

ADVANCED SOMMELIER-LEVEL WHITE WINE GRAPE VARIETIES & REGIONS

ALBARIÑO

Spain	* Rías Baixas - <u>Unoaked</u>
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CHARDONNAY

France - Burgundy	* Chablis - AOP, Premier Cru, Grand Cru - <u>Moderate to No French Oak</u> * Côte de Beaune - Major Village AOPs, Premier Cru, Grand Cru - <u>Moderate Plus to Low New French Oak</u> * Mâconnais - AOP, Major Village AOPs, Premier Cru - <u>Moderate to No French Oak</u>
USA - California	* Carneros / Napa Valley / Russian River Valley / Sonoma Coast / Sonoma Valley - <u>High to Moderate Plus New Oak</u>
Australia	* Adelaide Hills / Margaret River / Padthaway / Yarra Valley - <u>High to Moderate Plus New Oak</u>

CHENIN BLANC

France - Loire Valley	* Montlouis-sur-Loire / Vouvray - <u>Demi-Sec</u> * Vouvray / Savennières - <u>Sec</u>
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GEWURZTRAMINER

France	* Alsace - <i>Vin d'Alsace, Grand Cru</i> - <u>Dry to Slight Residual Sugar to Off-Dry</u>
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GRÜNER VELTLINER

Austria	* Kamptal - <i>DAC / Ried</i> / Kremstal - <i>DAC / Ried</i> / Wachau - <i>Federspiel</i>
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PINOT GRIS

France	* Alsace - <i>Vin d'Alsace, Grand Cru</i> - <u>Dry to Slight Residual Sugar to Off-Dry</u>
Italy	* Friuli / Trentino-Alto Adige - <u>Skin Contact</u>

RIESLING

Germany	* Mosel / Rheingau / Rheinhessen / Pfalz / Nahe - <i>Trocken / GG, Kabinett / Spätlese</i>
France	* Alsace - <i>Vin d'Alsace, Grand Cru</i> - <u>Dry to Slight Residual Sugar</u>
Australia	* Clare Valley / Eden Valley - <u>Dry</u>

SAUVIGNON BLANC & SAUVIGNON BLANC-BASED BLENDS

France	* Loire Valley - <i>Sancerre / Pouilly-Fumé</i> - <u>No New French Oak, Non-Botrytis Cinerea Affected</u> * Bordeaux - <i>Pessac - Léognan / Graves</i> - <i>Cru Classé</i>
New Zealand	* Marlborough - <u>No Oak</u>

TORRONTÉS

Argentina	* Mendoza / Salta - <u>No Oak</u>
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VIOGNIER

France - Rhône Valley	* Condrieu - <u>Moderate Plus to Low New French Oak</u>
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ADVANCED SOMMELIER-LEVEL RED WINE GRAPE VARIETIES & REGIONS

CABERNET SAUVIGNON & CABERNET SAUVIGNON-BASED BLENDS	
France - Bordeaux	* Graves / Haut-Médoc - <i>Village AOPs, All Classifications</i>
Australia	* Barossa Valley / Coonawarra / Margaret River / McLaren Vale
Chile	* Curicó / Maipo / Maule / Rapel
USA - California	* Napa Valley / Sonoma County / Central Coast
CABERNET FRANC	
France - Loire Valley	* Bourgueil / Chinon / Saumur-Champigny - <u>Low to No New French Oak</u>
CARMÉNÈRE	
Chile	* Curicó / Maipo / Maule / Rapel
CORVINA & CORVINA-BASED BLENDS	
Italy - Veneto	* Amarone della Valpolicella - <u>Dry to Slight R.S.</u>
GAMAY	
France - Beaujolais	* Cru Beaujolais, Beaujolais-Villages - <u>Moderate to No Carbonic Maceration</u> - <u>Low to No New French Oak</u>
GRENACHE & GRENACHE-BASED BLENDS	
France - Rhône Valley	* Châteauneuf-du-Pape / Gigondas / Vacqueyras - <u>Moderate to No New French Oak</u>
MALBEC	
Argentina	* Mendoza
MERLOT & MERLOT-BASED BLENDS	
France - Bordeaux	* Pomerol / Saint-Émilion - <i>Village AOPs, Classification of St.-Émilion</i>
USA - California / Washington	* Napa Valley / Sonoma County / Columbia Valley
NEBBIOLO	
Italy - Piedmont	* Barolo / Barbaresco
PINOT NOIR	
France - Burgundy	* Côte d'Or - <i>Major Village AOPs, Premier Cru, Grand Cru</i> - <u>Moderate Plus to Low New French Oak</u>
USA / New Zealand	* Anderson Valley / Carneros / Central Coast / Sonoma Coast / Sonoma Valley / Willamette Valley / Central Otago / Martinborough - <u>Moderate Plus to Moderate New French Oak</u>
SANGIOVESE	
Italy - Tuscany	* Brunello di Montalcino - <u>Moderate Plus to Moderate Eastern European Oak</u> * Chianti - <i>Classico / Gran Selezione / Riserva / Ruffina</i> - <u>Moderate Plus to Moderate Eastern European Oak</u>
SYRAH	
France - Rhône Valley	* Northern Rhône Valley - <i>Village AOPs</i> - <u>Moderate to No New French Oak</u>
Australia	* South Australia / Victoria / Western Australia - <u>High to Moderate New Oak</u>
USA - California / Washington	* Central Coast / Sonoma County / Columbia Valley - <u>Moderate Plus to Moderate New Oak</u>
TEMPRANILLO	
Spain	* Ribera del Duero / Rioja - <i>Crianza, Reserva / Gran Reserva</i> - <u>High to Moderate New American Oak</u>
ZINFANDEL	
USA - California	* Napa Valley / Paso Robles / Sonoma County - <u>Dry to Slight Residual Sugar</u>



Sight	
Clarity / Visible Sediment	Clear, Hazy, Turbid
Concentration	Pale, Medium, Deep
Color	White Wines: Water White, Straw, Yellow, Gold Red Wines: Purple, Ruby, Red, Gamet
Secondary Colors	White Wines: Silver, Green, Copper Red Wines: Orange, Blue, Ruby, Garnet, Brown
Rim Variation	Yes / No
Extract / Staining (Red Wines)	None, Light, Medium, Heavy
Tearing	Light, Medium, Heavy
Gas Evidence	Yes / No
Nose	
Clean / Faulty	TCA, H ₂ S, Volatile Acidity, Ethyl Acetate, Brettanomyces, Oxidization, Other
Intensity	Delicate, Moderate, Powerful
Age Assessment	Youthful, Developing, Vinous
Fruit	White: Citrus, Apple/Pear, Stone/Pit, Tropical, Melon Red: Red, Black, Blue
Fruit Character	Ripe, Fresh, Tart, Baked, Stewed, Dried, Desiccated, Bruised, Jammy
Non-Fruit	Floral, Vegetal, Herbal, Spice, Animal, Barn, Petrol, Fermentation
Earth	Forest Floor, Compost, Mushrooms, Potting Soil
Mineral	Mineral, Wet Stone, Limestone, Chalk, Slate, Flint
Wood	None, Old vs New Large vs Small French vs American

Palate	
Sweetness	Bone Dry, Dry, Off-Dry, Medium Sweet, Sweet, Lusciously Sweet
Fruit	White: Citrus, Apple/Pear, Stone/Pit, Tropical, Melon Red: Red, Black, Blue
Fruit Character	Ripe, Fresh, Tart, Baked, Stewed, Dried, Desiccated, Bruised, Jammy
Non-Fruit	Floral, Vegetal, Herbal, Spice, Petrol, Animal, Barn, Fermentation
Earth	Forest Floor, Compost, Mushrooms, Potting Soil
Mineral	Wet Stone, Limestone, Chalk, Slate, Flint
Wood	None, Old vs New Large vs Small French vs American
Palate	
Phenolic / Bitter (White)	Yes / No
Tannin (Red)	Low, Med-, Medium, Med+, High
Acid	Low, Med-, Medium, Med+, High
Alcohol	Low, Med-, Medium, Med+, High
Body	Light, Medium, Full
Texture	Creamy, Round, Lean
Balance	Does any element dominate?
Length / Finish	Short, Med-, Medium, Med+, Long
Complexity	Low, Med-, Medium, Med+, High
Initial Conclusion	
Possible Grape Varieties	
Old World / New World	
Climate	Cool, Moderate, Warm
Possible Countries	
Age Range	1-3 years, 3-5 years, 5-10 years, 10 years+
Final Conclusion	
Grape Variety / Blend	
Country of Origin	
Region / Appellation	
Quality/ Regional Hierarchy	Grand/Premier Cru, Reserva/Gran Reserva etc.
Vintage	