

Who doesn't love bubbles – a cheeky bottle of bubbles for that special occasion or for no occasion at all. Here is our selection of bubbles we drink when we are not drinking Champagne.

NV	Mandurang Valley Brut, Bendigo, Victoria	\$44
NV	Finniss River Sparkling Shiraz	\$50
NV	Bandini Prosecco DOC, Veneto, Italy	\$52
NV	Bress Sparkling Blanc, Victoria	\$60
2016	Mandurang Valley Pink Fizz, Bendigo, Victoria	\$65
2012	Helens Hills Blanc de Blanc, Yarra Valley, Victoria	\$67
NV	Clover Hill Cuvee, Tasmania	\$70
NV	Heemskirk Georg Jensen Hallmark Cuvée, Tasmania	\$89

NV	Mandurang Valley Brut	\$44
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Our top pick of local sparkling wines

The Mandurang Valley Brut is a dignified sparkling Pinot Noir/Chardonnay blend that presents itself in the glass with a fine, but persistent bead and delicate mousse. The plate displays a sorbet citrus zing featuring lemon, lime and fresh strawberry characters with an elegant creamy mouthfeel.

2012	Helens Hill Blanc de Blanc	\$67
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One we tried elsewhere and had to have on our list

Made using the traditional methods and 100% Chardonnay plantings this is a fresh complex and balanced wine that combines the natural acidity and flavours of Chardonnay fruit with creaminess and texture from ageing on lees for four and a half years.

From Champagne – For many people Champagne is saved for special occasions, and that makes us kinda sad, make everyday a special occasion, celebrate the simple pleasures in life, Champagne is special but so are you, so drink it now!

NV	Chartogne-Taillet "Cuvee Saint Anne" Brut	\$125
NV	Laurent Perrier LA Cuvee, Champagne, France	\$135
NV	Ruinart Blanc de Blanc, Reims, France	\$178
2012	Louis Roederer Cristal Rose, Champagne, France	\$210
2008	Louis Roederer Cristal, Champagne, France	\$496

NV	Ruinart Blanc de Blanc	\$178
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Embrace the history from the first Champagne House established in 1729

100% Premier Cru Chardonnay vineyards producing a delicate and elegant wine with a very fine bead. Beautiful golden yellow colour, the nose is floral with acacia and honeysuckle which slip harmoniously onto the silky rich palate. Delicious on all accounts and will instantly become a favourite and the bottle a keepsake to take home.

White Varietals – If you drink white wine then chances are you already have a favourite varietal, here we have put together a list to entice you to try something new as well as ensuring your favourite varietals from local and worldwide producers are still on the list. Expand your palate and try a varietal you have never tried before.

If you like Sauvignon Blanc try these –

2017 Voyager Estate Chenin Blanc \$52

Tropical fruit flavours of guava, paw paw and honeydew melon with elements of citrus and red apple create a complex fruit salad style palate. The wine displays some nice fruit weight and texture with an attractive sweetness balanced with fresh natural acidity.

2016 Gérard Boulay Sancerre \$102

Sancerre is the name of a wine region in France's Loire Valley where the white wines are made exclusively from Sauvignon Blanc. Intense lime and lemon pith, white floral and ripe stone fruit aromas and flavours, subtle herb and chalk dust characters. Finesse, texture and stony, earthy and salty minerality. More finesse and structure than your average Sauvignon Blanc.

Sauvignon Blanc

2017	Voyager Estate Chenin Blanc, Margaret River. Western Australia	\$52
2017	Mandurang Valley Sauvignon Blanc, Bendigo, Victoria	\$54
2017	Mount Vernon Sauvignon Blanc, Marlborough, New Zealand	\$58
2016	Catalina Sounds Sauvignon Blanc, Marlborough, New Zealand	\$60
2016	Bannockburn Sauvignon Blanc, Geelong, Victoria	\$63
2016	Pierro 'LTC' Smillion Sauvignon Blanc, Margaret River. Western Australia	\$69
2016	Gérard Boulay Sancerre, á Chavignol, Sancerre – Sauvignon Blanc	\$102
2011	Mount Mary Triolet, Sauvignon Blanc, Semillon & Muscadelle, Yarra Valley, Victoria	\$130

Gris/Grigio

2017	Gapstead Tobacco Road Pinot Grigio, King Valley, Victoria	\$46
2016	Calappiano Pinot Grigio, Veneto, France	\$52
2018	TJ Richardson Chockstone Pinot Gris, Grampians, Victoria	\$54
2018	Bass River Pinot Gris, Gippsland, Victoria	\$65
2014	Mahana Blood Moon Pinot Gris, Nelson, New Zealand	\$93

Riesling

2018	A.T. Richardson Chockstone Riesling, Grampians, Victoria	\$54
2017	Ian Leamon Riesling, Strathbogie Ranges, Victoria	\$57
2017	Two Tonne Tasmania Riesling, Tamar Valley, Tasmania	\$73
2017	Grosset Polish Hill Riesling, Clare Valley, South Australia	\$95

Chardonnay – The evaluation of this wine saw it hit its peak in the 1970's. The adaptable grape variety has seen it once again come back into fashion with more elegant and refined styles. Don't get us wrong, we are still a fan of the big buttery and oaky style Chardonnays, so you will find a great selection to suit all styles on our hit list here.

2017	Bress Silver Chook Chardonnay, Yarra Valley, Victoria	\$50
2017	Mandurang Valley Chardonnay, Bendigo, Victoria	\$54
2017	Harcourt Valley Chardonnay, Harcourt, Victoria	\$55
2018	Toolangi Chardonnay, Yarra Valley, Victoria	\$60
2016	Balgownie Estate, Bendigo, Victoria	\$75
2014	Handpicked 'Capella Vineyard' Chardonnay, Mornington Peninsula, Victoria	\$87

Chardonnay Australian Icons

2016 Shaw & Smith M3 Chardonnay, Adelaide Hills, S.A. \$85

So much flavour packed into this chardonnay, but never loses focus or detail. Pristine and perfectly ripe fruit, a mix of stone fruit and citrus folded into creamy lees, and ginger notes with a liberal seasoning of integrated French oak spice. A fuller-bodied palate, texture and complexity with ultra-refreshing acidity. No point waiting. 95 points James Halliday

2013 Lenton Brae Wilybrup, Margaret River, Western Australia \$98

The 2013 is a continuation towards a more refined, elegant and balanced wine aimed at accessibility upon release whilst providing drinking pleasure over a number of years. Sold out, we are lucky to have a small parcel although once it's gone its gone, so grab it now.

2017 Sorrenberg Chardonnay, Beechworth. Victoria \$110

The 2017 Sorrenberg Chardonnay is 100% barrel fermented in French oak of which 25-30% is new oak. To add complexity all the wine goes through natural yeast fermentation as well as full malolactic fermentation. Further complexity is achieved through extended lees contact for ten months, with weekly stirring, then a further eight months barrel maturation.

Burgundy – France

- 2017 Bress Vieilles Vines – Chablis, Chablis, Bourgogne, Lyne Marchive \$98**
A Vintage exchanges between Bress and a top tier Chablis winemaker and true gentleman, Guenole Breteau we believe this to be their best vintage to date.
- 2014 Domaine Jaeger Defaix – Les Cloux, 1ere cru Rully, Côte Chalonnaise \$98**
The Cloux vineyard is located just above 1er Cru Chapitre on the clay-limestone soils that are found in the best sites across Burgundy. There is ample flesh and yet it's a racy, tangy wine overall with hints of florals, pear and citrus fruit along with a kiss of spicy oak.

Other White Varietals

- 2017 Gapsted Fruity Moscato, Victoria \$46**
- 2017 Sutton Grange Fairbank Field Blend, Fiano/Viognier Sutton Grange, Victoria \$52**
- 2017 Rob Dolan Black Label Arneis, Yarra Valley, Victoria \$55**
- 2015 McIvor Estate Marsanne Viognier Roussanne, Heathcote, Victoria \$60**
- 2016 Gérard Boulay Sancerre, á Chavignol, Sancerre – Sauvignon Blanc \$102**

- 2017 Sutton Grange Fairbank Field Blend \$57**
Local Wine Maker and 2018 People's Choice Young Gun Wine Maker of the year Melanie Chester
70% Fiano and 30% Viognier this is where French meets Italian to produce punchy aromatics of mandarin, orange oil and white peach, with fragrant notes of ginger and jasmine spice. The palate is fleshy with heaps of orange and stone fruit, balanced with a lemon butter generosity in the mid palate. The finish is vibrant and crunchy from the bright natural acidity and chalky phenolics.

An International Affair take a trip abroad and tempt your taste buds with these selection of white wines from Italy, Spain and France.

- 2016 Giralan Pinot Bianco, Sudtiro, Alto Adige DOC, Italy \$69**
- 2017 Linnaea Cortese, Dell'Alto Monferrato DOC Piemonte, Italy \$72**
- 2016 Domaine Weinbach Reserve Gewürztraminer, Alsace, France \$109**
- 2013 Celler Credo "Miranius" Xarel-lo, Biodynamic, Penedès DO, Spain \$80**

- 2017 Linnaea Cortese, Dell'Alto Monferrato DOC Piemonte, Italy \$72**
Rare variety with organic growing principles.
Cortese is an old and rare variety of unknown parentage, grown for centuries. Intense wines built of organic principles, meticulous reductive winemaking, a dedication to perfection, and a knack for presentation that wows from both outside and inside the bottle.