

Wines by the Glass

Sparkling

Brut • J Vineyards Russian River Valley, California 2001 12 44
Delicious as an aperitif or as one of the most versatile food pairing wines around. This dry sparkler successfully blends Chardonnay and Pinot Noir to offer a slightly toasty nose with pear, apple, spice and almond flavors. A fresh style with finesse, body and a clean, crisp, dry finish.

Brut Blanc de Noir • Gruet Albuquerque, New Mexico NV 8 32
The Gruet family began producing sparkling wine in New Mexico over twenty years ago. Their Blanc de Noir is rich and toasty with a fine, golden color and is made from Pinot Noir with a touch of Chardonnay. It possesses an aggressive mousse and creamy texture that coats the palate with an array of red fruits finishing with a juicy explosion of raspberry.

White

Riesling • Storrs Santa Cruz, California 2004 9 36
The Storrs captured a gold medal at the San Francisco National Wine Competition for their very first vintage of Riesling in 1998. Aromas of honeysuckle, orange blossom, and apricot yield to a rich mouth feel and lingering finish. The closest thing to drinking flowers!

Pinot Grigio • Montevina 'Terra d Oro' Santa Barbara, California 2005 9 32
Structure and complexity with clean, bright fruit. Oak and richness combine with the fruit for a creaminess on the palate. Look for baked pear and apple flavors accentuated by nuances of toasted coconut and graham cracker.

Sauvignon Blanc • Honig Napa Valley, California 2005 8 30
Picked at modest ripeness to preserve floral delicacy and varietal identity, this refreshing SB is full of grassy aromas of fresh herbs, straw, and lemongrass followed by plenty of stone fruits and melon on the palate and into the crisp, focused finish.

Albariño • Cambiata Monterey, California 2005 10 38
Estate grown, in Monterey County, this Spanish varietal is reminiscent of a Sauvignon Blanc. With a grassy aroma, floral and spicy notes, it pairs well with seafood, cheese, and salads. Try something new!

Chardonnay • Chehelem 'Inox' Willamette Valley, Oregon 2005 11 40
Inox is fermented completely without oak or malolactic fermentation, while maintaining an excellent acidic balance. Peach and pear dominate the nose. Flavors of white blossoms and ginger merge with a lingering minerality.

Rose

Rose of Cabernet/Syrah/Merlot • Clos Saron 'Tickled Pink' Sierra Foothills, California 2005 12 (375 ml.)25
Attractive, sparkly pink color. The nose shows lovely flowery, fruity, and spicy notes, and the palate is ripe and broad-flavored, with lively, refreshing acidity matching the intensely fruity, mineral character. The perfect lunch wine for the deck!

Red

Pinot Noir • Brandborg 'Bench Lands' Umpqua Valley, Oregon 2005 12 44
This Pinot is best characterized by its dominant fruit forward flavors of strawberries and raspberries. Soft tannins are subtly integrated for a delicate and subtle complexity.

Zinfandel • Teira Sonoma County, California 2004 9 32
The fruit for this wine is sourced from two distinct Sonoma Zinfandel regions; the Dry Creek Valley and Russian River Valley. Ripe blackberry and dusty raspberry flavors accentuate a nice structure and body, due to the addition of 4% Petite Syrah.

Grenache • 'Writer's Block' Steele Wines Lake County, 2005 9 32
Finally, a wine with a clever and silly label, that walks the walk! A medium bodied red, with distinct flavors of strawberry and cherry, and a light spice on the finish. Very versatile. Will pair well with pork, fish, chicken, cheese, or a mixed green salad.

Syrah • Matchbook Dunnigan Hills, California 2004 11 40
The first release from Matchbook vineyards, this well structured Syrah offers big, forward fruit flavors of ripe black cherries and berries. The addition of 10% Malbec and 7% Cabernet round out a strong and lingering finish.

'Costa del Sol' • Benessere, Saint Helena, California 2003 10 36
A delicate red anchored on Sangiovese, blended with Cabernet, Merlot, and Zinfandel. A light body, with forward flavors of ripe sun-drenched fruits. The varietals harmonize for a soft, "approachable," and subtle finish.

Cabernet Sauvignon • IL Coure Mendocino County, California 2002 10 36
5% Syrah is added to provide structure and deep fruit flavors, balancing out the supple tannins and black cherry flavors of this Cabernet Sauvignon. 5% Zinfandel adds ripe plum flavors and spicy nuances!

Half Bottles

White

- Sauvignon Blanc • Work Vineyard** Napa Valley, California 2005 23
A vibrant and lively expression of a single Napa Valley vineyard. Aromas of Meyer lemon, citrus peel, and a touch of flint. The palate is bright with fresh citrus and tropical flavors and a lingering minerality. Perfect with goat cheese or shellfish.
- Viognier • Pride** Sonoma County, California 2005 38
Rich in mouth-feel, yet balanced with "bright acidity," this is 100% Viognier offers flavors of white stone-fruit mingled with enticing aromas of citrus blossom and gardenias. Delicately balanced and medium-bodied, it is a fantastic accompaniment to a summer salad, a variety of cheeses, or shellfish.
- Chardonnay • "7 Heavenly Chards" Michael/David** Lodi, California 2005 25
A rich, full bodied Chardonnay. Dominating flavor characteristics of toasted marshmallow, caramel apple, peach, and passion fruit. A subtle acidity counterbalances the oak, keeping the wine robust and lush. Excellent by itself, with cheese, fish, or shellfish.

Red

- Pinot Noir • Calera "Jensen Vineyard"** Mt. Harlan, San Benito County, California 2001 44
Perfumed aromas of fresh raspberry, blackberry, and vanilla bean prelude a harmonious balance of enticing fruit, youthful acidity, and well integrated tannin which lavish the palate with red fruits and loads of spices through a long, delicious finish.
- Zinfandel • Scherrer "Old Vines"** Sonoma County, California 2002 28
This Zinfandel is "centered on ripe, but not jammy fruit, with red berries and blueberry notes." Due to more 'traditional Burgundian' techniques, there is also a "welcome, intriguing, earthy, toastiness" in the background as a bonus.
- Syrah • Cupe "Bien Nacido Vineyard"** Santa Maria Valley, California 2003 26
From the Bien Nacido vineyard famous for producing some of the most sought after fruit in California. Loaded with ripe dark berry fruit and classic syrah aromas of smoked meat and spice, this robust red is perfect for any game dish.
- 'Esprit de Beaucastel' • Tablas Creek** Paso Robles, California 2002 34
Chateau Beaucastel Rhone blend of Mourvedre, Syrah, Grenache, and Cunoise. A ripe, spicy nose of raspberries and blueberries with hints of smoke and leather leads to a rich palate of red fruits laced with licorice, nutmeg, and pepper.
- Merlot • Shafer** Napa Valley, California 2003 40
This release marks the 20th anniversary of Shafer Merlot. Robert M. Parker, of *The Wine Advocate* calls the '03 Merlot inky/purple, with a big, sweet nose of smoke, black currants, plums, and cherries. It is full-throttled...muscular and powerful."
- Cabernet Sauvignon • Whitehall Lane** Napa Valley, California 2002 38
Attractive aromas of blackberry and black cherry, spice and vanilla. An elegant expression of Cabernet that is round and supple with alluring flavors of dark berries, plum, mocha, and cassis lingering on the rich, focused finish.

Dessert

- Orange Muscat • Quady "Essentia"** Madera, California 2005 8 30
Known in Italy as Moscato Fior d'Arancio (Orange Blossom Muscat), Andrew Quady crafts *Essentia* in the warm climate of the central San Joaquin Valley, where it develops a spicy orange-apricot characteristic. *Essentia's* vibrant flavor goes particularly well with chocolate, peaches, apples, or apricots.
- LH Sauvignon Blanc/Semillon • DeLorimier "Lace"** Alexander Valley, California 2004 10 38
Grapes infected with the noble rot botrytis produce this lush, intensely flavored treat in the style of grand Sauternes.
- LH Gewurztraminer • Navarro Vineyards "Cluster Select"** Anderson Valley, California 2001 44
Botrytis magnifies the already spicy Gewurz character to create this viscous, tropical delight.
- Black Muscat • Quady, "Elysium"** Madera, California 2005 8 30
Greek for heaven, Elysium's aroma is one of lush rose petals. The sweet flavors of cinnamon and winter spice are excellent with vanilla, dark chocolate, ice cream, and red berries.
- Zinfandel Port • Meyer Family** Mendocino County, California NV 10 65
A rich tawny style mixing peppery Zinfandel, sweet oak, and fine brandy make this a perfect pairing with chocolate!