



Our Annual Roundup of the Year's Most Exciting Wines

WINE SPECTATOR'S 2012 TOP 100 AT A GLANCE

RANK	SCORE	PRICE	WINE	RANK	SCORE	PRICE	WINE
1	96	\$60	Shafer Relentless Napa Valley 2008	27	96	\$95	Château Peby Faugères St.-Emilion 2009
2	95	\$41	Château de St.-Cosme Gigondas 2010	28	93	\$24	Calera Pinot Noir Central Coast Thirty-Fifth Anniversary Vintage 2010
3	95	\$69	Two Hands Shiraz Barossa Valley Bella's Garden 2010	29	94	\$56	Switchback Ridge Merlot Napa Valley Peterson Family Vineyard 2009
4	98	\$128	Clos des Papes Châteauneuf-du-Pape 2010	30	92	\$20	Schild Shiraz Barossa 2010
5	96	\$60	Château Guiraud Sauternes 2009	31	92	\$25	Castello di Monsanto Chianti Classico Riserva 2009
6	95	\$105	Château Léoville Barton St.-Julien 2009	32	93	\$32	Hamilton Russell Chardonnay Hemel-en-Aarde Valley 2010
7	94	\$40	Shea Pinot Noir Willamette Valley Shea Vineyard Estate 2009	33	91	\$12	Can Blau Montsant Blau 2009
8	94	\$45	Beringer Cabernet Sauvignon Knights Valley Reserve 2009	34	93	\$29	Bertrand Stehelin Gigondas 2010
9	94	\$60	Ciacci Piccolomini d'Aragona Brunello di Montalcino 2007	35	92	\$18	Romero & Miller Rioja Rentas de Fincas Reserva 2005
10	95	\$120	Achával-Ferrer Malbec Mendoza Finca Bella Vista 2010	36	93	\$17	Domaine de l'Olivette Bandol 2008
11	95	\$55	Pedestal Merlot Columbia Valley 2009	37	93	\$30	Schloss Vollrads Riesling Spätlese Rheingau 2010
12	97	\$58	Domaine St.-Préfert Châteauneuf-du-Pape Auguste Favier Réserve 2010	38	90	\$13	M. Chapoutier Côtes du Roussillon-Villages Les Vignes de Bila-Haut 2010
13	95	\$55	Quinta do Vallado Touriga Nacional Douro 2009	39	92	\$20	Domaines Schlumberger Pinot Gris Alsace Les Princes Abbés 2010
14	94	\$32	Maysara Pinot Noir McMinnville Estate Cuvée 2009	40	93	\$24	Eberle Syrah Paso Robles Steinbeck Vineyard 2010
15	94	\$48	Alban Syrah Edna Valley Patrina Alban Estate 2009	41	90	\$9	Folonari Chianti 2010
16	96	\$66	Le Vieux Donjon Châteauneuf-du-Pape 2010	42	90	\$11	Charles & Charles Rosé Columbia Valley 2011
17	95	\$40	Punset Barbaresco 2007	43	91	\$18	Château de la Greffière Mâcon-La Roche Vineuse Vieilles Vignes 2010
18	96	\$70	Argyle Extended Tirage Willamette Valley 2002	44	96	\$125	Giuseppe Mascarello & Figlio Barolo Monprivato 2007
19	96	\$70	Booker Syrah Paso Robles Fracture 2010	45	90	\$12	Georges Vigouroux Malbec Cahors Pigmentum 2010
20	95	\$75	Poças Junior Vintage Port 2009	46	90	\$13	Roberto Anselmi Veneto White San Vincenzo 2010
21	97	\$85	Saxum James Berry Vineyard Paso Robles 2009	47	90	\$15	Michele Chiarlo Barbera d'Asti Superiore Le Orme 2009
22	96	\$75	Cayuse Syrah Walla Walla Valley Cailloux Vineyard 2009	48	92	\$20	Guy Saget Vouvray Marie de Beauregard 2010
23	96	\$95	Château Canon-La Gaffelière St.-Emilion 2009	49	92	\$24	Vecchia Cantina di Montepulciano Vino Nobile di Montepulciano Leone d'Oro 2009
24	95	\$57	Elio Grasso Barolo Gavarini Chiniera 2008	50	96	\$125	Marcassin Pinot Noir Sonoma Coast Marcassin Vineyard 2006
25	96	\$119	Fontodi Colli della Toscana Centrale Flaccianello 2009				
26	94	\$55	Mount Eden Vineyards Chardonnay Santa Cruz Mountains 2009				

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52	90	\$14	Cavit Vigneti delle Dolomiti Red Alta Luna Phases 2009	76	93	\$42	Austin Hope Syrah Paso Robles Hope Family Vineyard 2010
53	92	\$20	Greywacke Sauvignon Blanc Marlborough 2011	77	93	\$44	Belle Glos Pinot Noir Santa Maria Valley Clark & Telephone Vineyard 2010
54	90	\$16	Bodegas Atalaya Almansa La Atalaya 2009	78	93	\$45	Rust en Vrede Stellenbosch 2008
55	91	\$17	Jean Perrier & Fils Savoie Apremont Cuvée Gastronomie 2011	79	93	\$45	Evening Land Pinot Noir Eola-Amity Hills Seven Springs Vineyard 2010
56	91	\$18	Pewsey Vale Riesling Eden Valley Dry 2011	80	96	\$145	Spottswoode Cabernet Sauvignon St. Helena Family Estate Grown 2009
57	91	\$22	Descendientes de J. Palacios Bierzo Pétalos 2010	81	93	\$48	Collosorbo Brunello di Montalcino 2007
58	91	\$22	Perrin & Fils Vinsobres Les Cornuds 2010	82	90	\$16	Emilio Lustau Amontillado Jerez Dry Los Arcos Solera Reserva NV
59	91	\$23	Astrolabe Sauvignon Blanc Marlborough Province 2011	83	92	\$32	Morgan Pinot Noir Santa Lucia Highlands Twelve Clones 2010
60	96	\$135	Quilceda Creek Cabernet Sauvignon Columbia Valley 2009	84	93	\$50	Piper-Heidsieck Brut Champagne NV
61	92	\$28	Bodegas Beronia Rioja Gran Reserva 2004	85	93	\$49	Williams Selyem Pinot Noir Russian River Valley Eastside Road Neighbors 2009
62	91	\$19	Viña Ninquén Syrah Colchagua Valley Antu 2009	86	94	\$60	Brancaia Maremma Toscana Ilatraia 2010
63	93	\$29	Neyers Chardonnay Carneros 2010	87	90	\$18	Concha y Toro Chardonnay Limarí Valley Marqués de Casa Concha 2010
64	90	\$17	Domaine Lafond Tavel Roc-Epine 2011	88	92	\$32	Dominio de Atauta Ribera del Duero 2008
65	92	\$29	Nikolaihof Grüner Veltliner Qualitätswein Trocken Wachau Hefeabzug 2010	89	92	\$40	Honig Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley 2009
66	90	\$12	Marchesi di Barolo Barbera del Monferrato Maràia 2011	90	90	\$15	Skouras Moscofilero Péloponnèse 2011
67	94	\$32	Dr. Loosen Riesling Spätlese Mosel Wehlener Sonnenuhr 2011	91	93	\$58	Kosta Browne Pinot Noir Russian River Valley 2010
68	92	\$25	Casa Lapostolle Cabernet Sauvignon Colchagua Valley Cuvée Alexandre Apalta Vineyard 2010	92	94	\$85	Altamura Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley 2009
69	92	\$25	Antonio Caggiano Greco di Tufo Devon 2011	93	96	\$150	Château Lynch Bages Pauillac 2009
70	92	\$31	Château Latour-Martillac Pessac-Léognan 2009	94	95	\$150	Ridge Monte Bello Santa Cruz Mountains 2009
71	91	\$24	Waterbrook Merlot Columbia Valley Reserve 2009	95	90	\$20	Veramonte Primus The Blend Colchagua Valley 2009
72	93	\$35	Turley Zinfandel Paso Robles Pesenti Vineyard 2010	96	94	\$75	Pahlmeyer Merlot Napa Valley 2009
73	90	\$15	Bodegas Valdemar Rioja White Conde de Valdemar Finca Alto Cantabria 2011	97	91	\$27	Claude Riffault Sancerre Les Boucauds 2011
74	93	\$38	Iron Horse Brut Green Valley of Russian River Valley Classic Vintage 2007	98	94	\$90	Mollydooker Shiraz McLaren Vale Carnival of Love 2010
				99	90	\$22	Nobilo Pinot Noir Marlborough Icon 2010
				100	90	\$20	Donnachiara Aglianico Irpinia 2008