

BUBBLES



702 Franciacorta, Contadi Castaldi, Italy \$44

This is a lively brut, full of fragrance, tending to smoothness and an accessible sensory language, with a balanced and versatile style. In the glass it is yellow in colour with greenish reflections, enlivened by a fine and persistent perlage. The nose is fresh, with floral notes of lime, shades of citrus, white peach and green pepper. The mouth is tight and crisp, fresh and vertical, full-bodied, refined and with a lingering very enjoyable finish.

706 Champagne, Veuve Cliquot, Brut, Yellow Label \$98

ITALIAN WHITE WINES

330 Chardonnay, Cervaro Sala, Antinori, Umbria \$73

This has a lovely golden color, with exquisite aromas of baked apple studded with clove, meadow flowers, salted butter and burnt piecrust. Full-bodied, with a surprisingly linear palate, turning crisp on the finish. Thick, tight and layered

307 Chardonnay, Dreams, Jermann, Friuli \$119

This has a lovely golden color, with aromas of apple tart and notes of sultana and spices. Full-bodied, with a lemony acidity that gives a fresh attack. Hints of vanilla cream latch on and provide a lingering apple pie finish. Layered, long and finely crafted. Rich and wonderful.

314 Fiano di Avellino, Feudi S.Gregorio, Campania \$39

Needs big, rich food. Very ripe aromas of pineapple and apple. Full-bodied, soft and round, with lovely, slightly off-dry flavors of apple pie and vanilla and exotic fruit

317 Gavi, Pio Cesare, Piemonte \$38

A vibrant, vivid Gavi with lemon, ash and mineral aromas and flavors. Medium-bodied, with good fruit and a lively finish

316 Gavi, Black Label, La Scolca, Piemonte \$69

A crisp, mouthwatering, medium-weight version, with apple, grapefruit and almond notes. Stays refreshing, ending on a bitter citrus peel flavor

319 Greco di Tufo, Feudi S.Gregorio, Campania \$39

Multilayered on both nose and palate, evoking lemon rind, apple, pineapple. Medium- to full-bodied, with good banana and light caramel flavors. Very long and flavorful

312 Pinot Grigio, Porer, A. Lageder, Trentino \$36

Displays aromas of cantaloupe, peach, mango and light apple. Full-bodied, with minerally and spicy character and a long finish of tropical fruit







ITALIAN RED WINES

Amarone & Ripasso

Amarone della Valpolicella is a typically rich Italian dry red wine, made from the partially dried grapes of the Corvina. Grapes are harvested perfectly ripe in the first two weeks of October, by carefully choosing bunches having fruits not too close to each other, to let the air flow. Grapes are allowed to dry, traditionally on straw mats. This process is called Rasinate (to dry and shrivel) in Italian. The pomace left over from pressing off the Amarone is used in the production of Ripasso.

- 102 **Masi, Costasera, 2011-2012** \$123 Pretty blueberry and cherry aromas on the nose, with lovely intensity. Full-bodied, round and juicy, with loads of fruit and a soft, caressing palate. Long finish. So good now
- 105 **Cesari, Ripasso Bosan, 2012-2014** \$54 Ripe berry flavors of blueberry and blackberry play off of smoke, macerated plum, dark chocolate and herbes de provence notes in this fresh, well-balanced red. Light tannins show on the refined finish.







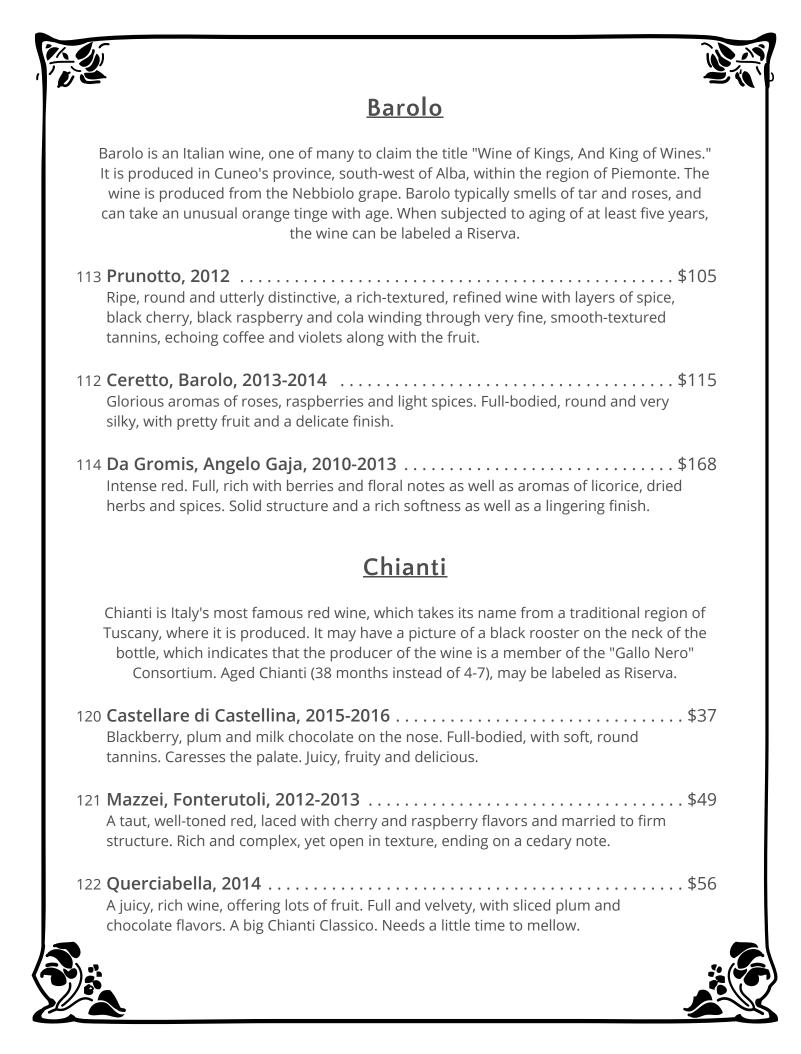
Bold powerful red. Aglianico is deep ruby in color with black fruit and Earth aromas. Powerful and broadly structured with firm tannins and a long finish. At maturity, Aglianico displays a deep garnet color and rich, satiny texture with aromas of coffee and leather.

<u>Barbaresco</u>

Barbaresco is a powerful Italian wine made with the Nebbiolo Grape. Barbaresco is produced in the Piemonte Region in an area of the Langhe immediately to the East of Alba and specifically in the communes of Barbaresco, Treiso and Neive. The wine is often compared with Barolo - another Nebbiolo based wine from the Piemonte area. Though the wines do share many similarities, there are some distinct differences between them. DOCG regulations stipulate that Barbaresco's wines must be aged for a minimum of two years (at least one year in oak) prior to release and aged for at least four years to be considered a Riserva.

- 111 **Prunotto, Bric Turot, 2008-2009** \$125 Complex aromas of blackberry, clove, plum and black licorice. Full-bodied, with big, velvety tannins and a long, rich finish.
- 110 **Pio Cesare, 2012-2014** \$148 Shows pure plum on the nose, with a combination of violet and smoke. Full-bodied, with layers of ultrafine tannins and a very long finish. Caresses the palate. A wine of strength and elegance.









Brunello (the little dark one). In this dryer, hotter, and more Mediterranean climate of southern Tuscany, the limestone and sand soil produce a muscular grape capable of making a rich, dark, concentrated red.

- 117 **Antinori, Pian delle Vigne,2012-2013** \$124 A glycerol-like texture joins licorice and menthol notes to lend this red an air of maturity, with a core of cherry and raspberry fruit. This is beautifully balanced, though the tannins will be even smoother in a few years. Fine, mineral aftertaste
- 119 **Castello Banfi, 2012-2013** \$136 Smooth and round, this red offers cherry, bitter almond, spice and woodsy notes. The tannins are dense, but this is balanced overall and lingers on the finish.

Montepulciano D'Abruzzo

Montepulciano D'Abruzzo is a type of wine grape as well as a type of red wine made from these same grapes in the Abruzzo region. It is typically a fruity, dry wine with soft tannins.

- 129 **Zaccagnini, Symposium, 1998** \$155 Fresh and fruity with raspberry and cherry character. Hints of wild flowers. Full-bodied, with silky tannins and a caressing, refined finish. Lovely, seductive wine.





Nero D'Avola

Nero D'Avola is the most important red wine grape in Sicily and is one of Italy's most important indigenous varieties. It is named after Avola in the far south of Sicily and its wines are compared to New World Shirazes, with sweet tannins and plum or peppery flavors.

<u>Nebbiolo</u>

The grape is thought to derive its name from the Piedmontese word Nebbia, which means fog. During harvest, generally in late October, a deep, intense fog sets into the Langhe region. The grape is used to make wines such as Barolo, Barbaresco, Gattinara, and Ghemme. These lightly colored red wines can be massively tannic in youth with intriguing scents of tar and roses. As they age, the wines take a characteristic brick-orange hue at the rim of the glass and mature to reveal complex aromas and flavors.









Super Tuscany

IGT (Indicazione Geografica Tipical = Typical Regional Wine) Wines are, if of a certain quality, also called SUPER TUSCANS. An IGT Toscana guarantees that a minimum of 85% of the grapes used in the wine have grown in the region (this is an insurance that we don't have if we drink a "vino da tavola" which could come from any part of the world.) However, much of the IGT wine is produced with grapes that come from the wine producers' own vineyards, especially when talking of the super tuscans that are top quality wines. The grape variety, vilification, aging and final blend are all up to the creativity of the wine maker.







California White Wines



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351	Chardonnay, Jordan, Russian River The texture is a bit raw, yet the pear and apple flavors are ripe, with a hint of nutmeg from oak. Balanced and easy-drinking.	
352	Chardonnay, Sonona Cutrer, Sonoma	\$39
353	Chardonnay, Miner, Napa Valley Complex, with rich fig, melon, honeysuckle and spice notes. Full-bodied and focused, ending with an elegant mouthfeel.	
354	Chardonnay, Ferrari Carano, Sonoma This full-bodied Chardonnay boasts aromas of pear, green apple, honeydew, orange, lychee and peach perfectly balanced by a fruit entry.	
356	Chardonnay, Silverado, Carneros Part of the wine spent minimal time on oak, imparting a hint of hazelnut aroma. The balance of the wine was fermented in small, stainless steel barrels which allow unique characteristics of the vineyard to come throughPear and green apple, lemon vest, honeysuckle, flint flavors, and a refreshing finish.	\$44
357	Chardonnay, Cakebread, Napa Valley	
327	Chardonnay, Newton Unfiltered, Napa Valley	\$89
358	Chardonnay, La Brisa, Walt, Sonoma County	\$54
359	Chardonnay, Chalk Hill Estate	\$69
360	Chardonnay, ZD, California	\$59
	Sauvignon Blanc, Duckhorn, Napa Valley	\$44





Cabernet Sauvignon

160 Simi, Alexander Valley, 2015
153 Conn Creek, Napa Valley, 2015
156 Ladera, Napa Valley, 2014
159 Stag's Leap Wine Cellar, Artemis, Napa Valley, 2016
152 Duckhorn, Napa Valley, 2014
158 Jordan, Alexander Valley, 2011
155 Caymus, Napa Valley, 2015

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163	Sterling Vineyards, Napa Valley, 2016
173	Silverado, Estate Grown, Napa Valley, 2014
165	Jax, Napa Valley, 2015
138	Salvestrin, DR. Crane Vineyard, Napa valley, 2014
162	Cakebread Cellars, Napa Valley, 2012
161	Joseph Phelps, Napa Valley, 2015
178	Darioush, Napa Valley, 2015
118	Cade, Howell Mountain, Napa Valley, 2009-2011- 2014





Property Red

	150	Decoy, Napa Valley, 2014-2015-2016 Appealing for its aromas of red currant and spicy cedar, with juicy, layered plum and toasty vanilla flavors.	
	146	Baby Blue, Blue Rock Winery, Alexander Valley, 2015 Pure, ripe and vivid flavors of red cherry, raspberry and pomegranate form the core of this supple and enjoyable offering.	
	164	Charles Krug, Generations, Napa Valley, 2009-2012 A rich, graceful style, with lively plum, blackberry, floral, cedar and crushed rock notes. Most impressive on the finish, where the flavors weave a charming tapestry. Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Petit Verdot and Cabernet Franc.	. \$81
	185	Darioush, Caravan, Napa Valley, 2014 Aromas of ripe, complex currant and plum lead to layered berry, mineral and sage of the pallet.	
	170	Chalk Hill, Estate Red, Sonoma County, 2010-2014 Firm, with tough, chewy tannins and a mix of charcoal, smoke, dried herb, tobacco and cedar flavors, maintaining a tannic profile throughout. Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Malbec, Petit Verdot, Syrah and Carmenère.	. \$89
	154	Conn Creek, Anthology, Napa Valley, 2010-2012-2013	\$112
	151	Pahlmeyer, Jayson, Napa Valley, 2015 This delicate, subtle style combines ripe black cherry, wild berry and plum flavors with touches of anise and black licorice. Full-bodied, with a graceful finish.	\$135
	182	Miner, Oracle, 2013 The flavors of dusty earth, oak, underbrush and dried flowers join dried berry and mineral notes, lending this a Bordeaux-like flavor profile and structure.	\$158
	180	Opus One, Napa Valley, 2010-2012 Offers both a rich, supple, seamless core of earthy dark berry and touches of rustic loam and dried leather scents, the latter of which give this a drying sensation on the palate. Ends with dried herb, olive and savory notes that Opus fans will love.	
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