



Wine List

A wine list is like a little collection, a private stash, a treasure one can't resist sharing. Wine, our most social beverage, pours out of a bottle like the stories that went into it, the tender but vigilant winemaker, the storied family home, be it a ranch, a bodega or a chateau, the very stones and earth that host the vines and give them reason to struggle. Every bottle is a little museum unto itself, and the bottles that fill a list carry their own stamp of selection, of having been intentionally collected and curated.

Abreo is the right size in the right place, with the perfect level of distinction, to warrant a wine list that feels like that favored spot you want to return to, the place where quality, considerate hospitality, and a friendly geekishness about food and wine prevail, with a list that's big but not huge, generous in its range but still idiosyncratic in its focus.

That reflects me. I really do geek out about wine, cheese, charcuterie, anything that reflects the uniqueness of place and a personal approach. I've collected matchbook covers and matchbox cars as a kid, glass and ceramics as an adult, and rocks I like all through my life. I've farmed, I cook, I explore the things that grow and get eaten or drunk. Here at Abreo, I'm pleased to offer you a collection of wines I care about, and I hope your choice adds pleasure to your table!

Dan Scroggins – Abreo Wine Curator

Wines by the Glass

Sparkling and Rosés

2015 Centorri Moscato, Italy

8 | 28

Bright and silky, with lingering flavors of sweet honeycomb and hints of spring blossoms.

Rivarose Brut Rose, n.v., Provence

9 | 32

Made from Grenache and Cinsault grapes, it boasts wonderful integration of fruit and acid.

This will pair with virtually all of the plates, and with your best moods too.

Maschio Prosecco, n.v., Italy

9 *6oz mini bottle

Lightly toasted almond and peach on the nose, racy citrus on the palate with a clean finish.

2018 Rustenberg Petit Verdot Rosé, Stellenbosch, South Africa

12 | 36

New World Wines can be so exciting, with experimentation and innovation building on skill and insight! In this delicious rosé, Petit Verdot takes a star turn, no longer the background blending grape. Salted minerality greets the nose and whets the appetite for the balanced play of expected flavors and unexpected nuances.

Whites

2017 Noble House Reisling, Mosel

9 | 36

Aromas of crisp green apple and almond blossoms mark this very clean and poised Reisling.

The fruit and acid sit in relaxed balance, letting the sweet flavors feel more elegant than insistent.

2018 Portlandia Pinot Gris, Willamette Valley

10 | 40

Wine Spectator calls it festive! Bright zest jostles with juicy lemon meringue on crisp and playful acidity. The finish is lengthy and smooth, slowly drawing deeper citrus and tropical flavors.

2016 Dry Creek Valley Fume (Sauvignon) Blanc, California

10 | 40

A beautifully complex, layered wine that is nonetheless instantly refreshing and friendly!

Great balance of fruit to acid, with a warm and round finish that doesn't lose its satisfying minerality.

2016 Broadside Wild Ferment Chardonnay, Paso Robles

12 | 48

Buoyant and brimming with fresh life by virtue of wild fermentation, this Chardonnay sings, zings, and brings the vitality of summer to the table with you.

Reds

2016 Albertoni Merlot, California

7 | 28

Floral and fruit aromas match to bright cherry flavor with touches of baking spices.

2018 Cycles Gladiator Pinot Noir, California

9 | 36

Exquisite balance and beautiful aromatics on lush and sweet notes of black cherry, mulled strawberry and a little hint of pomegranate. Mouth filling without being mouth coating, velvety but not smothering.

2016 J. Dusi Model M, Paso Robles

9 | 32

Named after the trusty tractor that works their fields, the Model M is driven by Zinfandel, lush and full in the Paso Robles style. Spice and full texture come with the addition of Syrah and Petite Sirah.

2014 Printers Alley Red Blend, Paso Robles

12 | 48

This Bordeaux-style blend unites classic varietals and a definite European winemaking sensibility with the terroir and climate of Paso Robles. Its palate yields rounded berry and cherry flavors.

2015 Susana Balbo Cabernet Sauvignon, Mendoza

12 | 48

A delicious value on high mountainside Cabernet! The high elevation fruit sings with flavor on well-defined but elegant and simple structure. Blueberry and blackberry ring out, and the background holds soft leather, floral bouquet and bracken notes that frame the fruit charmingly.

Bubbles by the Bottle

- Graham Beck Brut (NV), Robertson Valley, Western Cape** 32 (375 ml) | 56 (750 ml)
Dances in on aromas of brioche, apricot and mango, twirls with a lemon-lime zip and curtsies to a finish when the creamy mousse broadens and relaxes. A fine bubble structure with enduring effervescence, and classic notes of toast and pale almond complementing the glistening fruit. Choose your bottle size and start toasting!
- 2019 The Super-Nat Sparkling Sauvignon Blanc, Hawke's Bay, New Zealand** 52
That's right! A sparkling Sauvignon Blanc, bottled with a crown closure in the newer Petillant Naturel style. This means the grapes sat on the skins a very long time, giving the wine extra body and depth. Here, it tames the sharpness of NZ Sauvignon Blanc and adds bubbly creaminess along with apple notes. This wine will finish with sediment in the bottle, as it completes its aging under the cap.
- Bleasdale Red Brute Sparkling Shiraz 'Uncle Dick' (NV), Australia** 54
Don't let Uncle Dick's picture on the label scare you off! This fascinating wine is a cheeky, fun, and exotic creation that arose simply: the wine makers of the area wanted a way to enjoy their robust shiraz grapes in a more refreshing manner. So with great ingenuity, they turned them into a sparkling red wine! We chill it for you, but it's the warming up that excites, as that deep fruit unfolds on an easy blanket of bubbles. This is your patio red!
- Perrier Jouet Blason Rose, n.v., Champagne** 130
Mouthwatering and complete, with vigorous fruit, a touch of creaminess, and a depth most sparkling roses can't lay claim to. Expect crushed strawberry and delicate red apple tones on the nose.

Rosés by the Bottle

- 2018 Garzon Pinot Noir Rosé, Uruguay** 36
Delightfully fresh and clean, with good traction, elegant zip, and a finish of mineral laced fruit and playful acid.
- 2017 Locations F Rosé, Southern France** 42
Famed winemaker David Phinney (Orin Swift) captures a wonderful side project here, sourcing only Grenache from vineyards across Provence and beyond in Southern France. The fruit is excellent, but the styling – creamy, refined, aimed for but oh so chill – shows the hand of a master.
- 2019 Chateau Routas Rosé Rouviere, Provence** 38
Grenache, Syrah and Cinsault unite like sun, warmth and the early harvest of summer: fresh zippy strawberry and the lightest of cherry inflections on a breezy pink robe. Everything is alive here, the nose, the racy body, the grip of flavor and acid. Refreshing and perfect for summer dining!

"OLD WORLD" Whites by the Bottle

- 2016 Gilet Vouvray, Loire Valley, France** 39
This is a delightful sipping wine that easily moves to dinner with you! Beginning just barely tart with spring apples, juicy and lively stone fruit then flows across the palate for a round and bright finish.
- 2014 Domaine Stéphane Brocard, Pouilly-Fuissé, Burgundy** 58
Glossy, pale stone fruit, almost like flinty crystals of flavor, races across the palate in this exceedingly clean, exceedingly dry Chardonnay from Burgundy. It's got a refreshing edge you can just about teeter on, but you'll keep your balance and so will the wine.
- 2016 Le Ferme du Mont "La Truffiere", Côtes du Rhone** 58
Don't let the reference to truffles pull you off course from this lively and delicious French blend. It shows straw, spring flowers and stone fruits on the nose, and drinks very generously with flavors of yellow apple touched by lavender and white pepper.

"NEW WORLD" Whites by the Bottle

2018 Kiona Chenin Blanc, Columbia Valley

40

Presenting floral perfumes backed by juicy melon and honeycomb aromas, the palate is fruit first with a race by the refreshing acids riding through the mid-palate. The finish is balanced and bright but speaks of the solid structure underlying the juicy stone citrus fruit flavors.

2018 Rustenberg Chenin Blanc, Stellenbosch

38

This bright, happy wine immediately works as an aperitif or with all manner of lighter foods. Fresh and satisfying on the palate with washes of pineapple and yellow apple resolving to pleasant citrus mid-palate, where the lively acids sustain through a slow fade back toward the lushness of tropical fruits. Perfect for summer, but don't discount it in any temperate season.

2018 Fleur Vermentino, Carneros

54

An Italian varietal brought to beautiful expression in Carneros, this wine opens like a friend's door, offering supple and broad notes of citrus and green apple in a very easy drinking wine. A background of stony minerals never dominates but keeps the fruit bright and buoyant.

2018 Jim Barry The Lodge Hill Riesling (DRY), Clare Valley, Australia

54

You can't fall in love without a first date. So, pick this up and get ready to tumble. What a sweet Riesling brings in fruit, a dry Riesling sublimates to precise expression and a near-magical gift for pairings. You don't lose fruit, you gain a structure to showcase it. It's nimble and always a step ahead, like Fred Astaire with a cane and a boater! Jim Barry pioneered the style in Clare Valley's high altitude extremes, and it's become a global hallmark for dry Riesling from new world vineyards.

2015 Au Bon Climat Pinot Gris/Pinot Blanc, Santa Barbara Country

38

"A well-exposed vineyard..." Au Bon Climat proves it here but deserves further plaudits for decades-long excellence in winemaking. Ripe nectarine dances on the floral bouquet. In the mouth, it beguiles like pranking twins, clean but with rich texture, nectar against racy acidity, confident in its contrasts and charm.

2013 Bouchaine Chardonnay, Carneros

64

From the first scents of buttercream, peach and wax, it's clear the Bouchaine is a relaxed styling of Chardonnay, but it holds its own in stately composition. Well-integrated acids thread through peach, pineapple and apple Danish flavors, keeping the wine lively and playful above its fuller body.

2014 Poseidon's Vineyard Chardonnay, Russian River

48

A full-bodied wine that benefits from delicate treatment of the oak. The care given in the winemaking gives the fruit and acid great nuance and a deep, enduring finish of generous warmth.

2016 Tablas Creek Patelin de Tablas Blanc, Paso Robles

52

Tablas Creek is highly regarded for Rhone-style bottlings of Paso Robles fruit, with delicate, invigorating nuances. The blend is white, with Grenache Blanc, Viognier, Rousanne, Marsanne and Clairette Blanche. This stately wine delivers apple and pear riddled with citrus, spices backed by cream, tropical notes, wet stone and a round ripe finish.

2017 Chappellet Calesa Vineyard Chardonnay, Petaluma Gap

104

Do you remember elbow length dinner gloves? Here's the wine to match them! This is high elevation Chardonnay from a pioneering vineyard and truly the crème de la crème! Lightly spiced mango aromas open to sophisticated layering of citrus and tropical flavors backed by lingering spice notes.

"OLD WORLD" Reds by the Bottle

- 2015 Juris Blaufrankisch, Burgenland** 44
A perfect match! High altitude vineyards let this late ripening varietal achieve spicy fullness with tempered tannins for incisive shape. A punch of gently sweet spice notes drive this wine's brightly delineated flavors, and framing acid keeps the body clean and resonant.
- 2017 Gonc Winery Gamay, Slovenia** 45
Gonc Winery is as small as it gets, a true boutique family project that is part sustenance and partly a simple expression of clan creativity, involving four generations in the farming and winemaking. Gamay is sometimes allowed to mature and gain substance, and this one from Gonc offers long structure and a direct punch of friendly fruit. It's lively, with a bright tone and resonance.
- 2016 Collemattoni Rosso di Montalcino** 48
Pretty, playful, and ready when the cork pops! Lingering aromas of black cherry and violet blossom wind around a firm palate that sails on a nice edge of subdued acids. Warm, soft, fruity and dry in the mouth, this wine is a winner with risotto, pasta, poultry and simple red meats.
- 2013 Prunotto Monferrato Mompertone, Langhe** 45
Blending Barbera and Syrah, Prunotto has made a winning match! Barbera's light floral character binds to Syrah's racier structure and flavor profile, resulting in poise and tension that keep the wine focused. Nice extraction is met by steady grip, leading to a firm finish on strong fruit.
- 2016 Can Blau, Montsant** 47
This charming Spanish blend simply over-delivers. Sometimes a wine feels like it is always about to happen, or already has, but the Can Blau 'happens' on every sip – fruit and flowers, a little graphite, teasing tannins, movement on the palate. This wine is dynamic!
- 2017 Vall Llach Embruix (Vī-yok-awm-broozh), Priorat** 68
Richly textured blackberry courses with incisive notes of licorice, balsamic, cracked pepper and wild herbs. Wines from Priorat can marry an almost brutal intensity with a bequiling grace and velvety allure. This one from the austere vineyards of Porrera adds luster to that reputation, blending Garnaxta, Merlot, Syrah, Carignan and Cabernet Sauvignon into an assertive beauty that merited a 91 from Wine Spectator. This is the kind of wine I would choose if you asked me what I want with dinner.
- 2016 Louis Bernard Vacqueyras, Rhone Valley** 72
Grenache leads in this flirty/romantic blend, offering its inviting aromas along with friendly candied cherry and raspberry flavors punched playfully by notes of warm baking spices. The wine is structured with a generous, languid balance but so fun to drink you probably won't notice. But you might notice smiles forming around the table, including your own!
- 2014 Muga Reserva, Rioja** 62
Cultivated in the highest altitudes of Rioja Alta, the Muga is fresh and clean in character. Beguiling aromatics and striking floral notes enhance the wine's innate juiciness, and it opens shepherded by its own vibrant acid as it reveals plush flavors of raspberry, cherry and red delicious apple.
- 2016 Quinta do Crasto Reserva Vinha Velhas, Douro, Portugal** 88
From precipitous slopes where the vines average over 70 years old, this intriguing and resonant blend rewards your attention. Full bodied with aromas of slate, fruit leather, blackberry and prune, tasting highlights dark berry compote with the length of a good fruit reduction as the wine gently but commandingly fades from the palate.
- 2016 Casaloste Chianti Classico Riserva, Chianti Classico** 85
100% Sangiovese, aged 2 years, and a classic in presentation: a medium to deep cherry in color, it settles against the glass with confidence. Cherry, red currant and whiffs of tomato leaf on the nose lead into more currant, raspberry and cherry on the tasting. There's also black pepper, thyme and hints of roasted nuts on the drawn finish. Pleasant to drink, brilliant to pair.

"OLD WORLD" Reds by the Bottle

- 2018 Thistledown Gorgeous Grenache, South Australia** 54
Juicy but structured, and brimming with charm. It might be cheeky to call your own wine Gorgeous, but if you're on the mark, you get bragging rights, don't you? Your nose will almost rejoice in aromas of strawberry, fruit blossom and violet. Ripening red plum captures the heart of the palate, but there are lots of nuances to discover in this charmer. It might even take one bottle just to get through the flirting.
- 2014 Fleur de Roc, Saint-Émilion, Bordeaux** 74
Incredible freshness abounds the minute you open this bottle. Like the air after a thunderstorm, this Merlot driven blend is charged with freshness, offering aromas of windfall cherries and the yummy juice at the bottom of a pie pan. The cherry flavors gain great depth and roundness on the palate while the acid and mellow tannins keep it sitting light and ebullient. The finish even remains bright, coupling the acid and fruit in a double curtsy.
- 2016 Chateau Blaignan, Medoc, Bordeaux** 68
Fill your glass with classic style and abundantly expressive flavor from this Cabernet dominated blend. Merlot is its partner, and the tug between them is the beauty of the wine, with Cab establishing structure and the deeper range of flavors, leaving Merlot to swirl trails of brighter fruit alongside. The nose brings plum, leather, violet and graphite, while a sip presents cassis and blackberry with soft baking spice coming into focus on a cushioned finish.
- 2010 Nittardi Chianti Classico Riserva, Chianti** 144
Expressive, pure and refined. From the heart of Chianti and the honored traditions of Nittardi, this Riserva shows a polished structure ready to carry the lightly sour cherry thread of flavor around accents of dried oregano and leather. Gorgeously pale and reflective in the glass, this Chianti both looks and tastes like a top shelf choice.
- 2016 Quinta do Crasto Touriga Nacional, Douro, Portugal** 155
Portugal's most elevated grape gets detailed attention from the bud to the bottle with this distinctive wine. The deep color accompanies persuasive aromas of berry cobbler, the thick and rich juice at the bottom of a pie, and a little tar. It may beguile you, though. It drinks much lighter with a broad play of lively fruit, oak and tannins coming to softness. Unexpected herbaceous notes ride the measured finish. This wine is drinking in its prime. If you want something worth a little extra, here it is.
- 2012 Franco Rocca Barbaresco, Barbaresco** 112
Grab an exceptional vintage of an exceptional wine! 100% Nebbiolo at the sweet spot Barbaresco is known for, tempering the grape's power with brightly plush red fruit spiked by hints of rose and pomander. A firm grip leads into the finish, where the fruit softens along with the acids, and the tannins frame a fading flavor of cherry syrup. A beautiful wine to study, but with a classic pairing profile as well.
- 2014 Chateau de Beaucastel Chateauneuf-du-Pape** 170
A wine as simply amazing as this is hard to describe. This one has it all: herbs, fruit, flowers, rocks – it's a wine that connects you to its place, that reminds us how much we derive from the earth that houses us. It's a very full and sensory wine that raises the humble vine growing among rocks to a place of honor.
- 2013 San Filippo Le Lucere Brunello di Montalcino, Montalcino** 165
Compelling cherry, strawberry and violet flavors herald this lively and fresh Brunello at its peak for aging. This wine scored a phenomenal 97 from Wine Spectator. Dusty tannins and measured acid keep the fresh cherry and plum fruit gliding through a long aftertaste accented by whiffs of herbs and clay. Truly a spectacular wine, with only 300 cases produced, and half of those remained in Europe.
- 2015 Christophe Semaska Côte Rôtie Lancement, Northern Rhone Valley** 288
This is French Syrah at its finest – incisive, full, imposing and lingering. The nose offers sun-baked currant with chocolate and charcoal. The very full body opens on deep black raspberry detailed by olive, bacon fat and grill flavors along with white pepper. This is a bold wine that sits rather proudly on the palate, and yet taste further and you might catch notes of the humble and seared clay soils that produce these singular vines.

"NEW WORLD" Reds by the Bottle

2017 Andis Barbera d'Amador, Sierra Foothills

48

The easy charm of Barbera should be on everyone's radar. It's an unfussy grape that doesn't want fancy, it just wants to have its moment. That said, catch it now – whiffs of dried strawberry, light sour cherry and red plum, prelude to a surprisingly intricate palate of light notes: dark cherry and sundried tomato, ripe plum and traces of vanilla and anise. With snacks, a meal, or on its own, casual but sure footed.

2019 Trentadue Old Patch Red, Sonoma

32

Mellow is the key here, along with 'ready now'. This blend amiably marries Zinfandel, Merlot, Syrah and Petite Sirah for a medium body wine with complexity that nonetheless kisses the palate simply, offering ripened fruit with the barest edge of darker contrasts. Mellow, ready now, easy-going... a perfect table wine.

2018 Goldschmidt Chelsea Merlot, Alexander Valley, Sonoma

52

The days of widespread lousy Merlot are past (Yaay!), but really good Merlot is still a bit of a hunt (Harrumph). Goldschmidt brings a great bottle to the fore with this single vineyard offering. Good Merlot is a diplomatic wine that doesn't cede its own personality in getting along. The Chelsea is that kind of wine, really well made and evocative on its own – a pleasant sipping wine – but great in the background too, ready to play harmony.

2016 Belasco De Baquedano Llama Old Vine Malbec, Argentina

40

A Malbec that pulls off rich flavor while remaining broader on the palate, permitting room for the judicious oak to add mild toasty character to the cherry, blackberry and plum fruit.

2016 Siduri Pinot Noir, Santa Rita Hills

58

Siduri was the Babylonian Goddess whose wine held the secrets of eternal life. This homage to her comes from a husband and wife team who relentlessly scout, and only purchase, choice Pinot Noir grapes from throughout California. Their approach yields fascinating wines, this one showcasing the beautiful diversity of fruit (blackberry, boysenberry, cranberry), texture and roundness hailing from Santa Rita vineyards. This valley is the only valley running east-to-west on the entire coast of California, and the resulting access to ocean breezes brings amplitude and finesse that lie on the wine like a silken layer of fog lies over the vineyards.

2014 Poseidon Vineyard Pinot Noir, Carneros

67

An alluring wine full of nuance, this Pinot offers hints of cola, leather and plum on the nose. The silky texture swells with rich black cherry and subtle vanilla that lingers with the balanced tannins.

2015 Ponzi 45th Anniversary Pinot Noir, Willamette Valley

145

The Ponzi family helped to settle the Willamette Valley, wine-wise, and they sure know how to celebrate a milestone! Only 5 plots from their finest vineyards go into this bottle, truly the best of the best. Soft aromas of oaked cherry funnel elegantly to broad but delineated flavors of steeped cherry, delicate spice and pepper washing over a body that feels at once comforting and nourishing.

2016 J. Dusi Dante Dusi Vineyard Zinfandel, Pas Robles

72

Among the oldest vines in Paso Robles, the Dante Dusi grapes stand out for their fresh allure, with other top wineries regularly buying fruit from this vineyard. Here is a Zinfandel with full flavor and depth but not the jammy quality so often sold as standard and expected. It rides across your palate and senses with immediacy, bringing notes of fruit leather and anise, backed by flavors of blackberry, sweet tobacco and a zip of clove to round it out. And after all that, it still feels light and direct.

2017 Sbragia Gino's Old Vine Zinfandel, Sonoma

70

Rich and full, confident in its own opulent style, and crafted by Ed Sbragia, the only winemaker to ever win Winemaker of the Year twice! The jammy fruit flows unabashed, but lovingly framed by Ed's master hand, delivering plumpness without being tired and overblown. A showy and tasty bottle of wine!

2016 Gramercy Cellars Lower East Syrah, Columbia Valley

59

A Master Sommelier left it all behind to make this! Exporting a Manhattan love of Washington wine to the source itself brought Gramercy Cellars to a geeky point of artistry, with slow and deeply measured steps in winemaking. Small production, persnickety practices, and a vision of wines like this: black plum, dark cherry, seared meat and black tea leaf on tannins that guide through the mid-palate to an acid-backed finish that's clean and elegant.

"NEW WORLD" Reds by the Bottle

- 2016 Miro Cellars Petite Sirah Reserve Rockpile, Sonoma** 94
Rockpile grapes hold a special magic for every winemaker lucky enough to get some! Here, Petite Sirah presents jubilant liveliness on flavors of deep but naturally extracted dark berries with a winning thread of dark chocolate weaving through. How a wine so lush and tannic can sit so effortlessly on the palate is a wonder, one you need to taste for yourself. Pair with bigger dishes; even though it dances lightly, this is a full body tannic wine.
- 2015 Rustenberg John X Merriman, Stellenbosch** 85
Rustenberg's signature Bordeaux blend, the John X Merriman is named after a one-time Governor of the territory and owner of the estate. As an homage, it's a really nice tribute: black and blue fruit push toward roundness, with steady acid and knit tannins keeping balance and supporting length through a slow and mellow finish. A little herbaceousness and minerality lend added dimension.
- 2015 Pamplin Family JRG Blend, Columbia Valley** 64
Wine Spectator called it "refined and sleekly built", alongside a 91 rating. It also brims with focused energy, animating it across the whole palate. Mostly Cabernet with some Merlot blended in, but make no mistake – this finely polished presentation is much more than the sum of its parts. Only 220 cases were produced from cosseted vineyards and nuanced cellaring. This is artisan winemaking from people who love doing it.
- 2017 Novelty Hill Cabernet Sauvignon, Columbia Valley** 67
Winemaker Mike Januik describes his own wine beautifully: "Rich and concentrated... full-bodied and aromatic [with] expressive layers of ripe plum, black currant and wild blackberries. Textured, mouth-filling... with a balanced, refined finish." Spot on! The Novelty Hill rivals Napa for rich concentration but adds breadth and detail in a really sumptuous presentation.
- 2017 Miro Pine Mountain Reserve Cabernet, Sonoma** 82
Perched 2600 feet above the Russian River, bathed in light and balmed by diurnal shifts that cabernet sauvignon loves, Miro's Pine Mountain Reserve is a wine that dances – at once a master of the more demanding steps but also and always smooth, with the aplomb of refinement. The flavor centers on dark berries with richly layered spice notes and sumptuous tannins that keep the mouthfeel warm, generous and gently firmed.
- 2018 Rustenberg Cabernet Sauvignon, Stellenbosch** 65
Impressive structure and length set this Cabernet apart. Hailing from Stellenbosch in South Africa, the Rustenberg estate has been making wine since the 1600s, and over centuries they've combined the best of European practices and traditions with the uniquely flavored grapes of the Western Cape. Stewed blackberry, black currant, tobacco leaf and an underlayer of spice and black pepper carry the wine across the full palate, receding only on the gentle but long finish.
- 2013 Ancient Oak Berger Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon, Sonoma** 95
Deep, full and firm with cigar box, leather and plum on the nose. The raspberry and sweet cherry fruit tastes of oak and spice, with developing and lingering accents of chocolate, anise and sweet tobacco. Velvety and plush upon opening, decanting recommended.
- 2013 Goldschmidt Cabernet Sauvignon, Yeoman Vineyard, Alexander Valley** 130
A stunning, hand-picked, low yield, single vineyard Cabernet! On the nose, aromas of herbs, currants and berry nectars, moss and wet stone hint at the full tasting experience. Concentrated flavors of black fruit, cassis, tobacco and chocolate glide on a sumptuous texture. It's beautifully framed by oak and supple tannins on the finish.
- 2014 Broadside Ephemera, Paso Robles** 220
Six hands, six feet, and a lot of choice grapes. That's what made this wine. But, oh, the passion and smarts driving those hands and feet! Ephemera is a one-time small production bottling, available exclusively here or at the winery. Driven by Cabernet but sculpted by art, Ephemera captures a moment of harvest opulence in a glass with multiple light layers of intriguing fruit that press into each other like the sounds of an orchestra. There is nothing but harmony from the warm entry through the long finish detailed by lingering spice, light cocoa, and loamy fruit.