

Chevaliers du Tastevin -- Baja Adventure -- May 10-11, 2017									
Date	Winery	Year	Varietal	Appellation	Price	Source	Notes	UC Davis	100-pt
5/10/17	Villa Montefiori	2016	Chardonnay	Valle de Guadalupe	\$12	Winery	Paolini brand. No oak. 100 percent Chardonnay. 12.5 alcohol. Pale straw; light weedy nose; mid-body; decent fruit; tight citric finish	15.5	87
5/10/17	Villa Montefiori	2016	Rosato	Valle de Guadalupe	\$14	Winery	100 percent Sangiovese Rosso. Pale pink; fruity floral nose; mid-body; crisp; fruity; strawberry finish.	15.5	87
5/10/17	Villa Montefiori	2014	Sangiovese Gross	Valle de Guadalupe	\$27	Winery	100% Brunello (can't use on label in the U.S.). Mid-purple, pink edges; 80 months in new French oak. Big berry, oak nose; mid-body; round, ripe; good tannins, body and long finish.	16.5	91
5/10/17	Villa Montefiori	2014	Shiraz-Merlot	Valle de Guadalupe	\$18	Winery	Mid-dark ruby; herbaceous, mint, berry and wood nose; mid-body; soft, easy drinking; short finish	15.5-16	89
5/10/17	Villa Montefiori	2014	Aglianico	Valle de Guadalupe	\$40	Winery	18 months new French oak. "Nerone." Black. Dark purple; big berry nose; woody, hyacinth; mid-big body (14.0 alc); grapey; chewy; hard finish	16	90
5/10/17	Villa Montefiori	2014	Nebbiolo	Valle de Guadalupe	\$50	Winery	15 months French oak, 14.0 alcohol. Dark ruby; peppery, earthy, wood nose; mid-body, balanced some style; layered on the palate; long semi-chewy finish.	16.5	91
5/10/17	Monte Xanic	2016	Sauvignon Blanc	Valle de Guadalupe	\$17	Winery	Pale straw gold; weedy, citrus, grapefruit nose; mid-body; balanced; long semi-crisp finish.	15.5-16	88-89
5/10/17	Monte Xanic	2016	Chenin Blanc - Colombard	Valle de Guadalupe	\$15	Winery	5g per liter residual sugar. Mid-straw gold; floral, honey nose; mid-body; round, fat fruity finish.	15	86
5/10/17	Monte Xanic	2016	Chardonnay	Valle de Guadalupe	\$20	Winery	Light green-gold; (9 months oak, 1/3 new) peachy, smoky, mineral, vanilla nose; round, buttery, fat finish (malolactic); light saltiness	15.5-16	89
5/10/17	Monte Xanic	2015	Cabernet - Merlot	Valle de Guadalupe	\$22	Winery	Mid-garnet; Smokey, berry black fruit nose; mid-body; mid tannins; decent fruit; balanced fruity finish.	16	90
5/10/17	Monte Xanic	2015	Cabernet Sauvignon	Valle de Guadalupe	\$22	Winery	100 percent Cabernet. Mid-garnet; berry, vanilla nose (12 months in barrels, 60 percent new); some style and layers with wood and fruit; long tight finish; needs time.	16	90
5/10/17	Monte Xanic	2014	Gran Ricardo	Valle de Guadalupe	\$58	Winery	80 percent Cabernet Sauvignon, 10 percent each PV and Merlot; 24 months in 100 percent new French oak. Mid-dark garnet; cedar, berry, mint, big wood nose; good structure; tight; long semi-chewy finish; needs time.	16.5	91
5/10/17	Torres Alegre	2013	La Llave Blanca	Valle de Guadalupe	\$30	Winery	50-50 Sauvignon Blanc and Chenin Blanc. Aged 24 months in barrels. No malolactic. Mid-green gold; big fruity nose; honey and citrus; mid-body; round, ripe; long lush finish. Different style.	16.5	91
5/10/17	Torres Alegre	2013	Sauvignon Blanc	Valle de Guadalupe	\$30	Winery	Cru Garage brand. 100 SB; golden; Sauterne nose; roasted almonds; round, ripe, big extract; long finish. Barrel fermented, hence the style.	16	90
5/10/17	Torres Alegre	2012	Zinfandel	Valle de Guadalupe	\$80	Winery	Cru garage brand. 36 months new French oak; 13.5 alc; 60-year-old vines. Mid-garnet; mint, blackberry, cedar, mothball nose (almost Port-like); semi-chewy; balanced; berry flavor; long fruity finish.	16.5	91
5/10/17	Torres Alegre	2013	Nebbiolo	Valle de Guadalupe	\$80	Winery	Dark purple; prune nose (15.0 alc); big blackberry, oak, smoky nose; mid-big body; grapey; tight tannins; long chewy finish..	16.5	91
5/10/17	Torres Alegre	2006	La Llava Tinta	Valle de Guadalupe	\$50	Winery	Made 3084 bottles. 80 percent Cab Franc, 20 percent Merlot. 2 years in French oak. Mid-dark garnet, amber edges; Older Bordeaux-style nose; bright fruit; balanced to big; chewy; good style; long tight woody finish.	17	92
5/11/17	Adobe Guadalupe	2016	Chardonnay - Jardine Romantico	Valle de Guadalupe	\$20	Winery	100 percent Chardonnay, no oak, 11.9 alc. Harvested in August, bottled in December. Sharp mid-straw gold; citric, lime nose; tight acids; long crisp finish.	15.5	87
5/11/17	Adobe Guadalupe	2014	Cabernet - Syrah -- Serafiel	Valle de Guadalupe	\$44	Winery	Sharp mid-garnet; mint, pepper, berry nose; mid-body, balanced, good tannins, hints of salt; long semi tart finish. 13.6 alc.	16	90
5/11/17	Adobe Guadalupe	2013	Rhone Blend - Kerubiel	Valle de Guadalupe	\$50	Winery	Syrah, Mourvedre, Cinsault, Syrah blend. Mid garnet; light fruity nose, floral, oak; mid-body; easy drinking; salty; long fruity finish, hints of wood.	16	90
5/11/17	Adobe Guadalupe	2014	Bordeaux Blend -- Gabriel	Valle de Guadalupe	\$44	Winery	Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot and Malbec blend. Dark garnet; herbaceous, mint, blackberry nose; mid-body; balanced; good fruit and finish; Cabernet-like.	16.5	91
5/11/17	Adobe Guadalupe	2014	Red Blend -- Rafael	Valle de Guadalupe	\$50	Winery	50 percent Nebbiolo, 34 Cabernet Sauvignon, 16 Cab Franc. Darkest purple; big berry nose; tar, wood; mid-big body; grapey, big chewy finish. Needs time.	16.5	91
5/11/17	Adobe Guadalupe	2009	Rhone Blend - Kerubiel	Valle de Guadalupe	\$55	Winery	Mid-garnet, brick edges; floral, black cherry nose; balanced, smooth, ore elegant style; good fruit and smooth finish, hints of wood.	16.5-17	91-92
5/11/17	Adobe Guadalupe	2010	Bordeaux Blend -- Gabriel	Valle de Guadalupe	\$50	Winery	38 percent Merlot, 30 Cab Sauv, 23 Malbec, 9 Cab Franc. Mid-dark garnet; berry, cocoa, wood nose; mid-body, balanced, long berry finish, semi-chewy.	16.5	91
5/11/17	Adobe Guadalupe	2013	Red Blend -- Rafael	Valle de Guadalupe	\$44	Winery	Cabernet and Nebbiolo. Dark purple; black fruit, tar, wood nose; mid-big body; balanced as it opens; good fruit; some style; different layers on the palate; mid-chewy finish.	16.5	91
5/11/17	La Lomita	2015	Discreto Encanto Blanco	Valle de Guadalupe	\$16	Winery	Sauvignon Blanc and Chenin Blanc blend. Mid-straw gold; light citrus, floral nose; crisp, fruity, summer sipping wine.	15-15.5	86
5/11/17	La Lomita	2015	Cursi Rose	Valle de Guadalupe	\$18	Winery	100 percent Grenache. Sharp light mid-salmon; watermelon, peachy nose; mid body; fat (residual sugar?).	15-15.5	86
5/11/17	La Lomita	2013	Tinto de la Hacienda	Valle de Guadalupe	\$24	Winery	60 percent Tempranillo, 33 Cabernet, 7 Cab Franc. American oak. Then 20 months in French oak, Darkest purple; spicy, peppery ripe grape nose; big body; grapey; long thick semi-chewy finish.	16-16.5	90-91
5/11/17	Encuentro	2011	Pinot Noir	Valle de Guadalupe	\$50	Winery	(First wine in blind tasting) Mid-brick; red fruit, stemmy, Pinot Noir nose; mid-body; semi-tannic; long tight finish. Needs time.	16	90
5/11/17	Monte Xanic	2015	Pinot Noir	Valle de Ojos Negros	\$30	Winery	(second wine in blind tasting) Mid-garnet light herbaceous, mint, floral nose; light oak; soft mid-body; semi-tight, opens with air; smooths out.	16	90