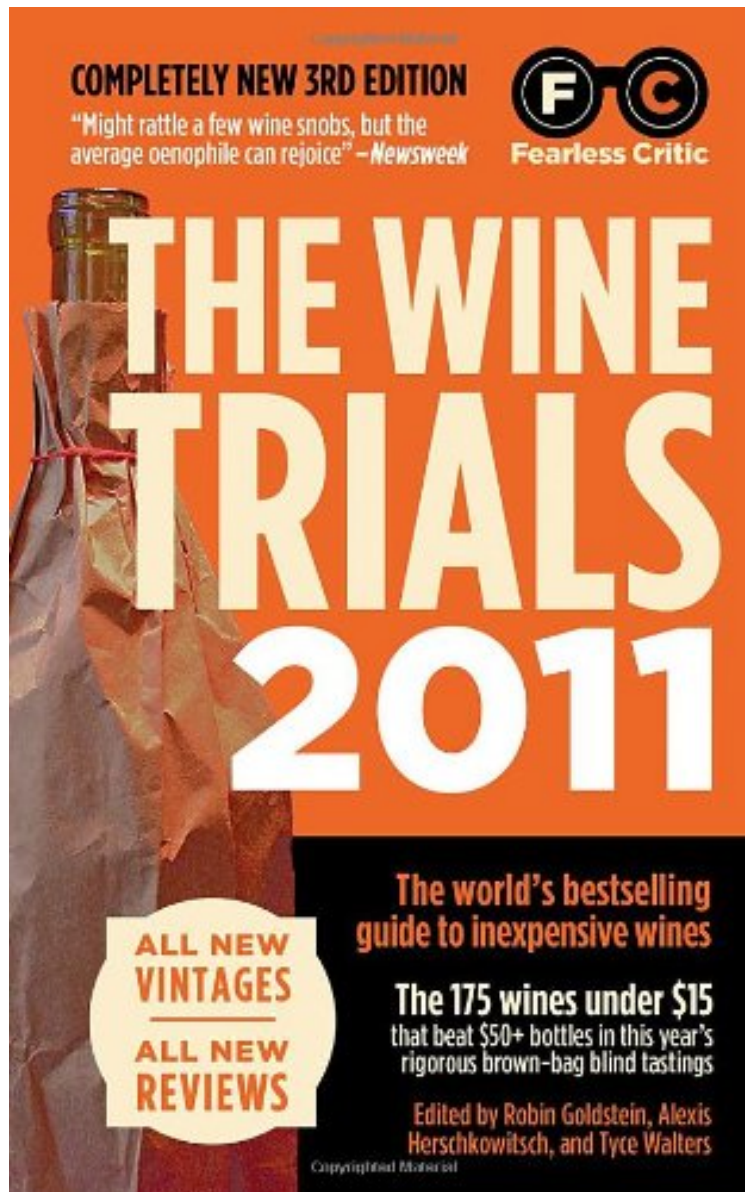


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Sauvignon Blanc, for which I was once charged eighteen dollars in a restaurant - an extravagant markup typical in the States and made issue of in the text. Like many in this world, I am sure, I am also grateful to be able now to ask for a bottle of Freixenet with absolute certainty as to its pronunciation, as well as with knowledge of the difference brut and extra dry. All in all The Wine Trials makes buying wine, especially when it is to be served to guests, both reassuring and more fun. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. This is a great book to try out new wines under \$15. By Kiela J. This is a great book to try out new wines under \$15. I found many of these wines at my local grocery store or World Market. I wish they would update this book to include some of the newer wines. 2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Worth the Investment! Pays for Itself! By gogeojo I like to have good table wines respectable wines to serve at larger gatherings at reasonable prices - not just high dollar ones for special occasions. This book was perfect for me to find everyday wines that are easily available at my supermarket that taste like they cost far more than the \$6-10 I'm willing to pay for a bottle for Tuesday night's dinner (most lists of good, low-priced wines are just a mirage since you can never find them in the real world - so far I've found all of the wines I've wanted to try from the book). All of the wines are under \$15, again perfect for someone who wants to enjoy wine a couple times a week without breaking the bank. It has detailed descriptions of the taste of the wine, which is wonderful because it removes all of the trial and error with wines I'm not familiar with. I'm certain this has saved me enough money to pay for the book a couple times over, since I'm no longer pouring whole bottles of reject wine down the drain. One feature I loved is that the book has pictures of the bottle with the label, which makes it a lot easier to spot them in the store. I also love that it's in alphabetical order, which again is easier to use when shopping. Another cool feature is that on the corners it has a code to let you know if the wine is white/rose/red/sparkling, approximate cost and a "ribbon" to show if it was a finalist or winner in their blind taste tests. Great design - easy to use! ! Their critique of the label is rather annoying, but since it's such a big help in finding relatively good wines for a great price, I overlook that arrogance. The other thing I could've done without is the l-o-n-g description of the procedures (nearly 1/2 the length of the book) of their blind taste tests they used to choose the wines that made it into the book - that just makes the book heavier to carry around the grocery store. I wish they had an app of this book for my blackberry so I didn't have to carry the book around in the grocery store! I know a good bit about wine and have even worked in a wine store, but these days when I buy wine I love not having to guess whether it will be good or not! ! !

This is the third edition of the book that challenged the wine establishment and revealed the widely available wines under \$15 that beat out wines costing up to 10 times their price in blind tastings. The Wine Trials 2011 features full-page reviews of 175 all-new wines for 2010, based on completely new blind tastings of the latest vintages, with a special focus on up-and-coming value wine regions like Portugal and Greece. Each review includes a cheeky, unpretentious discussion of each wine's flavors and aromas, and a photo of the bottle for easy identification.

Might rattle a few wine snobs, but the average oenophile can rejoice. --Newsweek Magazine
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