

SPARKLING

WHITE WINE

ORANGE

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

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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.



NON-CHAMPAGNE CAMPAIGN — NO CHAMPAGNE, NO PROSECCO & NO CAVA!

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There are so many fun bubbly wines from around the globe! Take a break from the big three and discover what the rest of the world has to offer. We won't reveal the new ones, but they'll all be on the drier side of refreshment. And what's more fun than guessing all three? They'll change every couple of weeks, keeping the spirit of exploration alive with every visit to Milly's!

'ULTRAVIOLET ROSÉ' — ULTRAVIOLET WINES | NAPA, CALIFORNIA — N.V.

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Salmon pink and almost fluorescent, this dry sparkling wine lives up to its name. Winemaker Samantha Sheehan is my kind of producer! She set out to make affordable bubbles to "assuage the guilt" of drinking expensive sparkling every day. With minimal sulfur, no additives, organic farming, and biodiverse cover crops, her commitment to sustainability is admirable.

'BARBIE SPARKLES' — DOMAINE RONDEAU BUGEY CERDON | SAVOIE, FRANCE — N.V.

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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 Dessert Boards and Crème Brûlée.



DIE KIWI, DIE! — A NEW ZEALAND SAUVIGNON BLANC MEETS AN ITALIAN AFFAIR

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Your love for Sauv B from New Zealand is marriage strong. We get it! But there's an Italian Sauvignon Blanc that wants to be your paramour. Villa Papiano "Le Tresche" is named after the 15th-century love affairs of the Medici family, grown "above the clouds" in the northern Apennines and fermented in concrete eggs. It has a profile reminiscent of popular Kiwi wines, but at twice the price. So, is it twice as sexy? Is there a new Italian mistress worth your attention?



SANCERRE WHERE? — SANCERRE & A LOIRE VALLEY SAUVIGNON BLANC

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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 Valley. Can you identify the true Sancerre? Is the other wine a worthy competitor at half the price?



GAVI OR GET OUT — AN ITALIAN CORTESE FROM GAVI VS. ITS NEIGHBORING SISTER

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Step away from Pinot Grigio and get acquainted with Cortese. The most famous region for this grape is Gavi, in northwest Piedmont. Brandon, one of the owners of Milly's, has wanted to pour an Italian Gavi for a long time. Brandon, your wish is granted! Gavi sits near the Ligurian Sea, giving these wines a crisp, zippy character with a distinct saline minerality. But recently, I discovered a seriously impressive Cortese from outside the Gavi area. Can you find Brandon's Gavi? Or has the Sommelier discovered something even better?

OVUM 'BIG SALT' — WHITE BLEND | WILLAMETTE VALLEY, OREGON - 2025

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That's right—Big Salt is back! It's a returning guest and staff favorite. The label was recently sold, and the future direction of this wine is uncertain. For now, however, we have what is likely the original owner's final vintage to pour for your enjoyment. And what a sendoff it is. Getting to the ocean usually requires a long drive or an expensive flight, but a glass of Big Salt can take you there in an instant. This dry, unoaked wine carries a distinct saline, sea-spray character. A real vacation in a glass!



BLINDED BY THE WHITE — A LEVEL 5000 SOMMELIER CHALLENGE!

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Are you ready for the most challenging wine pairing yet? Two exceptional dry white wines from the least likely places are set before you. Can you correctly identify where they're from? And with that... good frekkin' luck! (Note: if you correctly identify their origins blind, we'll call you a Sommelier—and might even ask for your Venmo to send you a reward for your wine wizardry.) Want to make it a 50/50 shot? Just ask your server to reveal the two locations, and then guess which is which.

'THE ALCHEMIST OF ANDALUCÍA' — RAÚL MORENO 'DESTELLOS' | ANDALUCÍA, SPAIN — 2024

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You've had Orange Wine. You've had Pet-Nat. Now you're bored again, with "I Want a New Drug" by Huey Lewis and the News stuck in your head. Well, enter Sandman! Or, Sherry Man, to be more precise. Made from Palomino, this white wine is aged in old chestnut casks formerly used for sherry. It's so unique, consider our first-ever "POCKETBOARD" for an extra \$10, a little array of Spanish cheese, nuts, and other morsels to take this wine to the next level.



MOSCATO D'ASTI — PIEDMONT, ITALY

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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!



ORANGE WINE & PÉT-NAT — THE HOTTEST WINE PAIRING IN 2026

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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.



ROSE

PROVENCE OR PRETENDER — BECAUSE ROSÉ IS IN, ALL YEAR ROUND

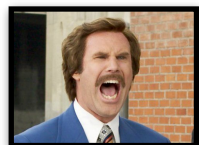
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The most revered Rosés come from Provence, France. But there are plenty from other countries that can impersonate them. Some mimic the style so well, one might even say they're better. So, before you is a classic light and dry Rosé. Is it French? Or is it a doppelgänger?



RON BURGUNDY GETS SALTY! — CALIFORNIA PINOT NOIR VS. RED BURGUNDY

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There is a French Pinot Noir in front of you. And a California Pinot Noir, too. Wine folks always talk about how important soil is to the flavor of wine. The French call this terroir. But the air around the vineyard can influence a wine's profile, too. I call it "Airroir." Wines grown near the ocean can have a saline, oceanic character. Ronald Joseph Aaron Burgundy wants to know: Which wine is French? Which is California? Which is seven miles from the ocean, and which is more than 250 miles away? Do not let Ronny down.



SLAP THE BAG! — CHILEAN PINOT NOIR: FROM A BOTTLE VS. A FREAKIN' BOX

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Some think sommeliers only drink expensive juice... wrong! This Sommelier got through the pandemic on a variety of boxed wines and countless bottles of Black Velvet. Although most are quick to dismiss any wine from a box, I've discovered there are some that wildly overperform. Here we explore two Chilean Pinot Noirs: one highly rated from a bottle, and one from a box that this Sommelier deems worthy of your spicy attention. Can you spot which wine is from a box? Guess correctly and you may earn an invite to Milly's After Dark to take part in our most sacred tradition: slapping the bag.



DROPS OF GOD — TWO ITALIAN NEBBIOLOS: ONE THAT COSTS \$20/BTL, THE OTHER \$200/BTL

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I'm standing next to the Barolo Queen, Chiara Boschis—an absolute wine legend and one of the pioneers of the "Barolo Boys" revolution. As the first female estate owner and winemaker in Barolo, she challenged tradition and did things her own way. Her wines that day were crazy good, but the last one, the tiny Cannubi release, was f*cking ridiculous. The best Barolo I've ever smelled and tasted. And you get to try it! Milly's has just 12 bottles, and I had to beg Chiara for every one. You'll get 1.5 ounces of this beauty alongside 4.5 ounces of another stellar Nebbiolo. So sniff, sniff, sniff... take a rip, breathe it in, and take another. I'd wear it as perfume if I could. I cry now.



DIRTY DANCING — TWO ROTATING EARTHY REDS DO THE DIRTY

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Most people start with sweeter wines. Over time, they often move toward drier, more balanced styles, and eventually to wines that show earthy, savory character from where they're grown. Kid wine is like Kool-Aid. The adult version? A couple of real dirtballs. This pairing features two rotating reds on the more earthy end of the spectrum. Now, we're not putting baby in a corner, but we are challenging you to get down and dirty with these wines. Can you guess their origins?

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

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

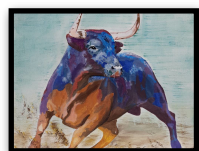
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Years ago, I was seated with six or more Master Sommeliers for dinner in California. This was quite a high concentration of Master Somms, given that there are only 279 in the world! The moment was tense with anticipation when the server brought over 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 this Master Sommelier-approved red currently in rotation.



RUNNING OF THE BULLS — EVALUATING AGE IN SPANISH TEMPRANILLO

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Rioja is Spain's most iconic wine region, known for reds that shine with age. Here, we're showcasing the two extremes: a younger Tempranillo and the granddaddy of them all—a 2016 Gran Reserva from Marqués de Riscal. Most restaurants wouldn't dare serve a Gran Reserva by the glass due to the price, but at Milly's, you can experience it alongside its increasingly popular younger cousin. So, is the trend of younger Riojas justified, or is Tempranillo simply better with age?



FIND THE 97 POINT WINE! — A BORDEAUX AND WASHINGTON CABERNET SAUV. FACE OFF

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97 points is an incredible score! And scores are everywhere in wine shops: Decanter, Robert Parker, Wine Spooktator, and one dude named James Suckling. James worked for Wine Spooktator for many years before going out on his own, where he's built quite the presence, and a remarkable reputation for scoring wines on the higher side. Before you are a Bordeaux and a Washington Cabernet. Both are excellent, but only one received an incredible 97 points from "The King of Score Inflation." So, did James hit the nail on the head? Or is he taking bribes for scores?



A TALE OF TWO ZINS — YOUNG VS. OLD VINE ZINFANDEL: A THEORY IS QUESTIONED

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Winemakers love to say it: 'It's old vine.' Or, 'This comes from 50-year-old vines.' Some even boast, 'These grapes come from ancient, gnarly-looking, 100-year-old vines!' From vintners to connoisseurs, it's widely believed—the older the vine, the better the wine. Now it's your turn to test the theory. We're pouring two Zinfandels side by side: one from young vines, one from old. So is the old adage true? Does old vine really mean better wine?

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

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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!

LIGHTER-BODIED

RED WINE

FULLER-BODIED

CHILLED

