

The HotSheet! 12/25 DOWNTOWN SPIRITS | ESQUIN

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DECEMBER IS HERE, and with it comes the festive rush, the glow of celebration, and the simple joy of gathering with the people who matter most. It's the busiest — and often the most meaningful — month of the year for all of us at Esquin and Downtown Spirits.

To help make your season a little brighter, we're excited to share our December HotSheet: a collection of standout wines and spirits chosen by our expert team. From holiday dinner centerpieces to gift-worthy bottles, this month's selections showcase some of the best values and discoveries we've brought in all year.

We also want to share our sincere appreciation for your continued support. Serving this community is a privilege, and we're grateful to be part of your celebrations, traditions, and everyday enjoyment. As we close out the year, we remain committed to offering exceptional service, thoughtful guidance, and the most exciting wine selections around.

Here's to a joyful holiday season filled with warmth, good company, and unforgettable wines and spirits.

Warmest wishes,
The Team at Esquin and Downtown Spirits

HIGH SCORES

Washington - Red Blend
Figgins Figlia



Red Blend 2022
\$59.99 - save \$15.

New Release! Chris Figgins' Figlia project focuses on a more playful, fruit-forward expression of Walla Walla fruit compared to the flagship Leonetti and Figgins wines. Dark berry, spice, and polished tannins make it great with grilled lamb, braised short ribs, or hearty pasta dishes.

96 Points James Suckling

Oregon - Pinot Noir
Ken Wright Pinot Noir
"Sedimentary" 2022

\$37.99 - save \$12.
Ken Wright's "Sedimentary" bottling highlights the structure and spice of Pinot grown on Oregon's marine-sedimentary soils. Red cherry, plum skin, and earthy minerality pair well with roast turkey, salmon, or mushroom risotto.

95+ Jeb Dunnuck



California - Cabernet Sauvignon
Silver Oak
Alexander Valley
Cabernet Sauvignon 2021
\$66.99 - save \$50.



96 Points Decanter

France - Rhone Blend
Domaine de la Vieille Julienne
CdP "Les Hauts Lieux" 2017
\$76.99 - save \$25.

This cuvée comes from one of the domaine's highest, stoniest parcels, producing powerful yet lifted Grenache-based wines. Blackberry, licorice, and peppery herbs pair beautifully with grilled lamb, ratatouille, or game.

96 Wine Spectator,
96+ Jeb Dunnuck
94 Vinous



Italy - Red Blend
Tempura
Arcano Arcanum 2013
\$44.99 - save \$65.



Arcanum is the winery's flagship Bordeaux-inspired blend, crafted from high-altitude vineyards in Tuscany's Castelnuovo Berardenga. Black cherry, cassis, sandalwood, and velvety structure pair perfectly with bistecca, lamb, or aged cheeses.

96 Points The Wine Advocate

BIG SAVINGS

California - Pinot Noir
Crossbarn Sonoma Coast
Pinot Noir 2022
\$23.99 - save \$34.

Crossbarn, founded by Paul Hobbs, emphasizes cooler-climate precision and site transparency in Sonoma Pinot Noir. Red cherry, cranberry, spice, and soft earthiness pair well with salmon, roast chicken, or mushroom dishes.
94 James Suckling, 93 Robert Parker
92 Jeb Dunnuck, 90 Wine Enthusiast



BIG SAVINGS

Italy - Sangiovese
**Fanti Brunello
di Montalcino 2020**
\$45.99 - save \$23.

"The Fanti family has farmed in Montalcino since the early 1800s, crafting rich, modern-leaning Brunello from their Tenuta San Filippo estate. Cherry, plum, tobacco, and firm tannins pair well with bistecca fiorentina, porcini risotto, or aged pecorino."

94 Points James Suckling



Spain - Tempranillo
**La Rioja Alta "Arana"
Gran Reserva Rioja 2015**
\$34.99 - save \$25.

"La Rioja Alta's traditional long-aging regimen gives Arana remarkable finesse, blending Tempranillo with a touch of Graciano. Silky red fruit, leather, spice, and gentle acidity shine alongside lamb chops, tapas, or roasted mushrooms."

95 Points James Suckling



France - Malbec
**Chateau de Haute-Serre
Cahors Prestige Geron
Dadine 2017**
\$46.99 - save \$35.

This historic estate was revived in the 1970s to champion Malbec's original home in Cahors. Black plum, graphite, and firm tannins make it great with duck confit, cassoulet, or smoked meats.

94 Points Wine Enthusiast



HOLIDAYS

Burgundy - Pinot Noir
Chateau De Marsannay Echezot 2019
\$69.99 - save \$35.

Grand Cru from prized parcels drinking deliciously right now and reflecting the estate's recent quality resurgence. Silky red fruit, rose petal, and subtle oak integrate well with duck breast, truffle dishes, or soft-ripened cheeses.

91 Points Wine Spectator



Germany - Riesling
Donnhoff Riesling 2023
\$22.99 - save \$9.

Dönnhoff is one of Germany's most revered estates, crafting crystalline Rieslings from the Nahe's volcanic and slate soils. Peach, lime, and mineral tension pair perfectly with sushi, pork schnitzel, or spicy Asian cuisine.

93 Points James Suckling



France - Gamay Noir
Marcel Lapierre Raisins Gaulois 2023
\$18.99 - save \$8.

From the legendary Morgon natural-wine pioneer, Raisins Gaulois is a joyful, early-drinking Gamay made with minimal intervention. Juicy red berries and light floral notes make it a match for charcuterie, roast chicken, or picnic fare. An Esquin holiday favorite.

France - White Blend
**Château d'Arche Sauternes
2ème Cru Classé 2015**
\$32.99 - save \$7.

A historic 1855 Second Growth, Château d'Arche is known for richly textured, botrytized Sauternes. Honeyed apricot, saffron, and candied citrus shine alongside blue cheese, foie gras, or fruit tarts. If you've ever wondered what truly great Sauternes drinking at its best tastes like get this!

94-96 Points The Wine Advocate



France - Red Blend
Chateau Carignan 2015
\$16.99 - save \$15.

With roots tracing back to the 1400s and owned by the Lynch family of Bordeaux Wine Locators, Château Carignan produces value-driven Bordeaux from estate-grown Merlot and Cabernets. Red plum, tobacco, and soft tannins pair well with burgers, roast chicken, or stews.

91 Points James Suckling



France - Sparkling Champagne
Ayala Brut Majeur NV
\$44.99 - save \$28.

“Founded in 1860 and now part of the Bollinger family, Ayala is known for its dry, elegant house style with minimal dosage. Crisp citrus, white flowers, and chalky minerality pair beautifully with oysters, sushi, or soft cheeses.”
Points James Suckling”



California - Sparkling
Piper Sonoma
Blanc de Blancs Brut NV
\$17.99 - save \$12.

Established in 1980 by the Champagne house Piper-Heidsieck, Piper Sonoma brings French sparkling know-how to Sonoma terroir. Green apple, citrus zest, and creamy bubbles make it perfect with crab cakes, fried chicken, or brunch fare.

91 Wine Enthusiast



France - Sparkling Champagne
Chatelin Brut NV
\$33.99 - save \$22.

A small grower-producer Champagne, Chatelin crafts traditional, Chardonnay-leaning blends with long lees aging. Citrus, brioche, and fine mousse make it excellent with seafood towers, creamy cheeses, or light appetizers.



France - Sparkling
Chateau de Mauny
Crémant de Loire Brut 2020
\$16.99 - save \$5.

Château de Mauny uses traditional-method winemaking to craft sparkling wines from Chenin Blanc and Chardonnay in the Loire. Crisp apple, pear, and gentle toastiness pair perfectly with fried seafood, salads, or goat cheese. Another Esquin favorite.

92 Points Wine Enthusiast



Italy - Sparkling
Terregaie Prosecco NV
\$14.99 - save \$6.

“Terregaie is a family estate in the Euganean Hills specializing in fresh, fruit-forward Glera. Crisp pear, apple, and lively bubbles make it ideal for aperitivo, salads, or light appetizers.”



California - Red Blend
Bonny Doon
Take Me To Your Liter 1 L
2023
\$13.99 - save \$6.

“This blend of 69% Grenache, 15% Syrah, 14% Cinsault, and 2% Petite Sirah offers fresh red currant aromas that are layered in earth and herb elements. The palate pairs raspberry and strawberry flavors with fennel pollen and cracked pepper, making for a very drinkable glass.”

93 Points Wine Enthusiast



Italy - Sangiovese
Castellare Chianti
Classico 2023
\$23.99 - save \$7.

Castellare is celebrated for its commitment to indigenous Tuscan varietals and its annual bird-themed labels supporting avian conservation. Bright cherry, red plum, and savory herbs complement pizza, tomato-based pastas, or grilled pork.

93 Points James Suckling



Italy - Corvina Blend
Zenato Ripassa 2020
\$24.99 - save \$8.

Zenato pioneered the “Ripassa” style—refermenting Valpolicella on Amarone pomace for extra depth and richness. Dark berry, plum, and velvety spice pair well with lasagna, grilled sausages, or hard cheeses.

93 Points James Suckling



RED



France - Red Blend
Plan Pegau NV NV
\$19.99 - save \$5.

Plan Pegau is a rustic, multi-vintage blend from Laurence Féraud of Domaine du Pégau, showcasing Southern Rhône character.

Dark fruit, garrigue, and savory spice pair beautifully with lamb stew, grilled vegetables, or Mediterranean fare.

92 points James Suckling



vegetables, or pork loin.”
France - Red Blend
Duluc
de Branaire-Ducru
Saint-Julien 2018
\$35.99 - save \$11.

This is the second wine of the classified Fourth Growth Branaire-Ducru, offering early approachability with estate pedigree.

Blackcurrant, cedar, and refined tannins pair well with roast beef, mushroom dishes, or hard cheeses.

92 Points James Suckling



well with BBQ ribs, grilled steaks, or hearty stews.
Washington - Red Blend
Top Source Red 2019
\$19.99 - save \$6.

“Top Source highlights high-elevation Columbia Valley vineyards for bold yet balanced Rhône-style blends. Dark berries, spice, and supple tannins pair well with grilled meats, pizza, or rustic vegetable dishes.

93 Points Wine Enthusiast

Italy - Sangiovese
Sesti Monteleccio 2022
\$22.99 - save \$9.

“The Sesti family produces elegant, lunar-calendar-influenced wines from their biodynamic Montalcino estate. Fresh cherry, red currant, and light spice pair nicely with pasta al pomodoro, grilled



Washington - Cabernet Sauvignon
Rocks of Bawn
Cabernet Sauvignon
2020

\$17.99 - save \$6.

Named after a historic Irish folk song, Rocks of Bawn sources high-elevation fruit for a bold, modern Cabernet. Dark fruit, mocha, and firm tannins work



WHITE

France - Chardonnay
Vincent Wengier
Bourgogne Blanc 2023
\$19.99 - save \$5.

Up-and-coming vigneron Vincent Wengier produces precise, mineral-driven Chardonnay from parcels near Chablis. Citrus, green apple, and subtle chalk pair well with shellfish, salads, or simple roast chicken.

90 Points James Suckling



WHITE

Washington - Riesling
Long Shadows
Poets Leap Riesling
2024

\$16.99 - save \$9.

Crafted by German Riesling master Armin Diel in partnership with Long Shadows, Poet's Leap showcases German precision with Washington fruit. Vibrant lime, white peach, and slatey freshness make it ideal with spicy Thai dishes, sushi, and shellfish.

90 Points Wine Enthusiast



Oregon - Blend
Walter Scott
Fircrest Blanc 2024
\$27.99 - save \$12.

“Tiny production wine that showcases the precision-driven, low-intervention style with a blend of old-vine, single vineyard fruit. Citrus, pear, and saline minerality pair beautifully with oysters, salads, or roast poultry.”



France - White Blend
Château Suduiraut 2023
Bordeaux Blanc

“Lions de
Suduiraut” 2023
\$19.99 - save \$10.

“From a dedicated parcel of the famed Sauternes estate, Lions de Suduiraut is a dry white crafted with a focus on freshness and Sauvignon-driven aromatics. Grapefruit, peach, and vibrant acidity pair beautifully with ceviche, goat cheese, or grilled vegetables.”



WHITE

Italy - Garganega
Cornelia Tessari
Grisela
Soave Classico 2023
\$18.99 - save \$5.

“Cornelia Tessari crafts elegant, volcanic-soil Garganega from the historic Monteforte d’Alpone zone. Pear, almond, and crisp mineral notes pair nicely with light pasta, seafood, or salads.”



Italy - Kerner
Cantina
Bolzano
Puntscheit
Kerner 2024
\$19.99 - save \$5.

“Grown in the Alps around Alto Adige, Kerner thrives in cool elevations that enhance its aromatics. Peach, citrus, and alpine herbs pair perfectly with white fish, salads, or light Asian cuisine.”
90 Points Wine Enthusiast”



Oregon - Chardonnay
Evening Land
Eola Amity
Chardonnay 2023
\$18.99 - save \$13.

Sourced from the celebrated Seven Springs Vineyard, this Chardonnay is crafted with native yeast and minimal oak to showcase site purity. Citrus, pear, and hazelnut flavors glide over a mineral backbone — a graceful pairing for turkey, crab, or buttery side dishes.



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Sat, Dec 13, 2-4PM



December HotSheet Tasting

Join us for a tasting of some of our favorite picks from the December HotSheet!

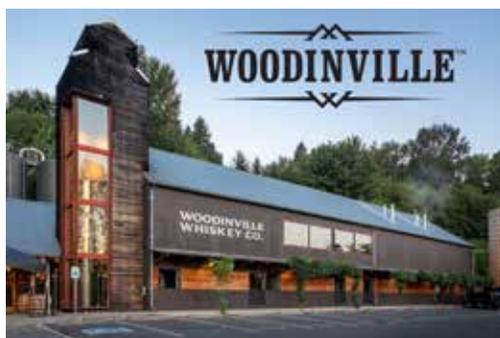
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Planteray Rum

Our mission is to share the great terroirs of rum with the world, honouring traditional techniques that have been used for centuries to create these incredible products by the communities that make them.

Sat, Dec 20, 2-4PM



Woodinville Whiskey Co.

Woodinville Whiskey Co., one of our personal favorite distilleries and long time friends of Esquin and Downtown Spirits is back! Join us for a tour through their award winning selections.

The story of Woodinville doesn't begin with a 100-year-old recipe or generations of family distillers. It starts with two best friends, Orlin Sorensen and Brett Carlile, and their shared dream of proving that the best whiskey doesn't have to be made in

Kentucky. Or Scotland. It can be made right here in Washington State. Orlin and Brett had a strong belief from the beginning: to make the best liquids, you can't cut corners and must do things the right way, even if they're inefficient. The highest quality locally grown grains, the best barrels and coopers in the world, the most technologically advanced distilling equipment, and the mentorship of an industry icon: David Pickerell, former Master Distiller for Maker's Mark.

ONE MORE THING... WINE STORAGE

Esquin Wine Storage enables you to protect your wine in your own wine locker, in a size that will be right for your collection. We provide a secure, temperature controlled space specially engineered for the proper cellaring of your valued wines.

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