2021 Albet I Noya "Curios" Xarel-lo Penedès, Spain

Xarel-lo is potentially the most important white varietal of the Penedès. Together with Parellada and Macabeo, the trio makes up the blend of the great Cavas. Albet i Noya are pioneers in organically farmed wines since 1978. In 1903, during the phylloxera crisis, our great great grandfather, Joan Albet i Rovirosa, arrived in the Penedès to work the the vineyards at the Can Vendrell de la Codina estate, in Sant Pau d'Ordal. And here he stayed. For five generations, the Albet family, tenant farmers of Can Vendrell, have farmed, loved and watched over the vines that are now the protagonists of our wines. With an attractive pale straw yellow, this wine elegantly showcases everything Xarel lo can bring to the table: fresh fruit like pear, green apple or quince, citric notes and orange or almond blossom. In the mouth it is fresh with lively acidity and a slightly

bitter finish typical of the flagship variety of the Penedès. Pair with salads, chicken or fish.

Thieves' price: \$11.99

2020 Raywood Cabernet Sauvignon Central Coast, California



Raywood wines are produced at the Castoro Cellars wine facility in Paso Robles by the Palmateer Wine Marketina Group, producina negociant wines that are meant to be an exceptional value. Grown in the famed Valleys of California's central coast and aged 10 months in French oak, the final product is a smooth easy drinking red. Black fruits jump from the glass as you first approach the wine. These soften a bit leading way for red fruit and oak. The wine is rounded out with soft tannins that create a pleasant

finish! Pair with a portobello burger, a lamb burger and fries or your favorite Netflix show binge.

Thieves' price: \$10.99

2021 Skouras "ZOE" White Blend Peloponnese, Greece



A blend of the "ever-popular" 60% Roditis and 40% Moscofilero. George Skouras was born in Argos, one of the oldest towns of Europe with a 3,000 years long tradition of wine and culture. In 1980, George went to study Agriculture at the University of Dijon, in Burgundy, France. A long-held vision, the creation of Domaine Skouras materialized in 1986. Initially, the small wine-making facility was in Pyrgela, a small village on the outskirts of Argos. The Roditis Alepou and Moscofilero are both grown in sandy mountain vineyards between 1,400 and 2400 ft altitude. Stainless steel fermentation with short lees contact. Aromas of fresh flowers, with hints of crushed blossoms and of fruits such as avocado. A relaxed pace and a luxurious texture give flavors of citrus fruit and touches of jasmine and mint. In the aftertaste, the acidity travels across the palate for a clean, extended finish. Pair this with your next Dungeness crab adventure!

Thieves' price: \$16.99

Mira Salinas Monastrell Alicante, Spain



In 2013, the Miñano and Gómez families, owners of MGWine Group, purchased Bodega Sierra Salinas, implementing their philosophy to restore focus on the vineyards, by converting all of them to organic and dry farming. This helps produce tremendous natural balance of phenolic ripeness and healthy pH. The Estate grown parcels of Monastrell are between 20 and 50 years old. Rocky, chalky soils that are very shallow between one foot and three and a half feet deep. Very loose soils with good drainage situated right over a limestone mother rock. The grapes are macerated in stainless steel tanks and undergo malolactic fermentation in French oak barriques. 12 months aged in various new and used French oak barriques. It has a spicy edge to the purple-flower and sour black-cherry character. Juicy medium body, imbued with bright, fleshy dark cherries, plums and plenty of silky tannins. Pair with braised meats and grilled chorizo.

Thieves' price: \$16.99

2019 Falcone Vineyards Cabernet Sauvignon Paso Robles



John and Helen Falcone manage their 9-acre Mia's Vineyard and produce just about 1,800 cases of wine each year. Previously John worked at Atlas Peak Vineyards as a winemaker and Helen worked at Chimney Rock Winery as assistant winemaker. Their vines are farmed meticulously maintaining the proper number of clusters for each individual shoot. This technique produces a very intense wine that captures the flavors of our site. Optimum storage conditions: constant temperatures 55 to 58°F, darkness Aging potential: To enjoy young fruit aromas, consume within 1 to 3 years of bottling date. For extended aging under ideal conditions, consume within 3 to 10 years of bottling date. Aged for 17 months in barrel 63% new oak, (52% French oak, 11%) American oak.) The 2019 Cabernet Sauvignon shows great depth and structure with purple hues and a rich texture of vel-

vety tannin. There are aromas of lush black cherry, caramel, coffee, and "dust" which continue on the palate with blackberry, spicy anise, and cocoa. Pair it with a ribeye or grilled portobellos.

Thieves' price: \$35.99

2019 The Walls "Stanley Groovy" Red blend Red Mountain, WA



An eclectic blend of 28% Touriga Nacional, 18% Syrah, 15% Souzao, and the rest a mix of Tinta Cao, Merlot, Mourvèdre, Counoise, and Cabernet Franc. "The Walls" is what the locals call the Washington State Penitentiary, Walla Walla's least talked about but perhaps most notorious landmark, that loomed just down the street from where their first wines were made. Winemaker Todd Alexander is one of a select few 100-point winemakers in Washington State, who began his winemaking career in the Napa Valley at Bryant Family Vineyard, Cade and PlumpJack Todd has been in the Pacific Northwest for the past six vintages. It sports a deep ruby/plum color as well as a juicy, delicious, medium to full-bodied, fruit-loaded style to

go with a great nose of red, blue, and black fruits as well as spicy oak, tobacco, and peppery herbs. It's balanced, has silky tannins, and is just one heck of a delicious red to drink over the coming 4-5 years or more."

Thieves' price: \$34.99