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ZUCCARDI



Chile and Argentina, the home of cheap reds and juicy Malbec? Well, it used to be, and that widely embraced misconception is part of their problem. However, a quick look at some of the stunning wineries within the next few pages should burst that bubble.

Chile is somewhat reminiscent of much of New Zealand ten years ago, and there are definite similarities to our respective winemaking histories. It was the Spanish who first introduced the grape vine there; then shortly after, the French varieties arrived. Fortunately, what never arrived was the invasive, all-destroying Phylloxera; that little louse had little taste for either the soil or the Andes.

The Chilean wine industry has historically been centred around Santiago and the Central Valley, where easy access saw winemaking boom. Old areas in the south that were first populated were often planted with the Pais variety, long a mainstay of Chilean white wine. While the central Maipo Valley remains a very important player, there continues to be much change. New 'old' varieties are being championed, Chilean Cinsault for instance, and the regions of production have become wider and more diverse, extending to the north and to the south, from down on the coast to deep in the Andes.

What makes all of this even more fascinating? Chile is such a long and narrow country, that with a small journey either to the north or the south, one can arrive at a completely different terroir, where climate, land, soil and aspect bear no relationship to what came before. In short, it's like a whole host of different winemaking countries bundled together into one narrow strip.

Expertise and skill are at an all-time high, with the newly developed regions and varieties, and a new generation of winemakers, all making a difference. Via pioneering individuals such as Eduardo Chadwick, the message of Chilean diversity and quality has spread around the world, with Chile now recognised as a mecca for fine wine. The great-value, entry-level wines are there of course, but so is the top-end, with quality abounding through the various price points.

Just over the Andes is Argentina and the story is similar, although not quite the same. Financially, Argentina is less prosperous, with local producers struggling, the government not particularly pro a strong wine industry and the emerging generation turning to craft beer. Malbec is still king here, the big talking point being where it's grown and how it's made. Mendoza sits at a pretty high altitude anyway, a desert at the foothills of the Andes. The varietal diversity story continues here, with the grape variety to watch being Cabernet Franc. Here too, fine wines have made a name for themselves and demand attention.



# ARGENTINA

## RENACER

A little slice of Italy in the middle of Argentina, and they make an Amarone as well. The boutique and eco-friendly Renacer winery is located in Perdriel, a sub-region of Luján de Cuyo in the west of Mendoza, known for its exceptional affinity for viticulture. The vineyards are irrigated with water from melted Andean snows. Renacer's approach displays an Italian sensibility, with the grounds evoking a Tuscan feel, winning the owners first prize in the small winery category for Most Innovative Winery from Argentina. Established in 2002, Renacer continues to be under the ownership of Patricio Reich, a Chilean entrepreneur with a passion for wine and for the Malbec grape in particular. Winemaker Lucas Amoretti has access to state-of-the-art Italian technology and winemaking expertise, to ensure that he crafts the very best Italian-inspired (but nonetheless unequivocally Argentinean) wines. Renacer's Amarone was started as a joint project with Italy's Allegrini family. There are four levels of wines in the Renacer range: Punto Final, Punto Final Reserva, Renacer (the label for the top-tier wines) and the Amarone.



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DECANTER

**RENACER** PERDRIEL-UCO VALLEY  
90663 PUNTO FINAL MALBEC CLÁSICO 2017  
**\$15.99 CASE OF 12 \$13.99 A BOTTLE**

The name Punto Final is a reference to the 'final point' the wines arrive at, the offerings in this tier made to be consumed early, so no need for cellaring. A bright, fruity Malbec that's forward and lovely, a blend of fruit from different parcels, with the grapes sourced from the Uco Valley as well as from Perdriel.



**RENACER** PERDRIEL  
90661 PUNTO FINAL CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2017  
**\$15.99 CASE OF 12 \$13.99 A BOTTLE**

Fruit is 100% off the Renacer estate, matured for six months in French oak. One sniff, and you know you're definitely dealing with a singularly varietal Cabernet. A 10% introduction of Cabernet Franc to the blend contributes a delightful lift to the aromatics and emphasises the fresh plum and cherry flavours.



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**RENACER** PERDRIEL-UCO VALLEY  
90665 PUNTO FINAL MALBEC RESERVA 2015  
**\$25.99 CASE OF 12 \$23.99 A BOTTLE**

A blend of two regions, the Uco Valley component dominating the make-up. Bolder in colour than your standard Malbec, there's a smoky-savoury presence, with lifted violet and red fruit notes. A quintessential Malbec expression, the bold red fruit characters overlaid with fine tannins and an elegant swagger. Great value.



SILVER  
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**RENACER** PERDRIEL  
90664 PUNTO FINAL CABERNET FRANC RESERVA 2016  
**\$25.99 CASE OF 12 \$23.99 A BOTTLE**

Not a variety we are all that familiar with in these parts, Cabernet Franc is an exciting category in the Argentinean vinous lexicon. Its style is similar to the one found in the Loire Valley, with this wine on the richer side. There's a lovely touch of green pepper to the juicy red fruits, rich textural presence and lingering finish.



**RENACER** PERDRIEL-UCO VALLEY  
90666 MILAMORE 2015  
**\$32.99 CASE OF 12 \$30.99 A BOTTLE**

A blend of 45% Malbec, 40% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Bonarda and 5% Cabernet Franc. A portion of the grapes are dried, losing 35% of their weight over the three weeks they are on the racks. Aged for 12 months in French oak, there is a small amount of residual sugar in the wine and an alc/vol of 13.5%, somewhat restrained for an Amarone style. Complex honeyed and floral aromatics envelop the smoothly opulent palate. Delicious.





# ARGENTINA



## KAIKEN

Kaiken is the project of Chile's Aurelio Montes who, from the other side of the Andes, recognised the outstanding potential of the Mendoza and Salta regions. Kaiken are proponents of sustainable winemaking practices and manage their Finca de Vistalba estate according to biodynamic principles.

**KAIKEN** CAFAYATE VALLEY, SALTA  
90568 TERROIR SERIES TORRONTÉS 2017  
**\$20.99**

An elegant nose of citrus, fresh florals and tropical fruits. With the 80-year-old vineyards at 2,000 metres above sea level, the palate displays spectacular acidity and a delightful freshness.

**KAIKEN** VISTA FLORES, UCO VALLEY  
90559 OBERTURA CABERNET FRANC 2015  
**\$54.99**

The first in a new line of Kaiken wines, the slow-ripening fruit hand-harvested from high altitude vines, resulting in a fresh and well-balanced red wine with elegant spice and mineral nuances.

 **KAIKEN** VISTALBA, MENDOZA  
90555 MAI MALBEC 2014  
**\$99.99**

Boasting extraordinary fruit off 125-year-old vines, the Mai is round and velvety, with soft tannins that linger on the palate. A superbly concentrated wine with aging potential of 15+ years.

90610 **KAIKEN ESTATE MALBEC 2017** **\$16.99**  
90613 **KAIKEN ESTATE CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2017** **\$16.99**



## CHAKANA

Channelling their Italian winemaking roots, the Pelizzatti family utilise some of the best terroir in Argentina to express themselves through their wines. Chakana is located in Agrelo in Luján de Cuyo, Mendoza, with vineyards under organic & biodynamic certification and additional holdings in the Uco Valley. They adhere to minimal winemaking intervention to harness the eloquence of the land.

**CHAKANA** LUJÁN DE CUYO  
90139 MALBEC 2017  
**\$14.99**

Within Argentina the inky and intense Malbec is the unopposed monarch, with its deep hues and wash of plums and black fruit, spice, floral notes and chocolate. Opulent, savoury, aromatic.

**CHAKANA** LUJÁN DE CUYO  
90138 ESTATE CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2016  
**\$17.99**

Argentina's wines are distinctly dark and brooding. The rich soils release a ripe, textural burst of dark berries and cassis, mint and chocolate, bound with smooth tannins.

 **CHAKANA** LUJÁN DE CUYO  
90141 NUNA ESTATE ORGANIC MALBEC 2017  
**\$17.99**

The inky and intense Malbec is Argentina's unopposed monarch with its concentrated flavours and velvet tannins. Tightly woven aromatics and coffee and savoury notes infuse the rich palate.

90137 **CHAKANA ESTATE SELECTION MALBEC 2015** **\$26.99**  
94 TIM ATKIN | 90 JAMES SUCKLING





SEBASTIÁN ZUCCARDI: ONE OF DECANTER MAGAZINE'S TEN MOST EXCITING WINEMAKERS IN CHILE AND ARGENTINA

# ZUCCARDI

An engineer specialising in irrigation, Alberto Zuccardi established his first winery in order to demonstrate the viability of the irrigation system he'd developed (irrigation being somewhat important when one is growing grapes in the desert). It was the subsequent generation's Alberto who put Zuccardi winemaking on the map, with his sons, José and Sebastián, currently heading up different aspects of the business. As a winemaker, Sebastián strives to express the Zuccardi terroir to the best of his ability. He is part of the new generation focused on the importance of individual sites, the difference between terroirs, and breaking-down the vast, lumped-together regions, such as the Uco Valley, that one encounters in Argentina. The site pictured here was purchased 10 years ago and established by Sebastián. Built from material located on the site, the stunning winery is an architectural reflection of its rugged surroundings, with its processes based on concrete tanks and minimal oak use. Expressive, fruit forward wines derived from premium terroir, half the Zuccardi wine made remains in Argentina as a local favourite.



**ZUCCARDI** TUPUNGATO, UCO VALLEY  
90670 ZUCCARDI Q CHARDONNAY 2017  
**\$29.99 CASE OF 6 \$27.99 A BOTTLE**

Tropical and expressive, with a fine line of bright acidity, the nose dominated by notes of nectarine. Lean and chalky with a mineral edge, a touch of warmth – Chardonnay from the desert.

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**ZUCCARDI** LA CONSULTA-VISTA FLORES, UCO VALLEY  
90671 ZUCCARDI Q MALBEC 2015  
**\$29.99 CASE OF 6 \$27.99 A BOTTLE**

A small amount of oak. Very pure, wonderfully balanced. Displays violets, vibrant fruit, a chalky nature to the tannins and a very open structure that's consistent with the use of concrete tanks.



**93** **ZUCCARDI** UCO VALLEY  
TIM ATKIN 90672 ZUCCARDI Q CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2015  
**\$29.99 CASE OF 6 \$27.99 A BOTTLE**

100% Cabernet fruit from high altitudes, and as with the rest of the Q series range, concrete dominates. Intensely aromatic, with pure fruit, firm, savoury tannins and a long, elegant finish.

**ZUCCARDI** PARAJE ALTAMIRA, UCO VALLEY  
90673 CONCRETO MALBEC 2017  
**\$59.99 CASE OF 6 \$57.99 A BOTTLE**

Stored exclusively in concrete, the micro-oxygenation through the winemaking process bestowing superb texture. Whole bunch fermentation adds a carbonic character to this fascinating wine.

**ZUCCARDI** UCO VALLEY  
90676 JOSÉ ZUCCARDI MALBEC 2014  
**\$69.99 CASE OF 6 \$67.99 A BOTTLE**

Fermentation in concrete vats with indigenous yeasts followed by maturation in oak foudres. More traditional in style than the Concreto, it's an exceptional expression of Argentinean Malbec.

**ZUCCARDI** PARAJE ALTAMIRA, UCO VALLEY  
90674 ALUVIONAL PARAJE ALTAMIRA MALBEC 2014  
**\$133.00**

From the best soils of alluvial origin in the Uco Valley, this series are all made in the same way, each one a different site expression. From Altamira, a warmer expression, forward and expressive.

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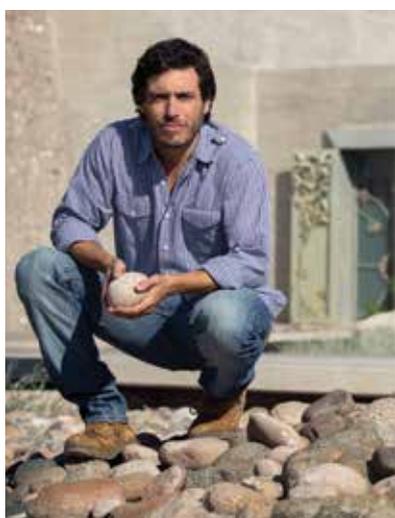
**ZUCCARDI** GUALTALLARY, UCO VALLEY  
90677 ALUVIONAL GUALTALLARY MALBEC 2014  
**\$133.00**

An exciting locale, ultra-high altitude. With this wine, terroir is everything. This is a cooler style, with fresh acidity and vibrant mineral notes. The length is sensational.

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WINE  
SPECTATOR

90678 **ZUCCARDI** FINCA PEIDRA INFINITA 2014 **\$199.99**  
97 ROBERT PARKER

SEBASTIÁN ZUCCARDI





# ARGENTINA

## HUARPE

The Huarpe name is derived from Mendoza's original inhabitants, the Huarpe people, a pre-Columbian civilisation who established a system for getting water to the arid desert by building channels to move it down from the Andes. The winery sits 970 metres above sea level, in Agrelo, Luján de Cuyo, where its terroir is considered one of Argentina's best. Huarpe's winemaker, José Hernandez Toso, did his apprenticeship in Germany and Italy, and brother Max Toso brings the business acumen to the partnership. Originally Italian émigrés, the Toso family have been making wine in Argentina since 1880.



## RIGLOS

Gualtallary, in the Uco Valley's Tupungato region, is gaining global recognition for its high-end wines. In 2016, the owners of Huarpe partnered with friends Darío Werthein and Fabián Suffern, founders of the highly-acclaimed Riglos winery. The Riglos wines are crafted from a single estate, Finca Las Divas, which is situated in Gualtallary at 1,350 metres above sea level, where the demanding altitude and wide-ranging temperatures generate a singular quality. Considered one of the top wineries in Argentina, the Riglos wines are sought after by sommeliers and collectors. The name itself is a tribute to the area where Darío's and Fabián's ancestors arrived in Argentina.



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SUCKLING

### HUARPE AGRELO

90780 TAYMENTE MALBEC 2017

**\$19.99** CASE OF 12 **\$17.99** A BOTTLE

A wonderfully forward nose of violets and dried red fruits. With 10-12 months spent in old barrels, the integration is superb. The palate is round and delicate with excellent length.



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TIM ATKIN

### HUARPE AGRELO TERROIR

90781 MALBEC CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2013

**\$27.99** CASE OF 12 **\$25.99** A BOTTLE

80% Malbec, 20% Cabernet from Agrelo Terroir. Hand-harvested, 14 months in largely French oak. A rich, plummy character in the middle of the palate, with firm Cabernet tannins. Excellent blend.



### HUARPE GUALTALLARY TERROIR

90782 CABERNET SAUVIGNON CABERNET FRANC 2013

**\$27.99** CASE OF 12 **\$25.99** A BOTTLE

A 50-50 blend, this one stood out from the rest. Great aromatics, with the freshness that high-altitude winemaking delivers. Good tannins and a lovely richness deliver complexity and elegance.



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### RIGLOS TUPUNGATO, UCO VALLEY

90770 LAS DIVAS GRAN MALBEC 2015

**\$36.99** CASE OF 12 **\$34.99** A BOTTLE

Single vineyard wine with concentrated aromatic notes of Black Doris plum and violets. Firm, ripe tannins, with great drive and strength on the palate. Lovely balance, stunning wine.



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TIM ATKIN

### RIGLOS TUPUNGATO, UCO VALLEY

90771 LAS DIVAS GRAN CABERNET FRANC 2016

**\$36.99** CASE OF 12 **\$34.99** A BOTTLE

Single vineyard, single varietal. Enticing notes of green pepper are suitably subtle, and there's a wonderful balance to the palate. Tannins are nice and firm without being overly hard. Great wine.



JOSÉ, MAXIMILIANO AND PATRICIO HERNÁNDEZ TOSO



RIGLOS WINEMAKER JOSÉ HERNÁNDEZ TOSO



# ACHAVAL-FERRER

Anyone in the know will more than likely tell you that the world's top Malbec comes from Achaval-Ferrer. They are very much the first family of Argentinean wine, with their vine age averaging an impressive 107 years. The vineyard is irrigated in the traditional Argentinean method using channels. The company itself is 20 years old, has recently changed hands and is now French-owned. Stylistically, the Achaval-Ferrer wines display a balance between ripeness and the freshness generated by natural acidity. The older folk in Argentina contend that it's a green and unripe style, while the international media and fine wine lovers rave about these wines. Give them a go – you won't be disappointed. Wine-maker Gustavo Rearte studied at Juan Agustín Maza University in Mendoza, travelling to California and New Zealand to brush up on his vinous skills before returning home to join Achaval-Ferrer.

**ACHAVAL-FERRER** UCO VALLEY  
90692 CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2016  
**\$29.99 CASE OF 12 \$27.99 A BOTTLE**

Minty and fresh, this is a greener style of Cabernet, but in a good way. An elegant wine with peppery black fruit characters, bold but fine tannins, a great core of fruit and a lingering finish.

**ACHAVAL-FERRER** UCO VALLEY  
90693 CABERNET FRANC 2016  
**\$29.99 CASE OF 12 \$27.99 A BOTTLE**

Argentinean Cabernet Franc is pretty exciting, and this is a good one to start with. Plenty of strawberry, green leaf and rhubarb, with a linear note to the chewy tannins and a bright, fruity finish.

90691 **ACHAVAL-FERRER MALBEC 2017** **\$29.99**



**94** TIM ATKIN  
**ACHAVAL-FERRER** UCO VALLEY  
90694 QUIMERA 2014

**91** WINE ENTHUSIAST  
**\$56.99 CASE OF 6 \$54.99 A BOTTLE**

Malbec, Cabernets Sauvignon and Franc and Merlot off high altitude vineyards. Very ripe, full of flair and finesse, it's a juicy, fruit-driven Bordeaux-style blend with an Argentinean twist.

**96** TIM ATKIN  
**ACHAVAL-FERRER** UCO VALLEY  
90695 FINCA BELLA VISTA MALBEC 2013

**95** PARKER  
**\$145.00**

**92** WINE ENTHUSIAST  
One of a distinguished trio of single vineyard Malbecs, from the vineyard where the winery itself is situated. The earlier drinking of the three, with a restrained nose and a delicate elegance.

**96** PARKER  
**ACHAVAL-FERRER** UCO VALLEY  
90696 FINCA MIRADOR MALBEC 2013

**93** TIM ATKIN  
**\$145.00**

**93** WINE ENTHUSIAST  
Lowest altitude of A-F's three single vineyard Malbecs. A ripe nose and bold fruit, the palate intense and solidly structured. Gorgeously long and opulent, this is one for the cellar.

**93** WINE ENTHUSIAST  
**ACHAVAL-FERRER** UCO VALLEY  
90697 FINCA ALTAMIRA MALBEC 2014

**\$165.00**

This single vineyard Malbec sits high in the Andes on volcanic gravel with a shorter growing season. Cool, mineral and austere, it's the most sought-after of Achaval-Ferrer's three SV wines.



WINEMAKER GUSTAVO REARTE



# CHILE



## VIÑA AQUITANIA MAIPO VALLEY

90715 RESERVA ROSÉ 2017

**\$16.99 CASE OF 12 \$14.99 A BOTTLE**

A Cabernet, Syrah blend made by bleeding the juice from the grapes. A lovely pale colour, it's very reminiscent of Provence. A 3gm touch of residual sugar adds a lovely weight to the palate.

## VIÑA AQUITANIA MAIPO VALLEY

90717 RESERVA CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2016

**\$21.99 CASE OF 12 \$19.99 A BOTTLE**

Seven months in French oak. A bright and lively palate displays cassis characters and wonderful purity. Typical of Maipo, it's minty, elegant and, in these hands, superbly balanced.

## VIÑA AQUITANIA MAIPO VALLEY

90718 RESERVA CARMENÈRE 2017

**\$21.99 CASE OF 12 \$19.99 A BOTTLE**

Fruit is purchased from a site in the Maipo Valley that Aquitania manage. It embodies everything you'd hope for from Carmenère: light, fresh and supple, with a distinctive tomato leaf character.



## VIÑA AQUITANIA MALLECO VALLEY

91720 SOLdeSOL CHARDONNAY 2013

**\$39.99 CASE OF 6 \$37.99 A BOTTLE**

Well-integrated oak, with only a small percentage going through malolactic to retain freshness. Grapefruit characters on nose and palate, a smart textural presence, the finish long and precise.

## VIÑA AQUITANIA MALLECO VALLEY

91721 SOLdeSOL PINOT NOIR 2012

**\$39.99 CASE OF 6 \$37.99 A BOTTLE**

Malleco Valley fruit, the cooler climate excellent for Pinot Noir. The aromatics are excellent, the wine displaying a lovely natural acidity and complexity, with a taut, austere mineral quality.

## VIÑA AQUITANIA MAIPO VALLEY

90719 LAZULI CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2015

**\$49.99 CASE OF 6 \$47.99 A BOTTLE**

100% Cabernet that has had 16 months in French oak. The fruit is very concentrated and laps the oak up well. With softly intense tannins and superb integration, this is a smart wine.

## VIÑA AQUITANIA

Aquitania – pronounced 'Ak-a-tania' – is a joint venture between Chile and France. In 1984, Château Cos d'Estournel's Bruno Prats and the now late Paul Pontañillier of Château Margaux started looking for top terroir in Chile. They had a mutual friend in Felipe de Solminihac, a Chilean winemaker of French origin, who led them to the site they own today. The vineyard, Quebrada de Macul, is located right in the heart of the Maipo Valley. During his daily travels past it, Felipe remained aware this was the very best part of the region. The vines, of Bordeaux origin, were planted and the winery finished in 1993. From Aquitania comes French-inspired winemaking off old vines in the heart of the Maipo valley. They are so deeply within the centre of Santiago that the city has grown to surround them. These are exceptional wines, much more restrained than the stereotypical styles that can come from this region. In 2002, a fourth partner joined the founders, longtime friend Ghislain de Montgolfier from Champagne. On the Aquitania labels you'll find the signatures of all four.





# EMILIANA

Founded by Chile's Guilisasti family, the inspirational Emiliana Organic Vineyards are located in Chile's Casablanca Valley, and own vineyards in some of Chile's best winemaking areas. Their organic and biodynamic way of winemaking started out as a trial. When they saw the resulting difference in their wines, not to mention in their people, they started moving more and more vineyards over. For the team at Emiliana, this is a comprehensive, interlocking system that involves the creation of balanced vineyard ecosystems within which a host of animals, birds, insects and plants play a part in the maintenance of vineyard balance, acting as natural pesticides, weed killers and compost producers. Emiliana staff are guaranteed a fair wage, the workers offered technical scholarships and provided with land to grow their own organically-cultivated fruit and vegetables. The wines themselves are very accomplished: expressive, fragrant, clean and cooler in style, owing to the proximity of the sea.



## EMILIANA CHILE

90759 ADOBE RESERVA CHARDONNAY 2017

**\$13.99 CASE OF 12 \$11.99 A BOTTLE**

Fresh aromas of grapefruit and lime intermingle with tropical fruit notes and a touch of herbs. A balanced, fresh and fruity Chardonnay with a textural presence and a persistent finish.



## EMILIANA COLCHAGUA VALLEY

90758 ADOBE RESERVA CARMENÈRE 2017

**\$13.99 CASE OF 12 \$11.99 A BOTTLE**

An intensely fruity nose, with plum and redcurrant notes, hints of toast and blackcurrant. Smooth, ripe, velvety tannins, good density and a long, persistent finish. Immediately enjoyable.



## EMILIANA CENTRAL VALLEY

90757 ADOBE RESERVA CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2017

**\$13.99 CASE OF 12 \$11.99 A BOTTLE**

Fresh and fruity nose, notes of cherry mixing with subtle smoky tones. The palate features silky, approachable tannins in a juicy, easy-drinking, balanced wine with a moderate structure.



## EMILIANA CASABLANCA VALLEY

90755 NOVAS GRAN RESERVA CHARDONNAY 2017

**\$17.99 CASE OF 12 \$15.99 A BOTTLE**

Harvested at night to take advantage of the lower temperatures. Pineapple and apricot aromas, with notes of toasted hazelnut. Creamy and textural, with balanced acidity and good depth.



## EMILIANA CASABLANCA VALLEY

90756 NOVAS GRAN RESERVA PINOT NOIR 2017

**\$17.99 CASE OF 12 \$15.99 A BOTTLE**

Aromas of strawberry and blackcurrant, notes of damp earth and a light floral touch. The palate is lush, with smooth tannins and a generously fruity finish. A balanced wine with good complexity.



## EMILIANA SIGNOS DE ORIGEN

90760 LOS ROBLES CARMENÈRE 2016

**\$29.99 CASE OF 12 \$27.99 A BOTTLE**

A spice-edged red offering nuances of smoky oak, concentrated fruit and great textures, the Los Robles is a lusciously fine and elegant expression with soft tannins and low acidity.



## EMILIANA COLCHAGUA VALLEY

90761 COYAM 2014

**\$39.99 CASE OF 12 \$37.99 A BOTTLE**

The Emiliana flagship, this was its first organic offering. Mostly Syrah, with Carmenère and Cabernet Sauvignon in the blend, it's a superb wine with incredible balance and length.





# CHILE



## VIÑA CHADWICK

Located in the Aconcagua Valley, the Errázuriz estate is the vinous obsession of Eduardo Chadwick, widely acknowledged as the driving force behind Chilean wine. Viña Chadwick are considered the first family of the country's wine industry. In 2004, frustrated by a lack of global recognition, Eduardo organised a comparative tasting in Berlin. In the tasting, which included first growths and other international benchmarks, Eduardo's wines topped the list. The biodynamic Seña, a joint venture with California's wine royalty, the Mondavi family, is part of Eduardo's stable of brands. The Errázuriz property is a spectacular marriage of the old and the new, with the original 1870-era winery situated atop the tunnels housing cellars and barrel storage. Beside it, among the 600ha of vineyards, sits the new winery, environmentally created to recirculate air, chill it with the water from the hills and naturally cool the building.



ERRÁZURIZ



### SEÑA ALTO MAIPO

90628 CABERNET BLEND 2015

**\$330.00**



**100**  
JAMES  
SUCKLING

**96**  
PARKER

**96**  
JAMIE  
GOODE

A partnership between Napa's Robert Mondavi and Eduardo Chadwick, the Seña is a superb blend of Cabernet Sauvignon, Carmenère, Malbec, Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot. Intense aromatics and a deep, elegant palate of red and black fruits with herbal-infused notes of cocoa, nutmeg and coffee. Iconic wine.



### ERRÁZURIZ ACONCAGUA VALLEY

90741 ESTATE CARMENÈRE 2017

**\$16.99** CASE OF 12 \$14.99 A BOTTLE

Vivid aromatics of roasted red pepper, green pepper and fig. With naturally low acidity and soft tannins, this is approachable and easy to drink. No dominating oak; it's all about the fruit.



### ERRÁZURIZ ACONCAGUA VALLEY

90746 MAX RESERVA CARMENÈRE 2015

**\$27.99** CASE OF 12 \$25.99 A BOTTLE

Aromas of pepper, herbs, and mushroom, notes of blackberry and cherry. Delicate flavours of cherry, plum, a touch of spice, chocolate and coffee. Soft tannins and mouthwatering acidity.

**93**  
JAMES  
SUCKLING

**90**  
WINE  
ENTHUSIAST



### ERRÁZURIZ ACONCAGUA COSTA

90748 ACONCAGUA COSTA PINOT NOIR 2017

**\$34.99** CASE OF 12 \$32.99 A BOTTLE

Earthy in style, and more savoury than you'd expect. The schist soil gives a real iodine note to the wine. A distinctly mineral and austere Pinot with good length and sweet, ripe fruit signing off.



### ERRÁZURIZ ACONCAGUA VALLEY

90743 DON MAXIMIANO FOUNDER'S RESERVA 2015

**\$130.00**

The style of this has changed over the years, with a recent move to a combination of freshness and ripe tannins. The grapes are grown in immense heat, yet an invigorating elegance prevails.

**96**  
JAMES  
SUCKLING

**93**  
PARKER



### ERRÁZURIZ ACONCAGUA VALLEY

90744 LA CUMBRE SYRAH 2015

**\$130.00**

Herb-tinged aromatics with a sweet note of clover. Black and red berries and cherries mingle with delicate notes of caramel. Fresh and juicy, with fine tannins and a lovely persistence.

**93**  
PARKER

**92**  
JAMES  
SUCKLING



### ERRÁZURIZ ACONCAGUA VALLEY

90749 KAI CARMENÈRE 2015

**\$230.00**

The Kai is predominantly Carmenère, with a 5% touch of Syrah. Intensely hued, hugely aromatic, with notes of figs and florals and soft, generous tannins. A boldly rich wine, but not overdone.

**95**  
JAMES  
SUCKLING

**92**  
PARKER

90742

ERRÁZURIZ ESTATE CABERNET 2016 **\$16.99**

90747

ERRÁZURIZ MAX RESERVA CHARDONNAY 2016 **\$27.99**

90745

ERRÁZURIZ MAX RESERVA CABERNET 2015 **\$27.99**





# LAPOSTOLLE

Alexandra Marnier Lapostolle, great-granddaughter of the creator of Grand Marnier, is the force behind Lapostolle, a spectacular winery overlooking the Apalta Vineyard in the Colchagua Valley in Chile. The Marnier Lapostolle family are famous for their spirits and liqueurs, but they have also been involved with winemaking for generations. The Chilean chapter of the family business was founded by Alexandra and her husband, Cyril de Bournet, in 1994. The winery is now managed by 7th-generation Charles-Henri de Bournet. The Lapostolle vineyards in Apalta are certified organic and biodynamic, though the wines are not labelled that way, as it is the grapes that are certified, not the winery. The wines are very much Chilean terroir blended with French expertise. The consultant is Michel Rolland, well-known in Bordeaux. They are wines that have been seen in New Zealand before, though not for many years. The top label, Clos Apalta, is not in the latest shipment, as it takes a different route to market, going through Bordeaux. Lapostolle possess a stunning state-of-the-art winery, plus a five-star hotel and resort.

 **LAPOSTOLLE** CASABLANCA VALLEY  
 90590 GRAND SELECTION CHARDONNAY 2016  
**\$19.99 CASE OF 6 \$17.99 A BOTTLE**

  Grapes from the Casablanca Valley, the cool fruit characters and fresh acidity very evident. A precise Chardonnay showing pure stonefruit flavours, creamy textures and a mineral touch.

 **LAPOSTOLLE** RAPEL VALLEY  
 90591 GRAND SELECTION CARMENÈRE 2013  
**\$19.99 CASE OF 6 \$17.99 A BOTTLE**

A blend of 88% Carmenère and 12% Syrah, boasting a juicy palate of red fruit flavours enhanced with a fresh and aromatic nose of strawberry, plum and notes of pepper and Rosemary.



 **LAPOSTOLLE** RAPEL VALLEY  
 90593 GRAND SELECTION CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2015  
**\$19.99 CASE OF 6 \$17.99 A BOTTLE**

  Red fruits, gentle cassis and bright acid, the fruit concentrated but with a lovely freshness to the finish – you know that you're drinking Cabernet. Has an accompanying 15% hit of Syrah.

 **LAPOSTOLLE** RAPEL VALLEY  
 90592 RED BLEND 2013  
**\$24.99 CASE OF 6 \$22.99 A BOTTLE**

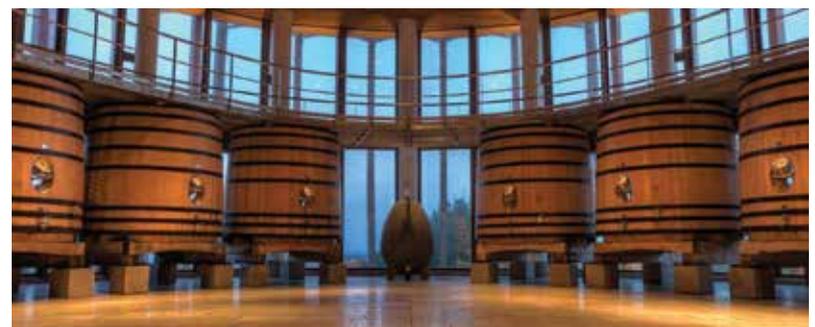
 **93** JAMES SUCKLING  
 28% Syrah, 25% Cabernet, 23% Carmenère, 22% Merlot and 2% Cabernet Franc. There is an appealing textural aspect to the core of red fruit, soft tannins delivering an extra dose of elegance.

 **LAPOSTOLLE** VIÑEDO APALTA  
 90594 CUVÉE ALEXANDRE MERLOT 2014  
**\$34.99 CASE OF 6 \$32.99 A BOTTLE**

 Colchagua fruit, 87% Merlot, 13% Carmenère. Bold and dense, notes of mocha, chocolate and spice, wonderful firm tannins and a plush mid-palate. Will age well for 15+ years. Wonderful wine.

 **LAPOSTOLLE** VIÑEDO APALTA  
 90595 CUVÉE ALEXANDRE CARMENÈRE 2016  
**\$34.99 CASE OF 6 \$32.99 A BOTTLE**

 How Carmenère should be, with less of the green tomato leaf character as the wine is so ripe and balanced. Notes of blueberry, with red and black fruits, firm tannins and moderate acidity.





# CHILE

## MONTES

Pioneers of premium and ultra-premium wines within Chile, Montes were pioneers in betting on the Apalta Valley and with planting vineyards on mountain slopes, in the process creating the benchmark for Chile's winemaking industry. One of South America's most highly-regarded producers, Wine Spectator referred to Montes as 'the best all-round winery in South America' while the lofty Decanter described their Alpha Cabernet as 'one of the best for its price anywhere in the world.' Chairman Aurelio Montes takes all this in his globe-straddling stride. Together with the late Douglas Murray, he started the ball rolling in 1987 to showcase to the world Chile's hitherto untapped potential for premium winemaking. This is not to say Montes are stuck in the past; they continue to innovate and are currently creating some of the best wines they have ever made. Montes also harbour a commitment to sustainability, seeking to reduce their winemaking footprint by creating biological corridors that encourage beneficial insects and provide natural pest control, and grazing animals to control the growth of weeds and improve soil fertility.



AURELIO MONTES

**94** PARKER  
**93** JEANNIE CHO LEE  
**MONTES** COLCHAGUA VALLEY  
90653 TAITA 2010  
**\$350.00**

Only 2,000 bottles made each year. 85% Cabernet, the other 15% is a secret. No secret, though, that these are the best grapes from the vintage. Two years in barrel, three in bottle. Sensational wine, boasting very concentrated fruit, intense oak and superb balance. Simultaneously powerful and softly supple.

**MONTES** COLCHAGUA VALLEY  
90630 ALPHA SYRAH 2015  
**\$24.99**

The Alpha wines are impeccably made and, at the price, Montes' best-kept secret; intensely floral, elegant and polished, this will reward you generously with careful cellaring for 5-10 years.

**MONTES** ITATA VALLEY  
90616 OUTER LIMITS CINSAULT 2017  
**\$29.99**

Montes winemakers made their own wines using the company resources and Montes release the best of them under the Outer Limits label. Freshly aromatic, lean and chalky, with fine tannins.

**MONTES** COLCHAGUA VALLEY  
90627 ALPHA BLACK PINOT NOIR 2016  
**\$32.99**

The next generation of Montes, ripe, bold, savoury and meaty on both nose and palate, neither red nor black fruits dominating. Long, powerful and well-rounded, with good aging potential.

**MONTES** COLCHAGUA VALLEY  
90638 PURPLE ANGEL CARMENÈRE 2015  
**\$59.99**

Chocolate and mocha notes from the French oak combine with Carmenère's characteristic fruity aromas. Layers of complexity, ample tannins and an elegant finish. Exceptional aging potential.

**92** PARKER  
**MONTES** COLCHAGUA VALLEY  
90635 ALPHA M CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2013  
**\$79.99**

Elegant, complex and intensely aromatic. Bright characters of red fruits, blackcurrant, chocolate, pepper and cigar box, the palate full-bodied, balanced, with excellent cellaring potential.

90560	<b>MONTES</b> CLASSIC MALBEC 2015	<b>\$15.99</b>
90582	<b>MONTES</b> ALPHA CARMENÈRE 2016	<b>\$24.99</b>
90588	<b>MONTES</b> ALPHA CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2015	<b>\$24.99</b>
90626	<b>MONTES</b> ALPHA BLACK CHARDONNAY 2015	<b>\$29.99</b>
90600	<b>MONTES</b> ALPHA BLACK SAUVIGNON BLANC 2016	<b>\$29.99</b>
90614	<b>MONTES</b> OUTER LIMITS CGM 2016	<b>\$36.99</b>





MARÍA-LUZ AND FELIPE MÁRIN

# CASA MÁRIN

Located in the San Antonio Valley, Casa Marín's owner and winemaker is the determined María Lutz. María believed she could make world-class Sauvignon Blanc there. In Chile, to own a winery, you either inherit it or you have investors. María could not convince anyone to invest in her project, and didn't come from money. Instead, she worked in the bulk wine market and was very good at it. There, she accumulated enough to start her winery, and has subsequently made a global name for her wines. Her son, Felipe Marín, is now the winemaker and his wife Jamie the marketing manager. Not particularly cheap, the Casa Marín wines are markedly different to the standard Chilean style; via the steepness, the soil and proximity to the sea, they are much cooler in nature. The first woman to own a winery in Chile (the only one in the San Antonio Valley) got there by herself, when everyone told her she couldn't.

**CASA MÁRIN** LO ABARCA  
 90765 CARTAGENA SAUVIGNON BLANC 2017  
**\$17.99** CASE OF 6 \$15.99 A BOTTLE

A French clone of Sauvignon, the grapes for this wine grow on the highest parts of the vineyard where it's warmer. A tropical, expressive style that's had stainless steel aging and maturation.

**CASA MÁRIN** LO ABARCA  
 90767 CIPRESES SAUVIGNON BLANC 2017  
**\$32.99** CASE OF 6 \$30.99 A BOTTLE

100% stainless, the Cipreses is a chalky, mineral, lean style of Sauvignon Blanc with an austere mid-palate, in nature not unlike the cooler Awatere regions of Marlborough. World class.

 **CASA MÁRIN** LO ABARCA  
 90768 LO ABARCA HILLS PINOT NOIR 2011  
**\$59.99** CASE OF 6 \$57.99 A BOTTLE

From chalk soils and indigenous yeasts, this is savoury in style with a juicy mid-palate and textural tannins, fine-grained, quite Burgundian. One year in barrel and four in bottle prior to release.

90766 **CASA MARÍN** CARTAGENA PINOT NOIR 2016 **\$21.99**



CASA MÁRIN



# ALMAVIVA

A joint venture between France's Rothschild family and Chile's Concha y Toro family, Almadiva began life in 1996 when Baron Philippe de Rothschild set out to look for the best vineyard in Chile, in order to produce a Chilean Cabernet-based wine that would sit comfortably alongside the very best classified wines in Bordeaux. The site he found was Puente Alto, a vineyard right in the heart of Santiago. Located in the highest part of Maipo Valley in Chile's central zone, in a location with ideal conditions for Cabernet Sauvignon, the vineyard had been in the Concha y Toro family for years, and the two families agreed to establish Almadiva together. Managed independently from Viña Concha y Toro, Almadiva is one of Chile's premium vinous icons. Almadiva was the first wine in Chile created under the French Château concept, taking into account an exceptional terroir, a unique bodega and a technical team. The label pays homage to Chile's ancestral history, with a stylized design symbolizing the vision of the earth and the cosmos in the Mapuche civilization.



**100** + **2017** WINE OF THE YEAR  
 JAMES SUCKLING  
**ALMAVIVA** PUENTE ALTO  
 88050 CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2015  
**\$320.00**

An incredible wine that sits alongside the best in the world, the Almadiva is Cabernet-dominant blend where stunning Chilean terroir meets French expertise and flair. Subtle floral characters and sweet red fruit, with firm tannins and a long, fine, elegant finish. Powerful and complex, silky and sumptuous. Captivating.





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# FROMM

DEDICATED TO DETAIL

The boutique Fromm winery is one of the most individual and interesting of the Marlborough wine region. It was established in the early 1990s by Georg and Ruth Fromm, with the help of fellow Swiss national, Hätsch Kalberer. Today, the Fromm winery is owned by Pol Lenzinger and the Walliser family, but Hätsch remains as the winemaker. Hätsch states, 'Our winemaking philosophy places terroir over technology and quality over quantity. We believe that great wines need to start with organically-grown grapes.' Fromm produce 7,000 cases of BioGro-certified varietals. The La Strada rosé and Pinot Gris have moved under the Fromm label, with the Pinot Noir and Syrah to follow shortly. Fromm's superb single vineyard wines display the unique characters of their place of origin and vintage, and are unequivocally in a class of their own.



## FROMM MARLBOROUGH

12876 ROSÉ 2018

**\$20.99**

Predominantly Pinot Noir, with support from Malbec and Syrah. The palate is softly textural, with orange blossom florals and vibrant fruit. Elegantly dry, delicately flavoured.



## FROMM MARLBOROUGH

12898 PINOT GRIS 2018

**\$24.99**

An attractive style that's generous and textural. Aromatic notes of pear and florals, a touch of almond. The palate has satisfying weight and acidity, with an underlying refreshing minerality.

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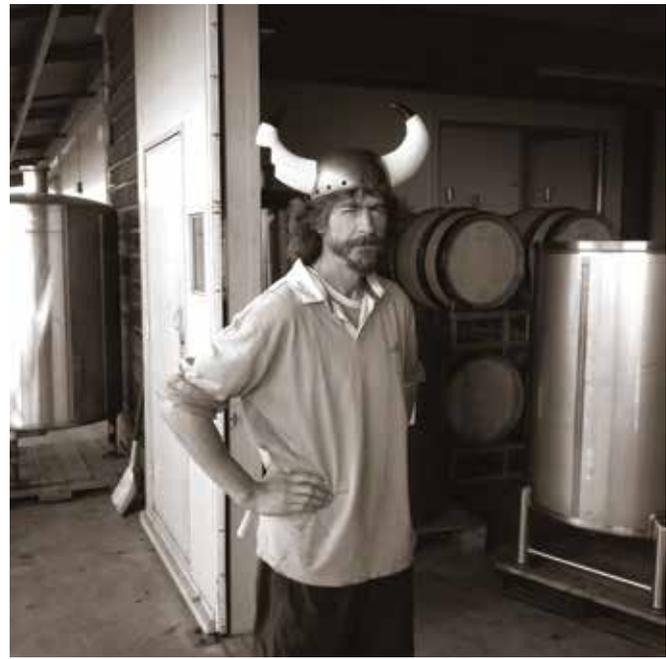
FROMM LA STRADA PINOT NOIR 2016

**\$32.99**

12889

FROMM LA STRADA SYRAH 2016

**\$32.99**



FROMM WINEMAKER, HÄTSCH KALBERER



## FROMM MARLBOROUGH

12882 RIESLING SPÄTLESE 2017

**\$19.99**

Vibrantly opulent and complex, with exotic aromatics of lychee, ginger and apricot, a hint of almond and a cool mineral presence. Lush sweetness and mouthwatering phenolics on the palate.



## FROMM MARLBOROUGH

12858 CLAYVIN VINEYARD CHARDONNAY 2016

**\$59.99**

Opens with a nice kick of generous ripe citrus fruit, flintiness and a suggestion of brioche savouriness, but its real charm is in the combination of weighty power with elegant restraint.



## FROMM MARLBOROUGH

12875 FROMM VINEYARD MALBEC 2016

**\$59.99**

A dense and powerful Malbec, lifted by bright dark fruit flavours and violet florals. Concentrated and ripe, with spicy nuances, juicy acidity and a generous, weighty palate.



## FROMM MARLBOROUGH

12871 QUARTERS VINEYARD PINOT NOIR 2016

**\$59.99**

An attractive nose of ripe red and blue fruits, spiced nuances and warm, earthy undertones glides atop a textural palate with good fruit weight, velvety tannins and balanced acidity.

12893

FROMM LATE HARVEST GEWÜRZTRAMINER 2015 **\$25.99**

12885

FROMM FROMM VINEYARD SYRAH 2016 **\$59.99**

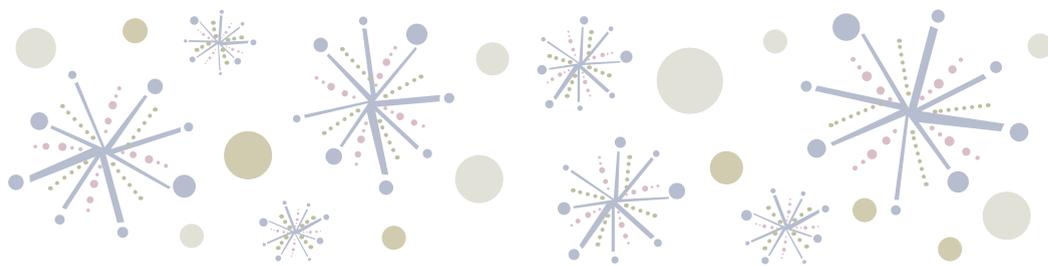
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FROMM CUVÉE H PINOT NOIR 2016 **\$59.99**

12878

FROMM FROMM VINEYARD PINOT NOIR 2016 **\$74.99**





# W I N T E R

**GOLD** BRANCOTT ESTATE  
15016 BRUT CUVÉE NV  
**\$14.99 CASE OF 6 \$12.99 A BOTTLE**

A sparkling blend of Chardonnay and Pinot Noir fruit that is freshly elegant, with a creamy, textural palate balancing the acidity, distinctive citrus characters and a long, clean mineral finish.

**GOLD** MORTON  
15424 PREMIUM BRUT NV  
**\$16.99 CASE OF 6 \$15.99 A BOTTLE**

Morton Estate have been making this for ever. This silkily creamy, long-standing Kiwi sparkler garners much respect, and is a reminder that something done well needs little tweaking. Complex, elegant, iconic.

**GREEN** QUARTZ REEF CENTRAL OTAGO  
17230 MÉTHODE TRADITIONNELLE BRUT NV  
**\$28.99 CASE OF 6 \$26.99 A BOTTLE**

**GOLD** Rudi Bauer's méthode sets a benchmark for Central Otago sparkling wine. Following a delicate aromatic entry comes a volley of Bollinger-like asides, a stylish robustness underpinning the exquisite flavours.

**GOLD** DANIEL LE BRUN MARLBOROUGH  
12154 BLANC DE BLANCS 2011  
**\$34.99 CASE OF 6 \$32.99 A BOTTLE**

Unveils a bouquet of crisp gala apple and wild strawberry complemented by nuances of brioche and toasted pine nuts. Soft creamy bubbles lead into a rich and weighty palate that's balanced by fresh acidity.

12122 **CLOUDY BAY** MARLBOROUGH  
PELORUS NV  
**\$32.99 CASE OF 6 \$30.99 A BOTTLE**

A sophisticated blend of Chardonnay and Pinot Noir attributes where elegance meets complexity. Dazzlingly clean and bright, dusted with florals, the pure fruit echoing with toasty touches from a bed of creamy richness.

47810 **PERRIER-JOUËT** CHAMPAGNE  
GRAND BRUT NV  
**\$69.99**

Originators of the current Brut style, and the first house to release a dry-style champagne back in 1854, when everyone else was doing sweet. Famous for their superb Belle Epoque, Perrier-Jouët also make this fine NV champagne.

49810 **VEUVE CLICQUOT** CHAMPAGNE  
BRUT NV  
**\$64.99**

Veuve boast an avid group of fans and followers for good reason. Force meets finesse in a divine blend of florals, dried fruit, brioche and spice, with creamy Chardonnay-derived flavours surging at the finish.

12233 **THE NED** MARLBOROUGH  
SAUVIGNON BLANC 2017  
**\$15.99**

The vibrancy of the fruit is immediately apparent, with aromatic lashings of green apple, fig, herb and citrus. The balance on the palate is precise, with vivid fruit flavours and a sassy aftertaste

**BLUE** SAINT CLAIR MARLBOROUGH  
18302 ORIGIN CHARDONNAY 2017  
**\$15.99**

With fruit from Wairau Valley vineyards, the lush aromatic notes of stonefruit, citrus and hazelnut complement a fresh, fruit-driven palate of peach, citrus, brioche and sweet spice. Full-bodied, multi-layered, with a dash of elegance.

**GREEN** CHURCH ROAD HAWKES BAY  
15181 PINOT GRIS 2018  
**\$16.99**

Displaying an Alsatian sensibility, this smartly crafted Pinot Gris offers appealing aromatics of peach, pear, florals and spice, while the silky, medium-sweet palate shows good depth of fresh, ripe flavours.

**GREEN** MT DIFFICULTY CENTRAL OTAGO  
14934 ROARING MEG PINOT GRIS 2017  
**\$18.99 CASE OF 6 \$17.99 A BOTTLE**

Lush aromatics full of rock melon, pineapple and stonefruit with white floral notes. Succulent tropical fruit characters lead into a full-textured mid-palate and a ripe, phenolic-driven finish.

**GOLD** VAVASOUR MARLBOROUGH  
12170 AWATERE SAUVIGNON BLANC 2017  
**\$17.99**

This ultra-experienced winemaking family know their turf; this is fresh and vibrant, the mouth-tingling minerality the Awatere region is noted for establishing its presence beneath punchy tropical fruit.



# WINES



11339 **CRAGGY RANGE** MARLBOROUGH  
SAUVIGNON BLANC 2017  
**\$19.99 CASE OF 6 \$17.99 A BOTTLE**

A pale straw colour with a hint of green. Fresh notes of lime, white peach, jasmine and a hint of nettle mingle on the softly structured palate, with crisp acidity carrying through to the long, dry finish.

 **TE MATA** HAWKES BAY  
19151 ESTATE VINEYARDS CHARDONNAY 2016  
**\$19.99 CASE OF 6 \$17.99 A BOTTLE**

A buoyantly fresh wine combining ripe stonefruit and citrus characters with a creamy, nutty texture. The sweetly pure and elegant fruit flavours make this brilliant value from a pretty good vintage.

 **ESCARPMENT** MARTINBOROUGH  
10299 PINOT GRIS 2015  
**\$19.99**

Chardonnay winemaking meets Pinot Gris in this gentle barrel-fermented wine. Essentially dry with fine floral fruit characters, the palate evokes ripe pears and stonefruit over a soft, lingering texture.

 **SERESIN** MARLBOROUGH  
18622 CHARDONNAY 2016  
**\$24.99 CASE OF 12 \$22.99 A BOTTLE**

 Full malolactic, warm ferments and plenty of barrel action align with the cool Marlborough fruit to unleash an organically produced Chardonnay exhibiting superb style, grace and complexity.

 **BABICH** GIMBLETT GRAVELS  
10670 IRONGATE CHARDONNAY 2016  
**\$29.99**

The glorious fruit, matured in French oak, delivers aromatics of stonefruit and citrus backed by notes of marzipan and mineral. The seamless and silky palate is enhanced by a lovely textural quality.

 **CLEARVIEW** MARLBOROUGH  
11310 RESERVE CHARDONNAY 2017  
**\$44.99 CASE OF 12 \$42.99 A BOTTLE**

A complex and iconic wine. In its youth this Chardonnay has powerful fruit and oak characters which will mature and develop into subtle toast and creamy notes over several years in the cellar.

10388 **WAIPARA HILLS** WAIPARA VALLEY  
PINOT NOIR ROSÉ 2018  
**\$14.99**

A pale, copper-coloured wine displaying rich cherry and berry aromatics with traces of rose petal. The raspberry-flavoured palate is beautifully structured, with enough weight to make it a good accompaniment to food.

 **THE NED** MARLBOROUGH  
12248 PINOT ROSÉ 2017  
**\$15.99**

A classic bouquet of summer berries with a dash of spice introduces a weighty and vibrant palate, the mouthful of soft, ripe berryfruit flavours enhanced by a creamy texture and a bright, vivacious finish.

17918 **RAPAURA SPRINGS** MARLBOROUGH  
RESERVE PINOT ROSÉ 2017  
**\$16.99 CASE OF 6 \$14.99 A BOTTLE**

Sustainably-managed vineyard feeds a state-of-the-art winemaking facility. Floral-edged aromas of raspberry and watermelon overlay a vivid, deliciously weighted palate of clean, rich berryfruit flavours.

16314 **TUPARI** MARLBOROUGH  
PINK PUKEKO ROSÉ 2017  
**\$18.99**

Years in the planning, this is Tupari's first shot at a rosé, and they nailed it. Attractive aromatics, great texture and weight, with everything balanced and in check. Delicate and fragrant, with a lovely savoury twist to the finish.

19776 **WOONGTREE** MARLBOROUGH  
PINOT NOIR ROSÉ 2018  
**\$24.99**

A smart Central Otago rosé, the vibrant Pinot Noir grapes displaying enticing aromas of soft summer fruits embellished by hints of pipfruit and notes of spice. Off-dry in style, with a fresh, lingering aftertaste.

48562 **LOUIS ROEDERER** CHAMPAGNE  
ROSÉ VINTAGE 2012  
**\$125.00**

Rich, crisp and harmonious, this is a characteristic Louis Roederer Brut Vintage Champagne: powerful on the attack, perfectly poised on the palate, fresh, pure and refined on the finish.



# SCOTT BASE

SUPPORTING HILLARY'S HERITAGE

To high-five the synergy between Antarctica's Scott Base and their affectionately-named Scott Base vineyard in Cromwell, Marlborough's Allan Scott Family Winemakers formed a partnership with the Antarctic Heritage Trust, which is dedicated to preserving the buildings and heritage status of Antarctica. The family donate a percentage of sales of their Scott Base wines to the trust and provide wines for events and ongoing activities. So there you go: buy one of these beauties and you'll be contributing in your own small way to the maintenance of Sir Ed's proud legacy. Makes us all warm inside just thinking about it.



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| 17755 | CENTRAL OTAGO PINOT ROSÉ 2017 | <b>\$26.99</b> |
| 17780 | CENTRAL OTAGO CHARDONNAY 2017 | <b>\$26.99</b> |
| 17577 | CENTRAL OTAGO PINOT NOIR 2017 | <b>\$29.99</b> |



# KUMEU RIVER

SINGLE VINEYARD CHARDONNAYS

The latest offerings of Kumeu River's world-beating Chardonnays are out. And why is this significant? Because 'world-beating' is an accurate descriptor, considering that back in 2014, Kumeu's Brajkovich family triumphed over a range of Premier Cru and Village Burgundies from the best producers (Burgundian Chardonnay being the widely-perceived pinnacle of the artform) in a landmark blind tasting in London that was conducted by the best palates, critics and wine writers in the world. Yet another example of Kiwi global dominance, and a great reason to explore this exalted range of wines from one of our finest producers.



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| 18209 | ESTATE CHARDONNAY 2017          | <b>29.99</b> |
| 18211 | CODDINGTON CHARDONNAY 2017      | <b>46.99</b> |
| 18229 | HUNTING HILL CHARDONNAY 2017    | <b>54.99</b> |
| 18213 | MATÉ'S VINEYARD CHARDONNAY 2017 | <b>69.99</b> |

# 6 WINES FOR \$66

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Such a lovely deal right here at your fingertips: these are not slouchy old brands by any stretch, rather they are fine drops, every one of them, packaged up as a delightful and dollar-friendly set for your edification. Or you can just purchase them (on special, of course) one at a time.

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| 19665 | VILLA MARIA PRIVATE BIN SAUVIGNON 2017  | <b>\$12.99</b> |
| 14641 | MUD HOUSE PINOT GRIS 2018               | <b>\$12.99</b> |
| 13013 | MARLBOROUGH RIDGE CHARDONNAY 2016       | <b>\$12.99</b> |
| 19361 | DUSKY SOUNDS MERLOT 2015                | <b>\$11.99</b> |
| 20923 | DE BORTOLI FAMILY SELECTION SHIRAZ 2014 | <b>\$9.99</b>  |
| 19480 | VIDAL ESTATE MERLOT CABERNET 2016       | <b>\$12.99</b> |

GREAT WINES FOR A GREAT PRICE



## 1 JULES TAYLOR MARLBOROUGH PINOT NOIR 2017

**\$29.99** 14597



Lauded for her brilliant whites, Jules Taylor is no slouch with the red grapes. Wild fermentation and extended lees maturation contribute complexity and texture to the bright red fruit characters.

## 3 MAN O' WAR PONUWAIHEKE EXILED PINOT GRIS 2017

**\$29.99** 12480



Made exclusively from the St Helena clone sourced from both Waiheke and Ponui Island vineyards. Notes of citrus and ginger finesse the ripe flavours, a vibrant acidity balancing the naturally sweet fruit.

## 5 MT DIFFICULTY CENTRAL OTAGO PINOT NOIR 2016

**\$39.99** 14945



Wonderfully complex Pinot boasting aromatics of cherry and plum augmented with delicate traces of herbs and spice. Layers of sensuous fruit are enhanced by a velvet-lined textural presence.

## 7 ST HALLETT BAROSSA FAITH SHIRAZ 2016

**\$19.99** 27852



Reliably consistent, unmistakably Barossan. Ripe plum and berry aromas show nuances of chocolate and cinnamon. Silky and beautifully integrated, the lithe and lingering fruit flavours are seasoned with vibrant spicy notes. Drinking beautifully.

## 9 SADDLEBACK CENTRAL OTAGO PINOT NOIR 2016

**\$26.99** 17120



### CASE OF 6 \$24.99 A BOTTLE

Drink-now, fruit-driven Pinot from A-list producers Peregrine. Bursting with floral notes and redcurrant aromas, it's opulently juicy, with spice-edged characters of raspberry and wild strawberry.

## 2 CHURCH ROAD HAWKES BAY McDONALD CHARDONNAY 2017

**\$21.99** 15252



Fragrant aromas of stonefruit, citrus and toasty oak. The fruit flavours are complemented by subtle oak nuances and a silky, textural mouthfeel that's balanced by a lingering, mineral-infused finish.

## 4 PALLISER MARTINBOROUGH CHARDONNAY 2017

**\$36.99** 16761



### CASE OF 12 \$34.99 A BOTTLE

Youthfully vibrant with vivid aromatic notes of peach, tropical fruit and toasty oak. Multi-layered, beautifully integrated, this will just get better with some time in the bottle.

## 6 ROCKBURN CENTRAL OTAGO SAUVIGNON BLANC 2014

**\$18.99** 13834



### CASE OF 12 \$16.99 A BOTTLE

Tropical meets herbaceous, with smoky capsicum and herbal characters embellished by notes of oak and flint. Weighty and textural. A blend of Parkburn and Gibbston Valley Back Road vineyards.

## 8 MOUNT EDWARD CENTRAL OTAGO TED PINOT NOIR 2016

**\$29.99** 12528



Mount Ed's second label is as groovy within as it is on the outside. Its sweet, juicy cherry flavours boast a streak of the savoury that keeps it all grounded. A great early drinking Pinot.

## 10 ESK VALLEY GIMBLETT GRAVELS MERLOT CABERNET MALBEC 2016

**\$16.99** 12813



A superbly-priced red blend from pioneering Hawkes Bay outfit Esk Valley and accomplished winemaker, Gordon Russell. Ripe, succulent and generously flavoured, it makes good use of its lovely Gimblett Gravels fruit.

# CLASSIC MARTINBOROUGH

The journey from Martinborough Vineyard's beginnings back in 1980 to the highly-regarded vineyard of today has been a long and spectacular one. The first winery to plant Pinot Noir grapes in the iconic wine region, today it is home to the oldest vines in the district.

Launched in 2002, Te Tera is the companion label to the top-tier Martinborough Vineyard wines, sourcing vineyards that are up to 24 years old to craft its youthful and expressive portfolio.

The Russian Jack wines make up the third arm of the Martinborough Vineyard trio, named in tribute to a local pioneering entity and currently accessing the highly lauded Burnt Spur fruit for its wines.

## MARTINBOROUGH VINEYARD

13704	MANU RIESLING 2017	<b>\$22.99</b>
13747	HOME BLOCK SAUVIGNON BLANC 2017	<b>\$21.99</b>
13712	HOME BLOCK CHARDONNAY 2016	<b>\$34.99</b>
13713	HOME BLOCK SYRAH VIOGNIER 2014	<b>\$42.99</b>
13706	HOME BLOCK PINOT NOIR 2015	<b>\$59.99</b>
13708	MARIE ZELIE RESERVE PINOT NOIR 2013	<b>\$165.00</b>
13739	TE TERA SAUVIGNON BLANC 2017	<b>\$16.99</b>
13745	TE TERA PINOT NOIR 2016	<b>\$24.99</b>
18949	RUSSIAN JACK PINOT NOIR 2016	<b>\$17.99</b>

