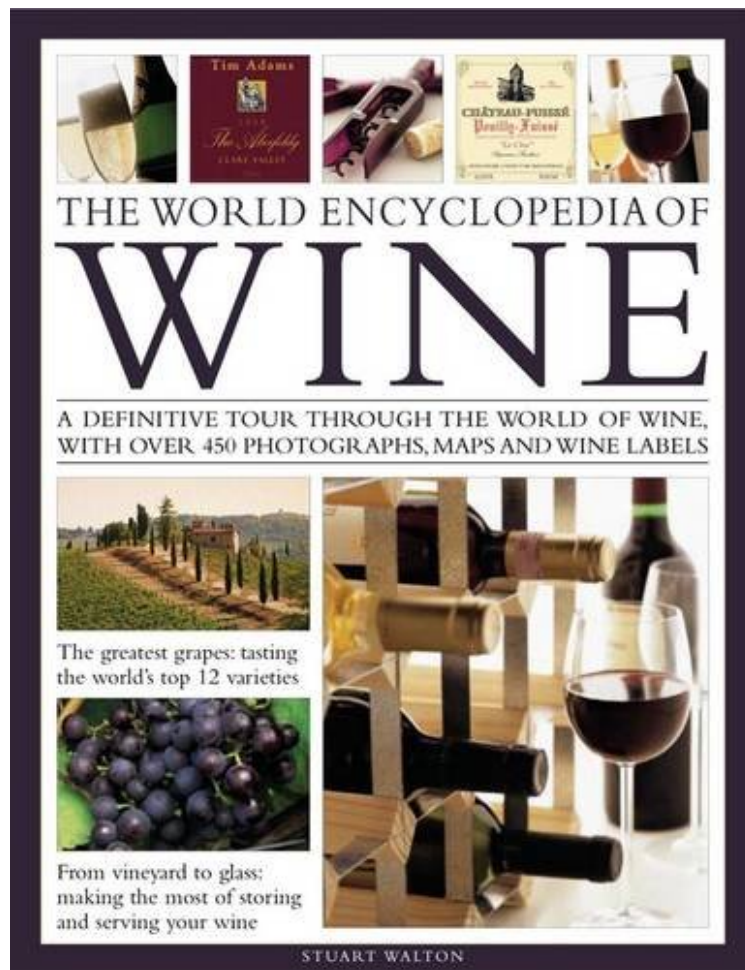


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happy with my choice 2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. An incredibly thorough book By Molly in the Bay Area Encyclopedia is the right word for the title of this book, which delves into almost every aspect of wine. Walton first tells you about wine tasting, wine storage and how to find the right wine for your meal, then tells you about grape varieties and the areas of the world where wine is produced. This book is well illustrated, with pictures of the grape varieties themselves, different vineyards/countries and wine labels. I also like Walton's writing style: you can tell that he really knows wine and that it is a real passion for him. On occasion, he refers to the different grape varieties as though they are people! This is a terrifically comprehensive book, and if you already have a working knowledge of wine this book is a great addition. However, if you don't know anything about wine before buying this book, you might find yourself a bit intimidated/overwhelmed by the sheer volume of information.

Written for those who simply enjoy drinking wine and for connoisseurs looking for a deeper knowledge of a fascinating subject, this book is a comprehensive, authoritative and accessible guide.

From Booklist Walton's colorfully illustrated primer begins with fundamentals of tasting, storing, and selecting appropriate wines to accompany culinary fare. A section on grape varieties follows, divided by country of origin. The spirited text rings with descriptive phrases, from succinct remarks ("cool-ripening") to exuberantly detailed ones ("big, rich, upfront, some savory herb character and good weight"). Encyclopedic listings provide easy access to wine-producing countries, with alluring photography and illustrations of maps and labels contributing to explanations of wine characteristics in highlighted regions. Walton can strike the perfect note of brevity; he likens Merlot to "Cabernet without tears," because the wine does not require aging. His instructive commentary should delight readers seeking a greater depth of knowledge. Alice Joyce "Quite a rare find, in having the qualities of being both an entertaining read and a decent reference for wine enthusiasts, all explained in friendly layman's terms." (Wine Spirit Magazine) "About the Author Stuart Walton has been writing about alcoholic drinks since the early 1990s. A prolific writer and commentator on wines and spirits, he is a contributor to World of Fine Wine and Decanter magazines, and the website www.wine-pages.com. He is also the author of *The Complete Guide to Cocktails and Drinks* and co-author of *The Illustrated Encyclopedia of Wine, Beer and Spirits* (both Lorenz Books).