CHECKLIST

Your Wine Description Checklist

- [ ] Pour a small measure and let the wine open before smelling
- [ ] Note your first impression without overthinking it
- [ ] Identify fruit character by type and ripeness
- [ ] Look for non-fruit elements: herbs, spices, earth or oak
- [ ] Assess structure: acidity, tannin and body
- [ ] Describe texture and finish after swallowing
- [ ] Write down three specific descriptors immediately
- [ ] Compare the wine to others if a direct term feels elusive