



## Three Great Burger Wines

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Cheddar-and-Onion Smashed Burger

Grilling season has started, and while there are certainly other things you can grill than [burgers](#), why? A burger is an excellent thing. To that end, here are three great burger wines:

NV Lini Labrusco Lambrusco (\$14) It's purple, it's fizzy, it comes from Italy, and it's really good, the latter part being what separates it from most Lambruscos.

2009 Crios de Susanna Balbo Malbec (\$15) Malbec was made for grilled meat (that may explain its popularity in Argentina, where people eat something like 125 pounds of beef each year, per person). Susanna Balbo, one of Argentina's greatest winemakers, has a knack for the grape, which this juicy, lightly spicy red makes clear.

2009 Foxglove Zinfandel (\$14) Bob and Jim Varner make high-end, terrific wines under their own name, and inexpensive, also terrific wines under the Foxglove label. There's a little Petite Sirah in this, which adds some backbone to Zinfandel's lush fruit.