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California Varietals
Chilean Grapes

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California Red Wines

Cabernet Sauvignon

Fruity flavors are typically described as black cherry and current. The jewel in California's crown, this varietal grape produces a dry red wine. One of the most popular grapes

Barbera

This grape generates a red deep-colored, full bodied wine. Produces a somewhat dry and tannic (mouth dry sensation) wine that ages well and softens with time. This wine has high alcohol content and can exhibit a ripe, current flavor with a hint of smokiness.

Grenache

Naturally sweet, fruity and very low tannin. Grenache is used to produce Rose wines or red wines when blended.

Merlot

Distinctive, aromatic, spicy, medium red table wine is produced from this varietal grape. An abundance of fruit and a velvet like quality.

Petite Syrah

These grapes produce a deep colored robust and peppery wine that packs plenty of tannin and has a good aging ability. Goes well with big well seasoned meals.

Dolcetto

Low acid vine grown almost exclusively in th provinces of Cuneo and Alessandria in Piedmont, Northwest Italy. The wine produced is a gentle, fruity and fragrant wine with flavors of liquorices and almonds with deep red color and purple tones.



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Pinot Noir

Limited availability. Order early.

Originally from France where it is used in all of the great red burgundies. This grape produces a wine that is clear, brilliant and medium to deep red in color. It is rich, velvety and full of flavors such as cherries, plums, raspberries and straw berries.

Ruby Cabernet

A child of Cabernet Sauvignon and Carignane. The grape has a dry Cabernet like aroma, good acidity and fruity flavors. It is good for first time wine makers because it consistently makes a great red wine.

Sangiovese (Chianti)

The dominant grape in Chianti, it is usually blended with 20% white Malvasia in Italy. The California grape is lighter in color. The grape can be blended with Zinfandel or Cabernet. This wine also needs longer aging in the barrel.

Syrah

Clonal cousin of Petite Sirah makes a full bodied tannic wine. This grape is able bodied enough to be made straight or used as a blending component to strengthen any wine.

Zinfandel

Three styles of red wine are produced from this varietal grape depending on what region the grape comes from. A light spicy flavor with a berry like aroma. Oak aged. Intense, berry like, full bodied and dark in color, or a rose style White Zinfandel.



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Cabernet Sauvignon/Zinfandel

80% Cabernet and 20% Zinfandel. Over the past few years the Cabernet has not been dark in color but has been great in taste and body. The addition of Zinfandel will ensure good color and will add more flavor to the wine.

Cabernet Sauvignon/Barbera

75% Cabernet and 25% Barbera. Barbera will add the needed color and soften this blend, while the Cabernet will supply the backbone and complexity. This is a great everyday table wine.

Merlot/Cabernet Sauvignon

80% Merlot and 20% Cabernet. Will add some color to the Merlot.

Cabernet Sauvignon/Merlot

80% Cabernet and 20% Merlot. Typical Bordeaux style blend.

Chateauneuf Du Pape Style

This famous French Rhone Valley blend includes the main varieties of Grenache, Cabernet Sauvignon, and Alicante. The choices are endless.

Barolo

A great blend of Nebbiolo, which is rich in color and Barbera, which is lighter and full in flavor. Petite Sirah can be added for more color. This is one of the finest wines in the Piedmont region of Italy.

Lou's Special Italian Blend

Lou's grandfather blended these grapes and it has become a favorite through the years. A blend of 30% Alicante, 30% Petite Sirah, 30% Grenache and 10% Muscat.

Red Meritage

Assorted mixed blends. A favorite is Cabernet, Grenache, Barbera, and Alicante.



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Super Tuscany

Made from a blend of Sangiovese and Cabernet Sauvignon.

Barbera/Petite Sirah

70% Barbera and 30% Petite Sirah. This blend produces a fruity, well balanced wine that is great in color. This is one of Lou's favorites.

Zinfandel/Barbera

70% Zinfandel and 30% Barbera. This blend has all the qualities of a great Zinfandel with the added softness from the Barbera.

Chianti Giuseppe

70% Sangiovese 20% Cabernet and 10% Black Malvasi. This blend has all the qualities of a classic chianti. Petite Sirah can be substituted for the Cabernet, but at least one is necessary to help add body and color to the California version of the Sangiovese.