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ine Spectator's annual Top 100 encapsulates the world of wine. In 2024, that includes releases from a stellar 2021 vintage for California Cabernet and Tuscany, challenges for Bordeaux, familial succession and ownership changes. Each year's Top 100 offers insights on both tradition and innovation in wine regions around the globe, from new trends and emerging players to familiar names achieving higher quality.

Our editors blind-tasted nearly 10,500 wines during the past year, of which 5,765 rated 90 points or higher. This was our starting point for selecting the Top 100, evaluated for quality (based on score), value (based on price), availability (based on cases either made or imported into the United States) and, most importantly, the energy and story behind the wine, what we call the X-factor.

This year's list is headlined by the Viña Don Melchor Cabernet Sauvignon Puente Alto Puente Alto Vineyard 2021 as Wine of the Year. Viña Don Melchor is one of Chile's iconic estates, where technical director Enrique Tirado has been making the wines for 25 vintages.

In the following pages, you'll find 99 more standouts, both highly rated bottles and incredible values. The 2021 vintage is a major protagonist this year: California occupies more than one-quarter of the list on the basis of the excellent Cabernet Sauvignons from the vintage; Italy enjoys 20% of the entries on the strength of the '21 harvest in Tuscany; on the other hand, 2021 was more difficult in France, resulting in a reduced presence compared with most years.

Thirty-five wines earned a spot on the Top 100 for the first time. Many others demonstrate consistent quality in vintage after vintage. Though nearly 20% of the wines are priced at \$100 or more, 23% cost \$25 or less. Overall, the average score is 93 points, the average price \$68.

Senior editors James Molesworth, MaryAnn Worobiec, Alison Napjus, Tim Fish, Kristen Bieler, Mitch Frank and Aaron Romano, associate editor Collin Dreizen, associate tasting coordinators Cassia Schifter and Christopher Cardoso, assistant tasting coordinators Larry Rubin and Rachel Whiteman, and assistant editor Kenny Martin all contributed to the individual profiles. We hope you enjoy the exciting list of iconic wineries, top values and emerging talents that make up Wine Spectator's 2024 Top 100.

# WINE SPECTATOR'S 2024 TOP 100 AT A GLANCE

RANK	SCORE	PRICE	WINE
1	96	\$175	Viña Don Melchor Cabernet Sauvignon Puente Alto
2	95	\$170	Puente Alto Vineyard 2021  Beaulieu Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley Georges de Latour Private Reserve 2021
3	97	\$180	Antinori Toscana Tignanello 2021
4	94	\$65	Faust Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley 2021
5		\$120	Chimney Rock Cabernet Sauvignon
	100000		Stags Leap District 2021
6	94	\$44	Drouhin Oregon Roserock Pinot Noir Eola-Amity Hills 2022
7		\$114	Domaine du Vieux Télégraphe Châteauneuf-du-Pape La Crau 2020
8	95	\$72	Williams Selyem Pinot Noir Russian River Valley Eastside Road Neighbors 2022
9	94	\$42	G.D. Vajra Barolo Albe 2020
10	94	\$50 \$26	Craggy Range Sauvignon Blanc Martinborough Te Muna 2023
12	94	\$80	Penfolds Cabernet-Shiraz South Australia Bin 389 2022
13	95	\$40	Fattoria di Fèlsina Chianti Classico Berardenga Riserva 2021
14	93	\$22	Turley Zinfandel California Juvenile 2022
15	96	\$65	Caprili Brunello di Montalcino 2019
16	95	\$50	Merry Edwards Sauvignon Blanc Russian River Valley 2022
17	94	\$50	Bledsoe Family Cabernet Sauvignon Walla Walla Valley 2021
18	95	\$45	Michele Satta Bolgheri Superiore Piastraia 2021
19	95	\$65	La Fiorita Brunello di Montalcino 2019
20	93	\$32	Roederer Estate Brut Anderson Valley NV
21	95	\$54	Carlisle Zinfandel Russian River Valley Papera Ranch 2021
22	97	\$60	Siro Pacenti Brunello di Montalcino Pelagrilli 2019
23	95	\$95	Figgins Walla Walla Valley 2020
24	93	\$28	San Felice Chianti Classico II Grigio Riserva 2021
25	93	\$38	Rutherford Hill Merlot Napa Valley 2021
	93	\$32	Dow Late Bottled Port 2018
27	94	\$40	St. Supéry Sauvignon Blanc Napa Valley Dollarhide Cold Concrete Fermented 2022
28	97	\$83	Castello Romitorio Brunello di Montalcino 2019  Calora Pinot Noir Mount Harlan Byan Vinovard 2021
29 30	96 92	\$95 \$26	Calera Pinot Noir Mount Harlan Ryan Vineyard 2021  Kaiken Malbec Mendoza Ultra 2021
31	93	\$45	Patz & Hall Pinot Noir Sonoma Coast 2021
32	92	\$18	Barnard Griffin Cabernet Sauvignon Columbia Valley 2021
33	91	\$22	Elena Walch Pinot Grigio Alto Adige 2023
34	95	The second second	Bergström Pinot Noir Ribbon Ridge
35	97	\$92	La Spirale Vineyard 2022  Castellare di Castellina Toscana I Sodi di
0.000	55.55	11/00/2012	San Niccolò 2020
36	93	\$49	VIK Milla Cala Millahue 2021
37	92	\$20	Vallepicciola Chianti Classico 2021
38	94	\$60	Racines Pinot Noir Sta. Rita Hills Cuvée 2021
39	92	\$25	Viña Cobos Cocodrilo Corte Mendoza 2022
40	90	\$18 \$20	Wente Chardonnay Central Coast Morning Fog 2022 Whitehaven Sauvignon Blanc Marlborough 2023
41	91	\$17	Giovanni Viberti Barbera d'Alba La Gemella 2022
43	93	\$55	Flowers Chardonnay Sonoma Coast 2023
44	90	\$25	Feudo Montoni Nero d'Avola Sicilia Lagnusa 2022
45	92	\$25	Château du Retout Haut-Médoc 2022
46	97	\$110	Fattoria Le Pupille Toscana Saffredi 2021
47	92	\$36	Bethel Heights Pinot Noir Eola-Amity Hills Estate 2022
48	91	\$30	Joseph Drouhin StVéran 2022
49	90	\$12	Santa Cristina Cabernet Sauvignon Toscana 2022
50	97	\$95	Barone Ricasoli Chianti Classico Gaiole Colledilà Gran Selezione 2021
51	91	\$40	Bodegas Muga Rioja Reserva 2020
52	94	\$40	Lavinea Pinot Noir Eola-Amity Hills 2022
53	93	\$60	R. López de Heredia Viña Tondonia Rioja Viña Tondonia Reserva 2011

	RANK	SCORE	PRICE	WINE
-	54	96	\$110	<b>Kistler</b> Pinot Noir Russian River Valley Cuvée Natalie Silver Belt Vineyard 2021
-	55	93	\$59	Domaine Tempier Bandol Rosé 2023
-	56	92	\$45	Bodegas El Nido Jumilla Clio 2021
	57		\$375	Stag's Leap Wine Cellars Cabernet Sauvignon Stags Leap District Cask 23 2021
	58	91	\$18	Viña Tabali Sauvignon Blanc Limarí Valley Vetas 2023
	59	90	\$25	Isaac Fernandez Selección Ribera del Duero Finca La Mata 2022
-	60	90	\$21	Umani Ronchi Verdicchio dei Castelli di Jesi Classico Superiore Casal di Serra 2022
	61	90	\$21	Nik Weis StUrbans-Hof Riesling Mosel From Old Vines 2022
	62	90	\$25	Etxaniz Txakolina Getariako Txakolina Txomin Etxaniz 2023
	63	93	\$62	Pierre Gimonnet & Fils Brut Blanc de Blancs Champagne Cuis NV
112	64	91	\$24	Viña Mayu Syrah Elquí Valley Gran Reserva Don Mauro Vineyard 2021
	65	92	\$47	William Fèvre Chablis Domaine 2022
	66	90	\$30	José Maria da Fonseca Península de Setúbal Anticiclone 2022
	67	93	\$62	Royal Tokaji Tokaji Aszú 5 Puttonyos Red Label 2018 (500ml)
100	68	94	\$87	Law Beguiling Adelaida District 2021
	69	91	\$45	J.J. Vincent & Fils Pouilly-Fuissé Famille Vincent Marie-Antoinette 2022
	70	90	\$21	Prà Soave Classico Otto 2022
	71	91	\$35	Aperture Chenin Blanc Clarksburg 2023
	72	91	\$36	Massican Annia California 2022
	73	93	\$145	Burgess Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley Promiscua 2021
	74	94	\$68	Domaine Roy & Fils Pinot Noir Dundee Hills Incline 2022
	75	94	\$130	Sullivan Cabernet Sauvignon Rutherford Coeur de Vigne 2021
	76	90	\$19	Adegas Gran Vinum Albariño Rías Baixas Val do Salnés Astrid 2022
	77	90	\$25	Klein Constantia Chardonnay Constantia 2022
	78	90	\$25	Aveleda Douro Superior Vale D. Maria Vinhas do Sabor 2020
	79	95	\$125	Domaine de la Janasse Châteauneuf-du-Pape Vieilles Vignes 2022
	80	92	\$45	Henri Bourgeois Sancerre ES-56 Domaine 2022
	81	90	\$22	Soalheiro Alvarinho Vinho Verde Monção e Melgaço 2023
	82	90	\$30	Invivo Pinot Noir Marlborough X, Sarah Jessica Parker 2022
	83	93	\$30	Château Doisy Daëne Bordeaux White 2022
	84	95	\$50	Burn Cottage Pinot Noir Central Otago Moonlight Race 2022
	85	90	\$33	Montenidoli Vernaccia di San Gimignano Tradizionale 2022
	86	94	\$75	Gorman Syrah-Cabernet Sauvignon Red Mountain The Evil Twin 2021
-	87	93	\$75	Bodega Mil Suelos Estancia Uspallata Igneo Mendoza 2020
	88	92	\$25	Yering Station Pinot Noir Yarra Valley Village 2022
	89	94		Trimbach Riesling Alsace Frédéric Émile 2017
-	90	97 91	\$240 \$31	Louis Latour Corton Château Corton Grancey 2022  Dominique Piron Morgon Côte du Py 2022
-	92	93	\$67	Graeme & Julie Bott StJoseph 2022
1.5	93	93		Proidl Grüner Veltliner Kremstal Senftenberg Ried
1.2	94		\$225	Pellingen Reserve 2022  Almacerro Cabernet Sauvignon Howell Mountain 2021
-	95	92	\$69	Flam White Label Judean Hills 2021
	96	95	\$70	Ferren Pinot Noir Sonoma Coast 2021
7.5	97	98		VHR Cabernet Sauvignon Oakville 2021
11.5	98	94	\$149	M. Chapoutier Hermitage Monier de la Sizeranne 2020
	99	4279.74	\$250	Annulus Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley Vine Hill Ranch Vineyard 2021
	100	96	\$155	Rotem & Mounir Saouma Châteauneuf-du-Pape White Magis 2020

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### DOMAINE TEMPIER

Bandol Rosé 2023

**93** | \$59 | FRANCE

No rosé has a greater cult following than Tempier—and the hype is entirely justified. Matriarch Lucie "Lulu" (née Tempier) Peyraud—who died in 2020 at age 102—was a luminary in Provence, elevating the region's cuisine and wine. With her husband, Lucien, she proved to the world that rosé can be a serious, ageworthy wine. Unlike in the rest of Provence, the rosés from Bandol are based on Mourvèdre (instead of Grenache), a sturdier grape with more robust tannins, giving them longevity. Few wines channel their origins as magically as Tempier, crafted by longtime winemaker Daniel Ravier. 2,350 cases imported.



### BODEGAS EL NIDO

Jumilla Clio 2021

92 | \$45 | SPAIN

Bodegas El Nido, established in 2001, is part of the Gil Family Estates winery group, encompassing 11 wineries in Spain and more than 4,300 acres of vineyards. El Nido is just down the road from the family's original winery, Juan Gil, in the Jumilla DO, located inland from Spain's southeastern coast. The Clio bottling blends 70% Monastrell (Mourvèdre) with



Cabernet Sauvignon, planted on 77 acres of sandy soils with a thick layer of coarse limestone. Produced in collaboration with Australian winemaker Chris Ringland, Clio is consistently outstanding. 6,000 cases made, 2,000 cases imported.



### STAG'S LEAP WINE CELLARS

**Cabernet Sauvignon Stags** Leap District Cask 23 2021

**97** | \$375 | CALIFORNIA

In 1970, Warren Winiarski purchased a 50-acre fruit orchard and ranch in Napa Valley, planting Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot. Under Winiarski, the winery went on to establish a

lengthy track record for Cabernet, with its Cask 23 bottling representing the pinnacle of the portfolio. In 2007, Washington's Ste. Michelle Wine Estates and Tuscany's Piero Antinori purchased the winery. Antinori became sole owner late last year; Winiarski died this year at age 95. Winemaker Marcus Notaro continues to produce the Cask 23 bottling by combining lots from the 36-acre SLV Vineyard and the 66-acre Fay Vineyard. 2,175 cases made.



### VIÑA TABALI

Sauvignon Blanc Limarí Valley Vetas 2023

91 | \$18 | CHILE

Flying under the radar of Chile's diverse offering of wines is the country's promising and vibrant Sauvignon Blanc. With the founding of this winery in 2002, Guillermo Luksic helped pioneer Limarí, a unique desertlike area that remains cool due to its proximity to the Pacific Ocean. Vetas Blancas, which translates to "white veins" in Spanish, is a nod to the limestone-laced soils there. CEO and chief winemaker Felipe Müller channels Limari's coastal climate and minerally soils, fermenting this Sauvignon Blanc in stainless steel at low temperatures (51° F.-55° F.) to retain

its freshness and mouthwatering acidity. 3,000 cases made, 1,500 cases imported.



### ISAAC **FERNANDEZ** SELECCIÓN

Ribera del Duero Finca La Mata 2022

90 | \$25 | SPAIN

In 2009 winemaker Isaac Fernandez Montaña teamed up with former sommelier turned wine importer Aurelio Cabestrero to create a range of well-priced wines to introduce Americans to Spanish terroir, contracting with grapegrowers in regions throughout the country. This example from Ribera sources 100% Tinta del Pais (Tempranillo) grapes from 37 acres at high elevation (around 2,800 feet) and vines up to 85 years old. Fernandez Montaña aged the Finca La Mata for about 10 months in a combination of French (90%) and American oak. 1,800 cases made, 1,300 cases imported.



### UMANI RONCHI

Verdicchio dei Castelli di Jesi Classico Superiore Casal di Serra 2022

90 | \$21 | ITALY

The Verdicchio grape is one of the stars among Umani Ronchi's large lineup of wines highlighting growing areas along Italy's eastern seaboard. Casal di Serra is one of five Verdicchio labels in the range, first released with the 1983 vintage, produced from the 4-acre Montecarotto vineyard. Today father-and-son owners Massimo and Michele Bernetti source grapes for the cuvée from four plots, including the original vineyard. Lees contact during fermentation and aging imparts some additional richness and roundness to this vibrant white. 13,000 cases made, 2,250 cases imported.



### VALUES IN THE 2024 TOP 100

The wines listed below all scored at least 90 points and cost \$25 or less. They are organized by descending score and ascending price. Rank in the Top 100 is indicated to the right.

SCORE	PRICE	WINE	RANK
93	\$22	Turley Zinfandel California Juvenile 2022	14
92	\$18	Barnard Griffin Cabernet Sauvignon Columbia Valley 2021	32
92	\$20	Vallepicciola Chianti Classico 2021	37
92	\$25	Viña Cobos Cocodrilo Corte Mendoza 2022	39
92	\$25	Château du Retout Haut-Médoc 2022	45
92	\$25	Yering Station Pinot Noir Yarra Valley Village 2022	88
91	\$17	Giovanni Viberti Barbera d'Alba La Gemella 2022	42
91	\$18	<b>Viña Tabali</b> Sauvignon Blanc Limarí Valley Vetas 2023	58
91	\$22	Elena Walch Pinot Grigio Alto Adige 2023	33
90	\$25	Isaac Fernandez Selección Ribera del Duero Finca La Mata 2022	59
91	\$24	<b>Viña Mayu</b> Syrah Elquí Valley Gran Reserva Don Mauro Vineyard 2021	64
90	\$25	Feudo Montoni Nero d'Avola Sicilia Lagnusa 2022	44

SCORE	PRICE	WINE	RANK
90	\$12	Santa Cristina Cabernet Sauvignon Toscana 2022	49
90	\$18	Wente Chardonnay Central Coast Morning Fog 2022	40
90	\$19	Adegas Gran Vinum Albariño Rías Baixas Val do Salnés Astrid 2022	76
90	\$20	Whitehaven Sauvignon Blanc Marlborough 2023	41
90	\$21	Umani Ronchi Verdicchio dei Castelli di Jesi Classico Superiore Casal di Serra 2022	60
90	\$21	Nik Weis StUrbans-Hof Riesling Mosel From Old Vines 2022	61
90	\$21	Prà Soave Classico Otto 2022	70
90	\$22	<b>Soalheiro</b> Alvarinho Vinho Verde Monção e Melgaço 2023	81
90	\$25	Etxaniz Txakolina Getariako Txakolina Txomin Etxaniz 2023	62
90	\$25	Klein Constantia Chardonnay Constantia 2022	77
90	\$25	Aveleda Douro Superior Vale D. Maria Vinhas do Sabor 2020	78

### WILLIAM FÈVRE

Chablis Domaine 2022

**92** | \$47 | FRANCE

Since producing his first vintage in 1959 from a modest 17 acres, William Fèvre expanded the domaine holdings to more than 170 acres, nearly half of which are classified as premiers or grands crus. Fèvre sold to Joseph Henriot in 1998, who appointed Didier Séguier as manager; the range of Chablis here has been brilliant ever since. In 2024, Artémis Domaines sold Fèvre to Domaines Barons de Rothschild Lafite, after acquiring majority shares in Maisons & Domaines Henriot in 2023. Sourced entirely from estate-owned parcels, this wine is mostly aged in stainless steel, with 5% to 10% aged in neutral French oak barrels. 5,000 cases imported.

### JOSÉ MARIA DA FONSECA

Península de Setúbal Anticiclone 2022

\$30 | PORTUGAL

Founded in 1834, José Maria da Fonseca encompasses vineyards throughout Portugal, with its largest vineyard area in the Península de Setúbal IG. Located southeast of Lisbon, the peninsula's Mediterranean climate is influenced by the Atlantic Ocean and the Tejo and Sado rivers. Vineyard sites are intermixed with protected marine parks and estuaries. The Anticiclone blends grapes indigenous to the Iberian Peninsula, Castelão and Aragoñez, known as Tinta Roriz in Portugal's Douro Valley and Tempranillo throughout Spain. Winemaking is led by vice president and sixth-generation family member Domingos Soares Franco. 10,030 cases made, 5,500 cases imported.

### ROYAL TOKAJI

Tokaji Aszú 5 Puttonyos Red Label 2018

93 | \$62/500ML | HUNGARY

Royal Tokaji was founded in 1989 by writer Hugh Johnson and several partners to restore Hungary's wine industry after the Cold War. The wine is a mix of Furmint and Hárslevelü grapes, some of which have developed botrytis. After the grapes are crushed, the healthy berries are placed in stainless steel tanks and the botrytis berries are added during fermentation. The Red Label, made only in promising years, is classified as 5 Puttonyos, meaning it has 120 grams per liter of residual sugar, giving it sweetness offset by vibrant acidity. 22,779 cases made, 1,850 cases imported.

### LAW

Beguiling Adelaida District 2021

\$87 | CALIFORNIA

Don and Susie Law planted their 80-acre vineyard in 2008 in the hills west of Paso Robles. It's one of the highest-elevation vineyards in the region, peaking at 1,950 feet. Various clones of Grenache and Syrah account for about 50% of the vineyard, from which the 2021 Beguiling bottling was harvested. The limestone soils and dramatic slopes of the vineyard lend distinction. Winemaker Philipp Pfunder blended 87% Grenache with 13% Syrah before aging the wine 19 months in 45% new French oak, with about a quarter of the final blend resting in foudre and concrete. 1,280 cases made.

- 50 97 Barone Ricasoli Chianti Classico Gaiole Colledilà Gran Selezione 2021 \$95 Packed with cherry, raspberry and pomegranate flavors, this red is also succulent and verging on racy in profile, with a deep vein of mineral and peppery spice notes that intensify on the extended finish. Shows superb balance and grace, with the best yet to come. Best from 2027 through 2048. 1,166 cases made, 700 cases imported.—B.S. (10/31/2024)
- 51 91 Bodegas Muga Rioja Reserva 2020 \$40 A rich, savory thread of tobacco, smoke and ground coffee underscores flavors of creamed cherry and blackberry fruit, black olive, orange peel and cocoa powder in this fresh and focused red. Medium-bodied and wellknit, with lightly chewy tannins firming the finish. Tempranillo, Garnacha, Mazuelo and Graciano. Drink now through 2030. 80,000 cases made, 15,000 cases imported.—A.N. (7/31/2024)
- 52 94 Lavinea Pinot Noir Eola-Amity Hills 2022 \$40 Dynamic and deeply structured, this red retains a sense of grace. Multilayered flavors of cherry and cranberry are laced with fresh violet and forest floor accents that persist toward steely tannins. Drink now through 2032. 630 cases made.—T.F. (6/30/2024)
- 53 93 R. López de Heredia Viña Tondonia Rioja Viña Tondonia Reserva 2011 \$60 Richly savory on the nose, this fresh, sinewy red features a minerally underpinning of petrol, earth, iron and salt to the flavors of juicy dried cherry and cranberry, red licorice and mandarin orange peel. Opens nicely in the glass and on the palate, with the persistent finish showing aromatic herbs and spices, plus more mineral notes. Tempranillo, Garnacho, Graciano and Mazuelo. Drink now through 2031. 19,166 cases made, 4,500 cases imported.—A.N. (3/31/2024)
- 54 96 Kistler Pinot Noir Russian River Valley Cuvée Natalie Silver Belt Vineyard 2021 **\$110** This is tightly coiled, displaying vivid pomegranate, cherry and boysenberry coulis notes wrapped around energetic acidity. The finish offers a flurry of iris, hibiscus, anise and apple wood accents, with a deeply buried flash of bramble. Shows lovely range, tension and length; this just needs some cellaring to meld fully. Best from 2026 through 2036. 900 cases made.—J.M. (9/30/2024)
- 55 93 Domaine Tempier Bandol Rosé 2023 **\$59** Aromatically complex and seductive, this complex rosé offers waves of red berry and chalky mineral notes from start to finish. Still tightly wound, with pink grapefruit acidity driving its energy and elegance. Hints of smoke and fresh chives hover over the long finish alongside a dusting of fleur de sel. Mourvèdre, Grenache and Cinsault. Drink now through 2028. 2,350 cases imported. —K.B. (11/30/2024)
- 56 92 Bodegas El Nido Jumilla Clio 2021 **\$45** This muscular red finds fine balance and poise, integrating firm, sculpted tannins and bright orange peel acidity. Offers rich and expressive flavors of boysenberry and blackberry coulis, licorice, singed apple wood and ground coffee. Hints of toast, tar and dried mint and thyme linger on the fine-grained finish. Monastrell and Cabernet Sauvignon. Drink now through 2031. 6,000 cases made, 2,000 cases imported.—A.N. (8/31/2024)
- 57 97 Stag's Leap Wine Cellars Cabernet Sauvignon Stags Leap District Cask 23 2021 \$375 This is loaded with gorgeous flavors of boysenberry, mulberry and blackberry puree that maintain a sleek and refined feel as violet, iris and anise notes add range, lift and energy. A super fine-grained feel completes the seduction on the lengthy finish, where subtle minerality chimes prettily. Drink now through 2042. 2,175 cases made.—J.M. (11/15/2024)
- 58 91 Viña Tabali Sauvignon Blanc Limarí Valley Vetas 2023 \$18 Clean and refreshing, with mineral and sea spray elements to the succulent peach

- and citrus notes up front, picking up a salted melon accent midpalate that smooths things out. Reveals passion fruit and cassis flower details, with a mouthwatering finish. Drink now. 3,000 cases made, 1,500 cases imported. —A.R. (5/31/2024)
- 90 Isaac Fernandez Selección Ribera del Duero Finca La Mata 2022 \$25 Fresh and balanced, with dark and focused blackberry paste and crème de cassis flavors accented by fragrant notes of melted licorice, chopped marjoram, graphite and loamy earth. Fine, chalky tannins define the finish. Drink now through 2029. 1,800 cases made, 1,300 cases imported.—A.N. (7/31/2024)
- 60 90 Umani Ronchi Verdicchio dei Castelli di Jesi Classico Superiore Casal di Serra 2022 \$21 Citrusy acidity and a minerally underpinning drive the range of pear, nectarine, creamed almond, white blossom and pink grapefruit zest flavors on display in this lithe, lively white. Salty finish. Drink now. 13,000 cases made, 2,250 cases imported.—A.N. (10/15/2024)
- 61 90 Nik Weis St.-Urbans-Hof Riesling Mosel From Old Vines 2022 \$21 Fresh honey water drapes over green apple and white blossoms in this refreshing, off-dry white, which is mouthwatering, with good intensity, showing a vein of flint that keeps pace through the well-defined close. Drink now through 2029. 8,000 cases made, 2,000 cases imported.—K.B. (2/29/2024)
- 62 90 Etxaniz Txakolina Getariako Txakolina Txomin Etxaniz 2023 \$25 Floral and spice notes waft through the juicy flavors of red apple, tangerine zest and honeydew melon on display in this sleek white, with a light, pleasing plumpness on the palate. Salty finish. Hondarrabi Zuri and Hondarrabi Beltza. Drink now. 10,000 cases made, 3,000 cases imported.—A.N. (7/31/2024)
- 63 93 Pierre Gimonnet & Fils Brut Blanc de Blancs Champagne Cuis NV \$62 There's a subtle succulence to this graceful Champagne, framing flavors of peach skin, ripe pear, Marcona almond and orchard blossoms. The fine, detailed mousse is raw silk-like in texture. Finishes with minerally fleur de sel and oyster shell notes. Disgorged December 2023. Drink now through 2029. 2,000 cases imported.—A.N. (11/30/2024)
- 64 91 Viña Mayu Syrah Elquí Valley Gran Reserva Don Mauro Vineyard 2021 \$24 Aromatically engaging for the Nyons olive, cured meat and tobacco notes that join the palate, adding sappy cherry and plum flavors. This red's nice acidity keeps things in harmony on through the finish around fine, mineraltinged tannins, with an herbal echo that lingers. Drink now through 2035. 2,150 cases made, 1,000 cases imported.—A.R. (2/29/2024)
- 65 92 William Fèvre Chablis Domaine 2022 **\$47** Bursting with peach, apple, lemon and flint aromas and flavors, this expressive and supple white is harmonious and ready to enjoy yet should develop well over the next five to seven years. Excellent length. Drink now through 2028. 5,000 cases imported.—B.S. (10/15/2024)
- 66 90 José Maria da Fonseca Península de Setúbal Anticiclone 2022 \$30 Balanced and medium-bodied, this fresh red frames flavors of chopped black cherry, blackberry paste, espresso, tobacco, anise and graphite with light, fine tannins. Castelão and Aragoñez. Drink now through 2029. 10,030 cases made, 5,500 cases imported.—A.N. (7/31/2024)
- 67 93 Royal Tokaji Tokaji Aszú 5 Puttonyos Red Label 2018 \$62/500ml Bright and beautiful, this harmonious version integrates mouthwatering acidity with a rich range of pureed apricot, dried raspberry and orange marmalade, with hints of praline, crystallized honey and sea salt. There's a plushness to the texture without being weighty; this is long and expressive on the finish. Furmint and Hárslevelü. Drink now through 2038. 22,779 cases made, 1,850 cases imported.—A.N. (11/15/2024)

- 68 94 Law Beguiling Adelaida District 2021 **\$87** Tightly focused and structured yet richly polished, with expressive raspberry and cherry flavors, while floral garrigue and savory meat notes build tension toward big but refined tannins. Grenache and Syrah. Drink now through 2033. 1,280 cases made.—T.F. (10/31/2024)
- 69 91 J.J. Vincent & Fils Pouilly-Fuissé Famille Vincent Marie-Antoinette 2022 \$45 A rich version, bordering on creamy, this peach-, apple- and stone-inflected white is complex and long, with fine balance and a long aftertaste that resonates with fruit and mineral notes. Drink now. 2,362 cases imported. —B.S. (8/31/2024)
- 70 90 Prà Soave Classico Otto 2022 *\$21* A lithe, mouthwatering white, with zippy acidity driving flavors of ripe yellow plum, pink grapefruit granita and peach skin, revealing minerally smoke and stone accents, followed by a floral finish. Drink now through 2027. 25,000 cases made.—A.N. (5/31/2024)
- 71 91 Aperture Chenin Blanc Clarksburg **2023 \$35** Plenty of verve and intensity here, showing yuzu, mango and lemon curd notes at the core, accents of hops, vetiver and lemongrass. A vibrant acidity and plenty of momentum on the finish make this a showy wine, a hint of crunchy sea salt that lingers. Drink now. 6,000 cases made.—M.W. (12/31/2024)
- 72 91 Massican Annia California 2022 \$36 Juicy and plump, with peach, mango and tangerine flavors that reveal pretty floral accents of orange blossoms, lemon verbena and ylang-ylang, while notes of white pepper and sea salt minerality linger on the long, fresh finish. Ribolla Gialla, Tocai Friulano and Chardonnay. Drink now. 2,736 cases made.—M.W. (2/29/2024)
- 73 93 Burgess Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley Promiscua 2021 *\$145* An enticing, delicious version, showing ripe, juicy boysenberry and blackberry paste flavors laced with anise and apple wood notes. Offers lively grip, while pretty violet and iris accents keep this balanced and fresh throughout. Drink now through 2038. 2,142 cases made.—J.M. (7/31/2024)
- 74 94 Domaine Roy & Fils Pinot Noir Dundee Hills Incline 2022 \$68 This silky red is gracefully complex, offering detailed flavors of raspberry and cherry laced with rose petal, orange peel and dusky spice notes that build richness and texture toward refined tannins. Drink now through 2033. 690 cases made.—T.F. (11/15/2024)
- 75 94 Sullivan Cabernet Sauvignon Rutherford Coeur de Vigne 2021 \$130 Ripe and structured but fresh in feel, with a lovely, pure beam of cassis driving through, supported by mouthwatering apple wood, savory and iron details along the way. This red offers cut and drive, with the fruit lingering the longest thanks to a light hand with the toast. Very Rutherford. Drink now through 2038. 2,600 cases made.—J.M. (10/15/2024)
- 76 90 Adegas Gran Vinum Albariño Rias Baixas Val do Salnés Astrid 2022 \$19 A bright, bouncy white, showing a racy streak of salinity. Offers expressive flavors of apricot and pineapple fruit, with accents of green almond, pink grapefruit pith and elderflower. Creamy finish. Drink now through 2027. 2,500 cases made, 1,000 cases imported.—A.N. (7/31/2024)
- 90 Klein Constantia Chardonnay Con**stantia 2022** \$25 Bright and snappy on the palate, offering ripe green apple and cherry fruit, with blood orange peel and salted almond notes. Sleek and minerally on the refreshing finish. Drink now. 1,200 cases imported. —A.N. (10/15/2024)
- 78 90 Aveleda Douro Superior Vale D. Maria Vinhas do Sabor 2020 \$25 Delivers lavish hints of vanilla, orange peel, star anise and violet that accent flavors of boysenberry pie, cocoa powder, blackberry paste and mountain herbs, all layered with light, sandy tannins