

4 – Week Wine Class at Tasting World: A Varietal Approach

Week 1 – How to taste wine.

Major Varieties: Chardonnay, Pinot Noir.

Minor Varieties: Viognier, Grenache.

- ✓ How to taste wine, and a map of our tasting senses.
- ✓ Basic profiles of Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Viognier and Grenache
- ✓ An overview of Burgundy, Rhone Valley, California, Oregon, and Spain with mention of some other regions in the context of grape varieties of the week.
- ✓ The tasting and discussion include the very different styles of Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Viognier and Grenache from different parts of the world, how to identify them on a wine list and what to expect from different labels.

Week 2 – Major Varieties: Sauvignon Blanc, Merlot.

Minor Varieties: Semillon, Cabernet Franc, Malbec

- ✓ Basic profiles of Sauvignon Blanc, Merlot, Semillon and Cabernet Franc
- ✓ An overview of Loire Valley, Bordeaux, New Zealand, Argentina and Chile in the context of the grape varieties of the week.
- ✓ The tasting and discussion emphasize the issues of possible over-ripeness in Merlot and under-ripeness in Cabernet Franc, very different styles of Sauvignon Blanc, and some of world's greatest dessert wines made from Sauvignon Blanc and Semillon.

Week 3 – Major Varieties: Riesling, Cabernet Sauvignon.

Minor Varieties: Pinot Gris, Muscat and Tempranillo.

- ✓ Basic profiles of Riesling, Cabernet Sauvignon, Pinot Gris, Muscat and Tempranillo.
- ✓ An overview of Alsace, Germany, Austria, Bordeaux, Spain, Italy, South America and Australia with respect to the week's grape varieties.
- ✓ The tasting and discussion emphasize the big quality variation in Riesling, Cabernet Sauvignon and Pinot Gris, different sweetness levels and the three main styles of Rieslings, the differences in Old World and New World Cabernet Sauvignons, and some of Spain's most prominent regions.

Week 4 – Major Varieties: Chenin Blanc, Syrah.

Minor Varieties: Melon de Bourgogne, Sangiovese, Nebbiolo

- ✓ Basic profiles of Chenin Blanc, Syrah, Melon, Sangiovese and Nebbiolo.
- ✓ An overview of Loire, Rhone, Australia, Italy and California in the context of the grape varieties of the week.
- ✓ The tasting and discussion focus on wines that are perfect accompaniments to food, Old World and New World differences in Syrah and some of Italy's best wines.



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