

# Featured Flight of the Week

## Study of Bordeaux Blends

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#### 2018 VIÑA COBOS, MENDOZA, ARGENTINA \$19|\$68

Cocodrilo has become one of our staples from famed winemaker, Paul Hobbs at Viña Cobos in Mendoza, Argentina. This blend is 75% Cabernet Sauvignon, 11% Malbec, 8% Cabernet Franc, 3% Syrah, 3% Merlot. It is aged for 14 months in new French oak (15% new), second and third use French oak (85%). It is unfinned and unfiltered leaving all of the beautiful aromas and flavors for us to drool over.

Deep red color with violet tones, this blend is highly concentrated with substantial body and structure. The nose displays aromas of blueberries, blackberries, chocolate, and spice. Sweet and soft tannins linger on a long finish.

The 2018 vintage was characterized by excellent climactic conditions throughout the growing season. Temperatures within the historical averages, minimal rainfall, and a larger thermal amplitude compared to previous years resulted in a characteristic growing season for Mendoza. The excellent health conditions of the vineyard allowed for a harvest of high-quality fruit with good color and concentration.

ALCOHOL: 14.5%



#### 2016 CHÂTEAU DE CUGAT, BORDEAUX, FRANCE \$11|\$40

Château de Cugat in Bordeaux, France is a blend of 60% Merlot and 40% Cabernet Sauvignon, from very low-yielding, old hillside vines facing Pomerol, and with the same gravelly soil. Aged primarily in tank with a few barrel-lots thrown into the blend.

The Château de Cugat was constructed in the 1500's. Located in the small town of Blasimon, it stands upon a hill overlooking the village. The vineyards surround the Château, and are comprised of Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon, and Cabernet Franc for red wines, and Sauvignon Blanc, Sémillon, and Muscadelle for white wines.

ALCOHOL: 14.1%



#### 2019 MONTE BERNARDI, TUSCANY, ITALY \$15|\$54

Tzingarella from Monte Bernardi in Tuscany, Italy is a blend of 40% Cabernet Sauvignon, 40% Merlot, 15% Cabernet Franc, 5% Colorino [obscure black-skinned varietal used for blending to add color and tannins].

This medium-bodied wine is packed with fruit that is richly complex and smooth. It's tannins, acidity and cherry soul are unmistakably Tuscan with the added character of fresh cassis, blackberries and minerality characteristic of Bordeaux. Aged in oak for 18 months in Barriques and Tonneaux barrels.

ALCOHOL: 14%