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15 Easy-Sipping Sonoma Sauvignon Blancs to Drink Now

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Summer is ending, fall is around the corner and life is more hectic than ever. Like any hard-working wine lover, when I head home after a long hectic day, I just want to pop open (or unscrew) a bottle of wine and service myself a pat on the back in a glass.

My go-to wine is sauvignon blanc. It's refreshing, light, inexpensive, low alcohol, and easy to drink. Whether you sip it after a long day at work, enjoy a glass before the kids come home from school, or cook up a hearty dinner for hungry vineyard workers, sauvignon blanc will satisfy everyone.

Here's a selection of Sonoma sauvignon blancs (and three Napa options) to make your go-to house wine this summer and fall.

A TASTE OF NAPA VALLEY

Rutherford Ranch 2016 Sauvignon Blanc Napa Valley (\$23)

Family-owned Rutherford Ranch was founded in 1978. The winery, nestled amongst 100-year old olive groves, makes sustainably grown wines. Their sauvignon blanc is no exception, made from grapes picked just before the fall rains ended last year's harvest suddenly. It's 100% stainless steel fermented, making it a refreshing wine. It offers honeydew and fresh lemon on the nose, which travels into the mouth with a hint of pink grapefruit. It's a great wine to pair with your favorite take-out rotisserie chicken or taco truck eats.

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