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SUMMER SPARKLERS



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CURED MEATS

Salty meat, crunchy crackers and surprising sparklers (some grüner, anyone?) will turn your weekend picnic into a highlight of the summer. As for the Movia, plan on disgorging it yourself—something best done outdoors anyway.



ALTA ALELLA
 BERRY-SCENTED SPARKLING MONASTRELL FOR CHORIZO
 • Cava Brut
 Nature Gran Reserva
 Llaietà \$36
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 Nature Gran Reserva
 Llaietà Rosé \$41
 Imported from Spain by Avant-Garde Wine & Spirits, NY

BISOL
 SOFT, PEAR-SCENTED PROSECCO FOR SMOKED DUCK
 • Valdobbiadene
 Prosecco Superiore
 Crede Brut \$24
 • Valdobbiadene
 Prosecco Jelo
 Brut \$18
 Imported from Italy by Wilson Daniels, St. Helena, CA

DR. KONSTANTIN FRANK
 BRIGHT, NERVY NY STATE SPARKLERS FOR PORK RILLETTES
 • Finger Lakes
 Blanc de Noirs \$35
 • Finger Lakes
 Brut \$25
 Dr. Konstantin Frank Winery, Hammondsport, NY

IRON HORSE
 EARTHY, FOG-DRIVEN GREEN VALLEY BUBBLY FOR COUNTRY HAM ON BUTTERED BISCUITS
 • Green Valley of Russian River Valley Classic
 Vintage Brut \$45
 • Green Valley of Russian River Valley Russian Cuvée \$45
 Iron Horse Vineyards, Sebastopol, CA

CRUSHABLE SPARKLERS

THE TOP 25 BRANDS FROM A DECADE OF TASTINGS

When it comes to summer sipping, sparkling wine wins the prize for most refreshing. And it doesn't have to be the expensive stuff. We looked over the results of ten years of our tastings—some 1,330 bubblys (leaving aside an equal number of Champagnes)—for this list of consistently delicious sparklers. Many come at prices reasonable enough to make them anyway drinking. Crush a bottle with your favorite summertime meals—from clam bakes to takeout fried chicken.

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MEDICI ERMETE
 PLUMMY LAMBRUSCO FRIZZANTE FOR SPICY 'NDUJJA
 • Lambrusco Reggiano
 Concerto \$25
 • Lambrusco Reggiano
 Quercoli Secco \$13
 Imported from Italy by Kobrand, Purchase, NY

MOVIA
 RICH, CIDERY SLOVENIAN SPARKLING FOR SLICED SPECK
 • Brda Puro Rosé \$39
 Imported from Slovenia by Ethica Wines, San Diego, CA

ROLET
 PALE, EARTHY JURA CRÉMANT FOR CHICKEN-LIVER PÂTE
 • Crémant du Jura
 Brut \$23
 Imported from France by Skurnik Wines & Spirits, NY

SZIGETI
 HERBAL PINOT NOIR-BASED BUBBLES FOR LIVERWURST
 • Burgenland Pinot
 Noir Brut Rosé \$25
 • Burgenland
 Gustav Klimt Brut
 Blanc de Blancs \$25
 Imported from Austria by Craft + Estate/Winebow Imports, NY

