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Six for Sixty | November, 2018

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Domaine de la Chauviniere, "Clos les Montys" Muscadet Sèvre et Maine - Sur Lie, Loire Valley, France, 2016
{organic} 100% Melon de Bourgogne

LIME & PEAR, FLORAL NOTES, FLINTY MINERAL

Its enticing, pristine clarity in the glass belies the depth and elegance to follow. This mouthwatering Muscadet has a nose of fresh white birch flowers and layers of flinty mineral with pear – heightened by a faint buzz of bright spritziness. A saline, electric finish inspires "wow" and a stunned smile spreading across the taster's face. A Wine Authorities exclusive!

Serving Suggestion: *Classically served with raw oysters – don't miss this magic pairing. Also great with nearly any shellfish (eg shrimp or scallops).*

Bodegas Pardevalles, Albarín, Tierra de Leon, Spain 2017
100% Albarin

LEMON-LIME, TROPICAL, ADDICTIVELY AROMATIC

That's not a typo! This is Albarín, not Albariño. Despite almost being homonyms, these two grapes are completely unrelated. Still incredibly rare, Albarín was on the verge of extinction before its revival at the hands of Pardevalles. Medium bodied and as fun as can be, with exuberantly fresh aromas, it will have you asking yourself why you've never had an Albarín before.

Serving suggestion: *Chicken breasts doused in peri peri citrus-pepper sauce. Shrimp ceviche served in an avocado bowl.*



Socalos do Bouro (Corina Maria Pereira Antunes Almeida), Vinho Verde Branco "Colheita Seleccionada," Vinho Verde, Portugal 2017

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.*

Domaine Pinchinat, Cotes de Provence Blanc, Provence, France 2016
{organic} Rolle, Clairette

POLLEN, PEAR, WHITE FLOWERS & MIXED HERBS

Pinchinat is great for so many reasons. For one, the combination of Rolle (called Vermentino in Italy) and Clairette is a perfect match, made in heaven. Secondly, the combination of historic vineyards, clean, simple winemaking, and value pricing is nearly unheard of. The wines are authentic, soulful, and you can toss 'em back like ice water on a hot day. From this small, contiguous vineyard, beautiful things are made.

Serving Suggestion: *Wood-fired pizza with clams and fresh garlic on top, lightly sprinkled with red pepper flakes. Grilled veggie kabobs kissed with Green Goddess dressing.*



Lua Cheia em Vinhas Velhas, Branco "Album", Alentejo, Portugal 2013
100% Antão Vaz

PINEAPPLE & YUZU, KISS OF LEMONGRASS, INTENSELY REFRESHING

Antão Vaz, a native of these hot, arid, southern Portuguese climes, is an intriguing specialist at retaining a refreshingly racy edge in spite of sweltering temperatures. Known for its brilliant tropical flavors and aromas, the grape is also a champion in the vineyard, performing robustly and helping to make astonishing values like this possible.

Serving Suggestion: *Tangy grilled plantain burrito w/ salsa verde & sour cream. Prew wan w/ chopped pineapple, peppers, coarsely-wedged tomatoes, & fish sauce.*

Domaine Laballe, "Les Terres Basses" Blanc, Cotes de Gascogne, France 2017
50% Colombard, 30% Ugni Blanc, 10% Gros Manseng, 10% Sauvignon Blanc

WHITE FRUIT & ACACIA, SUBTLE TROPICAL NOTES

"Les Terres Basses" translates to "the Lowlands", and refers to the shallow calcareous soils on the sunny, pristine expanses of vineyard that sit below the winery at Domaine Laballe. This is a complex and punchy blend of white grapes both esoteric and commonplace. The wine is rich and exotic, but with flowing strands of acidity that convey an innate "chuggability."

Serving Suggestion: *Grilled salmon with chopped grilled chives and a dollop each of mustard and creme fraiche.*





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"YOU BET SHIRAZ"



"BABY WINOSAUR"



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RED Six for Sixty | November, 2018 RED

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Casa Los Frailes, "Bilogia" Tinto, Valencia, Spain 2014
 {biodynamic} 50% Monastrell, 50% Syrah
BLUEBERRY & PLUM, BOLD & LUSH. SOFT, TOASTY OAK
 Casa Los Frailes, taking its name from the friars which once inhabited the estate, produces wine with the utmost respect for nature and its vineyards. Monastrell, the premier varietal of Spain's southeast, is clearly their first priority. For the Bilogia cuvée, they blend it with its classic blending partner of France, Syrah, grown in Valencia to great results. The outcome is a plump but well-structured wine with soft tannins, supple purple fruit character, and a very tasteful dollop of creamy oak for good measure.
Serving Suggestions: *Majorcan sausage (such as Botifarró with aniseed) and other cured meats. Aged sheep's milk cheeses such as Manchego.*

Chateau La Colombière, "Vinum" Fronton Rouge, Southwest, France 2017
 {biodynamic} 100% Négrette
RASPBERRY & BLACK CHERRY, ETHEREAL HERBS, GENEROUS SPICE
 Of all the specialized and unusual appellations of southwestern France, Fronton, less than half an hour north of Toulouse, is quite possibly the most unique. Its exotic Négrette grape is cultivated virtually no where else on Earth. The Cauvin family of Chateau la Colombiere have, with their "Cuvée Vinum," brought forward an elegant and balanced representation both of Négrette and of their terroir, showcasing firm purple fruit, elegant earthy mineral, dill, and vigorous spice which perfectly complements the wine's medium body and solid frame.
Serving Suggestion: *Cassoulet with pork shoulder, sausage, and bacon. Roasted cornish hen with thyme rosemary, and Sage.*



Domaine de Martinolles, Pinot Noir, Languedoc, France 2016
 100% Pinot Noir
RED PLUM, BRIGHT CHERRY, SUBTLE SPICE
 The region of Limoux in France's Languedoc is something of a conundrum. Most of its neighbors cultivate the famous Mediterranean varietals like Grenache and Syrah, but Limoux often focuses on specialties normally associated with more northerly regions. Its cooling Atlantic influence has made it famous for sparkling wines and the best French Chardonnays outside of Burgundy, so it's no surprise that Limoux should provide a fabulous haven for elegant, healthy Pinot Noir.
Serving Suggestion: *Crepes filled with smoked salmon with dill and horseradish. Cornish hens stuffed with minced pork, mushrooms, and shallot.*

Domaine Le Garrigon, Vin de Pays, Southern Rhone, France 2017
 {organic & vegan} Syrah, Grenache
FIRM LOGANBERRY, LAVENDER & LEATHER, PEPPER & THYME
 This is winegrower Daniel Couston's unbelievable value red, never exported outside of France until now! Previously only available to local restaurants in the vicinity of the winery, it absolutely wowed us on first taste. Though the Domaine is located in the Southern Rhone, there's an impressive reminiscence here of the revered reds from of the North. Syrah's signature leatheriness comes through loud and clear, supported by aromas of the Provençal herbs that serve as the estate's namesakes.
Serving Suggestions: *Lamburgers w/ blue cheese, rosemary, & oregano. Pizza w/ sheep's milk feta, basil, grape tomatoes, & black olives.*



Viña Aliaga, Tempranillo "Patricia", Navarra, Spain 2016
 100% Tempranillo
SPICY, LIGHTLY SMOKY, CRUSHED BLACK FRUIT
 Winegrower Carlos Aliaga's father planted the vines here more than 45 years ago and being just two kilometers from Rioja, he planted Tempranillo vs. the typical Garnacha of southern Navarra. Here in the heart of the Ribera Baja zone, he coaxes loads of berry flavor from the versatile grape. Just a few miles from desert land, the vines struggle in dry conditions and yield intensely flavorful wine. Never exposed to oak, the wine remains vibrant and fresh!
Serving Suggestion: *Pork off the charcoal w/ charred bits. Marinated skirt steak w/ grilled onions & roasted peppers.*

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.*

