



PASSOVER 2019: PERFECT TIMING FOR EXCITING NEW WINE RELEASES- ROYAL WINE'S GABE GELLER SHARES HIS TOP PICKS FOR SEDERS

From Roses and Reds, to Sparkling and Sweet, There's a Seder Wine from Royal Wine for every Taste & Price Point

BAYONNE, NJ, UNITED STATES, April 8, 2019 /EINPresswire.com/ -- This year Passover begins on the night of April 19, which is somewhat later than usual. But it's great news for wine lovers, according to Royal Wine's PR Director, Gabriel Geller. In the runup to Passover 2019, Geller recommends new bottlings to explore for the "Feast of Freedom" – the commemoration of the redemption of the Jewish people, some 3,500 years ago, from centuries of slavery in Egypt. His suggestions pair exceptionally well at the Seder table or any other special occasion, and run the gamut of varieties and price points.

Promising Rosés

According to Geller, some outstanding new 2018 rosé wines were released in time for Passover 2019, and the new vintage is promising. "I enjoy starting the Seder with a glass of cold, fresh rosé, so the timing is perfect."

Smooth and easy to drink, rosés are best consumed young and fresh. He cites the Herzog Lineage Rosé from Clarksburg, CA (SRP \$19.99) as a delicious, fruity, and herbal complement to light starters. Other good bets include Gush Etzion and Flam (SRP \$24.99 and 34.99 respectively). These wineries, both located in Israel's Judean Hills, were among the first out of the gate with their new rosés this year.

Complex Reds

"As soon as the main course is served," Geller said, "I will typically move on to a more multi-layered wine such as the Carmel Limited Edition 2014 (SRP \$79.99), a Bordeaux-style blend from Israel." Also of note is Domaines Rollan de By, owned by Jean Guyon. The extravagant designer just released the first-ever new kosher run from his estates: Chateau de By Medoc 2016 (SRP \$27.99). "Well-balanced and medium-bodied, this Bordeaux from an exceptional vintage is silky in the mouth and pairs well with many types of dishes," claims Geller. "It would be a good choice for the Passover Seder."

Lineage Choreograph a field blend of more than a dozen different grapes comes from an experimental plot on the Herzog estate vineyard -- the wine is soft and inviting while at the same time complex and flavorful, and very reasonably priced (SRP\$20.00)

Herzog Wine Cellars also recently released Herzog Special Reserve Quartet 2015, a blend of varieties grown in prime regions of California. The wine, as its name indicates, comprises 4 grape varieties: Malbec, Petit Verdot, Cabernet Sauvignon and Zinfandel. Full-bodied, rich, complex, and spicy, it impresses with its remarkable balance, while showcasing the unique characteristics of each variety (SPR: \$39.99).

Geller also noted that Italian wines have been gaining in popularity among kosher consumers. Wine Spectator recently awarded the Terra di Seta Chianti Classico Riserva (SRP \$34.99) an impressive 93 points. Now that the 2013 has made its way to the shelves, Geller predicted that

this superior vintage will outperform its predecessor.
Sweet Endings

A long meal such as the Passover Seder also requires some fine dessert wine to end the night on a sweet note. Chateau Guiraud, which was absent from the kosher scene since 2001, recently made a comeback with two new wines available for the first time in a kosher version.

G de Guiraud 2017 (SRP \$39.99) is a satisfying, dry blend of Sauvignon Blanc and Semillon, while the chateau's second Sauternes, Petit Guiraud 2017, is a luscious, wonderful dessert wine (SRP \$74.99). Herzog Late harvest Orange Muscat 2018 - don't be fooled by this wine's orange tinge and floral near orange aromas. Its 100% Orange Muscat Grape has great lively acidity and sweetness, all rolled into this floral, long-lasting luscious wine (MSRP \$22.99).

About Royal Wine/Kedem

Founded in 1848, NJ-based Royal Wine Corp. has been owned and operated in the United States by the Herzog family, whose winemaking roots go back eight generations to its origin in Czechoslovakia.

Today, Royal Wine's portfolio of domestic and international wines range from traditional wine producing regions of France, Italy and Spain, as well as Israel, New Zealand and Argentina.

Additionally, Royal Wine Corp.'s spirit and liqueur portfolio offer some of the most sought-after scotches, bourbons, tequilas and vodkas as well as hard to find specialty items such as flavored brandies and liqueurs.

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