

# the drunken cyclist



*I have three passions: wine, cycling, travel, family, and math.*



## The Random Samples—6/19/2020

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It is time for another edition of “Random Samples”—I occasionally get samples from marketing agencies and/or producers, and these can often be grouped together into some sort of over-arching theme...Other times, I get just a bottle or two that do not have any apparent connection or link. Instead of holding on to those bottles until the “right” combination comes along, I decided to link all these “random” bottles together, making their own category (and, being the math geek that I am, “random sample” has a bit of a double entendre).

### PRIMUS

#### 2017 VERAMONTE CARMÉNÈRE PRIMUS

*Colchagua Valley, Chile*

**Very Good to Excellent. 89-91 Points.**

Yet another wine that claims to be “sustainable” but uses a bottle that weighs close to two pounds. Huh? Really dark in the glass, virtually opaque, with lovely red fruit, green bell pepper, white pepper, and a touch of earth on the nose. Big and fruity on the palate, with considerable heft particularly for a Chilean wine. Paired well with my huge Ribeye, which was still lighter than the bottle.

*Retail \$19. B.A.B.*



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