

VALUE KNOWS NO GEOGRAPHICAL BOUNDARIES

Best deal of the release

- ❖ [Margan Family Hunter Valley Semillon 2018](#)

Best value wines

- ❖ [Familie Steffen Trittenheimer Altärchen Riesling Kabinett Trocken 2018](#)
- ❖ [Viu Manent Gran Reserva Cabernet Sauvignon 2018](#)
- ❖ [Zonte's Footstep Canto Sangiovese/Lagrein 2017](#)
- ❖ [Bethany Creek Shiraz 2017](#)
- ❖ [Vale de Mata Red Wine 2017](#)

Smart luxuries

- ❖ Cantina del Nebbiolo Barbaresco 2016
- ❖ Villa Antinori Riserva Chianti Classico 2016
- ❖ Tenuta Sette Ponti Crognolo 2017
- ❖ Enrico Serafino Picotener Nebbiolo 2018
- ❖ Château l'Eglise d'Armens 2016

Other notable details from the catalogue analysis:

- ❖ Of the 63 wines that went through the algorithm, 17 were spit out due to lack of data or did not fit within our set criteria.
- ❖ These can include an overly outrageous expensive price (even though some people in the world can afford to collect multi-thousand-dollar cases), such as the Quintarelli Rooso Ca' del Merlo 2021 for \$125.95 a bottle), a lack of data or availability.
- ❖ We strive to profile wines and spirits that are actually available to you either at your local LCBO store or at local restaurants. No impossible-to-find collectables here. [The top picks are available to read on our website.](#)

Bargain bin deals (great wines, low prices)

As a bonus for reading down this far, here's a few more wines costing less than \$20 that will help you restock your empty wine cabinet. You can find good deals from emerging wine countries (South Africa and here at home) but also a few newly discovered gems from Spain and France.

- ❖ Glenelly Glass Collection Syrah 2017 (\$15.95, #493841), South Africa
- ❖ Monasterio de las Viñas Reserva Garnacha/Tempranillo/Cariñena 2015 (\$14.95, #166579), Spain
- ❖ The Bean Coffee Pinotage 2018 (\$15.95, #251165), South Africa
- ❖ Flat Rock Good Karma Chardonnay 2019 (\$16.95, #356873), Niagara Peninsula
- ❖ Boeckel Blanc 2018 (\$14.95, #18155), Alsace, France

And just one more recommendation because Cava is one of the best things in life:

- ❖ Família Oliveda Jove Brut Cava (\$15.95, #647883), Spain

Good things grow... in Ontario

For those who wish to support local, here are three highlights from the Niagara region that all scored an average of 89 and cost less than \$20.00.

- ❖ Cave Spring Cabernet Franc 2018 (\$17.95, #523001), Niagara Escarpment
- ❖ Megalomaniac Narcissist Riesling (\$18.95, #67587), Niagara Peninsula
- ❖ Vineland Estates Elevation St. Urban Vineyard Riesling 2018 (\$19.95, #38117), Niagara Escarpment

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A. Paul Mitchell loves wine, spirits and data analysis and tries to merge them together when he can. Aside from blind tasting and increasing his wine appreciation through WSET certification, he's the 2012-2013 National Blind Tasting champion (spirits division), Whisky Ambassador, Bourbon Steward, Fine Vintage Spirits graduate and Edinburgh Whisky Academy certificate holder.