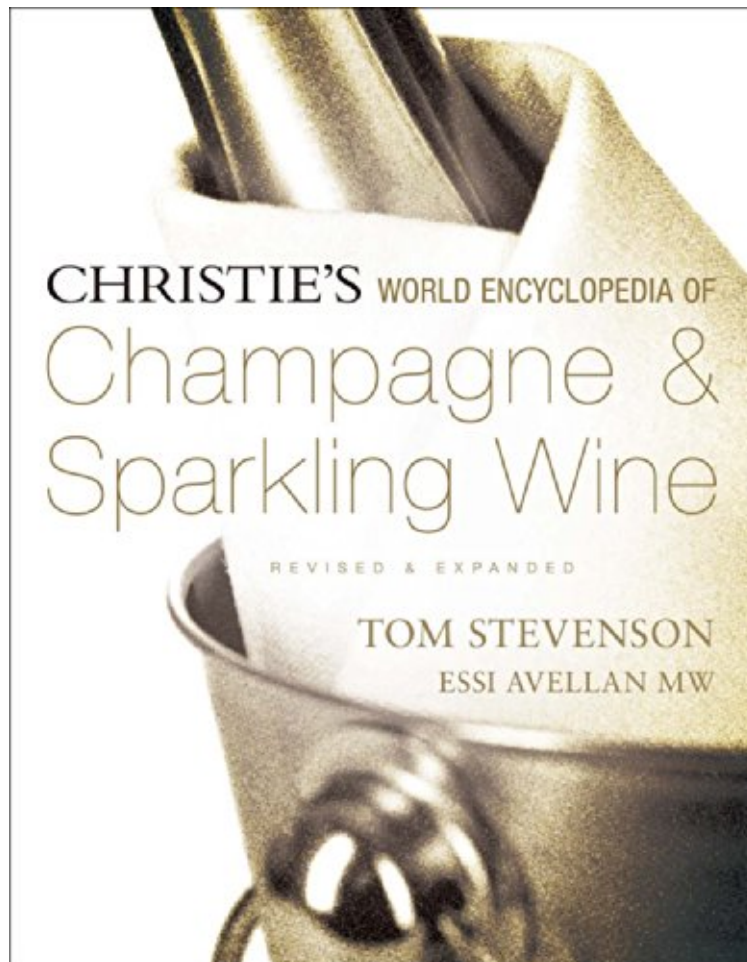


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potential. Champagne houses seem to have the edge, which is natural, but the authors have given some good scores to producers outside the classic region, though with a lower overall average. And while many folks may agree or disagree with the scores, it nonetheless makes for a good barometer for those navigating the thousands of producers in this book. Also of note, Champagne producers are listed with the type of establishment they operate: RM, NM, and so on. This can help readers determine which producers grow their own grapes and which purchase grapes (though it is generally not a quality indicator). If you have someone who loves Champagne and gets really geeky about individual producers, then this is a great gift idea. It can be quite technical, but the information is heavily researched and well laid out. For those more interested in the drink but not the technical information, there are some books which discuss more of the history and have less technical information. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Indispensable reading By Lana Bortolot Indispensable reading for any student (or serious hobbyist) of wine. Stevenson presents the most salient points, gives context to the wines, their origins, production and the people who make them. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. reviewed by Essi Avelan MW and the book is great. A true encyclopedia with wines from all over ... By Alessandra Esteves I bought the new edition, reviewed by Essi Avelan MW and the book is great. A true encyclopedia with wines from all over the world, including Brazil. It is heavy, hardcover, but works great as decoration too. Excellent price!

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