

Popularity of Wine Gifts

In recent months more and more people are reaching out for a bottle of wine or two. Don't worry this trend is not from more people drowning their sorrows away. The trend is a result of more people entertaining from home to save money, rather than going out on the town.

For this reason and more, it is an especially great time to send someone a wine gift. We offer a wide range of wine gifts and gift baskets to suit every occasion, from birthday gifts to a hostess gift for a dinner party. And our wine samplers offer the recipient the chance to stay at home and savor a wine of superior quality.

Our gourmet wine gift baskets make excellent gifts for enjoying from home. Unlike other wine gift baskets, you choose exactly which wines will be featured in the gift. The recipients can experience the different flavors and nuances of the wine while sampling gourmet delicacies and sweets. In this way, recipients can host their own private wine tasting party.

Wine is a universal pleasure enjoyed by nearly everyone. In this time of uncertainty, you can always feel confident in giving wine gifts to friends and family.

Strawberry Crepes

Keep up the Valentine's Day spirit all month by surprising your sweetie with this sweet breakfast or brunch idea. Goes great with this month's wine or a bottle of Champagne.

INGREDIENTS

- 1 1/4 cups milk
- 3/4 cup egg substitute
- 3/4 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 cup flour
- 1 teaspoon sugar
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 2/3 cup strawberry jam
- 3 cups chopped fresh strawberries
- 2 teaspoons confectioners' sugar



DIRECTIONS

1. In a mixing bowl, combine the milk, egg substitute and vanilla. Combine the flour, sugar and salt; add to milk mixture and mix well. Cover and refrigerate for 1 hour.
2. Coat a 7- or 8-in. nonstick skillet with nonstick cooking spray. Heat skillet over medium heat. Pour about 2 tablespoons batter into the center of skillet. Lift and tilt pan to evenly coat bottom. Cook until top appears dry; turn and cook 15-20 seconds longer. Remove to plate; keep warm. Repeat with remaining batter, coating with additional nonstick cooking spray as needed.
3. Spread each crepe with about 2 teaspoons strawberry jam. Top with about 3 tablespoons strawberries. Roll up. Sprinkle with confectioners' sugar.

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Classic Wine Club Selections

Cru Winery

Cru, a French term identifies prestigious vineyards and the wines made from them, embodying the classification of select vineyard sites and their unique indigenous style. After nearly 20 years crafting premium artisan style Chardonnay and Pinot Noir, Winemaker Michael Leven understands the intricacies involved in attaining this rare level of elevated distinction. Michael knows where the best vineyards are located, which blocks produce the most optimal fruit and has relationships with the farmers that tend them. Focusing on Chardonnay and Pinot Noir exclusively, CRU represents a marriage of site typicity and winemaking skill that elevates their wine to a level of Artistry not commonly found.

Focusing on Monterey County and other premium cool climate appellations, Michael is particularly fond of the superior quality fruit found in California's coastal regions. Perfect for growing premium Chardonnay and Pinot Noir, the temperate marine influenced climate of the upper Salinas Valley provides ideal conditions for these cool-weather varieties, and is the backbone of the CRU portfolio.

2007 Chardonnay

Monterey County

Toasty oak and vanilla immediately greet you on the nose, with subtle dried papaya and spice notes in the background. The latter traits will become more apparent as this barrel-fermented wine gains additional bottle age. On the palate, a sweet, buttered pear grabs your taste buds and commands center stage. The wine then transitions into a soft, creamy finish that is both silky and harmonious.

2006 Pinot Noir

Monterey County

Delicate garnet in hue, this is textbook Monterey Pinot Noir! Cola, black cherry and dark oak all come screaming through at first whiff, with classic varietal flavors of cherry, forest floor and mushroom, with a meaty/earthy character framing everything. Red cherry is fruit accented by tightly structured tannins highlighting the tactile impressions of this nicely proportioned wine.

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