

**March 2021 Red Cheap & Cheerful Six pack \$71.10 As always,
this price reflects 10% savings on each bottle**

NV 14 Bookwalter Notebook Red Bland Washington \$11 There is a lovely sense of purity to the blue fruit aromas of this wine, which are accented by notes of herb, whole green pepper, coffee and cherry. The palate delivering more of the same, with a coffee note linger on the finish. There's a whole lot of quality and value to be had. **90 Points Wine Enthusiast**

2017 I.Q. Red Washington \$14 (It's a no brainer!) RED I.Q. is a collaborative side project that is the brainchild of Art North and Robert Henry, the duo behind the highly acclaimed wines from Pamplin Family Winery. Our goal is to craft a wine that over-delivers on quality at a very consumer-friendly value. We strive to create a wine that will be the standout star for a restaurant glass pour and is the go-to choose for an everyday wine at home. A blend of Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Petit Verdot and Malbec; the combination is a winner. Styled and structured with bright berry, vanilla and a complex layered finish.

2017 Folie à Deux Merlot Alexander Valley, CA \$15 With generous fruit and supple tannins, *Merlot* is made in a range of styles from everyday-drinking to world-renowned and age-worthy. *Merlot* is the dominant variety in the wines from Bordeaux's Right Bank regions of St. Emilion and Pomerol, where it is often blended with Cabernet Franc to spectacular result.

2019 Ste Cosme Cote du Rhone \$15 While the 2019 Cotes du Rhone is not a single-estate wine (it's labeled simply Saint Cosme, without the "Château de"), this 100% Syrah is a perennial bargain—and this could be its best vintage to date. Aromas of violets, cracked pepper, cassis and blueberries leap from the glass, while the medium to full-bodied palate is ripe but silky, leading into a long, mouthwatering finish. A blend of fruit from the Gard (the right bank of the Rhône) and Vinsobres (the left bank, about 400 meters above sea level), it retains a sense of freshness not often found in Syrah from the Southern Rhône. **91 Points Wine Advocate**

2017 Hullabaloo Zinfandel Lodi, CA \$12 Proprietor-negociants, Chris Nickolopoulos and Elijah Pfister work with a handful of California's most respected grape growers and wineries selecting the finest rows, plots, barrels, and lots from each vintage throughout Napa Valley, North Coast, Central Coast, and Lodi in California. Their Hullabaloo zinfandel spends six months in American oak and exhibits bright fruit and acid, setting it apart from many heavier and jammier zinfandels, while still being rich and flavorful. It is balanced with the addition of a touch of petite Sirah and malbec as well.

2019 Collequeto Montepulciano Italy \$12 Our wine experts think this Italian Montepulciano d'Abruzzo wine would be a match made in heaven with these dishes. Bon appétit! Pork, Beef, Pasta, Veal dishes

March 2021 Santiam Wine & Bistro's White Cheap & Cheerful \$72.90

2019 Ippolito Mare Chiaro Cirò Italy \$13 Crystalline, tropical, floral, and fresh, with a pleasantly saline finish, Mare Chiaro was born from Greco Bianco 100%, an ancient Calabrian vine, cultivated near the Lonian Sea. Pair with seafood.

2019 Domaine Pajot Les 4 Cépages \$12 Domaine de Pajot is in the hills overlooking the town of Eauze, the capital of Armagnac, in Gascony. Their 80 acres of vines grown on gently sloping hills and are certified organic and are grown together on sand and fine silt soils. All grapes are hand harvested and the estate does not use any chemical fertilizers or pesticides, instead using different combinations of organic or mineral products to treat the vines. *Quatre Cépages* is a blend of 35% Sauvignon Blanc, 35% Colombard, 20% Ugni-Blanc, and 10% Gros-Manseng. This a dry, easy to enjoy aromatic table white: fresh, crisp, light and made for drinking on a beautiful sunny day. Pair with roasted chicken in cream mustard sauce with steamed vegetables.

2019 Domaine Talmard Macon Chardonnay, France \$15 The 2019 Domaine Talmard Macon-Chardonnay is the essence of pure, crystalline, no oak, no malo chardonnay. In stark contrast to a rich and buttery style of chardonnay, this one shows high-pitched notes of pineapple, lemon drop, flowers, and flinty mineral. Possessing some of the characteristics of Chablis, but with a plusher and riper texture, this is a chardonnay that scores 91-92 points in my book. Finished with a stelvin (screwcap) closure, this one is ready to twist open, pour and enjoy. Ideal as an aperitif, it would also make a fine pairing partner for rotisserie chicken, salmon, or other classic weeknight meals.

2019 J Vineyards Pinot Gris Healdsburg, CA. \$14 COMMENTARY: The 2019 J Vineyards & Winery Pinot Gris exudes brightness on the palate and crispness in the finish. TASTING NOTES: This wine offers mineral notes, and dried citrus aromas and flavors. Serve it with light appetizers at the start of dinner **90 Wine Spectator**

2019 Collequieto Castelli Di Jesi Verdicchio Italy \$12 Organic Grown on the outer limits of the fortified village of Jesi, this traditional Verdicchio—as green and crisp as it sounds—is vinified in cool, stainless-steel tanks and bottled with the gentlest spritz of naturally occurring carbon dioxide to minimize sulfur use. If bitter lime notes from more familiar grapes like Grüner Veltliner and coastal Vermentino appeal to you, this low-alcohol, youthful Bianco will readily rinse your palate clean and complement delicate fare like Meyer lemon risotto. I would be remiss not to mention its subtle, chalky texture that reminds me of much pricier French Chablis

2018 Terra d'oro Chenin Blanc & Viognier Clarksburg, CA \$15 Charming, fragrant, and juicy, featuring orange blossom, apricot and lemon notes at the core, with a refreshing finish where an accent of candied ginger lingers. Chenin Blanc and Viognier. Drink now. **88 Points Wine Spectator**