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Most Exciting Wines of 2019

This is definitely not a listing of the best wines I've had this year (whatever best means,) but is a sampling of the wines that stayed with me long past when I drank them. In case you're looking to compare notes, some are easily available while others next to impossible to find. What excites me is purely subjective, so your mileage may vary with these, but I'm certain that none of these would disappoint you. Write-ups on each can be found at the links below. Cheers!



Prosecco

Wait, what? Yes, really, prosecco. While the vast majority of the stuff is as special as a trip to Sears, there are pockets of brilliance in this ocean of sparkling wine. Thankfully, they are easily identifiable, too. The prosecco DOC area is huge, but the smaller subzone of **Conegliano Valdobbiadene Prosecco Superiore**, which sits about 50 miles north of Venice, makes a much better product for not a lot more money. And if you're willing to search (and spend) a bit more, the sub-subzone of Cartizze might be of interest. But if you want a short-cut to experimenting with next level bubbles, just look for any bottle with the word "Valdobbiadene" in the sparkling section of your favorite retailer. \$20 buys a lot in this category.