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**92 | Paco & Lola** \$25

**Cava Lola Brut** This cooperative, based in Salnès, Rías Baixas, works with a winery in Sant Sadurni d'Anoia to produce this wine. A ripe, red-apple-scented Cava, this is fat and juicy, its fruit intensity focused by mineral acidity. It will power dancing late into the night, or conversation over Cava and manchego. *Dreyfus Ashby & Co., NY*



**92 | U Mes U Fan Tres** \$18

**Cava Cygnus Brut (BEST BUY)** A selection of organically farmed parellada, xarel-lo and macabeo from four estate parcels in Penedès, this delivers the creamy richness of those classical Cava varieties bottle-aged on the lees, upping the ante with refreshing pink grapefruit flavors. Those flavors volatilize into citrus scents that last, deliciously savory. *Grapes of Spain, Lorton, VA*

**91 | Pere Ventura** \$13

**Cava Clos Amador Rosé Tendre Brut (BEST BUY)** This clean, fragrant Cava is compellingly drinkable, a happy wine fleshed out by notes of wild strawberry and pear. There's an herbal edge to contrast that ripeness, lasting on notes of thyme, targeted at a roast chicken. *Monsieur Touton Selection Ltd, NY*

**91 | Pere Ventura** \$17

**2016 Cava Tresor Reserva Brut (BEST BUY)** This wine's floral notes of Pink Lady apples deepen to apricot flavors and cool spice. It's fresh and tightly built, a quiet wine that will place tapas at center stage. *Palm Bay Int'l, Boca Raton, FL*

**90 | de Pro** \$15

**Cava Brut Rosé (BEST BUY)** This rosé from trepat provides an intriguing grape character, a little cherry, a little moss, rounded out by notes of tangerine and almond. The distinctive scent and flavors took one taster to a favorite spot in the woods, another to his porch, watching the sunset—"The wine has its own presence," said Daniel Osman of the *Dream Away Lodge* in Becket, Mass. "It should be center stage." *Artisans and Vines, Silver Spring, MD*



**90 | Marques de la Concordia** \$20

**2016 Cava MM Brut Nature Blanc de Blancs Reserva de la Familia (BEST BUY)** This Cava is blended from chardonnay (30 percent) with close to equal parts of macabeo, parellada and xarel-lo. The chardonnay comes through in notes of chamomile and peaches, while the local varieties provide a toasty backdrop for those flavors. It lasts on cool, zesty citrus acidity, ready to drink on its own. *MHW, Manhasset, NY*



**90 | Conde de Subirats** \$15

**Cava Brut Rosé (BEST BUY)** The Subirats family own 49 acres of vines in Sant Sadurni d'Anoia, below the castle that bears the family name. Winemaker Damia Deas i Gual buys in fruit from another 250 for the winery's Cavas, including this blend of trepat with 10 percent pinot noir. It's a rich wine with notes of Cara Cara oranges, wild mushrooms and rooty scents, a lovely pink for roast quail. *Grapes of Spain, Lorton, VA*

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