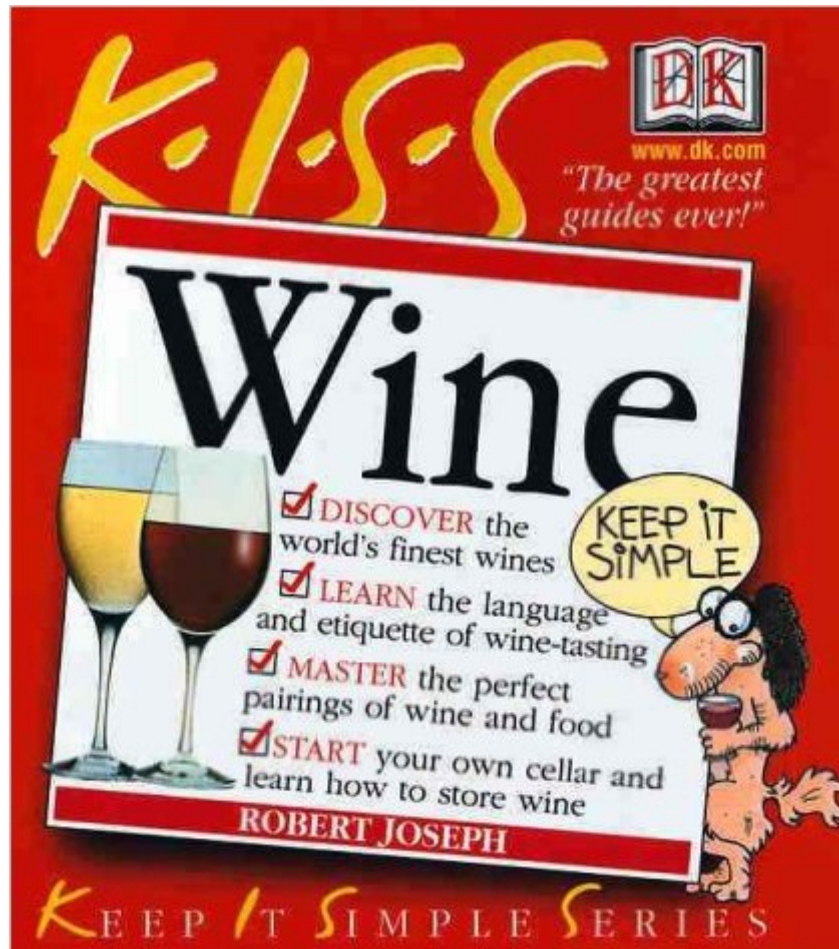


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# KISS Guide To Wine (Keep It Simple Series)



## Synopsis

The Keep It Simple Series -- the greatest guides ever! Drink to your health and discover how wine can be good for you with DK's KISS Guide to Wine. You'll learn the basics from what wine to buy, where to buy it, and how to store it, to finding out which glasses, corkscrews, and other wine gadgets are the best to use. Savor and appreciate the basic styles of wine, from soft and fruity to heavy and rich. Enter the new world of high-tech wine production and compare it with the ancient methods. Master the art of tasting wine and discover the best food and wine combinations. The Keep It Simple Series is the new standard in how-to books! Written by leading experts, each book includes full-color photographs and illustrations throughout, making these the first and only truly accessible guides for beginners. The KISS format is designed to help readers build confidence from the start, and learn gradually and thoroughly to the very last page. Much more than introductions to various subjects, these inspiring and innovative books are the ones that readers can trust!

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## Customer Reviews

As a person who appreciates drinking wine I keep looking for books that will help me appreciate it even more. As soon as I started thumbing through this book, I knew I had found a winner. While the book doesn't go into any great depth on the many aspects of wine, it does give the reader a foundation in just about all the topics that make wine drinking enjoyable. In a very short period of time, the reader will know how to select, buy, store, and serve the right wine for the right occasion. It won't make you an expert, but, it will give many of you a way to make a wonderful hobby even more

enjoyable. I highly recommend this book to most people who enjoy drinking wine.

KISS puts out many "Keep it Simple Series" books that cover topics in an easy to understand manner. In this guide, a big-nosed dog helps you through the tasks of understanding and learning about wines. It does its job well! The book begins with the basics - the history of wine, what wine is, and a brief overview of wine and health. Then it moves into section 2 - learning how to taste wine. It talks about the basic moves involved, and then gets into the flavors you will find. It goes into acidity and sweetness, with simple explanations of both. It even goes into what you should NOT taste in a wine, and describes what a 'corked' wine is like. It points out that cork bits floating in your wine do NOT cork it, and that this is perfectly harmless :) Another area tries to explain styles of wine by comparing them to celebrities - from Shirley Temple to Arnold Schwarzenegger. It's an interesting exercise, although not all readers will have seen movies with all of the people mentioned! The book goes in to how to buy wine in stores, how to store it, and how to serve it. It then goes into the main grape varieties, and how each differs from its relatives. And then it gets into the meaty last portion - the region by region reviews. It goes through each - France, Spain, Italy, the US and others - with interesting facts and history, plus recommendations for what to buy and try. It discusses how Chablis should come from France and Port from Portugal, and what to beware. The end area has a glossary of terms, vintage charts and other handy references. While it doesn't give you much information about any one topic, this is a great way for a newcomer to wine to gain a solid grounding!

This is an amazing book on wine that will attempt to drastically improve your knowledge on wine. Incredibly well organized and put together with pictures. Graphically stunning and impeccably written.

Was purchased as a requirement for a class. Very informative and helpful with many aspects of wine. Colorful and interesting.

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