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**Jean Laurent Blanc de Blanc NV** ..... \$45.71

Grower Champagne since 1952 **Certified Sustainable** Winery is Solar powered ..... 375 ml \$29.50  
Located in [Celles-sur-Ource](#) in the Côtes de Bar where many of the top grower producers are based. 100% Chardonnay Melon, Brioche, and honey aromas with light floral notes with a long mineral finish. Always a blend of Five vintages aged 36 months (instead of the legally required 14) on yeasts finished with 9g.RS

**91 Pts Wine Enthusiast.** [Hyperlink](#) [Video](#)

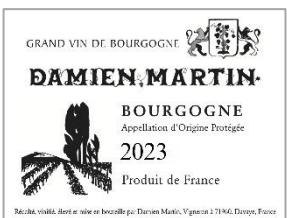


**Jean Laurent Blanc de Noirs NV** ..... \$43.57

[Celles-sur-Ource](#) in the Côtes de Bar has the largest concentration of independent growers (80 for 400 inhabitants). If there's one thing to know about Jean: He went to winemaking school in Beaune, not Epernay. So, his sensibility is more Burgundian. Pinot Noir Mono-varietal **Certified HVE3**  
Blend of Five vintages aged 36 mths on yeasts finished w/9g.RS instead of the legally required 14.

**93 Pts Wine Spectator 90 Vinous**

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**2023 Damien Martin Bourgogne Rouge** ..... \$17.89

Damien won the prestigious ["Young Winemaker of the Year in 2019"](#) award for the Maconnais. Family

Domaine, owned by the father-and-son team Robert and Damien Martin, the estate owns approximately 20 hectares in the heart of the Mâconnais since 1982. Before this, Robert came from the Domaine de la Croix Senaillot family. His Macon [Verzé](#) is well defined with citrus and stone fruit aromas, hints of acacia, honeysuckle, verbena, and fennel. Combines vivacity, roundness, fruitiness, and aromatic richness. **Certified HVE3 Sustainable** [Hyperlink to product](#)

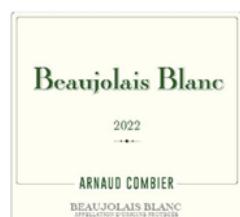


**2024 Damien Martin Macon Verzé** ..... \$15.71

The St Veran is 90% fermented in stainless steel tanks, 10% fermented and matured in French oak barrels for texture with full malolactic Conversion. Matured about 6 months on the fine lees. Both the stainless and barrel fermented wine are then blended for a richer, creamier texture without any perceptible oaky nose or taste.

**Certified HVE3 Sustainable**

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**2023 Arnaud Combier Beaujolais Blanc** ..... \$20.71

A fixture of the natural wine world for many decades with his textured Gamay. Arnaud is a contemporary of Lapierre. He moved around a bit and is the former winemaker at Domaine des Muriel, Domaine Valette and Colbois in Chablis. He now has contract with tiny, tiny growers from whom he buys every grape. Poured BTG at [Salon](#) in Copenhagen. Direct press, natural yeasts, aged in barrels without sulfites. Certified Ecocert Organic grapes grown on Granite soil An absolute Banger of an aromatic yet tonic Chardonnay which I

will happily drink every day. Arnaud has unparalleled know-how when it comes to texture and elegance having worked at Valette in Macon and Colbois in Chablis . **Certified 'Made from Organic grapes'**



**2023 Arnaud Combier Fleurie** ..... \$19.28

Arnaud is the former head of viticulture at Jadot and worked at Foillard. He is a fixture in the Natural wine world but known to make very, very stable Gamays with great definition and purity An amazing amount of work on details here by Arnaud. Always thinking, always experimenting. I have no doubts that this is a future star estate in Beaujolais.

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**93 Pts Jeb Dunnuck "Ample richness and depth. Rich and beautifully textured,"**  
**Certified 'Made with Organic grapes'**



## 2023 Les Rocailles Apremont ..... \$14.28

An HPS winery since the 90s. This AOP Savoie 100% Jacquère grown under Mount Granier in the French Alps, 17 mins from the Ski Slopes, is as pure as water from the glaciers. Low alcohol (11.5%) Perfect for Cheese fondue, Raclette or Reblochon. Delicate and feather-light like a Muscadet... but from a glacier. It offers citrus, green apple and floral aromas on the nose. On the palate, it is dry and extremely refreshing, mineral to the point of saltiness with crystal clear purity. Certified sustainable HVE3

2022: 90 Pts Jeb Dunnuck "Incredibly refreshing, delicious, clean and crisp" [Hyperlink](#)



## 2024 Domaine Durand Sancerre ..... \$25.71

Benchmark Sancerre estate since 1965 30 years old vines Certified Sustainable HVE3 Certified 85 acres in the "Les Epsailles" hamlet in the commune of Crézancy-en-Sancerre in the West of the AOP and famed "Terres Blanches" and "Caillotes" stony calcareous soil. No silex here (like Chavignol). Perfumed with a touch of spice, this rich wine brings out a tropical side of Sauvignon Blanc. Pepper and a textured edge add essential contrast. [Hyperlink](#)



## 2024 Chateau Pegau Côtes du Rhône Blanc 'Lône' ..... \$17.14

40% Clairette, 30% Bourboulenc, 20% Grenache Blanc, 10% Ugni Blanc Vinified Together A 'Lône' is a small dead arm of the Rhône river. The vineyard is located in Sorgues. Direct press cooled a day, no malo. Unoaked aromas of honeysuckle, acacia, nectarines, and pears on the nose, with a touch of exotic fruit. Biodynamic [Hyperlink](#)

2023 : 93 Pts Jeb Dunnuck: "Smoking Good wonderfully textured white that readers should snatch up"



## 2024 Domaine du Pegau 'Cuvée Réservée' BLANC ..... (12 pack) .... \$65.71

Biodynamic. 60% Clairette, 20% Grenache blanc, 10% Roussanne and 10% Bourboulenc. Bunch press. Stainless Steel cool fermentation, no malo, Filtered and bottled very young

[Hyperlink to product](#) [Video](#)



## 2023 Chateau Pegau Côtes du Rhône 'Maclura' ..... \$17.14

60% Grenache, 25% Syrah, 10% Mourvèdre, 5% Cinsault averaging 35 to 60 years. A "Maclura" is a type of Osage Orange tree from Oklahoma that inexplicably found its way to the edges of this single vineyard in Sorgues-sur-Rhône. In 2012, Châteauneuf-du-Pape icons Paul and Laurence Féraud purchased a 100+ acre estate in Sorgues, and renamed it Château Pégau. It is an exceptional terroir situated less than 4 miles southeast of CDP. Loaded with classic Côtes du Rhône fruit and spice, the wines retain the hallmark stamp and identity of Pégau. Intense aromas of cassis, blackberry, and spice, with soft, ripe, tannins on the palate. [Hyperlink](#) [Video](#)



## 2021 Domaine du Pegau CDP 'Cuvée Réservée' Rouge ..... (Six Pack) ... \$64.29

AOP Châteauneuf du Pape 80% Grenache, 6% Syrah, 4% Mourvèdre, 10% Others

Benchmark producer. Whole Cluster, spontaneous fermentation in concrete.

Aged 24 months in foudres. Unfiltered. Winemaker: Laurence Féraud. Vines average 60+ years

95 Pts James Suckling, 92-94 Pts Vinous

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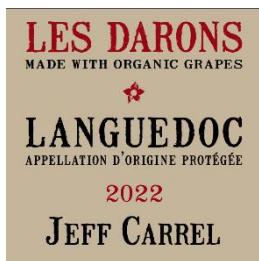
## 2023 Domaine de Fondrèche 'N (sans soufre) USDA Organic ..... \$14.28

The top estate in Ventoux AOP? Probably. Created in 1993 in Fondrèche and owned by Sébastien Vicenti.

The darling of the French press, and a protégé of André Brunel 30% Gren, 30% Syrah, 30% Mourv, 10% Cinsault. The N bottling is the epitome of Sébastien's low intervention style. Wine is aged in concrete vessels. Bottled on a flower day [Hyperlink](#)

Certified 'Made from Organic grapes'. Biodynamic, 0 sulfites added USDA Organic Logo on back label





**2023 Jeff Carrel 'Les Darons' AOP Languedoc** ..... \$12.14  
The flagship of Jeff, 'Les Darons' is a special wine: You can show it to a novice or an expert, and they will both love it for totally different reasons. An unadorned, impeccably made old vine Grenache on one side, a pretty easy to enjoy, satisfyingly fruit driven burger wine on the other. Destemmed, fermented & aged in concrete on fine lees, unoaked. Old world retrain and new world exuberance in a contemporary package. 70% Grenache, 30% Syrah, Blend of Corbières and Minervois. Les Darons is Parisian slang for "The Parents"



**2022: 92-94 Pts Jeb Dunnuck 'Outstanding Value'** 'If it came from a more prestigious AOP in Southern Rhône it'd go for three times the price'  
**Certified 'Made from Organic grapes'** [Hyperlink](#) [Video](#)



**2024 Commanderie de la Bargemone Blanc** ..... \$15.71

**AOP Coteaux D'Aix** **Certified 'Made from Organic grapes'** [Hyperlink](#)

A classic Provençal white, picked at night by hand. 55% Rolle, 20% Sauvignon, 25% Clairette. Cold Press & Vinified separately. Blended post fermentation. New winery is 100% energy Self Sufficient (solar). Bright citrus, white flowers, and some mineral, salty nuances that carry to a medium-bodied, crisp, yet textured white

**2023: 90 Wine & Spirits Mag**



**2024 Bargemone Rosé** ..... \$15.71

**AOP Coteaux D'Aix en Provence.** New owner (Pierre Einaudi). Brand new solar powered winery. Screwcap closure. 40% Syrah, 20% Cabernet Sauvignon, 30% Grenache, 10% Caladoc (No white in the blend). 15 days of Cold juice stabulation. All Harvested at night by hand. Super expressive nose of grapefruit, lemongrass, and exotic fruit

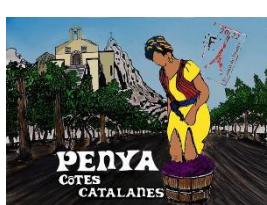
**15 years of consecutive 90+ Ratings Certified 'Made from Organic grapes'**

**2023: 92 Pts Vinous** : 'Generous and tropical in its aromatics and flavors, the mix of tart pineapple, chamomile, white cherry, mint and salty sea spray is particularly enticing. What strikes me most about the 2023 is its balance. This is everything I want from Provençal Rosé'. **Billy Norris** [Hyperlink](#) [Video](#)



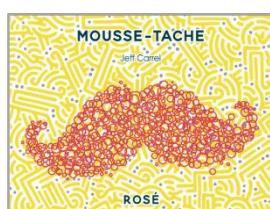
**2023 Bargemone Bascule Rouge** ..... (six packs) .... \$18.57

This Certified Natural wine is a perfect example of clean, thoughtful growing and winemaking. 100 % Syrah. Early morning Hand harvest, Semi Carbonic maceration. Punch over and punch downs. Pressing at mid-fermentation in stainless steel tanks. Wax top. Gold medal at Independent Winemakers award and silver at LWC. Crunchy red fruits, savory thyme & bay leaf with the lightest touch of white spices and fresh violets. **Certified 'Made from Organic grapes'**. The estate is also HVE3 sustainable. [Hyperlink](#)



**2024 Penya Rouge Roussillon Côtes Catalanes** ..... \$9.28

Where else in the world can you get 70 years old Vine Grenache grown on shist for this price? Located in Cases-de-Pène (on the border with Spain). Winemaker is Corinne Le Meur. Only 2.4 Tons/acre yields, aged in concrete tanks. 65% Grenache, 20% Carignan, 10% Mourvèdre, 5% Syrah. Aromas of plums & cherries with smoky notes. The palate yields red and black fruits, spices, a hint of bacon, and silky tannins. [Hyperlink](#)



**Jeff Carrel Mousse-Tache Malbec Sparkling Brut Rosé N.V.** ..... \$13.28

A double entendre: Mousse means 'foam' and Tache means "Wine Stain". Made using a contemporary method to create sparkling wines with as much bubbles and finesse as traditional ones, imagined by Jeff Round and fresh on the palate, with bubbles of surprising finesse. Thirst-quenching with tastes already revealed by the nose together with white floral notes. A finish that reminds you that you are drinking a Chenin. **90 Pts James Suckling**  
[Hyperlink to product](#)