

2020 Phillip Viallet Blanc Savoie, France



A blend of indigenous varietals Jacquere, Chasselas, Altesse, and Chardonnay. The Viallet family have been working the vineyards of Savoie since 1966, when Marcel and Yvonne purchased their first estate, Domaine Clos Réserve, in Apremont, a mere 10km from Chambéry. Their second son Philippe joined the business in 1984, after having studied wine-making in Beaune. He realized the strong commercial potential of the wines of Savoie, and in 1985, he created Maison Philippe Viallet. The nose is exuberant and bouncy, with an Alpine freshness, crisp orchard fruit and Asian pear notes that follow through to the palate in the most pleasant way. There's fantastic minerality and texture here, with a slight saltiness on the finish. Pair with fondue, raclette, gratin (classic pairing) seafood-based dishes, herbed pastas, savory tarts, and fresh salads garnished with pear and roasted nuts work.

Thieves' price: \$11.99

2019 Carlos Serres Tempranillo Crianza, Rioja, Spain



Carlos Serres was a pioneer in Rioja. In 1896 he established one of the first wineries in Haro, the heart of Rioja. He was an instrumental figure in promoting the early exports of Rioja wines. Today, the Bodega remains family-owned and operated and is one of only a few centenarian producers in Rioja. The estate is Southeast of Haro, just 800 yards from the winery and spreads out over nearly 150 acres of premium Rioja Alta vineyards with vines average 20+ years old. Aromas of mature red fruit fresh raspberries, citrus and spices. with a core of spice and delicate licorice hints. The wine is Light to medium body, complex, fine tannins and a fruity finish.. An extremely versatile wine. A perfect match for Mediterranean cuisine such as fried fish or vegetable dishes, rice, pasta, pulses, red and white meats and even cheeses.

Thieves' price: \$11.99

2023 Weingut Fürst Elbing Mosel, Germany



Elbling is a great old Germanic wine grape with a long history traceable to imperial Roman times, it was Germany's most cultivated variety until the early 20th century. Today its range is limited to the cool, steep banks of the Obermosel (southern Mosel) river valley and neighboring Luxembourg—where the Mosel discreetly becomes the Moselle. Elbling is naturally high in acid and low in sugar, making for a low ABV wine that ripens well in areas where Riesling does not. Weingut Rudolf Fürst has a long history with the Franconian family Fürst with their family history as winegrowers dating back to 1638. This is a dry white wine that shows some great mineral structure that is so typical of the region. Nose of lemony citrus and subtle white flowers. Lively and fresh with a zippy, mouth-watering finish. An excellent choice for cured fish, chilled oysters, river fish, and light summery fare like salads, raw foods, fresh greens and grains.

Thieves' price: \$16.99

2019 Tehachapi 'Bottle Jack' Cabernet Sauvignon San Antonio Valley, CA



Tehachapi Winery is located in Cummings Valley nestled in the Tehachapi Mountains, in southern California. An extensive forty-two acre property—with eighteen active acres of vineyard, Tehachapi Winery remains the largest producing winery in the area. The vineyard resides at an altitude of roughly 4000 ft. with unique Triassic-era granite soils. This distinct combination of climate and topography has produced a rare terroir all it's own. Also known as the Land of Four Seasons, Tehachapi has recently been made a new American Viticultural Area (AVA). Due to it's elevation, it has similar conditions to other high altitude vineyards found in Argentina, Italy and the Spanish Canary Islands. Notes of dried plum. Pair with a slow cooked beef braise or

eggplant Parmesan.

Thieves' price: \$17.99

2019 Jean-Maurice Raffault, Cabernet Franc 'Clos de L'Hospice', Chinon, France



Jean-Maurice Raffault's famed Chinon estate is now run by his son Rodolphe. Chinon is located in the central Loire valley, near Tours, and is the northernmost French red wine appellation. The family have been vignerons in Chinon since 1693 and the estate now comprises 40 hectares spread over 6 communes. Raffault is one of the few Chinon producers still using oak barrels to produce stable, tannic wines with impressive structure and intensity of fruit. A fuller-bodied yet elegant red, with ample cherry and raspberry wrapped around a core of graphite and smoke. Shows intensity that builds on the palate, which is filled out with singed alder, incense and fruit leather. Earthy and energetic, with fine-grained tannins lining the formidable finish. Pair with a grilled skirt steak, baked potato, and sautéed kale, or Leg of lamb with a rosemary crust, buttered carrots, and a Chinon red

sauce.

Thieves' price: \$35.99

2021 I Brand Cabernet Sauvignon Bates Ranch, Santa Cruz Mountains



Bates Ranch is the least known of the holy trinity of Bordeaux variety sites in the Santa Cruz Mountains (with Mount Eden and Monte Bello). We first became aware of the vineyard through the age-worthy 70s and 80s bottling from classic Santa Cruz Mountain producers like We make wine from the coveted mid-slope of the dry farmed Stagecoach Block planted in the late 1960's on its own roots. Soils in this section of the vineyard are volcanic rocks and sandy river deposits overlying the sedimentary Franciscan formation. Opens with a bouquet of Fraser River Raspberry and Mission Fig underscored with earthy notes of graphite and wet clay. Balanced and incorporated like sweet pipe tobacco. Bright raspberry is confirmed on the palate, which evolves into subtle herbaceousness reminiscent of Oregano. Extremely complex with a lingering finish, leaving the palate with the distinctive brightness. Pair with a buffalo burger, prime rib, or a hearty mushroom sauce over pasta.

Thieves' price: Inquire