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Top Holiday Wine Gifting ideas as seen on CTV Morning Live



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Today on CTV Morning Live, CTV's Melissa Lamb and Sommelier Matt Steeves discussed top wine picks for entertaining and gifting this holiday season. Check out the CTV video [here](#)



Giftng a special bottle of wine to someone that appreciates it makes for a great gift this time of year. Unlike an unwanted sweater, picture frame, or a book, a special bottle of wine is guaranteed to be enjoyed, consumed, and appreciated. There really isn't a better gift for those that have it all than a special bottle of wine.

With such a vast assortment of wines available at most wine stores, including the LCBO and SAQ, it can be overwhelming to start looking for that perfect bottle (at an affordable price) but it's actually not that hard to find great wines at affordable price ranges. With just a few tidbits of information about your party or your host's preferences, any Sommelier or knowledgeable product consultant can easily recommend a few great wine picks that will fit within your budget and work wonderfully for you this holiday season.



Marchesi di Barolo La Tradizione Barolo (the King of Wines, and this one at a fair price)



Marchesi di Barolo 2011 is a light ruby red with a garnet hue. Rustic and complex, this hearty wine made from 100% Nebbiolo grapes from northern Italy shows layers of tart cherry, forest fruit, underbrush, cedar, rose, graphite, and scorched earth. Youthful and ample tannins complemented with tart acidity make this a great cellar candidate that would benefit from a few years on its side to allow it to soften and further evolve then to be savoured 2020-2026 with grilled beef & creamy mushroom risotto. **Tasted December 2016. 91 points.** Matt Steeves – <http://www.quercusvino.ca>