

How Well Do You Know Your Wine?

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I have a real weakness for publications that include a quiz in their manuscripts. If I am familiar with the subject matter, I usually stop whatever I'm doing and take it.

It occurred to me the other day that it might be fun if I made up a quiz for my wine column. So without hesitation, I put together a selection of Multiple Choice/True False questions for your quizzing pleasure. (You will find the answers below, in WINESPEAK.)

1. 1 What are the five wines commonly referred to as the "Bordeaux Blend"?
 - a. Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, Malbec, Petit Verdot, Merlot
 - b. Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet franc, Port, Malbec.
 - c. Malbec, Merlot, Cabernet Franc, Concord, Petit Verdot
 - d. Petit Verdot, Malbec, Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon, Carmenere.

- 2 What wine region is reputed to produce the best Malbec Wine?
 - a. Napa
 - b. St.- Estephe
 - c. Mendoza
 - d. Dundee

- 3 Prosecco is produced using the Methode Champenoise Process vs. the Charmat Process.
 - a. True
 - b. False

- 4 Which state in the continental United States is producing Pinot Noir equal to the 45th Parallel of Burgundy, France?
 1. a. Texas

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2. b. Connecticut
3. c. Oregon
4. d. Washington

5 What wine matches best with Oysters?

1. a. Chardonnay
2. b. Pino Grigio
3. c. Tannat
4. d. Muscat

6 The Country of Uruguay is home to what Grape?

1. a. Torrontes
2. b. Tannat
3. c. Mourvedre
4. d. Grenache

7 Chateauneuf-du-Pape wine is a blend of 13 wines. The top three wines are:

1. a. grenache, syrah, carmenere
2. b. syrah, cabernet sauvignon, merlot
3. c. malbec, merlot, cabernet franc
4. d. grenache, syrah, mourvedre

8 Soave wine is a very popular, economically priced wine from the Veneto region in Italy. What is the primary grape used to make this wine?

1. a. Garganega
2. b. Trebbiano di Soave

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- 3. c. a or b
- 4. d. a and b

9 In Bordeaux and Champagne large format bottles are named after biblical kings. What is the name of the bottle that holds 12 liters?

- a. Salmanazar
- b. Melchior
- c. Nebuchadnezzar
- d. Balthazar

1. 10. Winery XYZ has declared that their 2018 Cabernet Sauvignon is scoring 93 points. If you

want to buy this wine on the futures market, do you purchase the wine in 2018 or do you purchase the wine in 2021 when it is released?

- 1. a. 2018
- b. 2021

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Answers: (No fair cheating!)

1: a, 2: false, 3: Mendoza, 4: Oregon, 5: Muscat, 6: Tannat, 7: d, 8: d, 9: d 10: 2018.

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