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FULL BOTTLE JANE FAULKNER

CELEBRATING

**Valdo Prosecco di
Valdobbiadene
Cuvee di Boj, \$20**
All of a sudden,
Italian prosecco has
become the
sparkling wine of
choice, partly
because it's an easy-
drinking style. This
one, from Valdo, is very
approachable. It has the
requisite apple notes, with white
blossom, too. It's fragrant, with a
slightly richer palate, yet
finishes dry and refreshing.



QUAFFING

**The Yard
Whispering Hill
Vineyard Riesling
2009, \$25**
With fruit from the
Mt Barker region in
Western Australia,
there's plenty to love
here, starting with
the wine's perfect
combination of
floral and spice. It's
not at all harsh, as
the acidity is soft
across the palate, with good
length, too.



TRYING

**Crittenden Estate
Los Hermanos
Tributo a Galicia
Savagnin 2009, \$29**
I love the Los
Hermanos label and
the wine savagnin. It's
lightly fragrant with a
floral note and a hint
of spice alongside
pear essence. The
phenolic touch adds
some grip. Pour a glass of this
slightly chilled then enjoy with
salt and pepper squid.



CELLARING

**Voerzio Langhe
Nebbiolo 2006, \$70**
The powerful, tooth-
coating tannins
underscoring this
nebbiolo ensure it
will last for many
years but it's
approachable now if
decanted and served
with a robust meaty
dish. There's a heady
aroma of tar and
roses, plus earthiness with a
hint of menthol. Sour cherry
and plum flavours follow.

