown in two distinctive cool climate regions in California, Monterey County and Russian River Valley, allowed for Winemaker Georgetta Dane to blend these amazing regions together. The Monterey County Pinot Noir provides flavors and aromas of wild strawberry, plum, and cherries, while the Russian River Valley Pinot Noir complements these fruit notes with spicy clove that adds complexity, richness, and aromas of fresh torn spearmint leaves. Georgetta cold soaked the whole berries for 4 days, fermented at cool temperatures to retain the fruit and pressed gently at dryness. The wine was aged in French Oak.</i></p>	\$48
2020	<p>Rainstorm - Rainstorm Winery</p> <p><i>To craft our wonderfully balanced Rainstorm Pinot Noir, we take advantage of our diverse landscape by selecting grapes from our vineyards in the Willamette and Umpqua Valleys. With its cool, mild climate, the Willamette Valley of northern Oregon produces Pinot Noirs with an earthy, elegant style and complex flavors and subtlety. The hotter and drier climate in the southern Oregon's Umpqua Valley region produces Pinot Noirs bursting with brilliant, ripe, rich fruit flavors.</i></p>	\$14 \$54
2018	<p>Le Duc Noir - Secrets Indulgency Winery (103)</p> <p><i>In a world where extravagance is celebrated and imagination is boundless, a new age of enlightenment begins... Introducing Secret Indulgence, a new, borderless portfolio of wines. This unique collection is a collaboration between Jean-Charles Boisset and thirteen winemakers from his family estates in France and California, who have created a wine world without bounds, embracing the freedom to create a portfolio of daring, limited-production wines on the cutting edge of style! Four powerful dukes. Four strong personalities. One dynasty of wine. Part of an old era, an era full of secrets, games and powers. The 2016 Le Duc Noir Pinot Noir presents a rich red in the glass. The nose is Burgundian in style, with notes of smoke and leather</i></p>	\$60

integrating gracefully with cranberry, dried cherry and plum skin. This Russian River based Pinot Noir greets your palate with pomegranate, tart red fruits, Herbes de Provence and hints of cassis, black cardamom and black tea. This wine has a spreading, full body with a long, lingering finish. AWARDS November 2017 - 94 points / Jeb Dunnuck, 94 points October 2017 - 91 points / Robert Parker, 91 points

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| 2017 | <p>Chassagne-Montrachet Rouge - Domaine Bertrand Bachelet (104)
 <i>Chassagne-Montrachet is the appellation that covers the communes of Chassagne-Montrachet and Remigny, and it is the southern-most of the Côte d'Or's three great white wine appellations of Meursault, Puligny-Montrachet and Chassagne-Montrachet. With 1,200 acres of vineyards, it is one of the largest appellations in the region, and more than half the vineyard acreage is Grand Cru or Premier Cru. The three famous Grand Crus are Le Montrachet, Bâtard-Montrachet and Criots-Bâtard-Montrachet. There are also 16 main Premiers Crus, most of them considered very high quality, and village wines. One fact rarely noted is that historically the appellation produced more red than white wine. In the late 1990s the ratio of white to red wines changed, however, as more vineyards were converted from Pinot Noir to Chardonnay, a logical decision given the acclaim of the appellation's whites. There are still intriguing red wines produced. Clive Coates wrote that the appellation's white wines generally are "full and firm, more akin to Puligny than to the softer, rounder wines of Meursault." An overtly ripe nose of cherry liqueur, earth and a hint of menthol marries into rich yet relatively refined medium-bodied flavors that are supple, round and delicious while culminating in a moderately austere but long finish.</i></p> | \$80 |
| 2021 | <p>Meiomi - Meiomi Wines (427)
 <i>A rich garnet color with a ruby edge, the wine opens to reveal lifted fruit aromas of bright strawberry and jammy fruit, mocha, and vanilla, along with toasty oak notes. Expressive boysenberry, blackberry, dark cherry, juicy strawberry, and toasty mocha flavors lend complexity and depth on the palate. The well-integrated oak provides structure and depth seldom seen in Pinot Noir. Meiomi Pinot Noir has a consistent profile of supple tannins, silky texture, and balanced acidity that makes it the perfect wine to enjoy with a wide array of food. It pairs particularly well with tomato-based pasta dishes, thin-crust pizza, grilled lamb, and turkey.</i></p> | \$16 \$60 |
| 2019 | <p>La Crema - La Crema Winery (101)
 <i>Winemaker's Notes: This Monterey Pinot Noir opens with lovely, vibrant aromas of cherry pie and saffras, supported by subtle earth tones and hints of rose petal and vanilla. Vibrant pomegranate and cranberry join in on the palate, with notes of black licorice, espresso bean, sweet pipe tobacco and cherry cola. With elegant structure, the juicy mid-palate leads to a lingering nish of sweet spice.</i></p> | \$60 |
| 2018 | <p>Mer Soleil Reserve by 'Caymus' - Caymus Vineyards (106)
 <i>It was only natural that Mer Soleil would make a Pinot Noir in addition to their Chardonnay. The Santa Lucia Highlands is well-known as the perfect home for both these varietals. Grapes ripen slowly, enabling us to make wine of heightened complexity, with layers of aromas and flavors. Mer Soleil is named after the two forces of nature – the sea and sun – that shape this singular character, and they are every bit as powerful in creating their Pinot as their Chardonnay. With the alluring color of dark plums, this wine features scents of ripe cherries with cocoa, pomace, blueberry, toasted wood and a soft, powdery whiff of old-fashioned lipstick. The palate is all about texture – entry is soft, with a round, complete quality. Flavors of cherry cobbler mingle with cola notes and hints of anise. Tannins are structured yet extremely fine, providing a lush, lingering mouthfeel. On the finish, a wisp of acidity adds balance and freshness, a reminder of this wine's origins in a cool, coastal region of California. - Winery "Home to Kosta Browne, Carlisle, Pisoni and Roar! 30 Years Ago, The Wagner's Knew This Place Was Special..." From the winery: We put down roots in the</i></p> | \$80 |

region, drawn in by its down-to-earth vibe, rich farming history and weather that could not be more ideal for growing Chardonnay and Pinot Noir. Started by Chuck Wagner — known for founding Caymus Vineyards with his parents in 1972 — Mer Soleil is now led by Chuck's son, winemaker Charlie Wagner. Inheriting his family's love of farming and adventurous spirit, he first spent time at the Mer Soleil vineyard in middle school as "punishment" when he got in trouble for bringing firecrackers to school. Like other members of his family, Charlie feels most at home in the vineyard. He has led Mer Soleil's evolution, creating both SILVER unoaked Chardonnay and a more recently released Pinot Noir. Charlie is always eager to escort people in his truck down the area's rustic roads, so that they too can experience a place unlike any other.

2021

Belle Glos Balade - Bella Glos Wines (428)

One word can tell you a lot about a wine and in the case of Balade, which translates to wandering, the name defines the essence of this new project by Joe Wagner. With each new vintage, Joe will choose the most compelling and nuanced expression of Pinot Noir from a single site and release as a limited bottling. Joe Wagner's Belle Glos Pinot Noirs are created in such an extravagant style that they've carved out their own category, and in doing so it took the entire Pinot Noir world by storm. In July of 2015 Joe split off the value priced Meomi label from Belle Glos and sold it to Constellation Brands for an eye-popping \$315 million... When we found out about his new single vineyard project, we couldn't wait to taste it. Birthed from a single site located in the Santa Maria Valley of Santa Barbara and during the 2016 growing season, this particular vineyard was a stand-out for its fruit and undeniable complexity. Joe felt this vineyard expressed the quintessential qualities of its origin, with intensely flavored, dark-berry aromas and flavors. Just like all Belle Glos Pinots, it's one of the deepest and most intense California Pinot Noirs with a generous style that's resonated with wine lovers who enjoy a richer and more ripe style of Pinot Noir. Also, don't miss the new Euenloch, Clark & Telephone, Las Alturas and Dairyman releases below...

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2018

Folktale - Folktale

ONLY 260 CASES PRODUCED. WINE SPECTATOR 90 POINTS This ruby colored Pinot Noir from Folktale is Excellent. It opens with an attractive light strawberry bouquet. On the palate, this wine is medium bodied, balanced, silky and smooth. The flavor profile is a tasty mild black raspberry with notes of gentle minerality. I also detected hints of strawberry, plum and oak. The finish is dry and its flavors and mild acidity linger nicely. This Pinot is very food friendly and would pair nicely with grilled salmon. Winemaker Notes: Black Cherry, Sarsaparilla root, caramel, allspice, boysenberry and red licorice aromas swirl out of the glass. The soft bright fruit greets you elegantly on the palate with incredible viscosity and glycerol maintaining a deft balance.

\$80

2021

King Estate - Signature Collection (102)

This Pinot Noir has a deep garnet color with bright red edges. The nose is expressive with fruit forward notes of ripe strawberry, Bing cherry and black tea, framed by subtle aromas of cigar box and toasted vanilla. The palate is elegant and structured with an excellent balance of tannins and acidity. The flavors tend toward the red fruit spectrum, with raspberry and ripe strawberry leading the way. There are sweet oak flavors from the barrel aging along with gentle vanilla tinges. Enjoy now through 2037. King Estate VIEW ALL FROM KING ESTATE King Estate King Estate Winery is an organic winery located southwest of Eugene, Oregon, United States near the community of Lorane. Matt Kramer of The Oregonian considers King Estate the benchmark producer of Pinot gris (aka Pinot grigio) in the country.[2] While the winery also makes Pinot noir and limited amounts of Chardonnay, it is mainly credited with bringing the Pinot gris grape varietal into national consciousness.[3] The winery was founded in 1991 by Ed King, Jr. and his son, Ed King III. The estate itself, at 1,033

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acres (4.18 km²), is Oregon Tilth Certified Organic[4] and includes 465 acres (1.88 km²) of organic vineyards, as well as 30 acres (120,000 m²) of fruits, vegetables and flowers.[5] The visitor center features a restaurant and wine bar. Complimentary wine tasting and winery tours are available as well as full lunch and dinner menus that incorporate estate and locally grown organic ingredients.[6] In the 2007 edition of Wine & Spirits magazine's annual restaurant poll, a survey of only the top Zagat rated restaurants across the United States, King Estate Pinot gris was the number one ranked domestic wine in the Pinot gris/Pinot grigio category, and number two overall in the category, the highest rank for an Oregon producer in the 18-year history of the poll

- 2021 **Belle Glos** - Las Alturas (106)
Wine Spectator Rated 93: Dense, concentrated ruby color, hinting at the dark berry fruits and rich, textural components in this wine. On the nose, aromas of raspberry, wild blackberry and a slight earthiness. The palate is supple and layered with exotic spices, a rich meatiness, ripe plum, currant and black cherry flavors. The ripe tannins are nicely balanced with acidity, and the finish is long and fulfilling. \$25 \$90
- 2021 **Slander** - Oriin Swift (102)
Sitting in the glass as lucid ruby in color, bursting aromas of traditional, elegant Pinot Noir are presented: from classic strawberry, cherries and slight savory tones of lavender, thyme and sage to exotic Asian spice, hints of wet earth, chalk and smoky oak. Upon entry there is an overwhelming envelopment of crème de caramel and the same red fruit flavors present on the nose. The wine transitions with subtle soft tannins, showing the sophisticated integration of balanced oak that finishes with a creamy mouthfeel. Overall, the wine's surprising complexity characterizes this vintage of Slander with classic notes of Pinot Noir on the nose and New World boldness on the palate. \$100
- 2015 **Domaine Michel Caillot** - Les noizons Wines (105)
Amongst the most prestigious reds in Burgundy, RouxPommard is a rich, yet delicate wine with aromas of blackberry, cherry, and ripe plum. With age, the wine develops notes of leather, chocolate, and pepper. Fermentation takes place on the lees in French oak barrels. The wine is then aged for 14-16 months. \$150

Gamay

- 2020 **Beaujolais** - Louis Jadot (302)
Strong red purple color. Fresh red fruits on the nose with a hint of dark cherry. Slightly spicy with a touch of grey pepper, liquorice and a touch of rose flower. This wine is very well balanced with a nice acidity and supple tannins on the finish. Pair this wine with terrines, charcuteries, grilled red meat, white fish, cheese or simply as the sole wine of a meal. This brilliant garnet wine is bright and fresh, with ripe, supple crushed strawberry flavors underscored by zesty nuances of peppercorns, gentle tannins and a clean acidity, finishing on a succulent, refreshing note. From the start, Maison Louis Jadot has always accorded equal importance to each of Burgundy's appellations, from Grand Crus right through to regional wines. Our aim is to express the true nature of Burgundy through our wines, a terroir that can be both proud of its past and optimistic about its future. In order to produce wines that celebrate their terroir, Jacques Lardière works with a team: Christine, Guillaume and Audrey. Together they have a large part to play in determining the success of our enterprise. Each influences the creation of our wines with their own particular set of skills, whether technical or commercial, thereby ensuring that Maison Jadot has a bright future ahead of it. \$46

Chateauneuf du Pape

2019 **Chateauneuf du Pape "Matteo" - Pictor Pape (101)**
Tasting Notes: Red Châteauneuf-du-Pape have intense color (purple and dark red) during their first years. After several years in the cellar the dress turns ruby and aromas of red fruits, leather and underbrush come out. The palate displays the pure expression of a unique terroir with silky and smooth tannins. Winemaking: Hand harvested then table sorted followed by 100% de-stemming. Vatting time of 21 to 30 days. Half of the wine is aged in oak vat and the other half in old barriques during 12 to 14 months. Certified Organic Varietals: Grenache (70%) Mourvedre (15%) Syrah (10%) Cinsault (5%) Critical Acclaim WS95 Wine Spectator - "This is packed with a range of star fruit, anise, white peach, yellow apple and Cavaillon melon notes that run seamlessly together, gilded with chamomile and orange blossom details on the creamy finish. A late echo of wet pebbles adds further range and intrigue. Drink now through 2019." RP95 The Wine Advocate - This 2018 Châteauneuf du Pape Blanc is the finest example of this cuvée I can remember tasting. It's light gold color is followed by an impeccably balanced, ultra-pure, seamless white that has complex notes of white flowers, hazelnuts, just crushed rocks and citrus blossom. This beauty doesn't hit you over the head with fruit or sweetness, yet grows on you with time in the glass. You can drink it today, as well as cellar it for two decades. [View All](#)

\$80

Merlot

2015 **Leese-Fitch - Leese-Fitch Winery**
Dark ruby in color this Merlot showcases complex aromas of raspberry, dark cherry, dried thyme, and hints of cedar and spearmint. In the mouth, fruit flavors dominate with nuances of cherry preserves, blueberry pie, summer sweet plum, and cranberry sauce with delicate notes of cream soda, candied orange rind, coconut, and sweet basil. Blend: 81% Merlot, 9% Syrah, 5% Grenache, 3% Zinfandel, 2% Barbera

\$44

2019 **Decoy Merlot - Decoy Wines (115)**
WINE PROFILE Production Notes Varietal Composition: 98% Merlot, 1% Cabernet Sauvignon, 1% Petit Verdot Winemaker Notes This lush and inviting Merlot displays layers of black cherry, blueberry and plum underscored by dark chocolate, cedar and mineral notes. On the palate, balanced acidity adds poise and elegance, while silky tannins carry the wine to a fruitful and concentrated finish. Production The 2018 growing season began with a cool winter, and just enough rain to replenish the vineyards. A temperate spring followed by mild weather throughout the summer allowed the grapes to ripen at a very measured pace, something we love to see in our vineyards. After several years of early harvests, the relatively mild weather and a healthy sized crop led to a return to more normal harvest times. After enjoying abundant hangtime to fully ripen, the quality of the grapes was extremely impressive. Overall, our 2018 whites and rosé show an ideal combination of lovely fruit-forward flavors and elegance, while the reds are lush and complex, with great color and concentration.

\$50

2017 **Hahn Merlot - Hahn Winery**
This wine opens with lovely aromas of black cherry, cassis and raspberry. On the palate the soft grip of tannins melds with flavors of plum, dark chocolate and mocha. The finish is smooth and pleasing. The fruit for this Merlot was grown in superb Central Coast vineyards, most of which were located in Monterey County. We turned to superb Central Coast vineyards to grow the fruit for this Merlot. Most of the vineyards are located in Monterey County. After harvest, we age the wine in French oak barrels (45% new) to enhance mouthfeel and contribute dark chocolate and vanilla flavors. Lovely aromas of black cherry, cassis and raspberry complement the soft grip of tannins on the palate. Flavors of plum meld with seductively dark chocolate and mocha. The finish is smooth and pleasing.

\$14 \$52

- 2016 **Meeker Handprint** - Meeker Vineyards (114)
This is their flagship wine which rightly gets the royal treatment. This is as big, bold, concentrated, deep, rich, oakey and chewy as any Merlot made in California. The handprint of owner Charley Meeker or his son Lucas or both on each bottle is much more than a marketing gimmick, they religiously spend hundreds of hours on this task and what's inside the bottle parallels this commitment. The color is as dark as Merlot can get. The nose is unmistakably really big new French oak with deep blueberry and black cherry. The palate is, of course, full bodied with intense black cherry, blueberry, blackberry and mulberry. This 2013 is only a baby, the structure, and the oak will give it decades of life. By structure I mean loads of tannins and lots of fresh young acid. The finish brings in all kinds of enhancing flavors like licorice, caramel, vanilla, graphite, cocoa and tar. I would like to think even those who are not fans of big California red wines might appreciate how this one tastes, especially when it gets several years of bottle age. Many Tribe members and customers learn about us because of our Winemaker's Handprint Merlot – a unique bottle that's eye-catching on the shelf and of course palate-grabbing in your glass. The textured bottle leaves you wondering if these people really have time on their hands (heh) to print each bottle by hand. Of course, we do. And here's the story of how it gets done. Handprint is special because of the unique combination of wine and the package. Each bottle is held in paint-soaked hands one last time by either Winemaker Charlie or Winemaker Lucas Meeker before we ship it out the door. It starts with the paint. Some have office supply cabinets full of reams of paper, pencils and ethernet cables – we have shelves upon shelves of artist-quality acrylic paint. \$60
- 2018 **Peju** - Peju Province Winery (114)
Made in a firmly structured style with plenty of grip, this 2016 Merlot exudes aromas of dark berries, plum and subtle cedar. The palate features flavors of raspberry, cherry, cocoa and currants. With a hint of spice on the finish, this broad and sculpted wine is not your classic Merlot. A great food wine with a wide range of cuisines, this bottling will continue to mature for the next 5- 7 years. Critical Acclaim WE91 Wine Enthusiast This is a generously full-bodied wine, explosive in dark, brooding black fruit, coffee and bittersweet chocolate that offers firm, integrated tannin and lively acidity in equal measure. It shows varietal character, with an additional 1% Malbec swimming within. \$60
- 2020 **Emmolo by 'Caymus'** - Caymus Vineyards (116)
Grapes for this wine were sourced from Napa Valley's Oak Knoll district, which includes two family vineyards. The area's cooler weather, along with crop thinning and gravelly light soil, creates ideal conditions for producing a rich, distinctive Merlot. This wine is lush and supple on the palate, with expansive, dark berry flavors, a fresh earthiness, and smooth, leathery tannins. Critical Acclaim WW90 Wilfred Wong of Wine.com COMMENTARY: The 2017 Emmolo Merlot is generous, soft, and rounded. TASTING NOTES: This wine is smooth and supple. Enjoy its attractive aromas and flavors of ripe berries and candied fruit with wild game birds. (Tasted: November 25, 2019, San Francisco, CA) Emmolo is named for Jenny's maternal ancestors, who came to Napa Valley in 1923, buying property that remains in the family to this day. Her great-grandfather started a grapevine rootstock nursery that became the leading supplier to Napa Valley growers. Her mom, Cheryl Emmolo, has no brothers and always dreamed of keeping the family name alive by making wine using family vineyards. She launched Emmolo in 1994 and turned the reins over to Jenny in 2011. On the paternal side, Jenny's Napa Valley roots trace back to 1857, when her third great-grandfather captained a wagon train to the region, beginning a long history of farming and winemaking. In 1972, Jenny's father, Chuck Wagner, founded Caymus Vineyards along with her grandparents. \$70

- 2017 **Thorn 'by Prisoner'** - Prisoner Wine Company (107)
Earthy aromas open up into cocoa, blackberry, cedar, and anise. It's smooth with flavors of cherry, chocolate, vanilla, and a mild toastiness. The finish is long with balanced acidity. Blend: 80% Merlot; 20% Blend of Syrah, Petite Sirah, and Malbec. Critical Acclaim WS92 Wine Spectator Well-crafted, with medium-grained tannins supporting buoyant cherry, plum and currant flavors. Minerally midpalate, with hints of white pepper on the fresh finish. Drink now through 2025. WW91 Wilfred Wong of Wine.com COMMENTARY: The 2017 Prisoner Wine Company Thorn Merlot offers excellent richness coupled with a pleasing suppleness. TASTING NOTES: This wine deftly combines black fruit, dust, and savory spices in its aroma and flavors. Pair it with roast veal topped with smokey bacon. (Tasted: October 17, 2020, San Francisco, CA) \$80
- 2017 **Revolver 'The Divva'** - Revolver Wine Company (109)
True to the new world style, this Merlot presents a rich, juicy sensory experience on the tongue, allowing for a bright complexity to work its magic with every sip. Balanced notes of red fruit and oak make a stunning statement in this bottle. We found it pertinent to capture the lush, blueberry pie essence that this Merlot rocks. Dark, black, fruit and a solid structure lay a foundation with boysenberries and deep blueberries. Finishing with baking spices and lingering fruit; this wine truly reflects what a Merlot is supposed to be. \$120

Bordeaux Blend

- 2018 **Chateau Rambaud** - Daniel Mouty Winery (115)
An elegant blend, Arbalest displays aromas of graphite, minerality, red plums and boysenberries. The integrated tannins show balanced flavors of kirsch, plums, graphite and cassis. With a beautiful hints of umami on the mid palate, this savory and fruitful beauty pairs well with pasta, game, meats and cheeses. Blend: 81% Merlot, 14% Cabernet Sauvignon, 5% Petit Verdot. Critical Acclaim JD91 Jeb Dunnuck Mostly Merlot blended with 14% Cabernet Sauvignon and 4% Petit Verdot, the 2015 Arbalest was brought up 16 months in tank and 30% new oak. It offers a perfumed, gorgeous bouquet of plums, incense, spice and hints of forest floor. Full-bodied, ripe and rounded, with a sexy, opulent style, lots of mid-palate depth, and a great finish, it's well worth your time and money and is a smoking deal at 20 bucks. This wine comes from a collaboration between winemaker Benoit Touquette and importer/distributor Kimberly Jones. \$40
- 2019 **Puisseguin Saint Emilion** - Chateau Beausejour Bassac (218)
Dry red wine from Bordeaux Chateau Beausejour Bassac is made from grapes of Merlot and Cabernet Sauvignon grown in the vineyard of Grand Cru Class. Wine Chateau Haut Filyus created by traditional technology and aged in oak barrels for at least a year. Chateau Patris is located on the southern slope of the hills of Saint-Emilion, close to the Chateau the Angelus. The owners of the manor - Michel and Genevieve Querrey. The vineyards have a natural shelter from the cold winds and the sun, which contributes to the ideal ripening berries. On 9 ha of land are cultivated varieties Merlot (80%), Cabernet Sauvignon (10%) and Cabernet Franc (10%). The combination of these three varieties gives the wine finesse and elegance. Grapes are harvested by hand in small boxes to preserve the quality of berries. For the first wine farm oak barrels are updated annually by 60%. Average production is about 50,000 bottles a year, of which two thirds of the wine Chateau Patris, and a third - to the second wine estates - Chateau Beausejour Bassac and Spirit Chateau Patris. \$68

Zinfandel

- 2015 **Leese-Fitch** - Leese-Fitch Winery
Leese-Fitch Zinfandel swirls with dark purple color emitting aromas of blackberry jam, cinnamon toast, sandalwood, and grilled plum with hints of black pepper. On the palate, you taste dried cherry, black raspberry, toasted coconut, roasted almonds, and deep vanilla custard. The flavor continues to develop on the finish showing the brambly side of Zinfandel and some earthy characteristics; roasted Portobello mushroom, Mexican hot chocolate, and soy with hints of espresso and sweet leather. Blend: 76% Zinfandel, 13% Petite Sirah, 8% Barbera, 2% Syrah, 1% Merlot \$44
- 2017 **Plungerhead** -
Complex and juicy, this Lodi Zinfandel explodes with brambly fruit aromas as well as toasted coconut, sandalwood, tanned leather, clove, and freshly grated nutmeg. The palate is layered with fruit and spice showcasing blueberry, strawberry pie filling, sweet cherry, milk chocolate, graham cracker, thyme, and white pepper. This bold Zinfandel would pair exceptionally well with Mongolian BBQ or anything covered in a teriyaki sauce. Other recommended pairings would be a burger with BBQ potato chips or a meat lover's pizza. Blend: 84% Zinfandel, 13% Petite Sirah, 3% Tempranillo. A nose of cherries and spice, dark garnet in color. A medium bodied Zin, with raspberries, black cherries, and spices. This was a nice surprise. Tobacco, pepper and red fruits. Quite a mouthful. Plungerhead makes wines of character for characters. Who IS that dude on the label? That's Eddie, whose image represents our avant-garde collection of wines. According to local legend, after giving the creative department a bit of grief during a wine brand creative process, a mysterious bottle of wine bearing a label that was eerily familiar and quite uncanny made its way to Eddie's desk. The character on the label had his face, his signature facial hair and was wearing his favorite purple blazer. However, on the label he was also wearing a red toilet plunger hat, wine barrels for trousers and holding a sign that simply said, "Plungerhead." \$14 \$54
- 2019 **Saldo** - Prisoner Wine Company(421)
Saldo was created to feature the outstanding fruit sourced from Dry Creek, Lodi, and Amador, where Zinfandel has thrived for decades. Dark ruby color with bold aromas of black licorice, black pepper, cherry, and baking spice. The entry is rich, full, and scintillating. The palate is mouthwatering and smooth with a hint of chocolate. The finish is voluptuous with soft, velvety tannins. Blend: 85% Zinfandel; 15% Petite Sirah and Syrah. Critical Acclaim WW91 Wilfred Wong of Wine.com COMMENTARY: Many of us, including myself, can get caught up with the numbers. While the trend in Zinfandels has been high in alcohol, there is no consistent pattern to the wines' quality. The 2016 Saldo—sporting a whopping 15.9%—is one of best balanced Zins amongst the powerhouse players. TASTING NOTES: This a big red wine with excellent balanced. Its bold aromas and flavors of ripe blackberries and oak should pair it well with a grilled ribeye salad that includes flavorful greens, cucumbers, and heirloom tomatoes. (Tasted: May 15, 2018, San Francisco, CA) WE90 Wine Enthusiast Gorgeous ripe, jammy, berry flavors dominate this full-bodied, smooth-textured wine. It smells like blackberries and black cherries, tastes so rich it's almost sweet, and fills the mouth from cheek to cheek with a chocolate-cherry flavor that lingers on the finish. \$65

Cabernet Franc

- 2016 **'Premiere Barrique' Cabernet Franc** - Revolver Wine Company (508)
Inspired by the "best barrel" each year, this beautiful bottle is the pinnacle of our cabernet franc production. Ripe fruit mixes with a backbone of grippy tannins on the palette, while a pleasant acidity leaves you wanting more. Winemaker Bryan Page was going through his Cabernet Franc Barrels for the 2016 Vintage, when he came across a Barrel "SO GOOD", he thought it was too good for Blending, and decided to create \$200

a separate Wine from this Barrel. The result is this Wine, 75% Cabernet Franc from the "Premier Barrique", blended with 12.5% of his BEST BARREL of Merlot and Petit Verdot. AMAZING. At this stage, Decanting or Cellaring is Recommended. The Bryan Page Story The idea of creating Page Wine Cellars happened in the summer of 1996. The opportunity opened up for Bryan Page to tour many Chateaux throughout the Bordeaux region, falling in love with their incredible wines. After his culinary tour in Europe ended, he returned home to California. He simultaneously worked at several restaurants 'saving every penny', while apprenticing at a few Napa Valley wineries, with the goal and desire of making his own wines, under his own label. In 1997 Page Wine Cellars officially began. The first vintage of Proprietary Red produced only 36 cases. This is not just a winery where a "consultant" winemaker produces the wines then the family name is labeled on the bottle. Page Wine Cellars is about hands on crafting our unique and remarkable wines all Hand Made by Brian Page often down to the Bottling and Labeling.

Sangiovese

2015

Castello Banfi Brunello - Castello Banfi di Montalcino

Brunello di Montalcino was Italy's first wine to be accorded D.O.C.G. status, a testament to its aristocracy, balance and fabulous proclivity for aging. Under the direction of Banfi's master winemakers, our Sangiovese grapes are transformed into a remarkable world-class wine, perhaps the most respected red of Italy. Aged for a total of up to four years, including a minimum of two years in oak barrels, Castello Banfi Brunello di Montalcino is a wine of robust character. It possesses a rich garnet color, and a depth, complexity and opulence that is softened by an elegant, lingering aftertaste. Castello Banfi Brunello di Montalcino's regal qualities are best exhibited with game, red meats, roasts, hearty stews and rich powerful cheeses such as Parmigiano Reggiano. Food pairing Castello Banfi Brunello di Montalcino's regal qualities are best exhibited with game, red meats, roasts, hearty stews and rich powerful cheeses such as Parmigiano Reggiano. Producer Castello Banfi is a family-owned vineyard estate and winery located in the Brunello region of Tuscany. This award-winning estate was founded on the philosophy of blending tradition with innovation, and is recognized as a pioneer in elevating the standards of Italian winemaking. Dedication to excellence has won the approval of aficionados the world over. Capturing honor after prestigious honor, Castello Banfi is a constellation of single vineyards encompassing over three dozen varying subsoils. The estate is renowned for its clonal research that allows noble grape varieties to thrive in their optimal terroir, creating not only a consistently outstanding Brunello, but the ultimate expression of Montalcino Super Tuscans.

\$150

Chianti

2018

Lamole di Lamole - Lamole Wines (113)

Deep, vibrant ruby, giving typical violets aromatics with cherries and red berry fruits, lifted by a grace note of minerality. Assertive on entry, with savoury freshness to the fore mid palate, before the delicious finale reprises fragrant notes of balsam-wreathed fruitiness. Ideal with traditional Tuscan cooking, especially starters of cold meats and "bruschetta" toasted bread with spreads of all kinds, or charcoal-grilled pork drizzled with extra virgin olive oil.

\$50

2020

Biagio - Castellani Wine (110)

Bright ruby red color. Intense and characteristic bouquet. Fruity with a violet fragrance. Dry and harmonious with notes of dark chocolate and black cherries. Ideal with grilled meat and pasta dishes with rich tomato sauce. Serve at room temperature.

\$50

Barbera

2020

Barbera D'Alba - Enrico Serafino

Garnet in color, the wine is medium bodied and robust with rich, ripe cherries and earth on the nose and an elegant palate. Pairs well with a wide range of dishes: chicken scallopini with sage and wild mushrooms, farfalle pasta with pork sausage and broccoli rabe and grilled or roasted red meats. Several important critics have rated this Barbera d'Asti wine highly: Wine Spectator gave the 2009 vintage a score of 90. Several vintages have been winning prizes in competitions: the 2009 vintage was awarded Silver from the International Wine Challenge as well as Silver from the Decanter World Wine Awards. This is the fourth most sought-after wine from the region (in terms of user searches). Interest in this wine has fallen off relative to previous years.

\$60

Tempranillo

2019

Bodegas Triton Tridente - Triton Winery (111)

15 months in barrel, 8 months bottle age. Produced from ancient vaso trained vineyards up to 110 years old, fermented in stainless steel tanks, and then aged 15 months in French Oak Barrels. This deep purple wine has notes of toasty oak, graphite and balsamic. The flavors are densely fruit with creme de cassis persisting through the lingering finish. Critical Acclaim ST91 International Wine Cellar - "(sourced from old bush vines and aged in French oak for 15 months): Bright purple. Sexy, oak-spiced dark berries, cola and vanilla on the perfumed nose. Smoky, pliant and appealingly sweet, offering intense black and blue fruit flavors that become livelier with air. Finishes sweet and seamless, with echoing cola and blue fruit notes. "

\$50

2019

Faustino - Grupo Faustino Winery (116)

COLOR Bright garnet, cherry red rim. NOSE Very intense, sweet and spicy aromas that are well-integrated on the nose. Additional ripe fruit and barrel notes, such as cinnamon, tobacco or cedar. PALATE Pleasant on the palate, elegantly structured and balanced as a whole. Medium to long spiced finish. BACKGROUND Grupo Faustino is the country's leading producer of fine wines from Rioja and one of the most celebrated names in modern Spanish winemaking. Founded 150 years ago by Eleuterio Martinez Arzok, Grupo Faustino has excelled in balancing tradition and modernity over the past decades. The winery received worldwide acclaim in the 1950s when descendant Julio Faustino Martinez launched the family-owned label in both national and international markets. Today, the estate is led by Don Julio Martinez along with his children. With 1,625 acres of vineyards, Faustino's wines are all estate grown and bottled. The vineyards are located in the upper portion of the Rioja Alavesa, in the Basque Country, at an altitude of 1,200-1,800 feet. Here, the climate is relatively cool thanks to the maritime influence of the Atlantic Ocean to the north, and the vines thrive in the areas chalky soil. VINIFICATION Grapes are destemmed and undergo fermentation for 10 days at 28°C. The grapes then go through a 20-day maceration period. They are then aged for a total of 42 months: 18 months in 100% American oak casks and 24 months in the bottle.

\$50

Red Blend

2019

Chronology - Secret Indungency Winery (218)

Chronology Red Wine unites Bordeaux and Rhône varietals in balanced harmony. Deep garnet in your glass, you are greeted with notes of black currant, violets, Italian plum and hints of umami on the nose. From the first sip, you find notes of black cherries, blueberries, dried figs, baking spices and cacao nibs. Your palate will delight in the bright, rich, palate coating texture of the Chronology. "The 2017 Chronology Red Wine is dark plum in your glass. The Rhône and Bordeaux varietals blend

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together in a rich, aromatic style. You are greeted with notes of dried plum, dark chocolate, dark red and purple berries with a hint of dustiness on the nose. From the first sip, you find notes of blackberry pie, dark cherry, baking spices and cacao. COMPOSITION 32% Petite Sirah, 22% Merlot, 13% Syrah, 13% Grenache, 10% Cabernet Sauvignon, 4% Mission, 3% Cabernet Franc, 2% Mourvedre, 1% Petit Verdot APPELLATION California (9 counties) PRODUCTION 4,035 cases AGEING 20 months, stainless steel and barrel aged (16% new oak) WINEMAKER Katie Carter

2017

Pomerol - Château Lafleur du Roy (115)

The nose is fruity as well as relatively aromatic and fine. It reveals notes of crushed blackberry and cassis associated with slight notes of raspberry jam, violet as well as hints of wood and chocolate. The mouth is fruity, mineral, gourmand, straight, elegant, ample and offers tension, a good definition and a nice fat, suavity, roundness and unctuousity. In the mouth this wine expresses notes of blackberry, sour cherry and slight notes of blueberry, crunchy strawberry associated with slight touches of red berries, chocolate, toasted wood as well as a hint of cardamon and tobacco. Tannins are very fine and slightly dry. Good length and persistence. There are (very) slight hints of caramelisation on the persistence / aftertaste. Clear dark ruby to purple. Aromatic earthy leather, forecast dirt and old furniture in nose. Dry, m+ acidity, m+ tannin and m+body. Mulberry, dark cherry, earthy leather and sweet spicy in taste. Wonderful Bordeaux right bank blend with 85% Merlot, 10% Cabernet Franc, 5% Cabernet Sauvignon. Good balance and shows a bit young hint and well aging potential. A rich, Merlot-dominated wine, this is opulent and packed with blackberry fruits. It has a great structure of tannins and ripe fruitiness. Bitter chocolate and coffee flavors give an extra complexity. The wine is still young, still full of juicy fruit.

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2017

Consecration Wines 'Cufflinks' - Consecration Winery (405)

Production: 100 cases Blend: 50% Cabernet Franc, 12.5% Cabernet Sauvignon, 12.5% Merlot, 12.5% Petit Verdot, 12.5% Malbec Vintage: 2017 This beautiful small lot mountain blend has big dark cherry combined with sage, Herbs de Provence, and a touch of chocolate that lingers on the palate. It is a robust version of what Cabernet Franc can do on a mountain site. Only 100 Cases Produced Deep, dark berry/cherry fruitiness, black currant, licorice, roast red pepper and a "taste of the soil" that I geekily describe as crushed river rocks introduce you to the cufflinks. The sweet fruit and the savory qualities associated with Howell Mountain play nice together. Careful oak ageing complements rather than overtakes the wine. A healthy acidity, very Howell Mountain, brightens it. Indeed a "Howell Mountain Cab Blend" that delivers big time flavor, texture and typicity for less dough than most.

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2021

The Prisoner - Prisoner Wine Company (402)

The Prisoner was inspired by the "mixed blacks" first made by the Italian immigrants who originally settled in Napa Valley. The Prisoner is now the most recognized Napa Valley red blend, leading the resurgence of interesting blends by incorporating Zinfandel with the unlikely mix of Cabernet Sauvignon, Petite Sirah, Syrah, and Charbono. The 2016 vintage features enticing aromas of Bing cherry, dark chocolate, clove, and roasted fig. Persistent flavors of ripe raspberry, boysenberry, pomegranate, and vanilla linger harmoniously, for a smooth and luscious finish. The label is based on the Little Prisoner etching, by one of Spain's most famous painters, Francisco de Goya, who lived from 1746-1828. It depicts the atrocities of war between France and Spain during the artist's time. Critical Acclaim WW91 Wilfred Wong of Wine.com It may be time to rid ourselves of the ball and chain, the 2016 Prisoner is a pretty tasty wine, and it is perfect for New World wine lovers. The wine's elevated alcohol gives the wine textures that simply smooth out the wine. Though it may be a push of classic Old World lovers of Bordeaux or Rhône Valley reds to put this one on the dinner table, there is a new generation of wine drinkers who can't get enough of this style of wine.

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Pair it with spicy grilled hamburgers. (Tasted: December 21, 2017, San Francisco, CA)

2021

8 Years in the Desert - Orin Swift (418)

If you love The Prisoner Wines... then get ready to be blown away by Dave Phinney's First Zinfandel in 8 Years! Dave Phinney took a break from Zinfandel and its challenges. It would end up being an eight year break. Eight years in the desert. It was never if but when would he make Zinfandel again. That 'when' is NOW! Eight limited edition bottles will be released – one at a time – for the next eight years, every year in October. Each is adorned with a handcrafted label. One of the year's hottest new releases this wine is masterfully blended... make room for a case of this in your cellar... Phinney's signature blend of Zinfandel, Petite Sirah and Syrah "Our relationship with Zinfandel goes back 20 years. Orin Swift Cellars was started with two tons of Zinfandel in 1998—perhaps the most important two tons we've ever purchased. Quite often, you learn more from your failures than you do from your successes. What we learned from those two tons is that there is neither a silver bullet nor alchemy once the grapes are in the winery. You can only make great wine from great grapes. This truism applies to Zinfandel more than any other varietal. Like golf or fly-fishing, you never truly master the game; you just have good days and bad days. By incorporating Petite Sirah and Syrah into the blend, we're able to mitigate some of the unpredictability. In the end, our goal every year, is to get closer and closer to the mastery of Zinfandel. WINEMAKER'S NOTES: Heady aromas of brambly raspberry, black fig and peppercorn dominate; time in glass exposes more—dark chocolate, fennel and High Sierra forest floor. The palate is lush and opulent with blackberries, dark plums and currants. More flavors add to the quality of the blend—a visceral minerality and fresh Herbs de Provence. Fully integrated with puckering tannins, the wine bows out with finesse. BLEND: Zinfandel, Petite Sirah, Syrah.

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2018

Machete - Orin Swift (417)

Generous and expressive, big and brawny, this offers a mouthful of tannins but also brims with flavors and aromas, including Earl Grey tea, dark chocolate, dried violet and toasted gingerbread. Rich notes of plum and black cherry are balanced by forest floor and earth accents, which linger on the long finish. Petite Sirah, Syrah and Grenache. Drink now through 2030. Winemaker Notes #6 Wine Spectator Top 100 of 2016A nearly opaque color sets in the glass with a hard, red complexion that is almost black. Aromas of ripe blueberries and candied plum mingle with toasted oak and charred vanilla. The entry is soft and inviting which paves the way for a lush mid-palate replete with layers of ripe boysenberry and cassis. The finish showcases ripe tannins and pronounced fruit which frames the two for nearly a minute. Critical Acclaim RP96 Robert Parker's Wine Advocate The 2014 Proprietary Red Blend Machete finished at 15.7% natural alcohol and is a blend of Petite Sirah, Syrah and Grenache aged 10 months in 40% new French oak. This wine, at 15,500 cases, is telltale opaque bluish/purple with a super nose of barbecue meat and herbs, blackberries, blueberries, white flowers and sweet, dark raspberries in the background. The wine has fabulous texture, great intensity, full-bodied power (15.7%), and a long, long finish. It is a killer effort and like the Abstract, probably best drunk in its first 5-6 years of life because of its charm. WS94 Wine Spectator Generous and expressive, big and brawny, offering a mouthful of tannins but also brimming with flavors and aromas, including Earl Grey tea, dark chocolate, dried violet and toasted gingerbread. Rich notes of plum and black cherry are balanced by forest floor and earthy accents, lingering on the long finish. Petite Sirah, Syrah and Grenache. Drink now through 2030.

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Valpolicella

2018 **Masi Campofiorin - Masi Agricola (110)**
Full bodied, smooth and velvety, but approachable and versatile in its food pairings. Combines simplicity with style, strength and majesty. This is the original Supervenetian created by Masi in 1964 and internationally recognised as a wine of "stupendous body and complexity", the prototype for a new category of wines from the Veneto inspired by the Amarone production method (Burton Anderson). Its own production method was described by Hugh Johnson as "an ingenious technique". Fruity cherry and plum aromas, with vanilla, cinnamon and spice notes. Shows sublime, soft tannins on the palate, with fresh acidity. Finish is long and persistent, with ripe fruit flavors and a touch of sweet spiciness. This very versatile wine is perfect with various foods, including pasta with rich meat- or mushroom-based sauces, grilled or roasted red meats, game and mature cheeses. Blend: 70% Corvina, 25% Rondinella, 5% Molinara. Critical Acclaim RP91 The Wine Advocate - "The 2013 Campofiorin is an IGT Rosso del Veronese executed in a Ripasso style that sees a double fermentation on Amarone skins. Campofiorin is a wine that is dear to my heart because it has long been one of my top drinking choices while sitting by the fireplace on a cold winter's night. It offers Ripasso intensity with brooding dark fruit nuances followed by a dense, chewy build. "

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Amarone

2017 **Amarone della Valpolicella Classico DCGG - Masi Agricola (110)**
The bright red color is amazing, nicely transparent and relatively concentrated with a slight nuance of orange on the edge. The aroma is intriguing for how intense it is, rich wild berry jam, with scents of star anise and licorice delighting the nose. The mouthfeel is sumptuous, warm yet bracing, rich in nuances, velvety, with an after-aroma of Domori chocolate. A great wine. Price: No longer on sale, practically impossible to find. Powerful, complex aromas of dried plums, with 'balsamic' (anise, fennel, mint) traces. Quite dry (not sweet), soft and with bright acidity, with baked cherry, chocolate and cinnamon flavors and structured, noble tannins. Grilled or roasted red meats, game, and hard cheeses like parmesan. Considered a 'wine for meditation,' to be sipped on its own, this is also a perfect after-dinner wine. Critical Acclaim James Suckling 96 - "Love the dark fruit with cloves and spices. Full body, ripe and velvety tannins and a fresh finish. Fleshy and rich. Wonderful balance here. Drink now." Wine Enthusiast 92 - "Aromas of crushed violet, baked plum, cake spice, ripe berry and tobacco pervade in this bold, full-bodied red. The firm palate offers ripe black cherry, fig, mocha, nutmeg, licorice and tobacco alongside velvety tannins."

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Primitivo

2012 **Collier Falls - Collier Falls Vineyard (111)**
The wine shows striking colors of deep crimson and black. A complex bouquet offers distinct aromas of butterscotch, jelly donut and damp forest. This is a robust, full bodied Primitivo displaying rich flavors of strawberry and fig, with hints of eucalyptus and powdered sugar. Its long finish highlights lingering notes of cola, tobacco, charred wood and black pepper. Gold Medal & "Best of Class", Pacific Rim Wine Competition Final Blend: 100% Primitivo Case Production: Only 258 cases produced Alcohol by Volume: 15.%

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Cabernet Sauvignon

2018 **ZD Cabernet Sauvignon - ZD Wines (205)**
The 2012 Cabernet Sauvignon is another example of an exquisite vintage from the Napa Valley. This wine exhibits similar characteristics to the previous vintage, with even more depth and layered complexity. Dark and dense, with aromas of cassis,

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plum, anise, and just the right amount of toasty spice and vanilla. The forward fruit is intense and enveloped in soft, ripe, tannins, which lead to an amazingly long, lush finish. This wine will continue to age gracefully for many years. Gold Medal San Francisco Chronicle Wine Competition, 2017 Gold Medal, 91 Points Winemaker Challenge Int'l Competition, 2017 Gold Medal TEXSOM Int'l Wine Awards, 2017 Gold Medal, 91 Points San Diego Int'l Wine & Spirits Challenge, 2017 First Place, 92 Points California Grapevine, May 2017

- 2019 **Groth Cabernet** - Groth Vineyards (423)
Winemaker's Notes: big and lush with huge gobs of fruit in the aroma and flavor. The texture of the wine is soft and supple, typical of Cabernet Sauvignons grown in our area of the Oakville AVA. It shows its Oakville pedigree with smooth tannins and dry, complex flavors of blackberry, black currant and cherry with a fine earthiness. \$120
- 2018 **St. Supery Cabernet** - St. Supery Vineyards (215)
Dark, vibrant purple and red hues present in this wine. Blackberry and black plum aromas combine with graphite, espresso, dark chocolate, mocha, cedar, and white pepper. Flavors of black plum, black cherry and currant intermingle with dark molasses and a light vanillin oak with dusty finegrain tannins. This is a structured Cabernet Sauvignon with length, flavor and style Critical Acclaim WW91 Wilfred Wong of Wine.com An amazing transformation has occurred the winery, the 2013 St. Supéry Cabernet is now a powerhouse of ripe fruit from start to finish. This is the winery's best to date! Deep ruby color; ripe fruit, sweet oak aroma; rich and highly textured on the palate; dry, medium acidity, good balance; bold, ripe red and black fruit flavors, a touch of oak; smooth and long in the aftertaste. Drinking very well now. (Tasted: October 23, 2015, San Francisco, CA) RP91 Robert Parker's Wine Advocate The 2013 Cabernet Sauvignon Rutherford is also outstanding. A classic Cabernet aromatic profile of damp earth, cedar wood, creme de cassis and licorice is followed by a full-bodied, powerful, rich wine with ripe tannin, impressive concentration and overall equilibrium. This wine should evolve gracefully for 15-20 years. JS91 James Suckling A ripe and juicy red with velvety tannins and plenty of plum, walnut and spice character. Full body, fresh finish. Better in 2019. \$80
- 2018 **Niner Cabernet** - Niner Wine Estates (204)
This is one of Niner's darkest Estate Cabernet Sauvignons ever. On the nose this wine has depth with black currant, tobacco and dried herbs. On the palate black cherry, dark chocolate and dried sage are balanced with ample tannin and a long, lingering finish. This is a classic Cabernet Sauvignon with its harmonious blend of full-bodied fruit, luscious tannins and well-integrated acidity and shows how well these two Paso Robles vineyards work in a blend. Blend: 86% Cabernet Sauvignon, 9% Malbec, 3% Merlot, 2% Carmenere Critical Acclaim WE91 Wine Enthusiast This bottling, which is bolstered by 9% Malbec, 3% Merlot and 2% Carmenère, shows rounded black currant, blueberry, smoked beef and graphite on the nose. Soft tannins make for an elegant presentation, with heavy black-fruit flavors of crème de cassis and dark chocolate. RP90 Robert Parker's Wine Advocate Blended of 83% Cabernet Sauvignon, 11% Carménère and 6% Cabernet Franc, the 2014 Cabernet Sauvignon has a deep garnet-purple color and nose of baked blackberries and black currant cordial with hints of anise, dried herbs and mocha. Medium to full-bodied, with great expression and freshness, it has a chewy backbone and long, fruity finish. \$75
- 2020 **William Hill Cabernet** - William Hill Winery (213)
William Hill North Coast Cabernet Sauvignon offers a smooth and rich palate of dark fruit flavors, with delicate hints of toasted oak and caramel. The wine has excellent structure and flavors of blueberry, plum, blackberry and black cherry. Soft tannins, firm acidity and refined red fruit notes are featured on the long finish. From California, North Coast. Producer William Hill Estate Winery is a special place. In 1978, visionary \$40

vineyard developer William Hill saw the incredible potential of the Silverado Bench, where he built his namesake winery. More than three decades later, our winemaker Ralf Holdenried is making modern wines that speak to the unique terroir of this virtually unknown area of southern Napa Valley. A confluence of characteristics makes our 140-acre estate an ideal vineyard. Set on a benchland - off the valley floor, but below the steeper slopes of the hills - with a southwestern exposure, the vines bask in abundant sunlight. The vineyard is close to the valley floor climatically, but the volcanic soil and the size and vigor of the vines means William Hill is more like a mountaintop vineyard. These elements translate to elegant, expressive red Bordeaux wines.

- 2019 **Hill Family Estates Cabernet** - Hill Family Estates (426)
The Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon is carefully blended to give the wine both power and balance. We particularly appreciate the opportunity to use high elevations (Baker in Atlas Peak is at 1,500 ft) with their intense tannins and color, then blend and civilize them with vineyards from the valley floor and cooler areas. The Malbec, Merlot, and Petit Verdot elevate the nose and display the fruit and oak spice. Wines from 2013 were big and intense because of continued low rainfall and early bloom and veraison, but growers were lucky because reasonable temperatures (for the most part) and almost no fall rain, still allowed for nice hang time and maturity. Winemaker Alison Doran's tasting notes: The 2013 Cabernet Sauvignon opens with beautifully lifted spice and black fruit aromatics—clove, anise, black cherry and blackberry—layered with a hint of rich oak. A round, supple entry leads to a silky, smooth midpalate. Cassis, clove, and toasted oak complement the black and red fruit flavors. Fine-grained, age-worthy tannins provide structure to the dark, juicy finish. \$75
- 2020 **Abstract Cabernet** - Orin Swift (409)
Winemaker's Notes: Inky blue-purple in complexion, the wine bursts with a perfume of dark fruit, sage, acacia flowers, kirsch, and a hint of California chaparral. Voluptuous in texture, the wine is remarkably fresh on the palate with ripe blackberry, mulberry, roasted plum, black tea, and bitter chocolate. A sweet and soft tannin profile rounds out the finish, which lingers elegantly. \$20 \$75
- 2020 **Lola wines** - Lola Cabernet by Cripe family
LOLA's Cabernet Sauvignon is bright and fresh (for Cabernet especially) with aromas and flavors representing the entire raspberry bush. The bright acidity and firm natural tannin developed in this vineyard give the wine tremendous purity and age ability. Lola has powerful aromas of blackberries, dark cherries, vanilla and toasted oak along with a rich , structured mouthfeel and a smooth lingering finish . \$85
- 2017 **Outlot Wines** - Outlot Cabernet Sauvignon
Deep ruby-red in color, the Outlot Cabernet Sauvignon has a rich nose filled with cherry, blueberry and pomegranate. Full bodied with a plush entry, the palate has abundant raspberry and black cherry fruit balanced by a bright acidity and fine tannins that carry through to the medium-firm finish. Outlot wines are a tribute to Sonoma's rich agricultural heritage. Outlot by definition, is a piece of land situated outside a town or city limits. Outlot, to us, is the special area just outside Healdsburg, fondly known to locals as the "Magnolia Peninsula". Bordered to the west by Dry Creek, the east by Foss Creek, and the south by the Russian River, this area has a long and rich history filled with stories of great ranches and exclusive resorts. Famous for its rich soil, as much as 24-feet deep in some areas, nurseries and orchards thrived here from the late 1800s, ultimately giving way to the vineyards that are abundant in the area today. \$85
- 2021 **UnShacked Cabernet** - Prisoner Wine Company (201)
Unshackled Cabernet Sauvignon, opens with aromas of plum and blackberry with a hint of olive. Vibrant flavors of black stone fruit and dried herbs with solid tannin structure result in a flavor-forward red wine with balanced acidity. A delicious red wine \$70

blend of Cabernet Sauvignon, Petite Sirah, Syrah, and Merlot, this wine combines grapes from the north and central coast of California and is aged in French and American oak casks for 11 months. The Prisoner Wine Company's eponymous first wine was inspired by the drinkable "mixed blacks" made by the Italian immigrants who originally settled in Napa Valley. Since launch, The Prisoner soon became recognized as one of the most innovative Napa Valley wines, leading the resurgence of California red blends and earning "cult wine" status. Now complemented by a white blend (Blindfold), Chardonnay (The Snitch), Cabernet Sauvignon (Cuttings), Zinfandel (Saldo), Merlot (Thorn) and a Red Blend (Dérangé), The Prisoner Wine Company's winemaking philosophy remains the same: To collaborate with a family of growers throughout California's best winegrowing regions to craft wines of exceptional quality and unexpected character. The Prisoner Wine Company acquires grapes from more than 100 vineyards throughout California's premier grape-growing regions, partnering with phenomenal growers who are dedicated to cultivating unique varieties. Chrissy Wittmann and her team of winemakers collaborate with this family of growers, visiting each vineyard site throughout the year to carefully assess the style and quality of every lot to make the best possible wine from each vintage.

2020

The Equalizer Cabernet - Ammunition Wines (204)

Rich in color and texture, this is a true representation of what a Sonoma Cabernet should be. Ripe bright cherries and complex tannins highlight this medium-to-full bodied wine. Long mouth feel through the mid-palette and pops with cherries and hints of spice. The Cab Franc adds a white pepper silkiness to round out the finish. Faint cedar overtones supported by the round mid-palate body and tingly tannins on the edge of the finish. Pairs extremely well with all red meats and game. Our favorite pairing is a blue-cheese encrusted bacon-wrapped filet mignon. It levels the playing field with wines priced in another stratosphere. Versatile and pleasing to a variety of palettes, this wine consistently delivers the goods. The Equalizer is medium to full-bodied with a fruit-forward character. The 2015 Equalizer Red Blend is deep purplish to ruby in color. Its nose has plenty of blackberry, black cherry, baking spice and vanilla notes that are both intense yet elegant. The finish is both long and complex with a balance of sweet fruit and tannic structure that will allow this wine to age gracefully for 5 to 10 years. Pairs wonderfully with skirt steak, carne asada & any type of grilled meat. This wine loves spicy and blackened foods.

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2019

Pure Paso Proprietary Cabernet - J. Lohr Winery (401)

J. Lohr Vineyards & Wines is pleased to announce the inaugural release of the 2017 J. Lohr Pure Paso Proprietary Red Wine, which will begin shipping in July and is set to debut in select states in August of 2019. The new J. Lohr Pure Paso Proprietary Red Wine pays tribute to J. Lohr's history of sustainable grape growing and winemaking in Paso Robles by showcasing the winery's most popular varietal, Cabernet Sauvignon, in a blend with Petite Sirah. J. Lohr Pure Paso represents an exciting new wine in the J. Lohr portfolio, while honoring J. Lohr's past. Family owned and operated since 1974, the winery's first wine was a Petite Sirah, which inspired the J. Lohr 40th Anniversary Red Wine, a memorable blend of Cabernet Sauvignon and Petite Sirah. "The bold, intense flavors for which J. Lohr is known have become defining characteristics of winegrape growing in the Paso Robles region," said Lawrence Lohr, co-owner. "The continual fine-tuning and nurturing of our estate vineyards support our winemaking team's passion for crafting the highest-quality Cabernet Sauvignon. Our commitment to advancing the Paso Robles appellation reflects the authenticity of our J. Lohr Pure Paso Proprietary Red Wine and our father Jerry Lohr's vision when he first set foot in Paso Robles so many years ago."

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2018

Frog's Leap Cabernet Sauvignon - Frog's Leap Winery (410)

The 2017 Estate Grown Cabernet Sauvignon is classic in every way: intense aromas of dark fruits, blackberry and cassis with lovely overtones of mocha and coffee bean.

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The flavors are subtle and nuanced while precisely balanced and deep. It is a wine for the cellar, of course, but will not disappoint in the shorter term paired with a nice rack of lamb or perhaps a Chateaubriand. Critical Acclaim WW93 Wilfred Wong of Wine.com One of my biggest gripes in the business is how everyone oohs and aahs at the colors of wine and when a red wine is dark the crowd just goes crazy and make comments like, "This must be a great wine because it is so dark!" This conclusion that color indicates quality is so far from the truth—many wineries even add a secret ingredient called mega purple to darken their red wines; this addition has no aroma or flavor value. The 2017 Frog's Leap Cabernet Sauvignon shows a medium ruby color and exhibits beautiful aromas and flavors of wild strawberries, dried brown stalks, pleasant dust and rich earth. The wine's bright finish makes it sublime with a rack of lamb. Drinks well now and will certainly improve with bottle age.

- 2015 **Substance Cabernet** - Wines of Substance (208)
This wine says, "Cabernet Sauvignon." It says it with black currant, tobacco, No. 2 pencil...polished with great length. Echoes crushed velvet in an endless refrain. Substance, Substance, Substance. Critical Acclaim RP94 Robert Parker's Wine Advocate The 2015 Cabernet Sauvignon Jack's Vineyard offers up rich aromas of red and blackcurrants, espresso roast, burning embers and brown sugar. On the palate, it's full-bodied, rich and lavish, with an ample core of fruit, melting tannins, loads of savory complexity and a sapid, saline finish. It's a characterful Cabernet Sauvignon to follow for the coming decade. JD94 Jeb Dunnuck Kirsch, caramelized red and black currants, spice, and cedar pencil notes all emerge from the 2015 Cabernet Sauvignon Jack's Vineyard. An elegant, pretty, pure expression of the Rocks Terroir, as well as Cabernet Sauvignon, it's going to keep for a decade at least. \$90
- 2019 **Bonanza by 'Caymus' Cabernet** - Caymus Vinyards (425)
Medium ruby red, this wine opens with scents of currants and dried roses, grape pomace and fresh tilled soil. The nose is nuanced with toasty oak imparting a subtle smoked meat character. Flavors of blueberries and blackberries mix with the warmth of vanilla and toasted bread. Silky tannins and striking smoothness. Mouthwatering, lengthy finish trails off with the taste of unsweetened chocolate and cassis. BONANZA is a multi-vintage California Cabernet. Make no mistake – Bonanza is not Caymus Napa Valley Cabernet. Yet we are proud to be introducing this multivintage California-appellation Cabernet Sauvignon. Do you have any idea how much fun this is for a seasoned winemaker? Casting aside the boundaries of individual appellations or vintages, we have greater freedom to make good wine. One thing that's very important to me – Bonanza calls back to a previous era when a glass of good wine with dinner was a simple pleasure. Bonanza aims to be a smart and gratifying choice, speaking to the enjoyment of everyday life. You may agree that our biggest fortune is good company, great food and delicious wine. - Chuck Wagner \$60
- 2019 **Raymond Reserve Selection Cabernet** - Raymond Vineyards (417)
RP93 Robert Parker's Wine Advocate The 2018 Cabernet Sauvignon Reserve is a blend of 17 vineyards, with the dominant part from the Rutherford Estate. The final blend was 92% Cabernet Sauvignon and the rest Petit Verdot, Malbec and Petit Syrah. This was aged 19 months in about 30% new French oak and bottled unfiltered. A real beauty, and, for a top Napa Cabernet, an excellent price point. The wine has a dense bluish purple color, a sweet kiss of crème de cassis, licorice, camphor and subtle toast. Relatively opulent on the attack and midpalate, the wine is medium to full-bodied with silky tannin, adequate acidity and impressive purity and length. WS92 Wine Spectator Shows off a profile of currant, red berry and red licorice notes. Dense without being weighty, avoiding a tannic overload. Ends with a long, persistent finish. Best from 2019 through 2029. WE92 Wine Enthusiast Dusty and tannic, this is a solid value for its quality—a wine of freshness and grip that offers \$90

complexity and approachability in equal measure. Black-cherry and black-pepper flavors highlight the palate.

- 2019 **Banshee Cabernet** - Banshee Wines (217)
Dark plum, cocoa, blackberry and sage aromas with powerful, well delineated flavors of dark chocolate covered cherry, macerated strawberry, wild herbs, mineral and touch of caramel. Well balanced with fine tannins, this wine is deep and multi-dimensional. Will play well for 15-20 years. Critical Acclaim W&S 90 Wine & Spirits Banshee has contracts for this fruit in St. Helena, Rutherford, Calistoga and Howell Mountain. Heady with alcohol, this wine takes its time to integrate. Give it several hours in a decanter and you'll have a rich, blackberry-scented Napa cabernet, a gracious heavyweight. \$90
- 2020 **Justin Cabernet Sauvignon** - Justin Vineyards (512)
There are clear notes of earth, vanilla and slightly toasted oak, complemented by strawberry, raspberry and blackcurrant aromas. The wine has a soft entry, with balanced acidity and tannins, along with strawberry, earth, toasted oak and vanilla flavors. Appearance: Dark purple ruby core, slightly lighter at the rim showing light staining on the glass. Aroma: Aromatic with bright ripe black cherry and blackcurrant fruit, baking spice, savory dried autumn leaves, subtle violet floral notes with a hint of caramelized barrel sweetness. Palate: Dry, moderate plus bodied, with ripe red and black cherry, and blackcurrant fruit joined by vanilla and cinnamon spice notes on the entry. The mid-palate is fresh with sustained ripe fruit, toasty oak notes and softly textured tannins. The finish is moderately long with notes of cherry candy and blackcurrant fruit matched with subtle classic Cabernet savory elements. Pairings: The 2015 JUSTIN Cabernet Sauvignon is a great all-around choice for a wide range of food pairings from a simple cheese and charcuterie plate or a burger to vegetable lasagna, or even a prime rib. If you are looking for a quality, all-purpose red wine, this is it! WINE SPECIFICATIONS Varietal Composition Cabernet Sauvignon Appellation Paso Robles Maturation 14 months in American oak (25% new) \$16 \$60
- 2021 **Peju Cabernet** - Peju Province Winery (420)
We are proud to announce that our 2014 Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon has been awarded 94 points and a gold medal at the 2015 California State Fair! For more than 160 years, the California State Fair has showcased the best of California, from wine and olive oil to livestock and fine art. Our 2012 Cabernet Sauvignon has received many other accolades, including a gold medal from the San Francisco Chronicle Wine Competition, 93 points at the 2015 World Wine Championships and 90 points from Tasting Panel Magazine. It was also named a "Hot Napa Cab" by Wine Spectator Magazine. Rich and complex, the 2013 Cabernet Sauvignon offers lovely aromas of summer berries with hints of anise, cocoa powder and caramel on the nose. Concentrated flavors of mocha, cherry, ripe raspberry and nutmeg lead to a rounded finish with restrained, yet velvety tannins. \$25 \$100
- 2018 **Raymond Cabernet Sommelier Selection** - Raymond Vineyards (519)
The grapes for Generations Cabernet Sauvignon are grown in some of the best vineyards and appellations in the Napa Valley. The majority come from two vineyards on the west side of St. Helena known for sandy soils that produce berries with sweet, ripe tannins. The remaining grapes were sourced from a meticulously farmed knoll-top vineyard at the corner of Oakville Cross Road and Silverado Trail. By blending grapes from the St. Helena and Oakville appellations, we are able to make a wine that truly represents the best of Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon and honors our five generation history of making wine in the Napa Valley. \$60
- 2019 **Benziger Cabernet** - Benziger Family Winery (202)
Blended with hearty amounts of Petite Sirah, Petit Verdot, Cabernet Franc and 8% \$60

unidentified, this is a likable, basic wine, dry in herb, cedar and pencil that'll work well with food. Critical Acclaim WW90 Wilfred Wong of Wine.com - "One of my pet peeves in the wine industry is finding the best values possible, and that can often be a challenge. Famous wineries that are high in demand, often command prices high above the reality of the wine's worth—they are simply charging what the market can bear. The 2013 Benziger Cabernet is excellent, a real deal in the marketplace. The wine's ripe fruit, savory spices, and freshness make it perfect for those wanting top wines at decent prices.

- 2019 **Duckhorn Cabernet** - Duckhorn Vineyards (505)
Wine Profile Production Notes Varietal Composition: 87% Cabernet Sauvignon, 12% Merlot, 0.5% Cabernet Franc, 0.5% Petit Verdot *Winemaker Notes* Lush, energetic and intense, this gorgeous Cabernet begins with aromas of blackberry, huckleberry and chocolate, as well as hints of mint, cardamom, clove and graham cracker. On the palate it displays lovely brightness, with firm, resolved tannins framing flavors of boysenberry and black currant. As it evolves in the glass, subtle sweet and savory notes are revealed, carrying the wine to a long, focused finish. *Production* The 2017 growing season began with abundant winter rains, followed by a warm, dry spring that led to a perfectly timed budbreak. In addition to replenishing the water table, the early season rains produced robust canopies, which provided invaluable shade during a week-long heat event that kicked harvest into gear during the last week of August. This was followed by a much-needed cooldown that allowed the vines to recuperate, while also giving us extra hangtime for flavor development and tannin resolution. We harvested throughout September and into early October, with the grapes showing lovely ripeness and quality, yielding plush, polished and wonderfully complex wines. \$100
- 2017 **Le Pich Cabernet** - Purlieu Wines
2017 LE PICH "NAPA VALLEY" CABERNET SAUVIGNON Winery Notes, "A deep ruby robe, with darker black fruit and mineral aromas on the nose. The palate brightens into a ripe strawberry, raspberry and boysenberry core, layered with notes of black licorice and nutmeg. Fluid and smooth, this wine blends rich fruit complexity, elegant freshness, and well-integrated tannins. This vintage is delightful at release, but also worthy of cellaring another 2-6 years." Purlieu's sister label, Le Pich, gets its name from a Wappo Indian term meaning "golden eagle." They are hunting birds, and you can often spot them above our vineyards as they soar, glide, circle and arc. They are beautiful birds — stately and impressive, but not haughty or boasting, with a nimbleness that's inspiring. We hope that our Le Pich wines live up to the character of their namesake. \$100
- 2020 **Aviary Cabernet** - Aviary Vineyards (215)
The 2018 Aviary California Cabernet Sauvignon, as in previous vintages, is developed to offer the classic big, rich, dark fruit Cabernet attributes, while also displaying our velvety smooth tannin structure, tempered by our consistent selection of oak. On the nose you will find generous blueberry fruit with a touch of crushed earth. The mid-pallet continues with dark fruit expressions of cassis, some red fruit in the form of subtle strawberry preserves, and just a touch of bright menthol or eucalyptus. *PAIR WITH: Any cut of steak or roasts, stands beautifully on its own as well.* \$46
- 2020 **Quilt Cabernet** - Quilt Wines (406)
WINEMAKER NOTES - Fifth-generation winemaker Joseph Wagner started with a simple philosophy — combine the very best grapes from across the valley into one amazingly balanced style to weave a tapestry of Napa Valley wine. For the Quilt Napa Valley, we focused on vineyards with well-draining, low-nutritive soils that stress the vines. The result of these soils is a grape crop with extraordinary concentration of flavor, color and texture. While the majority of the fruit comes from the floor of the Napa Valley to achieve the richness and elegance desired, we also relied on some \$75

grapes grown in the well-drained gravelly soils of the side slopes along with high elevation in the mountainous areas for a blend with more structure and complexity than we could have achieved had we used fruit grown solely in a single region. Napa Valley AVAs: Oakville, St. Helena, Atlas Peak, Coombsville, Oak Knoll, Calistoga, and Howell Mountain. Tasting Notes - COLOR: Crimson red with scarlet highlights. AROMAS: Enticing aromas of Bing cherry, dark chocolate, lightly toasted oak with a hint of blackberry jam and vanilla. PALATE: Striking flavors of ripe raspberry, blackberry, cocoa, and hints of vanilla linger harmoniously. Full yet elegant on the palate, with vibrant fruit and very approachable tannins. This wine has a long and velvety finish. Food Pairing - Filet Mignon with balsamic reduction, pan-roasted lamb chops with cabernet sauce, sauteed broccolini with garlic, rosemary scalloped potatoes, or a hearty charcuterie platter. Critical Acclaim JS91 James Suckling Blackcurrant, blackberry-leaf, orange-zest and milk-chocolate aromas. More citrus zest and fresh herbs on the palate. It's medium-to full-bodied with firm, fine tannins and lots of fresh berry character. Drink or hold.

- 2019 **Joel Gott 815 Cabernet** - Joel Gott Wines (506)
The Joel Gott 815 Cabernet Sauvignon has aromatics of roasted blue fruit, sweet blackberry and cherry cola with hints of graham cracker and vanilla. The wine enters with dark, concentrated fruit on the palate, velvety tannins on the mid-palate, followed by a long, vibrant finish. The 2016 Joel Gott 815 Cabernet Sauvignon begins with a very nice aroma of plum, cherry, a little leather and anise. Tasting reveals a smooth, medium-bodied wine with great structure and soft tannins. The wine features a ton of cola notes, plenty of dark fruit and some dried herbs. There are definitely some oaky accents but they are integrated very nicely and come in the form of dark chocolate and spice. It ends dry with more cola and rich, dark fruit plus a nice burst of spice that lingers in the mouth for a good time. Absolutely delicious! \$50
- 2019 **1881 Napa Cabernet** - 1881 Napa Winery (504)
Harvested from vineyards across Napa Valley, this bold Cabernet Sauvignon is a blend of warmer climate hillside vineyard fruit and valley floor fruit creating a wine that celebrates the region's diversity and complexity. A deep dark purple in the glass, this wine opens with a bouquet of boysenberry, bourbon and toasted vanilla aromas with a waft of caramel. Full-bodied with a plush entry, layers of brown sugar, cocoa, mulling spices and currants fill the mouth and are complemented by rich, round tannins. The finish is long and smooth. Critical Acclaim WW90 Wilfred Wong of Wine.com Deep ruby, black color; black fruit aroma, exotic spices, medium depth; medium to full bodied, layered and textured on the palate, rounded; dryish, medium acidity, good balance; black fruit, licorice flavors; medium finish. (Tasted: May 25, 2020, San Francisco, CA) WE90 Wine Enthusiast Chocolatey mocha richness dominates alongside cherry vanilla and toasted oak in this soft, approachable crowd-pleaser. Aged in American oak, it retains a supple sweetness through the finish. WS90 Wine Spectator Very fresh and forward, with a blast of cherry pie and blackberry compote notes, unencumbered by toast and ending with a floral flourish amid the fruit. \$75
- 2020 **Smith & Hook Cabernet** - Smith & Hook Winery (519)
A bouquet bursting with notes of dark fruit and hints of spice leads into a structured palate of bright plum, boysenberry, and cherry. The initial fruitiness is complemented by alluring notes of vanilla cream and rich cacao. Expansive flavors and balanced tannins carry through to the smooth, lavish finish. The robust flavors are a great complement to braised short ribs, mushroom stroganoff, or a charred gruyere burger. Blend: 92% Cabernet Sauvignon, 6% Merlot, 2% Malbec. Critical Acclaim WE90 Wine Enthusiast - "Dense blackberry and blueberry-paste scents mesh with dark chocolate, milk chocolate and graphite on the nose of this bottling from the Hahn family. A lush mouthfeel with ample weight unleashes coffee and mocha flavors, blueberry and black cherry fruit, with hints of fudge and a sweet oak touch." \$14 \$50

2019	<p>Decoy Cabernet - Decoy Wines (501)</p> <p><i>Wine Profile</i> Production Notes Varietal Composition: 78% Cabernet Sauvignon, 13% Merlot, 4% Zinfandel, 2% Petite Sirah, 2% Syrah, 1% Petit Verdot Winemaker Notes Displaying the lushness and balance that define great Cabernet Sauvignon, this inviting wine features layers of blackberry, black cherry and blueberry, along with notes of dark chocolate and fresh spearmint. On the palate, the bright, juicy fruit flavours are framed by rich, refined tannins that carry the wine to a long, satisfying finish. Production The 2018 growing season began with a cool winter, and just enough rain to replenish the vineyards. A temperate spring followed by mild weather throughout the summer allowed the grapes to ripen at a very measured pace, something we love to see in our vineyards. After several years of early harvests, the relatively mild weather and a healthy sized crop led to a return to more normal harvest times. After enjoying abundant hangtime to fully ripen, the quality of the grapes was extremely impressive. Overall, our 2018 whites and Rosé show an ideal combination of lovely fruit-forward flavors and elegance, while the reds are lush and complex, with great color and concentration.</p>	\$50
2016	<p>Sentinel Cabernet - Mount Peak Winery (210)</p> <p><i>This is a creamy, earthy, perfumed Cabernet with the sweetness of Sonoma County but the structure and power of Napa Valley. It stuck us as an incredibly well-made wine, with not a seam to be found. "A wine of considerable stature, gravitas, intensity and full-bodied power, it is muscular, backward and somewhat primordial, this wine needs a good 1-2 more years bottle age and should last for 25-30 years." Winemaker Notes Our Sentinel Cabernet Sauvignon is named for the shield-shaped block that pays a watchful eye to the entrance to Monte Rosso Vineyard. It's a muscular and intense wine with rich, deep tannins and mouthfilling, concentrated fruit. Aromas of ripe dark currants mingle with hints of brown sugar and sweet mint. Flavors of blackberry and cherry are woven through anise and toasted cedar, echoing in a long finish that is framed with notes of sweet cream. This wine has tremendous aging potential. Critical Acclaim WW95 Wilfred Wong of Wine.com Sourced primarily from the historically acclaimed Monte Rosso Vineyard in Sonoma County, the 2014 Mount Peak Sentinel Cabernet Sauvignon exhibits an outstanding aroma of bright blueberries and wild blackberries. The wine, accented with a beautiful mix of oak nuances, is greater than the sum of its parts. Pair it with a slice of rare roast beef and enjoy a complete food and wine experience. (Tasted: September 12, 2017, San Francisco, CA) RP92 Robert Parker's Wine Advocate Lastly, 4,750 cases were made of the 2014 Cabernet Sauvignon Sentinel, 83% from the Monte Rosso Vineyard in Sonoma and the rest from other Sonoma sources. It is a blend of 97% Cabernet Sauvignon and 3% Petite Sirah aged in 53% new French oak. Again, ripeness is well-noted in the 15.7% alcohol, but there is not a bit of heat to the wine's overall character. A wine of considerable stature, gravitas, intensity and full-bodied power, it is muscular, backward and somewhat primordial, this wine needs a good 1-2 more years bottle age and should last for 25-30 years. Patience, please.</i></p>	\$120
2017	<p>Furioso Cabernet - Revolver Wine Company (524)</p> <p><i>Born out of strife, the Furioso began as a relief effort for the winery in 2014 when we lost most of our production to earthquake damage. Fast forward three years and on major disaster later to the release of our 2017 Furioso - on fi re! We lost approximately 30% of our harvest during the Northern California wildfi res, so what could we do but light it up and release this brilliant cab blend to you. Enjoy our beautiful cuvée and raise a glass to everyone that refuses to quit, come what may!</i></p>	\$120
2020	<p>Caymus - Caymus Vineyards (408)</p> <p><i>The 2018 growing season was another great one in Napa Valley. Our Cabernets are a blend of wines from eight of the sixteen sub-appellations – a bottling that represents complexity through judicious blending. Deep red and opulent in color with the vibrant</i></p>	\$40 \$160

scent of dark cherry and blackberry, subtly layered with warm notes of vanilla. The palate is explosive, bright and balanced with cassis at the center, with flourishes of cocoa and sweet tobacco. Critical AcclaimRP94The Wine Advocate - "The 2016 Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley has a dense opaque purple color, a kiss of blackberry and cassis fruit, a full-bodied mouthfeel with ripe tannin and a long finish. It is very Caymus in its immediate accessibility, but has plenty of staying power and depth. This is lush, full, intense and pure. Drink it over the next 15 or so years."WW91Wilfred Wong of Wine.com - "The 2017 Caymus Vineyards Cabernet Sauvignon is ripe and rewarding. As one of Napa Valley's most well-known wines, it remains one of the most consistent beacons of the vintage. The wine shows pleasing berries, sweet oak, and smooth textures. Drinks well now. (Tasted: November 3, 2018, San Francisco, CA)"

2020

Pine Ridge Cabernet Sauvignon - Pine Ridge Vineyards (412)

Ruby red in color, this wine opens with alluring aromas of fresh black raspberry, boysenberry and ripe red plum, swirling with hints of red licorice, fragrant cinnamon and vanilla creme brulee. Enchanting and luscious, the palate opens with dark ripe cherry and juicy blackberry that join with suggestions of white pepper, fresh mint leaf and berry cola. The complex array of flavors lasts through the long finish, supported by polished tannins and integrated oak. Critical AcclaimRP92The Wine Advocate - "The bottled 2017s include the 2017 Cabernet Sauvignon from Napa, which is 93% Cabernet Sauvignon and 7% Petit Verdot. A classic much in keeping with the vintage characteristics, this charmer is loaded with sweet black and red currant fruit, some spice box, earth, and subtle oak. It is up-front, irresistible, full-bodied and layered with fruit and glycerin. The finish displays sweet tannin and the wine can be drunk now or cellared between 15-20 years."WE91Wine Enthusiast - "This is a silky-smooth and integrated wine, with firm, structured tannins that provide support without distracting. A wealth of brawny baked berry, tar and chocolate flavors reveal themselves over time, while subtle, deep clove and dried herb scents lie beneath."

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2020

Palermo Cabernet - Orin Swift (405)

A dark garnet hue sits in the glass with immediate aromas of ripe cassis and blackberry. Hints of cocoa, new oak and fir complement the juicy fruit mélange. A full-bodied entry is succeeded by a mid-palate of dark fruits and a smooth, integrated minerality. The tannins are well developed, allowing the wine to finish with length. Critical AcclaimRP90Robert Parker's Wine AdvocateBlended with Merlot and Cabernet Franc and aged for ten months in 35% new French oak, the medium to deep garnet-purple colored 2016 Palermo Cabernet Sauvignon gives up notions of stewed plums, baked blackcurrants and mulberries with hints of tobacco, sautéed herbs and damp soil with a touch of forest floor. Full-bodied, firm and chewy, it gives loads of savory layers and has an herbal lift on the finish. Notes: aromas of dark, brooding fruit with subtle French oak in the background lead into a smooth entry of ripe cherry and fig. The mid-palate is subtle and stretches with loads of bright acidity and candied cassis. Layers of stone fruit and ribena lead into a round, supple, lingering finish of integrated soft tannins that roll on and on.

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2016

OVIS Cabernet - Shannon Ridge Winery (406)

Only 1680 Cases Produced. Wine Spectator 93 PointsAn incredibly complex and layered wine from the shining Lake County AVA here in northern California. Big sunshine and beautiful weather all summer long in 2016 has produced grapes that are brimming with an explosive and wild character and the quest to tame this beastly wine was no walk in the park. We know you will surely enjoy the dedication and passion behind OVIS and the decadent and bold wine that is a direct result. OVIS (Latin for sheep), focuses on small lot wines that pay homage to the flock of sheep that help control the cover crops and weeds in the vineyards farmed so intently by Clay Shannon in Lake County's High Valley. The sheep and his very dedicated Great

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Pyrenees guard dogs are the foundation of Clay's sustainable farming practices. Owner, visionary, and leader, Clay Shannon, has transformed his Lake County ranch into one of the agricultural icons of California's North Coast, and in doing so is changing the face and culture of grape-growing in the USA. Clay grew up on a farm in Healdsburg in Sonoma County and began his career as a vineyard manager in St. Helena. He grew passionate for viticulture while traveling the wine regions of California managing vineyards. A short time later he started his own vineyard management company, growing grapes for some of the top wineries and fruit companies in northern California. In 1995, Clay discovered a magnificent piece of property in the rolling hills overlooking Clear Lake in Lake County, thirty-five miles north of Napa's world-famous vineyards. His vision was simple: "We wanted to grow the best fruit in the world," says Clay, "but we wanted to do it in a way that made us happy living there." Sustainability wasn't just a philosophical concept for Clay; it is the way he decided to live his life. Perched on ridges of lean volcanic soils at altitudes of 2,100 to 2,400 feet above sea level, this wild land is cooled by steady winds off Clear Lake and from the higher peaks just to the north. Clay's sprawling Home Ranch vineyard is cohabited by wildlife consisting of ducks, raccoons, golden eagles, bobcats, bears and even elk. They are passionate about preserving the land, not only for its great vineyard sites, but for the wild creatures which share the property. And one cannot forget those very important sheep! Clay's sustainability practice has integrated a flock of sheep that clean the vineyards, remove the excess canopy, and reduce the need for che

2019

Harvey & Harriet Cabernet - Booker Vineyard & Winery (210)

This is a wine for those whose hands are familiar with hard work. Whose values are solid and whose integrity is their compass. Who know heartache and joy are two sides of the same coin and that laughter can be found in the chaos of building a life together. This is a wine for Harvey and Harriet, my parents. It's also a wine for you. Made with honesty and without compromise, the way great wine should be. Critical Acclaim JD95 Jeb Dunnuck Named after winemaker Eric Jensen's parents, the 2017 Harvey and Harriet is a blend of 65% Cabernet Sauvignon, 20% Syrah, and the rest Petit Verdot and Malbec. It offers a richer, powerful style as well as Napa Cabernet-like notes of black and blue fruits, scorched earth, crushed rocks, and violets. Rich, full-bodied, beautifully concentrated, and voluptuous on the palate, it's more approachable than the flagship Cabernet Sauvignon, but I wouldn't bet against it aging just as long. RP94 Robert Parker's Wine Advocate The 2017 Harvey and Harriet is made up of 65% Cabernet Sauvignon, 20% Syrah, 6% Petite Sirah, 5% Malbec and 4% Petit Verdot aged in 80% new French oak. It gives up wonderful crème de cassis, chocolate mint, kirsch, blackberry and black cherry jam aromas with a classy frame of vanilla and sweet baking spices plus sparks of graphite, cedar, flowers and tobacco leaf. The medium to full-bodied, silky palate features rich, plush, meaty black fruits with firm but finely woven tannins and just enough juicy freshness to lift the long, layered finish. This is great! It deserves more time in bottle, but it's drinking wonderfully straight out of the gate. V93 Vinous Opaque ruby. Powerful, smoke- and spice-accented black and blue fruit and candied violet aromas show excellent clarity and pick up a hint of candied rose with aeration. Sweet and broad on the palate, offering plush yet lively dark berry preserve, cherry cola and floral pastille flavors and building spiciness. The impressively long, velvety finish features an echo of sappy blue fruit and polished tannins that come in late.

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2020

Papillon - Orin Swift (416)

Dark garnet in the glass, this wine is highly aromatic with notes of ripe black cherry, anise, licorice, shaved dark chocolate, rosemary and charred meat. The entry is immense with bright raspberries and fresh cherries, transitioning to a mid-palate of amaretto, sandalwood and hints of high mountain forest and coastal scrub. Textured tannins and notes of toasted coconut round out the palate as the wine finishes with

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lingering sweet oak. Blend: Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Petit Verdot, Malbec, Cabernet Franc Wine Advocate: a blend of 90% Cabernet Sauvignon and the rest other Bordeaux varietals. It exhibits supple, sweet tannin in addition to lush black cherry and black currant fruit, cedar, toasty new oak, and spice box. The finish suggests that the wine is still somewhat restrained and closed, but promising. It should evolve for 15 or more years. Rated 90

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| 2019 | <p>Darioush 'Caravan' Cabernet - Darioush Vineyards (201)</p> <p><i>A classically-styled round, supple and sleek red blend – 2014 Caravan is the first vintage to highlight higher proportions of Merlot. The resulting profile is ripe and decadent with palate-pleasing notes of juicy plum, raspberry and flourless chocolate cake. Cabernet Sauvignon, the lion's share of the blend, adds layers of complexity and an ideal balance between sweet and savory elements. It's supple yet firm and polished tannin is complemented by dark, spicy notes of black currant and cinnamon; Caravan has a youthful energy that would reward several years of aging. Blend: 60% Cabernet Sauvignon, 28% Merlot, 10% Malbec, 2% Petit Verdot. Darioush, a winery noted for its Bordeaux style estate wines, implements old world labor-intensive, micro-vineyard management and new world state of the art technology to craft fine wines from its estates located in the appellations of Napa Valley, Mt. Veeder and Oak Knoll. Under the direction of Darioush Khaledi and winemaker Steve Devitt, precision and quality are of the utmost importance at the winery.</i></p> | \$130 |
| 2018 | <p>Jordan - Jordan Vineyards & Winery (509)</p> <p><i>Alexander Valley, Sonoma, CA- Combining the artistry of the old world with the technology of the new, Jordan produces Cabernet Sauvignon, blended in the tradition of Bordeaux. Rich in texture with opulent flavors, a restrained use of oak and a lingering finish of subtle earth and smoke. Winemaker's Notes: Concentrated, lovely aromas of blackberry, blueberry and cassis. The mouthfeel is luscious and full with continued flavors of blackberry, cassis, black cherry with a suggestion of vanilla, coconut and cedar. The soft, round tannins and understated acidity of this wine complement the bright fruit characters to create a balanced Cabernet Sauvignon.</i></p> | \$35 \$130 |
| 2017 | <p>Silver Oak 'Napa' Cabernet - Silver Oak Cellars (517)</p> <p><i>Wine Tasting Notes: Our 2014 Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon is dark ruby in color and entices you with a nose of raspberry, cassis and loose pipe tobacco. This full-bodied wine has an assertively silky structure and is notably spicy on the palate. Flavors of sage and blackberry mark the wine's entry. The strong acidity in the mid-palate is followed by a lingering finish. Given proper cellaring, this wine will provide drinking pleasure through 2038. 79% Cabernet Sauvignon, 15% Merlot, 3% Cabernet Franc, 3% Petit Verdot. Our 2014 Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon artfully combines the classic elegance of the old world and the ripe fruit of California. It displays an opaque garnet color with a bouquet driven by fruity aromas of blackberry liqueur and hoisin sauce. It also offers the savory components of sage and molasses. These complex aromatics are complemented by sandalwood and nutmeg characteristics indicative of American oak aging. This is a well-structured wine with a compact and rich mid-palate buttressed by silky tannins and generous acidity. Given proper cellaring, this wine will provide drinking pleasure through 2037. Critical Acclaim WW93 Wilfred Wong of Wine.com - "An excellent performance from a wonderful growing season, Silver Oak Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon demonstrates a beautiful synergy between a top winery and Mother Nature. The wine offers abundant ripe red and black fruit, a pleasing suggestion of coconut from the oak, and a long and luxurious finish. (Tasted: January 11, 2017, San Francisco, CA) "</i></p> | \$250 |
| 2018 | <p>Pahlmeyer Jayson Cabernet - Pahlmeyer Winery (407)</p> <p><i>Jayson Red Wine is a distinctive blend from some of Napa Valley's finest vineyards, crafted to express each vintage with intensity and richness. The wine was fermented</i></p> | \$150 |

in stainless steel tanks to enhance its fresh fruit profile and retain its bright acidity. It was then racked to 35% new french oak barrels for fifteen months of aging. Jayson Cabernet Sauvignon has deep purple color in the glass, and displays classic varietal expression through an aromatic profile of intense floral notes, ripe blackberry, white pepper, and hints of leather and vanilla. On the dense, creamy palate, sweet plum, raspberry and ripe blueberry characters are accented by hints of cinnamon stick and brown sugar. A touch of earth contributes complexity over the long, luxurious finish.

2014

Janzen Cabernet - Bacio Divino Cellars (207)

2014 was a great vintage in our Valley with smaller yields offering intense flavors. Our latest offering of Janzen Napa Valley Cabernet showcases the characteristics of the vineyards from which this wine was produced. Hillside fruit from our estate provides the structure and body necessary for longevity. The finesse offered by Cabernet grown on the valley floor in Rutherford and Oakville tames the power of this wine and maintains the elegance we have come to expect. A potpourri of dried sage, gunpowder, black pepper and leather provide a robust, full-bodied and brawny experience in this wine crafted from vineyards across the valley. It has black fruit flavors and a savory personality wrapped in big, sturdy tannins that should mellow in due time. 95 pts Wine Advocate, 2016 93 pts Wine Advocate, 2014

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2017

'The F in Red' Cabernet - Fleury Estate Winery (421)

TASTING NOTE The dazzling garnet color first grabs hold of your attention. Beautiful swirls of wine dance in the glass, releasing enticing aromas of dark fruits, cocoa powder, sweet leather, violet and wild herbs. Persistent and layered flavors of black cherry, roasted espresso, toasty oak and graphite harmoniously excite the senses. The fine, almost powder like, tannin provide structure and balance. Produced in small volume, but mighty in stature, this 2015 offering is one which can be savored today or aged for years to come. VINEYARD NOTE Sourced primarily from our Fleury Estate owned and farmed vineyard located in Rutherford, Napa Valley, this beautifully manicured vineyard sits aside the winery in which the wonderful wine was crafted. There is little dispute that Rutherford's climate and terrior create characteristics unique to wine from this region. Planted amongst the valley floor, with rows running east and west, the vineyard produces rich and full-flavored wines, with beautiful chocolate notes. The location provides ideal sun exposure during the day which helps to develop the lush, intense fruit one would expect from such a magnificent property. PRODUCTION NOTE Hand-harvested, picked at night Hand-sorted while still cold from the field Fermented in small, closed top, stainless steel tanks with indigenous yeasts 5-day cold soak, 25 to 29 days total maceration Gentle pumpovers and delestage Spontaneous malolactic fermentation in barrels Blended before bottling and returned to barrel to continue aging as a blend Bottled unfiltered and unfiltered

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2020

"My Favourite Neighbour" Proprietary Cabernet - Booker Vineyard & Winery (404)

My Favorite Neighbor Vineyards of Booker Winery has released a new wine, Harvey & Harriet. Officially released earlier this month, the 2018 vintage Cabernet Sauvignon blend is the latest addition to the range of premium wines in the leading Paso Robles producer's portfolio, headed up by owner and winemaker Eric Jensen. Harvey & Harriet's blend of Cabernet Sauvignon is an ideal outdoor dining companion. For the true Paso experience, enjoy this wine Santa Maria barbecue-style with black-pepper seasoned beef tri tip, fresh salsa and tossed green salad. 97 pts - rare New release from Paso cult producer Booker Vineyards. As always, limited. 97 Points Jeb Dunnock: "The 2018 My Favorite Neighbor is in the same ballpark and offers terrific notes of crème de cassis, tobacco leaf, lead pencil shavings, and cedary herbs. It's a full-bodied, silky, impeccably balanced beauty that has just subtle background oak, a stacked mid-palate, and terrific purity of fruit." 95 points Robert Parker: "A barrel sample blended of 70% Cabernet Sauvignon, 20% Syrah and 10% Petit Verdot, the 2018 My Favorite Neighbor Proprietary Blend is deep garnet-purple

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in color and a little cedary to begin, giving way to fragrant blackcurrants, black cherries and black raspberries with touches of spice cake, Sichuan pepper, violets and hoisin. Full-bodied, densely packed and with velvety tannins, it delivers tons of tightly wound flavors, finishing long...As I've commented in the past, the wines from Eric Jensen at Booker are some of the most impressive releases coming out of California. While in the past, they relied on pure fruit and texture to impress, today they possess layered, elegant and complex characters paired with serious depth, richness and structure."

2018

Silver Oak Cabernet - Silver Oak Cellars (413)

This 100% Cabernet Sauvignon from Silver Oak Cellars is sourced from several different vineyards in Alexander Valley. Rainfall in May made up for the dry winter, prolonging the growing season and making for ideal late ripening conditions for Cabernet. As is custom, the finest lots were blended into 50% new American oak barrels to age for 24 months. The moderate treatment of specifically American oak highlights the wine's distinct Alexander Valley terroir and minerality, rather than creating an undue influence on the wine's profile. Another 15 months of bottle aging at the winery smooths tannins and adds layers of complexity. Historically the Alexander Valley bottling is drinkable upon release but has the structure and stuffing to age. From the winery: "Our 2013 Silver Oak Alexander Valley Cabernet Sauvignon is a complex wine with berry and floral aromatics and a lovely structure. It has a dark, ruby color and a vibrant nose of black cherry, wisteria and sweet baking spices. On the palate, the wine is elegant and expressive and echoes the berry, floral and spice notes from the nose. It has a classic structure of fine grained tannins and a long, layered finish.

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2016

Burgess Estate Cabernet Sauvignon - Burgess Cellars (209)

Napa Valley Pioneers Burgess, was one of the very first wineries to establish vineyards on the steep slopes of Howell Mountain. Since the outset, Burgess has turned out distinctive mountain Cabs, Merlots and Zins that gained admirers and a strong following. This 2012 is benchmark Burgess style. Grapes for this Cab are sourced from the estate vineyard that faces west from the side of Howell Mountain and has a slope averaging 22% and their Haymaker Vineyard, an eastern-facing Howell Mountain vineyard located in a frost free zone between the valley floor and mountain top with ancient marine sedimentary soils. The blend is 75% Cabernet Sauvignon, 12% Merlot, 11% Petit Verdot and 2% Malbec. The Wine Advocate scored this 92 points saying "The 2013 Cabernet Sauvignon (at a very fair price, by the way) has beautiful blackcurrant fruit, blackberry, underlying earth and spice, medium to full body, a long finish and sweet, moderate tannin. A rather classic example of Napa viticulture and still available at a shockingly realistic price. This beautiful wine is young, but reflects the greatness of 2012, and should promise to improve and evolve for another 15-20 years." Complex aromas and flavors of blackberry, cassis, cherry, vanilla and spice. This rich mountain wine shows true Cabernet flavor, densely packed and with a full body. Critical Acclaim V93 Vinous / Antonio Galloni - "The 2012 Cabernet Sauvignon from Burgess hits the palate with an exotic concoction of dark fruit, pencil shavings, spices, tobacco, cedar, savory herbs, licorice and lavender. Dark and imposing, the 2012 possesses superb richness, with plenty of Howell Mountain character and intensity. The silkiness of the vintage has softened some of the contours, but this remains a distinctly savory and mineral-inflected Cabernet with tons of hillside character. Today, the 2012 comes across as tightly wound and in need of further cellaring, so readers should not be in any rush to open bottles. This distinctly old-school leaning Cabernet will also thrill readers seeking value, as it delivers superb quality and personality for the money." WE90 Wine Enthusiast - "From a high perch on Howell Mountain, this producer has blended 92% Cabernet Sauvignon with 8% Petit Verdot—making for a darkly colored, robust wine. Thick, chalky tannins envelop plum, cassis and dark chocolate.

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2019	<p>Darioush 'Signature' Cabernet - Darioush Vineyards (213)</p> <p><i>The hallmark of Darioush Signature Cabernet Sauvignon is its seamlessness, the result of decades of meticulous vineyard management of our cooler climate, Southern Napa Valley sites. Our estate vineyards in the Mount Veeder and Napa Valley AVAs have hit their stride, producing fruit with splendid concentration, compelling freshness, and graceful complexity. The final composition strikes a tightrope balance of youthful energy, structure, and restraint; our flagship wine rewards with extraordinary depth and poise. "2016 Cabernet Sauvignon reveals a total rock star on the nose, cranking out beautifully boisterous notes of crème de cassis, preserved plums, warm blueberries... a solid frame of super ripe, finely grained tannins and oodles of freshness, finishing very long and very spicy." Robert Parker Wine Advocate October 2018 Rated 96+</i></p>	\$250
2016	<p>Derange Cabernet - Prisoner Wine Company (202)</p> <p><i>Winemaker Notes Rich and enticing aromas of blackberry, vanilla bean, baking spices, dark chocolate, and caramel. The palate is overly luscious and giving with notes of dark cherry and blueberry leading to an opulent, velvety finish. Critical Acclaim WW92 Wilfred Wong of Wine.com You must all remember the expression, "Life is a bowl of cherries." The Prisoner Wine Company Dérangé Red Wine—a New World blend of Cabernet Sauvignon, Zinfandel, Merlot, Syrah, and Petite Sirah—shows what can be successfully done when a producer combines grapes from some of California's highest regarded winegrowers. This wine explodes with all kinds of ripe fruit, spices, and earth notes. Its fully loaded palate makes it an excellent choice with high-quality pizzas surrounded by big screens and many ballgames. Hey maybe, life may even be better as a mixed bowl of berries. (Tasted: January 3, 2018, San Francisco, CA)</i></p>	\$250
2016	<p>Vein Cabernet - Revolver Wine Company (515)</p> <p><i>Limited Production: 3 Barrels – 75 case production Ageing: 30 months in French oak barriques The punk rock classic, our flagship cabernet is sure to excite at every occasion. Dark fruits, bold tannins, and a velvety finish are hallmarks of this exceptional vintage, and with an approachable complexity, it's the perfect companion for dinner and a show. Description It all started years ago at a chance meeting in the tasting room. This led to the genesis of producing a kick ass wine together. After many meet ups over the years and idea swapping, we decided to do a Cabernet Sauvignon to start...and not just an ordinary one. We got the components for 2009 together and headed to my cottage to watch the Super Bowl and start up the final blending process. After a quick Guinness to calm the nerves and cleanse the pallet, we dove right into it. Within minutes it was clear that the Super Bowl was an after-thought and the creation of this wine was taken very serious attitude. After hours of creative epiphanies, Mike had his blend. Two weeks later he came in and hand blended one barrel, and I hand blended the other. Truly HANDS-ON, HAND-CRAFTED with a "punk" attitude!! Bryan Page ~ Winemaker 2016 Tasting Notes & Technical Data From the soul of a ballad and a face-melting riff comes a blend from 10 different barrels to make a mere 3 barrels of this stunning Cabernet. This is a brooding, dark, intense wine. Blackberries, dark plum, with hints of cocoa and pepper. Amazing tannin structure that is present but not dominating. Although this is a big wine, acid balance is sublime. Built to last and go great with food. It is best to give it an hour in the decanter if drunk young. This wine will easily age for 12 years plus. Vintage: 2016 Blend: 85% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Petit Verdot, 5% Malbec</i></p>	\$300
2017	<p>Mercury Head Cabernet - Orin Swift (518)</p> <p><i>An alluring hue of dark garnet sits in the glass, encircled by a glowing ruby rim. Immediate aromas of ripe black cherry, blueberry and classic cassis are supported by undertones of lavender, jasmine, sage, tobacco, cigar box and the slightest touch of anise. Rich and vibrant upon entry, flavors of dark plums, figs and black fruit transform</i></p>	\$300

into sweet vanilla and dark chocolate framed by velvety and plush tannins. The wine finishes with great length and a touch of acidity—an elegant Cabernet Sauvignon from select vineyards in the Napa Valley. Critical Acclaim RP96 The Wine Advocate - "A spectacular wine, the 2017 Cabernet Sauvignon Mercury Head is 100% Cabernet Sauvignon sourced from the Taplin and Morisoli vineyards and several Atlas Peak vineyards, aged 18 months in 50% new French oak. There are 5,461 cases of this wine. The wine is a classic, broad-shouldered, compelling Cabernet Sauvignon with beautiful blueberry and crème de cassis fruit, Christmas fruitcake, cedar wood, white chocolate notes and a hint of graphite and background toast. It is ripe, full-bodied, pure, multidimensional and a mouthful of succulent Cabernet Sauvignon to drink over the next 20+ years."

2016

Love Hammer Cabernet - Slo Down Wines (415)

Pristine vineyards, long sun soaked days and the allure of mountain fruit seduced winemaker Brandon Allen (which wasn't that hard to do) to craft our inaugural vintage of Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon, Love Hammer. Named to provoke and inspire thought, the label represents the extreme of good and evil, and how closely they can exist. Dark and inky with intense aromatics of dark cherry, dark chocolate, mocha, baking spices and clove, this wine delights the palate with an array of black and red cherry, cranberry, leather and rum raisin, all wrapped up with lush, plush tannins and a finish that just won't quit. Extremely limited with less than 300 cases produced, this wine won't last long, but fear not as we are already working on future vintages. Extremely limited with less than 300 cases produced

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1992

Abacus Cabernet - ZD Wines

This is the Very Limited 19th Vintage. The current 19th Bottling of Abacus XIX includes 25 vintages of 100% ZD Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon (1992-2016). Abacus the ultimate Cabernet Sauvignon. It is a "solera style," multiple-vintage blend of every ZD Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon ever produced. A small portion of the Abacus is bottled each year, and the remainder is returned to barrel to await a new infusion of youth with the next vintage. The next bottling released will increase by one vintage. The concept was born when ZD Winemaker, Robert and his brother, Brett were enjoying a wonderful aged Cabernet Sauvignon. They agreed that the deep complexity and subtle nuances that develop in older wines are always accompanied by a loss of fruit. What if there was a way to blend the elegance of an older Cabernet Sauvignon with the intensity of fruit found in a younger wine? Always eager to accept a challenge, Winemaker Robert deLeuze took on the task of creating such a wine, unlike any other produced in the world. The result is a "solera style" multiple-vintage blend of every ZD Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon ever produced, which is held in barrel until bottling. The first bottling, with the 1992 - 1998 vintages, was released November 1, 1999. Approximately 15% of the total blend was bottled in distinctive custom bottles, totaling 200 cases. The remainder was returned to barrel to await the next infusion of youthful fruit. Prior to the second bottling, the 1999 Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon was added to the blend. This is the ongoing cycle of the ever-evolving solera; each year Abacus will increase by one vintage, gaining more and more complexity. It truly stands as a legacy to all future ZD winemakers.

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Barolo

2017

Barolo - Palladino Wines

This wine's color is typical Nebbiolo – garnet red. Its aroma reminds us of red fruits and extremely fresh jams, because this Barolo is young. In the mouth, the tannins are significantly noticeable on the palate and its fresh notes are the protagonists, thus suggesting the aging potential of this wine. This wine is suitable for accompanying second courses such as medium and well done meat, a selection of herb or mildly seasoned cheeses. Its origin stems from the excellent Nebbiolo grapes grown on the

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land close to the village of Bricco. It has a pleasant tannin quality and it is particularly pleasing if accompanied by red meat dishes. It has an intense ruby red color and it takes on an orange shaded colour as it ages. This Barolo wine has received good scores from various critics: the 2009 vintage was given a score of 90 by Decanter. Ranked third among the wines from this region with respect to number of prizes won: the 2012 vintage was awarded Gold from the The TEXSOM International Wine Awards, and the 2010 vintage was awarded Gold from the Mundus Vini. Above average in popularity among wines from this region. Interest in this wine has fallen off relative to previous years.

Malbec

2017

Catena - Catena Malbec

A word from the native Mapuche language meaning "the ritual of sharing a drink with friends," Yauquén wines are fresh selections, with minimal oak influence, intended to be enjoyed every day with good food in good company. Bursting with aromas of ripe black cherries, plums, and violets, followed by subtle notes of vanilla and caramel, this Malbec is jammy, packed with fresh red fruit flavors. A pleasant acidity is followed by a generous, round finish marked by a subtle hint of sweet oak and firm tannins from aging 6 months in 20% French oak barrels and 80% stainless steel tanks, following vinification in stainless steel. 2014 Wine & Spirits - 89 pts Best Buy Bursting with aromas of ripe black cherry, plum, and violets, followed by subtle notes of vanilla and caramel, this distinctive Malbec has a pleasant acidity followed by a generous, round finish marked by a subtle hint of sweet oak and firm tannins. P. Tapia, February 2017 2013 James Suckling.com - 91 pts A balanced and pretty malbec with sliced plum and berry aromas and flavors. Medium to full body, fresh finish. Drink now. J. Suckling, June 2015 Tasting Panel - 88 pts Lush and rich with smooth texture and ripe plum and blackberry; deep and balanced, long and intense. A. Dias Blue, October 2015 Wine Spectator - 88 pts A balanced and fresh-tasting red, with crisp acidity behind the dark cherry and boysenberry flavors, accented by minerally notes. Spice hints and firm tannins show on the fruity finish. Drink now through 2018. K. Marcus, July 2015 Wine Spectator - 88 pts, Best Buy Textbook Malbec in its pure red-fruit ripeness and its caressing texture, this leaves a gentle hint of spice in its wake. P. Tapia, June 2014

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Shiraz

2016

Don Simon - Shiraz Don Simon

Owned by Owen and Cassandra Inglis since 2004, Sidewood is already starting to get noticed. Highly respected critic James Halliday gave them a five-star rating in both the 2016 and 2018 editions of Wine Companion. Made by award winning winemakers whose CVs include top wineries such as Penfolds and Shaw & Smith, their wines are absolutely stunning. Outstanding example of a cool-climate Shiraz from the Adelaide hills, this wine presents lifted fruit flavours of red cherry, currants and dark plum on the nose. The palate intensifies with flavours of pomegranate, cinnamon and spice and a textural earthy finish with soft silky tannins.

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