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Wine Reviews: Weekly Mini Round-Up For October 10, 2016

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So, like, what is this stuff, anyway?

I taste a bunch-o-wine (technical term for *more than most people*). So each week, I share some of my wine reviews (mostly from samples) and tasting notes with you via twitter (limited to 140 characters). They are meant to be quirky, fun, and easily-digestible reviews of currently available wines. Below is a wrap-up of those twitter wine reviews from the past week ([click here for the skinny on how to read them](#)), along with links to help you find these wines, so that you can try them for yourself. Cheers!

- **13 Virginia Dare Winery Two Arrowheads (Paso Robles):** 2 flowery heads – Viognier & Roussanne – that certainly aren't butting heads. **\$23 B+** >>[find this wine](#)<<
- **13 Dierberg Pinot Noir Dierberg Vineyard (Santa Maria Valley):** This one must be fretting over bold, nuanced matters of great import. **\$44 A-** >>[find this wine](#)<<
- **13 Dierberg Chardonnay Dierberg Vineyard (Santa Maria Valley):** Power and perfume, and probably enough that it ought to cost you more. **\$32 A-** >>[find this wine](#)<<
- **15 Donnafugata Sherazade Nero d'Avola (Sicilia):** About as femininely lovely a intro to Sicily's heroic Nero as could be provided. **\$20 B+** >>[find this wine](#)<<
- **15 Donnafugata SurSur Grillo (Sicilia):** Fragrantly floral & peachy; cheerfully chirpy &... look, just drink the hell out of it, ok? **\$20 B+** >>[find this wine](#)<<
- **14 Ernest Vineyards The Bombardier Chardonnay (Sonoma Coast):** I guess that you can be bombarded with subtlety & awesomeness. Who knew **\$42 A-** >>[find this wine](#)<<
- **15 Bonny Doon Vin Gris de Cigare (Central Coast):** One of those rare occasions of easy-going likability displayed both inside and out. **\$18 B+** >>[find this wine](#)<<
- **NV Gerard Bertrand Code Rouge Brut Eternel Blanc de Blancs (Languedoc-Roussillon):** Ugly packaging, but not actually ugly drinking. **\$26 B** >>[find this wine](#)<<

- 15 Hecht & Bannier Cotes de Provence Rose (Cotes de Provence): Chalky, cherry-filled, crisp & clean; in other words, a delight. \$18
B+ >>find this wine<<
- 12 Cadaretta Cabernet Sauvignon (Columbia Valley): He's a little self-possessed, but damn, he's so well-dressed it's not even funny. \$40 A- >>find this wine<<



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