

Today's Agenda: What is wine? **Names and Labels** "The Big Three" Wine Speak 101

What is Wine?

Wine is a delicious beverage made from

Names and Labels

Wine named for a grape _____ is called a ____ wine.

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What are some examples of varietal wines?

Some wine is named for its region of origin.

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What are some examples of regional wines?

Some wine names are more....

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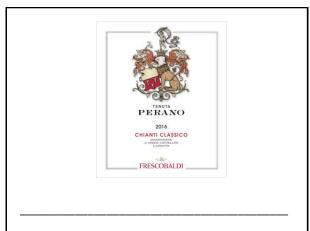
What are some examples of other types of wine names?

The complete I.D. of a wine should include:

- The producer
 - (winery, estate, brand)
- The name of the wine
- The region of origin
- The Vintage Date (if any)

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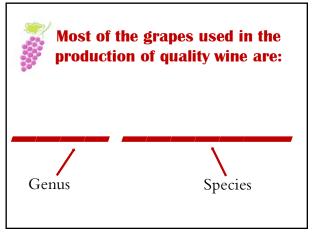




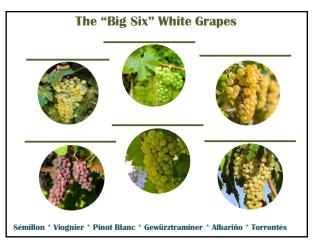
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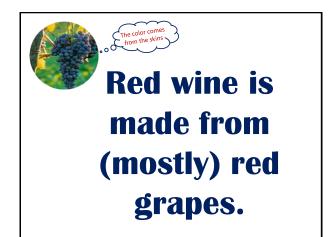
The flavor of the wine in your glass depends on 3 things:

Grapes

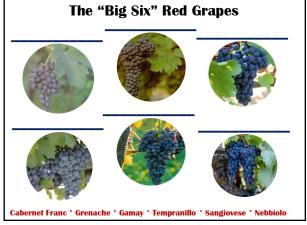


White wine is (typically) made from white grapes.



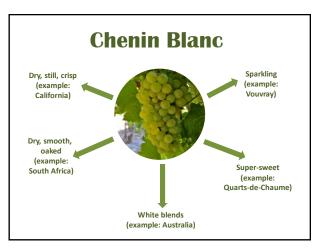


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White Wine: Harvest

Grapes are harvested in the fall

- August through October in the Northern Hemisphere
- February through April in the Southern Hemisphere Winemaker options:
- · Hand-harvest or mechanical harvest
- Ideal level of ripeness—sugar levels/potential alcohol; phenolic ripeness
- Special circumstances: late-harvest wines, ice wines, botrytis-affected wines

White Wine: Crush/Press

Grapes may be sorted/MOG removed

Crushing breaks the skins of the grapes and pressing separates the juice from the solids $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) \left(1\right)$

- For white wines, these are generally done at the same time Winemaker options:
- Timing of crush and press (skin contact?)
- Type of equipment
- Must adjustment/use of sulfur dioxide



White Wine: Fermentation

Sugar + Yeast = Alcohol, Carbon Dioxide, and Heat White wine fermentation typically takes about one to two weeks Winemaker options:

- · Choice/type of yeast
- Type of container: stainless steel, oak barrels, concrete eggs, etc.
- Temperature control
- Malolactic fermentation
- How/when to end fermentation

White Wine: Aging/Blending (Post-Fermentation)

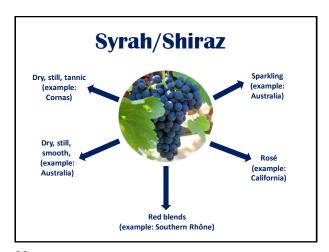
Most wine will be clarified/stabilized at some point in time Winemaker options:

- Lees contact
- Aging/how long/type of container
- Oak is sometimes used, but not all styles of white wine require it
- Blending or single-varietal?



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Red wine: Harvest Red grapes typically take about two weeks longer to ripen than white grapes Winemaker options: Hand-harvest or mechanical harvest Ideal level of ripeness Sugar levels/potential alcohol Physiological/phenolic ripeness—tannin, anthocyanin (color) **Red wine: Crush** Most red grapes are crushed to allow the juice to flow, but the skins are retained along with the juice Winemaker options include: Destemming Type of equipment used Cold soak Must adjustments/use of sulfur dioxide Not to crush some or all the grapes

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Red wine: Fermentation

Red wine fermentation typically lasts about 10 to 14 days. Winemaker options include:

- · Choice/type of yeast
- Type of container: stainless steel, oak barrels, concrete eggs, etc.
- Temperature control, closed tank or open top
- Cap Management
- · Malolactic fermentation

Red wine: Press

At some point in time, the wine is pressed (separated from the grape solids) Winemaker options:

- Timing/extended maceration
- Type of equipment/amount of pressure



Red wine: Aging/Blending (Post-Fermentation)



- · Aging/how long/type of container
 - · Oak is often used/especially in high-end wines
 - · What type of oak, new or used barrels, toast levels
- Micro-oxygenation
- Blending or single-varietal?

Red wine: Bottling

Bottling might actually = packaging (cans, boxes, tetra-packs) Winemaker options:

- Type of bottling line
- Type of closure
- Is the wine matured in the bottle before release, or is it good-to-go?

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Terroir

The combined natural aspects of a vineyard, including soil, climate, drainage, sunlight, and more.

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What are some well-known examples of terroir?

Appellation

A legally defined and protected geographical indication used to identify where the grapes were grown and where the wine is made

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AVA — American Viticultural Area (USA)

GI – Geographical Indication (Australia)

AOC – Appellation d'Origine Contrôlée (France)

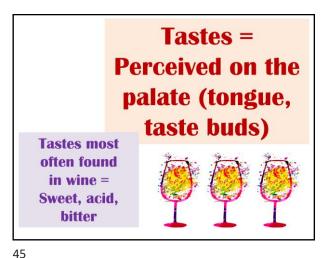
DO – Denominación de Origen (Spain)

DOCa — Denominación de Origen Calificada (Spain)

DOC — Denominazione di Origine Controllata
(Italy)

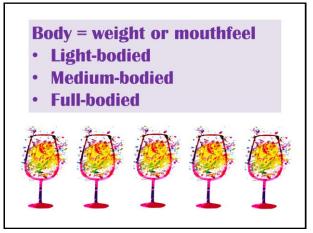
DOCG — Denominazione di Origine Controllata e Garantita (Italy)



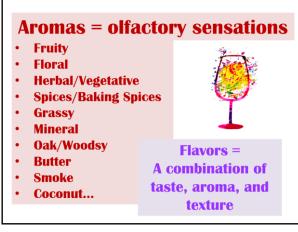








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A wine that is named for its main grape is known as a
wine.

The leading grape species for quality wine is ______.

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The "big six" white grape varieties include:

The "big six" red grape
varieties include:

The combined natural aspects of a vineyard is often referred to as:

A legally-defined wine region is known as a(n)

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AVA stands for:

The three taste components most often found in wine are:

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What is Miss Jane's "cheat sheet" for white wine flavors?		
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