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## Why is limestone such an important terroir?

Some exalt limestone as the finest wine-producing soil in the world and, indeed, it is found in many famous regions. It forms from the decomposed bodies of mollusks, fish, and other organic material that once lived in ancient seabeds and reefs. Limestone offers beneficial nutrients to grapes that make them grow better and produce sweeter grapes. It's special because it retains moisture in dry weather, but also offers good drainage in cool weather.

## NEW ZEALAND MAINLAND CHEDDAR

### Did you know there are more cows than people in New Zealand?

COW'S MILK – PASTUERIZED

\$7.99 for 6oz Slice

A 12 month aged cheddar with a sharp flavor and firm texture. Good things take time. Grass fed. New Zealand. Given the end result. Up to 12 months ageing seems like no time at all!

Made with rBST-free milk from grass fed cows.

## EXPLORER CLUB

### DE WETSHOLF LIMESTONE HILL CHARDONNAY

VINTAGE 2020

ROBERTSON, (CAPE) SOUTH AFRICA,



Heavy clay soils rich in limestone allow this Chardonnay to emit optimum varietal expression in a cloak of rich complexity. An un-wooded wine, Limestone Hill has notes of grapefruit and nuts, with the complexity balanced by a nuanced elegance ending with a delicate ripeness.

The American critic Robert Parker describes this wine as such: "The De Wetshof Estate Limestone Hill Chardonnay never sees oak, and offers impeccably pure, refreshing apple, peach and lemon fruit, a lovely leesy richness of texture, and a nutty, chalky, fruit-filled finish of imposing length. Understated and less tropical than some of the better un-oaked Chardonnays, this wine possesses far better balance and sheer drinkability – not to mention more finesse – than 99% of the world's Chardonnay I have experienced." **\$22.99**

## CAN FEIXES

VINTAGE 2018

PENEDES, CATALONIA, SPAIN



70% Tempranillo and 30% Merlot from selected fruit-forward lots, aged six months in used French and American oak. Juicy yet mineral with hints of tobacco, and a lingering fresh plum and cherry finish. The historic Can Feixes estate is situated on gravelly slopes above the 400-meter level in an amphitheater at the tree line near the famous Montserrat pinnacle, which forms Penedés northern boundary. The farthest Penedés vineyard from the Mediterranean, temperature variation here is more Continental in its extremes, the drier climate more conducive to grape health. **\$18.99**

## ADVENTURER CLUB

### CANTELE TERESA MANARA

VINTAGE 2016

SALENTO, PUGLIA, ITALY



Located in the heel of the Italian boot from picturesque Salento comes a grape you may have never had before: Negroamaro. A red wine that grows in abundance in Puglia but almost nowhere else; producing wines with rich black fruit flavors (blackberry, black plum) with a distinct finish of dried

thyme. **\$37.99**



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## DOMAINE DU CAYRON GIGONDAS

VINTAGE 2017

GIGONDAS, RHÔNE, FRANCE



Grenache, Syrah, Cinsault, and Mourvedre make up this classic and hearty Rhone blend.

The family makes only one wine and this is it! Gigondas is tiny hilltop village with most of the wineries carved in tiny spaces that are also part of the winemakers' homes. This wine express rustic flavors and aromas of wild blackberry, raspberry, fig, plum, as well as juniper, dried herbs, anise, smoke and river rock. It's bold but balanced, and finish with impressively sexy and velvety tannins. **\$45**