

# BEST BUYS

## IMPORTED ROSE

### BEVERAGES & MORE (B&M) 100 stores in CA and NV

86 \$8+ Falesco Vitiano Rosato Umbria Italy 06. \$8.39 B&M. \$10 MSRP. Best Buy WE 87. WW 89. WS 82.

86+ \$10 Paul Jaboulet Aine Rose Parallele 45 Cotes du Rhone France 08 Grenache-Cinsault-Syrah). \$10 B&M/Costco. \$13 MSRP. ST 87. WBB 87. Best Buy W&S 86. WS 84. WE 83. Recommended SFCh 5/24/09.

87 \$10+ Mas de Gourgnonier Rose Baux de Provence France 08 (org grapes). \$10.79 B&M. \$15.49 WineAccess.com. \$11-\$20 wine-searcher.com. ST 88.

86 \$12 Grandes Serres Rose Tavel France 08. \$12 B&M. WW 89.

87 \$13 Chateau de Brandey Rose Bordeaux France 2010. \$13 B&M. WW 92.

87 \$14 Guigal Rose Coted du Rhone France 08. \$14 B&M/MSRP. W&S 88/87. WE 87. WS 86.

88 \$19 Buil & Gine Rose Priorat Spain 08. \$19 B&M. \$14-\$21 Wine-Searcher.com. ST 88. Recommended Redwine.co.uk.

### COSTCO 527 warehouse stores in North America

### World's largest retailer of wines (per Wikipedia, but TESCO and LCBO disagree)

87 \$6± La Vieille Ferme Rose Cotes de Ventoux France 10 (Grenache-Cinsault). \$6± Costco. Commended Decanter 11. (2009 vintage: Best Buy of the Week 6/8/10 WS 87. W&S NR. Bronze Decanter 10).

86+ \$10 Paul Jaboulet Aine Rose Parallele 45 Cotes du Rhone France 08 (Grenache-Cinsault-Syrah). \$10 B&M/Costco. \$13 MSRP. ST 87. WBB 87. CostcoWineBlog.com 87. Best Buy W&S 86. WS 84. WE 83. Recommended SFCh 5/24/09.

### TRADER JOES (TrJ) 337 stores in 26 states

86 \$5 Quinson Cellier du Rhone Rose Cotes du Rhone France 09. \$5 TrJ. WBB 86. drync.com 86.

86 \$7 Marques de Caceres Rosado Rioja Spain 09 (Tempranillo). \$7 TrJ. \$9 MSRP. Best Buy WE 87. W&S 86. WBB 96. WS 83.

### COST PLUS – WORLD MARKET 260 stores in 30 states

87 \$6 Angove's Nine Vines Rose South Australia 08 (70% Grenache-30% Shiraz). \$6 Cost+. \$13 MSRP. Recommended SFCh5/24/09.

87 \$10 Tapena Rose Castilla Spain 09. \$10 Cost+/MSRP Best Buy WE 87..

### K&L San Francisco, Redwood City and Los Angeles

- 86 \$11 Muga Rosado Rioja Spain 10. \$11 K&L. Comm'd Decanter 11.
- 87 \$12 Julian Chivite Gran Feudo Garnacha Rosado Navarra Spain 09. \$12 K&MSRPL. W&S 88.
- 89 \$13 Francois Childaine Rose Val de Loire Touraine France 10 (50% Pinot Noir 50% Grolleau). \$13 K&L. \$11-\$18 Wine-Searcher.com. CellarTracker.com 91 (3 ratings). Highly Recommended SFCh 5/29/11.
- 87 \$13 Domaine Begide Pinot Rose Vin de Pays d'Oc France 09. \$13 K&L. WBB 87.
- 86 \$13 St Martin Garrigue Tradition Rose Coteaux de Languedoc France 08. \$13 K&L. WS 86.
- 88 \$15 Gaia 14-18h (14-18 hours skin contact) Agiorgitiko Rose Peloponnese Greece 10. \$15 K&L. Highly Recommended SFCh 5/29/11.
- 86 \$15 Gurrutxaga Bizkaiko Txakolina Spain (Basque country) 09. \$15 K&L. RP 86. Slightly fizzy.
- 88 \$17 Chateau d'Esclans Whispering Angel Cotes de Provence France 10 (Grenache-Rolle-Syrah-Cinsault). \$17 K&L/JJB. \$20 MBO/MSRP. WBB 88. GdP 88. Highly Recommended SFCh 5/29/11. Bronze Decanter 11.
- 89 \$20 Ameztoi Rubentis Getariako Txakolina Spain (Basque country) 2010 (10.5% alcohol). \$20 K&L. \$18-\$24 Wine-Searcher.com. CellarTracker.com 90 (15 ratings). Highly Recommended SFCh 5/19/11. Slightly fizzy.
- 90 \$22 Hippolyte Reverdy Rose Sancerre France 09. \$22 K&L. WS 90. RP 89.

## **WHOLE FOODS 302 stores in 38 states and six in Canada**

### **No. 3 in Top 25 Green Power Partners by US Environmental Protection Agency**

- 87 \$8 La Vieille Ferme Rose Cotes de Ventoux 09 (Grenache-Cinsault). \$? Costco. \$8 WhFoods. \$9 MSRP. Best Buy of Week 6/8/10 WS 87. W&S NR. Bronze Decanter 10.
- 87 \$9 Borsao Rosado Campo de Borja Spain 09. \$9 WhFoods/MSRP. WS 87. ST 87, RP 85. WE 83.

## **TOTAL WINE & MORE (TW&M)**

### **67 stores in CA, AZ, NV, NJ, DL, GA, NC, SC & FL**

- 86 \$6 Anakena Cabernet Sauvignon Rose Rapel Valley Chile 09. \$6 TW&M. TW&M 3.7 stars (12 ratings).
- 87 \$8 Chateau de Nages Rsoe Reserve Costieres de Nimes France 09. \$8 TW&M. \$12 MSRP. ST 88. W&S Not Recommended. TW&M 4 stars )1 rating).
- 87 \$10 Chateau Grandes Cassagnes Rose Costieres de Nimes France 09. \$10 TW&M. \$11 MSRP. Best Buy WE 88. WS 87. W&S 86.
- 88 \$18 Chateau de Segries Rose Tavel France 09. \$18 TW&M/MSRP. WS 90. RP 87. TW&M 3.5 stars (4 ratings).

## **J.J. BUCKLEY Online and retail in Oakland, CA**

- 88 \$17 Chateau d'Esclans Whispering Angel Cotes de Provence France 10 (Grenache-Rolle-Syrah-Cinsault). \$17 K&L/JJB. \$20 MBO/MSRP. WBB 88. GdP 88. Bronze Decanter 11.

## **WINE.COM Online and retail outlet in Berkeley, CA**

- 87 \$9+ La Vieille Ferme Rose Cotes de Ventoux France 09 (Grenache-Cinsault). \$6± Costco. \$8 WhFoods. \$9 MSRP. \$9.29 wine.com. C\$13 BCLS.

Buy of Week 6/8/10 WS 87. W&S NR. Bronze Decanter 10.

- 88 \$12 Paul Jaboult Ainee Parallele 45 Rose Cotes du Rhone France 10.** \$12 wine.com. Highly Recommended “showing the best of the Rhone’s rose potential” SFCh 5/29/11.
- 87 \$10+ Hecht & Bannier Rose Languedoc France 09.** \$10.79 wine.com. WS 87. WE 87 W&S NR.
- ?? \$11+ Bieler Pere & Fils Sabine Rose Cotes d’Aix-en-Provence France 10.** \$11.16 wineaccess.com. \$11.49 Wine.com. \$13 Morrell.
- 88 \$12+ Calcu Rose Colchaga Valley Chile 10 (Malbec-Syrah-Petit Verdot).** \$12.29 wine.com. \$12 MSRP. Highly Recommended SFCh 5/29/11.
- 87 \$13 Vidal-Fleury Rose Cotes du Rhone France 09.** \$13 wine.com. \$14 MSRP. \$11-\$15 RP. RP 89. WS 85. W&S Not Recommended.
- 87+ \$13 Le Rose de Phelan Segur Rose Bordeaux France 07.** \$13 wine.com. Excellent blog.wine-tours-france.com.
- 87+ \$17+La Rosee de Pavie Saint Emilion France 07.** \$17.49 wine.com. Excellent blog.wine-tours-france.com.
- 87+ \$19+Chateau d’Aqueria Rose Tavel France 10.** \$18 Sh-L. \$19.49 wine.com. C&19 LCBO. WineAlign .com 4.4 stars/5. (2009 vintage: \$18 MSRP. WS 89. ST 88. W&S NR).

## ZACHYS, SCARSDALE, NY

- 87 \$12+ Domaine Houchart Rose Cotes de Provence France 10.** \$11.24 Zachys. \$12 MSRP. WS 85. Bronze IWC, IWSC 11.

## SHERRY-LEHMANN, NEW YORK CITY (most wines priced at or near MSRP)

- 87+ \$18 Chateau d’Aqueria Rose Tavel France 10.** \$18 Sh-L. \$19.49 wine.com. C&19 LCBO. WineAlign .com 4.4 stars/5. (2009 vintage: \$18 MSRP. WS 89. ST 88. W&S NR).

## ANDYS Loch Lomond, San Rafael, CA. Our local supermarket

- 86 \$7 Hoya de Cadenas Rosado Uteil-Requena Spain 08 (100% Bobel).** \$7 Andys. WBB 86.
- 86 \$9 Marquis de Coutaine Rose d’Anjou la Rosaraie Anjou France 09.** \$9 Andys. WBB 86

## MARIN BEVERAGE OUTLET, San Rafael, CA. Our local wine store

- 86 \$10 Torres Sangre de Toro Rosado Spain.** \$10 MBO/MSRP. Good Value W&S.
- 88 \$12 Fra Guerau Rose Montsant Spain 06 (Syrah-Merlot-Tempranillo).** \$12 MBO. \$15 MSRP. ST 88. WE 88. WW 90. WS 86. W&S Not Recommended. Bronze DA 08.
- 88 \$12 Domaine Sorin Terra Amata Cotes de Provence France 09.** \$12 MBO. Best Buy WE 88.
- 88 \$15 E. Guigal Rose Cotes du Rhone France 07 (Grenache-Cinsault-Syrah).** \$15 MBO/MSRP. ST 88. WS 87.
- 88 \$20 Chateau d’Esclans Whispering Angel Cotes de Provence France 10 (Grenache-Rolle-Syrah-Cinsault).** \$17 K&L/JJB. \$20 MBO/MSRP. WBB 88. GdP 88. Bronze Decanter 11.

## ONTARIO, CANADA (LCBO - provincial controlled prices)

**World’s largest retailer of wine, maybe (Tesco in UK claims to be twice as large)**

**88± \$19 Chateau d'Aqueria Rose Tavel France 10.** \$18 Sh-L. \$19.49 wine.com. C\$19 LCBO. WineAlign .com 4.4 stars/5. (2009 vintage: \$18 MSRP. WS 89. ST 88. W&S NR).

## **BRITISH COLUMBIA, CANADA (BCLS - provincial controlled prices)**

**87 \$13 La Vieille Ferme Rose Cotes de Ventoux France 09 (Grenache-Cinsault).** \$6 Costco. \$8 WhFoods. \$9 MSRP. \$9.29 wine.com. C\$13 BCLS. Best Buy of Week 6/8/10 WS 87. W&S NR. Bronze Decanter 10.

### **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; CA=California State Fair Wine Competition; CG=Connoisseurs Guide; CGV=California Grapevine; DA=Dallas Int'l Wine Competition; East=Int'l Eastern Wine Competition; FLakes= Finger Lakes Wine Competition; HH=Hilton Head Int'l Wine Competition; IWC=Int'l Wine Challenge, UK (world's largest wine competition); IWR=Int'l Wine Review; LB=Long Wine Competition; LCBO=Liquor Control Board of Ontario, Canada; Lodi=Lodi Wine Competition; Morrell=Morrell & Co, NYC; MRSP=Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Price; NM=Natalie MacLean, Ontario, Canada; NW=New World 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; TESCO=largest reailer of wine in UK; TG=Tasters Guild Wine Competition; TW&M=Total Wines & More (CA, AZ, south eastern states); TrJ=Trader Joes; WBB=WineBestBuys rating; WBIB=Wine Blue Book; WC=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.