STAFF FAVORITES

Sparkling

2022 Monzio Compagnoni Franciacorta Brut Rosé (gl) 17 (btl) 70

Exceptionally well crafted in Franciacorta in Northern Italy, this 65% Chardonnay/35% Pinot Noir Rosé is vibrant and fresh with a tart, lifted profile that is very enticing. It showcases pristine red berries and red currant flavors with a delicate floral touch. Enjoy this Bollicine (bubbly) as an aperitivo or throughout your meal. Cin-Cin! - Henrick

Whites

2023 Antinori 'San Giovanni' Orvieto Classico 70

The Antinori Orvieto is a fresh and vibrant wine typically made without significant oak aging. It features bright strawyellow color, floral aromas, and flavors of pear and apple, with a crisp acidity. The focus is on the fruit character and minerality, making it an excellent choice for seafood and light antipasti, evoking the charm of Italian dining. Salute! - Daniela

2023 Mastroberadino Greco di Tufo 70

Here is Greco di Tufo, an ancient white varietal from Campania in southern Italy, by Mastroberadino, the family that put Campanian wines on the map. It has a fresh, structured, and elegant palate with a powerful citrus and apricot nose. With 100% stainless steel fermentation, this wine is a perfect pairing for cheese, shellfish or pan roasted Halibut. It is crisp, clean and light enough that it won't overpower any dish on the menu. Cheers! - Ann

2023 Graci Etna Bianco 75

This Graci Etna Bianco is a striking example of Sicily's Mount Etna's volcanic terroir expressed through the native Carricante and Cataratto grapes grown on the northern slopes of the volcano at high altitudes. Harvested in October, lightly pressed and vinified in stainless steel, this white wine delivers exceptional minerality, a hallmark of this legendary region. In the glass, the wine shows a pale straw color with flecks of green. The nose is a delicate aroma of lemon zest, white peach, and crushed rocks. The palate has a focused and linear minerality with hints of citrus, wild herb, finishing with grapefruit and almonds. A perfect wine to be enjoyed with seafood as well as our world famous Chicken Schnitzel. Salut!!! - Jordan

2023 Bucci Verdicchio Classico Superiore 70

The Bucci family has owned land and made wine in the Castelli di Jesi area since the 1700s. Located in the central Italian region of the Marche, Bucci is a leading name in the Italian wine scene, with a reputation for making clean, light white wine that is refreshing and easy to drink. Fresh and crisp with citrus notes, it pairs nicely with cheese, appetizers, and fish. - Liz

2023 Pierpaolo Pecorari Sauvignon Blanc (gl) 18 / (btl) 70

Located in the Friulian village of San Lorenzo Isontino, three miles from Slovenia, Pierpaolo Pecorari's thirty hectares of vines struggle to draw sustenance from thin, pebble-strewn, sandy soils outlying the Isonzo River that are rich in nitrous salts. Yields are consequently poor, yet the grapes are flavorrich. Their Sauvignon Blanc ferments in stainless steel tanks, remaining on the lees for seven months with weekly stirring (bâtonnage), output being just 2,500 cases. From a nose redolent of lemongrass to a hit in the tonsils so crisp you wonder for a moment if it might be a bubbly, the minerally,

citrus glow of this Sancerre-like wonder converts a reluctant white wine drinker like me to a disciple. - Mike

Reds

2023 Hofstatter 'Meczan' Pinot Nero 65

J. Hofstatter has been cultivating Pinot Noir in Alto-Adige since the 19th century. The Mazon plateau, made of clay and limestone, above the village of Newmarkt, provides the ideal conditions for producing world class Pinot Noir in a unique microclimate for optimal ripening. The grapes are fermented in steel and aged in oak for 6-12 months. There are aromas of wild berries with dried cranberries and spices on the nose. The light ruby color is deceptive. This wine is austere and light with an effervescent minerality, quickly expanding into a robust complexity, silky texture, and a lush aroma redolent of toasted Eastern spices. My first sip was of tart cherry and blackberries, dried stone fruits, and rose petals. With time and a little air, the wine revealed dark cherry and exotic spice, white pepper, black raspberry, and a hint of smoke. This wine pairs well with almost anything-roasted meats, salumi, chicken, ragus, or risotto. - Joan

2022 Tenuta di Trinoro 'Le Cupole' 80

Soft and airy nose with notes of raspberry and red fruits, this Tuscan red is very smooth and pleasant with a beautiful finish. It is a blend of Cabernet, Merlot, and Cabernet Franc. This is so good for me because I don't care for big harsh tannins in red wines. This is a pleasure to drink! - Liz

2022 Bruno Giacosa Nebbiolo d'Alba 90

Giacosa is one of Piedmont's truly great producers. Nebbiolo is the grape of Barolo and Barbaresco and this gives you a chance to try this beautiful grape without breaking the bank. The wine is light to medium with strong persistent tannins. pairs great with Salumi, Veal, Pork, and cheeses. -Vinnie

2022 Bedrock Wine 'Evangelho' Heritage Red Contra Costa, CA 95

Bedrock Wine Company is dedicated to rehabilitating and preserving California's historic vineyards. The vines in Evangelho were planted in the 1890s, in the sandy soil of the Sacramento River Delta. The vineyard is part of a shrinking agricultural island in the midst of suburban sprawl, which has taken over many of the vineyards in Contra Costa County. This vintage is made from a field blend of 78% Zinfandel and 16% Mourvedre with the balance made up of Carignan. The medium-bodied palate is centered around perfumed dark fruits and berries. Raspberry and cherry give way to a mild spiciness which compliments the rounded acidity. Try with Pasta Bolognese and richer meat dishes. - Chef Nate

2020 Cascina Borgatta 'La Milla' Dolcetto 65

This Dolcetto is an authentic style of Dolcetto d'Ovada from the Alto Monferrato region of Piemonte. It is super ripe and juicy, tasting of cherries and plums, spicy clove and cinnamon. The wine is bursting with plump body and gobs of lush fruit. The producers still work hard on land inherited from their family in the 1960s, and now in their seventies they produce Dolcetto in an honest, old-fashioned way, refusing to give in to the manipulated and forced methods of the modern wine world. Emilio and Marie Luisa Oliveri have "Respect, Respect, Respect- for the soil, for the vines, for the process of making wine." This wine is an example of the old world... enjoy it while you still can! - Jan

2023 Li Veli "Askos' Susumaniello 65

What could be better than a unique Italian red wine that is so well cultivated and well crafted that you can sip it all summer long, far into the fall and beyond! The "Askos" from Masseria Li Veli estate in Puglia is part of resurrected dream stemming back well over a century. Lying between the Adriatic and Ionian seas, this ancient varietal was most recently brought

back to life by the Falvo brothers of Tuscany. It has a specific honorable place within their Askos project which protects Apulian vines in danger of extinction. The wine is as delicious as its history is rich. For the extra curious, I recommend their wonderful website. I was thoroughly impressed by its deep rich black and red fruits with notes of savory spice and long satisfying finish. It works wonderfully with our menu dishes. An outstanding value...Enjoy! - Linda

2021 COS Cerasuolo di Vittorio Classico 80

Enhance your meal at Il Capriccio with a sensational Sicilian red: COS Cerasuolo. This wine combines the native Nero d'Avola and Frappato grapes, offering beguiling aromas of cherries, pepper, chalky minerality, and subtle hints of sweet balsamic. COS's palate includes hearty notes of raspberry, red fruits, plum, and black currant, balanced with touches of aromatic herbs that lead to an intriguing finish of dried wildflowers and smoke. With its elegant tannins and bright acidity, this medium-bodied red is structured and complex. It is a wonderful companion to our Porcini souffle, savory pastas, and game. If you're really feeling adventurous, ask your server to lightly chill the COS 2020 and pair it with our seafood dishes. Cheers! - Jesse

2022 Riecine Chianti Classico 75

Situated in the prestigious northern Gaiole region of Chianti, you'll find the long-standing and highly coveted vineyard of Riecine. A continuation of their 1973 flagship wine, this 100% Sangiovese will wow you with its elegance, freshness, round mouth feel, and soft, subtle tannins. Given the high altitude of the vineyard along with its ubiquitous limestone and clay soil, a natural and pleasant acidity emerges, providing balance and complexity. On the nose, it will delight you with hints of eucalyptus, white pepper, rose, and blackberry. Your palate will savor notes of tart cherry, black currant, and traces of an herbaceous grassiness. A certified

organic winery, this red is delicious and extremely versatile, it can best be enjoyed with our Bolognese, Veal, or Duck.

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