



Candidates preparing to take the Certified Sommelier Examination should be familiar with the following list of possible grape varieties and growing regions. The CMS-A Examination Committee recognizes that these grape varieties produce quality wine in many other regions of the world, but for exam efficiency and clarity limits the selection to the wines below. This document may be updated by the CMS-A Examination Committee at any time.

** NOTE: Regions listed under Grape Variety may include blends in which the listed grape variety represents a majority of the wine's composition along with regionally accepted blending grape varieties.*

ALBARIÑO

SPAIN

Rías Baixas

(No Wood Aging)

CHENIN BLANC

FRANCE

LOIRE VALLEY

Savennières

Vouvray

(Sec, Demi-Sec)

GEWURZTRAMINER

FRANCE

ALSACE

(AOC, Grand Cru)

TORRONTÉS

ARGENTINA

Salta/Catamarca

Mendoza

VIOGNIER

FRANCE

RHÔNE VALLEY

Condrieu

CHARDONNAY

FRANCE

BURGUNDY

Chablis

Côte d'Or

Mâconnais

(Villages, 1er Cru)

USA

CALIFORNIA

Napa Valley

Sonoma County

Central Coast

PINOT GRIS

FRANCE

ALSACE

(AOC, Grand Cru)
(Dry, Slight R.S.)

ITALY

Friuli

Trentino-Alto Adige

RIESLING

GERMANY

Mosel

Rhein

(Trocken, Kabinett, Spätlese)

FRANCE

ALSACE

(AOC, Grand Cru)
(Dry, Slight R.S.)

AUSTRALIA

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Clare Valley

Eden Valley

(Dry)

SAUVIGNON BLANC

FRANCE

LOIRE VALLEY

Sancerre

Pouilly Fumé

BORDEAUX

Pessac-Léognan

Graves

(New Wood Aging)

USA

CALIFORNIA

Napa Valley

Sonoma County

(New Wood Aging)

NEW ZEALAND

SOUTH ISLAND

Marlborough