

## **HIGHLAND FINE WINE**

### **JUNE 2020 HALF CASE- REDS**

**ZINGARA SANGIOVESE TOSCANA 2018, TUSCANY, ITALY \$16.99 (MIXED)** Sangiovese is the workforce of classical Tuscan winemaking – and is the most widely planted grape in Italy. Most Americans of a certain age first experienced Sangiovese in Chianti; modern wine drinkers it as a stand-alone varietal that is ripe with Tuscan sunshine and representative of new Italy. Its favored terroir contributes to the grapes character of rich fruit and lingering aromas. Zingara is a full-bodied, fruit forward style with an excellent balance of acidity and refined tannins. This wine sits aside roasted meats, cured sausages and hard cheeses. When choosing vegetable dishes look for recipes rich with butter or olive oil to help cut the wine's tannins.

**850 DOURO TINTO 2017, VALLE DE UCO, DOURO D.O.C., PORTUGAL \$14.99 (MIXED)** The Douro demarcated wine region is a breathtakingly beautiful region located in the North East of Portugal. The Douro River twists and turns along the Valley that claims the same name and has been witness to centuries of back breaking work that has transformed a wilderness into a world class wine making region. This 850 Vinho Tinto Douro Red Wine is made from traditional Douro grape varieties such as Touriga Franc, Tinta Roriz, and Touriga Nacional giving a balanced yet fruity and rich wine. Very aromatic ripe red fruits. Good structure and excellent balance in the mouth.

**TOMAS CUSINE 'VILOSELL' 2017, NAVARRA D.O., SPAIN \$19.99 (MIXED)** Costers del Segre is Catalonia's most inland wine region and generally speaking, this region is harsh. It's semi-arid, with a climate of extremes. Although its seven fragmented districts do represent a varied mix of soil and climatic conditions. Dark red cherry in colour. This modern Spanish wine has a wide aromatic spectrum, with tones of red and blue berries, spices like white pepper, clove, cocoa, and aromas of noble wood. Intense and structured in the mouth, with smooth mineral slate tones, liquorice, ink and sweet round tannins. A long and persistent wine with refined oak at the beginning, before a final sweet fruit explosion.

**BISHOP'S PEAK PINOT NOIR 2017, SAN LUIS OBISPO CO, CALIFORNIA \$19.99** Produced entirely from Pinot Noir grapes grown in Coastal San Luis Obispo County, combining both purchased and estate grown fruit, this wine is bottled before the next harvest to preserve the charm and fresh red fruit flavors that distinguish the varietal. Ruby red in color, Bishop's Peak Pinot Noir expresses classic aromas of strawberry and bright cherry complemented by a touch of light oak. On the palate, this elegant and well-balanced wine has notes of vibrant red fruit with hints of earth. Crisp acidity and medium tannin lead to a lingering finish. Enjoy this Pinot Noir with wild mushroom flatbread or braised pork tacos.

**LE MORETTE BARDOLINO CLASSICO 2018, VENETO, ITALY \$19.99** The name "Le Morette" refers to the most popular and protected species of mallard that nests in the Lugana area. The Zenato family chose this name to further demonstrate the importance that they place on the harmony of their winery with its territory. To ensure that they protect the delicate balance of this environment, they take the extra step of using organic fertilizers and natural substances. Bardolino is, by its very nature, a fine wine for the entire meal that brings out the best character of braised and roasted meats, as well as grilled beef, wild boar or Southern BBQ.

**SOMMOS XILOCA 2018, D.O. CALATAYUD, SPAIN \$16.99** The 2018 Xiloca is 100% Garnacha with a very fragrant perfume of earthy minerality and black cherries. This tasty, friendly, value-priced offering has ample fruit as well as a sense of elegance. Intense blackberry color and aroma are captivating. Freshness and integrated tannins invite a second sip. The intensity continues in a mouth filling palate and a lingering fruit/mineral finish. The essence of Garnacha is the Sommos Garnacha objective, with extreme altitude and mineral soils contributing to the intensity and freshness obtained.

## **HIGHLAND HALF CASE**

### **MAY 2020 HALF CASE- WHITES**

#### **DOMAINE DELSOL PICPOUL DE PINET 2018, PICPOUL DE PINET AOC, FRANCE \$11.99 (MIXED)**

Domaine Delsol is ideally situated along the Thau Lagoon in Montagnac in the newly formed Picpoul de Pinet AOC. The lagoon and Mediterranean breezes make the nights cooler than in other areas of the Languedoc. This and the high humidity create perfect conditions for growing Picpoul de Pinet. Domaine Delsol consistently produces a fresh, aromatic white wine with buoyant, ripe fruit and mouthwatering acidity. Apparently Hannibal and his elephants passed through what was to become the Domaine on their way to Rome, so elephants have become a kind of mascot for Delsol. You will find their likeness on the label!

#### **BIANCO DI CA'MOMI 2018, NORTH COAST, CALIFORNIA \$11.99 (MIXED)**

Ca' Momi crafts Italian authenticity and passion into wines born in the heart of the Napa Valley. They call what they do heartcrafted, because that's how they work: with loving care, soul & integrity. This wine brings a little attitude & latitude back to California winemaking. Sassy, classy and completely kick-assy, this suicide blonde brings new life to any beach party or backyard bash! Exciting grapefruit and melon aromatics greet the senses and bloom to a palate bursting with bright lemon, sticky bruléed pineapple and sumptuous summer herbs. Friendly and approachable, it's California wine, demystified

#### **GODEVAL 2018, VALDEORRAS D.O., SPAIN \$21.99 (MIXED)**

Godello is a white variety of wine grape grown in northwestern Spain, in particular in Galicia. Godello can produce fine white wines, and yields the best results in Valdeorras, where plantations have increased after having previously been in decline. This bold white has a rich texture, backed by firm acidity. Pear and passion fruit flavors are supported by ginger, mineral and spice notes. Shows a tropical character, yet remains focused and clean. Fresh aromas of citrus and bright herbal notes that continue on the palate with green apple and pit fruit flavors that round out the mineral acidity. Extremely versatile at the table – delightful on its own but proves complementary to a wide array of food, from salads to seafood and beyond. \*92 points Wine Spectator\*

#### **TENUTA MACCAN 2018, D.O.C. FRIULI, ITALY \$19.99**

The Friuli-Venezia Giulia DOC zone was formed over centuries of flooding by the Tagliamento, Meduna and Cellina rivers. Today, the soil is rich in dolomitic limestone and, in particular, contains fossils and minerals. The vines thrive in this rich environment and transfer those remarkable, natural characteristics into every grape. The soil's high limestone content means it is perfect for making white wines that are lively, light and fresh on the palate. Forget what you think you know about Chardonnay! This unoaked version will blow you away!

#### **STORM POINT 2019, SWARTLAND, SOUTH AFRICA \$16.99**

The weathered landscape of South Africa is the result of millions of years of battering storms. Storms that stirred in the waters off of the 'Cape of Good Hope.' That name is recent as historically it was known as the 'Cabo das Tormentas' or 'Cape of Storms.' Chenin Blanc has proven to be very happy in the Swartland region with vast plantings that are showing great varietal character and provenance. This wine is freshly packed with nuance, playfulness and discovery. Savory and herbal aromas lead to subtle stone fruit and citrus blossom notes.

#### **DEMARIE 2018, LANGHE, PIEDMONT, ITALY \$13.99**

In the glass Arneis is brilliant, sunny, bright with shades of straw yellow and green reflections. The aroma is full and well-established with hints of peach and apricot, wild broom and camomile. The flavors are well-balanced, fresh and persistent. In traditional local culture, the name Arneis is given to someone who is an extrovert, a bit of a rebel, original but with a certain charm. This fine white wine from the Roero hills shows all the excellent qualities of its name.