

2023 Domaine Vetriccie Corse Vermentino Corsica, France



The 2023 Domaine Vetriccie Corse is a white wine from Corsica made entirely from Vermentino (locally called Vermentinu), a grape that thrives in the island's Mediterranean climate between sea and mountains. Domaine Vetriccie, a family estate founded in 1966, farms vineyards on the Costa Serena where maritime influence and strong sunshine combine to produce wines with freshness, aromatic lift, and subtle salinity. In the glass, this wine is pale with bright reflections and offers a lively aromatic profile centered on citrus fruits (lemon, grapefruit), white peach, and delicate white flowers, often accompanied by light herbal and almond-like notes. On the palate, it is crisp and refreshing, with clean acidity, a supple texture, and a distinctly mineral, slightly saline finish that reflects its coastal terroir. It pairs especially well with seafood and Mediterranean cuisine, including grilled fish, shellfish, salads, or light appetizers, where its acidity and citrus profile enhance lighter, coastal flavors without overpowering them..

Thieves' price: \$11.99

2020 Nine Hats Red Wine Columbia Valley, Washington



The 2020 Nine Hats Red Wine is a Columbia Valley red blend that reflects the region's hallmark style—ripe fruit, approachable structure, and a polished, modern feel. Produced by Nine Hats (part of the Long Shadows portfolio), it pulls fruit from across Washington's warm, dry vineyards, which are known for concentrated flavors and balanced acidity. The 2020 vintage is a multi-varietal blend led primarily by Cabernet Sauvignon, supported by Merlot, Syrah, and a small amount of Petit Verdot, giving it both structure and softness. This mix creates a wine with depth but also easy drinkability—something Washington does particularly well. On the nose, the wine is expressive and slightly playful, showing aromas of black cherry, blackberry, and subtle notes of tobacco, cocoa, and even a stony/mineral edge. The palate follows with rich dark fruit flavors—blackberries and cherries—layered with hints of chocolate, coffee, and gentle oak spice. Overall, this is a “crowd-friendly” red—fruit-forward, polished, and easy to enjoy young—yet still structured enough to feel serious. It pairs especially well with hearty, flavor-driven dishes such as grilled steak, barbecue ribs, roasted mushrooms, or other savory foods where the wine's dark fruit and soft tannins complement richness and char.

Thieves' price: \$11.99

2024 Poggio del Grazie Garda Bianco Garda, Italy



The 2024 Poggio delle Grazie Garda Bianco is a fresh, easy-drinking white from northern Italy's Lake Garda, where the lake moderates the climate and helps preserve acidity and aromatic lift. The estate itself is a small, organic-focused winery aiming to highlight local grapes and a clean, terroir-driven style. This wine is typically made from a blend of Friulano and Trebbiano, giving it a lightly aromatic and approachable profile rather than a rich or heavy one. On the nose, it shows citrus, crisp green apple, and subtle herbal notes (like mint), with a delicate floral touch. On the palate, the 2024 is bright and refreshing, with lively acidity, a smooth texture, and a light-to-medium body. The flavors lean toward fresh orchard fruit and citrus, with a clean, slightly mineral finish that reflects the lake-influenced soils. Overall, it's a balanced, versatile wine focused on freshness and drinkability—less complex than some premium whites, but very easy to enjoy. It works well with seafood, simple pasta, salads, or white meats, and it's also ideal as an aperitif thanks to its crisp, refreshing style.

Thieves' price: \$16.99

2021 Casale del Giglio Petite Verdot Lazio, Italy



The 2021 Casale del Giglio Petit Verdot is a red wine from Lazio (central Italy), where warm sunshine and coastal influences allow this traditionally Bordeaux blending grape to fully ripen and be made as a standalone varietal. The winery is known for experimenting with international grapes in this Mediterranean setting, producing structured yet expressive wines. Made from 100% Petit Verdot, the wine is deep in color and quite full-bodied, with a firm structure and noticeable tannins. On the nose, it shows intense aromas of red and dark fruits—cherry, blackberry, and red berries—along with more complex notes like juniper, herbs, and spice. On the palate, it is rich and powerful, with a velvety texture and dense tannins balanced by freshness. Flavors lean toward dark fruit, cocoa, and subtle savory elements, finishing with a distinct spicy edge—often described as peppery—with a slightly firm, structured finish. Overall, this is a bold, more serious wine compared to the others you've listed—structured, layered, and better suited to food than casual sipping. It pairs especially well with hearty dishes such as roasted or grilled red meats, lamb, game, or rich pasta, where its tannins and spice can stand up to strong flavors.

Thieves' price: \$17.99

2021 Hamel Stratum Red Wine Sonoma Valley, California



The 2021 Hamel Stratum Red is a Sonoma Valley Bordeaux-style blend, built mainly on Cabernet Sauvignon with Merlot and Cabernet Franc (plus a small amount of Zinfandel). It reflects the region's volcanic soils and warm, dry vintage, giving the wine both richness and a strong mineral backbone. On the nose, it shows a layered, complex profile of black cherry, blackberry, and currant, alongside floral notes like violet and hints of cocoa, herbs, and graphite.

There's also a subtle earthy, iron-like (mineral) character that adds depth. On the palate, the wine is medium- to full-bodied with structured, finely knit tannins and bright acidity. Flavors lean toward dark fruit (plum, blackberry, cherry), balanced by savory and mineral notes, with a long, slightly chalky, structured finish. It's more about balance and tension than pure richness, and it has the structure to age for several years. Overall, this is a polished, structured red—more refined and mineral-driven than fruit-heavy. It pairs best with richer dishes like lamb, beef, or game, where its tannins and depth can really shine.

Thieves' price: \$32.99

2022 Versos de Valtuille Casares Mencia Bierzo, Spain



The Versos de Valtuille Casares Mencia (2021) comes from Bierzo in northwest Spain, a region known for fresh yet expressive reds. It's a site-specific wine ("paraje") from high-altitude vineyards, which helps give it both elegance and intensity. It's mainly based on Mencia (often with small amounts of other local grapes like Alicante Bouschet and Palomino), giving it a style that's fruit-driven but layered and complex. On the nose, it shows bright red fruits like cherry and strawberry along with floral notes (violet, wildflowers) and a subtle earthy/mineral character typical of Bierzo soils. On the palate, it's medium-bodied and fresh, with lively acidity, fine tannins, and a smooth, almost silky texture. Flavors

lean toward red berries with hints of herbs and minerality, finishing clean and elegant rather than heavy. Overall, this is a balanced and expressive red—lighter and more lifted than something like a Cabernet blend, but still structured. It pairs well with dishes like grilled meats, poultry, charcuterie, or flavorful vegetarian dishes where its freshness and acidity can shine.

Thieves' price: \$35.99