

Perrin & Fils, Cairanne Côtes du Rhône Villages (Rhône, France) “Peyre Blanche” 2007 (\$25, Vineyard Brands): A blend of Grenache, Syrah and Mourvèdre, this is an excellent wine from the Southern Rhône that is very well balanced and enduringly pleasant to drink. The fruit shows ample concentration, and yet there’s no astringency or suggestion of over-extraction. Notes of red and black cherries are fresh and vivid, with a spicy edge and just a faint hint of emerging earthiness to lend added interest to the aromatics. Delicious already, this should become even more complex over the next few years.

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