

VINE BAR

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LOVE AT FIRST FLIGHT

We've chosen some of our favorite styles, producers, grapes, and regions for you to sample through and decide which one fits your mood. Each flight has four 3oz glasses and the wines build in intensity/body weight from wine 1 being the 'lightest' to wine 4 being the 'fullest.' Although each wine does not have a description, we have written an intro to each flight with some info about the wines themselves as well as why we chose them.

Please let us know if you have any questions and we will be happy to help!

FLIGHT 1 - Let's Get Fizzy-cal: Italian Bubbles, Beyond Prosecco.....\$30

While we all love a refreshing glass of Prosecco, there's more to Italian sparklers than just this popular style. We've pulled together 4 different wines outside of your basic prosecco so you can continue your exploration of all things bubbly. From two traditional method sparkling wines from Barolo country & nearby Lombardy to a rosé prosecco (only an allowable DOC wine since 2021) to a sparkling red, this flight hits on a wide variety of styles!

Borgo Maragliano, *Chardonnay*, Blanc de Blancs Brut, Alta Langa, Piedmont (2020)

Contadi Castaldi, *Chardonnay/Pinot Noir/Pinot Bianco*, Franciacorta Brut, Lombardy (NV)

Tenuta Santome, *Pinot Noir/Glera*, Prosecco Rosé Brut, Veneto (2022)

Famiglia Carafoli, *Lambrusco*, Lambrusco di Sorbara, Emilia-Romagna (NV)

FLIGHT 2 - Not Your Average: Sauvignon Blanc.....\$28

You may have noticed that we've never put a New Zealand Sauvignon Blanc on our by-the-glass list. That's not because there is anything wrong with a fresh & fruity NZ SB, it's just that we want to introduce you to different/lesser-known wines and we're pretty sure you're all already familiar with that one given the proliferation of Kim & Oyster. So here are 4 Sauvignon Blancs coming from alternative places, representing 4 distinct styles to expand your palate & maybe even help you find a new favorite!

Cormons, Friuli, Italy (2022)

Bailly Lapierre, Saint-Bris, Burgundy, France (2023)

Savage Wines, Western Cape, South Africa (2023)

Grand Napa Vineyards, Napa Valley, California, USA (2024)

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The Natty Flights

The more recent trend towards 'natural' or 'natty' wines is neither new nor a trend. Talk amongst yourselves... We speak more of 'minimal' or 'non-intervention' wines here since there is more wine made in an ancestrale way than most people realize, mostly because it was never used as a marketing tool, merely just the way it is done. Organic and biodynamic wines have been made by the fanciest/most expensive winemakers in places like Burgundy (Domaine Leflaive/Domaine Leroy/Domaine de la Romanée Conti) for decades and were a call to arms against the infestation of Monsanto fertilizers, pesticides and fungicides rampantly used throughout the 50's and 60's. Realizing that their biospheres were bare from bees and spiders and other flora/fauna, grape growers from around the world sought avenues to rebuild the health of their vineyards and their workers.

Typically un-fined and unfiltered (meaning there may be floaties in your glass but not to worry), made with wild yeast from the vineyards, eschewing new or apparent oak in favor of use of alternative fermentation vessels like clay amphora or concrete as well as no clarifying enzymes are just some of the methods employed. They are very much aligned against the use of additives that many large, corporate conglomerate brands employ to literally 'flavor' their wine as well as coloring agents that are illegal to use abroad, and are also what is giving you that headache. So please, can we leave poor sulfites alone now?

FLIGHT 3 - Natty White.....\$30

Domaine Marc Kreydenweiss, *Riesling*, 'Au Dessus de la Loi', Alsace, France (2020)

Domaine Pierres Ecrites, *Chenin Blanc*, 'Petits Boulay', Loire Valley, France (2023)

Unico Zelo, *Fiano*, 'Jade & Jasper', Adelaide Hills, Australia (2023)

Coelhoiros, *Arinto/Antao Vaz*, 'Alentejo White', Alentejo, Portugal (2023)

FLIGHT 4 - Natty Red.....\$30

Torremilanos, *Tempranillo*, 'Montecastrillo', Ribera del Duero, Spain (2023)

Les Equilibristes, *Cabernet Sauvignon/Grenache*, 'Bisbille', Languedoc-Roussillon, France (2023)

Hubba Wines, *Valdiguié*, 'Shell Creek', Paso Robles, California, USA (2022)

Roberto Henriques, *Pais*, 'Riviera del Notro', Bio-Bio, Sur, Chile (2023)

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Easy Breezy Spain Flights

Spain holds a special place in my heart as the first country I ever visited outside of the US. While 17-year-old me was more focused on going to the club (normal for high schoolers in Spain) and late night gofre con nata (waffles & cream), it also became one of our favorite destinations while we were living in Europe. The language, the food, the beach, the people, the WINE....all of it holds a very special place in my heart and on our menu. Aside from the wines being diverse, delicious and highly regarded, Spain still also has a significant amount of wine that we believe represents an extraordinary value. We have purposely avoided the more well-known Tempranillo-based wines in favor of exploring some of the other spectacular, albeit lesser-known varietals that the country produces.

So join us as we explore from the Mediterranean to continental Spain to the western Atlantic coast and learn about 8 varietals that help define the wine culture of a country. Let me know when you're ready to plan a vacation & we'll provide some recommendations!

Want to really feel like a Spaniard? Ask us for a porrón to enjoy your wines out of – we're always happy to give a lesson!

FLIGHT 5 - The Whites.....\$28

Hiruzta, Hondurrabi Zuri, Txakolina, Basque Country (2024)

Bodegas Pinord, Verdejo, 'Vacquos', Rueda (2023)

Bodegas As Laxas, Albariño, Rias Baixas, Galicia (2023)

Coto de Gomariz, Godello, 'X', Ribero, Galicia (2023)

FLIGHT 6 - The Reds.....\$28

A Pie de Terra, Garnacha, 'Granito de Gredos', Sierra de Gredos, Madrid (2023)

Bodegas del Abad, Mencia, 'Abad Dom Bueno', Bierzo, Castilla y Leon (2022)

Bodegas Arraez, Bobal, 'Vividor' Utiel-Requena, Valencia (2019)

Bodegas Olivares, Monastrell, 'Altos de la Hoya', Jumilla, Murcia (2020)

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FLIGHT 7 – Island Wines.....\$30

Picture yourself on a windswept cliff, overlooking the deep blue sea – hair blowing, salt in the air, flowers on the breeze. That's the general backdrop for this next flight of wines. Interesting varietals, unusual places, vacation goals. Think high levels of minerality (whether white or grey or black, depending on the soil types), warm days & cool nights, plenty of wind to keep pests & fungus away (so less need for treatment of the vines), and a long history of making wine. This combination is a sure winner and while it was difficult to find a value in these wines historically (due to the difficulty of exporting), advancements have made these wines more accessible to us, which we couldn't be happier about.

Bodegas Piedra Fluida, *Listan Blanco*, 'Blanco', Canary Islands, Spain (2022)

Can Majoral, *Prensal/Chardonnay/Giro Blanc*, 'Butibalausi Blanco', Mallorca, Spain (2022)

Sella & Mosca, *Carignan*, 'Carignano del Sulcis Terre Rare', Sardinia, Italy (2022)

Valdibella, *Nerello Mascalese*, 'Agape', Sicily, Italy (2021)

FLIGHT 8 – Just Chill: Warm Weather Reds.....\$32

Even as the temperatures turn warmer, sometimes you still just want a glass of red wine. Whether it's to pair with your food (hello grilled meats, charcuterie, anything with tomato!) or just because it's what your palate is craving, we're here to tell you that it's OK to drink red wine in the summer. One of our favorite summer styles of wine is the chillable red – usually lighter-bodied in style, these wines are served well below room temperature but not as cold as sparkling/white/rosé. So stick that bottle in the fridge for a bit and just chill!

Fossil & Fawn, *Field Blend*, 'Do Nothing', Washington, USA (2023)

Maggio Vini, *Frappato*, 'Rappatu', Sicily, Italy (2022)

Claus Presinger, *Zweigelt/Pinot Noir/St Laurent*, 'Pusztalibre!', Burgenland, Austria (2023)

Lioco Wines, *Carignan/Valdigue*, 'Indica Red', California, USA (2023)