

Pieropan Soave 2008, \$35

This yardstick unoaked Soave made from 90% Garganega and 10% Trebbiano di Soave from the Veneto region in northeast Italy is as good a version as I can remember with its subtle aromas of apple blossom, almond and white flowers, and palate that is gently textured, refreshing and simply perfect for warm weather.

***Umani Ronchi Villa Bianchi
Verdicchio Classico 2008, \$17***

The Marche, situated on Italy's Adriatic coast is the home to Verdicchio which produces relatively neutral wines (this has a nice touch of fresh pear) that have good acidity and most importantly come to life when accompanied by fresh seafood, whether it be grilled calamari or barbecued white-fleshed fish.

