

US WINE & SPIRITS

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SHIRAZ

73 wines reviewed recommended from 163 new releases tasted by blind panel, reviewed by Joshua Green

Sparkling Shiraz Blends (Top points from only two recommended)

90 Mt Jagged

South Australia Sparkling. However rough and jagged the aroma might be, the flavour of this sparkling red is fresh, bright cherry. It's sweetness is balanced by acidity and the cleansing bubbles, which have a peppery spice in their wake. Delicious with turkey drumstick or the whole thanksgiving feast.

IMPORTED NEW RELEASES

Red Blends

87 Mt Jagged

2001 McLaren Vale Merlot – Cabernet Sauvignon. This soft, pleasant blend is a jam of currant flavour, along with tobacco scents and tomato like acidity. Order a glass at a steakhouse.