

THE
BOARDROOM

*Summer 2021 - Longboard 2 NorCal
... And The Butterflies*

Peirson Meyer: Chardonnay Charles Heintz Vineyard 2017

100% Chardonnay – Charles Heintz Vineyard, Sonoma Coast – 210 cases – Galloni: 94

450 kr

With wild fires impacting almost all of our producers in 2017, we really didn't know if tiny Peirson Meyer would survive. But they did, and we are thrilled to be able to present the truly special Charles Heintz Vineyard Chardonnay, picked before the fires started raging that year. 14 months in 40% new, French oak makes the wine from this foggy, coastal vineyard both lush and layered. Antonio Galloni himself called it "just gorgeous", and we think you'll agree. Try this with lobster, vegetable risotto or a goat cheese tart.

Best: 2022-2027

Bedrock: Old Vine Zinfandel 2015

90% Zinfandel, 10% Petite Sirah et al – Largely Bedrock Vineyard (1888), Nervo Ranch (1896)

and Sodini Ranch (1905) – Parker: 92, Galloni: 92

350 kr

True to Morgan Twain-Peterson's mission, he really doesn't *quite* know exactly what other grapes go into his Old Vine Zin – but old vine, they certainly are! It's fascinating to see the fervor that Morgan puts into his life-long heritage project, and the result is an incredible #12 spot on Wine Spectator's World Top-100 list for this wine in 2017. Wow! We recommend serving it at a backyard barbeque with friends who nerd about this stuff.

Best: Now-2026

Hill Family: The Barrel Blend 2016

Blend of Merlot, Zinfandel, Malbec & Syrah – Napa Valley – Suckling: 91

625 kr

As we mentioned, we are suckers for surfing. This was the fun choice of the pack – and it has "the highest price-quality ratio in the Napa Valley", according to James Suckling. Not bad, eh? 10 months in 27% new, French oak makes it a forward and straight-up delicious Bordeaux-style wine perfect for fans of The Prisoner. We see you enjoying this with friends who appreciate wine, but don't care for stuffy labels.

Best: 2022-2026

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Keplinger: Lithic 2014

**36% Syrah, 32% Mourvèdre & 32% Grenache – Shake Ridge Vineyard, Amador County – 250 cases
Wine Spectator: 93, Galloni: 93**

425 kr

Keplinger's Rhone blend from the quartz-strewn, 1700-foot elevation Shake Ridge Vineyard in "ye olde gold country". The Sierra Foothills site has dinosaur-era volcanic activity soils – molten rock flowing out at the surface or solidifying beneath, the uplift of the Sierra Nevada range mixing rocks and soil, and glacial activity exposing granite blocks. The grapes were co-fermented in small lots with 40% whole clusters with elevage in 500L and 600L Burgundian barrels, only 20% new. Wine Spectator called this "deeply structured and rich in character without giving up elegance." Enjoy with a splendid cut of meat.

Best: 2022 -2028

Dashe Cellars: Heart Arrow Ranch Cabernet Sauvignon 2018

**95% Cabernet Sauvignon, 5% Merlot – Heart Arrow Ranch, Mendocino – Biodynamically farmed
331 cases – Just released**

375 kr

Before we talk about the wine, let's talk about the biodynamic farm! The farm, situated in Mendocino north of Sonoma, is a self-sustaining microcosm of life: the vegetables, grape vines, and agricultural trees are all fertilized by the animals – sheep, pigs, cows, chickens, goats, horses – that live on the property. The vines were planted on a steep slope of bright red, rocky, volcanic soil, producing tiny amounts of intense, complex fruit that were made into this structured, almost Bordeaux-like Cabernet Sauvignon. It spent 20 months in 30% new, French oak. It is a really tight wine with incredible potential to develop in the bottle; we recommend cellaring for a few years.

Best: 2025-2032

Argot: Cabernet Sauvignon Sage Ridge Vineyard 2017

100% Cabernet Sauvignon – Sage Ridge Vineyard, Napa – 125 cases produced - Jeb Dunnock: 95

950 kr

We know our North Coast lovers like their Cab, so here is the crown jewel of the pack. Following in mentor Russell Bevan's footsteps, the extremely limited Sage Ridge Vineyard Cab from Argot is a stunner; we were lucky to get any! Once again Justin engages in a dramatic hillside landscape, rising up above Lake Hennessey, in the wild, untamed, eastern frontier of Napa Valley. It spent 20 months in a full 100% new, French oak and was bottled unfinned and unfiltered. "Full-bodied, opulent, and concentrated, while staying lively and elegant," according to Dunnock. And that label!

Best: 2023 – 2040