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**WINE QUOTES**

If all be true that I do think,

There are five reasons we should drink:

Good wine - A friend -

Or being dry -

Or lest we should be, by and by - Or any other reason why!

--- Henry Aldrich 1647-1710

"Penicillin cures, but wine makes people happy."

--- Alexander Fleming (1881-1955), the Scottish bacteriologist credited with discovering Penicillin in 1928.

"Wine is the most civilized thing in the world."

--- Ernest Hemingway.

"Compromises are for relationships, not wine."

--- Sir Robert Scott Caywood

"Drinking good wine with good food in good company is one of life's most civilized pleasures."

--- Michael Broadbent

"Wine makes daily living easier, less hurried, with fewer tensions and more tolerance."

--- Benjamin Franklin

[at his first sip of champagne] "Come quickly! I am tasting stars!"

--- Do Perignon

"Alonso of Aragon was wont to say in commendation of age, that 'age appears to be best in four things - old wood best to burn, old wine to

drink, old friends to trust, and old authors to read."'

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--- Francis Bacon

1624

"Wine is life."

--- Petronius, Roman writer

"He who aspires to be a serious wine drinker must drink claret." ("claret" is the British term for red Bordeaux)

--- Samuel Johnson

"Nothing makes the future look so rosy as to contemplate it through a glass of Chambertin."

--- Napoleon

"No nation is drunken where wine is cheap, and none sober where the dearness of wine substitutes ardent spirits as the common beverage."

--- Thomas Jefferson

"Gentlemen, in the little moment that remains to us between the crisis and the catastrophe, we may as well drink a glass of Champagne."

--­ Paul Claude!

"Clearly, the pleasures wines afford are transitory - but so are those of the ballet, or of a musical performance. Wine is inspiring and adds greatly to the joy of living."

--- Napoleon

"Wine cheers the sad, revives the old, inspires the young, makes weariness forget his toil."

--- Lord Byron

"I love everything that's old: old friends, old times, old manners, old books, old wine."

--- Oliver Goldsmith, *She Stoops to Conquer*

"Wine ... offers a greater range for enjoyment and appreciation than possibly any other purely sensory thing which may be purchased."

--­- Ernest Hemingway

"My only regret in life is that I did not drink more Champagne."

--- John Maynard Keynes

"[Making wine] is like having children; you love them all, but boy, are they different."

--- Bunny Finkelstein ( co-owner of Judd's Hill Winery)

"Wine... the intellectual part of the meal."

--- Alexandre Dumas, 1873

"Wine brings to light the hidden secrets of the soul, gives being to our hopes, bids the coward flight, drives dull care away, and teaches new means for the accomplishment of our wishes."

--- Horace

"And wine can of their wits the wise beguile, make the sage frolic, and the serious smile."

--- Alexander Pope

"A bottle of wine begs to be shared; I have never met a miserly wine lover."

--- Clifton Fadiman

When it comes to wine, I tell people to throw away the vintage charts and invest in a corkscrew. The best way to learn about wine is the drinking.

--- Alexis Lichine

"If food is the body of good living, wine is its soul."

--- Clifton Fadiman

"And Noah began to be a husbandman, and he planted a vineyard."

--­- Genesis 9:20

"So life's year begins and closes;

Days though shortening still can shine; What though youth gave love and roses;

Age still leaves us friends and wine."

---Thomas Moore

"A bottle of good wine, like a good act, shines ever in the retrospect"

--­ Robert Louis Stevenson

"I have enjoyed great health at a great age because everyday since I can remember, I have consumed a bottle of wine except when I have not felt well. Then I have consumed two bottles."

--- Attributed to a Bishop of Seville

"The wine-cup is the little silver well,

Where truth, if truth there be, doth dwell."

--- William Shakespeare

"It takes a lot of beer to make good wine."

--- Lou Preston, Preston Vineyards

"Wine makes every meal an occasion, every table more elegant, every day more civilized."

--- Andre Simon

"I serve your Beaune to my friends, but your Volnay I keep for myself."

--- Voltaire

When asked whether he ever confused a Bordeaux with a Burgundy in blind tasting, British wine legend Harry Waugh replied: "Not since lunch. '

"Within the bottle's depths, the wine's soul sang one night.”

--- Charles Baudelaire, French poet and critic

"My dear girl, there are some things that are just not done, such as drinking Dom Perignon '53 above the temperature of 38° Fahrenheit."

-­-- James Bond in Ian Fleming's Goldfinger

"Wine rejoices the heart of man and joy is the mother of all virtues"

--­- Johann Wolfgang van Goethe, 1771

"Wine is at the head of all medicines; where wine is lacking, drugs are necessary."

--- Babylonian Talmud: Baba Bathra

"Forsake not an old friend; for the new is not comparable to him: a new friend is as new wine; when it is old, thou shalt drink it with pleasure."

---­ Apocrypha, Ecclesiasticus 9:10

"During one of my treks through Afghanistan, we lost our corkscrew. We were compelled to live on food and water for several days."

--- Cuthbert J. Twillie (W.C. Fields) in *My Little Chickadee,* 1940

A man, fallen on hard times, sold his art collection but kept his wine cellar. When asked why he did not sell his wine, he said, "A man can liv without art, but not without culture."

--- Anonymous

"I can certainly see you know your wine. Most of the guests who stay here wouldn't know the difference between Bordeaux and Claret."

---­ Basil Fawlty (John Cleese) in Fawlty Towers ["Claret" is an English term for red Bordeaux.]

"We could in the United States make as great a variety of wines as are made in Europe, not exactly of the same kinds, but doubtless as good."

-- Thomas Jefferson

"Wine makes daily living easier, less hurried, with fewer tensions and more tolerance." -- Attributed to Benjamin Franklin

"In the order named, these are the hardest to control: Wine, Women, and Song."

--- Franklin P. Adams, The Ancient Three. Dictionary of Quotations, Bergen Evans, 1968.

Before leaving home to serve a one year jail sentence, a "white collar" criminal was quoted as saying, "I'm not worried about the reds; they'll keep OK. But I am worried about the whites."

--- Anonymous.

"The peoples of the Mediterranean began to emerge from barbarism when they learnt to cultivate the olive and the vine."

--- Thucydides, Greek Historian, 5th century BCE.

"The last time that I trusted a dame was in Paris in 1940. She was going out to get a bottle of wine. Two hours later, the Germans marched into France."

--- Sam Diamond in Murder by Death (1976)

The importance of wine shows up early in the Bible: "And Noah began to be an husbandman, and he planted a vineyard."

--- Genesis 9:20.

"I made a mental note to watch which bottle became empty soonest, sometimes a more telling evaluation system than any other."

--- Gerald Asher, On Wine, 1982

"Anyone who tries to make you believe that he knows all about wines is obviously a fake."

--- Leon Adams, *The Commonsense Book of Wine*

"Premier Cru" vineyards in Burgundy are those that are considered significantly better than the basic village wines. These vineyards are generally better situated in terms of slope, direction and soil. Their wine get riper and give wines of greater character and depth.

"No man also having drunk old wine straightway desireth new: for he saith, 'The old is better."' --- Luke 5:39

"This wine is too good for toast-drinking, my dear. You don't want to mi emotions up with a wine like that. You lose the taste." --- Count Mippipopolous in *The Sun Also Rises,* 1926, by Ernest Hemingway

'W hat contemptible scoundrel stole the cork from my lunch?" --- Larson

E. Whipsnade (W.C. Fields), *You Can't Cheat an Honest Man* (1939)

"Wine is a living liquid containing no preservatives. Its life cycle comprises youth, maturity, old age, and death. When not treated with

reasonable respect it will sicken and die."

--- Attributed to the late Julia Child.

Filmmaker and winemaker Francis Ford Coppola says, "The two professions are almost the same. Each depends on source material an takes a lot of time to perfect. The big difference is that today's winemakers still worry· about quality."

Hardly did it appear, than from my mouth it passed into my heart."

---­ Abbe de Challieu, 1715, upon first tasting Champagne.

"She gets to keep the chalet and the Rolls, I want the Montrachet."

---­ Anonymous, Forbes Magazine, May 6, 1996.

"One should write not unskillfully in the running hand, be able to sing in pleasing voice, and keep good time to music; and, lastly, a man should not refuse a little wine when it is pressed upon him."

--- Yoshida Kenko, Essays in Idleness, c. 1340

"Before I was born my mother was in great agony of spirit and in a tragic situation. She could take no food except iced oysters and champagne. I

people ask me when I began to dance, I reply 'In my mother's womb, probably as a result of the oysters and Champagne."'

--- Attributed to Isadora Duncan

"Wine makes a man more pleased with himself; I do not say it makes him more pleasing to others."

--- Samuel Johnson, April 28, 1778

"That winter two things happened which made me see that the world, the flesh, and the devil were going to be more powerful influences in my life after all than the chapel bell. First, I tasted champagne; second, the theater."

--- Belle Livingstone

"We may lay in a stock of pleasures as we would lay in a stock of wine, but if we defer tasting them too long, we shall find that both are soured by age."

-- Charles Caleb Colton

'There are many wines that taste great, but do not drink well."

---­ Michael Broadbent.

In response to a waiter who had offered him a Bromo Seltzer for a hangover, "Ye Gads, no! I couldn't stand the noise."

--- W.C. Fields

"Twas Noah who first planted the vine. And mended his morals by drinking its wine."

--- Attributed to Benjamin Franklin

"In victory, you deserve champagne; in defeat, you need it."

--- Many sources, including Kevin Zraly, *Windows on the World Complete Wine Course,* 1997.

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--- Napoleon

"A [restaurant] wine list is praised and given awards for reasons that have little to do with its real purpose, as if it existed only to be admired passively, like a stamp collection. A wine list is good only when it functions well in tandem with a menu."

--- Gerald Asher

"He causeth the grass to grow for the cattle, and herb for the service of man: that he may bring forth food out of the earth; And wine that maketh glad the heart of man, and oil to make his face to shine, and bread which strengtheneth man's heart."

--- Psalms 104:14-15

"A man will be eloquent if you give him good wine."

--- Ralph Waldo Emerson, *Representative Man*

"Hemingway is great in that alone of living writers he has saturated his work with the memory of physical pleasure, with sunshine and salt water, with food, wine and making love and the remorse which is the shadow of that sun."

--- Cyril Connolly, The Unquiet Grave, 1951.

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--- Napoleon

"For in the hand of the Lord there is a cup, and the wine is red."

---­ Psalms 75:8

Making good wine is a skill; making fine wine is an art.

--- Robert Mondavi

"I was in love with a beautiful blonde once. She drove me to drink; that' the one thing I'm indebted to her for."

--- W. C. Fields in *Never Give* a *Sucker an Even Break*

"There is nothing like wine for conjuring up feelings of contentment and goodwill. It is less of a drink than an experience, an evocation, a spirit. I produces sensations that defy description."

--- Thomas Conklin, Wine: Primer

"I am certain that the good Lord never intended grapes to be made into grape jelly."

--- Attributed to Fiorello La Guardia, former mayor of New York City

"And I heard a voice in the midst of the four beasts say, A measure wheat for a penny, and three measures of barley for a penny; and see thou hurt not the oil and the wine."

--- Revelation 6:6.

"The wines that one remembers best are not necessarily the finest that one has tasted, and the highest quality may fail to delight so much some far more humble beverage drunk in more favorable surroundings."

--- H. Warner Allen, *A Contemplation of Wine.*

"A typical wine writer was once described as someone with a typewriter who was looking for his name in print, a free lunch, and a way to write off his wine cellar. It's a dated view. Wine writers now use computers."

--- Frank Prial, *The New York Times,* January 21, 1998.

"Wine is the blood of France."

--- Louis Bertall, *La Vigne,* 1878

"He makes grass grow for the cattle, and plants for man to cultivate - bringing forth food from the earth: wine that makes glad the heart of man."

--- Psalms 104:14

"This wine should be eaten, for it is much too good to be drunk."

--- Jonathan Swift (1667-1745)

"And in this mountain shall the Lord of Hosts make unto all people feast of fat things full of marrow, of wines on the lees well refined."

--- Isaiah 25:6

"Let us have wine and women, mirth and laughter,

Sermons and soda-water the day after."

--- Lord Byron, *Don Juan*

Take counsel in wine, but resolve afterwards in water."

--- Benjamin Franklin, *Poor Richard's Almanac.*

"All wine associations are with occasions when people are at their best; with relaxation, contentment, leisurely meals, and the free flow of ideas"

--- Hugh Johnson

"Wine rejoices the heart of man, and joy is the mother of all virtues."

---­ Johann Wolfgang van Goethe, 1771

"De gustibus non est disputandum (There is no disputing matters of taste.)"

An elderly wine lover was badly injured in a railway collision. Some wine was poured on his lips to revive him. "Pauillac, 1873," he murmured and died.

---Ambrose Bierce (1842-1914), The Devil's Dictionary, 1911

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--- Isaiah 9.10

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--- Lord Byron

"Food and wine. Decide which is the soloist, which the accompanist."

---­ Michael Broadbent

"Mixing one's wines may be a mistake, but old and new wisdom mix admirably."

--- Bertolt Brecht, *The Caucasian Chalk Circle,* 1944

"A woman drove me to drink, and I'll be a son-of-a-gun but I never even wrote to thank her."

--- W. C. Fields, in Hollywood Merry-Go-Round, 1947

"If penicillin can cure those that are ill, Spanish Sherry can bring the dead back to life."

--- Attributed to Sir Alexander Fleming.

Wine improves with age. The older I get, the better I like it.

~ *Anonymous*

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~ *Ernest Hemingway*

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~ *Benjamin Frankl*

I have lived temperately. I double the doctor's recommendation of a glass and a half of wine each day and even treble it with a friend.

~ *Thomas Jefferson*

I think it is a great error to consider a heavy tax on wines as a tax on luxury. On the contrary, it is a tax on the health of our citizens.

~ *Thomas Jefferson*

If your heart is warm with happiness, you'll need a glass - if sorrow chills your heart, have two!

~ *Hannu Lehmusvuori*

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~ *Andre Simon, "Commonsense of Wine* '

What contemptible scoundrel stole the cork from my lunch?

~ *W* C. *Fields*

Reality is an illusion that occurs due to a lack of wine.

~ *Anonymous*

Good wine is a necessity of life for me.

~ *Thomas Jefferson*

Consuming wine in moderation daily will help people to die young as late as possible.

~ *Dr Philip Norrie*

Wine is the thinking person's health drink.

*~Dr. Phillip Norrie*

Hold the bottle up to the light; you will see your dreams are always at the bottom.

~ *Rob Hutchison*

If a life of wine, women and song becomes too much, give up the singing. ~ *Anonymous*

I have enjoyed great health at a great age because everyday since I can remember I have consumed a bottle of wine except when I have not felt well. Then I have consumed two bottles.

~ *A Bishop of Seville*

I cook with wine. Sometimes I even add it to the food.

~ *W.*C. *Fields*

You haven't drunk too much wine if you can still lie on the floor without holding on.

~ *Dean Martin*

No one that has drunk old wine wants new; for he says, "The old is nice."

~ *Luke 5:3*

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~ *Robert Mondavi, Harvests of Jo*

A fine meal...is a delight in itself; add a glass of wine--gleaming red or translucent greenish gold--and delectation will be doubled.

~ Alexis Lichine's New Encyclopedia of Wine and Spirits

Wine was created with man in mind, for his pleasure and relaxation, a balm to his good health.

~ Andrew Sharp, Winemaster's Secrets

Artists and poets still find life's meaning in a glass of wine.

~ Joy Sterling, A Cultivated Life

Like human beings, a wine's taste is going to depend a great deal on its origins and its upbringing.

~ Linda Johnson-Bell, Pairing Wine and Foo

Fresh grapes and wine are perhaps the most luscious foods we mortals encounter during our sojourn here.

~ Jeff Cox, From Vines to Wines

Joy is the best of wine.

~ George Eliot, Silas Marner

The best kind of wine is that which is most pleasant to him who drinks it.

~ Pliny the Elder, Natural History

From wine what sudden friendship springs.

~ John Gay, Fable

Wine is the most healthful and most hygienic of beverages.

~ Louis Pasteur

If God forbade drinking, would He have made wine so good?

~ Cardinal Richeleu

It's impossible to separate a great wine from a great experience.

~ Dorothy J. Gaiter and John Brecher, The Wall Street Journal Guide to Wine

Wine is bottled poetry.

~ Robert Louis Stevenson

On a moonlit night, after a snowfall, or under cherry blossoms, it adds to our pleasure if, while chatting at our ease, we bring forth the wine cups.

~ Yoshida Kenko, Essays in Idleness

Whenever a man is tired, wine is a great restorer of strength.

~ Homer, The Iliad

Wine, one sip of this will bathe the drooping spirits in delight beyond the bliss of dreams. Be wise and taste.

~ John Milton

I have often thought that the aim of port is to give you a good and durable hangover, so that during the next day you should be reminded of the splendid occasion the night before.

~ George Mikes

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~ Robert Mondavi, Harvests of Joy

What is better than to sit at the table at the end of the day and drink wine with friends, or substitutes for friends?

~ James Joyce

In water one sees one's own face;

But in wine one beholds the heart of another.

~ French proverb

May our love be like good wine, grow stronger as it grows older.

~ Old English Toast

Eat thy bread with joy, and drink thy wine with a merry heart.

~ Ecclesiastes 9:7

Drink is the feast of reason and the flow of soul.

~ Alexander Poe

Wine rejoices the heart of man and joy is the mother of all virtues.

~ Johann Wolfgang von Goethe, 1771

"Wine is sunlight, held together by water!

~ Galileo Gallilei

From wine what sudden friendship springs!

~ John Gay 1685 - 173

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~ Andre Simon, Commonsense of Wine

A mind of the caliber of mine cannot derive its nutrient from cows. ~ George Bernard Shaw

Wine has been a part of civilized life for some seven thousand years. It is the only beverage that feeds the body, soul and spirit of man and at the same time stimulates the mind.

~ Robert Mondavi, "Harvests Of Joy," Autobiography

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Wine gives strength to weary men.

~ Homer

When a man drinks wine at dinner, he begins to be better pleased with himself.

~ Plato

One not only drinks the wine, one smells it, observes it, tastes it, sips it and--one talks about it.

~ King Edward VII

Where there is no wine there is no love.

~ Euripides

There are no standards of taste in wine... Each man's own taste is the standard, and a majority vote cannot decide for him or in any slightest degree affect the supremacy of his own standard.

~ Mark Twain

Wine makes a symphony of a good meal.

~ Fernande Garvin, The Art of French Cooking

A waltz and a glass of wine invite an encore.

~ Johann Strauss

Mae West once said she likes two kinds of men - foreign and domestic. Well, I like two kinds of wine - red and white.

Forgive me for I have zinned.

I like to cook with wine. Sometimes I even put in the food.

Wine drinkers make grape lovers.

Wine is like opera. You can enjoy it even if you do not understand it.

Doormat: "We only serve the finest vintage wines. Did you bring any?"

In NYC, they hail taxis. In Napa, they hail cabs.

How Merlot can you go?

Did Marilyn drink Merlot?

Don't drink and drive - you may spill your wine.

Money may not buy happiness but it will buy wine.

A cork retriever is not a dog from Ireland

I like long legs and not just on a wine glass.

Wine improves with age. The older I get, the more I like it.

What did the grape say when he was squeezed? Nothing. He just wined.

**Acetic** Describes a sour, vinegary odor referred to as volatile acidity, too much of which will make the wine undrinkable.

**Acid** The sharp, tart effect of the green fruit of young wine on both the nose and tongue.

**Aroma** The perfume of fresh fruit. It diminishes with fermentation and disappears with age to be replaced by the *"bouquet."*

**Astringent** The rough, puckery taste sensation caused by an excess of tannin in especially young red wines. It diminishes with age in the bottle.

**Baked** Quality of red wine made in a very hot climate from very ripe grapes.

**Balanced** Having all-natural elements in good harmony.

**Beery** The odor of stale beer from a white wine that is over the hill -- usually in old Moselles.

**Big** Full of body and flavor, high degree of alcohol, color, and acidity.

**Bitter** Self-descriptive. Sign of ill-health caused by inferior treatment such as excessive stalks during crushing or even metal contamination.

**Black currants** The slight smell and taste of black currants often found in Bordeaux wines.

**Body** The weight and substance of the wine in the mouth; actually a degree of viscosity largely dependent on the percentage of alcohol and sugar content.

**Bouquet** The fragrance a mature wine gives off once it is opened. It develops the two aspects of the olfactory sensations -- aroma and bouquet.

**Breed** Having the character, type, and qualities of its origin.

**Brilliant** Bright and sparkling in appearance so that one can see the light through the wine. Opposite of dull and cloudy.

**Broad** Full-bodied but lacking in acidity and therefore also lacking in finesse.

**Character** Positive and distinctive taste characteristics giving definition to a wine.

**Clean** A well-constructed wine with no offensive smells or tastes.

**Clear** Transparent and luminous appearance. Any sediment rests on the bottom of the bottle.

**Cloudy** Unsound condition of hazy, dull-looking wine. Not to be confused with the condition of a recently shaken old wine whose deposit hasn't yet settled.

**Cloying** Too much sweetness and too little acidity.

**Coarse** Rough texture; little breed or elegance.

**Common** Adequate but quite ordinary.

**Corky** Disagreeable odor and flat taste of rotten cork due to a defective cork in the bottle.

**Depth** Rich, lasting flavor.

**Dry** Completely lacking sweetness. Should not be confused with bitterness or sourness.

**Dull** See *Cloudy.*

**Earthy** What the French call Gout de terroir. The peculiar taste that the soil of certain vineyards gives to their wine. Disagreeable when too noticeable.

**Elegant** Well balanced, with finesse and breed.

**Fat** Full-bodied but flabby, which in white wines is often due to too much residual sugar. When applied to red wines, it means softness and maturity.

**Finesse** The breed and class that distinguish a great wine.

**Finish** Th e taste that the wine leaves at the end, either pleasant or unpleasant.

**Flabby** Too soft, almost limp, without structure.

**Flowery** The flowerlike bouquet that is as appealing to the nose as the fragrance of blossoms, as for example, in a fine Moselle.

**Foxy** A pronounced flavor found in wines made from native American grapes; the same smell as in grape jelly.

**Fruity** The aroma and flavor of fresh grapes found in fine young wines. It diminishes with age.

**Full** Having body and color, often applied to wines that are high in alcohol, sugar, and extracts.

**Geranium** Smelling of geraniums, an indication that the wine is faulty.

**Grapy** The strong flavor that certain grape varieties, such as the Muscat, impart to certain wines.

**Green** Harsh and unripe with an unbalanced acidity that causes disagreeable odor and a raw taste.

**Hard** Tannic without softness or charm. It can mellow with age. **Harsh** Excessively hard and astringent. It can become softer with age. **Insipid** Lacking in character and acidity; dull.

**Light** Lacking in body, color, or alcohol, but pleasant and agreeable.

**Lively** Usually young and fruity acidity and a little carbon dioxide.

**Long** Leaving a persistent flavor that lingers in the mouth, Sign of quality.

**Luscious** Juicy and soft, filling the mouth without a trace of dry aftertaste. Usually attributed to sweet wine well balanced with acidity.

**Maderized** Flat, oxidized smell and taste reminiscent of Madeira. Term is applied to wines that have passed their prime and have acquired a brown tinge.

**Mellow** Softened with proper age.

**Metallic** The unpleasantly bitter taste a white wine can acquire from improper treatment that did not eliminate traces of the copper that was used to spray the vines.

**Musty** Disagreeable odor and stale flavor caused by storage in dirty casks of cellars; moldy.

**Noble** Superior and distinguished; not only possessing the right credentials but also having an impressive stature of its own.

**Oxidized** Having lost its freshness cause by contact with air.

**Peppery** The aromatic smell of certain young red wines from hot climates.

**Petillaot** Effervescent with an natural light sparkle.

**Piquant** Dry and crispy acid, prickling the palate with its tartness.

**Powerful** Usually applied to robust red wines of great substance, such as a Chateaw1eauf-du-Pape, or to white wines with full, assertive bouquet, such as a big white Burgundy.

**Ripe** Full; tasting of ripe fruit, without a trace of greenness.

**Rounded** Well balanced and complete .

**Seve** The sap of a great wine; the concentrated aromatic savor of a luscious and ripe sweet white wine of inherent quality.

**S harp** Excessive acidity, a defect usually found in white wines.

**Short** Leaving no flavor in the mouth after the initial impact.

**Smoky** Self-descriptive for the particular bouquet of certain Loire wine, such as Pouilly-Fume, made from the Sauvignon grape.

**Smooth** Of a silky texture that leaves no gritty, rough sensation on the palate.

**Soft** Suggest a mellow wine, usually low in acidity, and tannin.

**Sound** Healthy, well balanced, clean-tasting.

**Sour** Like vinegar; wine that is spoiled and unfit to drink.

**Spicy** Definite aroma and flavor of spice arising from certain grape varieties (Gewiirztraminer). The aroma is richer and more pronounced than what we calI *"fruity"*

**Spritzig** A pleasant, lively acidity and effervescence noticeable only to the tongue and not to the eye and mostly found in young wines.

**Sulphury** Disagreeable odor reminiscent of rotten eggs. If the smell does not disappear after the wine is poured, it is an indication that the wine is faulty.

**Sweet** Having a high content of residual sugar either from the grape itself or as the product of arrested fermentation.

**Tannic** The mouth-puckering taste of young red wines particularly from Bordeaux. Too much tannin makes the wine hard and unyielding but also preserves it longer. Aging in the bottle diminishes the tannin and softens the wine.

**Tart** Sharp, with excessive acidity and tannin. In the case of a young red wine, this may be an element necessary for its development.

**Thin** Lacking body and alcohol. It is too watery to be called light, and will not improve with age.

**Velvety** A mellow red wine and a smooth, silky texture that will leave no acidity on the palate.

**Vigorous** Healthy, lively, firm, and youthful. Opposite of insipid and flabby.

**Watery** Thin and small without body or character.

**Woody** Odor and flavor of oak due to long storage in the cask. Often found in Spanish and Australian wines.

**Yeasty** Smelling of yeast in fresh bread. Sign that the wine is undergoing a second fermentation, possibly because it was bottled too early, and is therefore faulty.

**Top Wine Regions of the World**

The top 3 wine regions in the world make enough wine to fill 5,127 Olympic-sized swimming pools.

**France**

While France and Italy compete for the top wine production region of the world they are also reducing wine production every year. France has lowered production by 11% since 2007.

**Italy**

Italy may be second to France, but there is a growing trend in both countries to remove vineyards. Italy has reduced their production by at least 7% since 2007.

**Spain**

Spain is home to the largest vineyard acreage in the world. Spain also has much lower wine yields than neighboring France and Italy resulting in less total wine.

**United States**

90% of wine from the United States is from California. California is home to the world’s largest wine producer, [Gallo,](https://winefolly.com/update/family-gallo-wine-brands/) in Modesto, CA.

**Argentina**

Argentina continues to grow their wine production year after year resulting in the highest growth rate (8%) of the top 5 wine producers in the world.

Argentina relies on wine exports.

**Australia**

Australia relies primarily on the wine export market.

Since the US dollar has weakened, Australia is expanding their wine marketing in Hong Kong and Asia.

**Germany**

German wine is known for their aromatic white wines. German wines are exported primarily to US and UK.

**South Africa**

South Africa has long been known for its Chenin Blanc and produces the largest volume of Brandy in the world.

**Chile**

Chile is proud of the red wine variety Carmenere, known as the ‘lost varietal’ of Bordeaux. Still, export markets demand traditional varieties.

**Portugal**

Portugal is known for [Port wine](https://winefolly.com/tutorial/making-port-wine/), a high alcohol dessert wine from northern Portugal made by blending several grape varieties.

https://winefolly.com/update/top-wine-regions-of-the-world/

**Funny Wine Quotes**

“In victory, you deserve Champagne. In defeat you need it.”

― Napoleon Bonaparte

“Beer is made by men, wine by God.”

― Martin Luther, circa 1500s

“Wine improves with age. The older I get, the better I like it.”

― Anonymous

“Champagne is appropriate for breakfast, lunch or dinner.”

― Madeline Puckette, 2010

“The discovery of a wine is of greater moment than the discovery of a constellation. The universe is too full of stars.”

― Benjamin Franklin, circa 1700s

“Life is too short to drink bad wine.”

― Anonymous

“Give me wine to wash me clean of the weather-stains of cares”

― Ralph Waldo Emerson

“Age is just a number. It’s totally irrelevant unless, of course, you happen to be a bottle of wine.”

― Joan Collins

“Accept what life offers you and try to drink from every cup. All wines should be tasted; some should only be sipped, but with others, drink the whole bottle.”

― Paulo Coelho

“Men are like wine – some turn to vinegar, but the best improve with age.”

― Pope John XXIII

https://winefolly.com/update/24-funny-wine-quotes/

"Drink wine: it isn't good to keep things bottled up".

"Wine a little. Laugh a lot".

"Wine improves with age, I improve with wine!".

"Wine is the answer. What was the question?".

"Wine...because no great story started with someone eating a salad".

"You can't buy happiness, but you can buy wine and that's kind of the same thing".

https://www.winerist.com/magazine/wine/funniest-wine-quotes

**Five Main Styles of Wine**

All wines can be organized into five fundamental groups. Within each group there are hundreds of different grape varieties and also different winemaking styles.

**Red Wine**

Still wine made with black grapes. These can range from light to dark and bone-dry to sweet.

**White Wine**

A still wine produced from green and sometimes black grapes. Flavors span from rich and creamy to light and zesty.

**Rosé Wine**

Still wine from black grapes produced by removing the skins before they deeply color the wine. Also formed by blending red and white wine together. Both dry and sweet styles of rosé are common.

**Sparkling Wine**

A style of winemaking involving a secondary fermetation causing bubbles! Sparkling wine can be red, white, or rosé and can range from minerally to rich and sweet.

https://winefolly.com/review/different-types-of-wine/

**DRINKS**

NEW MIXED DRINKS CONTEST WINNERS

Absolut Zero.............Absolut vodka over frozen nitrogen

Alexander the Grrreat....Gin, creme de cacao, and sweet cream over corn flakes

American in Paris........Kentucky bourbon and champagne Black

Sabbath....-........Kahlua and Magen David wine Blind

Faith..............Wood alcohol and sacramental wine Blood

Clot...............Vodka, tomato juice, and Jell-0

Bloody Awful.............Vodka and ketchup

Blue Moon................Corn whiskey and Aqua Velva

Coleman Cooler...........White wine, soda, fried chicken crumbs, and sand

Fuzzy Naval Base.........Peach schnapps, orange juice, and ammonia

George Bush..............George Dickel bourbon and Busch beer

Gorbachev................Vodka with a splash of port wine Honeydew the

Dishes......Midori and Dawn

Marie Antoinette.........Bourbon, cake mix, and flat beer

Martinizer...............Gin, vermouth, and carbon tetrachloride

Mary Poppins.............Vodka, tomato juice, and a spoonful of sugar, decorated with a paper umbrella

Mexican Hairless.........Tequila and Minoxidil Oil of Ole...............Mazola and Sangria

Peter, Paul, and Mary....Potassium nitrate, Paul Masson wine, and tomato juice

Phillips' Screwdriver....Vodka, orange juice, and milk of magnesia Port in a Storm..........Red wine and rainwater

Quack Doctor.............Cold duck and Dr. Pepper

A Rum with a View........Bacardi and Visine

Rum-Pole of the Bailey...Bacardi rum, Popov vodka, and Bailey's Irish Cream

Sake-to-me...............Rice wine, punch, and nitrous oxide Scotch

Tapeworm..........Dewar's and Mescal

Shipwreck................Cutty Sark on the rocks

Shirley Maclaine.........Sugar, carbonated water, ginger, syrup, and pomegranate (what ginger ale and grenadine were

in a previous life)

Short Wave...............Ripple in a shot glass

Sinead O'Connor..........lrish whiskey and Nair Skid

Roe.................Muscatel and caviar

Sour Kraut...............Schnapps and lemon juice

Sundae Driver............Vodka, orange juice, and ice cream Tequila

Mockingbird......Jose Cuervo and birdseed

Three Men and a Baby.....Jim Beam, Jack Daniel's, Johnny Walker, and Enfamil

Three Mile Island........Vodka, gin, rum, tequila, and plutonium

**Wine Sentences**

1. Wine experts, foodies and travel industry insiders from around the world gathered in London's Banqueting House for the inaugural World's Best Vineyard Awards.
2. This was created to honor the finest in modern wine tourism.
3. The 2019 winner is an Argentinian winery in the lush heart of the Uco Valley, at the foot of the Andes mountains.
	1. It is a family-run business founded in 1963 named Zuccardi Valle de Uco.
	2. The vineyard unveiled a stunning new modernist bodega in 2016.
	3. "We are three generations involved in the wine and working together," said managing director José Alberto Zuccardi.
	4. "It's a great way to be in contact with the wine lovers."
4. 1,500 wineries around the world were nominated for the awards.
5. "Wine is a reflection of its individual surroundings, its terroir," said the awards founder Andrew Reed.
6. South America dominated the top 10.
7. Awards went to two wineries from Argentina, two from Chile and one from Uruguay.
8. Chile was the biggest winner of the night, with eight vineyards placing in the top 50.
9. The traditional wine regions of France and Italy put in a less impressive performance.
10. The highest-place French vineyard was Château Smith Haut Lafitte, near Bordeaux, at No.16.
11. Although France made up for this with seven placements in the list overall.
12. Italy's best vineyard was Antinori nel Chianti Classico in Tuscany, placed 18th.
	1. Its new cellar, opened 2012, is a glorious brick-red structure of terracotta and wood.
	2. Awards host Nigel Barden said it "has more of the feel of a place of worship than a place for storing wine."
13. Uruguay's Bodega Garzón came in second place.
	1. It was praised as a leader in sustainability.
	2. As with the other stars on the list, it offers a top-class program of tastings and events.
	3. Its 120-seat restaurant offers Uruguayan cuisine and panoramic views of the surrounding countryside.
14. Spain's López de Heredia Viña Tondonia took third place.
	1. It was named Best in Europe.
	2. It is a Rioja winery run by the López de Heredia family for close to 150 years.
15. New Zealand's Rippon was in eighth place.
	1. It was named Best Vineyard in Australasia.
	2. It is a biodynamic vineyard on the shores of Lake Wanaka.
16. North America's highest entry was Robert Mondavi Winery in Napa Valley.
	1. It produces world-class Cabernet Sauvignon Reserve and Oakville District Cabernet Sauvignon.
	2. The awards host Barden said, "it's not just the winery, the food is supreme."
17. Cape Town's Vergelegen Wine Estate was number 34 on the list.
	1. It was named Best in Africa.
	2. It has pristine gardens, excellent cuisine and a 300-year history.
18. Lebanon's emerging wine scene was represented by Chateau Heritage.
	1. It came in number 49.
	2. It was named Best in Middle East and Asia.
19. There were 17 countries represented in the top 50.
20. Representatives from the UK and Canada sat proudly amongst classic wine-producing destinations.
	1. Ridgeview Vineyard from the UK was number 36.
	2. Mission Hill Winery from Canada was number 50.

Source: <https://www.cnn.com/travel/article/world-best-vineyards-2019/index.html>