

WINE ENTHUSIAST

BUYING GUIDE OCTOBER 2024



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BEST BUY

2019 Saint-Hilaire Semi-Sweet Sparkling Wine

This sparkling wine opens with bruised golden apple, an underbelly of white nectarine and Asian pear. On the palate, the off-dry wine gives candied red apple and wisps of freshly made caramel. Pair with a fruit and cheese course at the end of an evening or serve as an aperitif paired with a salty appetizer. The concentrated wine shows well and has benefited from age in bottle.

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2021 Saint-Hilaire Brut Sparkling Wine

This sparkling wine is a palate refresher. The wine opens with a nose of Bosc pear, dried lemon peel, crabapple and a hint of bread dough. Lemon citrus opens on the palate followed by tart green fruit that completes with a bright, green-apple infused finish.

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2021 Saint-Hilaire Crémant Rosé Sparkling Wine

This is a solid traditional-method sparkling rosé. The wine has a nose of golden apple, fresh green pear and white blossom. It is bright and fresh with a twist of lemon citrus that chimes in on the attack and lives forward to the finish with lively acidity that complements the fruit. Open this bottle when guests arrive for a backyard BBQ during the long wait before the main course is actually ready to serve.

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