

## Clase Azul Not In Your Budget? Here Are Some Cheaper Alternatives



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Tequila may have been one of those love-or-hate things that almost everyone has a story about, but it's recently been considered with the same sort of seriousness usually reserved for whiskey or scotch. Premium tequila brands can set a buyer back a pretty penny, and take Clase Azul. Bottles start somewhere in the \$130 mark and go up from there, with some bottles heading to the same price bracket as a new car.

### Mijenta Reposado



Tequila is made with agave — that's what makes it tequila, after all — so one of the hallmarks of a really good tequila is that sweet agave flavor. It's one of the reasons we like Mijenta's Reposado: Not only can you pick up a bottle for around \$75, but that bottle is going to last a while. Why? You're going to want to sip it and savor it on those days when you're in the mood for something wonderfully sweet.

That sweetness comes from the agave, which is front and center in this bottle. Add in notes of honey, toffee, and orange, and while sure, it'll make for a **great tequila sunrise**, you don't really need to mix this one with anything at all.

Mijenta has won a slew of awards for this version of its tequila, which was made with an eye toward creating the perfect sipping or on-the-rocks tequila. It's flavorful but not overwhelming, incredibly smooth, and great for those who aren't super familiar with tequila. We love it for newcomers because it's a great example of that agave flavor that you have to experience to really understand, but you're not going to be making that cringey tequila-face with this one. Be honest: You know which face.