



Throughout the year, I make recommendations in my UnCorked column to help readers choose great wines at every price. Then, at the end of the year, I compile those recommendations into this – a detailed list of the year's standout choices.

My annual Wine Review will help you select the perfect wine for every budget and occasion, and hopefully save you a little trial-and-error in the process. So here's to another great year. Cheers!

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Wine prices can vary, but these price ranges will help you find a great bottle at a great price. Cheers!

### VALUES

#### About \$6–\$9 retail

2005 Post Familie Chardonnay, Arkansas  
2005 Crane Lake Chardonnay, California  
2006 Gallo Family Vineyards Chardonnay, California  
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2004 Fork and Knife Shiraz, Australia  
2005 Santa Rita, Rapel Valley, Chile  
2006 Barefoot Pinot Grigio, California  
2006 Penfolds Rawson Retreat Chardonnay, Australia  
2006 Lindemans Bin 65, South Australia  
2005 Don Raphael Reserva, Aconcagua Valley, Chile  
2005 Hogue, Washington  
2005 Trapiche Oak Cask Malbec, Mendoza, Argentina  
2006 Marques de Caceres, Spain  
2006 Rudi Wiest Rhein River Riesling, Germany  
2006 Geyser Peak Sauvignon Blanc, California  
2005 Penfolds Koonunga Hills Shiraz/  
Cabernet Sauvignon, Australia  
2005 Beringer Founders' Estate Chardonnay, California  
2005 Lindemans Merlot, Australia  
2007 Jacob's Creek Chardonnay, Australia  
2006 Meridian Pinot Grigio, California

#### About \$10 retail

Seaview Brut, nonvintage, Australia  
LaVilla Prosecco, Italy  
2006 Conde de Velasquez Sauvignon Blanc, Chile  
2005 Smoking Loon, California  
2006 Spy Valley Sauvignon Blanc, New Zealand  
2004 Concannon Petite Sirah, California  
2005 Bonny Doon Big House White, California  
2005 Chateau Ste. Michelle Sauvignon Blanc, Washington  
2005 Parallel "45", Cotes du Rhone, France  
2005 Red Bicylette Chardonnay, France  
2005 Lindemans Shiraz, Australia  
2005 Rosemont Chardonnay, Australia  
2004 Los Vascos, Chile  
Seaview Brut, nonvintage, Australia  
2005 Concha y Toro Casillero del Diablo, Chile  
2006 Castello Banfi Le Rime Pinot Grigio, Italy  
2005 Tapena Tempranillo, Spain  
2006 Bodega Norton Malbec, Argentina  
2006 Lindemans Chardonnay-Semillon Bin 77, Australia  
2003 Rudi Wiest Riesling, Germany  
2006 Schmitt Sohne Spatlese Riesling, Germany  
2005 Twisted River Late Harvest Riesling, Germany  
Freixenet Brut Cava, Spain  
2004 Knife and Fork Merlot, Australia  
2006 Pasqua Pinot Grigio, Italy  
2002 BV Coastal Estates Beauglieu –  
Cabernet Sauvignon, California  
2006 Stevenot Pinot Grigio, California

#### About \$11 retail

2003 Brancott Sauvignon Blanc, New Zealand  
D'Arenberg Stump Jump White, Australia  
2003 Riscal Tempranillo, Spain  
2005 Los Vascos, Colchagua, Chile  
2005 Beringer Founders' Estate, California  
2005 Ch. St. Michelle, Washington  
2005 Kendall Jackson, California  
2005 Rudi Wiest Rhine Riesling, Germany  
2005 Louis Tete Beaujolais, France  
2003 Riscal Tempranillo, Spain  
2004 Red Bicylette Rose, France  
2005 Vigneti del Sole Pinot Grigio, Italy  
2006 D'Arenberg Stump Jump, Australia

#### About \$12 retail

2005 Rosa di Rosa, Italy  
2004 Hayman & Hill Santa Lucia Highlands Pinot Noir, California  
1999 Casa Ferreirinha Vinha Grande, Douro, Portugal  
2003 Napa Ridge, Napa Valley  
2004 Rosemont, Southeastern Australia  
2004 Martin Ray Angeline, Russain River Valley, California  
2005 Yalumba Unoaked, South Australia  
2003 Villa Maria Sauvignon Blanc, New Zealand  
2005 Bonny Doon, California  
2006 Franz Haas Kris Pinot Grigio, Italy  
2005 Bloom Riesling, Germany  
2005 Montes Cabernet Sauvignon, Chile  
2004 Jadot Beaujolais, France  
2005 Valley of the Moon Pinot Blanc, California  
2005 Mark West Pinot Noir, California  
2005 Steven Vincent Cabernet Sauvignon, California  
2005 Angeline Chardonnay, California  
2006 Relax Riesling, Germany  
2005 Martin Codax Albarino, Spain  
2005 Hugel Gewurztraminer, France  
2005 Bunnell Family Cellars Savignon Blanc, Washington  
2005 Mark West Pinot Noir, California  
2005 Hess Select Chardonnay, California  
2005 Waterbrook Cabernet Sauvignon, Washington  
2005 Novella Synergy, California  
2005 Penfolds Koonunga Hill Shiraz/Cabernet, Australia  
2004 Mouton Cadet, Bordeaux, France  
2006 Pillar Box Red, Australia  
2007 Yalumba Y Series Chardonnay, Australia  
2005 Ninth Island Pinot Noir, Tasmania

#### About \$13–\$14 retail

2004 337 Cabernet Sauvignon, California  
2005 Rodney Strong Zinfandel, California  
2005 Bonterra Mendocino Zinfandel, California  
2003 Ninth Island Pinot Noir, Tasmania  
2005 Hess Select Cabernet Sauvignon, California  
2006 Toasted Head Chardonnay, California  
2005 Bell Lake County Sauvignon Blanc, California

**VALUES, continued**

**About \$26–\$27 retail**

2003 Ferrari-Carano Siena, California  
1998 Churchill Late Bottled Vintage Port, Portugal

**About \$65 retail**

2005 Ambullneo Pig Paw Chardonnay, California

**SPLURGES**

**About \$12–\$16 retail**

337 Cabernet Sauvignon, California  
2005 Gravity Hills Tumbling Tractor Zinfandel, California  
2005 Kim Crawford Unoaked, Marlborough, New Zealand  
2005 Martin Ray Angeline Pinot Noir, California  
La Mirada al Sur Albarino, Spain  
2004 Trapiche, Mendoza, Argentina  
2005 Centine Banfi Rose, Italy  
2005 Sumarroca Cava Brut Reserva, Spain  
2005 Bodega As Laxas Albarino, Spain

**About \$17–\$18 retail**

2004 Liberty School, Paso Robles, California  
2004 Hess Select, California  
2005 Gymnasium, Germany  
2006 Ca' Montini Pinot Grigio, Italy  
2004 Pierre Sparr Pinot Gris, Alsace, France  
2005 J. Lohr Seven Oaks Cabernet Sauvignon, California  
2006 Liberty School Cabernet Sauvignon, California  
2005 Blackstone Sonoma Reserve Chardonnay, California  
2007 Mudhouse Sauvignon Blanc, New Zealand  
2004 Chateau Souverain, Sonoma County, California  
2005 Turkey Flat Rose, Australia  
2005 Kim Crawford Sauvignon Blanc, New Zealand  
2005 Pascal Jolivet Attitude Sauvignon Blanc, France  
2005 Domaine Paul Blanck Pinot Blanc, France  
2006 Frie Brothers Chardonnay, California  
2006 Dr. Loosen Riesling, Germany  
2007 Villa Maria Sauvignon Blanc, New Zealand  
2006 Bloom Riesling, Germany

**About \$19–\$22 retail**

2002 San Simeon Syrah, Monterey, California  
2006 Honig Sauvignon Blanc, California  
2005 Altanuta Pinot Grigio, Italy  
2004 Friedrich-Wilhelm Gymnasium  
Spatlese Riesling, Germany  
2006 Kunstler Estate Riesling, Germany  
2005 Spy Valley Gewurztraminer, New Zealand  
2004 Beringer III Century Pinot Noir  
2005 Schug, Sonoma, California  
1998 Dow's Late Bottled Vintage Port, Portugal  
2005 Calera 30th Anniversary Vintage  
Chardonnay, California

2004 Penley Estate Phoenix, Coonawarra  
2005 La Crema, Sonoma Coast, California  
2004 Post Familie Vineyards Port, Arkansas  
2005 Bunnell Family Cellar Gewurtztraminer,  
Rosa Berga Vineyard, Washington  
2006 Ferrari Carano Chardonnay, California  
2005 Trimbach Riesling, France  
2005 Bell Rose, California  
2006 Whitehaven Sauvignon Blanc, New Zealand

**About \$23–\$26 retail**

2004 Pierre Sparr, Alsace, France  
Roederer Estate Brut Anderson Valley,  
nonvintage, California  
2004 Turkey Flat Rose, Australia  
2004 Bertani Valpolicella Cassico Villa Novare, Italy  
2005 Montes Alpha Chardonnay, Chile  
2004 Karthausert Hof Kabinett, Germany  
2005 Alexander Valley Cabernet Sauvignon, California  
2003 BV Rutherford, Napa Valley  
2005 Dr. Loosen, Mosel, Germany  
2005 Spy Valley Pinot Noir, New Zealand  
2005 Hager Pinot Noir, Germany  
2005 Hugel Gewurztraminer, Alsace, France  
2005 Secca Bertani, Valpolicella, Veneto, Italy  
2005 Turkey Flat Grenache, Australia  
2004 Secco-Bertani Valpolicella Valpantena, Veneto, Italy  
2006 Gemtree Vineyards Shiraz, Australia  
Mumm Napa, Cuvee M, California

**About \$27–\$30 retail**

Domaine Carneros, California  
2003 Penfolds Bin 389 Cabernet Sauvignon, Australia  
2005 Sonoma-Cutrer Sonoma County  
Chardonnay, California  
2006 Mt. Difficulty Pinot Noir, New Zealand  
2002 Eroica, Ch. St. Michelle, Washington  
2005 Sofia Brut Rose, California  
2006 Leeuwin Estate Siblings, Australia  
2006 King Estate Pinot Noir, California  
2005 2004 Castello D'Albola Chianti Reserva, Tuscany  
1999 Tarsus Ribera del Duero, Spain  
2003 Gemtree Vineyards Cinnibar, Australia  
2005 Casa Lapostolle Cuvee Alexandre  
Cabernet Sauvignon, Chile

**About \$32–\$40 retail**

2004 Ridge Lytton Springs Zinfandel, California  
2005 Cambria Katherine's Chardonnay, California  
Leonard Kreusch Beerenauslese, Germany  
2005 Rombauer Carneros, California  
2005 Stag's Leap Wine Cellars Karia, California  
2004 Vina Robles Signature, Pasa Robles, California  
2004 Casa Lapostolle Cuvee Alexander  
Cabernet Sauvignon, Chile

2003 Jaboulet Les Cedres Chateaufeuf du Pape, France  
2005 Artesa Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon, California  
2005 Dan Schuster Chardonnay Petrie, New Zealand

**About \$44–\$49 retail**

2005 Gary Farrell Chardonnay, California  
2004 Saintsbury Pinot Noir Carneros, California  
2002 Falcor Napa Valley merlot, California  
2002 Magnificat, Franciscan Oakville Estate, California  
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Meritage Blend, California

**About \$52–\$57 retail**

2005 Martin Ray Stags Leap District  
Cabernet Sauvignon, California  
2005 Kistler Carneros Chardonnay, California  
1999 Casa Ferreirinha Calabriga, Douro, Portugal  
Veuve Clicquot Ponsardin, Reims, France  
2004 Bodega Norton Perdiel, Argentina

**About \$65–\$70 retail**

2004 Justin Vineyards and Winery Isosceles, California  
2003 Chateau Lascombes, Bordeaux, France  
2001 Bruno Rocca Barbaresco, Italy

**About \$74–\$80 retail**

2003 Terrazas Cheval des Andes, Argentina  
2005 Groth Cabernet Sauvignon, California  
2002 Flora Springs Wild Boar Vineyard  
Cabernet Sauvignon, California  
2005 Chateau Lascombes Margaux Bordeaux  
2005 Ambullneo Bull Dog Pinot Noir, California  
2005 Ambullneo Bulldog, California  
2003 Il Poggione Brunello Montalcino, Italy

**About \$84–\$89 retail**

2003 Twomey Cellars Merlot, California  
2002 Flora Springs Wild Boar Vineyard, California  
2003 Castello Banfi Summus, Italy

**About \$110 retail**

2003 Quinta do Noval Vintage Port, Portugal

**About \$140 retail**

2004 Far Niente Oakville Estate  
Cabernet Sauvignon, California

**About \$210 retail**

1999 Chateau d'Yquem, France

**About \$229 retail**

2003 Tenuta San Guido Sassicaia, Italy

**About \$310 retail**

1997 Penfolds Grange, Australia