# Love & Libations: Autumn + Red Wine = Love





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## Red Wines For Upcoming Autumn

#### Gifft Red Blend by: Kathie Lee Gifford

It's no secret that Kathie Lee Gifford loves wine. She and her co-star Hoda always have a fun libation in front of them during the show. The name of the wines come from her last name and belief that friendship, love, and laugher are gifts that should be cherished. Recently Gifford has said that she is willing to make room in her heart for someone new. At this point, it would take someone pretty special to wine to sweep her off her feet. Her busy social life and show keep her content.

What's great about Gifft Wines is how affordable they are. It makes them the perfect option to channel your inner Kathie Lee and entertain friends and family.

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#### Baby Bear Syrah by: Kyle McLaughlin

One could say that Kyle McLaughlin is aging like his fine wines. When not acting McLaughlin can be found focusing on making small batch wines in Walla Walla, Washington. It's his home state and he said that he was obsessed with wines from the region. The unusual name for his line of wines comes from a reference from Shakespeare. If you've never had wines from the state you are in for a treat. Washington is known for producing amazing Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Riesling and Syrah.

This is a special wine that should come out for a special occasion like an anniversary or romantic dinner. Make sure you have this one at home or a hotel so that you are close to the boudoir, it will give you the feels.

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#### Two Paddocks Pinot Noir - by: Sam Neill

If you won't know the actor, Sam Neill by name, you would definitely know him if you saw him. He recently was seen in the frisky movie, Gerald's Game. Let's just say handcuffs were involved. While he has had a very successful career as an actor, he found that he had a passion for wine. Neill has been in the wine game since 1993. Unlike most celebrities who have a wine business in Napa or Sonoma, his winery is in New Zealand. He owns four organic vineyard spread around Otago, a beautiful region known for its luscious mountains.

This big juicy Pinot Noir is bold and full of body. It will be a delight on the palate of any red wine lover. With this wine you could opt for a nice quiet dinner of lamb or steak or have it when you have your closest friends over. It's not a wine for so called friend, but perfect for your squad.

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#### LVE Cabernet Sauvignon- by: John Legend

Legend teamed up with the very classy Raymond Vineyards to produce his award winning wine. The goal of the wine is to bring together classic elegance, rich complexity and modern soul.

It has notes of chocolate, blackberries, and oak. Let's just say that it's seduction in a bottle.

This is a wine that is all about spending quality time with your partner. You might even want to whip up a recipe from Chrissy Teigen's new book, Cravings: Hungry For More, and pair with the wine. It would be like taking love tips for Chrissy and John.

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