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Six for Sixty | March, 2018

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Bodegas Pazo das Tapias, Godello "Alma de Autor," Galicia, Spain 2016
90% Godello, 10% Treixadura

WHITE PEACH & LIME, MINERALISTIC ELEGANCE, ROUND YET FIRM
Godello is the undisputed monarch of whites from the more inland reaches of Spain's Galicia and plays an important role in northern Portugal as well. This outing from our friend and hero of unusually economical Galician offerings, Manuel Mendez, aptly showcases the variety's propensity toward a mineral, medium-weight, vaguely Burgundian persona. In fact, fans of unsoaked Chardonnay will really sink their teeth into this. As intriguing as the unspoiled hills of Galicia!

Serving Suggestion: *Steamed mussels & prawns. Seared scallops w/ butter & scallions*

Domaine Barou, Marsanne, Vin de Pays Collines Rhodaniennes, Rhone Valley, France 2016 {biodynamic}
100% Marsanne

STARFRUIT & QUINCE, LIME ZEST & MINT, MINERAL

Marsanne has overtaken its similar and more widespread parent variety, Roussanne, as the headliner in the rare but resplendent whites of the Northern Rhone. Usually appearing in blends alongside the aforementioned older grape, it appears here in monologue mode with vibrant orchard fruit, mineral, and undercurrents of musky tropicality – delightfully fresh and modern while retaining ethereal mystique.

Serving Suggestion: *Roast turkey w/ chestnut/apple stuffing. Chickpea flour quiche w/ spinach & criminis.*



Socalos do Bouro (Corina Maria Pereira Antunes Almeida), Vinho Verde Branco "Colheita Seleccionada," Vinho Verde, Portugal 2016

70% Loureiro, 15% Trajadura, 15% Arinto
A TROPICAL PARADISE, SPRY MINERALITY, RELENTLESSLY REFRESHING!

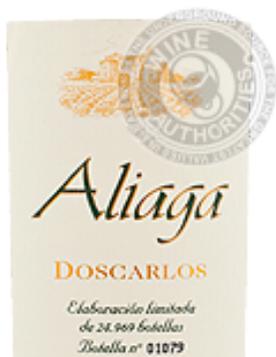
Let the refreshment wash over you! Vinho Verde is still what patio & picnic dreams are made of, but a renaissance is sweeping through Portugal's far north and carrying these valiantly vibrant, tirelessly tangy delights forward. Not all contemporary Vinho Verde is effervescent, but this one represents the classically frothy and fresh style... with a richer twist.. Delightful!

Serving Suggestions: *Fresh spring rolls w/ shrimp, beansprouts, cilantro, and mango. Spicy brunch omelette with tomato, red onion, turmeric, and mustard seed.*

Companhia das Lezírias Tejo Branco "Samora", Tejo, Portugal 2016
70% Fernão Pires, 30% Arinto
JUICY FRUIT, VERY FLORAL, TANGERINE, CITRUS

From the southern reaches of Portugal in the recently renamed Tejo region comes this darling summer sipper and poolside companion dubbed "Samora" after the local Samora Correia area. The estate has just 120 hectares under vine and conscientiously produces what can only be described as some of the absolute best values around. Peach, honeydew melon, tangerine and citrus jump from the glass. Very juicy and bright, every glass is like a bouquet of fresh flowers and golden fruit.

Serving Suggestion: *Shrimp boil with lots of lemon, bay leaf and a mango salsa. Also with summer fruit gaspacho.*



Viña Aliaga, "Doscarlos", Navarra, Spain 2016

100% Sauvignon Blanc
LIME & GRAPEFRUIT, CITRUS BLOSSOM & GINGER, NO OAK

In some previous vintages, Aliaga's Sauvignon grapes have been harvested very ripe and aged in oak barrels, making for a rich but less distinct wine. More recently, they've turned 180 and made the wine with vibrant, mouthwatering grapes (conducive to healthy, refreshing acidity) while ditching the oak. The result is a complex, intriguing, and exotic.

Serving Suggestion: *Boiled white asparagus drizzled with olive oil & sea salt. White bean soup with chorizo and piquillo peppers.*

Domaine Pinchinat, "Venus de Pinchinat" Rosé Frizzante, Provence, France 2016 {organic} Grenache, Syrah, Cinsault

ZESTY CHERRY & LEMONADE, DRY & FAINTLY SPRITZY, WHITE PEPPER

How do you make a great wine even better? Arguably, you can't as "better" and "worse" are intensely subjective where wines are concerned, but, in our humble opinion, this frizzante version elevates our most popular rosé selection to previously unimagined heights of refreshment. Produced organically just outside of the Cotes de Provence AOC, this glimmering gem is a stunning and unique example of why Provence is the world capital of rosé!

Serving Suggestion: *Stir-fried shrimp & pasta w/ olive oil, minced basil, & feta crumbles. Vegan (or not) pad Thai w/ crispy fried tofu. Yum!*





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Palamá, Negroamaro "Arcangelo", Puglia, Italy 2016
100% Negroamaro
PLUM & RASPBERRY, CINNAMON CRUMBS, SUAVE & GENTLE
Of all the things we might accuse Negroamaro, of, gentleness probably wouldn't be at the top of the list, but Nini Palamá has developed a distinctive talent for taming the brooding reds that populate the Salento peninsula. This rendition has the concentrated dark fruit and baking spices associated with the variety yet clocks in at an outlandishly reasonable 12.5% ABV with delicate tannin and guzzleable gusto!
Serving Suggestion: *Charcoal-grilled sausage & minced pork skewers w/ rosemary, parsley, & grated pecorino. Baked potato & eggplant w/ parmesan, puréed tomatoes, & garlic.*

Mas Montel (Mas Granier), "Cuvée Psalmodi" Rouge, Languedoc, France 2015
{sustainable} 60% Merlot, 20% Grenache, 20% Syrah
AROMATIC BERRIES, PLUMS, SPICE. JUICY & FUN
The last couple of vintages of Psalmodi have knocked us out. For lovers of Rhone reds or any juicy, rich red with lots of berry and spice flavors. Bang for buck, one of the best we have had from the Languedoc. Like blackberry tea with a medium-full body, silky and seductive fruit and a round easy tannin finish - the Psalmodi is a "fruit bomb" with structure. So much wine for this price.
Serving Suggestion: *A dynamite "All Purpose" red wine for burgers, chicken, sausages, duck and vegetarian dishes with lentils, beans or mushrooms.*



Domaine Le Garrigon, Vin de Pays, Southern Rhone, France 2016
{organic & vegan}
BLACK RASPBERRY, LAVENDER & THYME, WHITE PEPPER
This is winegrower Daniel Couston's unbelievable value red, never exported outside of France until now! Only sold to local restaurants in the vicinity of the winery, once we tried it, we had to have it. Estate grown, delicious organic red! The wine stays fresh. Bright, fragrant, and every bit as Mediterranean as its name suggests, this vintage is made entirely from Grenache. You've got to share this with a friend, and tell them the story. A Wine Authorities exclusive!
Serving Suggestions: *Inexpensive enough for your Wednesday burgers and Tuesday night pasta, but fine enough for your Friday steak or Saturday lamb chops.*

Vina Apaltagua, Carmenere "Reserva", Apalta Valley, Colchagua Valley, Chile 2016
100% Carmenere
CHERRY & BLACKBERRY, CHOCOLATE, ROASTED POBLANO
The Carmenere grape yields some of the world's most readily recognizable red wines. Its signature combination of deep purple fruit, jalapeño and chocolate makes for reds that are highly memorable and very crave-able while its fascinating history as a long-lost component in Bordeaux strengthens its intrigue. Colchagua Valley's Apaltagua winery proudly claims the grape as its top priority, producing delicious and exceptionally representative Carmenere of tremendous value.
Serving Suggestion: *Empanadas stuffed with ground beef, black olives, garlic & raisins - paprika & cumin are a must! Fried peppers stuffed with mozzarella, onion, halved grape tomatoes, & spinach.*



Mas Codina, Cabernet Sauvignon Roble, Penedes, Spain 2015
{organic} 100% Cabernet Sauvignon
PLUM & CASSIS, GRAPHITE-LIKE MINERALITY, ENERGETIC
Not quite a joven alternative to Mas Codina's always beautiful Cabernet cuvée, this youthfully assertive gem is aged in oak for three months - just long enough to enhance an impression of polish or finesse without compromising its vitality. Penedès is best known as Cava country, but like Tarragona to its north, has a longstanding love affair with Bordelais varieties, and both Cabernet and Merlot do outstanding work here. Txin txin!
Serving Suggestion: *Kosher Coney Island hot dog. Catalan pizza w/ zucchini, pine nuts, capsicum, & sun-dried tomato.*

Domaine Pinchinat, Venus de Pinchinat Rouge, Provence, France 2016
Grenache, Syrah, Cinsault, Cabernet Sauvignon
DARK BERRIES, CURRANTS, SMOKE. SMOOTH.
The vineyards of Pinchinat have been farmed for wine grapes since the Romans occupied this area 2000 years ago. The famous Venus of Aix en Provence and dozens of other Paleolithic artifacts have been found among these very vines. This red is dark, rich and satisfying but also smooth and very quaffable; historic even!
Serving Suggestion: *Great with a simple roast, burgers, meatloaf or pasta. With a little chill it shifts down to be suitable with pork, chicken and even tuna salad.*

