

17 best prosecco bottles

No longer a poor substitute for Champagne, prosecco has come into its own

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Prosecco is a great party drink (*iStockphoto*)

With prosecco having long-overtaken Champagne in the popularity stakes, at this time of year sales of the fizzy tippie are set to soar.

Andrew Riding, Drinks Experience Manager, Waitrose Wine Tasting at Home says: "Prosecco is a sparkling wine. The main differences between this and Champagne are the locations, the grapes used for

Prosecco DOCG, a higher quality region where the fruit for the wine is grown on steep slopes between the towns of Conegliano and Valdobbiadene.

The main grapes used in the production of Champagne are Chardonnay, Pinot Noir and Pinot Meunier, whereas for Prosecco it's the Glera grape, previously known as the Prosecco grape.

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Champagne is made by the Méthode Traditionelle; a labour-intensive process where the bubbles are created during a secondary fermentation in the bottle. The secondary fermentation for prosecco takes place in large stainless steel tanks and this process is referred to as the Charmat Method. These differences in production have a direct impact on the taste and price of the end product.

Typically, prosecco wines have a slightly higher level of residual sugar than Champagne making them light and fruity. It's this easily approachable style that has seen approximately 85 million bottles sold in 2016.

With this in mind, our testers put some of the best prosecco on the market to the test. Each bottle was judged on appearance, taste, the overall experience and value.

All of the bottles were tested by more than six testers to account for the subjectivity of the individual taste-bud and preference.

Prosecco Romeo & Juliet NV Treviso, Pasqua: £11.99, Majestic





Vibrant and bursting with colour, the design of this bottle alone is enough to make it a hit.

Interestingly, although located around 100km west of Treviso, the romantically inspiring city of Verona is where Pasqua was founded in 1925, as well as providing the backdrop for Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet*.

Pale in colour and light to drink, this prosecco offered exactly the right combination of smooth bubbles and subtle taste.

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Sainsbury's Conegliano Prosecco, 75cl: £10, Sainsburys



The flavour was neither too sweet nor too dry. And the price means it's guilty-free!

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Bottega Rose Gold Prosecco 75cl: £19.49, Drink Supermarket



This iridescent pink metallic-effect bottle is certainly a show stopper! One of the testers was concerned about the garish appearance, only to be quickly revoked by the others who concurred it was the perfect gift for birthdays and hen dos.

Indeed, it's not just the bottle that's pink, the prosecco itself is rose. With a delicate hint of berries, it's fresh and enjoyable to drink on a night out or during afternoon tea, rather than with a meal.

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Hotel Chocolat Classic Prosecco: £18, Hotel Chocolat



Light-yellow in colour and refreshing on the palette, our testers found this refreshingly dry and incredibly easy to drink. It went well as an accompaniment to mince pies and chocolate, as well as savoury snacks. Can be purchased on its own or as part of a Hotel Chocolat hamper.

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Lot Folletto D'oro Prosecco D.O.C.G.: £9.99, Aldi

You could freely fool dinner guests into thinking you had paid substantially more for this incredibly stylish looking bottle. This fruity flavoured prosecco contains a hint of apple and peach and testers commented on the gentle bubbles and pleasant after-taste.

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Princess.P™ Black Premium Prosecco: £17 for one bottle, or £44.50 a month for two bottles if you subscribe: Princess Prosecco

Sourced directly from a family vineyard in Italy, Princess.P™ Black Premium Prosecco is created using no animal by-products. Consequently, it's vegan friendly and organic.

Testers remarked on the lovely delicate bubbles. Dry but fruity in taste, it was delightful!

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Prosecco Spumante Conegliano: £7.99, Lidl

From the Veneto region of Italy, this prosecco looked stylish and tasted fresh and fruity. It had a nice aftertaste that wasn't too overpowering and was described as very 'drinkable' by the testers.

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Martini Prosecco: £7, Asda

Don't be put off by the look of the bottle, if you're searching for something sweet and cheap this is ideal. Fruity and fizzy, our testers thought this was a great cost-effective party prosecco.

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Tesco Finest Prosecco Valdobbiadene: £10, Tesco

this prosecco went down well with testers who thought it would be perfect for a drinks reception.

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Abbazia Atmosphere Prosecco 75cl: £9.99 (or £8.99 each when you buy six), Drink Supermarket

Our testers observed the unusual shaped bottle and the design on the front which appeared somewhat mysterious and alluring. Not to be disappointed when we popped the cork, this prosecco was fruity and floral but not too heavy.

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San Leo Prosecco Brut: £7.29, Waitrose Cellar

With an air of sophistication, this bottle looks good. Our testers unanimously agreed that the prosecco was a great drinking experience. Smooth and bubbly, it was slightly dry, fresh and not too sweet so you could drink glass after glass.

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Prosecco La Marca Cuvée, NV DOCG: £14.99, Majestic

Made in the Treviso area of Northern Italy, it is made using the Charmat method. Our testers liked the soft, smooth texture, combined with the delicate fruity hints. A great all-rounder which was rich but not too heavy.

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Prosecco di Valdobbiadene: £15.95, The Bottle Club

Fresh, crisp and delicately floral, this prosecco isn't too sweet. It's a definite crowd-pleaser if you're willing to pay a bit more.

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Personalised Prosecco: £25, Moonpig

Novelty factor is what gives this prosecco its standout feature. The price includes the cost of personalising the bottle with a message to the recipient. If that doesn't appear to the inner narcissist in us all, then the light, bubbly prosecco will.

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Nella Prosecco, NV: £8, Marks & Spencer

This delicate sparkling white wine was light, with aromas of blossom and apple. On the sweeter end of the spectrum but not too sickly. The bottle is stylish and the cost incredibly reasonable.

All things considered it's a great choice for subdued soirees or wild parties alike!

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Sacchetto Prosecco Superiore Col de L'Utia 2017: £17.49, Naked Wines

First impressions are there's something a bit different about this prosecco. The combination of the white foil and abstract leaf design on the bottle create an air of individuality.

Intervino Personalised Prosecco Magnum: £45, Notonthehighstreet.com

Impressive is an understatement! This personalised Prosecco Magnum from Intervino certainly makes an impact. The label looks stylish and sophisticated. The contents are light, fresh and easy on the palette.

You can add your chosen name and message of up to 60 characters to the label, ensuring this is a perfect gift for weddings, birthdays, or to celebrate any special occasion. There's also the option of adding an engraved wooden gift box for an additional £15.

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The Verdict: The best prosecco bottles

Prosecco Romeo & Juliet NV Treviso from Majestic looks stylish, sophisticated, fun and bursting with colour. The contents of the bottle do not disappoint, and our testers agreed that this prosecco is incredible



Or if you're looking for something a bit more unique, the [Bottega Rose Gold Prosecco 75cl](#) from Drink Supermarket is an enjoyable rose prosecco which is guaranteed to get the party started.

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