



SPARKLING & WHITE WINE

BORTOLOTTI PROSECCO DI VALDOBBIADENE BRUT, NV, VENETO, ITALY **BIN 10090** **14.95/BTG 9.00**

Simply the best Prosecco on the market! Umberto Bortolotti's wines are handcrafted to achieve wonderful aromatics and structure. Clean, floral, harmonic and dry, with notes of green apple and lime.

GUIGAL CÔTES DU RHÔNE BLANC, 2009, RHÔNE VALLEY, FRANCE **BIN 10088** **13.75/BTG 8.00**

The wines of this venerable Rhone Valley estate are among the most heralded, and it's easy to see why, given this blend of Viognier, Marsanne and Roussanne. Look for notes of bright citrus, peach, acacia and mineral, atop a viscous, medium-bodied frame. A great alternative to Chardonnay.

CHATEAU DUCASSE BORDEAUX BLANC, 2008, BORDEAUX, FRANCE **BIN 10091** **16.75**

Just in time for spring, this blend of Semillon and Sauvignon Blanc is fresh as a daisy! Look for notes of citrus and herb, and a touch of lemon on the lip-smacking finish.

QUINTAY SAUVIGNON BLANC "CLAVA," 2008, CASABLANCA VALLEY, CHILE **BIN 10092** **9.95**

Best value Sauvignon Blanc ever! Alive with zesty lemon, mineral and green notes, this one is sure to wake you up—great for the back deck this summer.

HIRSCH GRÜNER VELTLINER "VELTLINER #1," 2008, KAMPTAL, AUSTRIA **BIN 10093** **17.50**

A light and refreshing Grüner teeming with juicy green apple, sweet pea and herbaceous notes. A fantastic first course wine, great for salads, crunchy veggies and legumes.

LA YUNTA TORRONTES, 2009, LA RIOJA, ARGENTINA **BIN 10104** **10.95**

A harmoniously floral and dry Torrontes, packed with all the honeysuckle, apricot and starfruit notes that fans of this singular grape varietal crave.

BOTANI MOSCATEL, 2009, SIERRAS DE MALAGA, SPAIN **BIN 10097** **18.95**

Crazy good dry Muscat! Medium bodied with a gorgeous perfume of orange blossom, dried peach, melon and herbs. Flavors of peach and honeysuckle follow, onto the crisp, dry finish. Great for sushi or Thai.

SHAYA VERDEJO, 2008, RUEDA, SPAIN **BIN 10094** **14.95**

Bright and focused Verdejo, with aromas and flavors of kaffir lime, ginger, lemon and apple. A great warm-weather white, and fabulous pairing with seafood ceviche or fish tacos.

TANGENT ALBARIÑO, 2008, EDNA VALLEY, CALIFORNIA **BIN 10096** **15.95**

Double-yum on the yum-o-meter! We commend Tangent as a California winery with a 100% focus on white wine. Look for vibrant acidity and beautiful aromatics, with citrus, banana, and the subtle saline for which the varietal is known.



WHITE WINE

ATA RANGI SAUVIGNON BLANC, 2009, MARTINBOROUGH, NEW ZEALAND **BIN 10095 22.50**

Balance and grace are rarely adjectives one summons when talking New Zealand Sauvignon, but that's exactly what's in the glass with the Ata Rangi. Complex, creamy, and food-friendly. Look for citrus, elderflower and pear, without the pungent ammonia notes that define the genre.

BROKENWOOD SÉMILLON, 2008, HUNTER VALLEY, AUSTRALIA **BIN 10103 21.50**

Fabulous Aussie Sémillon here, full of classic Hunter Valley lime and fresh-cut grass notes followed by lemongrass and mouth-watering acidity. Low in alcohol at 10%, too...so you can drink more!

L'ECOLE CHENIN BLANC "WALLA VOILÀ," 2009, COLUMBIA VALLEY, WASHINGTON **BIN 10098 18.25**

An old-vine, just-shy-of-dry, "Vouvray" style of Chenin, with aromas and flavors of peach, honey, orange blossom and spring flowers. A fantastic value white.

GINI SOAVE CLASSICO, 2008, VENETO, ITALY **BIN 10099 15.95**

Ummm...YUM!!! We love this 100% Gargenega vintage to vintage, with its medium weight, unctuous texture, and fresh fruit flavors of under-ripe banana, fig and honeyed apricot. Delicious Soave!!!

GUELFİ BIANCO, 2008, MONTEPULCIANO D'ABRUZZO, ITALY **BIN 10100 16.95**

Don't let the mouthful of a title fool you, this stunning Italian white is well worth exploring. Fantastic palate of citrus, peach and orchard fruit, with a slightly bitter almond note that makes it a mouth-watering accompaniment to Italian cuisine. A blend of Chardonnay, Malvasia Bianco, Sauvignon Blanc, and Cococcio.

VIGNEAU-CHEVREAU VOUVRAY SEC, 2008, LOIRE VALLEY, FRANCE **BIN 10101 21.75**

A fantastic dry Chenin Blanc from the Loire, featuring flinty minerality, dry peach, and elderflower notes. Great for sushi, grilled fish, or all by its lonesome.

TALLEY ESTATE CHARDONNAY, 2007, ARROYO GRANDE, CALIFORNIA **BIN 10102 29.50**

This fabulous Chardonnay is a meal in itself, with rich yet elegant notes of butterscotch, pineapple, vanilla bean and citrus. 100% barrel fermented, this refined offering is worth every penny (and more).

LEITZ DRAGONSTONE, 2008, RHEINGAU, GERMANY **BIN 10105 17.50**

Tart, clean, juicy, bright, off-dry, peach and lemon-lime citrus love! A detailed, delineated Rheingau Riesling from the young Johannes Leitz!



ROSÉ & RED WINE

MAS DE GOURGONNIER ROSÉ, 2009, LES BAUX EN PROVENCE, FRANCE **BIN 10106 16.95**

A gorgeous dry rosé from the south of France, alive with notes of strawberry, cherry, lavender, and rose hips. A great pair for Mediterranean cuisine or picnic fare.

DOMAINE D'ANDEZON CÔTES DU RHÔNE, 2008, RHÔNE VALLEY, FRANCE **BIN 10089 12.95/BTG 8.00**

A blend of 90% Syrah and 10% Grenache, this one was tank-fermented and aged to preserve all the sweet blackberry, pepper and anise notes of the vintage. Medium to full bodied, velveteen, and delicious!

DOMAINE DE LA MADONE BEAUJOLAIS "LE PERREON," 2008, BURGUNDY, FRANCE **BIN 10107 14.95**

A great summertime red! Juicy fruit here, with raspberry and banana notes, on top of a light-bodied, soft and pretty palate. The Gamay grape's low tannins even allow a soft-chill for summer nights on the back deck.

DELTA PINOT NOIR, 2008, MARLBOROUGH, NEW ZEALAND **BIN 10108 21.50**

Is there a better Pinot Noir value going than New Zealand pinot? We think not! The Delta has a deep color and lifted Pinot aromatics, with an intense cherry, violet and mineral-laden palate.

DOMAINE SAINT GREGORY PINOT NOIR, 2006, MENDOCINO, CALIFORNIA **BIN 10109 17.95**

Beautifully plump Pinot Noir, with brambly strawberry and candied raspberry notes, sugar and spice, and everything nice! A remarkable wine given its price tag.

CORREGGIA BARBERA D'ALBA, 2007, PIEMONTE, ITALY **BIN 10110 18.50**

A bright and structured Barbera spun with bing cherry, leather, and earth notes, kept quite afloat by the lip-smacking acidity and touch of tannin. Perfect for tomato-sauced pasta dishes.

POTAZZINE ROSSO DI MONTALCINO, 2007, TUSCANY, ITALY **BIN 10111 27.95**

Stunning Sangiovese! Seductive nose of sandalwood, sappy cherry, and dusty rose, followed by a luscious mid-palate full of bing cherry and mineral notes. This is an Italian red wine anomaly, in that it would be a supreme, all-by-its-lonesome sipper as well as a food-pairer.

TAMARACK CABERNET FRANC, 2007, COLUMBIA VALLEY, WASHINGTON **BIN 10112 29.95**

Our new favorite genre at The Chopping Block is Washington State Cabernet Franc, the dark horse in a line of pedigreed Pacific Northwest reds. Gorgeous and velveteen, with delineated aromas and flavors of red berry, sweet tobacco leaf, and violets. A straight-up delicious Cab Franc, and worth every penny.



RED WINE

EMILIO MORO, 2006, RIBERA DEL DUERO, SPAIN **BIN 10113** **24.95**

Mmmm...smells expensive! This venerable estate's Tempranillo is all about the alluring nose, full of roasted herb, dark berry fruit, smoke and cedar box. The multi-layered palate confirms that somebody here knew exactly what they were doing. Pair with grilled meat, manchego cheese, or anything *tapas-y*.

ATTECA GARNACHA, 2008, CALATAYUD, SPAIN **BIN 10114** **16.95**

Good gravy is this good wine! This is exactly the kind of red people will do backflips over. Ripe, juicy, peppery, candied-raspberry, velvety goodness! Buy it by the truckload!!

D'AUPHALIC MASET, 2008, COTEAUX DU LANGUEDOC, FRANCE **BIN 10115** **17.50**

Dry as a bone, with aromas and flavors of scorched earth, sour cherry, ripe plum, bitter chocolate, tobacco, and herbs de Provence. This blend of Grenache, Cinsault, Carignan and Syrah absolutely speaks to the sun-baked Languedoc terroir from which it sprang. Pair with grilled meat-laden, Frenchy delights.

GOUGUENHEIM MALBEC, 2008, MENDOZA, ARGENTINA **BIN 9224** **11.50**

A silly, silly value, look for plump red and blue berry fruit, smoke, and a touch of herbaceousness on this mid-weight, satisfying Malbec.

LUNA BENEGAS CABERNET SAUVIGNON, 2007, MENDOZA, ARGENTINA **BIN 10116** **11.95**

A great Cabernet Sauvignon value, which easily tastes twice its price. Rich, extracted, spiced currant berry and plum flavors, with spiced cedar box notes on the finish.

PETER LEHMANN "CLANCY'S" RED, 2006, BAROSSA VALLEY, AUSTRALIA **BIN 10117** **12.50**

Lush, juicy, fruity, cheap 'n' good!! From one of the most heralded producers in Australia, the Clancy's shows dark plum, ripe berry, and vanilla notes. A blend of Shiraz, Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot, this one personifies the fantastic values to be had from the Barossa Valley blends.

DARIOUSH CABERNET SAUVIGNON "CARAVAN," 2007, NAPA VALLEY, CALIFORNIA **BIN 10118** **35.95**

Superb Napa Cabernet here, brimming with sweet black fruits, anise, and chocolate truffle. Polished and refined, with well-balanced tannins and a long, lingering finish.

LUCA SYRAH "LABORDE DOUBLE SELECT," 2008, MENDOZA, ARGENTINA **BIN 10119** **26.95**

A massive, no-holds-barred Syrah, with notes of blackberry, black licorice, dusty chocolate and herb. Pair with a thick, well-peppered, rare steak to achieve nirvana.