

## **Santiam Wine & Bistro February 2021 Red Cheap & Cheerful \$77.40**

**2016 Cana's Feast Two Rivers red blend Columbia Valley & Oregon \$15** A delicious blend of 35% Merlot 29 & Cabernet Sauvignon & 10% Malbec. Aromas of sweet plum, cherry, and blackberry precede hints of fresh herbs and licorice root. A rich, full-fruited entry is balanced with notes of cocoa, dark coffee, and subtle savory nuances. Mature tannins integrate nicely with ripe fruit to provide a long, focused finish.

**2018 Alto Las Hormigas Malbec Clásico \$12** The unoaked 2018 Malbec Clásico 2018 comes from a very good year, after 2013 and 2014, which were very difficult years, and 2015 and 2016 that saw lots of rain. According to winemaker Leo Erazo, it's the most complex wine to make because of the many different sources of grapes, growers and the volume they make. But they planted 22 hectares in 2012, so they use more of their own grapes; the wine now has some 30% of grapes from Valle de Uco, which is always a cooler region that is noticed in the wine, which is very balanced, harmonious, and easy to drink. It has a dusty note and fine tannins; it's elegant and especially very drinkable. 91 Points Wine Advocate

**2016 Pasqua Passi Mento Veneto Rosso \$15** Alluring aromas of dark berries, flowers and stones follow through to a medium body, firm and silky tannins and a fresh finish. Just a hint of toffee and chocolate. Drink now. 91 points Wine Enthusiast

**2019 Masseria LI Veli Passamante Salice Salentino Italy \$14** It's back! This blend of Primitivo, Negroamaro and Cabernet Sauvignon offers an intense nose of brandied cherry and blackberry, with a wealth of peppery spice, anise, and potpourri. It is full in feel, displaying a mix of dried and fresh fruit tones that meld with sweet spice and drying tannins.

**2015 Jones of Washington Syrah Wahluke Slope \$15** Our Syrah comes from the Wahluke Slope AVA which is a consistently warm site that delivers rich ripe flavors. Your first smell of the wine brings you Butterscotch, Sage, and Smokey Bacon aromas. As you take your aromas. As you take your first sip you find a smooth, full bodied wine driven by dark plum with hints of Rosemary supported by lively acidity and firm tannin.

**2019 Brick Mason Red Blend Lodi CA \$15** This blend is comprised of 80% Zinfandel, 10% Syrah, 5% Cabernet Sauvignon and 5% Petite Sirah. Deep red fruit aromas lead into notes of dark cherry with soft tannins and a velvet finish. The smokey bacon fat at the finish screams for BBQ and the Super Bowl!

## February 2021 Santiam Wine & Bistro Valentine White Cheap & Cheerful \$77.40

**2018 Saint Cosme Little James' Basket Press Blanc Pays d'Oc \$14.** Saint Cosme Little James' Basket Press Blanc carries the Vin de Pays d'Oc IGP and is an unconventional blend of Sauvignon Blanc and Viognier. Viognier and Sauvignon Blanc are traditionally grown in different regions but grow side by side in the Languedoc and Louis Barruol believes them to be complementary. The wine is vinified in stainless steel tanks. Sauvignon Blanc brings acidity to the blend while Viognier provides fleshiness and attractive notes of stone fruit and flowers. Blending the two varieties results in an aromatic and fresh-tasting wine with aromas and flavors of peach blossoms, fennel, apricots, grapefruit, lychee fruit, and mangos. Food Pairing Little James' Basket Press Blanc can be used at the table like a crisp Pinot Grigio or a zippy Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc, featuring crisp and fruity flavors that work well with a wide range of foods. Try this wine with garden salads, ceviche, and grilled fish.

**2019 Fidora Pinot Grigio Italy \$12 Organic!** This popular variety derives from the family of Pinot and prefers cooler climates. It finds its ideal habitat in the Veneto Region. Pinot Grigio is a rich dry white wine, fresh, with vibrant aromas of pear and apple with hints of flowers. The highly mineral feeling is the signature of this wine and gives it a great personality and versatility in food pairing. The proximity to the sea and to its prevailing winds, as well as the nocturnal temperature inversion, gives to the bunches of our Pinot Grigio a direct and clear aroma, which characterizes all the wines of Civranetta estate.

**2020 Allan Scott Sauvignon Blanc New Zealand \$15** Supple and succulent, offering a generous and juicy mix of passion fruit, Key lime and ruby grapefruit flavors. Expressive and strong on the finish, with touches of freshly grated ginger and green tea. Drink now. 92 Points Wine Spectator

**2019 Anna Amie Pinot Gris Willamette Valley \$15** This complex, nicely detailed wine opens with aromas of flower, citrus and pear, leading into a leesy, textural palate with a mix of white peach and pear. A small percentage was fermented in neutral wood, which seems to have nicely rounded out the acids. 91 Points Wine Enthusiast

**2019 Chasing Venus Sauvignon Blanc New Zealand \$14** Lemongrass, lemon verbena, pear, pineapple, and green apple flavors are mouthwatering, generous and intense, with a long finish. Drink now. 90 Points Wine Spectator

**2019 Elk Cove Pinot Gris Oregon \$16** *"Adam Campbell's Pinot Gris is one of Oregon's best, year in and year out. A lush and vivid mix of grapefruit, lemon curd and candied orange peel, this new vintage both surprises and delights. Such complexity is rare in a grape mostly centered around apple and pear flavors—both are here, but in a back-seat role. This unique mix is deliciously irresistible."* – Paul Gregutt Wine Enthusiast Top One Hundred Ranked #10 92 Points

**February Rose All Day The perfect pick for Mother's Day**  
**Six-Pack \$87.30 with a bow!**

**2019 Mouton Noir, Love Drunk Rose, Oregon \$17** The 200 Love Drunk is an intoxicating rosé. Much like new love, it clouds the brain, causes eyes to sparkle, cheeks to glow, blood pressure to rise, and lips to pucker. Provocative aromas of strawberry and raspberry, followed by refreshing flavors of wild strawberry, watermelon rind, and a hint of kiwi.

**2020 Stoller Family Estate Rose Oregon \$15** Pinot Noir Rosé has been a cornerstone of our production for more than a decade. We harvest intentionally to achieve a style that is balanced and bright. Whole cluster pressed and fermented in stainless steel, this vibrant wine has us dreaming of summer wine tasting. Σ

**2019 Studio by Miraval, Provence Rose \$18** Coming from plots on the French Riviera, surrounded by olive trees and pine trees, Studio by Miraval is strongly influenced by the sea sprays and the proximity of the Mediterranean Sea. These salty soils give the wine a unique character and an amazing balance. Very pale pink color. Nose of fresh fruit and citrus fruit. Fleishy palate with notes of citrus and white flowers and a long finish with salinity.

**2019 Jeio Bisol 1542 Prosecco Rose Brut Italy \$18** A 2019 vintage Brut offering composed of 85% Glera and 15% Pinot Noir grapes using the Martinotti (i.e. Charmat in Italy) Method, Jeio Prosecco Rosé DOC is soft, effervescent, and crisply mineral-forward at 11% ABV. An elegant shade of coral pink with fresh notes of rose, wild strawberry, lychee, and lemon flowers, its harmoniously fruity nose, delicate vinosity, luscious sapidity, and fine, creamy perlage are all welcome additions to a range of occasions, from casual to celebratory, making it a versatile and easy addition to any wine cellar or rack.

**2019 Dela Chignardiere Gamay Rose, Loire Valley \$10 Gamay** (Gamay Noir à Jus Blanc in full) is a grape variety that is most famous for producing the light, fruit-driven red wines of Beaujolais. While the variety offers fresh, red-fruit and candied aromas, it typically delivers little in the way of flavor concentration and body weight, giving light concentration and body weight, giving light, simple wines. That said, some well-made examples can be deep and complex.

**2019 Chateau Margilliere Rose Bastide Provence \$19** Château Margillière is located in the heart of the green Provence in the area of the appellation Coteaux Varois en Provence. At Château Margillière we practice an organic certified agriculture (Ecocert) since 1999 and since 2013 a meticulous follow-up of the specifications in the wine cellar will make it possible for us to put on the new European logo and to claim it "Organic Wine". Tasting notes: A robe of very pale and attractive pink. Expressive of a wild strawberry, the nose reveals a hint of grapefruit. A large and delicate mouth for the pleasure of the buds, with aromas of raspberry and jasmine.