

BEST BUYS

TORRONTES OF ARGENTINA

COSTCO - best prices in the country (with TW&M)

88 \$8+ Crios de Susanna Balbo (Dominio del Plata) Salta 13 (screw cap). \$8.69 Costco (regular \$10.89 minus \$2.20 rebate at cash register). \$12 K&L. \$12 Zachys. \$13 Sh-L. \$13 Astor. \$13 Sh-L.\$16 wine.com. \$17.49 B&M. ST 90. RP 89. **WBB 88.** Cellartracker 86.1 (7 ratings). W&S Not Recommended. Silver SFI 13. Bronze ARG 14. **HOT BUY.**

TOTAL WINES & MORE (TW&M) - best prices in the country (with Costco) AZ, CA, CT, DE, FL, GA, NJ, NM, MD, MN, NC, NV, SC, TX, VA, WA

86 \$10 Bianchi New Age Mendoza nv (screw cap; 10%SauvBI). \$10 TW&M. KensWineGuide 87. Snooth.com 4.3 stars (9 reviews). TW&M customers 5 stars (14 reviews). “New age white wine... recommended Bulk Buy” ReverseWineSnob.com.

88 \$11 Crios de Susanna Balbo (Dominio del Plata) Torrontes Salta 13 (screw cap). \$8.69 Costco (regular \$10.89 minus \$2.20 rebate at cash register). \$11 TW&M. \$12 K&L. \$12 Zachys. \$13 Sh-L. \$13 Astor. \$13 Sh-L.\$16 wine.com. \$17.49 B&M. ST 90. RP 89. **WBB 88.** Cellartracker 86.1 (7 ratings). W&S Not Recommended. Silver SFI 13. Bronze ARG 14. **HOT BUY.**

86 \$11 Maipe Mendoza 13 (screw cap). \$11 TW&M. \$12 MSRP. RP 86. Vinopedia.com 86 (3 reviews).

87 \$13 Kaiken Terroir Series Salta 12 & 13 (screw cap). \$13 TW&M. \$17 MSRP. “Best Buy” WE 87. Silver ARG 14.

88 \$13+ Hermanos (Domingo Molina) Cafayate Valley 12. \$12 wine.com. \$13.49 TW&M. \$15 MSRP. \$10-\$16 wine-searcher. RP 88. ST 88. W&S NR. “Very Good” KensWineGuide.com 89. KensWineGuide.com subscribers 90.6 (3 reviews). WineAccess.com 3.4 stars (5 ratings).

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

88 \$8 Monteviejo Festivo Mendoza 2011. \$8 K&L. \$7-\$11 wine-searcher. ST 88. **WBB ??.** Cellartracker 88.8 (5 ratings). **HOT BUY.**

87 \$10 Amalaya (Hess Collection) White Blend Calchaqui Valley Salta 2012 (15%Riesling). \$10 K&L \$12 wine.com.. \$12 MSRP. “Best Buy” WE 87. ArgoVino.com 86. Bronze ARG 13. (2013 vintage: Silver ARG 14. Trophy IWC 14).

88+ \$12 Colome Torrontes Vino Bianco de Gran Altura Valle Calchaqui Salta 2013 (screw cap). \$12 K&L. \$15 wine.com. \$11.25-\$21 wine-searcher. ST 91.RP 89. **WBB 88.** Cellartracker 88.2 (3 ratings). **HOT BUY.**

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88+\$12 Crios de Susanna Balbo (Dominio del Plata) Salta 2012. \$12 K&L.\$12 Zachys. \$11-\$19 wine-searcher. RP 88. Wine-searcher 89. “Very Good” KensWineGuide.com 89. Snooth.com 3.5 stars (6 reviews). Gold Dallas 13. Bronze Decanter 13. **HOT BUY.**

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

- 86±\$6+** Valentin (Valentin Bianchi) “V” Mendoza 12 (screw cap). \$13/2 btls B&M 5¢ sale. WW 91. Recommended BoiseWeekly.com 8/28/13.
- 86 \$10** Machi Salta 12 (screw cap). \$20/2 btls B&M 5¢ sale (found only at B&M). WW 93. Cellartracker 85.3 (5 ratings).
- 86±\$10** Ceibo Torrontes-Chardonnay Mendoza. 12 (70%-30%). \$20/2 btls B&M 5¢ sale (found only at B&M). C\$20 LCBO. WW 92. “Great Buy” TopCheapWine.com 8.4 /10 rating.
- NR \$13 Trumpeter (Rutini Wines) Mendoza 10 (screw cap). \$13 B&M. \$9-\$13 wine-searcher. WW 87. Recommended ReverseWineSnob.com.
- 88 \$17+** Crios de Susanna Balbo (Dominio del Plata) Torrontes Salta 13 (screw cap). \$8.69 Costco (regular \$10.89 minus \$2.20 rebate at cash register). \$12 K&L. \$12 Zachys. \$13 Sh-L. \$13 Astor. \$13 Sh-L.\$16 wine.com. \$17.49 B&M. ST 90. RP 89. **WBB 88**. Cellartracker 86.1 (7 ratings). W&S Not Recommended. Silver SFI 13. Bronze ARG 14.

THE WINE CLUB, San Francisco, CA (WClub)

Largest wine merchant west of the Mississippi, per their web site

- NR \$8 Santa Julia Mendoza 12 (screw cap). \$8 WClub. \$10 MSRP. WE 86. W&S NR. Snooth.com 2 stars.
- 87 \$12** Zuccardi Serie A Cafayate Salta 12 (screw cap). \$12 WClub. \$14 wine.com. \$15 MSRP. RP 88. ST 87. Cellartracker 86 (12 ratings). Examiner.com 3 stars.

ZACHYS, Scarsdale, NY - most prices at or near MSRP

One of the country’s largest wine selections, according to Zachys

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- 88 \$14** Trivento Amado Sur Torrontes Mendoza 12 (75%Torrontes-15%Viognier-10%Chardonnay). \$14 Zachys. \$15 MSRP. Best Buy W&S 90. WE 87. Cellartracker 88.6 (5 ratings). **HOT BUY.**

SHERRY-LEHMANN, New York City - most prices at or near MSRP

- 88 \$13** Crios de Susanna Balbo (Dominio del Plata) Torrontes Salta 13 (screw cap). \$8.69 Costco (regular \$10.89 minus \$2.20 rebate at cash register). \$12 K&L. \$12 Zachys. \$13 Sh-L. \$13 Astor. \$13 Sh-L.\$16 wine.com. \$17.49 B&M. ST 90. RP 89. **WBB 88**. Cellartracker 86.1 (7 ratings). W&S Not recommended. Silver SFI 13. Bronze ARG 14. **HOT BUY.**
- 87 \$15** Michel Torino Don David Reserve Cafayate Valley 13. \$15 Sh-L. \$16 wine.com. \$18 MSRP. ST 90. WS 85. Vinopedia.com 86 (12 reviews). Snooth.com 3 stars (19 reviews).
- 88+\$18** Alta Vista Premium Salta 12. C\$15 LCBO. \$18 Sh-L. \$20 wine.com. \$20 MSRP. \$14-\$20 wine-searcher. W&S 91. ST 89. WS 88. WE 87.Wine- searcher 88. Silver Decanter 13. Bronze IWC 13. NM Community Score 4.4 stars (2 ratings).

ASTOR, New York City - most prices at or near MSRP

New York City's largest wine & spirits store online, per their web site

“One of the best websites for buying wine” *The Wall Street Journal*

- 86 \$10 Jelu San Juan 13 (screw cap).** \$10 Astor. \$15 wine-searcher. ArgoVino.com 86. Cellartracker 86 (1 rating). Snooth.com 3.3 stars (9 reviews).
- 86 \$12 Alberti 154 Bodega Calle Salta 11 (sustainable agric).** \$12 Astor (found only at Astor). ArgoVino.com 88. Cellartracker 84 (1 review). Bronze Shanghai 12.
- 88 \$13 Crios de Susanna Balbo (Dominio del Plata) Torrontes Salta 13 (screw cap).** \$8.69 Costco (regular \$10.89 minus \$2.20 rebate at cash register). \$12 K&L. \$12 Zachys. \$13 Sh-L. \$13 Astor. \$13 Sh-L. \$16 wine.com. \$17.49 B&M. ST 90. RP 89. **WBB 88.** Cellartracker 86.1 (7 ratings). W&S Not recommended. Silver SFI 13. Bronze ARG 14. **HOT BUY.**

WINE.COM Online and pick-up in Berkeley, CA - most prices at or near MSRP

- 87 \$10 Tilia Salta 11 (screw cap).** \$10 wine.com. \$11 MSRP. RP 90. W&S 89. **WBB 86.** WS 83. Wine.com customers 4 stars (6 reviews). Snooth.com 3.5 stars (1 review).
- 87 \$11 Alamos (Catena) Salta 13 (screw cap).** \$11 wine.com (sold out). \$13 MSRP. The Tasting Panel 90. WE 87. W 85. W&S NR. ArgoVino.com 87. Cellartracker 85 (15 reviews). Wine-searcher 86. Silver SFI 13. Bronze Argentina 14. Snooth.com 3.4 stars (3 reviews).
- 87 \$12 Hermanos (Domingo Molina) Valle de Cafayate 12.** \$12 wine.com. \$13.49 TW&M. \$15 MSRP. \$10-\$16 wine-searcher. RP 92. **WBB 85.** W&S Not Recommended. “Very Good” KensWineGuide.com 89. KensWineGuide.com subscribers 90.6 (3 reviews). WineAccess.com 3.4 stars (5 ratings).
- 87 \$12 Recuerdo La Rioja 12 (screw cap).** \$12 wine.com. \$13 MSRP. \$10-\$13 wine-searcher. ArgoVino.com 90. “Best Buy” BTI 87. **WBB 87.** WS 84. W&S NR. Wine-searcher 88. Silver SFI 13.
- 87 \$12 Amalaya (Hess Collection) White Blend Calchaqui Valley Salta ARG 2012 (15% Riesling).** \$10 K&L \$12 wine.com. \$12 MSRP. “Best Buy” WE 87. ArgoVino.com 86. Bronze ARG 13. (2013 vintage: Silver ARG 14. Trophy IWC 14).
- 87 \$14 Zuccardi Serie A Cafayate Salta 12 (screw cap).** \$12 WClub. \$14 wine.com. \$15 MSRP. RP 88. ST 87. Cellartracker 86 (12 ratings). Examiner.com 3 stars.
- 88+ \$15 Colome Torrontes Vino Bianco de Gran Altura Valle Calchaqui Salta 2013 (screw cap).** \$12 K&L. \$15 wine.com. \$11.25-\$21 wine-searcher. ST 91. RP 89. **WBB 88.** Cellartracker 88.2 (3 ratings).
- 88 \$16 Crios de Susanna Balbo (Dominio del Plata) Torrontes Salta 13 (screw cap).** \$8.69 Costco (regular \$10.89 minus \$2.20 rebate at cash register). \$12 K&L. \$12 Zachys. \$13 Sh-L. \$13 Astor. \$13 Sh-L. \$16 wine.com. \$17.49 B&M. ST 90. RP 89. **WBB 88.** Cellartracker 86.1 (7 ratings). W&S Not recommended. Silver SFI 13. Bronze ARG 14.
- 87 \$16 Michel Torino Don David Reserve Cafayate Valley 13.** \$15 Sh-L. \$16 wine.com. \$18 MSRP. ST 90. WS 85. Vinopedia.com 86 (12 reviews). Snooth.com 3 stars (19 reviews).
- 88+\$20 Alta Vista Premium Salta 12.** C\$15 LCBO. \$18 Sh-L. \$20 wine.com. \$20 MSRP. \$14-\$20 wine-searcher. W&S 91. ST 89. WS 88. WE 87. wine-searcher 88. Silver Decanter 13. Bronze IWC 13. NM Community Score 4.4 stars (2 ratings).

Legend and Abbreviations

ADB=Anthony Dias Blue, The Tasting Panel; 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; Critics=Critics Challenge Wine Competition; DA=Dallas Int'l Wine Competition; East=Int'l Eastern Wine Competition; 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); JH=James Halliday; JJB=JJ Buckley (online and pick-up in Oakland, CA); JS=James Suckling (former Senior Editor, Wine Spectator); LB=Long Beach Wine Competition; LCBO=Liquor Control Board of Ontario, Canada; Lodi=Lodi Wine Competition; Ludwig's=Ludwig's, San

Anselmo, CA; MRSP=Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Price (price at the winery); NM=Natalie MacLean, Ontario, Canada; NR=Not recommended; NW=New World Int'l Wine Competition; NY=New York Int'l Wine Competition; Orange=Orange Co Wine Competition; PR=Pacific Rim Int'l Wine Competition; RP=Robert Parker (Wine Advocate); RS=Riverside Wine Competition; Savor=Savor NW Wine Awards; SD=San Diego Wine Competition; SFC=San Francisco Chronicle Wine Competition (largest competition in North America); 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; Sunset=Sunset Mag International Wine Competition; 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, MN, NJ, DL, ML, VA, NC, SC, GA, FL); TrJ=Trader Joes; WBB=WineBestBuys rating; WBLB=Wine Blue Book; WClub=The Wine Club, San Francisco; WCC=Wine Currents, Canada; WE=Wine Enthusiast; WG=WineGenius.com, Australia; 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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