



Handy Hint: Cut out these notes and tape them to your bottle(s)!

Cellar Notes

July 2019

Cellar Selection - Under \$100

RED - 2013 Casanova di Neri Brunello di Montalcino Tenuta Nuova, Tuscany, Italy- \$92.00 - This 100% Sangiovese Grosso is bright red with ruby hues and has a multifaceted bouquet of violets, blueberry, dried strawberry and sweet spices. The palate shows balanced flavors of blackberry, dark red fruit and leather with light balsamic tones. The lively acidity leads to a crisp, balanced finish. A combination of elegance and power, it should be opened at least 2 hours in advance or alternatively decanting gently. This wine would pair well with barbecued beef ribs.

98pts James Suckling - "A vivid and bright red with intense blueberries and raspberries. Floral undertones and tons of citrus, too! Full-bodied, dense and layered. Polished tannins and fantastic fruit. The muscularity of the structure is what gives this wine focus and intensity. So serious for the vintage. Give it time to show its greatness. Drink in 2022."

Prestige Red - Under \$50

RED - 2016 Efeste Jolie Bouche Syrah, Yakima Valley, WA - \$49.00 - Winemaker Mark Fiore, who honed his skills at Charles Smith, creates this 100% Syrah from the acclaimed Boushey Vineyard. It provides a savory nose of boysenberry, grilled meats, olive brine and pepper. Full bodied with firm acidity, this wine is young and powerful with ripe blackberries, cassis, pepper and smoke on the palate. This wine has exceptional tension, yet is ripe and mouthwatering with a persistent finish. An ideal combination with grilled lamb. Worth cellaring for 2+ years, enjoy 2021-25. **92pts Jeb Dunnuck** - "Made from 100% Syrah from the Yakima Valley, the 2016 Syrah Jolie Bouche is a big, fleshy, pleasure-bent beauty that offers loads of blueberries, black raspberries, spice, and incense aromas, medium to full body, fruit galore, and a great finish."

Collector Series - Under \$30

RED - 2017 Orr Stillwater Creek Vineyard Grenache, Columbia Valley, WA- \$29.95 - Superstar owner/winemaker, Erica Orr, crafted this limited production Grenache with a touch of Syrah blended in. The nose shows aromas of blueberry, raspberry, cranberry, licorice, peppery spice and herbs, plus a whiff of violets. Fresh, approachable and a bit rustic, the flavors of red cherry puree, cranberry, pomegranate, black tea and sage all nicely combine in the glass. It's vibrant and lively through the long and mouth-watering finish. Try this with slow cooked pork roast. This is an excellent effort that will cellar well over the next eight plus years. Enjoy-2018-2026.

WHITE - 2016 Latta Wines Roussanne, Lawrence Vineyard - \$29.95 - Andrew Latta, former chief winemaker for Charles Smith's "K-Vintners", continues to churn out truly brilliant wines - under his own label, and still a bit under the radar. Truly an exceptional winemaker among the elite pack of Washington's uber-talented younger producers, you'll enjoy the super-silky mouthfeel and unique citrus and satin character of this gorgeous floral and mildly tropical white. Try this wonderful wine with lobster, crab, clams, or shrimp. Enjoy today - 2021.

Classic Series - Under \$20

RED - 2016 Tenuta Sant'Antonio Scaia Cabernet Sauvignon Torre Mellotti, Veneto, Italy- \$19.95 - Hailing from northeast Italy, this wine goes through a process where they blend 50% fresh grapes with 50% dried Cabernet grapes. What this gives you is an intense zingy laser of fresh fruit, dense but not heavy. We found aromas and flavors of ripe black cherry, blackberry and caramel with notes of mocha, and tobacco. Soft and warm on the palate, with a distinct silky feeling that envelops the whole mouth. A super polished wine with a lengthy finish. Perfect with hard cheese or pasta dishes. Enjoy today - 2029.

WHITE - 2015 Casal de Armán White Blend, Ribeiro, Spain - \$19.95 - Casal de Armán was founded in the late 1990's by the González family, who have been making Ribeiro wines since the 19th century. This 90% Treixadura, 5% Godello and 5% Albariño conveys intense aromas of white flowers, stone fruit and hay. The palate provides rich flavors of honeysuckle, white peach and stone fruit with a touch of butterscotch. It has a good balance of fruit and acidity with a long, generous finish. This wine would be amazing with full flavored fish and shell fish, especially crab and prawns. Enjoy today - 2020.

Award Series - Under \$15

RED - 2013 Coyote Canyon Tres Cruces GSM, Horse Heaven Hills, WA- \$14.95 - A red blend of 50% Syrah, 28% Grenache and 22% Mourvedre, you'll sense an intriguing nose that reveals aromas of dried fig and blackberry pie mixed with spicy notes of Cardamom, dried herbs and a hint of black olive. On the palate, red plum and black cherry are upfront, balanced nicely with notes of dried leaves, clay dust and dark chocolate, leading to a long finish of dark fruits and ground sage. Try with earthier dishes such as grilled sausages or duck risotto. Enjoy today - 2020.

WHITE - 2018 Ferrari-Carano Fume Blanc, Sonoma County, CA- \$14.95 - One of the first two wines Ferrari-Carano ever made over 35 years ago was 'Fume Blanc', a widely adopted term coined by Robert Mondavi for Sauvignon Blanc. The 2018 vintage is 100% Sauvignon Blanc with delicious aromas and flavors of pineapple, pink grapefruit, lemon-grass, lychee, peach, pear, honeydew melon, orange blossom, guava and a touch of minerality. Crisp and lovely, it leaves you with a light creaminess on the fresh finish. This wine has lively enough to go well with spicy and ethnic cuisines such as Japanese, Vietnamese, Thai, Chinese, Korean and Southwestern dishes. Enjoy today - 2023.

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Store Hours -

Tuesday - Thursday: 10 – 6, ***Fridays until 7***, Saturday: 10- 5, **CLOSED SUNDAY & MONDAY**

Tastings -

TASTING HOURS: Fridays, 3:00 until 6:30 - Saturdays from 2:00 until 4:30pm

Friday	July 5	Closed for 4th of July Holiday
Saturday	July 6	Closed for 4th of July Holiday
FIRST FRIDAY	July 12	FIRST FRIDAY! Artist Rob McKirdie + July Wine of the Month Club Selections
Saturday	July 13	Wines to be Determined with Distributor Rep Cole Cameron in attendance
Friday	July 19	Eternal Wines with Winery Owner and Winemaker Brad Binko in attendance
Saturday	July 20	Great Wines with VINO!'s John Allen in attendance
Friday	July 26	G.D. Vajra with Distributor Rep James Marinello in attendance
Saturday	July 27	Great Wines with VINO!'s Grant Gondry in attendance
FIRST FRIDAY	Aug 2	FIRST FRIDAY! Artist Rob McKirdie + August Wine of the Month Club Selections