

- 2013 Tuffo Amarone**

70% Corvina, 20% Rondinella, 10% Corvinone

This rich Amarone strikes the right balance between its firm structural tannins and its warm rasy fruit. Aged in a combination of French oak barrels and Italian cherry wood casks.

(\$40)
- 2014 Caravaglio, Rosso di Munti, Isola di Salina**

100% Corinto Nero

Caravaglio started making wine on the island of Lipardi off the coast of Sicily more than 500 years ago. Their Corinto Nero comes from pre-phylloxera vines, many of which are more than 150 years old. An ancient and somewhat forgotten variety, Caravaglio is the sole winery to make a pure Corinto Nero. The wine's aromas of black and red raspberry, mulberry, and currants mingle with scents of roasted bread, wild sage, fennel, mint, and a kind of smoky, humid, turned-earth quality. The palate is ripe, lush, warm without feeling any excess alcohol heat or jamminess. Orgainc

(\$25)
- 2005 Coto de Imaz Rioja Reserva**

Tempranillo, Graciano

Aged for 18 months in American oak, this Reserva has a fragrant nose of cedar, rose petal, cherry, and cassis that jumps from the glass, on the palate it displays an elegant personality, good concentration, savory flavors, and smooth structure. **Was \$25 now \$20**

(\$20)
- 2013 Dunham Cellars Syrah**

Dunham Cellars longtime winemaker Daniel Wampfler created this Washington Syrah from a blend of Lewis, Kenny Hill, XL & Phinny Hill vineyards, combining the state's different growing regions. The wine is loaded with aromas and flavors of red cherry, black raspberry, coffee grounds and sagebrush. It has a wonderful tannic mineral streak that cuts through the richness. It is a classic example of Washington Syrah.

(\$35)
- 2015 Vital Wines The Gifted Red Blend**

65% Merlot, 32% Cabernet Franc, 3% Cabernet Sauvignon

Blackberry and plum, fig and woody thyme stems lead to cracked pepper and baking spices, dried papaya and rare white chocolate notes. A bright burst on the mid palate trails to a long and structured finish. All proceeds go to the SOS Clinic, a free, non-profit health care clinic in the Walla Walla area.

(\$25)
- 2014 The Chocolate Block**

73% Syrah, 12% Grenache, 10% Cabernet Sauvignon, 4% Cinsault, 1% Viognier

The Syrah and Viognier fruit come from Malmesbury .The Grenanche Noir is sourced from Piekenierskloof with its very sandy soils and perfect terroir for ripening this grape varietal. The Cabernet Sauvignon is sourced from Franschoek and the Cinsault is from old bush-vines on decomposed granite soils in Wellington. The influence of the Grenaches red fruits on this wine is striking. The nose shows an abundance of redcurrant, plums, crushed rock, and an array of spices. The floral notes add to its complexity. Spicy oak aromas cover a rounded mid-palate that reveals layers of fruit with intense purity.

(\$33)

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