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2018 Kir-Yianni Xinomavro "Cuvée Villages" Naoussa, Greece

Officially founded in 1997 by Yiannis Boutaris, although the foundations for this important Greek estate go back to the 1970's. Yiannis Boutaris' family established & still operate the Boutaris Wine Group which is the largest & perhaps most prominent Greek wine producer known the world over. Yiannis work for his family's historic estate for many years before setting out on his own to establish the Kir-Yianni estate (Kir roughly translates to "of", so the winery is essentially "of Yianni"). The property is based near the town of Naoussa in Northern Greece. The "Ramnista" bottling of Xinomavro by Kir-Yianni is widely regarded as the benchmark wine from which all other Xinomavro is compared. Xinomavro is often referred to as the "Syrah" or "Nebbiolo" of Greece. This wine has a nose of brambly red & black fruits, dusty dried herbs & touches of blood-orange-like citrus notes; the palate is deceptively full without feeling heavy with similar fruit & herb notes as found on the nose but a definitive level of grace & beauty that carries all the way the mildly tannic finish.

Pairings: Slow roasted leg of lamb served over hearty vegetables & braised greens, butter & cheese laden pasta, gourmet burgers with melted cheese, or take a trick out of the French alps hat & enjoy it with roasted potatoes smothered in melted Raclette cheese.

2020 Chateau de Pizay Morgon (Gamay) Beaujolais, Burgundy, France

Gamay was actually grown throughout all of Burgundy until 1395 when the Duke of Burgundy banished it south, making room for Pinot Noir to inhabit all of the "superior" hillsides of Burgundy proper. This was good news for Gamay as it produces a much better wine in the granitic soils of Beaujolais, compared with the limestone escarpments of the Côte d'Or. The Chateau de Pizay is one of the oldest and most famous estates of the Beaujolais region. Since the Middle Ages the fine wines of the Château de Pizay have been appreciated by Beaujolais-lovers across the world. The vineyard, based in Morgon covers 100 acres in the Appellations of Morgon, Regnie, Beaujolais Villages. and Beaujolais. This vintage is dark and deep with a full nose enhanced with spices, wood and discreet scent of resin. In the mouth, it is warm, round, supple and seductive. The violet ruby color is eye-popping and the aromas of black cherry and wild blackberry are no less explosive, but behind all this is a solid tannin base, crisp acidity and a long, very crisp finish. JS 90 PTS

Pairings: Roast chicken, chicken tagine with apricots and olives, pork sausages, duck with plum sauce, hangar steak, grilled steak, meat loaf, grilled salmon, roasted cod, sushi, fried calamari, and Cajun shrimp.