

BEST BUYS OF 2024

Consensus Rating

- 90 \$19 **Alexander Valley Vds Zinfandel Alexander Valley CA 2020/2019:** 2020 WS=91. 2019 Tastings.com=92. 2020 wine.com=3.7 stars (21 ratings). Vivino=4.0 stars (126 ratings). 2020 \$19 Total. 2020 \$19 K&L. 2019 \$19 Safeway. 2020 \$20 wine.com. 2020/2019 \$24 Release Price.
- 90± \$18 **Allan Hancock San Luis Obispo CA 2021:** 2021 Best Buy WE=92. \$18 Release Price.
- 90 \$32 **Amador Cellars Estate Zinfandel Shenandoah Valley CA 2019/2018:** 2019 WE=93. 2018 Editor's Choice WE=93. 2019 \$32 Release price. 2018 \$28 Release price.
- 89 \$32 **Amador Cellars Breitmeyer Vds Primitivo Amador Co CA 2019:** 2019 Editor's WE=92. 2019 \$32 Release Price.
- 89 \$17 **Ancient Peaks Santa Margarita Ranch Paso Robles CA 2022:** 2021 WE=93. 2021 WS=90. 2021 Silver SFC 24. 2022 \$17 Total. \$19 K&L. \$19 wine.com. \$22 Release Price. \$24 BevMo.
- 90 \$35 **BACA Double Dutch Dusi Vd Paso Robles CA 2022:** WE=92. WS=90. BACA=4.5 stars (6 ratings). Vivino=4.1 stars (636 ratings). \$35 Winery. \$36 Total.
- 90 \$36 **BACA Home Base Dry Creek Va CA 2022:** 2022 WE=91. 2021 WE=91. WS=94. \$36 Total. \$40 Winery.
- 90± \$17 **Bodkin Light Skinned (almost Rose) Mendocino Co CA 2022:** WE=92. Vivino=4.2 stars (258 ratings). \$17 K&L. \$32 Release Price.
- 87 \$7+ **Bogle Old Vine CA 2021:** Best Buy WE=87. Amazon=4.3 stars (264 ratings). Double Gold SFC 24. \$7.50 Total. \$9 Safeway. \$9 Amazon. \$10 BevMo. \$10 Target.
- 91 \$31 **Carlisle Sonoma Co CA 2021:** 2021 WS=93. 2020 WS=93. 2020 \$31 Release Price. 2021 \$49 Release Price.
- 92 \$40 **Carlisle Dry Creek Va, CA 2021:** JebDunnuck=93. Venous=92-94. \$40 K&L
- 93 \$40 **Carlisle Piner-Olivet Ranches Russian River Va CA 2022:** JebDunnuck=94. WS=94. \$40 K&L. \$40 Release Price.
- 88 \$11 **Carnivor CA 2021:** Best Buy WE=90. Vivino=4.0 stars (756 ratings). \$11 BuyWinesOnline.com. \$11 Lucky Market Larkspur, \$11 MarketViewLiquor.com. \$12 Release Price.
- 90 \$17 **Carol Shelton Wild Thing Zin Old Vine Mendocino Co CA 2021:** Best Buy WE=92. WS=90. Amazon=4.2 stars (14 ratings). Silver LA 24. Silver SFC 24. \$17 Safeway. \$18 K&L. \$18 Whole Foods. \$19 wine.com. \$20 Amazon. \$21 Winery. \$27 BevMo.
- 92 \$36 **Carol Shelton Karma Zin Bastione Vd Fountaingrove District CA 2021:** Cellar Selection WE=93. Double Gold SFC 24. \$36 Release price.
- 90 \$32 **Carol Shelton Oakley Zin Old Vine Contra Costa Co CA 2021:** WE=93. Amazon=4.0 stars (14 ratings). Silver LA 24. Silver SFC 24. \$20 Amazon. \$32 Winery.
- 89 \$40 **Carol Shelton Albini Zin Albini Vd Russian River Va CA 2021:** 2021 WE=90. 2020 WE=96. Gold SFC 24. Bronze LA 24. \$40 Winery.
- 89 \$10 **Cline Old Vine Lodi CA 2022:** Best Buy WE=91. WS=90. Amazon=4.3 stars (13 ratings). Total=4.2 stars (72 ratings). \$10 Total. \$10 Safeway. \$11 Release Price. \$12 BevMo. \$13 wine.com. \$13 Amazon. \$15 K&L.
- 90 \$14 **Cline Ancient Vines Contra Costa Co CA 2022:** WE=93. TP=91. Total=4.3 stars (77 ratings). \$14 Total. \$15 K&L. \$15 Safeway. \$16 BevMo. \$16 wineWBB's.com.
- 91 \$20 **Dashe Vineyard Selection Alexander Va CA 2022:** WE=92. WS=92. \$20 K&L. \$24 Amazon/WholeFoods. \$26 Release Price.
- 90 \$18 **Decoy (by Duckhorn) CA 2021:** WE=92. WW=90. WineReviewOnline.com=90. Amazon=4.3 stars (25 ratings). Total=4.0 stars (16 ratings). \$18 Amazon. \$18 Total. \$20 wine.com. \$24 Release Price.
- 92+ \$39 **Derek Rohlf's Rattlesnake Ridge Vd Moon Mountain District Sonoma Co CA 2021:** Editor's Choice WE=95. Vivino=3.9 stars (554 ratings). \$39 Release Price.

- 90 \$22 Dry Creek Vineyards Heritage Vines Sonoma Co CA 2021:** WE=91. WS=91. JD=90. Silver SFC 24. \$22 Total. \$23 K&L. \$24 Safeway. \$25wine.com. \$26 Amazon. \$26 BevMo. \$28 Release Price.
- 90 \$26 Earthquake (Michael David) Lodi CA 2021:** LA=92. WE=91. Cellar Tracker=87. Wine.com=4.2 stars (11 ratings). Vivino=4.1 stars (17318 ratings). Michael David=4.8 stars (23 ratings). Gold LA 24. \$26 BuyWinesOnline.com. \$26 Winery.
- 92 \$38 Frank Family Napa Va CA 2021: Total=4.9 stars (25 ratings).** WS 92. Amazon=5.0 stars (2 ratings). Total=4.8 stars (25 ratings). \$38 Total. \$40 Amazon. \$42 BevMo. \$45 Safeway. \$45 Winery.
- 92 \$30 Green & Red Chiles Canyon Vd Napa Va CA2022:** WS=93. Vivino=4/0 stars (1592 ratings). \$30 K&L. \$36 Winery.
- 92+ \$40 Grgich Hills Estate Grown Napa Va CA 2019:** Total=4.1 stars (18 ratings). Vivino=4.0 Stars (5554 ratings). Very Good wine.com=3.9 stars (8 ratings). 2018 WE=94. \$40 Total. \$43 BevMo. \$44 Winery. \$47 Safeway.
- 93 \$41 Hartford Family Vds Old Vine Russian River Va CA 2021:** WS=93. JebDunnuck=93. Total=4.7 stars (10 ratings). \$41 Total. \$46 Winery.
- 93 \$35 Hendry Blocks 7 & 22 Napa Va CA 2021:** Editor's Choice WE=95. Vivino=4.1 stars (1517 ratings). \$35 K&L. \$40 wine.com. \$42 Release Price.
- 92 \$40 Hendry Block 28 Napa Va CA 2020/2019:** 2020 WE=93. \$40 WE. 2019 Editor's Choice WE=93. 2019 JS=92. 2019 RP=91. Vivino=4.2 stars (1632 ratings). 2021 \$40 K&L. \$40 Release Price.
- 92± \$30 Ita Carbonic Zin (Beaujolais Nouveau style) Walla Walla Valley WA 2023:** Editor's Choice WE=94. \$30 Release Price. \$37 MinaralistaWines.com. 2024 \$30 Winery.
- 90± \$30 Ita Nouveau of Zinfandel Walla Walla WA 2022:** WE=93. postalley.com=88. \$30 Release Price. \$36 BuyWineNow.com
- 92 \$30 Jeff Cohn Smoke & Mirrors Sonoma Co CA 2022:** 2022 WS=92. 2021 WS=93. 2019 WS=92. 2022/2021 \$30 Release price. 2019 \$30 Winery.
- 91± \$24 Joseph Sogge Lost Arrow Ranch El Dorado CA 2020:** WE=93. Vivino=4.1 stars (3 ratings). \$24 Release Price.
- 87 \$15 Kendall-Jackson Vintner's Reserve North Coast CA 2021:** 2021 WE=87. WS=87. 2020 W&S=91. 2020 WS=90. 2020 WE=90. 2020 Amazon=4.4 stars (6 ratings). \$15 Amazon. \$17 Release Price.
- 90 \$18+ Klinker Brick Old Vine Lodi Mokelumne River CA 2012:** WE=94. WS=89. Total=4.3 stars (81 ratings). Amazon=4.4 stars (11 ratings). \$18.49 Total. \$19 Safeway. \$21 BevMo. \$21 Amazon. \$22 Winery.
- 91 \$35 Klinker Old Ghost Old Vine Lodi CA 2021 (claimed their best Zin):** WE=93. Wine-Searcher=90. Total=5.0 stars (23 ratings). Vivino=4.3 stars (328 ratings). \$35 Total. \$40 wine.com. \$40 Winery. \$42 BuyWinesOnline.com. \$46 WineOnSale.com.
- 89 \$16 Kunde Estate Grown Sonoma Va CA 2021.** Editor's Choice WE=93. WS=89. Total=4.3 stars (13 ratings). Vivino=3.9 stars (2742 ratings). \$16 Total. 2022 \$22Winery
- 92 \$28 Macchia Adventurous Amador Co,CA 2022:** Gold CA=95. Total=4.4 stars (65 ratings). \$28 Winery. \$35 Total.
- 92 \$24 Macchia Mischievous Old Vine Lodi CA 2022: 2021** Cellartracker=90.8 (16 ratings). Double Gold CA 24. CA=98. Total=4.5 stars (496 ratings). Vivino=4.2 stars (323 ratings). 2024 \$24 Winery. \$30 Total.
- 90 \$23 Marietta Roman Estate Grown North Coast CA 2022/2021:** RP=92. 2021 RP=95. 2021 JebDunnuck=90. 2021 WE=89. 2021 Vivino=4.0 stars (137 ratings). 2021 \$23 K&L. \$26 Release Price. \$30 wine.com. \$45 WineOnSale.com.
- 92 \$40 Marietta Angelli Est Grown Alexander Va CA 2022/2021:** RP=91. 2021 RP=96. 2021 WE=93. JebDunnuck=91. 2021 \$40 K&L. 2021 \$40 Release Price. **\$41 2021 BuyWinesOnline.com. 2022 \$40 Winery.**
- 92+ \$33 Mauritson Dry Creek Va CA 2021:** WS=94. RP=93. JD=92. WE=92. \$33 K&L. \$37 wine.com. \$45 Release Price. 2022 \$47 Winery.
- 88 \$12 McManis Family Vds Estate Grown Certified Sustainable Lodi CA 2022:** Vivino=3.7 stars (4369 ratings). Gold LA 24. Silver SFC 24. Bronze CA 24. LA=92. Best Buy WE=88. WS 87. CA=84. \$12 Release Price. \$14 BuyWinesOnline.com.
- 92 \$21 MD Phillips Earthquake Zin Lodi CA2021:** CA=99. Total=4.5 stars (93 ratings). Double Gold CA 24. Gold SFC 24. \$21 Total. \$25 Safeway. \$26 Release Price.
- 91± \$20 Mettler Family Estate Grown Lodi CA 2021:** WE=93. \$20 K&L. \$25 Winery. \$26 BuyWinesOnline.com.
- 90± \$25 Monte Rio Old Vines Lodi CA 2022:** WE=94. Vivino=3.8 stars (152 ratings). Wine.com=3.3 stars (6 ratings). \$24 Release price. \$25 wine.com. 2022 \$25 Winery.
- VG±\$24 Monte Rio (Oakridge) Marian's Vd Ancient Vines** (one of only two producers of this 1901 vineyard) **Lodi CA 2022:** WE=95. Cellar Tracker=83 (3 ratings). Wine.com=3.3 stars (6 ratings). \$24 AstorWines.com. \$25 wine.com. \$29 Release Price. \$30 Winery.

- 90+ \$20 Moss Roxx Oakridge Winery (86%Z-7PSirah-7Malbec) Lodi CA 2021:** Double Gold CA 24. 21 CA=99. Wine.com=4.0 stars (91 ratings). \$20 wine.com.
- 90 \$10 Oak Ridge OZV Estate Grown Old Vine Central Va CA 2022 (84% Zin):** WE=94. Amazon=4.5 stars (102 ratings). Vivino=4.0 stars (556 ratings). Silver SFC 24. \$10 K&L. \$11 Target. \$12 Amazon. \$14 BevMo. \$15 Release Price.
- 89 \$26 Opaque Paso Robles CA 2020:** WE=89. Wine.com=4.3 stars (27 ratings). Double Gold SFC 24. \$25 wine.com. \$30 Release Price.
- 89 \$13+ Opolo Summit Creek Paso Robles CA 2022/2021:** 2022 Best Buy WE=90. 2021 W&S=90. WS=90. Best Buy WE=89. Total=4.4 stars (22 ratings). Amazon=5.0 stars (2 ratings). 2021 \$13.47 Total. \$19 K&L. \$20 wine.com. \$22 BevMo. \$22 Amazon. 2022 \$29 wine.com
- 92 \$27 Opolo Mountain Vd Paso Robles CA 2022:** Central Coast Competition=96. Total=4.9 stars (61 ratings). Vivino=4.2 stars (4584 ratings). Double Gold Best-in-Class Central Coast Competition 2024. \$27 Total. \$31 BuyWinesOnline.com. \$35 WineOnSale.com.
- 89± \$33 Pech Merle Reserve Dry Creek Va, CA 2022:** WE=90. Vivino=4.1 stars (71 ratings). Silver SFC 24. \$33 Release Price.
- 90 \$34 Pech Merle Cuccio Dry Creek Va CA 2018:** Vivino=3.9 stars (208 ratings). 2019 WE=92. 2019 Silver SFC 24. 2018 Pech Merle merchants=4.4 stars. \$34 Total. 2018 \$39 Winery.
- 90 \$24 J. Pedroncelli Mother Clone Selection Dry Creek Va CA 2022/2021:** 2022 Value Pick of the Week WS=92. 2022 WineReviewOnline.com=94. JS=91. WW=90. 2021 Editor's Choice WE=92. WS=90. WW=90. Best-in-Class Sonoma Co Harvest Fair 23. Amazon=4.6 stars (2 ratings). Vivino=3.8 stars (4595 ratings). wine.com=4.4 stars (60 ratings). \$20 Amazon/Whole foods. 2021 \$24 Release Price. 2022 \$24 Winery.
- 89 \$16 Peirano Immortal Zin Old Vine Lodi CA 2021:** 2021 Best Buy WE=91. CA=91. 2020 Best Buy WE=92. Vivino=3.7 stars (2767 ratings). 2021 Double Gold SFC 13. 2021 Gold CA 23. \$15 Release Price. \$16 Winery.
- 92± \$32 Perlegos Stampede Vd Old Vine Clements Hills Lodi CA 2021/2020:** 2021 WE=94. 2020 CellarTracker=91.5 (2 ratings). \$30 K&L sold out. 2020 \$32 Release Price. 2021 \$32 Winery. 20 \$30 K&L
- 88± \$13 Predator Old Vine Lodi CA 2022:** Total=4.4 stars (130 ratings). Vivino=3.9 stars (18087 ratings). \$13 Total. \$15.50 ButWinesOnline.com. \$16 BevMo. \$17 wine.com (sold out). \$19.50 WineOnSale.com.
- 90± \$26 The Prisoner Saldo Zinfandel CA 2022/2021:** 2021 Total=4.5 stars (156 ratings). Amazon=4.5 stars (84 ratings). Vivino=4.2 stars (37659 ratings). \$26 Total. \$29 BuyWinesOnline.com. 2022 \$30 Winery. \$30 Target. \$30 Amazon. \$32 wine.com. \$32 Ebay. \$35 BevMo.
- 92 \$40 Ridge Paso Robles CA 2022:** Zinfandel Chronicles=96. WS=93. WE=93. JD=92. JS=92. RP=90. Vinous=91. WW=91. Total=4.0 stars (12 ratings). Wine.com=4.2 stars (10 ratings). Vivino=4.1 stars (5155 ratings). \$40 K&L. \$43 BevMo. \$46 Total. \$46 wine.com. \$46 Winery.
- 91 \$26 Ridge Three Valleys Red Sonoma Co CA 2022:** Dec=94. Zinfandel Chronicles=93. WE=91. Vinous=91. WW=90. WS=89. Total=4.8 stars (40 ratings). Wine.com=3.7 stars (13 ratings). Vivino=4.1 stars (19231 ratings). \$26 Total. \$32 Target. \$34 wine.com. \$34 Safeway. \$35 Winery.
- 93 \$40 Ridge East Bench Funsten Ranch Dry Creek Va CA 2022:** JS=94. JB=93. RP=93. Zinfandel Chronicles=93. Vinous=92. Total=4.4 stars (11 ratings). Vivino=4.1 stars (9136 ratings). \$40 K&L. \$41 Total. \$46 Winery.
- 92± \$40 Ridge Beneto Dusi Ranch Paso Robles CA 2022/2021:** 2022 WE=93. 2021 WS=94. 2021 WE=92. 2021 W&S=92. 2022 \$40 Release Price. 2022 \$46 Winery.
- 93+ \$40 Ridge Lytton Springs Dry Creek Va CA 2022/2021 (74% Zin):** 2022 WW=97. Dec=95. Zinfandel Chronicles=95. JS=95. RP=94. Vinous=94. 2021 Vinous=95. WW=94. WS=93. JB=93. 2020 Total=4.4 stars (25 ratings). 2021 wine.com=4.2 stars (15 ratings). 2021 \$40 K&L. 2021 \$49 Total. 2022 \$56 Winery. 2021 \$52 wine.com.
- 93+ \$40 Ridge Geyserville Sonoma CA 2022 (67%Zin-20Carignane-10%PSirah):** Zinfandel Chronicles=97. JB=95. RP=94. JS=94. WS=94. Dec=94. Vinous=94. WE=93. \$40 K&L. \$55 Safeway. \$56 Winery.
- 90 \$32 Rombauer CA 2021 (94%Zin-3PSirah):** RP=90. Dec=90. WineReviewOnline.com=90. CellarTracker=90. Total=4.7 stars (137 ratings). Amazon=4.8 stars (63 ratings). Vivino=4.3 stars (320 ratings). \$32 Amazon. \$35 K&L. \$35 BevMo. \$38 Total. \$39 wine.com. 2022 \$38 Winery.
- 90± \$35 Scar of the Sea Old Vine Lopez Vd Cucamonga Va CA 2023:** 2023 RP=90. 2023 CT=90 (1 rating). 2022 WSearcher=91 (2). 2021 Editor's Choice WE=92. 2021 \$32 Release Price. 2023 \$35 K&L 2023 \$36 Winery.
- 91 \$23 Scott Harvey Mountain Selection Amador Co CA 2021/2020:** 2021 WE=93. 2021 WW=92. Wine.com=4.2 stars (72 ratings). 2021 Gold SFC 24. 2020 \$23 Total. \$26 wine.com. 2021 \$35 Winery.
- 91 \$40 Scott Harvey Old Vine Reserve Amador Co CA 2020/2019:** 2020 WE=92 2020 WW=92 2019 Editor's Choice WE=94. \$40 Winery.
- 91 \$18+ Seghesio Family Sonoma Co CA 2022:** WS=93. Amazon=4.0 stars (15 ratings). Wine.com=3.8 stars (108 ratings) \$18.47 Total. \$20 Sam's Club. \$22 K&L. \$22 wine.com. \$22.49 WhFoods. \$23 BevMo. \$26 Safeway. \$26 Wy.

- 91 \$35 Seghesio Old Vine Sonoma Co CA 2022:** WS=93. Decanter=90. CellarTracker=90. Wine.com=3.6 stars (26 ratings). Total=4.7 stars (19 ratings). Vivino=4.1 stars (11687 ratings). \$35 wine.com. \$37 Total. \$40 Wy
- VG \$11 Sobon Wine Old Vines Amador Co CA 2021:** CA=96. Gold CA 24. Total=4.1 stars (164 ratings). \$11 K&L. \$12 wine.com. \$16 Winery. \$17 Total.
- 90 \$18 Sobon Rocky Top Amador Co, CA 2021:** WS=92. WE=89. Total=4.0 stars (69 ratings). Double Gold Calaveras 24. Silver Amador, SFC 24. \$18 K&L. \$19 wine.com. \$20 Winery. \$22 Total.
- 89 \$18 Sobon Fiddletown Amador Co CA 2021:** CA=96. WE=92. WS=89. CellarTracker=88 (3 ratings). Total=4.2 stars (88 ratings). Wine.com=3.8 stars (5 ratings). Vivino=3.9 stars (1794 ratings). Gold CA. Silver OR. Bronze SFC. \$18 K&L. \$18 wine.com. \$23 Release Price. \$25 Total.
- 89 \$19 Terra d'Oro Amador Co CA 2021:** Best Buy WE=92. Vivino=3.8 stars (5629 ratings). \$19 Total. \$15 WE
- 89± \$19 Tobin James Ballistic Paso Robles CA 2019:** Total=4.0 stars (35 ratings). \$19 Total. \$22 Winery. \$25 BevMo
- 90± \$30 Tobin James James Gang Reserve Paso Robles CA 2019:** Total=5.0 stars (4 ratings). Vivino=4.1 stars (1164 ratings). \$30 Total. \$34 BevMo. \$34 Winery.
- 90± \$30 Tobin James Dusi Vd Paso Robles CA 2020:** Vivino=4.2 stars (837 ratings). \$38 Winery.
- 90± \$28 Toca Madera Estate Madera CA 2021:** WE=89. Gold SFC 24. \$28 WE
- 89± \$11 Tormaresca Neprica Primitivo Puglia Italy 2023/2022:** 2022 WS=89. 2022 Vivino=4.0 stars (1889 ratings). \$11 Total. \$14 Release Price. €9 Winery.
- 90 \$26 Tormaresco Torcicoda Primitivo Salento Puglia Italy 2022/2021:** 2022 "Top 100" WS=91. 2021 WE=90. 2021 WS=90. 2021 Vinous=90. 2021 wine.com=4.4 stars (18 ratings). Vivino=4.1 stars (32825 ratings). \$26 wine.com. \$30 Release Price.
- 91 \$32 Turley Old Vines CA (20+ vds, 95% Zin) 2022:** RP=92. Wine Searcher=91. Total=4.1 stars (6 ratings). Wine.com=4.3 stars (28 ratings). Vivino=4.2 stars (8539 ratings). \$32 K&L. \$32 Zachys. \$35 Sokolin. \$37 Total. 2021=\$33 wine.com.
- 91 \$29 Turley Juvenile CA 2022/2021:** 2022 WS=93. 2022 Wine-searcher=91 (4 critics). 2022 Cellartracker=90 (73 ratings). 2021 WS=93. 2021 wine-searcher=91 (3 critics). 2021 Cellartracker=90.5 (74 ratings). 2021 wine.com=4.4 stars (19 ratings). Vivino=4.2 stars (253 ratings). 2022 \$29 Total.
- 91± \$33 Turley Del Barba Contra Costa Co CA 2022/2021:** 2022 Vinous=91-93. 2022 Wine-searcher=92 (2 critics). Vivino=4.2 stars (87 ratings). 2022 \$33 Total. \$35 K&L. \$36 w.com.
- 92± \$35 Turley Steacy Ranch Lodi CA 2022/2021:** 2022 Vinous=92-94. Vivino=4.2 stars (583 ratings). 2022 \$35 wine.com. 2021 \$39 total. 2022 \$40 K&L
- 89± \$19 Valravn Sonoma Co CA 2022:** WE=92. Cellartracker=88 (1 rating). Wine.com=3.9 stars (28 ratings). Vivino=4.0 stars (4305 ratings). \$19 wine.com. \$22 WE

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