

VINTAGE	PRODUCER	WINE	VARIETAL(S)	REGION	PRICE
NORTHWEST • GALICIA & BIERZO					
○ 2019	Valdesil	"Sobre Lias"	Godello	Valdeorras	53
○ 2020	Gomariz	"La Flor y La Abeja "	Treixadura	Ribeiro	54
○ 2019	La Vizcaina	La Del Vivo	Godello, Dona Blanca	Bierzo	84
○ 2020	Nanclares y Prieto	"Tempus Vivendi"	Albarino	Rias Baixas	90
○ 2015	Quinta da Muradella	"Muradella"	Treixadura	Monterrei	198
● 2019	Sainas	"O Bolino"	Mencia, y mas	Ribeira Sacra	71
● 2019	La Vizcaina	"Vitoriana"	Mencia, y mas	Bierzo	84
NORTHEAST • CATALONIA					
○ 2019	Celler Frisach	"Vernatxa"	Garnatxa Blanca	Catalonia	60
* 2018	Celler Credo	"Ambivalent"	Red Xarel-Lo	Catalonia	128
● 2020	Succés	"La Cuca de Llum"	Trepat	Conca de Barbera	45
● 2017	Celler Frisach	"Sang de Corb"	Garnacha, Cariñena	Catalonia	63
RIOJA • THE ONCE AND FUTURE GREAT					
● 2019	Artuke	"Finca de los Locos"	Tempranillo	Rioja	78
● 2019	Oxer Bastegieta	"Artillero"	Tempranillo	Rioja Alavesa	94
● 2009	R. Lopez de Heredia	"Viña Bosconia" Reserva	Tempranillo, Garnacha, Mazuelo, Graciano	Rioja	96
● 1989	Campo Viejo	Gran Reserva	Tempranillo	Rioja	240
● 1982	Campo Viejo	"Marqués de Villamagna" Gran Reserva	Tempranillo	Rioja	250
● 1985	La Rioja Alta	"Viña Ardanza"	Tempranillo, Garnacha, Mazuelo, Graciano	Rioja Alta	275
● 1978	Bodegas Riojanas	"Viña Albina" Gran Reserva	Tempranillo	Rioja	325
OTHER GEMS					
○ 2017	Cota 45	"Ube Miraflores"	Palomino	Sanlúcar	60
○ 2018	Oxer Bastegieta	"Gure Arbosoak"	Hondarribi Zuri Zerratia, Hondarribi Zuri	Bizkaiko Txakolina	71
○ 2020	Aseginolaza y Leunda	"Txuria"	Viura	Navarra	72
○ 2019	Oxer Bastegieta	"Loretzoa"	Hondarribi Zuri Zerratia, Hondarribi Zuri	Bizkaiko Txakolina	75
○ 2019	Vinos del Atlantico	"Atlantida"	Vijiriega	Andalucia	82
○ 2018	De la Riva	Vino de Pasto "Macharnudo"	Palomino	Jerez	153
* 2019	Casa Balaguer	"Benimaquia Tinajas"	Moscatel	Valencia	66
● 2020	Siete Vidas	Tinto	Mencia, Albarin Negro, y mas	Cangas	53
● 2020	Aseginolaza y Leunda	"Kauten"	Garnacha	Navarra	66
● 2018	Bodegas Gordon	"El Chano"	Mencia, Alicante Bouschet, y mas	Castilla Y Leon	90

RIOJA:
 THEN & NOW

We have made an attempt to leapfrog a rather dark period in the lifespan of Rioja. Once a wine on the lips and in the cellars of collectors around the world, the region fell prey, like so many others, to the gravitational pull of a few critics who championed heavily manipulated and manufactured wines. What was unique and special about the wines of Rioja disappeared in favor of a homogeneous formula. It's taken some time but things are bouncing back. Younger, more enlightened producers are asking questions, farming organically and pushing the envelope. None more so than Oxer Bastegieta whose wines are revelatory. And if you want to see how the greats of yesterday are holding up we have a handful of special aged bottles to enjoy.

...MEANWHILE, JUST ACROSS THE BORDER IN *France*

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LANGUEDOC & ROUSSILLON					
○ 2020	Domaine Gardiés	"Les Glacieres"	Grenache Blanc, Gris, Roussanne, Macabeo	Roussillon	48
○ 2018	Roc des Anges	"Iglesia Vella"	Grenache Blanc, Grenache Gris	Roussillon	125
● 2020	Pas de l'Escalette	"Ze Rosé"	Grenache, Grenache Blanc, et plus	Languedoc	50
● 2019	Roc des Anges	"Unic"	Grenache	Roussillon	75
● 2018	Clos Marie	"Simon"	Grenache, Syrah, Mourvedre	Languedoc	75
● 2016	Mas Jullien	"Autour de Jonquieres"	Mourvedre, Carignan, Syrah	Languedoc	96

SPOTLIGHT:
 ROC DES ANGES

The prevailing wisdom has been that the (very) deep south of France is too warm and too arid with too much history making clumsy wines to possibly turn out anything great. Marjorie & Stéphane Gallet have dramatically dispelled this vicious rumor. They are the finest estate in the Roussillon. They make both whites and reds of stunning character and precision. Each of their many, tiny plots of land are special and specific, farmed biodynamically, and average over 70 years in age. That's some serious wisdom. The "Iglesia Vella" ("Old Church") is an electric, explosive white with eye watering minerality, and the "Unic" shows a more restrained, mineral and finely chiseled expression of the often bombastic Grenache.

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WINE KEY

● Red ○ White ● Rosé * Orange

ITALY

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NEBBIOLO & SANGIOVESE					
● 2018	i Fabbri	Chianti Classico "Terra di Lamole"	Sangiovese, Canaiolo	Tuscany	70
● 2017	Sesti	Rosso di Montalcino	Sangiovese	Tuscany	80
● 2016	Istine	Chianti Classico Riserva "Levigne"	Sangiovese	Tuscany	95
● 2016	Albatrefi	Brunello di Montalcino	Sangiovese	Tuscany	210
● 2019	Pizzo Coca	Rosso di Valtellina	Nebbiolo	Lombardy	75
● 2016	Renato Fenocchio	Barbaresco "Staderi"	Nebbiolo	Piedmont	140
● 2012	Sobrero	Barolo "Ciabot Tanasio"	Nebbiolo	Piedmont	120
● 2017	Brovia	Barolo	Nebbiolo	Piedmont	135
● 2017	Brezza	Barolo "Cannubi"	Nebbiolo	Piedmont	160
● 2017	Brezza	Barolo "Sarmassa"	Nebbiolo	Piedmont	175

ITALY'S GLIMMER TWINS

Italy is awash in great red wine. Every region seems to boast a half dozen VERY interesting examples. We suggest it is currently the greatest red wine producing country in the world. However, two grapes stand head and shoulders above the rest. Only two are true nobility and that is Sangiovese and Nebbiolo. They are responsible for some of the most famous wines in the world: Brunello, Chianti, Barolo, Barbaresco. The best wines from Barolo would have to be in the conversation as the GOAT. While the big names stand out here, don't sleep on the Rosso di Valtellina. A lighter, more delicate expression of Nebbiolo from the foothills of the Alps just below Switzerland.

HOMEGROWN

VINTAGE	PRODUCER	WINE	VARIETAL(S)	REGION	PRICE
○ 2017	Mount Eden	"Santa Cruz Mountains"	Chardonnay	Santa Cruz	85
* 2020	Ardure Wines	Rorick Heritage Vineyard	Chardonnay	Sierra Foothills	60
● 2019	Holus Bolus	"Santa Rita Hills"	Syrah	Santa Barbara County	70
● 2019	Peay	Sonoma Coast	Pinot Noir	Sonoma County	98
● 2013	Cain	"Concept"	Cabernet Sauvignon	Napa Valley	125

CALIFORNIA LOVE

California wine can be a troubling minefield. Often marketing has driven the bus and the wines have been formulaic and lacked a sense of "there-ness." The oak has been heavy, the alcohol heavier and the price tag heaviest. But time and again we are presented with graphic proof that this does NOT have to be the case. Witness here fine examples from heirloom producers like Mount Eden and Cain keeping company with a few of the state's younger stars. It would be hard to argue that these are not all compelling expressions of these classic grape varieties.

ISLANDS & VOLCANOES

VINTAGE	PRODUCER	WINE	VARIETAL(S)	REGION	PRICE
○ 2019	Ilha do Pico	"Terras de Lava"	Arinto, e mais	Azores Islands, PT	45
○ 2020	Sclavos	"Vino di Sasso"	Robola	Kephalonia, GR	48
○ 2020	Vinatigo	"Listan Blanco de Canarias"	Listan Blanco	Canary Islands, SP	60
○ 2020	Domaine Leccia	Patrimonio	Vermentinu	Corsica, FR	95
○ 2020	Hatzidakis	"Familia"	Assyrtiko	Santorini, GR	96
○ 2018	Federico Curtaz	Etna Bianco Superiore "Kudos"	Carricante	Sicily, IT	150
* 2020	Sergio Drago	"Macerato"	Catarratto	Sicily, IT	75
● 2020	Scirto	"All'Antica"	Nerello Mascalese	Sicily, IT	84
● 2016	Riofava	"Spaccaforno"	Nero d'Avola	Sicily, IT	70
● 2016	Scirto	Etna Rosso "A Culonna"	Nerello Mascalese, Nerello Cappuccio	Sicily, IT	75
● 2020	Envinata	"Migan"	Listan Negro	Canary Islands, SP	95
● 2019	Sortevera	Taganana	Listan Gacho, Listan Negro, y mas	Canary Islands, SP	98

MAGIC COMES FROM REMOTE PLACES

Something unique and magical happens when grapes are grown on islands and/or volcanic soils. In the event that it is BOTH, the sky (or the sea) is the limit. Take the active volcano Mt. Etna on Sicily, or the Canary Islands as examples. Neither region may seem suitable for the production of world class grapes but alas! The Etna Bianco from Curtaz, or the "Taganana" from Sortevera display energy, complexity and harmony that are the brilliant sum of their very unique parts. These wines express something that just can't be found from more conventional settings.

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