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The title "Tequila Report" is written in a large, elegant, brown cursive font. To the left of the word "Tequila" is a clear glass filled with a golden liquid, presumably tequila.

Tequila is the type of spirit that can really be destroyed when produced incorrectly. Mass production, pesticide use in agave farming, cheap shortcuts and bad agave plants all lead to the tendency to shoot a shot with a lick of salt and wedge of lime. Not here. There is such a thing as an honest to goodness sipping tequila. We went through the trouble of tasting them all for you and found some truly exceptional drinks. No mixing with margarita mix, adding fruit, or wincing as you inhale. Below you have the four most sophisticated (and highly priced) tequilas that we just couldn't get enough of. Salud!



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If you don't know the name Partida, you should. Partida Elegante is a truly world class sipping tequila...a spirit that won the blind taste tests of Mexico and won over our taste buds. Partida Tequila use a combination of great agave farming and cutting edge technology. Instead of using the remains that stay in a brick oven, Partida's stainless steel autoclaves don't pick up any bitter aftertaste or smoke that come with traditional methods, keeping the flavor cleaner. The bottle is designed to be slightly feminine and comes in an understated and decidedly sleek silk lined box. The golden color reminded us of drinking sunshine, and the notes of honey lingered. Gary Shansby, the founder, chairman and CEO of Partida

says "I don't like to be quoted saying it's the best tequila, because I don't like to sound that way, but it does get the highest marks. We like people to just discover us." When unwinding Gary takes a swirl of Partida in a champagne flute, neat. **MSRP \$350**



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