

WEEKLY WINE UPDATE

There are only a few weeks left in the year. Featured here is a trifecta of can't-miss holiday gift wines. Gift one to yourself, and one to a friend!

2015 Quilceda Creek "CVR" Columbia Valley Red (\$55.99)

"A wonderful preview into the incredible 2015 vintage. A combination of all our vineyard sites, it is filled with satisfying red and blue fruits, smoke, spice and minerals. One of the best CVRs to date. This blend of 81% Cabernet Sauvignon, 11% Merlot, 4% Cabernet Franc and 4% Petit Verdot will be best enjoyed over the next 15 years." –Winemaker notes.

2012 Castiglion del Bosco Brunello di Montalcino Tuscany (\$43.89)

"A bright, cherry-laced red, accented by iron, earth, tar and tobacco notes. Though lean and tight on the finish, this is lively, with a lingering aftertaste of cherry, tobacco and mineral. Best from 2019 through 2032. Highly Recommended." –*Wine Spectator*, 94 points.

2013 Gramercy Cellars Syrah Columbia Valley (\$28.99)

"Readers looking for a killer Syrah to purchase to see what Washington is all about couldn't do any better. Possessing lots of gamey, olive, peppery, lavender and salted meats, with a core of ripe plum and darker fruits, this beauty is full-bodied, supple, polished and utterly seamless, with no hard edges and a clean, focused finish. Drink now through 2026."

–*Wine Advocate*, 94 points.

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Red Wines

2013 Luigi Baudana Cerretta Barolo \$96.99/\$69.99/\$62.99

"Leads off with the scent of rose, followed by strawberry, cherry, mineral and tobacco flavors. Elegant and densely structured, with a lingering aftertaste of leafy and tobacco notes. Best from 2020 through 2038. 300 cases made." –*Wine Spectator*, 95 points. **New item.**

2014 Mark Ryan Old Vines Cabernet Sauvignon Columbia Valley \$69.99/\$59.99/\$53.99

"A wine that wasn't made in 2013, as they didn't feel they had the quality, the 2014 Old Vines Cabernet Sauvignon is a classic, old school that gives up big, rich notes of dark fruits, chocolate, truffle and licorice. This full-bodied, concentrated 2014 has notable tannic grip, a big mid-palate and a great finish. It will evolve nicely for 4-5 years then drink nicely for more than 10-15 years."

–*Wine Advocate*, 93-95+ points. **New vintage.**

2015 Quilceda Creek "CVR" Columbia Valley Red Wine \$64.99/\$55.99/\$50.39

"A wonderful preview into the incredible 2015 vintage. A combination of all our vineyard sites, it is filled with satisfying red and blue fruits, smoke, spice and minerals. One of the best CVRs to date. This blend of 81% Cabernet Sauvignon, 11% Merlot, 4% Cabernet Franc and 4% Petit Verdot will be best enjoyed over the next 15 years." –Winemaker notes. **New vintage.**

2012 Castiglion del Bosco Brunello di Montalcino Tuscany \$53.99/\$43.89/\$39.50

"A bright, cherry-laced red, accented by iron, earth, tar and tobacco notes. Though lean and tight on the finish, this is lively, with a lingering aftertaste of cherry, tobacco and mineral. Best from 2019 through 2032. Highly Recommended." –*Wine Spectator*, 94 points. **New item.**

2013 Gramercy Cellars Syrah Columbia Valley \$36.99/\$28.99/\$26.09

"Readers looking for a killer Syrah to purchase to see what Washington is all about couldn't do any better. Possessing lots of gamy, olive, peppery, lavender and salted meats, with a core of ripe plum and darker fruits, this beauty is full-bodied, supple, polished and utterly seamless, with no hard edges and a clean, focused finish. Drink now through 2026." –*Wine Advocate*, 94 points. **New item.**

2013 Château des Rogues Vacqueyras Rouge Rhône Valley \$22.99/\$18.69/\$16.82

A fresh nose, blackberry and cassis with a woody note. This fleshy wine has ample power and wealth expressed by a beautiful material. On the palate red fruits and spices, such as white pepper and licorice. This Vacqueyras Red is subtle with its balance between freshness and aromatic fruit. Beautiful persistence. 70% Grenache, 15% Mourvèdre and 15% Syrah. **New vintage.**

2015 Domaine Dubois Rouge "Vieilles Vignes" Bourgogne \$21.99/\$16.79/\$15.11

"It has a beautiful deep color, tinged purple when young, becoming ruby red and orange with a few years in bottle. It offers an impressive range of flavors, essential quality of Pinot Noir. With a good tannin structure, this wine is full of power and has great balance. – Winemaker notes. **New vintage.**

2015 Vietti Barbera d'Asti Tre Vigne Piedmont \$20.99/\$15.89/\$14.30

"The grapes are selected from three young vineyards in Agliano Terme. Bottled unfiltered. Ripe red cherry aromas with hints sweet spices. A dry, medium bodied red wine with refreshing acidity, the Barbera d'Asti Tre Vigne is well balanced with good integration of oak, good complexity and a long finish of red cherries. –Winemaker notes. **New vintage.**

2015 Ryan Patrick Rock Island Red Columbia Valley \$21.99/\$14.99/\$13.49

"Stylistically, we are looking for dark, rich and ripe flavors for this blend. We source fruit from vineyards throughout the Columbia Valley with bold and concentrated characteristics, creating the desirable style of our Rock Island Red. 73% Syrah, 23% Cabernet Sauvignon and 4% Merlot" – Jeremy Santo, Winemaker. **New vintage.**

2016 Domaine Dupeuble Père et Fils Rouge Beaujolais \$16.99/\$13.99/\$12.59

The Dupeuble Beaujolais towers majestically over every other red on the market today. Its super concentrated body engorged with blackberries, blueberries, raspberries, boysenberries, cinnamon, cherry pit, violets, petunias, red currants, black currants and graham crackers? There is there, one might say, there. Multi-layered layers of sublime simplicity, a blood-boiling aftertaste, this is a palate hummer. Kermit Lynch, Importer. **New vintage.**



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2016 Owen Roe Sharecropper's Pinot Noir Willamette Valley
\$19.99/\$13.39/\$12.05

"Another vibrant and lively Pinot Noir for Sharecropper's! This wine is ready to open up and enjoy now, exuding the flavors and aromas of an unusually hot Oregon harvest. Bing cherry rose petals and pomegranate aromas burst in the glass, with hints of baking spice and forest floor. The palate is elegant with continuous flavors of cherry and olive notes. Mild tannins and mouthwatering acidity are focused with a subtle complement of toast and cinnamon to round out the long finish." —Winemaker notes. **New vintage.**

2015 Tenute Rubino Susumaniello 'Oltremè' Salento Puglia
\$16.99/\$13.09/\$11.78

The wine is an expression of the land made of limestone, a land suited to viticulture for many centuries. The Oltremè of Tenute reveals its character, savory but well balanced. The tannins of the Oltremè are enveloping and soft; warm scents of the Mediterranean Sea are experienced. Tenute Rubino is one of the few that make 100% varietal wines from the Susumaniello grape. **New vintage.**

2016 Bodegas Martinez Corta Cepas Antiguas Rioja
\$13.99/\$11.19/\$10.07

"Ripen fruit cherry covered with intense edge. Powerful aromas of red wild fruits, background of ripe fruit with mineral shades. In the palate it has complex, fruit tannins and fruit acids. Excellent freshness and persistence." —Winemaker notes. **New item.**

2013 Fuentesecca Red Blend Utiel Requena Spain \$13.99/\$8.39/\$7.55

This incredible bargain is a full-bodied blend of bush-trained 60% Bobal with a splash of young-vines 40% Cabernet Sauvignon. Dense and layered on the palate: rich cherry, tart plum and ripe raspberry fruit, with velvety tannins, soft earth, and a hint of violet flowers. Certified organic and fermented with native yeasts! **New item.**

White Wines

2016 William Fevre Chablis "Champs Royaux" Burgundy
\$32.99/\$22.39/\$20.15

"William Fevre's Champs Royaux Chablis is impressively precise, delivering a nose of citrus fruits, flowers, green apple and flinty flavors of wet stone in the mid-palate with a beautifully clean finish. Fresh, supple, it is marked by mineral notes, typical of the appellation." —Winemaker notes. **New vintage.**

2016 Domaine Dupeuble Blanc Beaujolais \$19.99/\$16.79/\$15.11

"The 2016 Beaujolais Blanc spends five months on the fine lees. Apple blossom, fresh pear and Granny Smiths are offered up on the crisp bouquet, while the palate is fresh and vibrant with good acidity and a smooth, pithy finish that is more complex than many of its peers. Recommended. Drink now through 2020. Kermit Lynch, Importer." —*Wine Advocate*, 88 points. **New vintage.**

2015 Riva Leone Gavi Italy \$16.99/\$13.09/\$11.78

Aromas of white peach, honeysuckle, petrol, and wheat grass with a round, bright, light-to-medium body and a sleek, elegant, medium-length violet and wet stone, oregano and tarragon, pineapple, and celery and anise finish with well-integrated, fine, fruit tannins and no oak. A beautiful expression of Gavi that is fresh, clean and expressive. **New item.**

2015 Domain Fernand Engel Pinot Blanc 'Reserve' Alsace
\$14.99/\$12.19/\$10.97

Intense aromas of acacia and touch of citrus. A clean wine with a good freshness and some tropical fruit flavors. Produced from the Engel's own biodynamically-farmed, estate vineyards. Harmonious with pâtés, soufflés (with cheese, and potatoes), cured meats, or an onion tart. **New item.**

2016 Zeni Soave Italy \$12.99/\$8.39/\$7.55

Definitely a superior Soave, the Zeni family's example from the hilly Classico area is gently floral with a hint of green apples. Once in the mouth it is fresh and zingy like a good Sauvignon Blanc. A fantastic shellfish wine. 90% Garganega and 10% Trebbiano di Soave. **New item.**

2016 Domaine de Pajot "Les Quatre Cépages" Côtes de Gascogne
\$10.99/\$7.49/\$6.74

A blend of 35% Sauvignon Blanc, 35% Colombard, 20% Ugni-Blanc, and 10% Gros-Manseng from Gascogne that exemplifies summertime wine. Shimmering and zesty on the palate, this offers lots of citrus fruit aromatics and flavors. Delightful as an aperitif and will complement summer salads and fish recipes. **Certified organic. New vintage.**

Riedel Glassware

Please check out our selection of Riedel Glassware. Leschi Market offers the best pricing on Champagne Flutes, Cabernet/Merlot stemware, Overture Magnum (short stem fits in dishwasher!), as well as "O" Stemless, Decanters and more. It is a great time of year to replenish your personal inventory or to pair a couple of glasses as a gift.

From Our Cellar-Limited-Inquire

2012 Doubleback Cabernet Sauvignon Walla Walla Valley,
Wine Advocate, 95 points

2012 Figgins Cabernet Sauvignon Walla Walla Valley,
Wine Advocate, 95 points

2010 Quilceda Creek Red Wine Columbia Valley,
Wine Advocate, 92 points



Always at Leschi Market, mix and match any six bottles of wine for a 10% discount.

