

MALBEC

Once again, Argentina dominates this much-loved category. While malbec is grown in a number of countries, it's in the dry, higher altitude vineyards of Mendoza that it seems to reach the height of quality and expression of the grape. It's a tough category for our judges to work through; the grape is intense, with plenty of fruit and tannin, and the barest changes in the terroir of the vineyard can make significant changes in how the wine turns out – be it spicy, fruity, mineral-laden, and even floral. If you appreciate the grape, I'm sure these will impress. *Tom Firth*



1884 2019 LTD PRODUCTION MALBEC

Mendoza, Argentina \$33-35 CSPC 138453







TOP VALUE

UKO 2019 ESTATE MALBEC Mendoza, Argentina \$15-18 CSPC 824815



Felino 2020 Malbec

Mendoza, Argentina \$24-26 723907



Mi Terruno 2018 Expresion Malbec

Mendoza, Argentina \$20-24 CSPC 837090

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1884 2019 Estate Grown Malbec

Mendoza, Argentina \$19-21 CSPC 770925





UKO 2017 Select Malbec Uco Valley, Argentina

\$20-23 CSPC 811330





SPARKLING ROSÉ

All this interest in rosé wines has been pretty remarkable. It's a category that has been well loved by sommeliers and enthusiasts, but only recently has some of that enthusiasm been picked up by wine drinkers everywhere. More and more, examples show off better balance in their sweetness, and many, if not most on our shelves are really quite dry. Throw into the mix some bubbles, and the reasons to open up a bottle of rosé are innumerable. Remember, a bottle of sparkling wine doesn't need any special occasion. *Tom Firth*

JUDGES SELECTION



Anna De Codorniu Rosé Cava Spain \$18-20 CSPC 760243



Cava Biutiful Brut Rosé Cava Catalonia, Spain \$19-22 CSPC 799777

