

Cheers to the Holidays

Gentry rounds up some terrific vintages to serve pair with your holiday meals.



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1. JCB No. 21 and No. 69 Bubbles invigorate the palate, not only preparing your tastebuds for the delicious meal to follow, but also cleansing your palate between courses. JCB 21 (\$25) and JCB 69 (\$28). www.jcbcollection.com

2. 2015 Sixteen Appellations Sixteen Appellations is a rich and supple premium blend from 16 AVA regions. It features fruit forward flavor with hints of currants and rhubarb. It pairs perfectly with duck and beef (\$75). www.italicswinegrowers.com

3. O'Brien 2015 Reserve Chardonnay This full, broad, and deep Chardonnay features copious amounts of crème brûlée, honeysuckle, and pear tart—an excellent white to enjoy with all the trimmings of Thanksgiving (\$75). www.obrienestate.com

4. 2018 Trinchero Mary's Single Vineyard Sauvignon Blanc Napa Valley This Sauvignon Blanc is a great, light, sippable wine that pairs well with sunshine and lighter dishes, especially seafood (\$35). www.trincheronapavalley.com

5. JCB Passion & Leopard These rich, sensuous reds will stand up to hearty holiday fare including decadent foie gras and a spectacular main course like prime rib. JCB Passion (\$85) and Leopard (\$130). www.jcbcollection.com

6. 2013 Trinchero BRV Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley A fitting tribute to the second generation of the Trinchero family, BRV (named in honor of Bob, Roger, and Vera) is Trinchero's pinnacle Cabernet Sauvignon. It features powerful spice and black fruit aromas. Earthy flavors of clove and anise are framed by brawny tannins and a robust structure making it a delicious complement to grilled meats (\$80). www.trincheronapavalley.com

7. 2015 Italics Estate Cabernet Sauvignon The nose of Italics Estate Cabernet Sauvignon is ripe with dark fruit and leather. It's also rich with spice, fruit, and earth, bringing out the wine's blackberry and chocolate flavors. It pairs beautifully with a traditional Thanksgiving feast (\$95). www.italicswinegrowers.com



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