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Platinum Award 100 Points

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| Tsillan Cellars Winery | 2021 Tsillan Cellars Bellissima Rossa | Columbia Valley | | 100 | Superb wine.. Rich, ripe red fruit. Supple notes of chocolate and leather. Perfect viscosity, long elegant clean finish. It's that good! |
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Best of the Best

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| Eberle Winery, Ltd. | 2021 Eberle Cotes-du-Robles | Paso Robles | | 97 | Black currant. Shows Grenache really nicely. Very well balanced. Really nice mouth-feel |
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Best of Show White Wine

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| Las Positas Vineyards | 2022 Las Positas Vineyards Verdelho | Livermore Valley | Estate | 98 | Lemon, kaffir lime, white peppercorn. |
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Best of Show Sparkling Wine

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| E&J Gallo Winery | NV Barefoot Bubbly Brut Rose | California | | 96 | Alluring nose, well balanced with lovely acidity, red delicious apple. |
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Best of Show Rosé Wine

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| Rodney Strong Wine Estates | 2022 Rodney Strong Vineyards Sonoma Coast Rosé of Pinot Noir | Sonoma Coast | | 97 | Rooibos tea, Dried cherry, intensive, wonderful balance and well structured. |
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Best of Show Red Wine

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| Eberle Winery, Ltd. | 2021 Eberle Cotes-du-Robles | Paso Robles | | 97 | Black currant. Shows Grenache really nicely. Very well balanced. Really nice mouth-feel |
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| Eberle Winery, Ltd. | 2021 Eberle Cotes-du-Robles | Paso Robles | | 97 | Black currant. Shows Grenache really nicely. Very well balanced. Really nice mouth-feel |
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Best of Show Dessert/Late Harvest

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| Navarro Vineyards | 2022 Navarro Vineyards Riesling Cluster Select Late Harvest | Anderson Valley | | 97 | Dried apricot, hints of lemon and bright acidity. Classic! |
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Best of Class

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| Annadel Estate Winery & Flower | 2019 Annadel Estate Winery Merlot | Sonoma Valley | Estate Grown Reserve | | 94 | Brawny notes, lingering finish, inviting nose, black berry, nice structure and balanced acid. |
| Arrington Vineyards | 2022 Arrington Vineyards Firefly Rose | Columbia Valley | | | 93 | Lovely salmon color. Rose petal on the palate. |
| Arrington Vineyards | 2022 Arrington Vineyards Stag's White | Washington | | | 92 | Notes of peach, tropical fruit and gooseberry. Very well made wine. |
| Arrington Vineyards | 2022 Arrington Vineyards Riesling | Columbia Valley | | | 92 | Lovely, fruity. Really nice long finish. Full and luscious. |
| Arrington Vineyards | 2021 Arrington Vineyards Syrah | Horse Heaven Hills | | | 98 | Gorgeous wine, beautiful nose, black & blue fruit, elegant inviting, deep dark, balanced tannins, stability. |
| Barra of Mendocino | 2021 Girasole Vineyards Girasole Vineyards Sangiovese | Mendocino County | Estate Grown | CCOF Certified , Vegan-friendly | 95 | Multi-dimnesional black fruit and red fruit, lively, expressive, heirloom tomato, spicy and balanced. |
| Breathless Wines | 2018 Breathless Sparkling Pinot Meunier | Sonoma County, Los Carneros | | | 96 | Very pretty. Opens up to a very balanced wine. Nice white cherry and berry notes |
| Brecon Estate | 2022 Brecon Estate True Acacia Head Albariño | Central Coast | | | 99 | Elusive mineral quality. Expertly balanced. Crisp, clean and elegant. Obviously an exceptional winemaker. |
| <u>Carol Shelton Wines</u> | 2021 Carol Shelton Wines Wild Thing Zin | Mendocino County | Old Vines | Organically grown | 92 | Lovely, fruity, ripe. |
| <u>Carol Shelton Wines</u> | 2022 Carol Shelton Wines Barbera d'Oakley | Contra Costa County | Old Vine | | 93 | Pretty fresh, crunchy red fruits. Vibrant |
| <u>Carol Shelton Wines</u> | 2022 Carol Shelton Wines Coquille Blanc | Paso Robles | | | 98 | Expertly blended, the whole surpasses to sum of parts. |

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| E&J Gallo Winery | NV Barefoot Bubbly Brut Rose | California | | 96 | Alluring nose, well balanced with lovely acidity, red delicious apple. |
| E&J Gallo Winery | 2021 Black Box Merlot | California | | 90 | Exhibits notes of deep fruit. Plums and ripe berries. The entry is pleasing and smooth. Hints of spice on the finish. A very well-balanced wine. |
| E&J Gallo Winery | NV Barefoot Cellars Cabernet Sauvignon | California | | 95 | Approachable Cabernet Sauvignon with notes of blue, black and red fruits. |
| E&J Gallo Winery | NV Barefoot Spritzer Pink Moscato Seltzer Can | American | | 94 | Lychee, mangosteen. Nice Asian influences like gummys. |
| E&J Gallo Winery | NV Barefoot Bubbly Moscato Spumante | California | | 97 | Classic nose. Tangerine, vibrant. Perfect for a summer afternoon garden party |
| Eberle Winery, Ltd. | 2021 Eberle Cotes-du-Robles | Paso Robles | | 97 | Black currant. Shows Grenache really nicely. Very well balanced. Really nice mouth-feel |
| Eberle Winery, Ltd. | 2022 Eberle Muscat Canelli | Paso Robles | Estate | 93 | Great honeysuckle. Lovely wine. Very well balanced. |
| Fallbrook Winery | 2022 Fallbrook Winery 33°N Falanghina | South Coast | | 97 | Tangerine, lemon grass, crisp and clean. |
| Halleck Vineyard | 2019 Halleck Vineyard Pinot Noir, The Farm Vineyard | Russian River Valley | Single Vineyard | 96 | Makes a statement; pomegranate and bing cherry. Nimble |
| Jeff Runquist Wines | 2021 Jeff Runquist Tempranillo SRR | Amador County, Sierra Foothills | Shake Ridge Ranch | 91 | |

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| Jeff Runquist Wines | 2021 Jeff Runquist Grenache TW | Paso Robles | Three Way Vineyard | 98 | Fabulous nose, structure, nice acid, juicy blueberry, makes you want a second glass. Blue fruit, stupendous, enlightening palate, enchanting, exciting. |
| Jeff Runquist Wines | 2022 Jeff Runquist Chardonnay | Los Carneros | Sisters Vineyard | 96 | Classic cool climate style, sweet tree fruit, lemon, pear, pretty nose, elegant finish. |
| Jeff Runquist Wines | 2021 Jeff Runquist Graciano | Paso Robles | Three Way Vineyard | 96 | Black cherry, black currant, pepper, ginger. |
| Jeff Runquist Wines | 2021 Jeff Runquist Malbec | El Dorado, Fair Play | Fiddlehead Vineyard | 96 | Pure mountain fruit flavors with notes of mineral. Licorice, and a long inky finish |
| Jeff Runquist Wines | 2021 Jeff Runquist Petite Sirah | Clarksburg | Salman Vineyard | 97 | Briar, earthy, allspice. Good integration of fruit. Big round delicious. |
| Jeff Runquist Wines | 2020 Jeff Runquist Reserve Petit Verdot | San Joaquin County | Reserve | 94 | Bright fruit, lovely varietal representation. |
| Las Positas Vineyards | 2022 Las Positas Vineyards Verdelho | Livermore Valley | Estate | 98 | Lemon, kaffir lime, white peppercorn. |
| Maan Farms Estate Winery | 2022 MAAN FARMS ESTATE WINERY Maan Farms Raspberry Table | British Columbia | | 95 | Tastes like a strawberry parfait. Nice long finish. |
| Mimosa Royale LLC | NV Mimosa Royale Watermelon | Napa Valley | | 93 | Jolly Rancher. Inviting nose and real watermelon. A burst of candied. fresh notes and acidity |
| Mimosa Royale LLC | NV Mimosa Royale Berry | Sonoma County | | 94 | A plethora of berries! Red and black fruit. Balanced well rounded mixture of acidity and freshness. |
| Monserate Winery | 2021 Monserate Vineyards and Winery 2021 Pompeii | San Diego County | Estate Grown, Produced and Bottled | 96 | Watermelon rind. Very subtle baking spice. Dry red berry. |

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| Moondance Cellars/Orchard Station Winery | 2019 Orchard Station Winery Chardonnay | Russian River Valley | Unoaked | | 95 | Mango; girth and strength; good weight, food wine |
| Navarro Vineyards | 2022 Navarro Vineyards Riesling Cluster Select Late Harvest | Anderson Valley | | | 97 | Dried apricot, hints of lemon and bright acidity. Classic! |
| Notre Vue Estate Wine Group | 2021 Balverne Pinot Noir | Russian River Valley | Grown, Produced and Bottled | Certified Sustainable | 98 | Flavorful! With multiple layers of fruit. Vibrant yet earthy. |
| <u>Oak Farm Vineyards</u> | 2021 Tievoli Red Blend | Lodi | | Certified Green/Sustainable under Lodi Rules | 95 | Luscious on the mouth, elegant lingering finish. |
| Raging Bull Vineyard | 2022 Raging Bull Vineyard The Pink Rose | Tehama County | Estate Grown, Produced and Bottled | Estate single vineyard | 91 | A pleasant surprise, a syrah based port...who knew. |
| River Road Family Vineyards and Winery | 2022 Ron Rubin Ron Rubin Chardonnay | Russian River Valley | | Certified B Corporation | 97 | Classic, reliable, wet stones, Ca. style, tree fruit, very satisfying. |
| Rodney Strong Wine Estates | 2021 Rodney Strong Vineyards Sonoma County Red Blend | Sonoma County | | | 98 | Balanced, luscious, blueberry, savory, cedar, white spice, gorgeous tannins. |
| Rodney Strong Wine Estates | 2022 Rodney Strong Vineyards Sonoma Coast Rosé of Pinot Noir | Sonoma Coast | | | 97 | Rooibos tea, Dried cherry, intensive, wonderful balance and well structured. |
| Rodney Strong Wine Estates | 2022 Rodney Strong Vineyards "Charlotte's Home" Sauvignon Blanc | Sonoma County | | | 93 | New Zealand style. Big mouth feel, Fruit forward nose. Crisp and clean. |
| Sean Minor Wines | 2020 Sean Minor Cabernet Sauvignon, Signature Series | North Coast | | | 96 | Notes of Tarragon. will age to perfection. Oak well integrated |
| Silver Mountain Vineyards | 2013 Silver Mountain Vineyards Alloy | Santa Cruz Mountains | | | 99 | Baked red fruit, cherry and leather. Seamless blend of acid and tannins. Timeless. Astonishing; jaw dropping; youthfulness. Dorian Gray of Bordeaux blends. |

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| Soda Rock Winery | 2021 Soda Rock Sauvignon | Spur Hill Cabernet | Alexander Valley | | 98 | Killer, Sarsaparilla, cola, lush big mouth, lip-smacking. Herbal tea and boysenberry |
| Soda Rock Winery | 2021 Soda Rock Primitivo | Los Amigos | Chalk Hill | | 92 | Camphor, Oil cured olive, dark red berries. |
| Stanton Vineyards | 2019 Stanton Vineyards Sauvignon | Cabernet | Oakville | Reserve | 95 | Up front fruit and earth. Great viscosity. Long finish |
| Trecini Winery | 2022 Trecini GRENACHE BLANC | | Rockpile | Barrel Fermented | 97 | Crisp Asian pear, beautifully tart. |
| Trecini Winery | 2022 Trecini Pinot Noir | | Russian River Valley | | 95 | Nice fruit, gentle. Neutral oak with earthy undertones. Big mid palate |
| Tsillan Cellars Winery | 2021 Tsillan Cellars Rossa | Bellissima | Columbia Valley | | 100 | Superb wine.. Rich, ripe red fruit. Supple notes of chocolate and leather. Perfect viscosity, long elegant clean finish. It's that good! |
| Tsillan Cellars Winery | 2022 Tsillan Cellars Dolce Donna | | Columbia Valley | 100% stainless steel aged | 94 | The nose! Balanced, inviting. Floral and pretty kiwi. Perfumed and expressive |
| Tsillan Cellars Winery | 2022 Tsillan Cellars Estate Gewürztraminer | | Lake Chelan | Estate Grown and Produced | 90 | Broad palate. Full mouth. Floral. White peach fruit |
| Tsillan Cellars Winery | 2022 Tsillan Cellars Estate Viognier | | Lake Chelan | Estate Grown and Produced | 92 | Stone fruit. Apricot. Bright acid. |
| Tsillan Cellars Winery | 2021 Tsillan Cellars Estate Cabernet Franc | | Lake Chelan | Estate Grown and Produced | 96 | Rich varietal fruit, well integrated, nice meshing of fruit & oak. |
| Tsillan Cellars Winery | 2021 Tsillan Cellars Estate Sangiovese | | Lake Chelan | Estate Grown and Produced | 96 | Toasty, nice barrel, great use of wood. Softer more like the Italian style, warm spices. |
| Turkovich Family Wines | 2021 Turkovich Family Wines Roussanne | | Yolo County | | 97 | |

Best Canned Wine

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| Mimosa Royale LLC | NV Mimosa Royale Watermelon | Napa Valley | 93 | Jolly Rancher. Inviting nose and real watermelon. A burst of candied. fresh notes and acidity |
| Best Boxed Wine | | | | |
| E&J Gallo Winery | 2021 Black Box Merlot | California | 90 | Exhibits notes of deep fruit. Plums and ripe berries. The entry is pleasing and smooth. Hints of spice on the finish. A very well-balanced wine. |