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Wanderlust & Wine: Armchair Travel To Europe With These 5 Wines You Can Buy Online

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Stuck inside? Satisfy your wanderlust with a few these European wines. KYM ELLIS

Aside from heaps of toilet paper and canned goods, what else do people want to stock up on during their Coronavirus isolating? Booze, and lots of it. [Wine sales, for instance, are soaring](#)—wine delivery company [Winc](#) reporting a 578% increase in new member sign-ups week-over-week, and wine app [Vivino](#) experiencing a sale day so great only Black Friday of last year tops it.

longing to hop on a plane to Europe, here are five wines which can help hold you over until then.



The Senda from Las Moradas de San Martín is made from a native Spanish grape, Garnacha. LAS MORADAS DE SAN MARTÍN

Las Moradas de San Martín Senda

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Location: Madrid, Spain

Pairs well with: lamb, roasted vegetables, creamy pastas

When you think of the perfect kind of travel experience, it's not necessarily seeing the big tourist attractions. Not much could be better than wandering around a small Spanish town—or even the busy streets in a metropolitan hub like Madrid—stopping in at a cozy bar, and indulging in mouthwatering tapas and wine. Try the Senda from Las Moradas de San Martín, which is made from the Garnacha grape, a native

Donnafugata Grillo SurSur

Location: Sicily, Italy

Pairs well with: paninis, vegetarian dishes, seafood starters

If you're craving an Italian wine but want to go somewhere other than Tuscany, head south to Sicily. This island situated at the tip of Italy's boot has lush blankets of vineyards with an even more memorable backdrop. Just imagine sipping on a glass of wine in the shadow of Mt. Etna or while watching the sun set over the sparkling Mediterranean. Take this little mental vacation with Grillo grapes, the classic Sicilian winemaking grape which is especially well-suited for lighter meals. This refreshing Grillo from [Donnafugata](#) tastes bright, giving off aromas of white peach and wildflowers.



Winemaker Pauline Lapierre wanted to make an unusual Bordeaux which is not aged in barrels. PAULINE LAPIERRE

Les Vignes de Coulous

Pairs well with: black olives, a lentil salad

There's something about France that feels almost fairy tale-like, and what could be more romantic than hopping from one chateau to the next for wine tasting? Bordeaux's wine production dates back nearly 2,000 years, and while the Merlot grape appears most commonly in this area you can still find other varieties—just like this organic one, made mostly of Cabernet Sauvignon and Cabernet Franc. Winemaker Pauline Lapierre opted to intervene as little as possible with the ingredients, so the wine is not aged in barrels which helps to bring out the purity of grapes.

Rotari Brut

Location: Adige Valley, Italy

Pairs well with: pastas, vegetable side dishes, makes a great aperitif

Venture into the jagged, snowy peaks of the Italian Dolomites to find your new bubb of choice: a Trentodoc. Yes, this region in the northern Italy makes for excellent hiking and wintertime skiing, but the climate here also makes for excellent, aromatic wines. The high altitude vineyards here (which average 1,400 feet) produce a lovely balance of zesty bubbles and intense fruitiness. A rich bouquet of pineapple and apples, as well as a full texture, will liven up most anything you decide to eat—it pair well with almost anything, making it an easy addition to any meal.