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## Father's Day wine 2016



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How do you decide how much to spend on a Father's Day wine gift? Check out the cyberether, and one suggestion calls for \$1,500? Which struck the Wine Curmudgeon as totally inappropriate – not because one shouldn't spend a lot of money on Dad, but because how many dads would want their children to waste money like that?

Hence the blog's annual Father's Day wine post, in which we offer sensible, quality and wellpriced wines to buy. Keep the blog's <u>wine gift-giving guidelines</u> in mind throughout the process: Don't buy someone wine that you think they should like; buy them what they will like.

This year's Father's Day wine suggestions:

• <u>Feudo Zirtari Rosso 2012</u> (\$12, <u>sample</u>, 13.5%): <u>If all international style was made like this</u>, the WC wouldn't be nearly as cranky. The nero adds earthiness and dark plum, while the syrah makes it taste a little less Sicilian. Nicely done.

• <u>Matua Valley Sauvignon Blanc 2015</u> (\$12, <u>sample</u>, 13%): More than a one-note New Zealand sauvignon blanc, and an example of what Big Wine can do when it wants to. Yes, citrus, but also some tropical in the middle and minerality on the back.

• <u>La Fleur de Francois Rosé Brut NV</u> (\$16, <u>sample</u>, 12%): French sparkling wine from Bordeaux with lime and raspberry fruit, a clean and crisp finish, and an almost flowery aroma. More like cava than Champagne; no oak showing. Very well done.

• <u>Conde Pinel Rose 2015</u> (\$10, <u>purchased</u>, 12%): Yet another well crafted, solidly made Spanish rose (this time with tempranillo), complete with strawberry fruit, a little slate, and lots of crispness.

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