


SPARKLING

ZARDETTO 'PRIVATE CUVÉE' BRUT — PROSECCO, ITALY — N.V. 12

Dry, refreshing, and bursting with energy! The bubbles release aromas of pear, apple, and peach. On the palate, it offers a hint of spice and a crisp sensation. A fun and lively Prosecco that's sure to kick off any occasion right.

'GREEK ROSÉ' — KIR-YIANNI 'AKAKIES' | MACEDONIA, GREECE — 2023 16

Made from the native grape Xinomavro, this one sure is Greek to me—and probably to you too! But hey, the producer, Kir-Yianni, has crafted this native variety into one of the most aromatic and delicious wines around. Its bright wild strawberry notes suggest sweetness, but it finishes completely dry and balanced.

 **PRO-PAGNE** — PROSECCO MEETS CHAMPAGNE + A CAVA 22

Look out — this wine list is on fire! Three half flutes are placed before you. One is Prosecco, one is a Spanish Cava, and the last is the real deal—true Champagne. Your task is to identify all three, and if you succeed, you'll be a Champ-ion! You know what they say, 'No 'pagne, no gain!'

'BARBIE SPARKLES' — DOMAINE RONDEAU BUGHEY CERDON, FRANCE — N.V. 13

One of the most intriguing wines from France is unapologetically pink, slightly sweet, and bubbly. This wine hails not from a town or even a small village, but from the tiniest of hamlets in the south of France. Typically enjoyed as an aperitif, it also pairs beautifully with our array of Chocolate Boards and Crème Brûlée.


 **DANCE KIWI DANCE!** — A NEW ZEALAND SAUVIGNON BLANC DOES THE FLAMENCO 17




Everyone seems to love a crisp New Zealand Sauvignon Blanc, but there's a Spanish white wine that wants to challenge the beloved Kiwi to a dance-off. Entering the discotheque is Pardevalles, a white wine made from the ultra-unknown Albarín varietal. This rare grape type is indigenous to Northwest Spain, and is suspiciously close to a New Zealand Sauv. So can you identify the Kiwi? Is the beloved Sauv B the star, or is the Albarín taking the crown?

'GET CLOSER TO GOD' — GRÜNER VELTLINER | KREMSTAL, AUSTRIA - 2023 15

Austrian winemaker, Stift Göttweig, has been cultivating vines for nearly one thousand years producing Messwein, or Altar wine, under strict guidelines set by the bishop. It must obey precise alcohol requirements, be made from noble varietals, and, of course, remain natural and unaltered— from the Earth, by God. You can expect a baptismal Grüner Veltliner chock-full of passion fruit, pineapple, grapefruit, and its signature element of white pepper.

 **SANCERRE WHERE?** — SANCERRE & A LOIRE VALLEY SAUVIGNON BLANC 16


Two French white wines are placed before you. One hails from the renowned region of Sancerre. This French region has produced sought-after white wines for over a thousand years! But there's a challenger looking to give Sancerre a run for its money: Jacques Dumont's Sauvignon Blanc from just outside Sancerre, in the Loire. Can you identify the true Sancerre? Is the other a worthy competitor at a third of the price? Prefer just a glass of the Sancerre? It's only \$22.

 **THE IBERIAN TWINS** — SPANISH ALBARIÑO VS. PORTUGUESE ALVARINHO 17

Albariño from Spain and Alvarinho from Portugal may have different names, but they're the exact same grape. Both produce dry, lighter-styled white wines, yet there are subtle differences. Spanish Albariños tend to be fuller-bodied and a bit less aromatic than their Portuguese counterparts, with a touch more minerality. Folks, this one isn't easy, but it sure is a fun one!

'ANCIENT URBINA' — BODEGAS URBINA 'VIURA CRIANZA' | RIOJA, SPAIN — 2015 15

Prepare to whiff up salted honey, Marcona almonds, custard, lemon oil, white flowers, and more—so much more, it's a literal kaleidoscope for your schnozzle! If you're eyeing the Spanish Somm Board, this is the ultimate wine companion. This fantastical ten-year-old Spanish beauty, made from the Viura grape, sits in a glass of its own.

 **THE END OF ABC (ANYTHING BUT CHARDONNAY)** — THESE TWO CHARDS WILL CHANGE YOUR LIFE! 26

If you think you know Chardonnay—and have concluded they all suck—I implore you to try these two wines. First, a French Premier Cru Chablis from Bernard Defaix called Côte de Lechet, one of the finest Chablis expressions I've tasted in the past year. The second, Imber from Statera Cellars in Willamette, Oregon, will challenge everything you thought you knew about Chardonnay. Trust me, this one is unlike any Chard you've ever had!


FRISK 'PRICKLY' RIESLING — VICTORIA, AUSTRALIA — 2023 12

The return of a springtime favorite! Cool down quick with this Patio Pounder. It's lightly sparkling, slightly sweet, and boasts a refreshment level of 5000. Notes of lemon sorbet and white flowers make this one enjoyable all on its own.


MOSCATO D'ASTI — PIEDMONT, ITALY 13

It's sweet, and it's freaking out-of-this-world awesome! Super peachy, with a frizzante (slightly sparkling) texture that keeps it light and ultra-refreshing. Milly's rotates and features the best Moscatos on the market today. It's candy in a glass!

WHITE WINE

 **GUNS & ROSÉ** — FRENCH ROSÉ VS. THE WORLD 16

Two half glasses of Rosé are set before you— one is French and one is not. While seemingly every wine-producing region in the world makes rosé, the benchmark is that fresh watermelon wonderfulness that hails only from Provence. There’s an appetite for destruction when it comes to beating out Provence. Can you spot the Frenchie, and the one gunning for it?

 **ORANGE WINE & PÉT-NAT** — THE HOTTEST WINE PAIRING IN 2025 16

Orange wine reigns as the hottest wine style among cool drinkers. But have you discovered the latest rage, Pét-Nat? Simply put, Pét-Nat is a sparkling wine made in a style that predates Champagne. Try 'em both and see what all the kids are into these days. We receive Orange wines and Pét-Nats weekly for consideration, and we offer the best discoveries of both here.

 **FIND RON BURGUNDY: THE LEGEND CONTINUES** — BURGUNDY PINOT NOIR & A ROCKIN' CHALLENGER 26



Two thrilling half glasses of red wine are placed before you. Simply put, one is a Pinot Noir from Burgundy and one is not. Correctly identify the ‘Ron Burgundy,’ and you may find yourself in a glass case of emotion! Honestly, Burgundy can sometimes disappoint. But here, you’re guaranteed to experience a stunning Burgundy alongside another killer contender. Can you correctly identify the Ron Burgundy?

'A MASTER SOMMELIER'S RED' — A ROTATING RED WINE SO GOOD, IT'S MASTER SOMMELIER-APPROVED 13

Years ago, I was seated with six or more Master Sommeliers for dinner in California. This was quite a high concentration of Master Somms, given that there are only 273 in the world! The moment was tense with anticipation when the server brought over the wine list. What wines do Master Sommeliers order? It turns out they zero in on great wines that are—get this—very inexpensive! So, go ahead and savor the Master Sommelier-approved red wine currently in rotation.

'ISN'T IT HAPPY HOUR ANYTIME?' — A KILLER COST-EFFECTIVE WINE 9


Discovering incredible value-driven wines is important in a sea of overpriced offerings. Here we present you with a rotating selection that won't break the budget. You don't need to spend a fortune to get an exceptional glass here at Milly's. Just ask your server what's being poured. If you prefer a Happy Hour White, we have that too.

'A SPRINGTIME CABERNET' — CABERNET SAUVIGNON | MENDOCINO, CALIFORNIA — 2022 16

Samantha Sheehan crafts excellent wines under the Ultraviolet label. Her Cabernet is a testament to extraordinary balance with grapes sourced from Ukiah, an area in Mendocino. Unlike the bold, oak-laden styles often associated with Napa, this wine takes a different approach—offering a pure, honest snapshot of the vineyard. Expect a more feminine, nuanced herbal character rather than an overpowering jam bomb. Well done, Samantha!


'THE ITALIAN STALLION' — COPERTINO 'RISERVA' NEGROAMARO | PUGLIA, ITALY — 2015 15

A lady is at Milly's alone. I ask, 'So, how do you like your wine?' She replies, 'earthy.' I press, 'How earthy?' She answers, 'filthy.' Then—no joke—I'm in literal shock when she pauses and says, 'I want it to hurt me.' Truth be told, I fell for her dirty wine desire right then and there. So I brought her a glass of what we now call The Italian Stallion—a light-bodied, sexy dirtball of a wine.

 **RUNNING OF THE BULLS** — EVALUATING AGE IN TWO SPANISH RIOJAS 16

The most recognizable wine region in Spain is Rioja. Spaniards prefer their Rioja reds fully mature, so much so that there are three designations, each requiring different aging periods before release: Crianza (24 months), Reserva (36 months), and Gran Reserva (60 months!). However, a new movement is emerging, with a few rebellious wineries opting to release their Tempranillo fresh. Here, we present two quality Riojas: a 2019 Crianza and a super fresh 2021. Is the movement justified?



 **SYRAH & ITS ITALIAN COUSIN** — COMPARING AMERICAN SYRAH & ITALIAN LAGREIN 18

The 2021 Two Mountain Syrah out of Washington State is one of the finest expressions of Syrah we've encountered in a long time. While Cabernet and Pinot Noir rule the roost for most wine lovers, Syrah remains more of a black sheep. But who's the darkest black sheep of all? That title goes to Lagrein, a rare Italian grape with only 1,000 acres planted worldwide, and finding a stellar example is a rare delight. Can you pin down the Syrah and its elusive cousin, Lagrein?

'A CHILLABLE RED' — A ROTATING OFFERING FOR THE WARMER MONTHS 15

With so many chillable red wines to choose from, committing to just one for this menu feels impossible. Each week, we sample several worthy contenders—so many, in fact, that we've decided to rotate them in one by one every couple of weeks. Just ask your server for the current number one hit on the wine jukebox!

CLETO CHIARLI 'CENTENARIO' LAMBRUSCO — EMILIA ROMAGNA, ITALY — N.V. 12

What a fantastic red wine! Lambrusco is the grape, and refreshment is the game. Served chilled, it's frizzante (slightly sparkling) and finishes with just the right amount of light sweetness. Embrace this wine!