

The French Rosés We're Buying Right Now – From Provence and Far Beyond

From Tavel to Bandol, these stellar pink wines from France are excellent for drinking year-round.

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Somewhere around the early 2010s, dry rosé, particularly from Provence, went from a forgotten category to one of the most popular wines on the planet. It's been on the rise ever since. Rosé is everywhere now: in glasses, poolside during the summer, at dinner parties in the winter, and on Instagram every day.

While there's no question Provence has been driving that trend – the region makes over 150 million bottles of the stuff every year – one boon of the rising tide of rosé is that it's given other regions a lift as well. Traditional rosé regions that were even more overlooked than Provence – Tavel, in the Rhône Valley, for example – have benefited, and regions better known for red or white wines have started making rosé (often with very good results).

Today, there's an abundance of excellent rosé throughout France. No surprise, really; France makes and drinks more rosé than any other country. Below are some stellar rosés from a host of mostly southern French regions – Provence and beyond – all excellent for drinking year-round.

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2025 **Penya Côtes Catalanes Rosé (\$17)**

Stretching along the Mediterranean coast of France just above Spain, the Côtes Catalanes appellation makes impressively robust reds but also gentle rosés like this pale salmon-pink wine. It's 90% Grenache and 10% Syrah, and full of lively raspberry-watermelon flavor with a touch of pepper.

2025 **A d'Aussières Rosé (\$19)**

This blend of Grenache and Syrah, with its vibrant blood orange-inflected flavor, comes from the Rothschild family, whose holdings extend from the legendary Bordeaux first-growth Château Lafite Rothschild down to affordable yet impressive wines like this one.

2025 **Château d'Aqueria Tavel (\$23)**

The Rhône Valley appellation of Tavel is one of the few in France that is solely dedicated to rosé, and what rosés they are! Aqueria's is a benchmark. Transparent scarlet in hue, with flamboyant strawberry and raspberry aromas that lift from the glass, it drinks more like a light red – and a very good one at that.

2024 **Pink Flamingo Gris de Gris (\$23)**

The recent Sable de Camargue appellation, essentially the sandy delta where the Rhône River meets the sea (sable means "sand"), is known for Grenache Gris rosés like this one: lightly spicy, replete with watermelon and red berry flavors.

2025 **Thibaud Boudignon Rosé de Loire (\$25)**

Rising star Thibaud Boudignon quickly became known for his laser-precise Savennières whites, and the prices on those have risen accordingly. But this graceful, berry-scented rosé, made from a blend of Cabernet Franc and Grolleau, captures his talent at a more modest price.

2023 **E. Guigal Tavel (\$27)**

Guigal typically holds its Tavel rosés for a year or two after vintage, and that extra time in bottle only adds to their evocative complexity. Transparent strawberry-pink in hue, the medium-bodied 2023 suggests spiced citrus peels and red berries.

2025 **Domaine La Suffrène Bandol Tradition Rosé (\$26)**

The reputation of the Bandol appellation in Provence rests on the Mourvèdre grape, which creates powerful reds and luscious rosés. Here, it's blended with Grenache, Cinsaut, and Carignane for a watermelon- and

The only Provençal rosé so far that comes from certified regenerative organic vineyards, this pale, almost transparent pink bottling from Mirabeau offers softly tangy citrus and berry flavors. It's just waiting for your next picnic.

2024 Château de Pibarnon Bandol Rosé (\$47)

With its salmon-orange color and coastal Mediterranean scents of dried herbs and spices, this Bandol rosé is silky and lush, with tremendous depth of flavor: tangerine, melon, strawberry, and pomegranate. It's a big mouthful of rosé, and it's totally delicious.

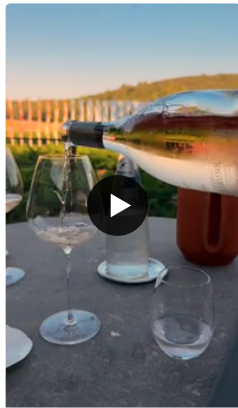
2025 Gérard Bertrand Côte des Roses (\$18)

Bertrand's cleverly bottled Languedoc rosé – the bottom of the bottle looks like a rose in bloom – is also very appealing, full of soft berry and melon flavors that linger gently on the palate.

2024 Domaine Grosbois Extra Ball Chinon Rosé (\$20)

Made from biodynamically farmed Cabernet Franc, the red grape of the Chinon appellation, by brothers Nicolas and Sylvain Grosbois, this pink-orange wine suggests cranberries and raspberries, with hints of fresh herbs underneath. The name is a nod to the extra ball you get playing pinball when you rack up a lot of points.

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