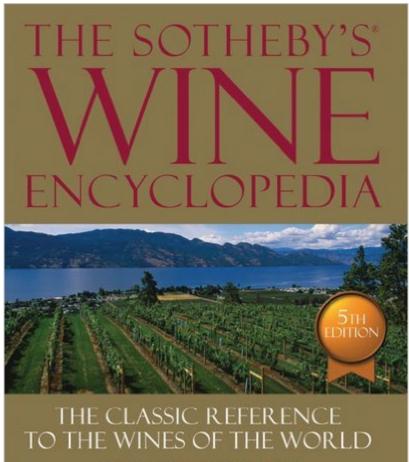
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# Sotheby's Wine Encyclopedia



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This was my go to text for the WSET Advanced level as well as the Certified level of the Court of Master Sommeliers. This text has enough information to easily cover almost any question on those exams. For the Advanced level as well as the WSET Diploma, this is still a handy reference. The Oxford will be a bit more useful for those upper level exams. But that is not to say this is only a reference text for wine students. No, this book is a wonderful overview of wine production as well as wine regions across the globe. I recommend this highly over the Kevin Zraly text and the Wine Bible by McNiel. The updates are not quite as dramatic as in other texts. Mainly the author adds a few newly approved appellations and updates the vintage charts in each section. There are also many new photos. But the bulk of the book remains unchanged, and it doesn't need to be changed. I have purchased three revisions, this being the third. Each one does contain enough new information to

warrant updating to the new version: if you are using it to study. If you are just a wine consumer, the updates may not be worth getting the new edition. Mainly I was tired of the old highlights from my previous study sessions! If you are working towards wine certifications, this should be one of the three books that form the foundation along with World Atlas of Wine and The Oxford Companion to Wine, 3rd Edition. These three texts are amazing and well researched and cross checked.

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