

- **Santiam Wine & Bistro December Red Cheap & Cheerful \$72**
  - 2019 Walla Walla Vintners Walla Walla Red \$16 The aromas offer notes of roasted coffee bean and chocolate along with fresh herbs. The creamy feeling chocolate and cherry flavors show the restraint of the vintage, with barrel tannins backing it all up. There is an abundant enjoyment to here. Give it time or decant. 90 Points Wine Enthusiast
  - 2017 Chateau De Costis Bordeaux, France \$10 This is without a doubt one of the best deals going in everyday Bordeaux or any red wine for the that matter! "Fine, dusty tannins give this wine a warm feel. Its rich structure is matched by the ripe blackberry fruits and given a lift by acidity. Drink from 2021." Wine Enthusiast
  - 2018 Santo Cristo Garnacha Spain \$11 100% Garnacha from vines averaging 40 years old surrounding the village of Ainzon in Campo de Borja, Aragon, Spain. The wine is aged for 18 months in stainless steel and does not see any oak. Begins with a pleasing aroma of ripe fruit along with touches of leather and spice. It's always interesting to me how these old vine wines can give some of the characteristics of being aged in oak when that is not the case. Taking a sip reveals a fresh and tasty wine with juicy tart fruit. This is easy to drink with nice flavor, a smooth mouthfeel and good balance. It ends dry and long with a little minerality under the lingering fruit.
  - 2019 Nicolas Potel Beaujolais-Villages France \$14 Aromas of ripe raspberry, blackberry, hints of banana pastry, and chocolatine with a slightly chewy, vibrant, dry-yet-fruity light-to-medium body and a smooth, compelling, medium-length purple grape cooler, toffee, moss, and slate finish with light oak flavor. A fun and fruity Beaujolais for joyous occasions. - 2020 World Value Wine Challenge-Top10 Red Wine
  - 2020 Sineann R Red Blend Oregon \$17 This is a proportional blend of all the red wines Sineann makes: Pinot Noir with fair amounts of Cabernet Sauvignon and Zinfandel and dashes of Cabernet Franc and Merlot. Likely, you will find this a sensational value. This wine is sealed with a special type of twist off closure – unscrew to open.
  - 2015 Señorio de la Antigua Mencia Spain \$12 Medium-deep black fruit aromas are ripe, earthy, and smooth though not overly complex. On the palate, this single-vineyard Mencía is pure and ripe, with bracing acidity. Blackberry, plum and cassis flavors cover the full black fruit spectrum, while this balanced red blends weight and power with freshness and finesse on the finish. Drink through 2025. 92 Points Wine Enthusiast

- **Santiam Wine & Bistro December White Cheap & Cheerful \$73.80**
  - 2020 Costis Blanc Entre-deux-Mers, France \$11 Twist Cap Blanc de Costis, which belongs to the group of Laurent Mazeau's vineyards, is located in the heart of Entre-deux-Mers. Crisp citrus and tropical fruit. Grassy, refreshing & elegant. Above all, this is a consistently great value in white Bordeaux that is a perfect partner for chicken, fish and seafood in general.
  - 2018 St Innocent Freedom Hill Pinot Blanc \$16 Cork This Pinot blanc is produced in a style to accentuate texture and ripe fruit flavors. The must was fermented 21% in barrel and 79% in tank and aged for 8 months on the lees. This delicious, sexy wine impresses with its leesy, textural mouthfeel, its mountain spring freshness, it's crisp lemon and grapefruit flavors, and its underlying minerality. One-quarter was fermented in neutral French oak, the rest in stainless steel. 92 Points Wine Enthusiast 2016 Vintage
  - 2020 Domaine Talmard Macon Chardonnay, France \$15 Twist Cap. You will find a fresh, light and fruity white wine. Displaying a clear dress with a yellow gold color, this wine will then offer a clear nose. You will also notice scents of white flowers, enhanced by a hint of citrus. Throughout the mouth, the body remains supple, slightly mineral and it has a long aftertaste.
  - NV Honor Cava Brut Reserva Spain \$12 Cork A classical Spanish Cava from the DO Penedes, made with a blend of Macabeo (Viura), Xarel-lo and Parellada from vineyards of more than 50 years of age, located at the bottom of the slopes of the hills facing east, to optimize the solar incidence and obtain a better maturation of the grapes. The result is a Sparkling Cava with ripe apple and citrus blossoms aromas with an important vivid flavor balanced and very elegant.
  - 2018 Chateau La Maroutine White Bordeaux France \$13 Twist cap. Produced in the Premières Côtes de Bordeaux appellation and sold under the Bordeaux appellation, the plots of Château La Maroutine are situated on the slopes of the Saint Germain de Graves village at the south part of the Cadillac and Premières Côtes de Bordeaux appellation. A family estate since 1789 and bought in 1942 by Jean Dariot, a 6th generation winemaker, Château La Maroutine has been gradually restructured. Now the 8th generation is beginning to leave their imprint. Due to the type of soil at La Maroutine, the vines never suffer from lack of water. And the youngest vines have profited from the weather, obtaining a very good concentration with elegant expression of fruit. Pair wine great cheese or Oysters on the half shell
  - 2020 Pine Ridge Chenin Blanc & Viognier White Blend CA \$15 Twist Cap. Chamomile and apple skin notes mingle with plump apricot, nectarine and citrus flavors in this white, with an orange sherbet detail and a refreshing finish. Chenin Blanc and Viognier. Drink now. 88 Points Wine Spectator