

Release Date:

April 3, 2018

750 mL bottle Alcohol/Vol

13.7%

Made in:

Marlborough, New Zealand

By:

Delegat Limited

Sugar Content:

4 g/L

Sweetness Descriptor:

XD - Extra Dry

Style:

Full-bodied & Rich

Varietal:

Chardonnay

Description

A real crowd-pleasing Chardonnay that shows there's more to New Zealand than Sauvignon Blanc. Apple, melon, lemon and well-handled oak - a model for trendy cool-climate Chard. Oysters are an obvious match, but try with sautéed fish or grilled pork chops.

DUCK DISH



Release Date:

April 28, 2018

750 mL bottle Alcohol/Vol

13.8%

Made in:

California, USA

By:

Rodney Strong Vineyards

Sugar Content:

4 g/L

Sweetness Descriptor:

XD - Extra Dry

Style:

Full-bodied & Smooth

Varietal:

Merlot

Description

Sonoma has more soil types than all of France, and the complicated patchwork of mesoclimates and topography allows it to be equally adept at producing coolclimate Pinot Noir from one site and rich, full, ripe Merlot from another. If you haven't tried this customer favourite, you should. There's always a touch of the decadent about it, with plush black fruit, lifted red cherry, coffee and chocolate. It'll be big, flavourful and supple, and will be equally delicious with burgers or quesadillas.

The Rodney Strong Sonoma County Merlot is lush with predominate notes of blackberries, black cherry, and plum with a hint of dried herbs. This wine is silky and voluptuous with soft tannins and finishes with a touch of dried cocoa and vanilla. The luscious dark fruit flavors are enhanced by aging in small French and American oak barrels.

Enjoy this Merlot over the next two to four years with grilled vegetables, spaghetti, and meatballs or grilled Italian-style sausages.



SWEET AND SOUR PORK

Guicciardini Strozzi

MOMI Maremma Toscana 2014

Tasting Note:

"Pretty wine with dark berry, spice and chocolate aromas and flavors. Full to medium body, silky tannins and a fruity finish. It is a blend of sangiovese, cabernet sauvignon, petit verdot, and montepulciano d'abruzzo. Drink now."

Score: 92

(James Suckling, jamessuckling.com)

"In the warmer Maremma zone near the coast Tuscan reds become more generous and softer. Yet this fine effort still maintains Italian authenticity and some refinement. It sports a nicely ripe plum/raspberry fruit nose with some florality, a touch of wet bark earthiness and sweet spice. It is medium-full bodied, nicely plush and well balanced without being too hot or sweet. Some heat on the finish. Very good length. Tasted January 2018."

Score: 91

