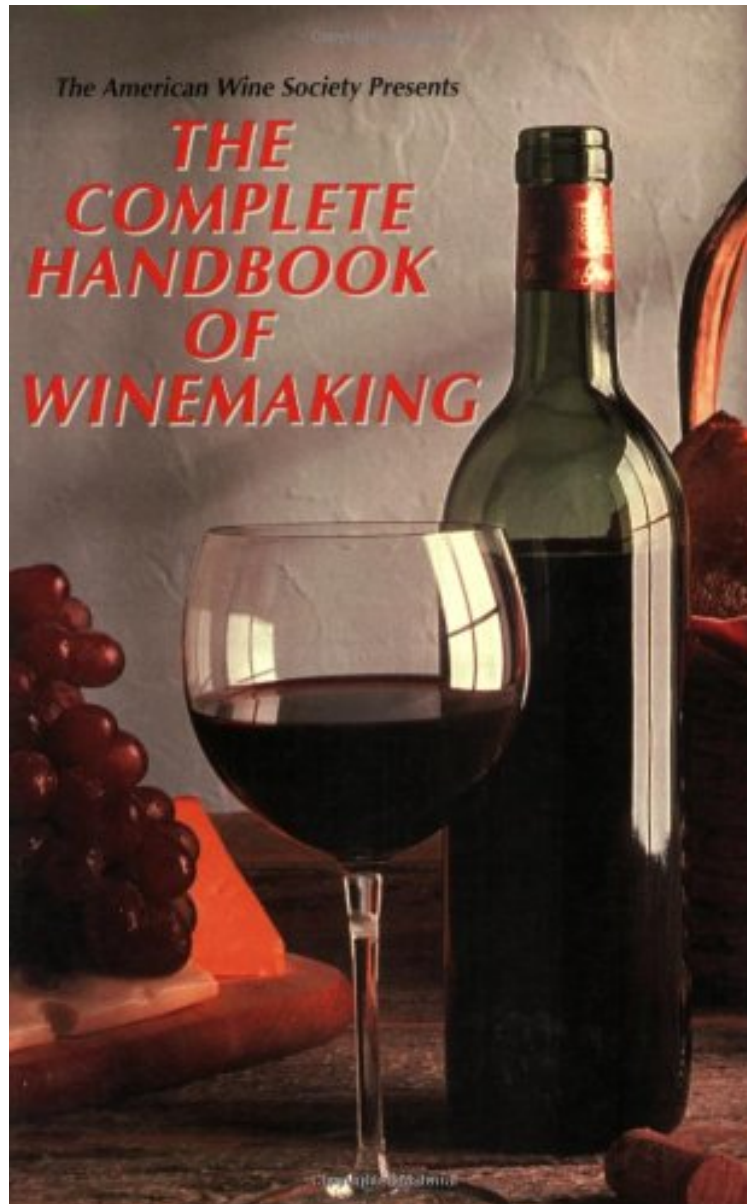


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The American Wine Society was established in 1967 and has grown into a nationwide organization of amateur grape growers, winemakers, and wine aficionados interested in learning more about the history, production, appreciation, and use of wines.