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FOOD MATCHING

Grilled Striped Bass With Grapefruit

For most people, a successful dinner party requires a solid day of hard labor. But for chef and restaurateur Laurent Tourondel, it can feel like the opposite of work. "I try to keep it simple," he says. What does he recommend for summer entertaining? With this grilled striped bass dish, the main element is indeed treated simply, while the other components—fennel salad and grapefruit emulsion—add complexity. Try it with a rich California Chardonnay, like the wine featured in the Wine Tip below.

[Read the recipe.](#)

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Cody Pickens

WINE

Video: Chardonnay in Cab Country

How do you make excellent Chardonnay in Cabernet country? "Let nature have the steering wheel and stay in the back seat," says John Kongsgaard of Kongsgaard winery. In this video, Kongsgaard discusses how he and his wife, Maggy, have been making top-notch Napa Valley Chardonnay in a Burgundian style for over 40 years. Kongsgaard was one of the many wine all-stars to pour at the 2014 Wine Spectator New York Wine Experience. [Watch the video.](#)

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WINE OF THE WEEK

BODEGAS Y VIÑEDOS MAURODOS Toro Prima 2012 (90 points, \$24)

Wild herb and floral aromas lend an exotic note to this lively red. Red fruit and spice notes follow through on the palate, supported by light, firm tannins and fresh acidity. This has a modest structure, but shows good intensity and a distinctive character. Drink now through 2019. 14,000 cases made. From Spain.—*Thomas Matthews*

Wine Spectator editors have selected this as the best buy of the week.

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