

WINE ENTHUSIAST

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Top 100 Best Buys in 2022

Wines for \$15 or less

Our Top 100 Best Buys report is a concise, international guide to wines of all varieties and styles. This list summarizes the top quality-to-price ratio bottles that our reviewers identified in blind tastings, with everything from New Zealand Sauvignon Blanc to French rosé to Washington State Syrah.

Ranked No. 1 out of all 100 Best Buys is a wine from Paso Robles, California: Highlands 41 2020 Black Granite Red Blend. This full-bodied \$15 wine was rated 91 by our reviewer Matt Kettmann, who wrote, "Aromas of boysenberry, elderberry, roast beef and violet lead into a thick palate of cassis, more violet and pleasant mocha touches." That's a lot of flavor bomb for the buck.

U.S. selections led the list, reflecting domestic wine's general popularity as well as the determination of many producers to keep prices affordable. California, Washington, Oregon and New York contributed 39

wines total. Italy accounted for 12 of the 100 spots, France for nine, Argentina and Spain for seven each. We're also recognizing value-priced gems from regions as far-flung as Bulgaria, Hungary, Israel, South Africa and Slovenia, reflecting how widespread quality winemaking has become—a boon to anyone out to try something new.

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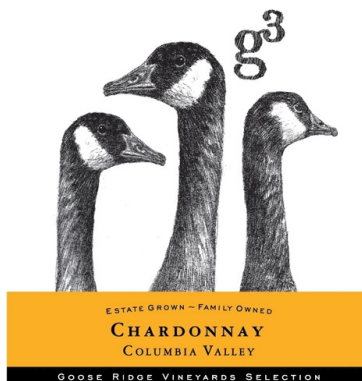
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RATING 90

PRICE \$15

DESIGNATION g3 Estate Grown

VARIETY Chardonnay

APPELLATION Columbia Valley (WA), Columbia Valley, Washington, US

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