

Five Perfect Poolside Wines under \$20

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Cowabunga.

At times we just can't resist doing a cannonball off the diving board. Couple that with a refreshing splash of wine, and you've got yourself an extraordinary sun-kissed summer day.

DeLoach 2014 California Chardonnay, 13.5%, \$12. This chardonnay is floral with a kiss of orange blossom and, on the palate, notes of honeydew melon and pear.



Buena Vista 2014 "Viticultural Society" Zinfandel

Tasting Notes:

Fragrances of blackberries, cherries, spice, and earth greet the senses. Blackberry, blueberry, and cherry flavors emerge on the palate, accented by expressions of spice, floral earth, and dark chocolate. Lively flavors and refined tannins make this a great wine for pizza night.

Rating: 90



Buena Vista 2014 Cabernet Sauvignon

Tasting Notes:

Aromatics of blackberries, boysenberries, and currants interweave with nuances of floral earth, cocoa, and spice on the nose. With a sip, flavors of currant, boysenberry, and tart blueberry emerge on the palate alongside allusions of dark chocolate, minerals, and all-spice. A Cab with solid structure and rich dark fruit, a New York Steak is an ideal match.

Rating: 90