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The Best Wines To Drink In 2022

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Which wines are people looking forward to enjoying most in 2022? Every year I ask a group of top writers and sommeliers to forget about trends and predictions and say what they personally want to drink more of in the next year. After two years of the world being upside-down people seem to be turning to sparkling wines for comfort, but also doing deeper dives into lesser-known areas of popular regions, such as Montecucco in Tuscany and The Aube in Champagne. See which choices inspire you for trying something new in 2022.

If this whole Champagne shortage rumor turns out to be true, I'll be perfectly happy with sparkling wines from Roederer Estate, **Domaine Carneros**, Schramsberg, and Gloria Ferrer. Now that many American Zinfandel producers are making less ripe, more balanced wines I think the category is actually exciting again. One thing that California still doesn't often do really well is medium-weight red wines. A friend turned me on to an incredible Susumaniello from Masseria Li Veli in Puglia, and I definitely want more. I'm also a sucker for a good Valpolicella Ripasso from Veneto, Travaligni Gattinara from Piemonte, or Frappato from Sicily.

