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## The Best Wine Gifts of 2023, According to Editors and Wine Experts

These are our favorite toys, bottles, and gadgets for any wine lover.

Wine lovers are notoriously hard to shop for, as most have strong opinions about everything from regions to vintages to varietals. Finding an impressive yet useful wine gift can be challenging, but it's certainly not impossible. In fact, plenty of wine gifts out there are versatile enough to please any wine lover. To help you find the perfect present, we rounded up the best wine gifts our editors can't wait to give to their loved ones. We also spoke to leading experts in the wine industry to get their insights into the best bottles, glasses, and accessories. Whether you're looking for a hostess gift to bring to your next dinner party or an excellent bottle to celebrate a special day, there's something here for everyone.

If you're unsure what kind of wine someone likes, it's best to give an all-purpose present that will please various palates. Fun glassware or a decorative decanter is a great place to start, but there are also some high-quality bottles from trusted producers that are guaranteed to impress. Whichever route you take, don't let the hefty price tag of some special occasion bottles distract you. "Price point isn't important when shopping for a wine lover," says <a href="Haley Moore">Haley Moore</a>, sommelier and CEO of Acquire, a San Francisco-based luxury hospitality company. "There are so many great options at a variety of price points. No matter what type of wine drinker you're shopping for, these are the best wine gifts to please any wine lover.

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Gary Farrell Russian River Valley Chardonnay

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Masciarelli Villa Gemma Montepulciano d'Abruzzo

Riserva 2015

Bollinger La Grande Annee Brut 2014

If you're looking for a classic bottle of high-quality champagne, you can't go wrong with this long-standing favorite. Notably golden in color, this wine offers a zesty first impression that gives way to a gentle texture and a long finish. It's a fantastic gift for any wine lover looking to add a timeless classic to their collection.

Price at time of publish: \$220

A food-friendly Chardonnay is a welcome gift at any dinner party, and this full-bodied bottle from Gary Farrell is a crowd-pleaser. Perfect for pairing with fish, shellfish, chicken, or pasta, it's a great meal accompaniment that works any time of year. Even folks who aren't typically fans of Chardonnay will appreciate the juicy acidity balanced with a creamy texture.

Price at time of publish: \$40

Led by a powerhouse mother-daughter team, Marina Cvetic and Miriam Masciarelli, the Masciarelli portfolio of wines brings a spotlight to Abruzzo and its diverse and vibrant viticulture. The groundbreaking family's focus on innovation has resulted in world-renowned wines. This elegant bottle of Montepulciano will wow any wine lover with its spicy notes of black pepper, licorice, and cocoa, balanced with hints of dried fruit.

Price at time of publish: \$81