



# WINE SPECTATOR'S Advance

A SNEAK PREVIEW OF THE BUYING GUIDE FOR THE **SEPT. 30, 2020** ISSUE,  
FEATURING ALL OF THE SPECTATOR SELECTIONS

*Wine Spectator's* Sept. 30 issue focuses on "The Modern Cellar," covering new trends in contemporary wine cellar design that make the cellar as much a work of art as a storage unit. Plus, gorgeous photography and interviews with collectors showcase great wine collections and the strategies behind their creation. Tasting reports features Washington state, white Burgundy and New Zealand.

## SMART BUYS

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- 93** **ANTINORI** Chianti Classico Villa Antinori Riserva 2016 • \$35  
Black currant, cedar, olive, iron and tobacco aromas and flavors suggest Cabernet in the blend, in a positive sense. This red is fluid, elegant and firmly structured, with fine balance and a long, gripping finish. The taut profile shows the potential for aging. Best from 2022 through 2038. 6,000 cases imported.—*B.S.*
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- 93** **CAIAROSSA** Toscana Pergolaia 2015 • \$25  
Expressive and complex, offering black cherry, black currant, violet, wild herb, iron and tobacco aromas and flavors. Vibrant acidity and a dense matrix of tannins deliver a long finish that should ensure a good evolution. Sangiovese, Merlot and Cabernet Franc. Drink now through 2025. 8,600 cases made, 2,000 cases imported.—*B.S.*
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- 93** **BODEGAS RESALTE DE PEÑAFIEL** Ribera del Duero de Restia Crianza Selected Harvest 2015 • \$20  
The floral and spice box aromas are enticing, with lively flavors of black cherry, orange peel, black tea and mineral following through. Polished tannins and lively acidity keep this focused and balanced. Drink now through 2030. 3,500 cases made, 1,500 cases imported.—*T.M.*
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- 92** **DOMAINE DU GRAPILLON D'OR** Gigondas 2017 • \$32  
Nicely rendered, with a focused core of cassis and bitter cherry fruit, lined with subtle bergamot, *garrigue* and red tea notes. Reveals a dusting of sandalwood on the finish. Best from 2021 through 2028. 4,900 cases made, 850 cases imported.—*J.M.*
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- 91** **CASTELLO DI ALBOLA** Chianti Classico 2016 • \$17  
Compact for now, this shows ripe cherry, plum and strawberry flavors that offset the solid tannins, with fine harmony. A lingering finish echoes the fruit, adding earth, tobacco and iron notes. Best from 2021 through 2033. 50,000 cases made, 8,500 cases imported.—*B.S.*
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- 90** **ALMA DE CATTLEYA** Sauvignon Blanc Sonoma County 2019 • \$20  
Shows terrific intensity, opening with honeysuckle, pear and melon flavors, revealing a tangy side of Meyer lemon juice. Refreshing and fragrant through the finish. Drink now. 1,000 cases made.—*M.W.*
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- 90** **SEAN MINOR** Pinot Noir Sonoma Coast 2018 • \$22  
Cedar and hot stone notes accent the dried cherry, plum and pomegranate flavors that glide across the palate. Shows focused minerality on the finish, with citrusy hints. Drink now through 2023. 5,000 cases made.—*K.M.*
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Smart Buys: Wines that deliver fine character at affordable prices and that are broadly available.