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## SLIPPED THROUGH THE CRACKS: KYMBER TYMBER WITH FORTANT'S LAURENT SAUVAGE ON THE VINE REWIND



My wife sleepwalks. I've mentioned it before here at UTGT. In recounting everything from my wife's nightly hijinks the morning after, she laughs and laughs, apologizes and tells me I should write a lot of jokes around her sleepwalking. She is giving me permission to make fun of her.

You don't get that from your wife everyday.

One day, maybe there will be a comedy routine. I can wander on stage at Funny Bones Comedy Club down the street, and blather on about my wife's nocturnal antics. For now, I just keep reminding myself to be patient; I love her after all.

Meanwhile, something slipped through the cracks. Laurent Sauvage from Fortant de France dropped in with Kymber Tymber two weeks back, and brought by the latest wines from this much-revamped winery:

**Fortant de France Chardonnay Coast Select 2012.** Grade=**Very Good**. Bright, crisp citrus aromas and flavors matched up with tart green apple, hints of vanilla bean and allspice.

**Fortant de France Viognier Hills Select 2012.** Grade=**Outstanding**. Bright, fragrant and floral components resonate in a delicious matrix of stone fruit, citrus and white flowers.

**Fortant de France Muscat Coast Select 2012.** Grade=**Outstanding**. Drier style, with pretty orange blossom and nectarine skin elements dancing slowly with a hint of apricot.

**Fortant de France Grenache Rose Coast Select 2012.** Grade=**Outstanding**. Dry style blush, showing tart strawberry, pomegranate and red plum skin.

**Fortant de France Pinot Noir Mountain Select 2011.** Grade=**Outstanding**. Earthy, dark fruits, dried

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herbs and spices make this a pretty remarkable value.

**Fortant de France Malbec Hills Select 2012.** Grade=**Very Good**. Earthy blueberry and dark plum notes, herbaceous, with a hint of smoky spice.

**Fortant de France Cabernet Sauvignon Coast Select 2012.** Grade=**Very Good**. Clean red fruits and just a touch of blackberry, sprigs of mint, dusty mineral, black pepper and a touch of sage.

**Fortant de France Carignan Mountain Select 2011.** Grade=**Outstanding**. Now this is money. A hearty, rich, dark red, laced with smoky black peppercom, roasted herbs, and an undertone of roasted game.

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