

# HFW HALF CASE

## APRIL 2020 SUMMER ROSE

### **BIELER PERE ET FILS 'SABINE' COTES DE RHONE 2019, AIX-EN-PROVENCE, FRANCE -**

**\$14.99** Bieler Pere et Fils Rosé 'Sabine' is a delicious dry rosé from Provence, now in its 15th great vintage—and by far our top-selling rosé every season! Winemaker Charles Bieler, whose family is renowned for its former ownership of Chateau Routas, launched Bieler Pere et Fils in homage to his father Philippe and named this wine for his daughter Sabine. This soft-pink rosé from 5 hillside vineyards of Coteaux d'Aix en Provence is Grenache-driven (35%) blended with 33% Syrah, 13% Cinsault, 12% Cabernet Sauvignon, and 7% Rolle. This is a great wine to usher in the spring, combining the rich flavors of a red wine with the refreshing qualities of a white. It's a true wine gem!

**CHATEAU LA TOUR DE BERAUD 2018, COSTIERES DE NIMES, FRANCE \$16.99** Explosive blend of Mourvèdre and Carignan with Syrah and Grenache, excellent aromatic length and depth, it displays fresh, elegant and floral notes overlying aromas of pear and light red fruits. This wine has a light pink color with silvery reflections. The bouquet features notes of stone fruits, pineapple, and tangy red fruits such as redcurrant. The palate is delicate and lively; this wine is juicy with a long and fresh finish.

### **MARQUIS DE GOULAIN ROSE D'ANJOU 2018, ANJOU, LOIRE VALLEY, FRANCE \$12.99**

A taste of Loire's glorious summer. Perfect to pop in the picnic hamper. Wonderful with cured meats and salads. Bonbon pink. Great expressiveness, with aromas of peach, cherry and strawberry. Full and fleshy on the palate, whilst still being refreshing, fruity, generous. Anjou wine is produced in the Loire Valley wine region of France near the city of Angers. The wines of region are often grouped together with the wines of nearby Saumur as "Anjou-Saumur". Along with the wines produced further east in Touraine, Anjou-Saumur make what is collectively known as the "Middle Loire"

### **RHONE TO THE BONE 2018, COTES DU RHONE, FRANCE \$12.99**

While I am not a fan of the corny name, I can overlook that because this wine is FANTASTIC. Clear light pink color. Nose offering notes of red fruits (red currant, cherry), citrus fruit (grapefruit) with a hint of mint. Sharp mouthfeel backed by a pleasant freshness on the palate, balanced by a touch of ripeness. A delightful blend of Grenache and Syrah from the Rhone Valley!

### **ALEXANDER VALLEY VINEYARDS ROSE OF SANGIOVESE 2019, SONOMA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA \$14.99**

This wine was our break out hit last season- and this 2019 is also a stunner! This Rosé is recognized by critics and wine lovers as one of the country's best, with a bright hue and brilliant pink color that alludes to the rich style. Aromas of guava, strawberry, watermelon, raspberry and mint explode out of the glass, while the flavors of watermelon, strawberry, peach, berry along with a nice minerality keep you coming back for another sip. The 2019 is a drier style with very bright acidity and a long lasting finish.

### **DOMAINE DE CHATEAUMAR 'PERLE DE ROSE' 2019, COTES DU RHONE, FRANCE \$16.99**

Chateaumar estate dates back to the Roman times! While Provence has everyone else in their hypnotic rose trance, the shrewd wine drinker looks to Rhone for a softer, more round style. Great minerality and a lingering finish, this wine will remind you of white peach, Georgia strawberries, and plump raspberries. Mostly Grenache with some Mourvedre, Chateaumar is emblematic of the blended Rhone style, made most popular in Chateauneuf-du-Pape. There is a certain elegance to this wine that takes it from the picnic basket to the dinner table. Drink ahead of the curve and get into Rhone!