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Adventures With Old Vines: A Beginner's Guide To Being A Wine Connoisseur



Synopsis

Adventures with Old Vines offers an engaging and knowledgeable guide to demystify wine for novice enthusiasts. Richard Chilton provides detailed information about buying and storing wine, how to read a wine list, the role of the sommelier, wine fraud, how wine is really made, and how weather patterns can influence the quality of a vintage. A vineyard owner and lifelong wine lover, the author encourages readers to discover wine by tasting, taking notes, and tasting again. The book also includes a richly illustrated, full-color reference section on a select group of vineyards from all over the world, describing their history, winemaking philosophy, terroir, and top vintages—what Chilton calls benchmark wines. The characteristics of these memorable wines provide the essential starting point to understand what to look for when evaluating any wine. Equipped with this easy-to-read reference, readers will have all the tools they need to begin their own wine journey.

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Wine is endlessly fascinating, and the artistry and science behind it engages all our senses. But its complexity can also be intimidating to novice wine lovers. Adventures with Old Vines equips beginning enthusiasts with the knowledge to fully appreciate and understand each wine they taste and to start a wine collection of their own. Richard Chilton's passion for the grape and the beverage shines through in this delightful and insightful guide to all things wine. (Beth Novak Milliken, Spottswode Estate Vineyard & Winery) They say that great wine is made in the vineyard—and Richard Chilton believes that great wine lovers are made there too. His

engaging new book, *Adventures with Old Vines*, is a personal guide for aspiring wine connoisseurs, focusing on iconic vineyards, wines, and the factors that make them truly great. Vintage reading for connoisseurs and wine newbies alike! (Mike Veseth, author of *Around the World in Eighty Wines* and the *Wine Economist* blog)

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