

WEEKDAY WINES

The *Decanter* in-house tasting team spends a great deal of time out and about at tastings, finding new and exciting wines, or new vintages of existing wines, for everyday drinking. On these pages we bring you 25 top picks that are all ready to drink now, available in the UK and priced at £20 or less

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**Gratien & Meyer,
Generation Series
Crémant de Loire,
France 2020**

£14.50 The Wine Society
A nod to the 'Sparkling Saumur' wines listed by The Wine Society in its early days. Approachable yet complex, with zestiness, minerality and red fruit nuances. Fleishy pear, quince and pink grapefruit, firm acidity and a subtle butteriness. **IS Alc 12.5%**



**Domaine Ogereau,
L'Enjouée Blanc, Loire,
Vin de France 2023**

£18.50 Emile Wines
A fragrant Loire Chenin from the Anjou region, showing notes of melon and orange, and a fresh, energetic palate with an almost tropical hint. With its low alcohol and smidgen of sweetness, this is highly drinkable. Perfect for sipping in the garden on a summer evening. **NE Alc 9%**



**Jacques Dépagneux,
Generation Series
Mâcon-Villages,
Burgundy, France 2022**

£16.50 The Wine Society
An elegant (and great value) expression of the lovely 2022 vintage. Nuanced and alluring nose, delicate floral notes mingling with yellow apple, toasted almonds and preserved lemons. Deft use of oak adds structural complexity. **IS Alc 13%**



**Azevedo, Loureiro
Alvarinho, Vinho Verde,
Portugal 2023**

£12-£13.65 Alexander Hadleigh, Tim Syrad, Winesquare
A nuanced blend of two very complementary grape varieties. Loureiro's ripe citrus, white flowers and fleshy peach are underpinned by Alvarinho's soft minerality and acid focus. A perfect everyday drinker for the season. Enjoy with prawns or seared scallops. **IS Alc 12%**



**Celler Pardas, Rupestris,
Penedès, Catalonia,
Spain 2022**

£17.21-£19.20 Spirits24, The Sourcing Table, Winesquare
A blend of Malvasia de Sitges with Xarel·lo. The former adds nuanced aromatics and lively acidity to the latter's fleshy white and yellow orchard fruit. A reductive edge adds flinty appeal while the palate has a wild pineapple grip. **IS Alc 12.5%**



**Château Val Joanis,
Le Viognier Réserve,
Méditerranée, Southeast
France 2022**

£16.95-£18.95 Champagnes & Châteaux, South Downs Cellars, The Wine Library
This good-value, unoaked IGP Viognier is fruit-forward, almost exotic, with peach, hawthorn and frangipane notes. It's fairly concentrated, with a lick of salinity adding complexity. **AW Alc 14.5%**



**Ancre Hill Estates, Red Pet Nat,
Wales NV**

£19-£21 Ellis Wharton, Grape Britannia, Les Caves de Pyrene, Libation, Monty Wines, Wild & Lees
From a biodynamic producer in Monmouth, south Wales, this is a blend of Triomphe and Pinot Noir from the 2023 harvest and 40% Chardonnay (which includes wine from a previous vintage). Bright cherry candy, bubble gum and raspberry on the nose. Funky and fun peach, red berries and limpid acidity, with moreish umami and refreshing salinity on a clean finish. **SW Alc 10%**