

April Wine Bargains

Sparkling, White & Rosé Wines:

Papet del Mas Cava Brut, NV, Penedes, Spain

We couldn't be more excited for Spring and some warmer weather, so we're toasting with this lovely Cava made from traditional varieties. It's fresh and fruit forward with notes of crisp apple, pear and citrus and a hint of bread dough. Cheers! \$13

Telmo Rodriguez Basa Verdejo, 2016, Rueda, Spain

This is fresh and clean Verdejo with a touch of Viura added, all fermented and aged in stainless steel. Grown on limestone and gravel soils, there is a lovely minerality along with stone fruit, almonds, nutmeg, and floral aromas. The finish is dry & savory perfect for drinking with fresh seafood. A perennial "Best Buy" now in its 21st vintage. \$15

Dry Creek Chenin Blanc, 2016, Clarksburg, California

Speaking of perennial "Best Buys", this has been an annual Iron Bridge fan favorite and a regular on the Bargain list since we opened 15 years ago. Who can resist the fresh, flowery aromas that lead to a light to medium-bodied white wine with loads of fruit as well as a seductive, elegant style. \$13

Berthet Rayne Cotes du Rhone Blanc, 2016, Rhone Valley France

Organically Farmed!!

Loads of white currant, quince, almond paste, white peach and pineapple are all present in this flowery, medium-bodied deliciously dry and crisp wine. It's a fabulous alternative to Chardonnay and works amazingly well with fresh fish or chicken dishes. \$15

Zolo Chardonnay, 2016, Mendoza, Argentina

Owner and President Patricia Ortiz spends much of the week working in Mendoza, leaving her husband alone – solo/Zolo – in Buenos Aires. Clean and fresh with a complex nose of mineral and spice with subtle passion fruit and guava scents. The palate is ripe and sweet on the entry with notes of peach, apricot and honey. It offers good weight and a nice fatness on the finish. \$14

Chateau St. Michelle Rosé of Syrah, 2017, Columbia Valley, Washington

This is a spectacular new rosé from the folks at Chateau St. Michelle. We were shocked at how inexpensive it was after tasting it. The wine offers bright aromas of watermelon and raspberry with flavors of wild strawberry, citrus zest and hints of melon. Bravo! \$11

Red Wines:

Cycles Gladiator Pinot Noir, 2015, California

Bright cherry cola aromatics with an almost rustic charm. There are also some notes of raspberries and pipe tobacco. The flavors are all red fruits. Cherries of course, but pomegranates, strawberries, cranberries, and rhubarb pie are also present. The sensation is warm and inviting like the smells that come wafting out of the kitchen on Thanksgiving. \$13

Perrin Cotes du Rhone, 2015, Rhone Valley, France ***Organically Farmed!!***

The Perrin brothers, from Chateau de Beaucastel, make some of the most amazing wines on the planet. This Cotes du Rhone is a blend of Grenache and Syrah. An uncompromising work ethic in the vineyard and the utmost respect for fruit characteristic result in particularly expressive wines that allow the terroir to shine. Intense aromas of red fruits, black cherry, peppermint and vanilla. Full bodied with warm fruits and spices, firm tannins and fresh acidity. Well structured with layers of flavor and rich, long finish. \$14

Bagordi Tempranillo, 2015, Rioja, Spain ***Organically Farmed!!***

Deep purple in color, it offers up an alluring nose of exotic spices, incense, blackberry, and an earthy minerality. Firm on the palate with an excellent structure, this well-proportioned Tempranillo will drink well with steaks and roast for the next few years. \$13

Chateau La Coudraie, 2016, Bordeaux, France

The chateau is located in the rolling slopes of Entre-deux-Mers (between two seas), between the Gironde and Dordogne rivers. A blend of 60% Merlot, 20% Cabernet Sauvignon, 20% Cabernet Franc, the wine has an attractive blackberry and cranberry scented bouquet, classic in style with cigar box/smoke aromas emerging with time from the glass. The palate is medium-bodied with fine tannin, and good depth of fruit. It will benefit from short term aging or decanting, and will drink well for 5+ years. \$14

Stephen Vincent "Crimson", 2013, California

Crimson is produced from a blend of Syrah, Cabernet Sauvignon, and Petite Syrah grapes from Monterey County and North Coast growing regions of California. This very rich wine has beautiful ripe plum and blackberry flavor, accented with hints of cassis and toasty oak. Wine.com gave it 90 points and said, "One of the unsung heroes amongst the California red wine blends, the 2013 Stephen Vincent Crimson exhibits excellent completeness. From start to finish, the wine's red fruit aromas and flavors sail nicely on the palate. Enjoy its bright fruit with an oven-baked game hen." \$14

Yarden "Mount Hermon" Red, 2016, Galilee, Israel ***Kosher!!***

2016 was a remarkable vintage and it shows in this blend from the classic Bordeaux varieties of Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Cabernet Franc, Petit Verdot and Malbec. exhibits fruit notes of berries and cherries, along with nuances of Mediterranean herbs, chocolate and orange zest. This medium-bodied red blend is vibrant and flavorful, making it a great pairing to grilled beef or lamb. \$14