

**CABERNET SAUVIGNON — Very Expensive:
\$601/case & Up (\$75.10/btl. full retail & Up)**

TRUCHARD, 1997 RESERVE, CARNEROS, NAPA VALLEY, \$640 (\$80) ★★★★★+

A concentrated, complex Cabernet of excellent quality. It is fleshy, rich, and long on the palate, with aromas/flavors reminiscent of black currant, toasted oak, vanilla, and cherry. Best red wine we've tasted yet from this winery. 297 cases. [2003-2009] 707.253.7153

**MERLOT — Medium Priced:
\$73-\$120/case (\$9.10-\$15/btl. full retail)**

MONTERA, 1999 MONTEREY COUNTY, \$96 (\$12) ★★★★★+

Fleshy and very ripely flavored, this is a full bodied, smoothly textured Merlot, with light oakiness and berry jam flavors. Medium long finish. Excellent value. 12.4% PS, 11.1% Syrah (and other reds). 32,900 cases. [2001-2002] 209.824.3600



PEPPERWOOD GROVE, 1999 CALIFORNIA, \$72 (\$9) ★★★★★

Soft, medium rich, & grapey in flavor, with herbal overtones. It has medium full body, & a medium long finish. [2001-2002] 707.996.8463

TRINITY OAKS, 1999 CALIFORNIA, \$96 (\$12) ★★★★★+

Round and fruity in style, this is an easy to appreciate, medium full bodied Merlot, with moderate depth and good balance. Very good value. [2001-2002] 707.963.3104



**MERLOT — High Priced:
\$121-\$200/case (\$15.10-\$25/btl. full retail)**

CLOS LA CHANCE, 1999 CENTRAL COAST, \$160 (\$20) ★★★★★+

A fine Merlot, in a full, supple, lightly oaked style. It has intense ripe fruit flavors (plum, blueberry, cherry), with overtones of toasted oak, cedar, and caramel. Long finish. 2,031 cases. [2002-2004] 800.487.9463



FETZER VINEYARDS, 1999 BARREL SELECT, SONOMA COUNTY, \$128 (\$16) ★★★★★

Excellent Merlot: supple, full bodied, and intensely fruity (black cherry, raspberry), with light oakiness and firm acidity. Long finish. 24,725 cases. [2002-2004] 707.744.7600

**MERLOT — Expensive:
\$201/case & Up (\$25.10/btl. full retail & Up)**

CROCKER STARR, 1998 STONE PLACE CUVÉE, NAPA VALLEY, \$336 (\$42) ★★★★★

Complex and luscious in style, this is a full bodied, well balanced wine, with intense ripe fruit (red currant, cherry), smoky oak, and caramel aromas/flavors. Medium long finish. 38% CS, 2% CF. 599 cases. [2001-2004] 707.252.1851

ZD, 1999 NAPA VALLEY, \$312 (\$39) ★★★★★

Excellent. Supple and full bodied, with medium richness and good balance. The wine tastes of ripe plum, toasted oak, and licorice. Medium long finish. 1,474 cases. [2001-2004] 707.963.5188



**OTHER RED VARIETALS - High Priced:
\$73-\$120/case (\$9.10-\$15/btl. full retail)**

CHAMELEON, 1999 BARBERA, AMADOR COUNTY, \$160 (\$20) ★★★★★

Excellent Barbera, at a great price. It is complex (toasty, oaky) yet fruity (cherry, raspberry), full bodied, and crisp, with a long finish. Extremely well balanced. [2001-2002] 707.256.0144

LOLONIS, 1999 CARIGNANE, REDWOOD VALLEY, \$128 (\$16) ★★★★★+

Delicious Carignane, in a medium rich, well balanced style. It has strawberry, oak, pepper, and herb aromas/flavors, and a medium long finish. 50 year old vines. Organically grown grapes. 1,508 cases. [2001-2003] 925.938.8066

MAZZOCCO, 1998 CARIGNANE, STONE RANCH, OLD VINE, ALEXANDER VALLEY, \$128 (\$16) ★★★★★

A deeply colored, richly flavored, full bodied Carignane, which is supple in texture, and long on the finish. Great value. 359 cases. [2001-2002] 707.433.9035

MONTEVINA, TERRA D'ORO, 1997 BARBERA, AMADOR COUNTY, \$152 (\$19) ★★★★★

Full bodied and lightly oaky in style, this Barbera is supple, complex in flavor (toast, aniseed, raspberry, cedar), and medium long on the finish. [2001-2002] 707.963.3104

**RED BLENDS - Medium Priced:
\$65-\$120/case (\$8.10-\$15/btl. full retail)**

CLINE, 2000 OAKLEY, VIN ROUGE, CALIFORNIA, \$72 (\$9) ★★★★★

A delicious, Rhone-style blend. It is full bodied, fleshy, and richly flavored, tasting of berry jam, black peppercorn, and herbs. Medium long finish. Blend of Carignane, Mourvedre, Syrah, Grenache, Cinsault, Alicante Bouschet, all grown in Contra Costa County. 5,947 cases. [2001-2004] 707.935.4310



**PINOT NOIR — Medium Priced:
\$73-\$120/case (\$9.10-\$15/btl. full retail)**

FETZER VINEYARDS, FIVE RIVERS RANCH, 2000 SANTA MARIA VALLEY, \$108 (\$13.50) ★★★★★

FIRST RELEASE. Excellent value. This is a distinct, full bodied, fruity Pinot Noir of excellent quality. It has plum, red currant, nutmeg, and mild oak aromas/flavors. [2001-2002] 707.744.7600

MONTINORE VINEYARDS, 1999 WILLAMETTE VALLEY, OREGON, \$108 (\$13.50) ★★★★★

Great value in a medium full bodied, fruity style of Pinot Noir. It has moderate depth, excellent flavor (cherry, rose petal, vanilla, pomegranate), and a crisp, medium long finish. [2001-2002] 503.359.5012

PEPPERWOOD GROVE, 1999 CALIFORNIA, \$76 (\$9.50) ★★★★★

Soft, full bodied, and moderately rich, with mild oakiness. Has cherry, plum, toast, and oak aromas/flavors. Excellent. [2001-2002] 707.996.8463



**PINOT NOIR — Expensive:
\$201/case & Up (\$25.10/btl. & Up full retail)**

CRICHTON HALL, 1999 TRUCHARD VINEYARD, CARNEROS, NAPA VALLEY, \$240 (\$30) ★★★★★

Fleshy and full bodied, this is a powerful wine, with intense strawberry, plum, oak, and nutmeg aromas/flavors. Long, moderately tannic finish. 700 cases. [2002-2004] 707.224.4200

GUNDLACH BUNDSCHU, 1999 RHINEFARM VINEYARDS, SONOMA VALLEY, \$224 (\$28) ★★★★★

Velvety in texture, medium rich, and full bodied, this Pinot Noir is one of the best we can remember from this winery. It has intense cherry, clove, toast, and nutmeg aromas/flavors, and a long finish. 2,096 cases. [2001-2002] 707.938.5277

