## 2021 Lone Birch Estate Chardonnay Yakima Valley, Washington

Sourced from fruit from our 830 acre estate vineyard located in the Yakima Valley. The warm days and the cool nights provided by the high desert environment allow the vines to produce exceptional balance with ripe fruit flavors and plenty of natural acidity. The 2020 vintage will go down as a very memorable year. Just as we were preparing for an early start to harvest, wildfires in the Northwest created a thick cloud of smoke over Washington State. Concerns arose about exposure to smoke. Taking a cautious approach, we delayed harvest until the smoke cleared and conducted trials to determine the effect of smoke on our grapes. Fortunately, results showed no sign of smoke taint. The goals for this wine were fruit-focused aromatics and crisp acidity. This style is best achieved in a stainless steel tank to preserve fruitiness. bouquet of honeysuckle and melon that leads to a crisp, dry,

and refreshing palate with flavors of zesty lemon and pear. Enjoy now through 2028. Think scallops, green lentils, or Normandy pork chops.

LONE BIRCH

Thieves' price: \$11.99

#### 2020 David Addamo Pinot Noir Reserve, Centra Coast, CA



A percentage of every bottle of David Addamo Wines sold gives back to help support Emmaus House, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization providing shelter and assistance to women and children who are victims of domestic violence. David Addamo got his start by working with two great winemakers, Russell From of Herman Story Winery and Justin Mund of Orflia Winery, making Big Jamy Bold Wines. In 2000, he planted his first 50-acre vineyard and inaugural vintage of Addamo Estate Wines was 2004. He sold his label in 2012 and continued as winemaker for several years. Fast forward to 2020, and David has a new "premium" label for single vineyard Pinot Noir, with 250 case production. This Reserve bursts out of the glass with mixed dark berry, sweet caramel, and fantastic brown spices, all underscored by silky waves of rich black cherry fruit, purple and red florals, and soft, acidity. Finishing

with elegant tannins and flamed citrus peel. Pair with duck confit, grilled mushroom tacos, and pan-seared salmon.

Thieves' price: \$11.99



### 2021 Balletto Pinot Gris Sonoma County

John Balletto began farming in 1977 at the tender age of 17. He had just graduated from high school and due to the untimely death of his father, gave up what looked like a promising college football and track career. With \$200 in the bank and five acres in Sebastopol, California, John began farming produce with help from his mother, Hazel. The Balletto Family now has over 600 acres in the Russian River Valley, of which only 10% is used for the estate. Texture and persistence define this top-tier Pinot Gris. It's focused with crisp acidity and yet still maintains a powerful weight

and presence throughout. Simply delightful. Aromatically, the wine opens with citrus and delicate slate aromas followed with darker, savory elements. The mouthfeel is a contrast of zingy lime, perfect viscosity, and subtle tannins that add texture and extend the wine through an incredible and lengthy finish with both texture and flavor. Pair with your favorite Asian food, beer can chicken, or grilled bratwurst.

Thieves' price: \$15.99

#### 2021 Cala Civetta Ciliegiolo Maremma Toscana, Italy



Located just inland from the Tuscan coastline, the Cantina del Morellino is a true co-op that distributes profits to its 170 participating families. The average land holding is tiny - just 3 hectares - and sustainable farming remains the undying mantra. Believed to be a parent to Sangiovese (based on DNA evidence) Ciliegiolo certainly has plenty of telltale cherry aromas and flavors to offer. That said, this grape is slightly different than its offspring: richer in phenols and darker in color, it has softer, rounder tannins and less acidity, making it the perfect, approachable glass with a classic Tuscan meal. In the case of Cala Civetta, the wine is lean and clean, with a high-energy mouthfeel, ripe fruit, and a crowd-pleasing finish. A wonderful option from the Maremma that is both familiar and fresh at once. Nose of fresh cherry, wild strawberry, and violet. It has a palate of ripe cherry and soft tannins, with a finish that's clean, unoaked, and medium bodied. Pair with charcuterie, and smoked meats.

Thieves' price: \$17.99

#### 2020 Kay Brothers Basket Pressed Shiraz McLaren Vale, Australia



Established in 1890 by Australian born brothers Herbert and Frederick Kay, it is the oldest McLaren Vale winery still in the hands of the founding family, with Herbert's grandson Colin Kay continuing the family winemaking tradition. Bordering St. Vincent's Gulf, 24 miles south of Adelaide, the Kay Brothers McLaren Vale vineyards grace the rolling foothills of the Southern Mt. Lofty Ranges. The winery is located at the top of a hill three miles from the McLaren Vale Township and the cellar door, which is part of the original winery complex, boasts some stunning panoramic views of the surrounding picturesque valleys and hillsides. Shows the concentration and vitality that the warm 2020 brought with it. Despite all the plump, voluminous plum and blackberry fruit generosity, this is possessed of a savory line of tannin through the palate, stitched together by briny acidity and a spicy, finegrained texture. Pair with kebabs and hearty veggies, smoked ribs, or braised lamb.

Thieves' price: \$31.99

# 2018 Paolo Scavino Barolo Piedmonte, Italy



Paolo Scavino winery was founded in 1921 in Castiglione Falletto from Lorenzo Scavino and his son Paolo, Enrico Scavino together with the daughters Enrica and Elisa, fourth generation, run the family Estate. Through 70 years of work, Enrico Scavino has researched and purchased some of the most historic vineyards cultivated with Nebbiolo for Barolo to experience and show the uniqueness of each site. The Scavino family owns 30 hectares entirely in the Barolo area and vinifies grapes from their own vineyards located in several villages. Vivid aromas of red berries and roses follow though to a medium-bodied palate, where fine tannins provide a lightly firm bed for fresh fruit. The lighter, brighter style of this is true to the character of the vintage, but here it's been well-handled. All in balance. This wine is an opportunity for many clients to enjoy a great Barolo with an exceptional price quality ratio. Best after 2024. Pair with prime rib, osso buco, venison stew, or wild mushroom risotto.

Thieves' price: \$36.99