

BEST BUYS

DOMESTIC ROSE / BLUSH / PINK / VIN GRIS

“Rosé” is the French term for wine made from red grapes that have had only a brief contact with the skins (the color of red wine comes from the skins). Rose is also made by the saignée method in which a portion of red must (the juice that is still fermenting) is bled off before the red color develops beyond the initial pink color. Rose is made in some countries by blending red and white wines, but this is outlawed in France except for Champagne. “Rose” is synonymous with “Rosado” in Portuguese and Spanish and “Rosato” in Italian. “Blush” is a term created in the U.S. to help market cheaper and sweeter Roses. “Pink” is another marketing term that has no specific meaning. “Vin Gris” literally is “grey wine”, white wine made from red grapes, usually Pinot Noir or Rhone blends. Beware that the cheaper rose wines may be sweet.

COSTCO 555 warehouse stores in North America

World’s largest retailer of wines per Wikipedia, but TESCO and LCBO disagree

87 \$11+ Francis Coppola Sofia Rose Monterey Co CA 12 (33%Syrah-35%PinotNoir-10%Grenache). \$10.47 TW&M. \$11.79 Costco. \$14 Safeway, \$15 Sh-L. \$16 wine.com/WhFoods. \$19 MSRP. \$12-\$19 wine-searcher. Silver IWSC, LA 13. “A very versatile summertime wine find” About.com. “Perfect companion to a summertime picnic” GilbertSpillsIt.com.

COST PLUS – WORLD MARKET (10% discount on any 4 bottles)

260 stores in 30 states, owned by Bed, Bath & Beyond

86+ \$10 Toad Hollow Dry Rose of Pinot Noir Eye of the Toad Sonoma Co CA 09. \$10 Cost+. \$11 wine-searcher. \$13 MSRP. Best Buy WE 86. WBB 87 & 85. Silver SFC 11.

88+ \$15 Francis Coppola Sofia Rose Monterey Co CA 2011 (80%Syrah-20%Grenache). \$11.79 Costco. \$15 Cost+/wine.com. \$16 B&M. \$19 MSRP. WS 89. CostcoWineBlog.com 87. Gold SFC 13. Gold SFI 12. Silver LA 12.

TRADER JOES (TrJ) 367 stores in 31 states (largest wine retailer in CA)

84 \$2+ Charles Shaw (“Two Buck Chuck”) White Zinfandel CA 12. \$2.49 TrJ. Gold Orange Co 13. **WBB 83** (Not a Best Buy, but we tasted it as a benchmark). “At three bucks, I would certainly buy this wine” FatWallet.com/blog. (General Note: CellarTracker has 1009 user reviews of Charles Shaw wines averaging 79.1, which would be equivalent to “undrinkable” on our scale).

86 \$6 Robert Hall Rose de Robles Paso Robles CA 12 (43%Syrah-28%Grenache-23%Mourvedre-4%Cinsault-2%Counoise). \$6 TrJ. \$14 MSRP. \$11-\$16 wine-searcher. CellarTracker 87.2 (5 ratings).WBB 85. Wine of the Week 7/5/13 DallasNews.com.

85 \$8 VINTJS (Reluctant Wine Co) Pinot Noir Rose Arroyo Grande Va CA12. \$8 TrJ. WBB 85. Not a Best Buy, but we tasted it as a benchmark.

SAFEWAY (10% discount on any six bottles)

2nd largest supermarket chain, over 1700 stores in western and central U.S.

86 \$4 Sutter Home White Zinfandel The Original CA 11. \$4 Safeway/TW&M. \$5 TW&M. \$6 MSRP. \$7 wine.com. \$5-\$8 wine-searcher. CellarTracker 85 (1 rating). Gold SFC 12. Silver LA, SFI 12.

87 \$4 Beringer White Merlot CA 12. \$4 Safeway/TW&M. \$5.49-\$6 wine-searcher. LA 94. **WBB 85**. Gold Best of Class LA 13. Bronze SFI 13.

“Could be your new favorite everyday wine” WorkOutBeMerry.com. “Wine of the Week. I love this wine. I’ll definitely be buying it again and again this summer” MadeInSonoma.com. “Smart Rating” FindThe Best.com.

88+ \$10 Charles & Charles Rose Columbia Valley WA 12 (screw cap; 81%Syrah-16%Mourvedre-2%Cinsault-1%Grenache). \$10 Safeway. \$11 wine.com/JJB. \$12 B&M/WhFoods. \$9-\$15 wine-searcher. “Best Value” WS 88. Wine.com 3 stars (1 review). “Everything you want in a Rose” ReverseWineSnob.com. “This is what U.S. rose should aspire to” WineCurmudgeon.com. (2011 vintage: WS 90 #42 Top 100 of 2012). **HOT BUY.**

87 \$14 Francis Coppola Sofia Rose Monterey Co CA 12 (33%Syrah-35%PinotNoir-10%Grenache). \$11.79 Costco. \$14 Safeway, \$16 wine.com. \$19 MSRP. \$12-\$19 wine-searcher. Silver IWSC, LA 13. “Perfect companion to a summertime picnic” GilbertSpillsIt.com.

TOTAL WINE & MORE (TW&M)

80 stores in WA, CA, AZ, NV, TX, NJ, DL, ML, VA, GA, NC, SC, FL

86 \$3+ Gallo Family White Zinfandel CA nv (blush). \$6/1.5L TW&M. \$7/1.5L B&M/Rite Aid. \$5 MSRP. \$4-\$8 wine-searcher. Gold SFC 12. Bronze SFC 13. Snooth.com 3.5 stars.

87 \$4 Beringer White Merlot CA 12. \$4 Safeway/TW&M. \$5.49-\$6 wine-searcher. LA 94. **WBB 85.** Gold Best of Class LA 13. Bronze SFI 13. “Beringer Vineyards White Merlot could be your new favorite everyday wine” WorkOutBeMerry.com. “Wine of the Week. I love this wine. I’ll definitely be buying it again and again this summer” MadeInSonoma.com. “Smart Rating” FindThe Best.com.

86 \$4 Sutter Home White Zinfandel The Original CA 11. \$4 Safeway/TW&M. \$6 MSRP. \$7 wine.com. \$5-\$8 wine-searcher. CellarTracker 85 (1 rating). Gold SFC 12. Silver LA, SFI 12.

86 \$4+ Barefoot White Zinfandel CA nv (med-sweet 3.1%rs). \$4.47 TW&M. \$7 MSRP. BTI 85 & 88. CA 88. Silver SFC 12 & 13.

87 \$5 Sutter Home White Merlot CA 11 (sweet 4.1%rs). \$5 TW&M. \$6 MSRP. \$4.49-\$7.49 wine-searcher. Gold LA, Orange, SFC 13. Chairman’s Best of Class LB 13. Silver SFI 13. Bronze SFI 12. Bronze DA 13.

87 \$5 Forest Glen Forest Fire White Merlot CA 12 (1%Rubired). \$5 TW&M. \$6-\$11 wine-searcher. Double Gold Best New World Rose NW 13. Silver LA 13. Bronze SFI 13.

87 \$9 Francis Coppola Presents Moscato Rosso & Bianco CA 10 (sweet; screw cap). \$13/2 btl B&M 5¢ sale. \$9 TW&M (Norwalk, CN). Silver LA 13. Silver LA, SFC 12

86 \$9 Toad Hollow Eye of the Toad Dry Rose of Pinot Noir Sonoma Co CA 12 (screw cap). \$9 TW&M. \$11 Andys. \$13 wine.com. \$12 MSRP. \$9-\$13 wine-searcher. WE 86. Wine-searcher 86.

87+ \$9 Cline Mourvedre Rose Ancient Vines Contra Costa CA 12. \$9 TW&M. \$11.20 MSRP. \$7-\$14 wine-searcher. WS 88. “Such a good value” TheGoodWineGuru.com. “B+” DrinkHacker.com.

87 \$10+ Francis Coppola Sofia Rose Monterey Co CA 12 (33%Syrah-35%PinotNoir-10%Grenache). \$10.47 TW&M. \$11.79 Costco. \$14 Safeway, \$16 wine.com. \$19 MSRP. \$12-\$19 wine-searcher. Silver IWSC, LA 13. “Perfect companion to a summertime picnic” GilbertSpillsIt.com.

87 \$13 Skinnygirl (Winery Exchange) The Wine Collection CA 11 (sl sweet; Grenache-Syrah; 100 calories per 5oz glass). \$12 B&M. \$13 TW&M. \$15 MSRP. \$13-\$18 wine-searcher. Gold Critics Challenge 12. Bronze LA 13 & 12. Bronze DA, SFI 12.

88+ \$16 Belle Glos Pinot Noir Blanc Oeil de Perdrix Yotkville Highlands CA 10. \$16 TW&M. C\$26 BCLS, LCBO, SAQ (Quebec). \$15-\$20 wine-searcher. CellarTracker 88.8 (6 ratings). “An amazing find” KNCarusso.wordpress.com.

89 \$18 Beckmen Grenache Rose Purisma Mountain Vd Santa Ynez Valley CA 10. \$17 K&L. \$18 TW&M. \$20 MSRP. GdP 89. CellarTracker 89.3 (12 ratings).

BEVERAGES & MORE BevMo (B&M) 130 stores in CA and NV

- 86 \$3± Gallo Family White Zinfandel CA nv (blush).** \$6/1.5L TW&M. \$7/1.5L B&M/Rite Aid. \$5 MSRP. \$4-\$8 wine-searcher. Gold SFC 12. Bronze SFC 13. Snooth.com 3.5 stars.
- 86 \$5 Sutter Home White Zinfandel CA 2010 (blus; 9.5% alc).** \$5 B&M/MSRP. \$9/1.5ml B&M. \$7 Sh-L/Rite Aid. CellarTracker 84 (6 ratings). Gold SFC 12. Silver SD 12. Bronze IWSC, LA, SFI 12. Bronze SFI 11.
- 86 \$5 Sutter Home Pink Moscato CA nv (blush; 10.1% alc; sweet).** \$5 B&M. WW 88. Silver LA 13. Snooth.com 3.5 stars (79 reviews). Recommended wine.about.com
- 85 \$5± Beringer White Zinfandel CA 08 (sweet; low alc).** \$10/1.5L B&M. CellarTracker 81.7 (19 ratings). Gold SFC 10. Silver LA 10. Bronze LA 09. Snooth.com 2.5 stars. “America’s favorite White Zinfandel” from the Beringer label. Not a Best Buy, but we included as a benchmark.
- 87 \$6+ Francis Coppola Presents Moscato Rosso & Bianco CA 10 (sweet; blush; screw cap).** \$13/2 btls B&M 5¢ sale. \$9 TW&M (Norwalk, CN). Silver LA 13. Silver LA, SFC 12
- 88+ \$12 Charles & Charles Rose Columbia Valley WA 12 (screw cap; 81%Syrah-16%Mourvedre-2%Cinsault-1%Grenache).** \$10 Safeway. \$11 wine.com/JJB. \$12 B&M/WhFoods. \$9-\$15 wine-searcher. “Best Value” WS 88. Wine.com 3 stars (1 review). “Eveything you want in a Rose” ReverseWineSnob.com. “This is what U.S. rose should aspire to” WineCurmudgeon.com. (2011 vintage: WS 90 #42 Top 100 of 2012). **HOT BUY.**
- 87 \$12 Skinnygirl (Winery Exchange) The Wine Collection CA 11 (sl sweet; Grenache-Syrah; 100 calories per 5oz glass).** \$12 B&M. \$13 TW&M. \$15 MSRP. \$13-\$18 wine-searcher. Gold Critics Challenge 12. Bronze LA 13 & 12. Bronze DA, SFI 12.
- 88 \$13 Barnard Griffin Rose of Sangiovese Columbia Va WA 2012 (dry).** \$13 B&M. \$8.49-\$15 wine-searcher. RP 86. WW 92. “Best Rose” Great Northwest Wine Competition 13. Silver SFC 13. Recommended SeattleMag.com 3/15/13. “Outstanding” Wine Press Northwest magazine. **HOT BUY.**
- 88+ \$14 Bonny Doon Vin Gris de Cigare Central Coast CA 11 (73%Grenache-10%Mourvedre-8%GrenacheBlanc-5%Roussanne-4%Cinsault).** \$14 K&L. \$13-\$20 wine-searcher. ST 89. WS 89. CellarTracker 88.4 (20 ratings). Bronze SFI 12. “Highly Recommended” EnofylaWineBlog.com. **HOT BUY.**
- 86 \$14 Curtis Heritage Rose Santa Barbara Co CA 2012 (dry Rhone-style; 38%Grenache-32%Mourvedre-27%Syrah-27%Cinsault).** \$14 B&M. \$16-\$19 wine-searcher. WW 89. Snooth.com 4 stars (1 review). Vinopedia.com 4 stars (1 review).
- 86 \$15 Balletto Rose of Pinot Noir Russian River Va CA 2012 (dry).** \$15 B&M. \$18 MSRP. WE 85. W&S 84. WS 80. Double Gold Monterey 12. Listed by DirectionsForMe.org. Mixed reviews, but they consistly produce good Pinot Noir, so worth a try.
- 88+ \$16 Francis Coppola Sofia Rose Monterey Co CA 2011 (80%Syrah-20%Grenache).** \$12.79 Costco (verify). \$15 Cost+/wine.com. \$16 B&M. \$19 MSRP. WS 89. CostcoWineBlog.com 87. Gold SFC 13. Gold SFI 12. Silver LA 12. “A very versatile summertime wine find” About.com.

THE WINE CLUB largest wine merchant west of the Mississippi, per web site

No Best Buys available.

K&L San Francisco, Redwood City and Los Angeles **“Best wine web site in the US” *The Wall Street Journal***

- ?? \$13 Chasseur Vin Gris of Pinot Noir Vrai Cote Sonoma Coast CA 12.** \$13 K&L \$15 MSRP. CellarTracker 93 (1 rating). Uvinum.co.uk 3 stars. Not enough ratingsto warrant a consensus rating, but this winery does produce consistently good Pinot Noir.

- 88 \$14 La Fenetre Pinot Noir Rose A Cote Santa Barbara Co CA 12 (100% Pinot Noir saignee method).** \$14 K&L. \$15 MSRP. IWR 88. IWR 88. Wine of the Week LA Times 5/25/13. "A wine to try...elegant and crisp" GazetteNet.com (Daily Hampshire Gazette).
- 90 \$15 Sanglier Rose du Tusque Sonoma Co CA 11 (Grenache-Mourvedre-Carignana).** \$15 K&L. \$16 MSRP. Editor's Choice WE 91. WS 87. CellarTracker 90.5 (2 ratings). "A bold, delicious Rose" WineAndFood.com. **HOT BUY.**
- 88 \$16 Kokoma Grenache Rose Pauline's Vd Dry Creek Valley CA 12.** \$16 K&L (found only at K&L). \$22 MSRP. WS 89. WE 84. JamesTheWineGuy on youtube.com 91. "A dry, strawberry-delicious Rose" PressDemocrat.com
- 88+ \$16 Samsara Grenache de Rose Santa Ynez Va CA 11.** \$16 K&L. \$18 MSRP. \$16-\$22 wine-searcher. "...very flavorful, big Rose" IWR 88. CellarTracker 89 (1 rating). The Rhone Report 89. VinCellar.vinfo.com 89.
- 88+ \$16 Ojai Rose Santa Barbara Co CA 12 (71%Syrah-23%Grenache-3%Chardonnay-1.5%Viognier-1.5%Riesling; whole cluster pressed).** \$16 K&L. \$20 MSRP at release; now on sale at the Winery for \$15. \$15-\$23 wine-searcher. IWR 90. CellarTracker 88 (7 ratings).
- 88+ \$17 Lucia (Pisoni) Lucy Rose of Pinot Noir Santa Lucia Highlands CA 12.** \$16 JJB. \$17 K&L. \$18 MSRP. \$15-\$22 wine-searcher. WS 89. "Rose of the Week" 4/30/13 WineFoodExplorer.com.
- 88 \$17 Beckmen Grenache Rose Purisima Mountain Vd Santa Ynez Valley CA 12 (82%Grenache-Syrah-Mourvedre-Counoise).** \$17 K&L. \$20 MSRP. \$17-\$20 wine-searcher. IWR 90. "Very nice, every year" ChowHound.chow.com.
- ?? \$19 Fort Rose Rose Pinot Noir Sonoma Coast CA 12 (dry; saignee method; 100% Pinot Noir).** \$19 K&L/Andys. \$24 MSRP. \$20-\$28 wine-searcher. JS 90. Not enough info to rate this wine, but it looks interesting.
- 90 \$20 Bedrock Ode to Lulu CA 12 (Mouvedre-some Carignana; whole cluster pressed).** \$20 K&L. \$20-\$28 wine-searcher. CellarTracker 90 (71 ratings). "Wine of the Week" EnofylzWineBlog.com 2/3/13. "A true pleasure to drink" WineBryx.com. (2011 vintage: CellarTracker 89.8 average of 180 ratings; 2010 vintage: 89.5 average of 143 ratings). **HOT BUY.**
- 88 \$20 Unti Vds Rose Dry Creek Valley CA 11 (dry Provencal-style; 78%Grenache-22%Mourvedre).** \$20 K&L. \$22 MSRP. CellarTracker 90.2 (19 ratings). Wine-Searcher 90. W&S Not Recommended. "Better then last year" BriteMarket.com.
- 89+ \$20 Tablas Creek Patelin de Tablas Rose Paso Robles CA 12 (screw cap; 14.0%alc; Provencal-style blend: 75%Grenache-20%Mourvedre-5%Counoise).** \$20 K&L/wine.com. \$17-\$21 wine-searcher. "Smart Buy...zesty yet delicate" WS 90. "A perfect summer quaffer" RP 89. CellarTracker 89.8 (7 ratings).
- 91 \$23 Arnot-Roberts Rose Lake Co CA 12 (whole cluster pressed; 24 hrs skin contact: 80%ToutigaNacional-20\$TintaCao).** \$22 Zachys. \$23 K&L. \$21-\$38 wine-searcher. ST 91. CellarTracker 90.8 (45 ratings). "One particularly unusual American-made example has captured our attention...be sure to get your hands on a bottle while this Rose is still in bloom" TastingTable.com. **HOT BUY.**
- 88 \$24 Cep (Peay Vds) Rose Russian River Va CA 11 (100% Pinot Noir).** \$24 K&L. \$28 wine-searcher. ST 90. CellarTracker 87.6 (24 ratings).
- 89+ \$27 Robert Sinskey Vin Gris of Pinot Noir Los Carneros CA 12 (100%PinotNoir; certified organic and biodynamic).** \$27 K&L. \$33 Astor. \$27-\$37 wine-searcher. CellarTracker 89.6 (16 ratings). Wine-searcher 89. "Elegant...complex...\$30 was never better spent" PiganVine.com. "Many have called Sinskey's Vin Gris a cult wine because it has a dedicated following of admirers like me" Sharla Blanz in New Jersey Monthly njmonthly.com.

WINE.COM Online and retail outlet in Berkeley, CA

- 86 \$7 Sutter Home White Zinfandel The Original CA 11.** \$4 Safeway. \$5 TW&M. \$6 MSRP. \$7 wine.com. \$5-\$8 wine-searcher. CellarTracker 85 (1 rating). Gold SFC 12. Silver LA, SFI 12.
- 88+ \$11 Charles & Charles Rose Columbia Valley WA 12 (screw cap; 81%Syrah-16%Mourvedre-2%Cinsault-1%Grenache).** \$11 wine.com/JJB. \$12 B&M. \$9-\$15 wine-searcher. "Best Value" WS 88. Wine.com 3 stars (1 review). "Everything you want in a Rose" ReverseWineSnob.com. "This is what U.S. rose should aspire to" WineCummudgeon.com. (2011 vintage: WS 90 #42 Top 100 of 2012). **HOT BUY.**

- 86 \$11 Menage a Trois (Folie a Deux) Rose CA 11.** \$11 wine.com. C\$17.38 LCBO. \$8-\$13 wine-searcher. Silver SFC 13. CellarTracker 84 (5 ratings). Snooth.com 3 stars (2 reviews). "The epitome of good Rose" CellarWineClub.com.
- 86 \$13 Toad Hollow Eye of the Toad Dry Rose of Pinot Noir Sonoma Co CA 12 (screw cap).** \$11 Andys. \$13 wine.com. \$12 MSRP. \$9-\$13 wine-searcher. WE 86. Wine-seracher 86.
- 88+ \$15 Francis Coppola Sofia Rose Monterey Co CA 2011 (80%Syrah-20%Grenache).** \$15 Cost+/wine.com. \$16 B&M. \$19 MSRP. WS 89. CostcoWineBlog.com 87. Gold SFC 13. Gold SFI 12. Silver LA 12. "A very versatile summertime wine find" About.com.
- 87 \$16 Francis Coppola Sofia Rose Monterey Co CA 12 (33%Syrah-35%PinotNoir-10%Grenache).** \$11.79 Costco. \$14 Safeway. \$16 wine.com. \$19 MSRP. \$12-\$19 wine-searcher. Silver IWSC, LA 13. "Perfect companion to a summertime picnic" GilbertSpillsIt.com.
- 88 \$16 Bonny Doon Vin Gris de Cigare Central Coast CA 12 (screw cap; 62%Grenache-17%Mourvedre-9%Rousanne-6%GrenacheBlanc-6%Cinsault).** \$16 wine.com/Astor/MSRP. C\$22.75 SAQ (Quebec). \$12-\$40 wine-searcher. "Wine of the Week" EnofylzWineBlog.com 89. CellarTracker 87.6 (11 ratings).
- 89+ \$20 Tablas Creek Patelin de Tablas Rose Paso Robles CA 12 (screw cap; 14.0%alc; Provencal-style blend: 75%Grenache-20%Mourvedre-5%Counoise).** \$20 K&L/wine.com. \$17-\$21 wine-searcher. "Smart Buy...zesty yet delicate" WS 90. "A perfect summer quaffer" RP 89. CellarTracker 89.8 (7 ratings).
- 88+ \$20 Pink Girl Rose of Syrah Napa Valley CA 12.** \$20 wine.com. \$18-\$20 wine-searcher. LA 91. Gold Best of Class LA 13. Recommended NormanRoseNapa.com.
- 88 \$20 J Vds Vin Gris Russian River Valley CA 12 (dry 0.05%rs).** \$ 20 wine.com/MSRP (found only at wine.com and Wy). CGV 90. Wine-searcher 87.
- 88± \$22 Merryvale Starmont Rose CA 12.** \$19 MSRP. \$22 wine.com. \$15-\$22 wine-searcher. Gold SFC 13. Silver FLakes 13.

J J BUCKLEY - online and pick-up in Oakland, CA

- 88+ \$11 Charles & Charles Rose Columbia Valley WA 12 (screw cap; 81%Syrah-16%Mourvedre-2%Cinsault-1%Grenache).** \$10 Safeway. \$11 wine.com/JJB. \$12 B&M. \$9-\$15 wine-searcher. "Best Value" WS 88. Wine.com 3 stars (1 review). "Eveything you want in a Rose" ReverseWineSnob.com. "This is what U.S. rose should aspire to" WineCurmudgeon.com. (2011 vintage: WS 90 #42 Top 100 of 2012). **HOT BUY.**
- 88+ \$16 Lucia (Pisoni) Lucy Rose of Pinot Noir Santa Lucia Highlands CA 12.** \$16 JJB. \$17 K&L. \$18 MSRP. \$15-\$22 wine-searcher. WS 89. "Rose of the Week" 4/30/13 WineFoodExplorer.com.
- 89 \$17 Margerum Riviera Rose San Luis Obispo CA 11 (screw cap; off-dry; Grenache blended with saignee of Grenache-Counoise-Cinsault).** \$17 JJB. \$21 MSRP. \$15-\$21 wine-searcher. WS 88. EnofylzBlog.com 91. Recommended "Think Pink – a bumper crop of rose this year" Jon Bonne SFCh 5/16/13.

WHOLE FOODS ("Whole Paycheck") over 300 stores in 38 states, 6 in Canada No. 5 in Top 25 Green Power Partners by U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

- 88+ \$12 Charles & Charles Rose Columbia Valley WA 12 (screw cap; 81%Syrah-16%Mourvedre-2%Cinsault-1%Grenache).** \$10 Safeway. \$11 wine.com/JJB. \$12 B&M/WhFoods. \$9-\$15 wine-searcher. "Best Value" WS 88. Wine.com 3 stars (1 review). "Eveything you want in a Rose" ReverseWineSnob.com. "This is what U.S. rose should aspire to" WineCurmudgeon.com. (2011 vintage: WS 90 #42 Top 100 of 2012). **HOT BUY.**
- 89+ \$16 Birinchino Vin Gris CA 12 (dry; screw cap; 57%Grenache-23%Cinsault-13%Mourvedre-7%Rolle).** \$16 WhFoods/Astor. \$16-\$20 wine-

searcher. WE 89. **WBB 88**. CellarTracker 92 (2 ratings). Vivino.com 4 stars average of 3 ratings. [2011 vintage: "Best Buy" WE 91; CellarTracker 88 (3 ratings)].

87 \$16 Francis Coppola Sofia Rose Monterey Co CA 12 (33%Syrah-35%PinotNoir-10%Grenache). \$10.47 TW&M. \$11.79 Costco. \$14 Safeway, \$15 Sh-L. \$16 wine.com/WhFoods. \$19 MSRP. \$12-\$19 wine-searcher. Silver IWSC, LA 13. "Perfect companion to a summertime picnic" GilbertSpillsIt.com.

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ZACHYS, Scarsdale, NY

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91 \$22 Arnot-Roberts Rose Lake Co CA 12 (whole cluster pressed; 24 hrs skin contact; 80%TouitigaNacional-20\$TintaCao) . \$22 Zachys. \$23 K&L. \$21-\$38 wine-searcher. ST 91. CellarTracker 90.8 (45 ratings). "One particularly unusual American-made example has captured our attention...be sure to get your hands on a bottle while this Rose is still in bloom" TastingTable.com. **HOT BUY.**

SHERRY-LEHMANN, New York City

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86 \$10 Beringer White Zinfandel CA 2011 (med-sweet 3.4%rs). \$9 Astor. \$10 Sh-L. CellarTracker 85 (6 ratings). Bronze LA 13. "A good summer sipper" HonestWineReviews.com.

ASTOR, New York City

86 \$9 Beringer White Zinfandel Napa Co CA 2011 (med-sweet 3.4%rs). \$9 Astor. \$10 Sh-L. CellarTracker 85 (6 ratings). Bronze LA 13. "A good summer sipper" HonestWineReviews.com.

89+ \$16 Birinchino Vin Gris Central Coast CA 12 (dry; screw cap; 57%Grenache-23%Cinsault-13%Mourvedre-7%Rolle). \$16 WhFoods/Astor. \$16-\$20 wine-searcher. WE 89. CellarTracker 92 (2 ratings). Vivino.com 4 stars average of 3 ratings. [2011 vintage: "Best Buy" WE 91; CellarTracker 88 (3 ratings)].

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86 \$5± Beringer "America's Favorite" White Zinfandel CA 11 (sl sweet). \$9/1.5L Rite Aid. CellarTracker 85 (5 ratings). Bronze SFI 10. "Good summer sipper" HonestWineReviews.com.

86 \$7 Sutter Home White Zinfandel CA 2010 (blus; 9.5% alc). \$5 B&M/MSRP. \$9/1.5ml B&M. \$7 Sh-L/Rite Aid. CellarTracker 84 (6 ratings). Gold SFC 12. Silver SD 12. Bronze IWSC, LA, SFI 12. Bronze SFI 11.

ANDYS Loch Lomond, San Rafael, CA - Our local Supermarket.

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?? \$19 Fort Rose Rose Pinot Noir Sonoma Coast CA 12 (dry; saignee method; 100% Pinot Noir). \$19 K&L/Andys. \$24 MSRP. \$20-\$28 wine-searcher. JS 90. Not enough info to rate this wine, but it did get one very good rating.

Legend and Abbreviations

AG=Anthony Gismondi, Vancouver, Canada; AWS=American Wine Society Wine Competition; BCLS=British Columbia Liquor Stores, Canada; B&M=BevMo Beverages & More; BTI=Beverage Testing Institute, Chicago, IL; CA=California State Fair Wine Competition; CG=Connoisseurs Guide; CGV=California Grapevine; DA=Dallas Int'l Wine Competition; East=Int'l Eastern Wine Competition; CT=cellartracker.com; FLakes=Finger Lakes Wine Competition; FTLOP=ForTheLoveOfPort.com; HH=Hilton Head Int'l Wine Competition; Indy=Indiana Int'l Wine Competition; IWC=Int'l Wine Challenge, UK (world's largest wine competition); IWR=Int'l Wine Review; JG=Jamie Goode, WineAnorak.com (UK); JJB=JJ Buckley (online and retail in Oakland, CA); JS=James Suchling, formerly of Wine Spectator; LB=Long Beach Wine Competition; LCBO=Liquor Control Board of Ontario, Canada; Lodi=Lodi Wine Competition; Ludwig's, San Rafael, CA; MRSP=Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Price (price at the winery); NM=Natalie MacLean, Ontario, Canada; NW=New World Int'l Wine Competition; NY=New York Int'l Wine Competition; PR=Pacific Rim Int'l Wine Competition; RP=Robert Parker (Wine Advocate); RS=Riverside Wine Competition; SD=San Diego Wine Competition; SFC=San Francisco Chronicle Wine Competition. SFI=San Francisco Int'l Wine Competition; Sh-L=Sherry-Lehmann Wines & Spirits, NY, NY; SN=Sonoma Harvest Fair Wine Competition; ST=Stephen Tanzer; SWJ=Sonoma Wine Journal; TA=TonyAspler.com (Toronto, Canada); TG=Tasters Guild Wine Competition; TOR=Toronto Int'l Wine Competition; TP=The Tasting Panel; TW&M=Total Wines & More (WA,CA, AZ, NV, TX, NJ, DL, ML, VA, NC, SC, GA, FL); TrJ=Trader Joes; WBB=WineBestBuys rating; WBIB=Wine Blue Book; WClub=The Wine Club, San Francisco; WCC=Wine Currents, Canada; WE=Wine Enthusiast; WN=Wine News; WS=Wine Spectator; W&S=Wine & Spirits; WW=Wilfred Wong (BevMo); Wy=Winery; Zachys=Zachys Wine & Liquor, Scarsdale, NY.

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