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50 Great Wines of 2020

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This annual post looks back at all the wines I wrote about in the previous year and singles out 50 that I thought were great wines. "Great" doesn't necessarily imply the most profound, though several of these are as profound as wine gets; nor does it necessarily mean that these are the world's famed wines intended for laying down in cellars for long aging. I don't usually encounter such wines anyway. By "great," I mean wines that delighted me, that made an impression that wasn't just sensual but emotional, that evinced a sense of craft and thoughtfulness, ingenuity and simplicity. Above all, I mean wines that embody a feeling of dedication to a vineyard or a region, of devotion to the grape or grapes involved, of a willingness to allow the grapes to determine their own destiny, with a little help in the vineyard and the winery.



DOMAINE CARNEROS.
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DOMAINE CARNEROS LE RÊVE 2012, CARNEROS

This sparkling wine appeared in the
"Great Wines of 2018, also rated Exceptional.

Exceptional. About \$115



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