



2016 Poggio Landi Brunello di Montalcino Tuscany

APPELLATION:

Tuscany

VARIETAL:

100% Sangiovese

AGING:

38 months in French Oak barrels

BEST FROM:

2025 - 2048

ULTIMATE FOOD PAIRING:

Beef/Pork Sugo, Cheese: Aged Parmesan or Pecorino

ORDERING INFO:

1046843 | \$64.95

DESCRIPTION:

The vineyards of Poggio Landi are strewn over 74 hectares of picturesque hillsides in the little commune of Torrenieri, just northeast of Montalcino. 2016 was an exceptional vintage for Tuscany, with an ideal balance of sun, rain, and an even growing season with minimal heat spikes. The cooler temperatures are on display in this wines' fresh acidity and firm tannins. Structured and age worthy, this beauty will continue to evolve and impress for decades to come.

The 2016 Poggio Landi Brunello is a study in power and grace, an absolute seduction in Sangiovese. Inviting aromas of sweet berries and blood orange lead the way, and a touch of graphite hints at an underlying minerality. The texture is broad and mouth-filling with powerful yet refined tannins. Dense black cherry is elevated with notes of licorice and black pepper, all underscored with a vibrant acidity that gives way to a beautifully balanced finish. This is a wine to savor for years to come, so however much you think you need, it's in your best interest to double up—you'll thank us later!





2017 Camigliano Brunello di Montalcino Tuscany

APPELLATION:

Tuscany, Brunello de Montalcino

VARIETAL:

100% Sangiovese Grosso

WINEMAKERS:

Gualtiero Ghezzi

AGING:

24 Months, French & Slavonian Oak

ULTIMATE FOOD PAIRING:

Wild Mushroom & Truffle Risotto with Aged Pecorino

ORDERING INFO:

1050891 | \$59.95

DESCRIPTION:

The Camigliano Estate has a fascinating history dating back to the 1200s and has been under the ownership of the Ghezzi family since 1957. 2017 saw the completion of the family's efforts to convert their 93 hectares of vineyards (as well as the adjoining 25 hectares of olive trees) to a fully organic operation. According to the winery, "It is now undeniable that the use of chemical products alters the character of the wine and its connection to the environment. Cover cropping has reduced the vegetative vigor resulting in better alcoholic and phenolic maturation of the grapes, it has resulted in earlier maturation, and has completely reduced erosion. Our vineyards immediately benefitted from this change in cultivation methods and appear more robust and healthier." Gualtiero Ghezzi, 2nd generation owner, now runs the estate with the help of his wife, Laura, and their 2 daughters.

The nose explodes with ripe fruit: currants, macerated cherries, red plums, and fruitcake, followed by fresh mint and vanilla bean. The palate is brimming with overripe strawberry laced with freshly roasted coffee beans and clove, and the silky tannins are a subtle indicator of the warmth of the 2017 vintage. The finish is persistent and polished, with lingering notes of slightly dried fruit and a dusting of dried flowers.





2017 Justin Vineyards & Winery 'Justification' Proprietary Red Paso Robles

APPELLATION:

Paso Robles

VARIETAL:

65% Cabernet Franc, 35% Merlot

WINEMAKERS:

Scott Shirley

AGING:

Barrel aged in 100% French oak

BEST FROM:

2022-2028

ULTIMATE FOOD PAIRING:

Roasted herb crusted Pork Loin - Cheese - Camembert or Brie

ORDERING INFO:

1050885 | \$59.95

DESCRIPTION:

Justin Vineyards was founded in 1981 on 160 acres just west of Paso Robles, at a time when there were less than 10 wineries in the appellation. Founder Justin Baldwin spent three decades committed to producing world-class Bordeaux-style blends and is considered a pioneer of fine winemaking on the Central Coast—indeed, the Justin label is one of the most recognizable in the region. “Working in the wine industry and trying to lead this talented area into the limelight has been the most rewarding thing I could imagine doing,” says Baldwin. “I didn’t want to be just another wine guy in Napa or Sonoma. Paso Robles had these fledgling wineries and had all the reasons viticulturally for why you could grow good grapes and in turn make good wine. Hard work was the motivating factor.”

“Justification” is the winery’s Right Bank-inspired blend, composed of 65% Cabernet Franc and 35% Merlot from estate vineyards rich in limestone—a terroir that echoes that of Bordeaux. The glass radiates a deep ruby-to-purple color. Layers of dark fruit and baking spice on the nose lead to a voluptuous, full-bodied palate of macerated cherries and black currants, vanilla, cigar box, and plush tannins. Wine this decadent feels like wearing a cashmere wrap in front of a roaring fire—warm, cozy, and totally indulgent.





2019 Tenuta le Colonne 'Plenum' Proprietary Red Tuscany

APPELLATION:

Tuscany

VARIETAL:

60% Merlot, 20% Cabernet Sauvignon, 20% Syrah

WINEMAKERS:

Luigi Temperini – Chief Enologist

AGING:

One year aging in large French oak.

ULTIMATE FOOD PAIRING:

Charred chicken with escarole and pecorino.

ORDERING INFO:

1050362 | \$24.95

DESCRIPTION:

Just a few miles from the coast, the town of Bolgheri, Tuscany is buried deep in a countryside rich with vines and olive groves, and is famed for the incredible quality of its viticultural production, enabled in part by a particularly dry and sunny microclimate. Tenuta Le Colonne was established in 2015 in the southernmost part of the Bolgheri region. With more than sixty hectares of vineyards, their vision is to produce wines that respect and reflect the terroir of this historic and revered wine-growing region. Organic production since 2019.

In the land of the “Super Tuscan” it’s easy to fall prey to the modern style of power and oak, yet this Merlot-based bottling emphasizes terroir and balance. Opens with an earthy, fragrant nose of plum, sour cherry, licorice, and leather. Beautifully soft and supple tannins glide across your palate with an abundance of juicy ripe blackberries, black raspberry liquor, and freshly roasted espresso beans. The finish is lifted by an intoxicating, aromatic touch of minty, fresh eucalyptus leaves.





2020 Daou 'Bodyguard' Red Blend Paso Robles

APPELLATION:

Paso Robles

VARIETAL:

65% Petit Verdot, 35% Petite Sirah

WINEMAKERS:

Daniel Daou

AGING:

18 Months, French Oak; 35% New, American Oak; 35% New,
Neutral French Oak; 30% New

ULTIMATE FOOD PAIRING:

Cheeseburgers

ORDERING INFO:

1050763 | \$39.95

DESCRIPTION:

The story of DAOU Vineyards is a story of tragedy and perseverance, of determination and destiny, and above all, a story of true passion. "This terroir in Paso is part of our destiny," Daniel Daou, speaking of the 600 acres in the Adelaida Hills district in Paso Robles that DAOU Vineyards calls home. "This place here was just dirt when we arrived, there was no water, no electricity and it didn't even appear on Google maps." Brothers Daniel and George Daou founded the winery in 2010, fulfilling a dream they had since they were teenagers. "We want everyone to be able to enjoy our wines," Daniel says. "We also want to bring new wine lovers to the table."

This deeply purple-hued blend is powerhouse of intense flavor and texture. On the nose, chocolate-covered blueberry, black raspberry, kirsch, pencil lead, and damp forest floor promise a rich and complex palate. Savory undertones of fennel, black olive and a hint of wintergreen are in play, too, and a hint of warm, toasty oak. Full-bodied and ripe with black plum, dried cherry and blackberry. Firm structure and tannins and a long finish.





2020 My Favorite Neighbor 'Harvey and Harriet' Red Blend San Luis Obispo County

APPELLATION:

San Luis Obispo

VARIETAL:

40% Cabernet Sauvignon, 20% Syrah, 10% Petite Sirah, 10% Cabernet Franc, 10% Petit Verdot, 10% Malbec

WINEMAKERS:

Eric Jensen

AGING:

18 Months French, Oak; 70% New

BEST FROM:

2026 through 2029

ULTIMATE FOOD PAIRING:

Simply cooked Roast or Lamb – Cheese - Manchego

ORDERING INFO:

1051018 | \$49.95

DESCRIPTION:

After cutting his teeth at other Paso Robles operations Saxum and l'Aventure, Eric Jensen and his wife Lisa purchased 100 acres of land on Paso's Westside in 2001 with the intention of growing grapes for their winemaking "neighbors." My Favorite Neighbor began as a small project under Jensen's own Booker Vineyards, and the 'Harvey and Harriet' Red Blend is an homage to his parents. Of his wines, Jensen says he is striving to create "Wines that over-deliver and are delicious. No arrogance, not confusing, only yummy." Now that is a philosophy we can get behind!

Impressive aromas of raspberry, cherry, and blueberry fruit are followed by hints of cardamom, roasted rhubarb, and molasses. On the palate, the ripe, ample fruit is supported by vanilla and spice with complex savory notes of cedar and black olive. According to Jensen, the 'Harvey and Harriet' Red Blend is "a world class wine for everyone who appreciates high quality without the high price tag. This wine is meant to be enjoyed now." Mission accomplished, sir! We'll be opening this one again and again all through the upcoming holiday season.

