

bubbles from everywhere

Whether it is a Champagne from Reims, Epernay or Ay... Cava from Spain, Sparkling from California or a Prosecco from Italy these little bubbles have always conjured feelings of excitement and celebration! Not just meant to be celebratory our selection offers a wide range of flavors, aromas and terroirs.

Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Pinot Meunier from France; Macabeo, Xarel-Lo, Parellada from Spain; Glera from Italy are just a few of the basic grapes used among many. What they all have in common is a mixture of perfect soil, rain, climate and nurturing from its winemaker to produce these labors of love.

NV	Henriot, Blanc de Blancs, Champagne, France		150
NV	Taittinger, "La Francaise" Brut, Champagne, France		145
NV	Perrier-Jouët Grand Brut, Champagne, France	35	138
NV	J.M. Sélèque, "Solesse" Rosé, "7 Villages," Champagne, France	35	90
2019	Schramsberg, Brut Vintage Blanc de Blancs, North Coast, California		85
2017	Domaine Carneros, Brut Vintage, Carneros, Napa Valley, California	25	75
NV	G.H. Mumm, "Grand Cordon" Brut, Champagne, France		75
NV	Piper-Heidsieck Brut, Champagne, France (HALF BOTTLE)		60
NV	Luc Belaire Rare Rosé, France		60
NV	Mumm Napa, Brut Rose, Napa Valley, California	12	48
NV	Poema, Brut, DO Cava, Spain	10	30
NV	Avisi Prosecco DOC, Italy	10	30

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pinot gris, pinot grigio same thing

A tremendously popular varietal is known to the French as Gris and its Italian neighbors as Grigio. It is a mutation of the Pinot Noir grape! Clusters of Pinot Grigio will surprisingly pop up in a vineyard of planted Pinot Noir! The richest wines come from Friuli, however, Alto Adige, Veneto, even Lombardia make excellent offerings. In Alsace (it's mysteriously known as Tokay) the wine is usually dry and is a great food companion. In Oregon it's one of the most popular planted varietals with huge vineyard increases in the last 20 years.

2021	Santa Margherita Pinot Grigio, Valdadige DOC, Italy	58
2020	Boucaner Pinot Gris, Washington, USA	44
2020	Borgo Convento, Pinot Grigio Collio DOC, Friuli-Venezia-Guila, Italy	40
2021	Torresella Pinot Grigio Venezia, Italy	12 36

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i'll have the chardonnay

Take it from a professional, everyone says they drink “red” but it’s really Chardonnay! It is loved by millions of enthusiasts around the world. Chardonnay mania hit its peak in the late 1980’s and it was planted around the world with great zeal. “To Oak” or not “To Oak” is only a question of individual taste. California with its big (but not always!) oaky expression is balanced by the bright, acidic, sometimes floral and earthy finishes of Burgundy. Australia offers a flinty, mineral edge that can only come from its soils. Whatever your preference Briquette has something for all Chardonnay lovers.

2020	Louis Jadot Chassagne-Montrachet Burgundy, France	200
2019	Louis Jadot Beaune Bressandes 1er Cru Blanc, Domaine Gagey, Burgundy, France	153
2018	Domaine Dubuet-Monthélie, Meursault, Burgundy, France	140
2018	Domaine Serene, “Evanstad Reserve” Chardonnay, Dundee Hills, Willamette Valley, Oregon	138
2020	Cakebread Cellars, Chardonnay, Napa Valley, California	95
2017	Charles Smith Sixto Uncovered Chardonnay Washington State	80
2020	Kumeu River, “Villages” Chardonnay, Kumeu River, New Zealand	75
2019	Migration, Running Creek Vineyard Chardonnay, Sonoma Coast, California	75
2021	Diatom Bar-M Chardonnay Santa Barbara, Central Coast, California	60
2020	Bouchard Père et Fils, Pouilly-Fuissé, Mâconnais, France	18 58
2018	Robert Mondavi Winery, Napa Valley, California	14 42
2018	Mas la Chevaliere, Chardonnay, Pays d’Oc, France	13 39
2020	Au Contraire Chardonnay Russian River Valley, Sonoma County, California	14 48
2016	Borgo Maragliano, “Crevoglio” Chardonnay, Piedmont, Italy	36

white bordeaux et cetera, et cetera, et cetera

Racy, pungent, aridly dry Sauvignon Blanc is not for the faint of heart. Widely popular in Parisian bistros of the 1970's and 80's its followers are die-hard fans. Distinctively aromatic descriptors are usually: grassy, musky and herbaceous. A year or two of oak aging can add to the wine's zest although it is better if it is drunk young. Semilion is a usual blending partner but this grape stands well enough alone!

Born in the Old World (called Blanc Fume) its best New World success is in New Zealand. The soils, weather and easy adaptation to this region make it a showcase of what Sauvignon Blanc can be.

2021	Rombauer Vineyards Sauvignon Blanc, Napa Valley, California	60
2019	Château de Raven Vigneau, 'Le Sec de Rayne Vigneau' Bordeaux, France	54
2020	Henry Natter Sancerre, Loire, France	60
2021	Capitello Sauvignon Blanc, Croft Vineyard, Willamette Valley, Washington	50
2021	Decoy, Sauvignon Blanc, Sonoma Valley, California	16 48
2020	Brancott Estate Sauvignon Blanc, Marlborough, New Zealand	16 48

you'll be blown by the white rhônes

Known in 'Fashionable Circles' the Northern Rhone varietals of France include Viognier, Marsanne, Clariette Blanche, Picpoul, Ugni Blanc and Roussanne to name a few. Most of the wine-making and all of the vine growing is done by family holdings. Part of what was once the Roman Empire this area of Southern France has been making wine since the late Middle Ages. The white varietals have been successfully transported to the New World where winemakers relish making beautiful wines from these non-traditional varieties.

2019	Famille Châteaneuf-du-Pape les Sinards, Châteaneuf-du-Pape, Rhône, France	100
2018	Cristom Vineyards, Estate Viognier, Willamette Valley, Oregon	50
2019	Jean-Luc Colombo "Les Abeilles," Cote-du-Rhone, Rhone, France	42
2020	Michel Chapoutier, "Belleruche", Côtes-du-Rhône Blanc, Rhône Valley, France	36
2020	Jadix Picpoul de Pinot, Languedoc, France	30

other wonderful whites worth it

So here are ALL of the other great Briquette choices in white wine world jumbled together. What do they have in common? Well all are from a vineyard somewhere on the Earth and all have been made with TLC! Our Moscato has notes of sugared lime, tart peach and orange blossom. A dry and well balanced Riesling from Pfalz competes for your attention along with Riesling from the Finger Lakes in New York. Albariño is the toast of Spain, and not to be outdone, an Oregon Pinot Blanc with notes of melon, grapefruit and butterscotch. Explore with enthusiasm!

2018	Domine Weinbach Pinot Blanc, Alsace, France		63
2019	Empire Estate, Dry Riesling Reserve, Finger Lakes, New York		45
2018	Bassermann-Jordan, Riesling Trocken, Pfalz, Germany		45
2019	Trimbach, Pinot Blanc, Alsace, France		42
2020	Chateau de Montfort Vouvray, Loire, France		42
2019	Batasolio Coretese di Gavi Piedmont, Italy		39
2017	Pierre Sparr, Riesling, Alsace, France		38
2015	Iomazzucato Breganze, Vespaiolo, Veneto, Italy		36
NV	Montinore Estate, "Borealis" White Blend, Willamette Valley, Oregon	12	36
2020	Seaglass, Riesling, Monterey County, California	10	30
2017	ViNO by CasaSmith, Moscato, Washington, USA	10	30
2019	Lagar da Condesa, Albariño, DO Rias Baixas, Spain		30

rosé rosé me away

What a wonderful treasure we have in this delightful bottle of heaven. Its colors fall somewhere in the spectrum between red and white. Historically, rosé wines have been made by a number of different processes. The preferred method today is a short maceration of the juice with the skins. This is dependent on the red grape varietal used by the winemaker and determines the length of time needed to bring about the perfect color.

NV	Domaine Serene, Rosé "Version X," Willamette Valley, Oregon	85
2019	Flambeaux Rosé, Sonoma County, California	60
2021	Château Miraval Côte-du-Provence, Rosé, France	52
2021	Copain "Tous Ensemble" Rose North Mendocino County, California	45
2021	Bieler Père et Fils, "Sabine" Rosé, Aix-en-Provence, France	12 30

beaujolais and gamay you should try

Beaujolais is located in the southern region of Burgundy. The red grape of choice is Gamay. This is a light color wine with low tannins and a fresh fruitiness. The most interesting thing about this grape is that its very difficult to grow in other regions around the world. The Beaujolais wines sold here at Briquette are from the best growing cru-status villages.

2018	Château du Moulin-à-Vent, Couvent des Thorins, Moulin-à-Vent, Beaujolais, France	85
2016	Château de Poncie, Le Pre Roi, Fleurie, Beaujolais, France	60
2019	Domaine Pavillion, Cote de Brouilly, Beaujolais, France	56
2015	Château de la Chaize, Brouilly, Beaujolais, France	44

pinot noir: the difficult and temperamental “middle child” grape

Pinot Noir is solely accountable for red Burgundy. You read it here.

This varietal has travelled around the world to almost anywhere this grape will grow EXCEPT in the very hottest regions. This wine has a certain fruity sweetness with lower level of tannins than a Cabernet. Enjoyed by millions around the globe the terroir of its vineyard birth speaks to its characteristics. Too hot no good, too dry no good, hail, hard rains and birds no good. These vines are babysat and nurtured so this early ripening grapevine isn't rushed into maturity where it can lose its aroma and acidity. It loves to be blended with Chardonnay to make bubbles.

2017	Domaine Louis Jadot, Estournelles Saint-Jacques Gevrey-Chambertin 1er Cru, Burgundy, France	265
2019	Bouchard Pere et Fils Pommard 1er Cru Pommard, Burgundy, France	175
2020	Twomey Cellars by Silver Oak, Pinot Noir Anderson Valley, Sonoma County, California	138
2020	Ken Wright Cellars, Bonnie Jean Vineyard Pinot Noir, Yamhill-Carlton, Oregon	128
2016	Domaine Bouchard Père et Fils, Beaune du Château, 1er Cru, Burgundy, France	112
2019	Goldeneye, Pinot Noir, Anderson Valley, Mendocino, California	90
2019	Belle Glos Vineyards, Las Alturas Vineyard Pinot Noir, Santa Lucia, Monterey, California	25 88
2014	Mathias & Emile Roblin, “Origine,” Sancerre Rouge, Loire Valley, France	75
2016	Domaine Dominique Guyon, “Les Dames de Vergy,” Bourgogne Hautes-Côtes de Nuits, France	75
2014	Moises Wines, Vieux Carré Pinot Noir, Willamete Valley, Oregon	75
2018	Roco Winery Gravel Road Pinot Noir, Oregon	16 48
2020	Siduri, Pinot Noir, Willamette Valley, Oregon	20 60
2019	La Crema, Pinot Noir, Monterey, California	12 36

misunderstood merlot

Merlot, Merlot, Merlot. Why do they dislike you so much? You're a beautiful varietal and the one that is most planted in Bordeaux. You are easily adaptable to cooler climates and you travel well. Just keep you away from dry and arid land where you won't thrive. Guess it was just bad movie reviews from people who didn't know any better. But that is the past the future lies ahead! We can all agree that it makes a smooth wine. The grape usually ripens before Cabernet and is very sensitive to the cold. And it does love cool and damp soils, clay is its friend. Its yields are generally higher than its Bordeaux companion. Here at Briquette we offer a wide range; we're sure you'll find one to call your own.

2019	Château Coutet Saint Emilion Saint Emilion, Burgundy, France	75
2019	Emmolo, Merlot, Napa Valley, California	65
2019	Arcanum, Il Fauno di Arcanum, Tuscany, Italy	65
2019	Gundlach-Bundschu, "Mountain Cuvée" Red Blend, Sonoma County, California	54
2019	Oberon, Merlot, Napa Valley, California	48
2019	Kunde Family Estate Merlot, Sonoma Valley	45
2019	Benziger Family Winery, Merlot, Sonoma County, California	12 36

cabernet sauvignon is king and some of its blends

Unmistakably the King of the crop! It is adored and relished around the world. Able to 'lie down' and age most gracefully. Grown in both the Old and New Worlds Cabernet has the strength to stand well on its own or to be blended with native grapes. What makes this so unique is that its vintage characteristics are so distinguishable. The chemistry of Cabernet allows it to produce dark colors, fruity aromas, tannins and rich complex flavors. Around since the 17th century, DNA research has verified Cabernets parentage. None other than Cabernet Franc and Sauvignon Blanc! That explains its aromas!

2018	Opus One, Napa Valley, California, USA	675
2016	Joseph Phelps Vineyards, "Insignia," Napa Valley, California	540
2015	Inglenook, "Rubicon," Rutherford, Napa Valley, California	440
2015	Heitz Cellars Trailside Vineyard, Cabernet Sauvignon, Napa Valley, California	285
2016	Heitz Cellars Lot C-91, Cabernet Sauvignon, Napa Valley, California	210
NV	Overture by Opus One, Napa Valley, California	330
2020	Caymus Vineyards, Cabernet Sauvignon, Napa Valley, California (liter)	185
2018	Silver Oak, Cabernet Sauvignon, Alexander Valley, Sonoma, California	180
2018	K Vintners, The Creator, Washington	120
2018	Caravan by Darioush, Cabernet Sauvignon, Napa Valley, California	110
2017	Inglenook, "1882" Cabernet Sauvignon, Rutherford, Napa Valley, California	105
2018	Freemark Abbey, Cabernet Sauvignon, Napa Valley, California	105
2018	Mullan Road Cellars, Red Blend, Columbia Valley, Washington	96

2019	Duckhorn Vineyards, Cabernet Sauvignon, Napa Valley, California		95
2019	Kith & Kin Cellars by Round Pond, Cabernet Sauvignon, Napa Valley, California	25	90
2019	Paraduxx, Proprietary Red Wine, Napa Valley, California		93
2018	St. Supery, Napa Valley Estate Cabernet Sauvignon, Napa Valley, California		85
2018	My Favorite Neighbor, Cabernet Sauvignon, California		78
2019	Black Stallion Estate Winery, Heritage, Cabernet Sauvignon, Napa Valley, California		60
2016	Château Blaignan, Cru Bourgeois, Medoc, Bordeaux, France		52
2019	Joel Gott, "815" Cabernet Sauvignon, California, USA	14	46
2019	Montes, "ALPHA" Cabernet Sauvignon, Colchagua Valley, Chile		45
2019	Catena, Cabernet Sauvignon, Mendoza, Argentina		45

cabernet franc...ly

Different from its relative Cabernet Sauvignon this wonderful black French grape loves cool climates. It is often blended with other Bordeaux varietals and is grown on both sides of the Gironde. As a stand alone wine it tends to be lighter in tannins and color. It is found in Slovenia, Italy and China as well.

2016	The Aerialist by Jonas, Cabernet Franc, Napa Valley, California		72
2015	Domaine de la Chevaliere, "Galichets", Bourgueil, Loire Valley, France		58
2020	Cosentino, THE FRANC, Cabernet Franc, Lodi, California		36

malbec me

This red wine grape is grown throughout Bordeaux but also in Cahors and the Loire Valley. In these areas it is also known as Pessac and Cot. In Cahors it produces a dark-colored, tannic flavor. But in the New World it has found a loving home in Argentina. Where just to confuse everyone it can be known as "Fer." Not as popular in France as it once was it has a loyal following in Argentina where its success is aligned with the zesty and robust foods of that country.

	Red Schooner, VOYAGE 10, Malbec, Mendoza, Argentina	60
2018	Achaval Ferrer, Malbec, Mendoza, Argentina	50
2020	Trivento Golden Reserve Malbec, Mendoza, Argentina	15 45
2014	Château Haut-Montplaisir, "Tradition" Malbec, Cahors, Southwest France	36

rhône reds and rhône styled wines not to be afraid of

The Syrah grape would be considered the most predominant of the varieties grown through the Rhône region of France. Grenache Noir, Mourvèdre along with Cinsault, Clariette and Rousanne are among the other acceptable red Rhône grapes. Dissected by the river that bears the same name, the Romans had been making wines for over 500 years there. Aside from Bordeaux, this region produces more Appellation Contrôlée than the rest of France.

2004	Chateau Beaucastel Chateauf-du-Pape, Rhône, France	375
	2006	350
	2007	325
	2009	300
2015	Betz Family, Bésolèil, Columbia Valley, Washington	120
2021	Domaine Jean Royer, Châteauf-neuf-du-Pape, Cuvée Prestige, Rhône Valley, France	84
2020	Domaine de Saje, Cuvée Château Mar, Cotes-du-Rhône, Rhône Valley, France	36

other reds and red blends worth a look

The offering of “Other Reds” here at Briquette runs the gamut. A sassy Zinfandel from Lodi or a delicious Carmenere from Chile. If you haven’t enjoyed a Priorat from Spain these gems are usually a single variety Grenache or Carignan; powerful with a deep red color. The Tempranillos from Rioja are a great choice to our spicy cuisine.

2015	Palacios Remondo, “Propiedad,” DOCa Rioja, Spain		105
2019	The Prisoner Red Blend, California	25	75
2018	Neyers Vista Luna Zinfandel, Sierra Foothills, California		65
2017	Cellars Vall Llach, “Embruix de Vall Llach,” Priorat, Spain		60
2020	Pessimist by DAOU, Red Blend, Paso Robles, California	14	46
2020	Finca Neuva, Crianza, DOCa Rioja, Spain		42
2020	Symington Family Estate Altano Red, Douro, Portugal		30
2019	Dos Almas Gran Reserva Carmenere Central Valley, Chile		30

who doesn't like a good italian red

From the Alps in the North to the islands of the south in Italy wine is grown everywhere. Italians truly love and understand the art of winemaking. It wasn't until the 1970's that the better wines began to be exported. From dry to sweet, still to sparkling. Fermentation of the red wines have gone away from wood to cement vats and stainless steel. Substantial investments in wine making technology has made Italian wineries the most modern in Europe.

2015	Remo Farina, "Montefante", Amarone Classico Della Valpolicella, Veneto, Italy	240
2016	Val di Suga, Brunello di Montalcino, Tuscany, Italy	150
2016	Michel Chiarlo, "Tortoniano," Barolo DOCG, Piedmont, Italy	125
2018	Rocca delle Macie "Riserva di Fizzano," Chianti Classico, Gran Selezione DOCG, Italy	90
2020	Col d'Orcia, Rosso di Montalcino, Tuscany, Italy	60
2019	Michel Chiarlo, "Le Orme," Barbera d'Asti DOCG, Piedmont, Italy	33
NV	Roscatto Rosso Dolce IGT Trevenzie, Italy	10 32

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