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## Check, Please! Bay Area Wine Tips: Prosecco

Leslie Sbrocco shares a hot new trend in **episode 15** of Season 14

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**“America has a love affair with Prosecco**, and rightly so. In the Norther Italian region from which it hails, it’s known as the welcome wine. Juicy and coiffable, it’s a bubbly that makes you happy. Prosecco is made from the Glera grape variety, and while much of Italy’s production is affordable, and deliciously easy drinking, there are many Proseccos that reach the highest quality levels. **To seek out the best of the best, the key is to look for the words Valdobbiadene or Cartizze.** The tongue twisting name Valdobbiadene refers to a region about an hour from Venice in the shadow of the Dolomite Mountains. It’s here that Prosecco shines. The rarest star in Prosecco’s crown is planted on the steep hill of Cartizze where Glera reaches glorious heights. Ah, Salute.”