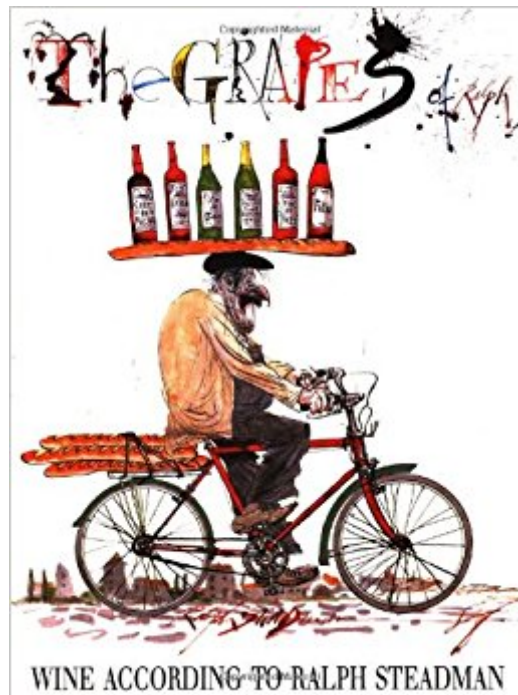




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For the oenophile with a sense of humor: In *The Grapes Of Ralph* (\$35.00; Oct. 1996; 224 pages; ISBN 0-15-100245-2) the wicked cartoonist and illustrator offers a tour of the wine countries of the world and their leading denizens. Accompanying the narrative is Steadman's warped, witty art: Top-hatted Frenchmen inserting their sniffers into wineglasses; German grapes exploding in a

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Book was in excellent condition

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Great book to give as a gift to a Ralph Steadman fan!

A fascinating book, and a great gift for the guy who appreciates Steadman and wine. I included a wire book stand to display book opened to favorite pages...too cool to stay closed on a shelf!

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