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The 6 Best Sparkling Wines for New Year's Eve That Aren't Champagne

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Sparkling wine is made by a fascinating combination of science and human hands. Allowing carbon dioxide to form in an enclosed space, only for it to saturate into the wine, forming persistent bubbles under the pressure of a car tire, is something to behold. The mesmerizing strands of pearls rising to the top can make you pause for a moment, even mid-convo, to stare at what's happening in your glass. If you love Champers but not the spend, here are some alternative fizzies that are balanced, fun, and hella tasty to drink on New Year's Eve.



DOMAINE CARNEROS BY TAITTINGER ULTRA BRUT 2015

This is a great American Sparkler. It has bracing acidity beneath those soft bubbles. Earthy fruit vibes are lifted into your senses as the body of the wine grips the palate. This is legit, celebratory stuff.



