



92 Panthea 2012 Klindt Pinot Noir (Anderson Valley). Distinct aromas of cola, cedar and Bing cherry, as well as flavors of mocha and blackcurrants, weave fascinating complexity into this supple, full-bodied wine. The texture feels broad and relaxed, while the acidity and tannins are moderate. A nice viscosity carries its plump appeal through the finish. —J.G.

abv: 14.5%

Price: \$42



92 Sierra Cantabria 2011 Única Reserva (Rioja). Firm, generous aromas of fresh-cut oak, lemon peel and wild berries are alluring and finely chiseled. This is a bit sharp and tannic, with pushy, high-toned acidity ensuring a long life for this Tempranillo. Wiry, roasted plum and berry flavors finish tight as a drum, with zesty acidity and toasty length. Drink through 2025. Fine Estates From Spain. *Cellar Selection.* —M.S.

abv: 14.5%

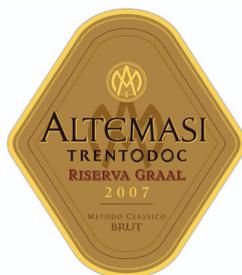
Price: \$30



92 Thiénot 2006 Cuvée Stanislas Blanc de Blancs Brut Millesimé (Champagne). With fruit from the chalk vineyards of the Côte des Blancs, this wine named after Alain Thiénot's son Stanislas is tightly textured, mineral-driven, steely and crisp. Apple skins and lime juice feature along with a continuing freshness despite the wine's age. It can be enjoyed now, although it will be better from 2017. Thiénot USA. —R.V.

abv: 12.5%

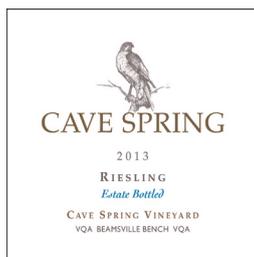
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91 Altemasi 2007 Riserva Graal Metodo Classico Brut (Trento). Aromas of pressed yellow flowers, dried apricot, tropical fruit and a pastry note emerge on this luminous wine. The elegant palate delivers ripe Golden Delicious apple, toasted almond and a yeasty note of bread crust alongside an ultrafine *perlage* and tangy acidity. A hint of citrus zest closes the lingering finish. Palm Bay International. —K.O.

abv: 12%

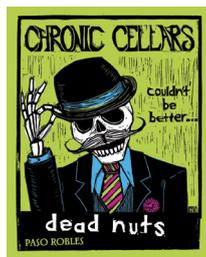
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91 Cave Spring 2013 Cave Spring Vineyard Estate Bottled Riesling (Beamsville Bench). This drinks dry, with a strong mineral component. Mainstream flavors of apple and slate lead into a firm, concentrated palate with a long, pure finish. MGZ Associates. *Editors' Choice.* —P.G.

abv: 11.5%

Price: \$17



91 Chronic Cellars 2013 Dead Nuts (Paso Robles). Cherry tomatoes, mulberry fruit, turned earth and tree-bark aromas show on the nose of this blend of 64% Zinfandel, 21% Tempranillo and 15% Petite Sirah. It's rich and thick on the palate, with black cherries, turned earth, tobacco and concentrated plum-strawberry juice. A decent structure will ensure a few years in the cellar. —M.K.

abv: 15%

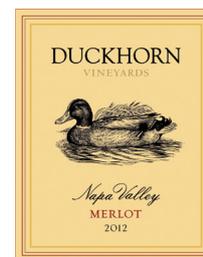
Price: \$24



91 Clos du Val 2012 Cabernet Sauvignon (Napa Valley). Mostly from estate vineyards, and blended with other Bordeaux varieties, this wine balances dense, chewy, sizable tannins with a juicy core of blackberry, baking spices and leather. Given time, its sense of elegance should rule over its power, while for now, it finishes in bittersweet chocolate. Cellar through 2020. *Cellar Selection.* —V.B.

abv: 14.1%

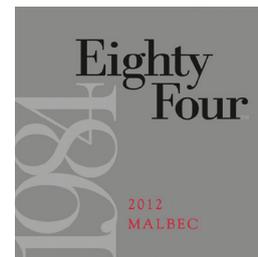
Price: \$38



91 Duckhorn 2012 Merlot (Napa Valley). Benefiting from a larger percentage of Three Palms Vineyard fruit than ever before, this majority Merlot also holds Cabernet Sauvignon, Petit Verdot, Cabernet Franc and Malbec. The result is a density of rich, soft and spicy red fruit supported by structured tannins. This is ready for the table and a wide range of pairings. —V.B.

abv: 14.5%

Price: \$54



91 Eighty Four 2012 Malbec (Napa Valley). A new side project between longtime Shafer Vineyards partners Doug Shafer and Elias Fernandez, the Eighty Four wines are meant to showcase varieties outside of what they do at their day jobs. A leathery texture with juicy plum and blackberry make for a supple, enjoyable wine, laced in coconut and rocky earth. Drink now through 2020. *Cellar Selection.* —V.B.

abv: 15.1%

Price: \$48