# Write for Wine: It's Wine O'Clock Somewhere!

# **Sassy Sauvignon Blanc**

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One of our favorite white wines is, hands down, sassy Sauvignon Blanc. So, we happily received these eight versatile examples, representing New Zealand, South Africa, France, Spain, Chile, Austria, and Italy. Why do so many countries make this crisp, refreshing white wine? Because the vines develop buds late and ripen early in temperate climates. However, Sauvignon Blanc has several flavor profiles – for instance, citrus, tropical fruit, stone fruit, grassy, and with

mineral or flinty notes. The tastes vary depending on the terroir and winemaking styles. Read on for more details about these eight delectable white wines.

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As mentioned, Sauvignon Blanc has several flavor profiles. Therefore, you can pair this versatile white wine with spicy Thai dishes, seafood, salad, tacos, chicken, soft cheeses, parmesan or veggies such as asparagus, green beans or artichokes. That's quite a variety! In addition to being food-friendly, many of these eight Sauv Blancs are wallet-friendly, too.

### J. de Villebois Touraine 2023 Sauvignon Blanc, France (\$19)



This is an absolutely delicious Sauvignon Blanc from **J. de Villebois**. Over the last 15 years, this family-owned winery has become one of the leading Sauv Blanc producers in the Loire Valley. And we understand why. Touraine 2023 is full of sass, with crisp acidity and bright citrus flavors, threaded with minerality. We loved it! This is a great wine to pair with your patio or deck, lakeside or poolside, this spring and summer. Bring on the warm weather! I wish we had a case or two.

### **Summary**

In conclusion, in case you hadn't guessed it by now, we prefer Sauvignon Blanc when we are in the mood for white wine. And yes, that's most of the year, whether it be to savor a glass (or two) on our lakeside deck or pair with any number of seafood dishes. While we enjoy all its flavor profiles, our favorite features grapefruit and other citrus flavors. But we strongly encourage you to try all, or some, of these lovely SBs to experience the wide variety.

Thank you, Vineyard Brands, for these samples from your extensive portfolio.

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Cheers! Margot and Dave