

Wine Categories

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CLASS SELECTION: When selecting a wine classification, please enter the wine into a class in which the winemaker believes it will be best evaluated. This recommendation is especially prevalent with wines that typically have residual sugar, such as Chenin Blanc, Gewurztraminer, and Riesling.

Regardless of the actual sugar content, please select a classification that best represents the wine. **Please refer to the International Riesling Guidelines as specified by the International Riesling Foundation, see drinkriesling.com/tastescape/ for guidelines.** A wine may be entered into more than one classification provided an entry fee has been submitted for each entered class. **The LBGC reserves the right to reclassify an entry if it is entered in the wrong class.**

Classifications

Fortified Wines (1000 series)

- 1000 Angelica
- 1001 Madeira

Muscat :

- 1002 Black
- 1003 White or Orange Muscat, non-sparkling (*For sparkling, see sparkling category*)

Port :

Domestic port-type wines :

- 1008 Ruby, Tawny, White, and non-vintage varietals
- 1009 Vintage dated and varietal (*state varietal*)
- 1010 Vintage dated, non-varietal

Portuguese :

- 1005 Vintage
- 1004 Ruby and Tawny (*wines will be judged separately*)
- 1006 White Port
- 1021 Proprietary Blends
- 1007 Other (*including Late-Bottled Vintage, single Quinta, etc.*)

Sherry :

Non-Spanish :

- 1017 Dry
- 1018 Medium
- 1019 Sweet

Spanish :

- 1011 Amontillado
- 1012 Fino
- 1013 Oloroso Dry
- 1014 Oloroso Sweet
- 1015 Palo Cortado Dry
- 1016 Palo Cortado Sweet and Pedro Ximenez
- 1020 All other fortified wines (*Marsala etc.*)

Distilled Products (2000 series)

Brandy :

- 2000 French Armagnac
- 2001 French Cognac
- 2010 French Brandy, Pot Still
- 2004 Brandy Continuous Still
- 2002 Domestic Brandy Pot Still, aged 3-10 years
- 2003 Domestic Pot Still, young
- 2005 Eau-de-Vie, specify fruit
- 2006 Fruit Brandies
- 2007 Grappa or Marc

- 2008 Infusions
- 2009 Distilled products, other

Sparkling Wines (3000 series)

All Australian sparkling :

- 3050 Blanc de Blancs
- 3051 Blanc de Noirs
- 3052 Brut
- 3053 Brut Rosé
- 3054 Dry
- 3055 Dry Rosé
- 3056 Extra Dry
- 3057 Extra Dry Rosé
- 3058 Muscat
- 3059 Natural
- 3060 Sec or Demi-Sec
- 3061 Sec or Demi-Sec Rose
- 3062 Sparkling Shiraz, etc.

All French :

- 3063 Blanc de Blancs
- 3064 Blanc de Noirs
- 3065 Brut
- 3066 Dry
- 3067 Extra Dry
- 3068 Muscat
- 3069 Natural
- 3070 Rosé



3071 Sec or Demi-Sec
Domestic Sparkling (Vitis Vinifera only;
please see classes 3107 to 3109
for other grapes)

Methode Champenoise Non-Vintage :

3010 Blanc de Blancs
3011 Blanc de Noirs
3012 Brut
3013 Dry
3014 Dry Rosé
3015 Extra Dry
3016 Muscat
3017 Natural
3018 Red Sparkling (i.e. Sparkling Syrah,
Pinot Noir, etc.)
3019 Rosé Brut
3020 Rosé Extra Dry
3021 Rosé Sec or Demi-Sec
3022 Sec or Demi-Sec

Methode Champenoise Vintage :

3000 Blanc de Blancs
3001 Blanc de Noirs
3002 Brut
3003 Dry
3004 Extra Dry
3005 Muscat
3006 Natural
3007 Rosé Brut
3008 Rouge (i.e., Sparkling Syrah,
Pinot Noir, etc.)
3009 Sec or Demi-Sec

All German Sparkling :

3083 Other
3084 Sekt

All Italian Sparkling :

3072 Blanc de Blancs
3073 Blanc de Noirs
3074 Brut
3075 Dry
3076 Extra Dry
3077 Muscat (Asti Spumante etc.)
3078 Natural
3079 Prosecco
3080 Red (Brachetto etc.)
3081 Rosé
3082 Sec or Demi-Sec

All Spanish Sparkling :

3085 Cava

Non-Methode Champenoise (Vitis
Vinifera - Charmat, Transfer, etc.) from any
country :

Non-Vintage :

3103 Blanc de Blancs
3104 Blanc de Noirs
3105 Other

Vintage :

3103 Blanc de Blancs
3100 Blanc de Blancs
3101 Blanc de Noirs
3102 Other

Sparkling Wines not listed above :

3106 Vitis Vinifera only
3107 Native American varieties
(including blends)
3108 French-American hybrids
(including blends)
3109 All sparkling wines not listed
above

**Red Table Wines (4000 series) -
Varietals only**

4000 Aglianico
4001 Alicante Bouschet
4002 Baco Noir
4003 Barbaresco (Italian)
4004 Barbera (Domestic and Imported)
4005 Barolo (Italian)
4006 Beaujolais
4020 Bonarda
4007 Bordeaux (France)
4008 Brunello di Montalcino (Italian)
4009 Burgundy (French)
4010 Cabernet Franc (including Chinon)

Cabernet Sauvignon :

4011 2010 and earlier
4012 2011
4013 2012
4014 2013 and 2014
4015 Non-Vintage

4088 Canaiolo
4016 Carignane
4017 Carmenere
4018 Chambourcin
4019 Chancellor
4020 Charbono (and Bonarda)
4056 Chianti (Italian)
4021 Cinsault
4089 Colorino
4022 Concord
4090 Counoise

4023 Delaware
4024 Dolcetto
4025 Dry Red Varietal wines
not otherwise listed
(Red Blends Below, 4500 series)
4006 Gamay from Beaujolais in France
4026 Gamay Noir
4027 Gamay: Napa Gamay and Valdiguié
4028 Garnacha (from Spain)
4091 Graciano
4029 Grenache
4030 Gringnolino
4031 Italian red varieties
not otherwise listed
4092 Kadarka
4032 Lagrein
4033 Lemberger or Blaufrankish
4093 Leon Millot
4034 Malbec
4035 Marechal Foch

Merlot :

4036 2010 and earlier
4037 2011
4038 2012
4039 2013 and 2014
4040 Non-Vintage

4094 Mission
4041 Mourvedre
4042 Nebbiolo
4095 Negromaro
4097 Nero d'Avola
4043 Noble
4098 Noiret
4044 Norton or Cynthiana
4045 Petit Verdot
4046 Petite Sirah (and Durif)
4047 Pinot Meunier

Pinot Noir :

4048 2010 and earlier
4049 2011
4050 2012
4051 2013, and 2014
4052 Non-Vintage

4099 Pinot St. George
4053 Pinotage
4054 Refosco
4055 Sagrantino
4056 Sangiovese



Syrah (or Shiraz-designated wines) :**Australian Shiraz (and Syrah) :**

4057	2010 or earlier
4058	2011
4059	2012
4060	2013
4061	2014 and non-vintage

Domestic :

4062	2010 or earlier
4063	2011
4064	2012
4065	2013 and 2014
4066	Non-vintage

French (including Rhône Valley):

4067	2010 or earlier
4068	2011
4069	2012
4070	2013
4071	2014 and non-vintage
4072	South African Syrah and Shiraz
4073	Syrah from Other Countries
4074	Tannat and all Tannat-based blends
4075	Tempranillo (and Rioja; judged separately)
4087	Teroldego
4076	Touriga Francesca
4077	Touriga Nacional

Zinfandel (and Primitivo) :

4078	2010 and earlier
4079	2011
4080	2012
4081	2013
4082	2014
4083	Non-Vintage
4085	Late Harvest
4086	Zweigelt
4084	Other Red Varietals not previously listed
4100	Red Wines from Minnesota Grape Varieties (For Rosé Wines, See Category 6010)

Red Blends (4500 series)

4513	Red Bordeaux
4500	Non-French Meritage type (Bordeaux varietals only)
4501	Cabernet-dominant blends (where the most dominant grape is Cabernet Sauvignon)
4502	Merlot-dominant blends (Merlot is the most dominant grape in the blend)

Rhone-style blends

(Rhône grapes exclusively):

4503	Heavier weight
4504	Lighter weight
4505	Medium weight
4506	Syrah dominant blends
4507	Grenache-dominant blends
4508	Zinfandel based blends (including Coro Mendocino)
4509	Italian-varietal-dominant blends (Sangiovese, Barbera, etc.)
4510	All other red wine blends, Vitis Vinifera only, including Portuguese blends
4511	All other red wine blends, French- American hybrids and Native American grapes
4512	All other dry red blends
4514	All Sweet or Late Harvest red blends Please note: We encourage wineries that make red wines with .5% r.s. (5 grams per liter) or more to enter such wines in this class.

White Table Wines (5000 series)

5000	Albarino
5221	Arneis
5222	Assyrtiko
5223	Auxerrois
5001	Bacchus
5002	Carlos
5003	Catawba
5004	Chablis (French)
5005	Chardonnay

Chardonnay :

5006	2011 or earlier
5007	2012
5008	2013
5009	2014
5010	non-vintage

Chenin Blanc :

5011	Dry
5012	Medium-Dry
5013	Medium-Sweet
5014	Sweet (Dessert)
5018	Colombard
5015	Diamond (Moore's Diamond)
5016	Ehrenfelser
5017	Fiano
5018	French Colombard

Gewurztraminer :

5019	Dry
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5020	Medium-Dry
5021	Medium-Sweet
5022	Sweet
5023	Grenache Blanc
5024	Grey Riesling
5025	Gruener Veltliner
5300	Ice Wine, State Varietal
5026	Kerner
5027	Malvasia
5028	Marsanne
5029	Melon de Bourgogne
5030	Morio-Muscat
5031	Muller-Thurgau

Muscat :

5032	Dry
5033	Medium-Dry
5034	Medium-Sweet
5035	Sweet
5036	Niagara
5037	Orange Muscat
5038	Petit Manseng
5039	Pinot Blanc

Pinot Gris/Pinot Grigio :

5040	Domestic
5041	Italian
5042	Other

Riesling :

5111	Australian
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U.S. Domestic :

5100	Dry (sugar guidelines per IRF formula)
5101	Medium Dry (sugar guidelines per IRF formula)
5102	Medium Sweet (sugar guidelines per IRF formula)
5103	Sweet (sugar guidelines per IRF formula)

German :

5104	Dry wines (Trocken and halb-trocken)
5108	Classic
5105	Kabinett
5109	Medium Dry
5110	Other Including Erstes Gewaechs, Erste Lage, etc.
5106	Spatlese
5107	Auslese and above
5112	Non-Domestic, non- German, non Australian (sugar guidelines per IRF formula)



Canadian Rieslings:

- 5124 Dry
(sugar guidelines per IRF formula)
- 5125 Medium Dry
(sugar guidelines per IRF formula)
- 5126 Medium Sweet
(sugar guidelines per IRF formula)
- 5127 Sweet
(sugar guidelines per IRF formula)
- 5200 Rousanne

Sauvignon Blanc :

- 5201 2010
- 5202 2011
- 5203 2012
- 5204 2013, 2014, and non-vintage
- 5205 Late Harvest Sauvignon Blanc
(see also Ice Wine category)

Semillon :

- 5206 Dry and off-dry
- 5207 Sweet/Late Harvest
(see also Ice Wine category)

Seyval Blanc :

(See also late harvest listed below) :

- 5208 Dry and off-dry
- 5209 Sweet/Late Harvest
(see also Ice Wine category)
- 5210 Sylvaner/Franken Riesling
- 5211 Symphony
- 5212 Torrontes
- 5220 Traminette
- 5213 Trousseau Gris

Vidal :

- 5214 Dry and Off-Dry
- 5215 Sweet/Late Harvest
(see also Ice Wine category)

Vignoles :

- 5216 Dry and off-dry
- 5217 Sweet/Late Harvest
(see also Ice Wine category)

Viognier :

- 5218 Dry and off-dry
- 5219 Viognier, Late Harvest
- 5228 White varietal wines not previously listed
- 5400 White and Rosé Wines from Minnesota Grape Varieties

White Blends (5500 series)

- 5500 Rhône type blends (Viognier, Marsanne, Grenache Blanc, Rousanne, etc.)
- 5501 Chardonnay-based blends
- 5502 Sauvignon Blanc-based blends (including White Meritage)
- 5503 Aromatic blends (wines with Riesling, Muscat, Gewurztraminer, Pinot Gris, etc.)
- 5504 100% Native American blends
- 5505 100% French-American hybrid blends
- 5508 Crossed blends (some French-American, some native, and/or other)
- 5506 All other white blends, Dry and Medium-Dry
- 5507 All Sweet/Late Harvest white wine blends

Rosé Table Wines (6000 series)

- 6000 Cabernet Sauvignon Rosé
- 6001 Catawba, Pink
- 6002 Gamay Rosé
- 6003 Grenache Rosé
- 6004 Merlot Rosé
- 6005 Pinot Noir Rosé
- 6006 Sangiovese Rosé
- 6007 Syrah Rosé
- 6008 Zinfandel Rosé
- 6010 All Generic Rosés
- 6030 All Rosé Wines From Minnesota Grapes
- 6009 All Varietal Rosés from grapes not otherwise listed

Blush Wines :

- 6025 White Cabernet
- 6026 White Merlot
- 6027 White Pinot Noir
- 6028 White Zinfandel
- 6011 "Varietal Blush"-- All other "white" wines from red grapes
- 6029 All other "white" wines from red grapes not previously listed

Soft Table Wines Under 10% Alcohol (7000 series)

- 7001 Red
- 7000 White
Wines with less than 7% alcohol, including flavored wines
- 7003 Red
- 7002 White

Vermouth, Natural Fruit Wines & Flavored Wines (8000 series)

- 8015 Aperitifs, other than those labeled Vermouth

Ciders, Meads and Sake :

- 8030 Apple Cider
- 8025 Hard Apple Cider (flavored)
(specify flavor in comments field)
- 8026 Hard Apple Cider (traditional)

Honey Wines (Mead) :

- 8027 Flavored or fruit-based Honey wines
- 8028 Straight Honey wines (no flavorings)
- 8029 Perry (Pear Cider)
- 8032 Sake (flavored rice wine)
(specify flavor in comments field)
- 8031 Sake (traditional rice wine)

Fruit Wines :

- 8000 Apple
- 8001 Apricot
- 8002 Blackberry
- 8003 Cherry
- 8004 Cranberry
- 8005 Olallieberry
- 8006 Peach
- 8007 Pear
- 8008 Plum
- 8009 Raspberry
- 8010 Strawberry
- 8011 Other fruit wine
(specify fruit in comments field)
- 8012 Fruit-flavored grape wine (specify flavoring in comments field)

Specialty Wines :

- 8052 Wine Cocktails
- 8050 Wines made with added flavorings (chocolate, etc.) fortified
- 8051 Wines made with added flavorings (chocolate, etc.) not fortified
- 8014 Vermouth, Red
- 8013 Vermouth, White

Non-Alcoholic Wines & Wine Cooler (9000 series)**Non-Alcoholic Wines :**

- 9000 Cabernet Sauvignon
- 9001 Chardonnay
- 9002 Riesling
- 9003 Sparkling wine
- 9004 White Zinfandel
- 9005 Other non-alcoholic wine (specify type in comments field)

Wine Coolers :

- 9006 Fruit flavored wine cooler
- 9007 Red wine coolers
- 9008 White wine coolers

