



ZEPHYR WINE BAR

## ***Bubbles***

### **Lovo | Millesimato Prosecco - NV**

**\$11/42**

Lovo Prosecco is clean and bright, with lively, small bubbles that lift aromas of citrus, flint, and fresh-cut flowers to the nose.

An enologist himself, winemaker Salvatore Lovo long worked as a consultant in other areas of Italy, including Tuscany, the Marche, and Abruzzo. Today, alongside his daughter, Silvia, Salvatore focuses on historic varieties that help to define his own region in the hills near Padua. One of these is Fior d'Arancio, the estate's crown jewel. A rare clone of Moscato Giallo, Fior d'Arancio (trans. "orange blossom"), grows in a tiny zone of just a few square miles, and is famous for its stunning, citrus-driven aromatics. Written records going back to the 1300s have traced Fior d'Arancio to the eastern Mediterranean, and old-timers still refer to it as Moscato Sirio (Syrian Moscato).

### **Casteller, Cava Brut Metodo Tradicional, N.V.**

**\$12/40**

Made in the Traditional Method, this gem from Catalonia exhibits green apple and citrus aromas. In the mouth, it has crisp, fresh flavors with citrus-lime notes and just a touch of sweetness. Thanks to being fermented in the bottle and aged for 12 months on the lees, it tastes fresh, clean and nervy.

### **Piper Heidsieck, Champagne Brut Cuvee 1785, N.V.**

**\$80**

*Pinot Noir, Pinot Meunier, Chardonnay*

A juicy, fleshy pear and golden grape texture, this Champagne's finish narrows to citrus and grapefruit flavors. Piper-Heidsieck carefully selects fruit from more than 100 of Champagne's crus to blend the Cuvee 1785. This adds great complexity and dimension to the wine and allows the bold Piper-Heidsieck style to shine through. A majority blend of Pinot Noir provides structure to the composition while Pinot Meunier expands the wine with its brilliant fruit expression and fleshiness and Chardonnay brings elegant tones and acidity. The precious reserve wines create a consistent flavor profile year after year.

### **J. Lassalle, N.V. Brut Rose Champagne 1er Cru**

**\$90**

The cépage is Pinot Noir, Chardonnay, and Meunier, all from vines averaging 50 years-old.

Using an ancient, vertical, wooden basket press to extract only the most delicate juice, this champagne House is owned and run by the fabulous mother/daughter winemaking team at J. Lassalle, this process allows for the malolactic fermentation to occur naturally for all wines, then they age the wines extensively in their cool cellars to ensure each cuvée achieves maximum refinement at release. Lush and plush with aromas of strawberries and cream, this wine is so elegant that it can provide utter satisfaction when sipped as an apéritif, or all throughout a meal!

## ***Whites***

### **Sean Minor, Chardonnay 2021, Sonoma Coast**

**\$9/40cf**

Smooth and medium to full on the palate, generous stone and tropical fruits mixed with bright green apple give way to a touch of butter and mineral on the finish.

### **Di Arie, Sauvignon Blanc, Sierra Foothills, CA**

**\$9/40cf**

Crisp, clean and exceptionally aromatic, this Sauvignon Blanc has distinctive tropical aromas followed by apple and pear flavors on the palate. This wine has a firm body with a long finish.

## **Di Arie, Viognier, Lodi (2022)**

**\$9/40cf**

Viognier produces an aromatic, crisp, dry and refreshing white wine. It has unique, recognizable aromas of apricot, orange blossom, and at times, nuttiness reminiscent of almonds. The intensities of these aromas will depend on the region where the grapes are grown.

This is a crisp, clean and lush Viognier. It possesses aromas and flavors of peach, pear, and violet with a distinctive level of minerality. It has a firm structure and a pleasing long finish.

## **Cliff Lede Sauvignon Blanc**

**\$14/44**

*78% Sauvignon Blanc and 22% Sémillon*

Vivid and inviting, the 2022 Sauvignon Blanc brims with energy and an elegant vivaciousness. The refreshing aromatics soar on layers of casaba melon, pineapple, and honeysuckle flowers. Flavors of kiwi, white peach, mango, and cucumber glide seamlessly along the palate with accents of sea salt, warm brioche, and persimmon tinged on the long and brightly tuned finish. A splendid note of flinty minerality persists on the tongue as this wine of poise and contemplation bids the taster for another sip.

## **Merry Edwards, Sauvignon Blanc, Russian River Valley (2022)**

**\$16/60**

The stunning 2022 Merry Edwards Sauvignon Blanc is the result of impeccable farming along with practices of barrel fermentation and lees-stirring. The maritime influence along the Sonoma Coast means that the grapes are able to hold onto delicate flavors and juicy acidity. This wine opens with enticing aromas of Meyer lemon, white pineapple, lime zest, white blossoms and ripe yellow stone fruit. The texture is creamy and silky, but retains the bright acidity that keeps the wine fresh and lively.

## **Reichsrat von Buhl Riesling ‘Bone Dry’, 2022, Germany**

**\$14/44**

Sitting on 153 acres of organic vineyards in the Pfalz region, Reichsrat von Buhl like dry wines. Really dry wines. This is how this wine smells and tastes! Stone fruits and citrus, minerality and freshness.

## **Lynmar, Russian River Chardonnay 2021**

**\$16/60**

Attractive butterscotch and vanilla aromas lead to tight fruit flavors and nutty, toasty notes in this full-bodied and well-balanced wine that is at once broad in mouthfeel and nicely braced with tangy acidity.

## **La Follette Single Vineyard Chardonnay, 2021, California**

**\$15/55**

Fruity and refreshing, this well-balanced and medium-bodied wine offers mouth filling Golden Apple and Bosc Pear flavors backed by lively acidity and mild notes of vanilla and butter. Greg La Follette is one of Sonoma County's most notable winemakers and consultants. He's known for consulting at Kendall-Jackson, La Crema, DeLoach, and helped establish the world-famed Flowers Vineyard and Winery.

## **Capitain-Gagnerot, Hautes-Cotes De Beaune Blanc, 2020, France**

**\$15/55**

Since 1802, Domaine Gagnerot has remained family-owned and been producing award winning wines, and this Chardonnay is no exception. Pale gold with green reflections in the glass, this wine offers aromas of white fruits, apple and lemon, but the soft buttery roundness and minerality create a fresh, lively, and well-balanced wine.

## **Plaimont, Saint-Mont Les Cépages Préservés (2019)**

**\$16/60**

*60% Gros Manseng, 25% Petit Corbu, 15% Arrufia*

**95 points Wine Enthusiast, TOP 100 BEST WINES 2022**

Pale yellow with gold inflections, the nose is exotic with honeyed apricot, white peach, and green herbs like lemongrass and cilantro. This medium-full body wine is driven by flavors of ripe apricot, peach, and wild herbs, which is simultaneously buttery, and fresh and zippy. This wine from the gorgeous (but lesser known) Saint-Mont AOC in Gascogne (Southwest France), is a mouthwatering trio of rare grapes dating back to Roman times. Facing extinction, André Dubosc (a third-generation wine grower) set out in the 1970s to build up and preserve the vines from this special region. The small sub-alpine pocket is 50 miles from the Pyrénées Mountains and just over the border from Basque country.

## **De Wetshof Bon Vallon Chardonnay, 2021, South Africa**

**\$16/56**

The De Wet family history can be traced back to 1694 when they first landed on the Cape of South Africa. By 1972, De Wetshof became the first registered estate winery in the famed Robertson Valley carefully planting selected Chardonnay clones and rootstocks from Germany, becoming one of the first wineries in South Africa to do so. Optimum varietal expression. An unwooded wine, Bon Vallon has a brisk and clean freshness leading into a wide spectrum of classic flavors including citrus, wild flowers and grilled nuts, with a nuanced minerality on the aftertaste.

## ***Rose***

### **Fossil Point Rose**

**\$9/40cf**

Pale pink in color. Pithy aromas of grapefruit and Meyer-lemon spring from the glass. Classic Provençal flavor profile of strawberry and melon, with a balance of acidity and fruit on the palate. Perfect with summertime meals of garden vegetables, wood-fired pizza, or nearly anything cooked outdoors on the grill.

### **Ancient Peaks One Stone Rose of Pinot Noir, Central Coast ( 2022)**

**\$12/40**

The 2022 Rosé offers lively aromas of watermelon, kiwi, flint and orange blossom. The palate is crisp, fresh and delicate, displaying flavors of peach, strawberry and clementine with accents of stony minerality. Silky textures unfold into a clean, vibrant finish. Aged 3 months in stainless steel.

### **Clos Cibonne Tentations Rose, Provence (2022)**

**\$14/44**

This wine hails from the Cotes De Provence, France and is perfect as an aperitif, or all day sipper! Lovely pale pink color, this Rose looks very elegant in the glass. On the nose it is full of fruity nuances, very intense and complex, with reminders of stone fruit such as apricots and lactic, pastry-shop notes. On the palate it proves a balanced wine with good length, perfectly combining its acidity and freshness.

Made by small, family owned vineyards and incorporates 4 different grape varieties. It is aged on the lees for two months, giving it depth while still showcasing bright fresh fruit flavors. Clos Cibonne Tentations is a completely vegan and ecologically farmed wine, and is sure to be a crowd-pleaser.

## ***Reds***

### **Klinker Brick Old Vine Zinfandel, 2020**

**\$11/48cf**

*90 points, Wine Spectator*

Full, juicy flavors of cherries and plums coupled with the perfect balance of oak and spice. There is a nuance of mint and clove on the nose and a lingering, elegant finish. This wine was aged in American oak for 15 months

### **Easton Zinfandel, 2016, Amador County**

**\$14/44**

Bill Easton is one of the pioneers of Amador's modern winemaking era, founding his winery in 1984, and his wines still lead the pack in terms of quality. Long renowned as one of the best places in the world for distinctive Zinfandel because of its old head-pruned vines, mountain soils, languid blue sky days, and cool summer nights, this wine is big but well-balanced, offering plenty of luscious ripe berries and plums along with hints of black pepper and sage. Moderate tannins seem to build on the palate and add a good bite to the finish.

### **Chateau Musar Jeune Red, 2020, Bekaa Valley, Lebanon**

**\$14/44**

*Blend: Cinsault, Syrah, Cabernet Sauvignon*

Founded by Gaston Hochar in 1930, Chateau Musar is Lebanon's premier estate. Only hand-picked estate fruit is used and the wines are minimally handled, allowing for natural fermentation with very little sulfur, or filtering. A deep plum with violet rim in the glass, the nose bursts with blueberries, dark red cherries, Mediterranean herbs, tobacco and spice. On the palate this is a warm and fruity wine with dense, dark fruits such as black currant, blueberries, strawberries and pomegranate, finishing with medium tannins, gentle acidity, and a touch of Eastern spice.

## **Bee Hunter Pinot Noir, 2018, Anderson Valley** **\$15/50**

You'll not get a better representation of what Anderson Valley Pinot Noir is than this wine. Fresh and lively fruit, like cherries and wild berries combined with a hint of wet stone and the tell-tale forest floor, brings you straight into the heart of The Valley. The acid adds the perfect ZING! It's well-balanced, elegant, and drinks on its own without food.

## **Lynmar Estate Pinot Noir, 2019 Russian River** **\$16/60**

*93 points, Wine Enthusiast*

A brilliant rose color in the glass, this wine exudes juicy aromatics of baked strawberry, dragon fruit and cherry cola. A focused but generous entry on the palate leads way to tastes of cherry juice, ripe red plum and baking spice culminating in lively tannins and a persistent finish.

## **Hyland Estate Pinot Noir, 2022, Willamette Valley** **\$16/54**

Hyland Estates winemaking philosophy starts and ends in the vineyard with wines that are distinct and intriguing. The gentle sloping bench of Hyland Vineyard is nestled in the foothills of Oregon's Coast Range. This location is cool, resulting in a long and moderate growing season which allows our vines to have the full experience of each vintage. This vintage is a lovely mix of cassis, rose petals, toasted spices and cedar aerate the nose. On the palate, a mouthful of black cherries, dark plums and sweet leather greet you, with beautiful framing tannins to support the wine.

## **Merry Edwards Pinot Noir, 2021 Russian River Valley** **\$20/76**

This wine is red-fruit driven, featuring ripe raspberries and fresh strawberries with a pretty hint of vanilla. On the first sip, this wine is bright and buoyed by refreshing acidity, followed by a persistent core of tannins that brings elegant texture. Hints of yellow fruit skin and gravel give way to a slightly spicy finish highlighted by notes of blood orange and cherry cola.

## **Jax Vineyards Y3 Taureau Red Blend Napa Valley** **\$16/60**

*Blend: 60% Cabernet Sauvignon 35% Merlot 5% Cabernet Franc*

The name "Taureau" was the name of the Jackson family's prized bull, legendary for his feisty, high-kicking and vibrant personality. When perfecting this wine at their blending session, the JAX team concurred that the complex personality of their infamous bull reflected the complex structure and elements of this indulgent red blend. Reflecting the dominating character of Taureau, this wine boasts incredible purple fruit colors, flavors of blackberry, black cherry and red on the palate, and all supported by polished tannins.

## **Auctioneer, Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley (2019)** **\$16/65**

This Cabernet Sauvignon is a perfect representation of the glorious conditions Mother Nature provided us. The wine is dark with aromas of Cassis, plum and anise. The palate displays rich cherry and blackberry flavors with just the right amount of fresh acidity and toasty spice. with soft, ripe, tannins, leading to a beautifully balanced and long finish. The final wine is refined, elegant, and beautifully balanced—in essence, the style of wine that made Napa Valley famous. Aged in 60% New Oak and 40% neutral barrels for 15 months. Michael Broadbent, the 24th Master of Wine, had a rich history in the wine business. His book *Wine Tasting* was the first book devoted to the taste of wine, and set the standard for how wine is tasted by professionals. but he is best known for pioneering wine auctions. He was the founder of Christie's wine department in 1966, and partnered with Robert Mondavi to start the Napa Valley Wine Auction in 1981. The Auctioneer is a tribute to the great Michael Broadbent, and it is a wine he'd be proud to drink in good company.

## **Di Arie Vineyards Barbera, 2020 Amador County** **\$11/48**

This wine has very distinctive cherry, plum and blackberry aromas with flavors of cranberry and pomegranate and well balanced acidity. The wine shows good structure and complexity in the mid-palate and has a lingering finish of coffee and anise.

**Di Arie Mixed Breed Red Blend, 2015, Amador County** **\$11/48cf**

Every component has been individually crafted and aged in French oak barrels for 2 years. The wine has a ruby color with strong blackberry aromas, which carry to the palate adding hints of chocolate and spice. The finish is long with a firm but delightful grip of tannins.

**Piattelli Vineyards, 2020, Premium Reserve Malbec, Argentina** **\$10/36**

*90 point, James Suckling*

Aromas of blackcurrants, black cherries, violets, sweet tobacco and licorice. It's medium-bodied with sleek tannins and fresh acidity. Juicy with sweet spices on the finish.

**Banfi, ASKA Bolgheri Rosso, 2019, Tuscany** **\$22/80**

Produced with a selection of Cabernet Sauvignon with a small percentage of Cabernet Franc from highly specialized vineyards. A gorgeous deep ruby red in the glass with violet reflections. On the nose are ripe red berries, blueberries and plum jam, followed by hints of tobacco and licorice. On the palate this wine is well rounded with velvety tannins and a persistent finish.

**Banfi, Brunello di Montalcino, 2017, Tuscany** **\$110**

A rich and elegant Brunello, this wine from famous producer, Banfi, is brilliant ruby red with garnet-colored reflections. Aromas are sweet and fruity, and the hints of fresh red fruit stand out, which combine perfectly with the more complex notes of licorice and pipe tobacco. The structure is powerful, and the palate is pleasantly enveloped by a consistent tannic texture, well balanced by a pleasant acidity. Extremely persistent with excellent aging potential.

## ***Dessert Wines***

**Domaine de Durban, Muscat de Beaumes-de-Venise, Rhône Valley** **\$14/44**

On the site of a former Roman healing springs destination, the Domaine and its vineyards sit atop a picturesque plateau in the Vaucluse, just above the village of Beaumes-de-Venise. Made from 100% Muscat à Petits Grains Blanc and crafted in the traditional a *vin doux naturel* style. The wine is a pure delight with the distinctive Muscat flavors of peach, apricot, lychee fruit and honey. Among the last producers to use this **old-fashioned method of vinification, the spirits are kept as low as possible, so that bright freshness in the grapes shines through. One can find more powerful Muscats, but none as tasty and fine.** Finesse with a certain elegance. The perfect dessert wine but also delicious with foie gras, melon and Roquefort cheese.

**Broadbent Auction Reserve Port, Douro Valley, Portugal** **\$16/56**

*Blend: Touriga Nacional, Tinta Roriz*

The pretty pomegranate red hue provides a look into the heart of this Port. Light and fragrant violets and lavender are bolstered by the aromas of sweet blackberry and anise. There is also a whiff of spirit that is noticeable but does not detract. Broadbent's Auction Reserve offers a smooth, medium-bodied Port that delivers fresh, fruit-forward boysenberry and plum flavors with a nice touch of chocolate that adds to the overall enjoyment of this wine. The tannins let you know they have shown up to the party, without being obtrusive. Delivers a lingering and fruit filled finish.