

La Dolce Vita

WHITE WINE

Classic

Wild Horse Chardonnay

Central Coast, California

Aromas of apple, pear, pineapple & vanilla with green apple, peach & lemon flavors. Great with chicken & pasta with cream sauce.

Sonoma-Cutrer Chardonnay

Russian River Valley, California

Nice balance of fruit, acidity & oak. Crisp & buttery. Fairly light with a medium finish. One of our favorites!

Kim Crawford Sauvignon Blanc

Marlborough, New Zealand

Tropical fruits & cut grass on the nose, the palate bursting with passion fruit, citrus & ripe stone fruit flavors. An exuberant & expressive wine that is best enjoyed with seafood or even on its own.

Italian

Principato Pinot Grigio

Trentino, Italy

Pale straw in color, this wine offers impressive, rich ripe fruit aromas that hint of pear & white flowers. This light Pinot Grigio finishes with crisp green apple & citrus fruit flavors. A well balanced wine with unusually lively acidity that is easy drinking, elegant & very enjoyable with food or alone.

Ziobaffa Pinot Grigio

Italy

Ziobaffa organic Pinot Grigio has fresh rich aromas of apples & pears with hints of citrus that fade into a floral bouquet. On the palate it is bright & fresh with wonderful fruit flavors. It pairs well with seafood, poultry & pastas in cream sauce. Sip a glass of Ziobaffa & you'll taste summertime on the Italian coast.

Ruffino Orvieto

Umbria, Italy

Poetically referred to as "the sun of Italy in a bottle," this wine's smooth, refreshing flavors, balance beautifully with its structure & acidity. Fruity & floral bouquet reminiscent of green apples & meadow flowers. The finish is long & fragrant with hints of almond. Its freshness & complexity of aromas are reminiscent of crisp, cool mornings in Italy!

Something Sweeter

La Terre White Zinfandel

California

Abundant fresh strawberry & melon flavors are highlighted by a vibrant, sweet citrus finish.

Anterra Moscato

Italy

This Italian Moscato has scents of gardenia & peaches with flavors of apricots & passion fruit. Fresh, clean & fruity, it is ideal to serve with desserts, fresh or dried fruits & Italian cakes. Moscato is great for people who love a slightly sweet wine, & it may also be served with rich, creamy cheeses after dinner.

Kung Fu Girl Riesling

Washington

90 points in Robert Parker's Wine Advocate. Mouth-watering, food-friendly Riesling offering racy notes of citrus blossom, lime leaf & white peach that intermingle with minerals filling the palate. Balanced acidity with a touch of sweetness that will leave your palate satisfied & refreshed.

Sparkling

Rose Pescador

Spain

This slightly effervescent rose from Spain is an elegant dry rose made from 60% Trepas, 20% Merlot & 20% Garnacha grapes. It has a pale pink colored body & the nose is intensely aromatic & expressive, marked by notes of ripe red fruits. The palate is refreshing, light, with a smooth texture & a lingering finish that makes it an ideal accompaniment for seafood & all kinds of fish dishes.

Riondo Prosecco Spago Nero

Italy

Sparkling white wine that is fresh, crisp & clean, with ripe citrus, lemon, green apple, touches of grapefruit & minerality. Effusively fruity & light bodied bringing terrific floral notes, persistent effervescence & a clean delicate finish.

Moet & Chandon Imperial Brut

France

Very pale straw color with small, active bubbles & subtle hints of flowers, vanilla, grapefruit & bread. A light & delicate champagne. Perfect for every celebration!

RED WINE

Traditional

Rodney Strong Cabernet Sauvignon *Sonoma County, California*

The bouquet on this Cabernet Sauvignon is rich with dark fruits, cinnamon, clove & toasty oak. The wine is juicy on the palate, rich with dark cherry & plum flavors prominent, accented by crushed violets & black pepper. The palate has medium tannins, lingering spicy oak flavors & a lush finish.

Faust Cabernet Sauvignon *Napa Valley, California*

A benchmark example of Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon, the wine opens with aromas of red & black cherries, ripe raspberry, hints of violets & a lovely perfume. A complex finish with dark fruit lingers in the mouth.

Silver Oak Cabernet Sauvignon *Napa Valley, California*

Rich & creamy yet maintains a lively character & texture on the palate with flavors of ripe berries, toasted oak, chocolate & vanilla, all balanced by mineral-filled tannins that add just the right amount of grip on the spice-laced finish. Magnificent!

La Crema Pinot Noir *Monterey, California*

Complex nose, with both savory & sweet tones, ripe plum & forest floor aromas are highlighted by notes of violet & cocoa powder, with pomegranate & blackberry taking the lead on the palate.

The Crusher Pinot Noir *Clarksburg, California*

The Crusher Pinot Noir has a fruit-forward nose, with nuanced notes of cranberry, cherry & warm spices. Full bodied & bright acidity from aging 12 months in French oak barrels, giving it a palate of plum, tart cherry & savory herbs.

North Valley Pinot Noir *Soter Vineyards, Willamette Valley, Oregon*

This wine opens with a beautifully aromatic nose of violet, cherry blossom, fennel, sweet cherry & clean earth. A pretty, floral density to the palate lends a subtle, elegant structure, creating a linear & focused whole. Pure velvet!

Blackbird Vineyards Arise *Napa Valley, California*

61% Merlot, 20% Cab Franc, 19% Cabernet Sauvignon

Incredible elegance & complexity, beautiful aromas of tobacco & black currant, with hints of raspberry, chocolate & mint on the palate. This Bordeaux-inspired wine is a truly superb experience!

Peirano Estate "Six Clones" Merlot *Lodi, California*

Hand harvested grapes & estate bottled, this is produced from 6 different clones of Merlot grown on the estate, including two rare French clones. The aromatics have a rich blackberry & strawberry core with a wet earth & gravel back note. The mouth feel is focused & fresh with vibrant echoes of black cherry, cocoa & hints of toasted oak. Moderate tannins & good acidity leave a pleasing, lasting finish. Each juicy sip leaves the palate wet & wanting more.

Italian Classics

Castello D'Albola Chianti Classico *Italy*

Ruby red tending to garnet color. Aromas are fine, with delicate hints of violets. Taste is balanced, dry & well-structured with a velvety mouth feel.

Peppoli Chianti Classico *Italy*

90% Sangiovese, 10% Merlot/Syrah
Ruby red in color with highlights of purple. This wine shows intensely fruity notes of cherries & red currants on the nose. Very delicate & quite well integrated, the smoky sensations created by the oak aging. The palate is savory with a tasty vein of acidity together with silky & polished tannins.

Layer Cake Primitivo *Puglia, Italy*

Primitivo *aka* Zinfandel comes right at you with huge inky black fruit, spice & white pepper, layered & rich in the mouth with jammy black cherries, truffles, espresso & dense, creamy texture. The soft textures & sweet ripe fruit make it one of the few red wines that works amazingly well with spicy foods.

Starbene Chianti D.O.C.G.

Italy

This wine has a lively ruby red color, turning towards garnet with age. It has an intense summer bouquet of red fruits & a hint of violets. The palate is harmonious, dry & has balanced tannins on the finish. A wonderful wine to drink by itself or pair with your favorite Italian meal.

Stella Montepulciano D'Abruzzo

Italy

A food friendly, easy drinking red wine that is the third most popular Italian varietal. Deep ruby-red in color, it has an enticing bouquet filled with the vibrant aromas of red berries & black cherries. Very ripe, jammy blackberry fruit flavors linger on the palate with hints of tobacco & licorice lingering on the smooth, mellow finish. Pairs wonderfully with meat or pasta.

Zaccagnini Montepulciano D'Abruzzo

Italy

Intense ruby red color with violet nuances; intense characteristic bouquet of the primary grape aromas; fruity component, full-bodied & robust, well-balanced with tannin & oak features.

Banfi L'Ardi Dolcetto d'Acqui

Italy

100% Dolcetto

A fruity & approachable red wine. Ruby red in color, with a rich bouquet of fresh fruits with notes of cherries & blackberries. Flavorful with a typical dry finish, goes perfect with all foods Italian from appetizers to main dishes!

Italian Our Favorites

Locations-Italy-Red Blend

Italy

90 Points from Robert Parker in the Wine Advocate, this non-vintage red blend from Dave Phinney takes grapes from different regions & vintages to make a brilliant Italian red blend. A blend of Negroamaro & Nero d'Avola from the southern region of Puglia combined with Barbera from Piemonte in the north & a small percentage of Sangiovese from Tuscany. The palate is immediately hit with super lush flavors of ripe berries & spice, supported with a dense core that has just the right amount of acidity. The tannins are already velvety & soft which provide a lingering finish with hints of minerality & some herbal notes.

Il Poggione Rosso di Montalcino

Italy

From the southern hills of Montalcino, comes this estate grown Sangiovese, aged for 18 months in French oak barrels. Ruby red in color with a pleasantly intense bouquet of wild berry fruits. The palate is velvety & lingering with excellent structure & smooth tannins. An ideal companion for pasta dishes, grilled meats & mature cheeses.

Colpetrone Montefalco Sagrantino

Italy

90 Points in Wine Spectator. A polished Sagrantino (one of Italy's oldest grapes), intense ruby red in color with an ample nose of red fruit with spices & a subtle hint of vanilla. Well-structured with concentrated tannins in its youth, this wine spends 18 months in large French oak barrels & 12 months in the bottle before it's released. This is an expressive, fully-loaded wine!

Villa Pozzi Nero D'Avola

Sicily, Italy

Seductively reveals a perfume of blackberry liqueur, white flowers, vanilla & a hint of figs. On the palate, this wine is opulent, full-bodied & viscous, with great intensity. The perfect accompaniment to all things Italian.

Recchia La Muraie Valpolicella Ripasso

Italy

This fruity complex wine from Northeastern Italy won 90 points from Wine Spectator. Elegant & integrated, with supple tannins & quiet acidity framing the layered flavors of crème de cassis, black cherry, black licorice, smoky mineral & tobacco. A spicy thread runs through & lingers on the finish.

Le Volte Dell'Ornellaia

Tuscany, Italy

This approachable Tuscan blend of Sangiovese, Merlot & Cabernet Sauvignon is well balanced, harmonious & very drinkable. High quality tannins on the palate are silky & elegant. This refined & delicate red tastes of plum & sweet berry, with lemon undertones. It is medium-light bodied with a fresh finish.

Mazzoni Piemonte Barbera

Piedmont, Italy

100% Barbera

Mazzoni Piemonte Barbera begins with pleasant aromas of black cherry & other dark berries, earth, a little oaky spice & a hint of smoke. Smooth with soft tannins, good acidity & great balance, this medium-bodied wine pairs wonderfully with all things Italian. It ends long & dry with red berries, spice & an excellent earthy streak.

Something Bigger

Silverado Vineyards Sangiovese

Napa Valley, California

98% Sangiovese, 2% Zinfandel

A fantastic blend! Dynamic blackberry with some tea notes on the nose. Bright cherry & vanilla flavors. Great acidity in the mouth, pairs wonderfully with marinara sauce. It channels the best of Chianti's character in a classic Napa Valley style.

The Arsonist Red Blend

Dunnigan Hills, California

52% Petit Verdot, 25% Malbec, 23% Cabernet Sauvignon

This bold red blend is a rich plum color, with aromas of black current & mocha that intermingle with spice & black pepper. Sweet wild berry fruit flavors on the entry, dry as the wine progresses across the palate. An opulent & luscious wine with the essence of dried blueberries & juicy plum that seamlessly transition to a lengthy finish with hints of dark chocolate & truffle tannins. A perfect big wine to pair with a hearty Italian meal!

Graffito Malbec

Argentina

Ethereal rose petal incense & spicy perfume with a bass note of smoky earth & espresso. Juicy & medium-bodied, it expands & intensifies in the mouth, gaining density & complexity as it's savored. The palate balances red currant fruit & hints of black pepper with loads of mouth coating ripe tannins that are common in old vine Malbecs. This Malbec finishes with smooth, lush tannins, ripe acidity & good length.

Dona Paula Estate Black Edition Red Blend

Argentina

60% Malbec, 5% Petit Verdot, 35% Cabernet Sauvignon

Intense black purple in color. On the nose, its aromas of plum, spices & red pepper stand out while delicate notes of mint can also be perceived. In the mouth, it is a very harmonious & balanced wine, with round tannins & a long finish. A beautiful, bold & bright red blend from Argentina that pairs well with a hearty meal. One of our favorites!

Boneshaker Zinfandel

Lodi, California

This is as full bodied as they come, with fine grained tannins on the mid palate & a long finish hemmed by subtle notes of allspice & lightly roasted coffee. This wine is great on its own, but it truly shines alongside hearty pasta dishes & meat. Truly divine!

Barossa Valley Estate Shiraz

Barossa Valley, Australia

Red with some purple hints at the rim. The nose is quite savory with some lovely pepper notes all bound together by plums. This Shiraz features toasty oak, fleshy blackberry & mocha on the nose & palate. It's full bodied, ultra-smooth & mouth-filling.