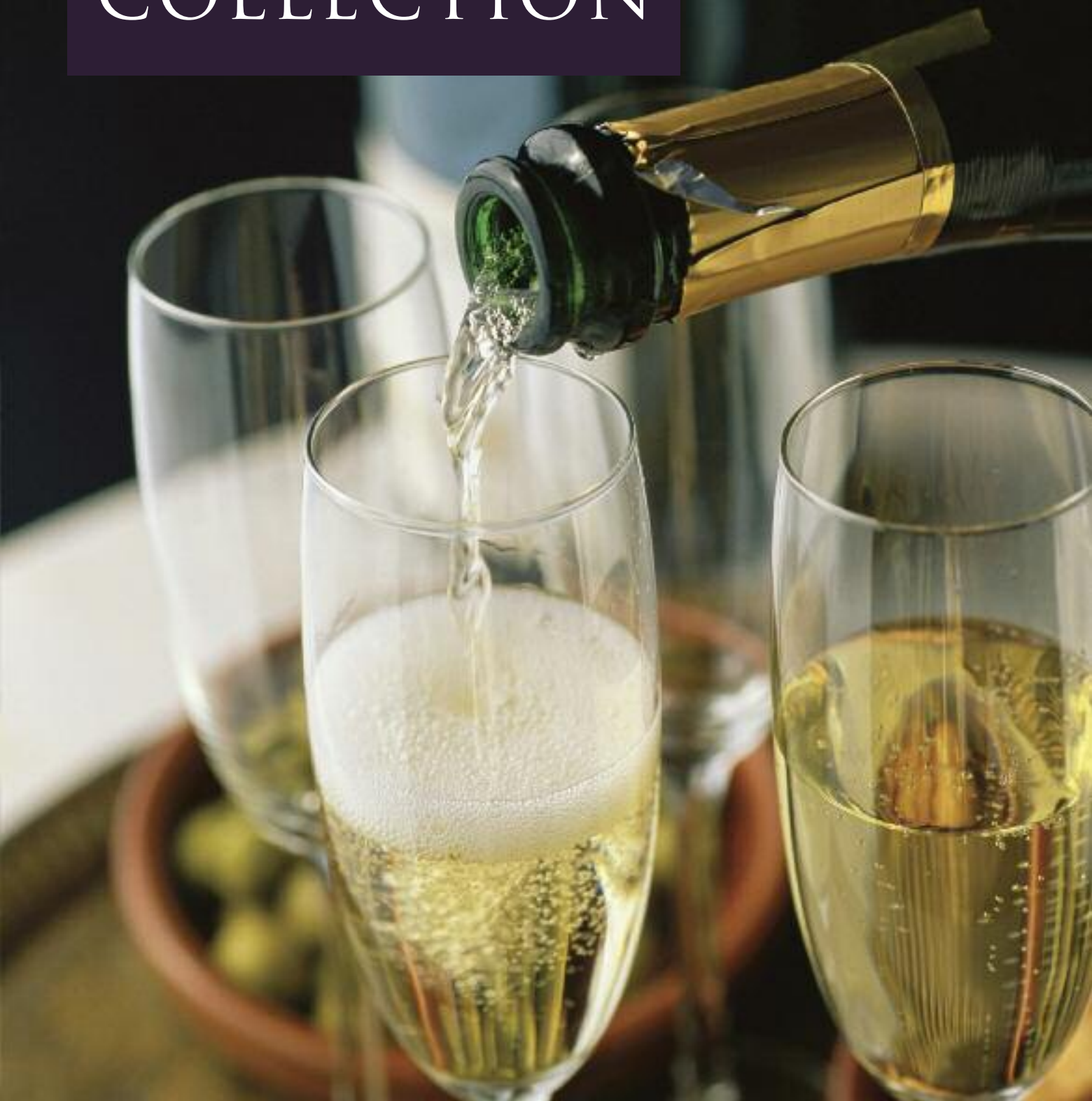


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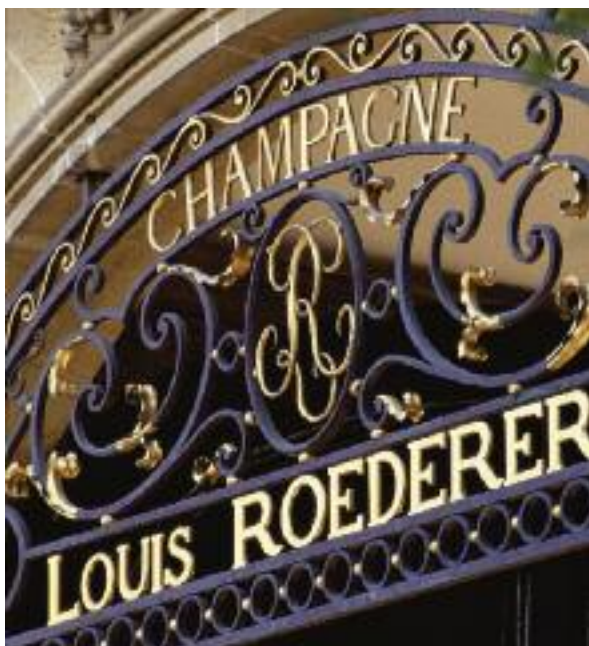
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The **VINTAGES Classics Collection** offers the highest quality in fine wines and premium spirits from the best producers and regions in the world. For each edition, VINTAGES' buyers seek out products that meet our rigorous standards of excellence. Be they Grand Crus from Burgundy or stellar vintages from the top châteaux of Bordeaux, Italian masterpieces or the biggest and boldest wines of California and Australia, you will find variety, quality and excellence in the Classics Collection.

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We raise a glass to the world's most famous wine style in our spotlight on Champagne. Our feature includes more than twenty exceptional Champagnes in a range of styles, including mature vintage bottlings and luxury cuvées from top houses.

The selection from Bordeaux is not to be missed, with over half a dozen vintages represented and including top growths from the recently arrived 2008. Burgundy fans can peruse an equally impressive lineup, with a focus on 1^{er} and Grand Crus from 2008 – including a selection of wines from Domaine Romanée-Conti, and Canadian-born Pascal Marchand – and an early look at the promising white wines of 2009. Big names from the Rhône, Piedmont, Tuscany and Spain round out an altogether star-studded European collection.

From the New World, premium wines from iconic producers in Argentina and Australia join a spectacularly diverse assortment of the best wines of California. Local wine lovers will not be disappointed, as we've included a handful of gems from right here in Ontario.

Those seeking fascinating mature wines need look no further than bottlings of Rivesaltes and Banyuls from 1945 and '51 respectively, as well as a '63 Vintage Port from Delaforce.

For the spirit connoisseur, this edition includes Armagnac from 1971 and '81, a 25-year-old Cognac, and Single Malt Scotch aged 25, 30 and 40 years.

VINTAGES invites you to discover all this and more as you explore the outstanding wines and spirits in our latest Classics Collection.

ABOVE: An ornate wrought-iron sign marks the entrance to iconic Champagne house Louis Roederer in Reims, France.

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CHATEAU DE BEAUCOURT
Cuvée d'Exception
Château de Beaucourt

Hand-riddling in the Veuve Clicquot cellars. OPPOSITE: Roederer's orderly, extensive vineyards.



CHAMPAGNE

CELEBRATING THE WORLD'S MOST FAMOUS WINE

Victorians called it 'fizz'; the Edwardians, 'bubbly.' Since its beginnings in the high society of 18th-century London, St. Petersburg, Versailles and Paris, Champagne has been synonymous with celebration, romance, taste and style.

The origins of the most legendary of all wine styles is, perhaps inevitably, legendary:

In the late 1600s, a Benedictine monk by the name of Dom Pérignon discovered the naturally occurring bubbles of Champagne by chance and harnessed the process. Having mastered the blending of still wines of Champagne and gained an intimate knowledge of the local terroirs, Pérignon applied his talent to blending sparkling wines, marrying the flavours of distinct vineyards to create wines of great character and consistency.

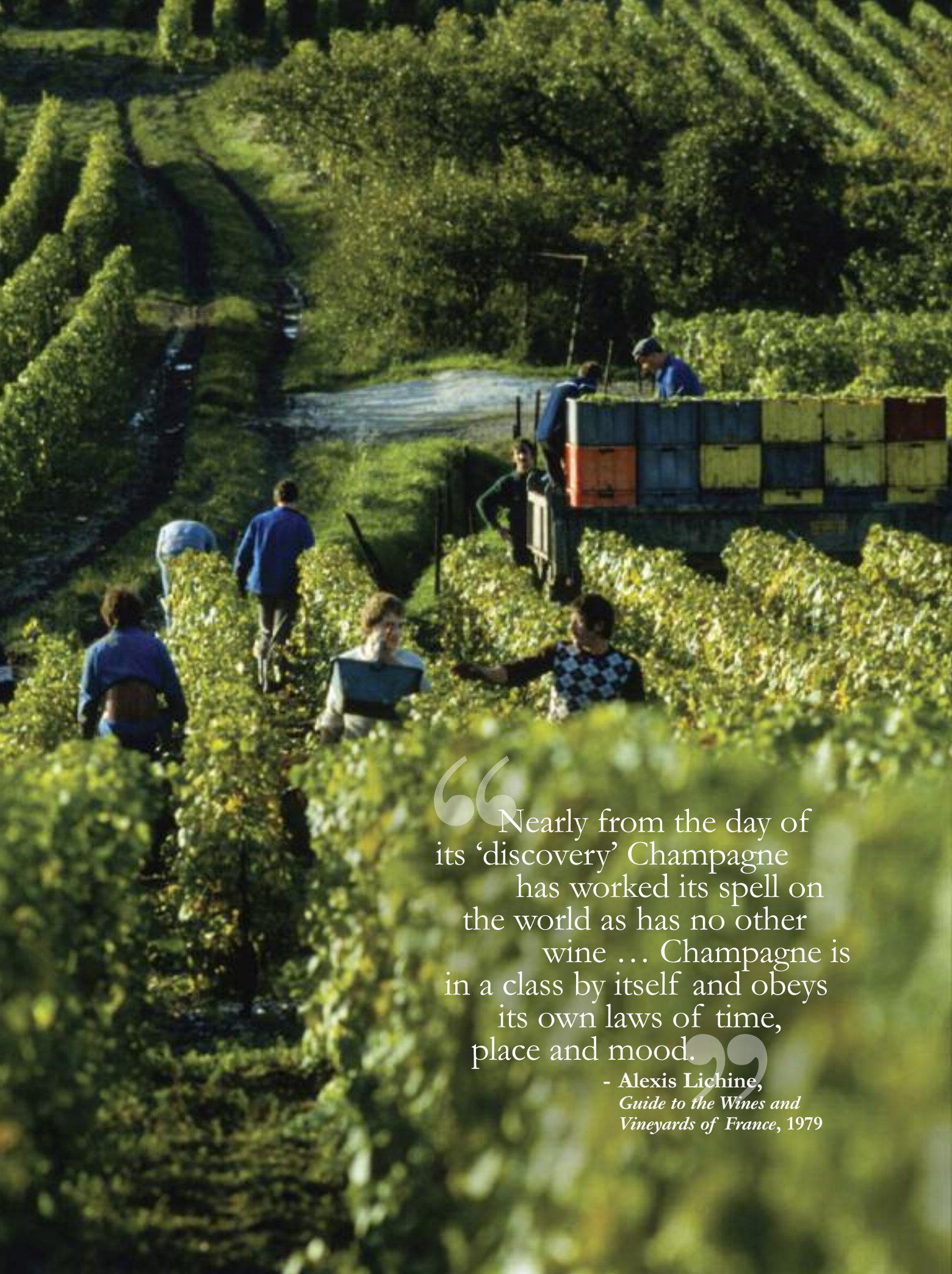
Champagne has long been as much a product of human innovation and skill as a reflection of the place it was grown. Modern-day Champagne sits at the zenith of the wine world in its mastery of blending, while at the same time there has been a resurgence in the appreciation of Champagne reflective of time and place. As the Champenois have continued to hone their craft, many top producers have expanded their repertoire of wines that highlight the character of specific vineyards and particularly strong vintages.

Several premium vintage Champagnes are included in our collection, representing a span of over 20 years, from the '85 Krug to '06 Rosé from Deutz and Roederer.

Finely made Champagne is capable of incredible longevity, and we have collected several mature Champagnes and rare library releases, including bottlings that pay homage to the Dom. Of special note is the Krug Clos d'Ambonnay '95, one of the most magnificent achievements in Champagne in recent memory. From iconic luxury cuvées to younger wines from top growers, Blanc de Blancs to Brut Rosé, there's something here to excite and inspire every Champagne connoisseur.

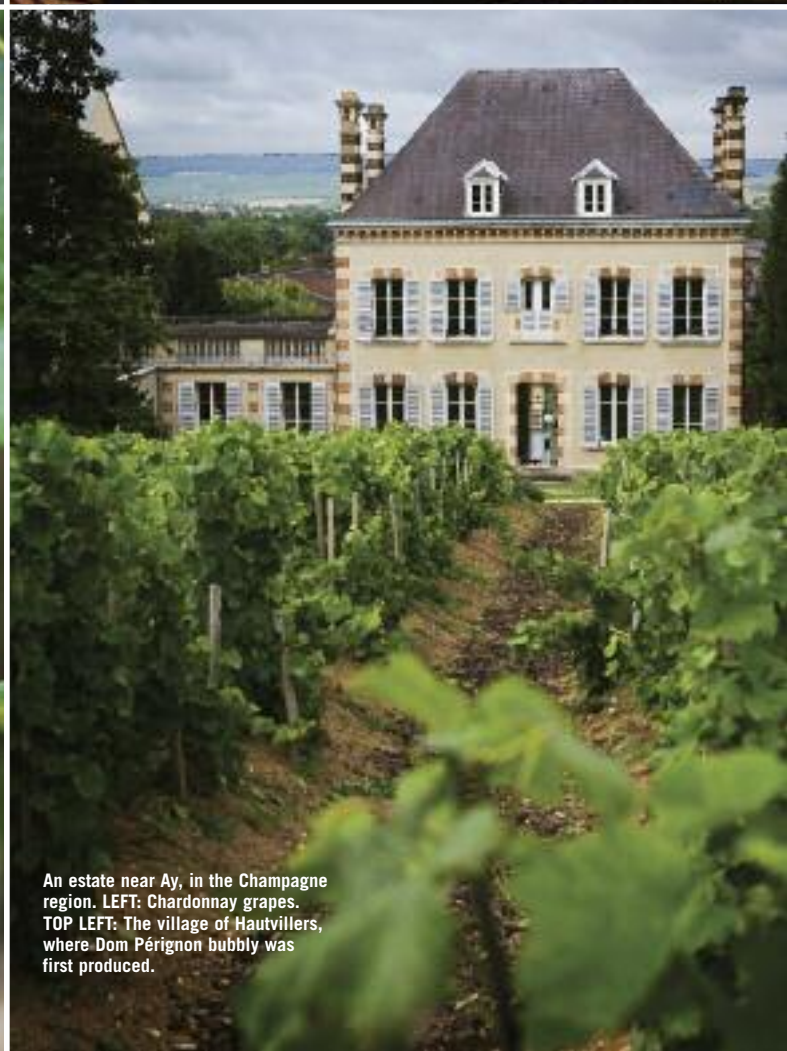


Picking Chardonnay grapes for Champagne in Krug's Reims vineyard. ABOVE, LEFT: A statue of Champagne pioneer Dom Pérignon dominates the courtyard of Moët & Chandon in Épernay, France.



“ Nearly from the day of its ‘discovery’ Champagne has worked its spell on the world as has no other wine ... Champagne is in a class by itself and obeys its own laws of time, place and mood. ”

- Alexis Lichine,
Guide to the Wines and Vineyards of France, 1979



An estate near Ay, in the Champagne region. LEFT: Chardonnay grapes. TOP LEFT: The village of Hautvillers, where Dom Pérignon bubbly was first produced.

FEATURE PRODUCTS

FRANCE – CHAMPAGNE

**JEAN MILAN GRAND CRU
BLANC DE BLANCS
BRUT SPÉCIAL CHAMPAGNE**

AC, Oger

TASTING NOTE: Candied berry, peach, floral and mineral aromas and flavors highlight this creamy, vibrant Champagne, which is very harmonious, with a refreshing finish of lemon and ginger. Drink now through 2013. Score: **92** (Bruce Sanderson, *wine-spectator.com*, Nov. 15, 2010)

143602 [XD] 750 mL \$54

KRUG BRUT ROSÉ CHAMPAGNE

AC, With Gift Box

TASTING NOTE: Offers plenty of fruit including raspberry and black currant, with hints of orange – but also notes of ginger, sweet baking spices and toast. This is complex and beautifully balanced, with a long, fresh and expansive aftertaste. Drink now through 2013. Score: **95** (Bruce Sanderson, *winespectator.com*, Dec. 15, 2010)

38703 [XD] 750 mL \$409

**RENÉ GEOFFROY PREMIER
CRU BRUT ROSÉ DE SAIGNÉE
CHAMPAGNE**

AC, Récoltant-Manipulant

TASTING NOTE: The NV Brut Rose de Saignee Premier Cru, tasted from magnum, is cool, mineral and reserved, with tons of power to burn. This really needs another 6-12 months on the cork to recover from its relatively recent disgorgement, but is a jewel of a wine. The current release of the Rose de Saignee Premier Cru is 100% 2008 juice, although the wine can't be labeled as such since it didn't spend the required three years on its lees. No matter, the wine shows tons of 2008 vintage character along with a compelling, irresistible personality. Disgorged March, 2010. Anticipated maturity: 2010-2020 [the 750 mL bottling will mature earlier]. Score: **94** (Antonio Galloni, *erobertparker.com*, Dec. 2010)

245878 [D] 750 mL \$59

**ROGER POUILLON & FILS
FLEUR DE MAREUIL
PREMIER CRU BRUT CHAMPAGNE**

AC

Bruce Sanderson of *Wine Spectator* reviewed this Champagne in 2006, awarding it **94** points.

TASTING NOTE: 50% Pinot Noir / 50% Chardonnay from Mareuil sur Ay. Fancy bottle and label. Really rather opulent nose that explodes with fruit and exotic flowers. Very broad and winning. Great balance. Why can't more champagne provide this sort of intellectual and sensory pleasure? So beautifully balanced! This would make a great partner for some pretty serious fish dish. Drink 2008-2012. Score: **18.5** (out of 20) (Jancis Robinson, MW, *jancis-robinson.com*, Oct. 6, 2009)

112912 [XD] 750 mL \$72

**DEUTZ BRUT ROSÉ CHAMPAGNE
2006**

AC

Though Galloni has cited the specific lot number of the bottle he tasted, his review will also hold true for other lots of this vintage Brut Rosé.

TASTING NOTE: The 2006 Brut Rose is a gorgeous wine endowed with an expressive bouquet suggestive of roses, spices, minerals and crushed berries. It possesses wonderful richness, depth and clarity in a cool, beguiling style. The Brut Rose can be enjoyed today, although I am curious to see how it develops in the coming years. It is a huge over-achiever in its price range. The 2006 Brut Rose is mostly Pinot Noir, of which 8% is still wine, plus a dash of Chardonnay, from the villages of Ay, Mareuil-sur-Ay, Bouzy, Verzenay and Ambonnay. It is a serious rose from Deutz. This is Lot: LR110D08810, disgorged March 29, 2010. Anticipated maturity: 2014-2026. Score: **92+** (Antonio Galloni, *erobertparker.com*, Dec. 2010)

167734 [XD] 750 mL \$79



FEATURE PRODUCTS

FRANCE – CHAMPAGNE

LOUIS ROEDERER BRUT ROSÉ CHAMPAGNE 2006

AC, With Gift Box

Cellar master Jean-Baptiste Lécaillon has crafted another exceptional Brut Rosé, this one from the atypical 2006 vintage in Champagne, where record-setting heat in July was followed by a long and cool autumn. The blend here is 66% Pinot Noir and 34% Chardonnay, with the finesse and elegance of the Pinot woven beautifully with the rich texture and flavours of the Chardonnay. Notes of ripe strawberry, peach and citrus commingle here with minerality, wisps of floral, and a touch of gingerbread that's characteristic of Roederer's rosé bubbly. Matured 4 years in cellar followed by 6 months in bottle after disgorgement, this newly released wine will provide pleasure over the next 15-20 years.

368415 [XD] 750 mL \$85

DEUTZ BRUT CHAMPAGNE 2005

AC

TASTING NOTE: The 2005 Brut opens with a wonderfully expressive, sweet bouquet that melds into an expressive core of fruit. The wine possesses a crystalline purity I find especially appealing, along with pretty notes of mint, minerals and red berries that linger on the close. This bottle was disgorged on April 22, 2009. Anticipated maturity: 2011-2021. Score: **91** (Antonio Galloni, *erobertparker.com*, Dec. 2009)

167486 [XD] 750 mL \$69

CRISTAL BRUT ROSÉ CHAMPAGNE 2004

AC, With Gift Box

(Louis Roederer)

TASTING NOTE: The 2004 Cristal Rose, from magnum, is less expressive than the Cristal. Today it is too soon to tell how much of that may be attributable to the larger format. The 2004 Cristal Rose is 70% Pinot from Ay and 30% Chardonnay from Avize. This remains a very tight, mineral-driven Cristal Rose that will require significant bottle age. A final burst of floral red berries on the finish bodes well for the future. Today I prefer the Cristal over the Cristal Rose, but time will ultimately tell how these wines develop. I recently tasted the 1996s and it is now appears the Rose has moved ahead, if very slightly, from the Cristal. The 2004 Cristal Rose was disgorged in December 2009 and dosage was 9 grams per liter.

Score: **94** (Antonio Galloni, *erobertparker.com*, Sept. 2010)

352716 [XD] 750 mL \$649

**NICOLAS MAILLART LES CHAILLOTS GILLIES PREMIER CRU BLANC DE BLANCS EXTRA BRUT CHAMPAGNE 2004**

AC, With Gift Box

TASTING NOTE: A pure, elegant and restrained nose speaks of rose petal, citrus rind and a hint of sandalwood, all of which complement beautifully the detailed, wispy and lacy flavors that are all about delicacy and finesse. This is an extremely fine Extra Brut (many are almost coarse) with effervescence to match, all wrapped in a lightly yeasty but impressively intense and persistent finish. A wonderful effort that could be drunk now with pleasure but will age gracefully for years. I stress however that this is the extreme opposite of the bigger and fuller-flavored examples and will most please those who admire an understated and ultra pure style because this is so delicate that it would be easy to miss the beauty within. Drink: 2012+. Score: **92** (Allen Meadows, *burghound.com*, Jan. 30, 2010)

244111 [XD] 750 mL \$85

BESSERAT DE BELLEFON CUVÉE DES MOINES BRUT CHAMPAGNE 2002

AC

TASTING NOTE: A rich, mineral Champagne, with honeyed flavors of ripe pear, apple and quince mixed with layers of coffee, toast and vanilla. This shows lovely balance and integration of the subtle texture and intense acidity, culminating in a lingering finish of smoke and roasted nuts. Drink now through 2022. Score: **92** (Alison Napjus, *winespectator.com*, Dec. 15, 2010)

240077 [D] 750 mL \$79

**DOM PÉRIGNON BRUT
CHAMPAGNE 2002**

AC

TASTING NOTE: The 2002 Dom Perignon is at first intensely floral, with perfumed jasmine that dominates the bouquet. With time in the glass the wine gains richness as the flavors turn decidedly riper and almost tropical. Apricots, passion fruit and peaches emerge from this flashy, opulent Dom Perignon. The wine's volume makes it approachable today, but readers in search of more complexity will want to cellar this for at least a few years to allow for some of the baby fat to drop off. Geoffroy describes the vintage as very ripe and adds that some of the Chardonnay showed the ill-effects of the hot growing season in the somewhat burned, dehydrated fruit that came in that year. This bottle was disgorged in July, 2009. Anticipated maturity: 2012-2032 [the magnum bottling will evolve more slowly]. Score: **96** (Antonio Galloni, *erobertparker.com*, Dec. 2010)

461145 [XD] 1500 mL \$589

**POL ROGER BRUT CHAMPAGNE
2000**

AC, With Gift Box

TASTING NOTE: A serious, considered wine with its full, ripe and soft flavors tempered with a complex structure. It will not age as impressively as other Pol Roger vintages, and already the yeast and toast element is creeping in. But the weight of Pinot Noir is there, leaving a powerful, creamy mousse finish. Score: **94** (Roger Voss, *Wine Enthusiast*, Dec. 2009)

989137 [XD] 750 mL \$85
235630 [XD] 1500 mL \$175**POL ROGER CUVÉE SIR WINSTON
CHURCHILL BRUT CHAMPAGNE
1999**

AC, With Gift Box

TASTING NOTE: The 1999 Brut Cuvee Sir Winston Churchill, from magnum, is wonderfully rich and expansive, proving yet again just how well suited the big bottle is to Champagne. Smoke, peaches, mint and flowers are just some of the nuances that flow from this textured kaleidoscopic Champagne. The wine continues to gain focus and breadth through to the enticing, brilliant finish. Disgorged July, 2009. Anticipated maturity: 2010-2030 [the 750 mL bottling will mature earlier]. Score: **94** (Antonio Galloni, *erobertparker.com*, Dec. 2010)

958678 [XD] 750 mL \$199

**DOM PÉRIGNON BRUT ROSÉ
CHAMPAGNE 2000**

AC

TASTING NOTE: ... endless red berries, flowers and spices, all backed up with plenty of muscle, richness and density. The wine continues to blossom on the palate, with utterly beguiling detail, clarity and polish, all qualities that resonate on the rich, expansive finish. The 2000 Dom Perignon Rose is 45% Chardonnay and 55% Pinot Noir, of which 25% is still Pinot. (Geoffroy says his goal was to make a statement with the 2000 Dom Perignon Rose; he has done that – and so much more ... simply marvelous. I loved it.) This bottle was disgorged in 2008. Anticipated maturity: 2010-2025. Score: **96** (Antonio Galloni, *erobertparker.com*, Dec. 2010)

91777 [XD] 750 mL \$449

**KRUG BRUT CHAMPAGNE 1998
AC**

TASTING NOTE: Shows gorgeous lemon, peach, toast, leather and spice aromas. The attack is rich and forceful, backed by a racy structure that keeps this pure and drives the finish. Perhaps not as expansive on the aftertaste to match the attack, but long nonetheless, with spice and mineral notes lingering. Still needs time. Best from 2012 through 2035. Score: **96** (Bruce Sanderson, *winespectator.com*, Dec. 15, 2009)

68395 [XD] 750 mL \$325

**KRUG CLOS DU MESNIL
BLANC DE BLANCS
BRUT CHAMPAGNE 1998**

AC

TASTING NOTE: A wine that has created its own universe. It has a unique, special softness that allies with the total purity that comes from a small, enclosed single vineyard. The fruit is almost irrelevant here, because it comes as part of a much deeper complexity. This is a great wine, at the summit of Champagne, a sublime, unforgettable experience. Score: **100** (Roger Voss, *Wine Enthusiast*, Dec. 2010)

38711 [XD] 750 mL \$1,095



FEATURE PRODUCTS

FRANCE – CHAMPAGNE

**VEUVE CLICQUOT PONSARDIN
LA GRANDE DAME
BRUT CHAMPAGNE 1998**

AC, With Gift Box

TASTING NOTE: There's plenty of finesse in this sleek Champagne, along with an airy texture and loads of grip. Graphite, lemon, toast and mineral aromas and flavors prevail, and this takes on a chalky edge on the lingering aftertaste. Best from 2010 through 2028. Score: **92** (Bruce Sanderson, *winespectator.com*, Dec. 31, 2008)

38802 [XD] 750 mL \$245

**DOM PÉRIGNON OENOTHÈQUE
BRUT CHAMPAGNE 1995**

AC, With Gift Box

TASTING NOTE: The 1995 Dom Pérignon Oenotheque is the second release of this wine, and was disgorged in 2005. This silky-textured Champagne reveals breathtaking finesse, elegance and clarity in its perfumed bouquet, with delicate notes of pears and roasted nuts that add further complexity. The finish goes on and on. This mind-bending, kaleidoscopic Champagne possesses all of the qualities of profoundness, most importantly the ability to develop beautifully in the glass and the potential to acquire even more depth in bottle over the coming years. 1995 was a hot vintage, but this wine remains remarkably fresh. Simply put, the 1995 Oenotheque is a stunner. Anticipated maturity: 2009-2029. Score: **96** (Antonio Galloni, *erobertparker.com*, March 2009)

92999 [XD] 750 mL \$469

**FLEURY EXTRA BRUT
CHAMPAGNE 1995**

AC

Wine & Spirits awarded this Fleury Champagne a score of **95** (Joshua Greene, *wineandspirits-magazine.com*, Dec. 2010).

TASTING NOTE: Fresh acidity finds fine integration in this gracefully aging Champagne, supporting creamy flavors of buttered brioche and toasted almond, with a touch of truffle and a pretty dried floral note. Elegant, with refined texture and a lingering, nut-tinged finish. Drink now through 2020. Score: **93** (Alison Napjus, *winespectator.com*, June 15, 2011)

240051 [XD] 750 mL \$75

**KRUG CLOS D'AMBONNAY
BLANC DE NOIRS
BRUT CHAMPAGNE 1995**

AC

TASTING NOTE: The 1995 Brut Blanc de Noirs Clos d'Ambonnay is simply profound from the very first sip. All of the classic Krug elements are there; the signature bouquet, the finesse of the best Clos du Mesnils, but with the broader shoulders of Pinot from Ambonnay. The fruit is intricately layered in sublime, graceful notes of mineral-infused, perfumed berries that linger on the eternal finish. Totally rich and seductive, the 1995 Clos d'Ambonnay is a wine that will stimulate the intellectual and hedonistic senses to the maximum. In a word, it is divine. The 1995 Clos d'Ambonnay is hard to resist today, but it should continue to develop positively in bottle for a number of years ... No disgorgement date provided. Anticipated maturity: 2010-2020. Score: **98** (Antonio Galloni, *erobertparker.com*, Dec. 2009)

91827 [XD] 750 mL \$4,495

**VEUVE CLICQUOT PONSARDIN
LA GRANDE DAME
BRUT CHAMPAGNE 1995**

AC

Robert Parker Jr. awarded this wine a score of **92** points in 2002, though no tasting note was given.

TASTING NOTE: A very pale, fine lemon-gold hue dotted with a very sparse but moderate sized bead. There is certainly some complexity and apparent maturity on the nose, nutty and a little mushroomy, although with a little confectioned, boiled sweet character in the background but it is a very minor component. The palate, however, is quite fine, with a vibrantly crisp mousse carrying along a lot of full, creamily mature autolytic flavours. There is a lot of rich, leesy character to it, quite a forceful flavour in fact, with a sappy, lingering acidity. Quite firm despite the maturing character and it would continue to do well in the cellar. Score: **17+** (out of 20) (Chris Kissack, *thewinedoctor.com*, Aug. 2007)

239764 [D] 1500 mL \$649

**KRUG COLLECTION BRUT
CHAMPAGNE 1985**

AC

TASTING NOTE: A full-bodied, muscular Champagne, still very fresh and complex. Hints at mushroom and sous-bois, spice and leather, with biscuit, coffee and citrus elements. The firm structure comes though on the finish, which remains fresh and smoky for minutes. Though this is rich, there's an austerity as well. Drink now through 2028. Score: **96** (Bruce Sanderson, *winespectator.com*, Nov. 30, 2008)

38687 [XD] 750 mL \$1,195

In keeping with time-honoured tradition, a winemaker at Pol Roger examines sediment by candlelight.



FRANCE – BORDEAUX

RED WINE

ALTER EGO 2008

AC Margaux,
2nd Wine of Château Palmer
TASTING NOTE: This is a step up, with a level of glycerin that sets it apart from the pack, showing ripe, mouthfilling plum, fig and blackberry fruit laid over a nice graphite spine. Sweet tobacco and violet notes fill in on the lengthy finish. Drink now through 2016. Score: **90** (James Molesworth, *winespectator.com*, Mar. 31, 2011)

187286 [XD] 750 mL \$69



CHÂTEAU BELLEVUE MONDOTTE 2008

AC Saint-Émilion Grand Cru
TASTING NOTE: An extraordinary effort in this vintage, this 2008 was made from lower yields than the 2010 (the 2008's equaled 20 hectoliters per hectare) and is a blend of 90% Merlot and equal parts Cabernet Franc and Cabernet Sauvignon that came in at 14% natural alcohol. Michel Rolland has been the consultant for all the Perse estates since their acquisition, and the 2008's fruit was harvested very late, October 20. The result is a backward, dense purple-colored wine revealing a crushed rock-like liqueur along with highly extracted, massive flavors of black currants, sweet cherries, licorice and toast. This full-bodied effort requires 5-6 years of bottle age and should last for 25-30 years. Score: **95+** (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, May 2011)

187245 [XD] 750 mL \$369

CHÂTEAU CHEVAL BLANC 2008

AC Saint-Émilion,
1^{er} Grand Cru Classé (A)
TASTING NOTE: The 2008 Cheval Blanc (55% Merlot and 45% Cabernet Franc) is a winner from this underrated, classic vintage. Notes of forest floor, Asian plum sauce, black currants, sweet cherries and spice are followed by a medium to full-bodied wine with deep fruit, admirable purity, and a long, textured finish. There is not a hard edge to this wine, and in all likelihood, it can be drunk now or cellared for two decades. Score: **93** (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, May 2011)

185223 [XD] 750 mL \$749

CHÂTEAU CLOS DE SARPE 2008

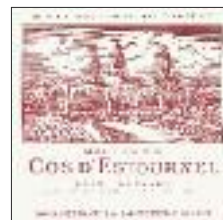
AC Saint-Émilion Grand Cru
TASTING NOTE: A brilliant effort for this vintage, yields were a mere 10 hectoliters per hectare in 2008 and the result is only 8,000 bottles produced. Opulent, fleshy and full-bodied, this wine has reigned in the excruciatingly high level of tannins, but the 15% alcohol gives it loads of glycerin as well as a chewy mouth-feel. Inky/purple-colored and super-concentrated with relatively civilized tannins, this stunning 2008 should be accessible in 3-5 years (atypical for Clos de Sarpe) and drink well for 30+. Score: **95** (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, May 2011)

137844 [XD] 750 mL \$119

CHÂTEAU COS D'ESTOURNEL 2008

AC Saint-Estèphe, 2^e Cru
TASTING NOTE: Closed but promising, this is a classic Cos revealing lots of tannin along with damp earth, black currant, sweet black cherry, graphite, licorice and truffle characteristics. This medium to full-bodied, structured, firm, broodingly backward, impenetrable effort demands 5-6 years of bottle age; it should drink well for 20-25 years. Score: **92+** (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, May 2011)

136606 [XD] 750 mL \$179



**CHÂTEAU DUCRU-BEAUCAILLOU
2008**AC Saint-Julien, 2^e Cru

TASTING NOTE: One of the stars of the vintage, and a remarkable achievement in 2008, with impressive richness, this dense purple colored wine is almost as opaque as the 2010. Spring flowers, crushed rocks, creme de cassis and some subtle oak are followed by a full-bodied, concentrated wine that transcends the vintage character in its power, richness, and aging potential. It also exhibits tremendous precision, purity, and depth of character. It is more forward than the 2010 is likely to be, but probably not as sumptuous as the 2009 will turn out to be. This is a wine to buy. Anticipated maturity: 2016-2035. Score: **95+** (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, May 2011)

187815 [XD] 750 mL \$169

**CHÂTEAU HAUT BRION 2008**AC Pessac-Léognan, 1^{er} Cru

TASTING NOTE: This is profound! 2008 Haut-Brion: The extraordinary 2008 Haut-Brion is a candidate for wine of the vintage. Composed of 50% Cabernet Sauvignon, 41% Merlot and 9% Cabernet Franc, it reveals more evolution and complexity in its large-scaled perfume. The dense purple color is followed by a sweet nose of creosote, asphalt, blueberries, black currants and jammy raspberries, sweet tannins, a savory, fleshy mouthfeel and a stunning finish. This incredibly pure, noble wine was produced from one of the estate's smallest crops (only 7,000 cases produced versus the usual 12,000 cases). It should drink well for three decades or more. Score: **96** (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, May 2011)

154773 [XD] 750 mL \$565

**CHÂTEAU HAUT-BAILLY 2008**

AC Pessac-Léognan, Cru Classé

TASTING NOTE: A candidate for the wine of the vintage, the 2008 Haut-Bailly possesses incredible complexity. Tell-tale notes of lead pencil shavings, charcoal, damp earth, black cherries and black currants intermixed with a hint of subtle barbecue smoke are present in this classic, quintessential Graves. Medium-bodied with an emerging, precocious complexity, it is a super-pure, beautifully textured, long wine that can be drunk now or cellared for 20-25 years. Bravo! Score: **96** (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, May 2011)

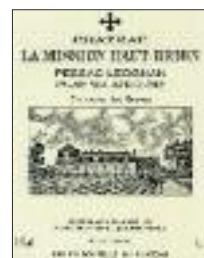
137075 [XD] 750 mL \$99

**CHÂTEAU LA MISSION
HAUT-BRION 2008**

AC Pessac-Léognan, Cru Classé

TASTING NOTE: This glorious offering possesses sweet tobacco leaf, black currant, mocha, white chocolate, scorched earth and burning ember-like characteristics. Full-bodied, stunningly rich and exceptionally well-endowed, this blend of 51% Cabernet Sauvignon, 43% Merlot and 6% Cabernet Franc demands 2-3 years of additional bottle age. It should age gracefully for 35-40 years. Score: **94** (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, May 2011)

134031 [XD] 750 mL \$299



FRANCE – BORDEAUX

RED WINE

CHÂTEAU LAFITE ROTHSCHILD 2008

AC Pauillac, 1^{er} Cru

TASTING NOTE: A candidate for the wine of the vintage, the 2008 should have been purchased before it began to soar in value because of the significance of the number 8 in the Chinese culture (denoting good luck). Representing 40% of the production, this blend of 83% Cabernet Sauvignon, 13% Merlot and 4% Cabernet Franc offers aromas of high quality unsmoked cigar tobacco, lead pencil shavings, creme de cassis, earth, cedar and asphalt. Full, rich and stunningly concentrated, I doubt it is inferior to the 2010, just more classic as well as slightly more forward and a degree weaker in alcoholic potency (12.5% versus 13.5%). The 2008 should be relatively drinkable in 6-10 years as it is already showing remarkable complexity and breed, and will last for 30-35 years...at the minimum.

Score: **98** (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, May 2011)

154781 [XD] 750 mL \$895



CHÂTEAU MARGAUX 2008

AC Margaux, 1^{er} Cru

TASTING NOTE: This is a stunning Chateau Margaux, made in a sexy, up-front, elegant style, with deep creme de cassis fruit intermixed with spring flowers, a solid inner core of richness and depth, but again, very sweet tannins as well as striking minerality and elegance. One of the most seductive Chateau Margaux given its recent bottling, this blend of 87% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Merlot, and the rest tiny quantities of Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot should drink beautifully for the next 25-30 years. Remarkably, a mere 36% of the entire production was selected for the 2008 Chateau Margaux. Score: **94** (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, May 2011)

141614 [XD] 750 mL \$795



CHÂTEAU MONTROSE 2008

AC Saint-Estèphe, 2^e Cru

TASTING NOTE: One of the super-stars of the vintage, this classic Montrose is not as showy or opulent as the 2010, 2009 or 2003, but it offers a dense purple color followed by gorgeously sweet black raspberry and black currant fruit intermixed with loamy, earthy, forest floor notes, a floral component and a long, full-bodied finish. The 2008 was fashioned from yields of 44 hectoliters per hectare which is slightly less than the 2010's 45 hectoliters per hectare. Forget it for 5-8 years and drink it over the following 20+. Score: **95** (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, May 2011)

137240 [XD] 750 mL \$129

CHÂTEAU MOUTON-ROTHSCHILD 2008

AC Pauillac, 1^{er} Cru

TASTING NOTE: The final blend of 83% Cabernet Sauvignon and 17% Merlot exhibits tell-tale black currant liqueur, incense, charcoal and floral-like characteristics. The oak is pushed to the background, one of the major improvements director Philippe Dalhuin has made at this estate. Full-bodied, deep and impressively endowed, it is a deep, rich, less massive effort than either the 2010 or 2009. This gorgeous Mouton will be drinkable in 4-5 years and age effortlessly for three decades. Score: **94+** (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, May 2011)

186270 [XD] 750 mL \$695

CHÂTEAU RAUZAN-SÉGLA 2008AC Margaux, 2^e Cru

TASTING NOTE: The 2008 Rauzan-Ségla (62% Cabernet Sauvignon and 38% Merlot) was made from 45% of the production. It is a beautiful wine in this vintage, not nearly as powerful and structured as the 2010, but it has complex notes of sweet red and black fruits, unsmoked cigar tobacco, spice box and a hint of very subtle wood. The complex perfume is followed by a dark ruby/plum-colored wine with beautifully sweet tannins, a silky, medium to full-bodied mouthfeel, and a long finish. This outstanding Margaux should drink nicely for 15-20 years. Score: **90+** (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, May 2011)

136671 [XD] 750 mL \$105

**CHÂTEAU TROPLONG MONDOT 2008**

AC Saint-Émilion, Grand Cru Classé

TASTING NOTE: A wine of the vintage candidate in 2008, Troplong Mondot's offering was produced from yields of 41 hectoliters per hectare and achieved 14.5% natural alcohol. A classic blend of 90% Merlot and 10% Cabernet Sauvignon and Cabernet Franc, it offers copious quantities of blue and black fruits, a full-bodied opulence, sweet tannin and a fabulous texture as well as finish. Already drinking beautifully, it will be even better in 2-5 years and should last for 20 years. A great effort for the vintage, it couldn't happen to a more deserving proprietor, Christine Valette. Bravo! Score: **96** (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, May 2011)

137448 [XD] 750 mL \$119

**DOMAINE DE CHEVALIER 2008**

AC Pessac-Léognan, Cru Classé

TASTING NOTE: Dense, powerful wine that impresses both with its rich fruit and its balanced tannins. The whole wine is finely integrated, black berry flavors shot through with acidity and touches of wood. Certainly a wine for aging. Score: **94** (Roger Voss, *Wine Enthusiast*, April 2011)

135111 [XD] 750 mL \$69

**PAVILLON ROUGE 2008**

AC Margaux,

2nd Wine of Château Margaux

TASTING NOTE: (Translated from the French) A classic of the vintage, elegant and floral in the house style, this second wine possesses great grace. Textured with pinot noir's satin magic and a trace of cherry on the nose. A prime example of great Cabernet realized according to form. Score: **17** (out of 20) (*gaultmillau.fr*, Undated)

187237 [XD] 750 mL \$135

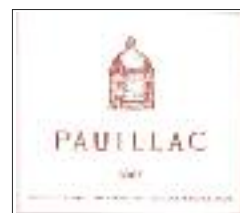
PAUILLAC DE LATOUR 2007

AC Pauillac,

3rd Wine of Château Latour

Pauillac de Latour, Château Latour's "Third Wine," has been produced every year since its introduction in 1990. The grapes are sourced from high-quality young vines grown in other nearby vineyards owned by Latour. It is an excellent stylistic evocation of the First Growth Latour, but designed to be drinkable sooner, and at a very compelling price.

182766 [XD] 750 mL \$109



FRANCE – BORDEAUX

RED WINE

CHÂTEAU BRANE CANTENAC 2006

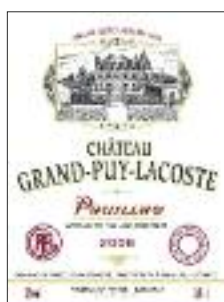
AC Margaux, 2^e Cru
 TASTING NOTE: I can't say enough about how beautifully classic, racy, and gracious the wines of Brane Cantenac have become over the last decade. The stunningly elegant 2006 exhibits a sweet, subtle smoke note intermixed with creme de cassis in its medium-bodied style with superb nobility, concentration, and sweet tannin. Possessing a complex, luscious personality with strikingly beautiful, velvety tannins, it should be at its finest between 2012-2025+. Score: **92** (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, Feb. 2009)

235408 [XD] 750 mL \$85

CHÂTEAU GRAND-PUY-LACOSTE 2006

AC Pauillac, 5^e Cru
 TASTING NOTE: While not at the level of the phenomenal 2005, Grand-Puy-Lacoste has produced another classic wine with the creme de cassis fruit that I often find in both Mouton Rothschild and Pontet-Canet, yet both of those vineyards are closer to the Gironde River. This wine has a pure personality, with the aforementioned classic creme de cassis notes, medium to full body, beautiful density, purity, texture, and length. If anything, this recalls a hypothetical blend of their brilliant 1995 and 1996. Tannins are elevated, so patience will be required. This was Xavier Borie's first vintage in his new state-of-the-art winemaking facility. Anticipated maturity: 2014-2027. Score: **92** (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, Feb. 2009)

235259 [XD] 750 mL \$95



CHÂTEAU LAGRANGE 2006

AC Saint-Julien, 3^e Cru
 TASTING NOTE: Very elegant, very classy, this wine shows, discreetly, its sweet juicy fruit, great ripe black currant flavor and fine tannins. Nothing is overstated; this is for lovers of stylish wines. Score: **92** (Roger Voss, *Wine Enthusiast*, March 2009)

235242 [D] 750 mL \$85

CHÂTEAU RAUZAN-SÉGLA 2006

AC Margaux, 2^e Cru
 TASTING NOTE: On the same qualitative level as this estate's brilliant 2005, but with slightly less sucrosite, this blend of 53% Cabernet Sauvignon, 44% Merlot, and the rest Petit Verdot, exhibits a 1986-like personality, a very successful vintage at Rauzan Segla. Its deep ruby/purple hue is accompanied by sweet aromas of bay leaf, black currants, licorice, truffles, and a touch of toast, dazzling fruit, and plenty of ripe, but not astringent tannin. This is a medium to full-bodied, classic, pure, surprisingly approachable Rauzan Segla that will be at its finest between 2012-2025+. Score: **93** (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, Feb. 2009)

504209 [XD] 750 mL \$109

CHÂTEAU SMITH HAUT LAFITTE 2006

AC Pessac-Léognan, Cru Classé
 TASTING NOTE: A top-notch success, the dense ruby/purple-colored 2006 Smith-Haut-Lafitte offers aromas of smoky, juicy black currants, graphite, earth, truffles, and forest floor. Full-bodied with superb purity, noticeable but sweet tannins, this round, generous, long wine should drink nicely for 15-20+ years. Score: **93** (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, Feb. 2009)

235382 [XD] 750 mL \$99



LA PARDE DE HAUT BAILLY 2006

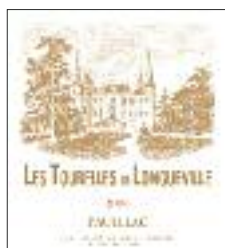
AC Pessac-Léognan,
2nd Wine of Château Haut-Bailly
TASTING NOTE: Gorgeous aromas of raspberry, blueberry and stones. Full-bodied, with silky tannins and a tobacco, berry and spice character. Second wine of Haut-Bailly. Best after 2012. Score: **90** (James Suckling, *winespectator.com*, Web Only, 2009)

236901 [XD] 750 mL \$48

LES TOURELLES DE LONGUEVILLE 2006

AC Pauillac,
2nd Wine of Château Pichon Baron
TASTING NOTE: Black currant and dark chocolate aromas follow through to a full body, with chewy tannins, very good fruit and an aftertaste of tobacco and berry. Structured and rich. The excellent second wine from Pichon-Baron. Best after 2012. Score: **90** (James Suckling, *winespectator.com*, July 31, 2009)

733055 [XD] 750 mL \$54

**CHÂTEAU BATAILLEY 2004**

AC Pauillac, 5^e Cru
TASTING NOTE: The 2004 Batailley is fresh and well defined on the nose compared to the 2002, which has less vigour. Here: notes of blackberry leaf, briary, cedar, tobacco and boysenberry. The palate is medium-bodied with a crisp, well-defined entry, pert acidity, quite tight towards the finish but good structure and focus, the finish demonstrating far more precision than I have noticed in the past. As usual, it has a foursquare finish thanks to the growing season, but a very commendable Batailley. Drink 2012-2020. Tasted January 2010. Score: **91** (Neal Martin, *erobertparker.com*, Sept. 7, 2010)

120709 [XD] 750 mL \$54

**CHÂTEAU HAUT-BAGES LIBÉRAL 2004**

AC Pauillac, 5^e Cru
TASTING NOTE: Another sleeper of the vintage, this under-priced, beautifully made Pauillac exhibits a deep ruby/purple color along with a sweet bouquet of creme de cassis, licorice, tapenade, and spice box. Medium to full-bodied with silky tannin and low acidity, it is a pure, expressive wine to drink over the next 12-15 years. Score: **90** (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, June 2007)

235473 [XD] 750 mL \$59



WHITE WINE

CHÂTEAU LA LOUVIÈRE BLANC 2009

AC Pessac-Léognan
TASTING NOTE: Barrel sample. Great, fresh swathes of Sauvignon Blanc give a delicious herbaceous character to go with the fresh fruits. Good green character, with a light spice from new wood. Score: **93** (Roger Voss, *Wine Enthusiast*, Aug. 9, 2010)

581074 [XD] 750 mL \$49



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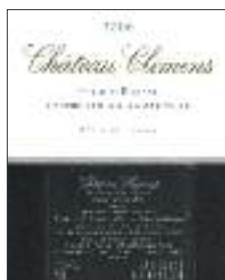
WHITE WINE

CHÂTEAU CLIMENS 2006

AC Barsac, 1^{er} Cru

TASTING NOTE: Proprietor Berenice Lurton continues to turn out one of the utterly profound wines from the Barsac Sauternes region. The 2006 is not up there with their perfect 2001, but it is a beautiful wine and stands out as one of the top wines of 2006. Medium gold, with a slightly more advanced color than I am used to seeing in a young Climens, the wine displays waxy honeyed pineapple and delicate marmalade and citrus notes with a restrained use of new oak. The wine cuts a full-bodied swath across the palate with terrific acidity, freshness, and moderate sweetness. This is a beauty, but perhaps on a much faster evolutionary track than some of their greatest vintages. Score: **94** (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, Feb. 2009)

166488 [S] 375 mL \$79



CHÂTEAU DE MALLE 2006

AC Sauternes, 2^e Cru

TASTING NOTE: Barrel sample. Beautifully balanced, this wine shows freshness and richness in equal measure. The acidity gives the sweet apricot, dried fruit and honeyed flavors an vibrancy as well as power. Score: **93** (Roger Voss, *Wine Enthusiast*, Dec. 31, 2009)

241463 [S] 750 mL \$75



CHÂTEAU DE FARGUES 2005

AC Sauternes

Wine Spectator scored this wine **95-100** after a barrel tasting in 2006.

TASTING NOTE: Very sweet and quite exciting. Racy and deep with layers. Very long. Drink 2012-2022. Score: **17** (out of 20) (Jancis Robinson, MW, *jancisrobinson.com*, Aug. 18, 2009)

235267 [S] 750 mL \$165

CHÂTEAU SUDUIRAUT 1997

AC Sauternes, 1^{er} Cru

TASTING NOTE: Terrific nose of overripe peach and apricot fruit balanced by citrus aromas. Very energetic palate with lots of fruit, spice and balance. Definitely a cut above the rest. Score: ★★★★★ (*decanter.com*, Undated)

249748 [S] 375 mL \$55

FRANCE – BURGUNDY

CÔTE DE NUITS
RED WINEDOMAINE BOUCHARD
PÈRE & FILS CLOS VOUGEOT
GRAND CRU 2008
AC

TASTING NOTE: The Bouchard domaine 2008 Clos Vougeot Domaine Bouchard – from one parcel high-up in the Plante de l'Abbaye, and another low but against the wall of the clos – smells of cedar, licorice, blond tobacco, sandalwood, dark cherry, and black raspberry. Rich and sapid in fruit; deeply, cleanly meaty; savory and invigorating in its salinity and its recapitulation of themes sounded in the nose, this has surprisingly much in common with the virtues of the corresponding non-estate-bottled Clos Vougeot. Saliva-inducing and tongue quivering in finish, it superbly demonstrates the vibrancy to which 2008 vintage Pinots can aspire, and should be worth following for two decades. Score: **94** (David Schildknecht, *erobertparker.com*, June 2010)

182733 [XD] 750 mL \$159

DOMAINE DE LA ROMANÉE-CONTI
ÉCHÉZEAUX GRAND CRU 2008
AC

TASTING NOTE: A notably riper, intensely spicy, airy and extremely fresh nose blends both red and blue berry fruit aromas as well as warm earth notes that continue onto the rich, velvety and mouth coating medium-bodied flavors that display a bit more minerality than I typically find, all wrapped in a firm, racy and driving finish that delivers outstanding length. This is a dramatically good effort because this is always very good, it is rarely great but in 2008, it's first rate. Drink [from] 2023+. Score: **93** (Allen Meadows, *burghound.com*, Jan. 2011)

723122 [XD] 750 mL \$285

DOMAINE DE LA ROMANÉE-CONTI
GRANDS ÉCHÉZEAUX GRAND CRU
2008
AC

TASTING NOTE: Medium red, less saturated than the Echezeaux. Initially reduced aromas of smoke, truffle and underbrush showed some strawberry lift with aeration. Suave on entry, then dry and reticent in the middle, displaying more soil tones today than high-pitched primary fruits. Deeper than the Echezeaux but not yet as delineated. Finishes with broad, dusty tannins and excellent length. Score: **92(+?)** (Stephen Tanzer, *International Wine Cellar*, March/April 2011)

721316 [XD] 750 mL \$475

DOMAINE DE LA ROMANÉE-CONTI
LA TÂCHE GRAND CRU 2008
AC

TASTING NOTE: From barrel, the 2008 La Tache displays intensely ripe, berry-tart concentration of cassis, red currant, and blackberry, wreathed in musky floral perfume, and backed not only by marrowy meat stock richness, but by a deep, oceanic melange of alkaline, saline, mineral and animal elements that brought to mind Romanee St.-Vivant. Seamlessly sweet, subtly silken, and vibrantly bright, this finishes explosively, with tactile impingement of black pepper and brown spices adding to its brashly fresh fruit and mineral intensity. There is a striking transparency on display here, in the sense that floral, spicy, maritime, and stony elements seem to shimmer through the fruit. When I remark on this aspect, de Villaine points out that “the selection in the vineyard and press house was intense and impeccable” which, he suggests, also goes a long way toward accounting for the wine's degree of tannic refinement. Needless to say, I am sure this wine's active life span will be measured in decades, not years. Score: **96-97** (David Schildknecht, *erobertparker.com*, June 2010)

721654 [XD] 750 mL \$835



FRANCE – BURGUNDY

CÔTE DE NUITS

RED WINE

**DOMAINE DE LA ROMANÉE-CONTI
RICHEBOURG GRAND CRU 2008**

AC

TASTING NOTE: Bright pinky ruby. Sweetly fragrant red fruit with a touch of citrus brightness. Wild strawberry rather than red cherry, light stemmy note. Wonderful depth and intensity of perfumed fruit on the mid palate. Deep and rich and utterly refined. Velvety but fully structured tannins. Quite resilient and immensely fresh, almost juicy at the very end with a luxurious spicy warmth to finish. Drink 2020 to 2030. Score: **19** (out of 20) (Julia Harding, *jancis-robinson.com*, Feb. 1, 2011)

737379 [XD] 750 mL \$775



**DOMAINE DE LA ROMANÉE-CONTI
ROMANÉE-ST-VIVANT GRAND CRU
2008**

AC

TASTING NOTE: Pale cherry red. Plenty of peppery spice initially but also finely floral. Perfumed red fruit then emerges from under the spice, sweet, even a hint of vanilla. A little bit exotic but in a fresh, light way. Like the Grands Échezeaux, the power and intensity on the palate comes as a surprise after the delicacy of the nose. Much more savoury, moreish, tautly mouth-watering. Firm but grainless tannins. Dry finish that cries out for the next sip to try to plumb the wine's depths. But the tiny tasting sample is all gone. Always so tantalising. Drink 2020 to 2030. Score: **19** (out of 20) (Julia Harding, *jancisrobinson.com*, Feb. 1, 2011)

721399 [XD] 750 mL \$775

**LOUIS JADOT DOMAINE GAGEY
CLOS ST-DENIS GRAND CRU 2008**

AC

TASTING NOTE: (these vines are 80+ years old) Deep ruby-red. Captivating nose combines black raspberry, mocha, brown spices and crushed stone; a real essence of this vineyard. Then pliant, sexy and plush on the palate, with an almost liqueur-like sweetness and impressive volume. Conveys an impression of low acidity but minerality gives the wine energy. There's a creamy, tiny-cluster quality here that is perfectly suited to the style of this vintage. Score: **91-94** (Stephen Tanzer, *International Wine Cellar*, March/April 2010)

241448 [XD] 750 mL \$275

**ROCHE DE BELLENE CHARMES-
CHAMBERTIN GRAND CRU 2008**

AC

TASTING NOTE: Starts out with sweet strawberry, cherry and floral aromas and flavors that quickly give way to the lively structure. There's purity, focus and balance, but this needs time for the two halves to come together. Best from 2014 through 2026. Score: **93** (Bruce Sanderson, *winespectator.com*, Web Only, 2011)

235390 [D] 750 mL \$145

**DOMAINE TORTOCHOT CHARMES-
CHAMBERTIN GRAND CRU 2007**

AC

TASTING NOTE: A completely different nose is in evidence here because even though this too is largely composed of red berry fruit, here it is earthier and more animale with a smoked meat and herbal component on the naturally sweet, textured and sappy medium full flavors that are serious but not somber, all wrapped in a persistent and moderately structured finish that is sneaky long. Drink [from] 2015+. Score: **92** (Allen Meadows, *burghound.com*, Jan. 30, 2010)

235309 [D] 750 mL \$129

**DOMAINE TORTOCHOT
GEVREY-CHAMBERTIN LAVAUX
ST. JACQUES 1^{er} CRU 2007**

AC

TASTING NOTE: A more deeply pitched nose is both cool and restrained as it offers up an impressively complex mélange of red and blue pinot fruit, stone and floral nuances that introduce supple, round and solidly precise middle weight flavors that possess good intensity on the balanced and dusty finish where a lovely sense of underlying tension can also be found. Drink [from] 2014+. Score: **90** (Allen Meadows, *burghound.com*, Jan. 30, 2010)

235317 [D] 750 mL \$75

**DOMAINE TRAPET PERE & FILS
CHAMBERTIN GRAND CRU 2007**

AC

Burgundy expert Allen Meadows of *burghound.com* gave this wine a score of **92**, and recommended enjoying it from 2017 onwards (Jan. 30, 2010).

TASTING NOTE: An ocean breeze-like amalgam of salinity, alkalinity, and animal nuances – along with fresh plum, cherry, peony, narcissus, and rose aromas – mark the alluring nose of Trapet's 2007 Chambertin. Firmly tannic yet fine-grained, it projects a striking sense of vivacity and levity for its vintage and appellation, with persistently wafting musky florality, deep, saline minerality, and animal mystery carrying into a finish of impressive intrigue and length. Look for this to reward your ministrations for a dozen or more years. Score: **93** (David Schildknecht, *erobertparker.com*, June 2010)

241331 [D] 750 mL \$275

**JOSEPH DROUHIN CHAMBOLLE-
MUSIGNY 1^{er} CRU 2007**

AC

TASTING NOTE: A high-toned nose of mineral suffused red raspberry fruit and sour cherry aromas trimmed in a bit of wood spice dissolves seamlessly into rich, full and generous flavors that retain a fine sense of underlying detail on the textured, stony and intense finish. I very much like the persistence and this too speaks of its origins. Drink [from] 2014+. Score: **90** (Allen Meadows, *burghound.com*, April 2009)

715441 [XD] 750 mL \$84

**LOUIS JADOT CHAMBOLLE
MUSIGNY LES FUÉES 1^{er} CRU
2007**

AC

TASTING NOTE: Supple and pretty, this silky-textured red evokes red cherry, blackberry, vanilla and spice notes. The tannins are well-integrated, and there's a terrific aftertaste of fruit and spice. Best from 2011 through 2020. Score: **92** (Bruce Sanderson, *winespectator.com*, Nov. 15, 2009)

47878 [XD] 750 mL \$85



**NICOLAS POTEL CLOS DE LA
ROCHE GRAND CRU 2007**

AC

TASTING NOTE: This is ever so slightly riper and more complex with a somewhat broader nose of red, blue and violet aromas trimmed in noticeable if discreet oak that is also picked up by the fresh, suave, round and impressively powerful big-bodied flavors that are textured, detailed and exceptionally long. This appears to have first rate material and a lovely sense of energy and underlying harmony that should allow for 8 to 10 years of upside development. Drink [from] 2015+. Score: **91-93** (Allen Meadows, *burghound.com*, Jan. 1, 2009)

155267 [XD] 750 mL \$185



FRANCE – BURGUNDY

CANADIANS
IN BURGUNDY

The Pascal Marchand winery in Nuits-St-Georges is now co-owned by Marchand and Ontario's Moray Tawse, of Tawse Winery. Canadian-born Marchand has served as Tawse's consulting winemaker in his Niagara property since 2006, so their partnership in Burgundy is a natural extension of their ongoing collaboration. The négociant is called SARL Marchand-Tawse, and the 2008 represents the first full vintage under the new partnership. Marchand crafts small lots of superior wine from some of Burgundy's finest vineyards, spanning everything from fine Bourgogne to Grand Cru. Although Pascal's name will continue to be the calling card on the labels, both Canadians have pooled their efforts to deliver fine wines to connoisseurs around the world.

CÔTE DE NUITS
RED WINEPASCAL MARCHAND
CHAMBERTIN-CLOS DE BÈZE
GRAND CRU 2008

AC

TASTING NOTE: ... exhibits the site-typical scents and flavors of dark cherry, licorice, and rose petal, allied to Latakia tobacco-like smokiness, soy-like savor, and subtle suggestions of humus and peat. Rich and already texturally caressing yet at the same time buoyant, it finishes with palate-staining, mandible-tugging, vibratory intensity. As with a number of Marchand's wines, my only misgiving here is a slightly detached overlay of caramel and resin notes from the barrel to which I would have thought that a wine of such strong natural personality and high pedigree might be more resistant. But in the present quite glorious context, that is practically a quibble. I would anticipate a good 15 years of satisfaction here. Score: **93-94** (David Schildknecht, *erobertparker.com*, June 2010)

256081 [XD] 750 mL \$249

PASCAL MARCHAND
CLOS-SAINT-DENIS GRAND CRU
2008

AC

TASTING NOTE: ... Soy and plum paste overlain with flavors from new wood make for sappy, resinous intensity, tinged with the piquancy of fruit pit and deep carnal, saline savor. For a combination of breadth and muscularity with finesse and lift, this is already hard to beat from its vintage, and I anticipate at least 12-15 years of intriguing and satisfying bottle evolution. It would have been especially fascinating to compare this wine from 2007, but unfortunately that was among many appellations from the vintage of which not a bottle was to be had by the time I visited with Marchand last February. Score: **93-94** (David Schildknecht, *erobertparker.com*, June 2010)

254474 [XD] 750 mL \$109

PASCAL MARCHAND
GEVREY CHAMBERTIN
LES CAZETIERS 1^{er} CRU 2008

AC

TASTING NOTE: ... He certainly seems to have nailed the character of this site, with almost peppery as well as herbal pungency allied to exuberantly bright, fresh cherry and rhubarb; a strong undertone of chalk and crushed stone; as well as savory salinity that sets ones salivary glands pumping to accompany the wine's formidable finish. But while the projection of flavors here is down-right audacious, the texture is quite refined, incipiently silken even. Unfortunately, there are only four barriques (i.e. 100 cases) of this. I suspect it will merit at least a decade's attention. Score: **91-92** (David Schildknecht, *erobertparker.com*, June 2010)

255364 [XD] 750 mL \$75

**PASCAL MARCHAND
MOREY ST. DENIS DES ORMES
1^{er} CRU 2008**

AC

TASTING NOTE: The Marchand 2008 Morey-St.-Denis Clos des Ormes offers another instance of striking synergy between the naturally pungent, bittersweet herbal tendencies of this terroir and the winemaker's inclusion of 100% stems. Sea salt, celery root, fennel, rhubarb, strawberry, and red currant mingle on a tenderly-textured, juicy palate, unperturbed by one-third new barrel, loaded with inner-mouth herbal essences, and finishing with pungent persistence as well as noteworthy levity. This should preserve its fascination and elegance over at least the next 6-8 years, and represents an admirable depiction of a long-celebrated yet nowadays – so it seems – sadly neglected cru below the Clos de la Roche. Score: **90-91** (David Schildknecht, *erobertparker.com*, June 2010)

254441 [XD] 750 mL \$55

**PASCAL MARCHAND
VOSNE-ROMANÉE LES SUCHOTS
1^{er} CRU 2008**

AC

TASTING NOTE: New to his line-up this vintage, Marchand's 2008 Vosne-Romanee Les Suchots – from old vines in an upper part of that site, neighboring Echezeaux – leads with scents of game, ocean spray, and star anise. These presage the complexly animal, maritime, and Asian spice aspects of a richly-textured palate that brims with dark cherry and plum. One of the mere two barrels of this beauty was new and has resulted in a slight overlay of resin and caramel notes which however fit the wine's personality. A burley tobacco note adds to the sense of mid-palate richness and this finishes with the sort of vibratory intensity that renders so many of the best Pinots of its vintage memorable. These barrels were very late to go through malo and Marchand considered the wine more backward than his others so perhaps there will be even more excitement here short term. Certainly I anticipate pleasurable intrigue for at least a dozen years. Score: **92-93+** (David Schildknecht, *erobertparker.com*, June 2010)

254466 [XD] 750 mL \$109

**CÔTE DE BEAUNE
RED WINE**

**PASCAL MARCHAND
CORTON GRAND CRU 2008**

AC

TASTING NOTE: Though marked by vanilla and coconut aromas from new oak, this red gains black cherry and earth notes with aeration. Supple and firm at once, with fine length. Still needs time in the bottle, or decant several hours. Best from 2014 through 2025. Score: **91** (Bruce Sanderson, *winespectator.com*, June 15, 2011)

254433 [XD] 750 mL \$75

**CÔTE DE BEAUNE
WHITE WINE**

**PASCAL MARCHAND
BÂTARD MONTRACHET
GRAND CRU 2008**

AC

TASTING NOTE: Big and spicy, with cinnamon, clove, vanilla and toast accenting peach and ripe apple fruit. This is a bit oaky, with a firm structure underneath. Just when it seems to fade, there's a finishing kick of butterscotch and toast. Best from 2013 through 2025. Score: **95** (Bruce Sanderson, *winespectator.com*, Aug. 31, 2011)

254482 [XD] 750 mL \$275

FRANCE – BURGUNDY

CÔTE DE BEAUNE
RED WINE

**DOMAINE BOUCHARD
PÈRE & FILS ANCIENNE CUVÉE
CARNOT VOLNAY CAILLERETS
1^{er} CRU 2008**

AC

TASTING NOTE: Around 60% of the crop that informed Bouchard's 2008 Volnay Caillerets Ancien Cuvee Carnot was spared by the July hail, and around 40% of that remainder declassified. But these circumstances still leave 8-9,000 bottles worth, which I tasted from tank. Musky narcissus, smoky Lapsang black tea, and black fruits on the nose lead to a silken-textured yet invigorating, subtly tart but berry-ripe palate suffused with chalk and savory salinity. This finishes with precisely the sort of "animated interchange of fruit, mineral, and inner-mouth floral elements" I credited to the 2006, and here the effect is both strikingly buoyant and positively reverberative. A bottle opened 24 hours earlier (for Michel Bettane, as it happens) had not lost any of its allure. I would look for at least 15 years of excitement. Score: **92-93** (David Schildknecht, *erobertparker.com*, June 2010)

77016 [XD] 750 mL \$74

**BITOUZET-PRIEUR VOLNAY
CLOS DES CHÊNES 1^{er} CRU 2007**

AC

TASTING NOTE: Despite being just "next door" to Taillepieds, here the nose is notably more deeply pitched with a complex, restrained and ripe red berry fruit and floral aromas that are followed by rich and relatively powerful flavors that display just a touch of rusticity to the supporting tannins. While this doesn't have the finesse of its neighbor, it is even longer. A choice. Drink [from] 2014+. Score: **90** (Allen Meadows, *burghound.com*, April 2009)

259341 [XD] 750 mL \$65

**BITOUZET-PRIEUR VOLNAY
PITURES 1^{er} CRU 2007**

AC

TASTING NOTE: This is classic Pitures with its pure, restrained and moderately austere nose of earth-suffused cool red berry fruit that merges seamlessly into textured, detailed and minerally medium-bodied flavors that are tautly muscular and where the underlying tannins are knocking on the door of a light rusticity with perhaps the best complexity to this point on the equally austere finish. Like the Taillepieds, this is formed and characterized by the practically pungent minerality. Drink [from] 2014+. Score: **90** (Allen Meadows, *burghound.com*, April 2009)

241430 [D] 750 mL \$55



**LOUIS JADOT POMMARD
RUGIENS 1^{er} CRU 2006**

AC

TASTING NOTE: Instead of the brooding and backward nose that I saw from cask, now that this is in bottle it's actually relatively expressive with red and blue pinot fruit aromas that complement the rich, full and big-bodied flavors underpinned by plenty of mid-palate sap, a moderately firm tannic spine and a lovely mineral streak. This is built to age over the mid-term although with air it could actually be enjoyed now even though it would be a shame to waste the excellent potential. Drink [after] 2014+. Score: **92** (Allen Meadows, *burghound.com*, April 2009)

47860 [XD] 750 mL \$85



CÔTE DE BEAUNE WHITE WINE

DOMAINE LATOUR-GIRAUD MEURSAULT CHARMES 1^{er} CRU 2009

AC

TASTING NOTE: Nose dominated by vanilla and spicy oak. Densely packed but full of gas and quite oak-spicy today; already sweet and supple but I find this hard to assess with confidence. Latour says this one still needs more work. Score: **90-93** (Stephen Tanzer, *International Wine Cellar*, Sept./Oct. 2010)

111336 [XD] 750 mL \$75



ROCHE DE BELLENE CHASSAGNE-MONTRACHET MORGEOT 1^{er} CRU 2009

AC

TASTING NOTE: (from a parcel just under the Abbaye de Morgeot, according to Potel) Bright, pale yellow. Complex nose combines crystallized lemon peel and leesy nuances. Dense and chewy in the mouth, with an enticing sweetness; almost exotic in the context of this collection. But the wine's stony energy builds nicely in the mouth, and the finish of this ripe wine is dusty, tactile, sweet and long. Potel picked these vines at 13.6% natural alcohol. Score: **90-93** (Stephen Tanzer, *International Wine Cellar*, Sept./Oct. 2010)

236414 [D] 750 mL \$75

ROCHE DE BELLENE PULIGNY-MONTRACHET BLAGNY 1^{er} CRU 2009

AC

TASTING NOTE: (one of three barrels are new) Tight nose combines lemon peel, mint and stone. Juicy on entry, then concentrated and sharply delineated, with flavors of minerals and lime flower. Less oaky than the Garenne. A very rocky style of wine, finishing pure, perfumed and long. My style. Score: **90-92** (Stephen Tanzer, *International Wine Cellar*, Sept./Oct. 2010)

236398 [XD] 750 mL \$79

BITOUZET-PRIEUR MEURSAULT PERRIÈRES 1^{er} CRU 2008

AC

TASTING NOTE: This also displays spiced pear notes but here the supporting aromas are citrus, wet stone and rose petal rather than hazelnut. The intense and beautifully detailed middle weight flavors brim with an almost pungent minerality, all wrapped in a sappy, linear and driving bone dry finish. Beautiful juice and very Perrières in basic character. Drink [from] 2015+. Score: **91** (Allen Meadows, *burghound.com*, July 2010)

241414 [XD] 750 mL \$75



FRANCE – BURGUNDY

CÔTE DE BEAUNE
WHITE WINE

BONNEAU DU MARTRAY CORTON-CHARLEMAGNE GRAND CRU 2008
AC

TASTING NOTE: Here the nose is noticeably riper than the '07 version with a hint of exoticism to the citrus, pear and white peach suffused nose. The rich and extremely fresh middle weight plus flavors possess an impressive amount of dry extract as well as ample mineral influence on the austere and ultra pure finish that seems to go on and on. While its '07 counterpart is perhaps a bit more classical in style with more underlying tension, the '08 has a bit more material and like the '07, is impeccably well balanced. While it will live for many years, it will probably come to its peak 8 to 10 years from now. Drink [from] 2016+. Score: **92-95** (Allen Meadows, *burghound.com*, June 2010)

118646 [XD] 750 mL \$159



DOMAINE BOUCHARD PÈRE & FILS CHEVALIER-MONTRACHET GRAND CRU 2008
AC

TASTING NOTE: Bright pale yellow. Musky aromas of crushed stone and lavender, with ineffable treble notes of minerals and violet. Offers an outstanding combination of power, thickness and cut; as penetrating, taut and wet-stony as this is, there's also an almost magical creamy quality. A superconcentrated and dense wine with outstanding energy and cut. Score: **95(+?)** (Stephen Tanzer, *International Wine Cellar*, Sept./Oct. 2010)

88708 [XD] 750 mL \$259

DOMAINE BOUCHARD PÈRE & FILS CORTON-CHARLEMAGNE GRAND CRU 2008
AC

TASTING NOTE: This is a classic example of Corton-Charlemagne with its impressively layered floral, green fruit, lime and stone-infused nose that precedes citrusy, precise and powerful mineral-driven flavors that possess real muscle on the almost painfully intense and steely finish that delivers striking length. While it's not quite as great as the Montrachet, it easily holds its own. A wine to own but note that only the patient will ever see it at its best as this is likely to evolve glacially. Drink [from] 2023+. Score: **96** (Allen Meadows, *burghound.com*, June 2010)

88682 [XD] 750 mL \$155

DOMAINE BOUCHARD PÈRE & FILS MONTRACHET GRAND CRU 2008
AC

TASTING NOTE: At the risk of waxing poetic, the nose is genuinely like a spring day in a garden with utterly beguiling and multifaceted aromas of an implausibly broad variety of flowers, spices, discreet pain grillé, roasted nuts and a hint of garrigue that complements the dense, brooding and very serious flavors that are borderline massive yet, like the Cabotte, betray absolutely no sense of undue weight or blowsyness. The explosive finish stains the palate and coats the mouth with dry extract and this is one of the greatest examples of this wine that I have ever seen from Bouchard but be prepared to be patient. A true 'wow' wine. Drink [from] 2023+. Score: **98** (Allen Meadows, *burghound.com*, June 2010)

182329 [XD] 750 mL \$525



DOMAINE BOILLOT PULIGNY-MONTRACHET LES PUCELLES 1^{er} CRU 2008

AC

TASTING NOTE: A broad yet nuanced nose features notes of honeysuckle, lime peel and acacia blossom that serves as a beguiling introduction for the exceptionally fresh and refined flavors that possess a sophisticated mouth feel and as much depth as the nose. This is a strikingly stylish and balanced effort that is seriously long. Drink [from] 2015+. Outstanding. Score: **93** (Allen Meadows, *burghound.com*, June 2010)

231894 [D] 750 mL \$119

HENRI BOILLOT MEURSAULT 2008

AC

TASTING NOTE: An airy and relatively densely fruited nose of pear, hazelnut and discreet hints of orange peel complements the detailed, energetic and delicious medium weight flavors that possess seriously impressive length for a villages level wine. One to consider. Drink [from] 2013+. Score: **90** (Allen Meadows, *burghound.com*, June 2010)

626861 [XD] 750 mL \$65

HENRI BOILLOT PULIGNY-MONTRACHET 2008

AC

TASTING NOTE: A very pretty and lightly perfumed nose of acacia, honeysuckle and lightly spiced pear aromas is followed by rich, full and delicious flavors that manage to retain a good sense of underlying detail and tension on the stylish and lingering finish. An excellent villages and worth considering. Drink [from] 2013+. Outstanding. Score: **90** (Allen Meadows, *burghound.com*, June 2010)

626838 [XD] 750 mL \$72

DOMAINE JOSEPH MATROT MEURSAULT BLAGNY 1^{er} CRU 2007

AC

TASTING NOTE: The Matrot 2007 Meursault-Blagny – reflecting a site with which this family has for the past three generations been closely connected – smells of honeysuckle, high toned red fruits (including maraschino) and citrus oil, all of these elements that run through a silken-textured palate featuring also succulent white peach, and into a finish of shimmering interplay with saline and chalky mineral threads. This exhibits the freshness, verve, and transparency to mineral and floral nuance that characterize the best of its vintage. I would anticipate it being worth following for at least 6-8 years. Happily, it represents Matrot's single largest bottling. Score: **92** (David Schildknecht, *erobertparker.com*, Dec. 2009)

958496 [XD] 750 mL \$79

**OLIVIER LEFLAIVE BÂTARD-MONTRACHET GRAND CRU 2007**

AC

TASTING NOTE: This creamy white exudes pastry and Key lime pie aromas and flavors, accented by toast and mineral. Though powerful, its weight is tempered by the bracing structure. It all converges on the long, resonant aftertaste. Best from 2014 through 2033. Score: **95** (Bruce Sanderson, *winespectator.com*, June 15, 2010)

932129 [XD] 750 mL \$389

OLIVIER LEFLAIVE CORTON-CHARLEMAGNE GRAND CRU 2007

AC

TASTING NOTE: A reserved and cool but beautifully elegant nose of white flower, anise, wet stone and green fruit aromas is trimmed in a subtle touch of oak that merges into rich, full and intense medium weight plus flavors brimming with minerality and taut muscularity, all wrapped in an energetic and punchy finish that is linear and palate staining. The focus and intensity here are impressive and this is a very serious Corton-Charlemagne as well as the best wine in the Leflaive range in 2007. Drink [from] 2014+. Score: **92-94** (Allen Meadows, *burghound.com*, July 1, 2009)

746735 [XD] 750 mL \$175

FRANCE – BURGUNDY

CHABLIS
WHITE WINEDOMAINE CHRISTIAN MOREAU
PÈRE & FILS VAUDÉSIR CHABLIS
GRAND CRU 2008

AC

TASTING NOTE: Supple and polished, yet there's no shortage of power. Lemon parfait, apple and butterscotch notes are underlined by a persistent mineral element that should emerge over time in the bottle. Terrific length. Almost drinkable now. Best from 2012 through 2030. Score: **95** (Bruce Sanderson, *winespectator.com*, June 15, 2010)

29751 [XD] 750 mL \$59

DOMAINE LONG DEPAQUIT
MOUTONNE CHABLIS GRAND CRU
2008

AC

(Albert Bichot)

TASTING NOTE: A discreet hint of pain grillé does not significantly interfere with the clear expression of the lemon, floral and quinine aromas that precede textured, concentrated and attractively fresh and impressively scaled flavors that possess a seductive mouth feel on the precise, tangy and very powerful finish. A potential knock-out as the underlying material is most impressive and overall, this is the most complete wine in the range. Drink [from] 2015+. Score: **94** (Allen Meadows, *burghound.com*, Oct. 2010)

46706 [XD] 750 mL \$89

DOMAINE PINSON FOURCHAUME
CHABLIS 1^{er} CRU 2008

AC

TASTING NOTE: The Pinson 2008 Chablis Fourchaume comes from a parcel in Vaulorent to which he recently acquired access, and I continue to question why growers would for the sake of mere name recognition label a wine from that superb site with the better-known "Fourchaume" that is anything but an advertisement of routinely top-quality. Musky narcissus and shrimp shell on the nose lead into a saliva-inducing palate whose saline, secretly sweet, shellfish reduction-like mineral cast perfectly complements its ripe peach and citrus. Suggestions of salted grapefruit rind and iodine add additional pungency to the long finish of this substantial yet refreshing cru that ought to prove worth following for 6-8 years. Score: **91** (David Schildknecht, *erobertparker.com*, Oct. 2010)

231944 [XD] 750 mL \$39

DOMAINE WILLIAM FÈVRE
LES PREUSES CHABLIS GRAND
CRU 2008

AC

TASTING NOTE: In the tight mineral side of Chablis, a wine with a terrific density of texture. The flavors are in the lemon grass, citrus line, a pure shaft of steel going through the fruit. Taut, tense, very vivid. Score: **95** (Roger Voss, *Wine Enthusiast*, Nov. 2010)

74773 [XD] 750 mL \$79

LOUIS MICHEL & FILS
FOURCHAUME VAULORENT
CHABLIS 1^{er} CRU 2008

AC

TASTING NOTE: Now labeled with both its specific and collective vineyard names, the Michel 2008 Chablis Fourchaume – Vaulorent is gorgeously-scented with mint, green tea, linden (tilleul), lily-of-the-valley, honeysuckle and white peach that could come from a Riesling. Refined, buoyant, succulent, and subtly creamy in texture, this seductive bottling benefits from ravishing persistent inner-mouth floral perfume, as well as scallop-like, saline, sweet mineral and mollusk savor. Here is more proof that this site – or at least, its best portions – should be considered grand cru, and is in fact capable of a degree of delicacy and transparency one seldom encounters in the "genuine" Chablis grand crus. Any tranche of this beauty is worth the price of admission, whether for its captivating aromas; rich yet uncannily buoyant palate; or for its extraordinarily subtle, soothing length. Expect it to perform beautifully for at least 8-10 years, but don't miss out on treating yourself to some in its youth. Score: **94** (David Schildknecht, *erobertparker.com*, Oct. 2010)

41418 [XD] 750 mL \$42

**LOUIS MICHEL & FILS LES CLOS
CHABLIS GRAND CRU 2008**

AC

Jancis Robinson, MW, awarded this wine a score of **18+** (out of 20) in January 2010.

TASTING NOTE: Crushed chalk, struck flint, bittersweet iris perfume, and pungency of grapefruit rind and juniper berry in the nose of Michel's 2008 Chablis Les Clos mingle with rich nut oils and white peach on a bright yet subtly creamy palate, with liquid floral perfume, piquant peach kernel, chalk, white pepper, and citrus entering into dynamic interaction in a finish whose remarkable grip and enervation contrast strikingly with Michel's equally wonderful Valovent of this vintage. Look for at least ten or a dozen years of excitement. I seriously underestimated the 2007 in my issue 186 report, incidentally, and would now rate it 94. Score: **94** (David Schildknecht, *erobertparker.com*, Oct. 2010)

720391 [XD] 750 mL \$75

**DUPLESSIS LES CLOS CHABLIS
GRAND CRU 2006**

AC

TASTING NOTE: As it usually is chez Duplessis, the Les Clos displays the most elegant and the most complex nose of white flowers trimmed in a hint of wood spice that merges into wonderfully intense flavors brimming with an intense minerality and plenty of Chablis character, in particular oyster shell and saline that culminates in a driving, even penetrating finish. Lovely stuff. Drink [from] 2011+. Score: **89-92** (Allen Meadows, *burghound.com*, Oct. 2007)

168104 [XD] 750 mL \$58

FRANCE – RHÔNE**NORTHERN RHÔNE**

RED WINE

**E. GUIGAL LA LANDONNE
CÔTE-RÔTIE 2007**

AC

TASTING NOTE: An absolute monster as well as a candidate for perfection, the 2007 Cote Rotie La Landonne was vinified with 100% stems (whereas the 2007 La Turquie was completely destemmed). The result is an opaque purple-colored wine displaying beautiful aromas of camphor, incense, balsamic notes, blackberries, cassis and an ethereal, subtle graphite character. Terrific intensity, a full-bodied mouthfeel and stunning length make for an exquisite wine that will benefit from 4-5 years of cellaring, and last for 40-50 years. Score: **98-100** (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, Feb. 2011)

985549 [XD] 750 mL \$339

**E. GUIGAL LA MOULINE
CÔTE-RÔTIE 2007**

AC

TASTING NOTE: The dense ruby/purple-tinged 2007 Cote Rotie La Mouline will be bottled around the time this report is released. A superb effort made in the style of the 1991 (which is drinking beautifully at age 20), the 2007 displays silky, velvety tannins, a seamless integration of acidity, alcohol and tannin, and a luscious bouquet of charcoal, lychee nut, black cherries, raspberries and forest floor. Full-bodied, opulent and irresistible, this complex, supple 2007 can be enjoyed now and over the next two decades. Score: **95-97** (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, Feb. 2011)

985572 [XD] 750 mL \$339

**E. GUIGAL LA TURQUE
CÔTE-RÔTIE 2007**

AC

TASTING NOTE: The 2007 Cote Rotie La Turquie is more masculine, dense and full-bodied, offering up notes of charcoal, truffles, asphalt, blackberries and hints of roasted meats, new oak and earth. Powerful and rich with silky tannins as well as a muscular style, it tastes as if it came from a completely different appellation. Score: **97-99** (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, Feb. 2011)

985523 [XD] 750 mL \$339

**FERRATON PÈRE & FILS
LES MIAUX HERMITAGE 2007**

AC

TASTING NOTE: Dark and lush, with velvety-textured cocoa, fig and black currant, laid over a loamy edge. The finish is solid and toasty. Drink now through 2014. Score: **91** (James Molesworth, *winespectator.com*, Dec. 31, 2009)

110528 [XD] 750 mL \$75



FRANCE – RHÔNE

NORTHERN RHÔNE

RED WINE

**E. GUIGAL BRUNE ET BLONDE
CÔTE-RÔTIE 2006**

AC

TASTING NOTE: Vivid ruby. High-pitched, expressive aromas of raspberry, red licorice, spice cake and violet. Silky and perfumed in the mouth, with a suave texture and appealing sweetness to flavors of raspberry, strawberry liqueur and blood orange. Very pure and precise, finishing with silky tannins and noteworthy verve. Score: **92** (Josh Reynolds, *International Wine Cellar*, Jan./Feb. 2011)

125625 [XD] 1500 mL \$125

**E. GUIGAL CHÂTEAU D'AMPUIS
CÔTE-RÔTIE 2006**

AC

TASTING NOTE: Vivid ruby. Red and dark berry preserves and spice cake on the nose, with complicating floral qualities that gain strength with air. Very fresh, with intense black raspberry and bitter cherry flavors supported by a firm spine of minerality. Fine-grained and nimble, with admirable finishing clarity and precision. Score: **93** (Josh Reynolds, *International Wine Cellar*, Jan./Feb. 2011)

741983 [XD] 750 mL \$135



WHITE WINE

**E. GUIGAL LA DORIANE
CONDRIEU 2009**

AC

TASTING NOTE: The 2009 Condrieu La Doriane, which achieved 15% natural alcohol, is spectacular. Explosive aromas of peach and apricot marmalade, honeysuckle and crushed rocks soar from the glass. Full-bodied and opulent with enticing minerality, this is one of the finest La Dorianes Guigal has yet made. It should drink nicely for 3-4 years. Score: **95** (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, Feb. 2011)

40527 [XD] 750 mL \$99

SOUTHERN RHÔNE

RED WINE

**CLOS DES PAPES
CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE 2009**

AC

TASTING NOTE: The blend: still a little reduced even after a long walk of swirling round the chai but there is class here. But it's meaty and masculine. He thinks it will close up fast after bottling in May 2011. A bit of liquorice and leather on the nose but wonderful richness on the palate, glorious breadth and the tannins are nowhere to be seen! Majestic. Great power but no beast, early signs are very good indeed. Structure and fine tannins, lightly leathery, starts to close a little on the end but it's really a miracle of improvement over the five lovely ingredients. Drink 2020 to 2035. Score: **19** (out of 20) (Jancis Robinson, MW, *jancisrobinson.com*, Nov. 17, 2010)

963546 [XD] 750 mL \$109



**DOMAINE DU CLOS DU CAILLOU
CUVÉE QUARTZ
CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE 2009**

AC

TASTING NOTE: Absolutely brilliant, the 2009 Chateauneuf du Pape Les Quartz (from soils of the same name) is a blend of 85% Grenache and 15% Syrah, with the Grenache aged in foudre and the Syrah component aged in small barrels. This wine displays oodles of minerality, a dense ruby/purple color, and a sweet kiss of black currants and raspberries intermixed with licorice, pepper, and crushed rock. Admirably combining power with finesse, this full-bodied beauty can be drunk now or cellared for 10-14 years. Score: **91-93** (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, Oct. 2010)

255042 [XD] 750 mL \$94

**DOMAINE GRAND
VENEUR LES ORIGINES
CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE 2009**

AC

(Alain Jaume)

TASTING NOTE: The beautiful 2009 Grand Veneur Chateauneuf du Pape Les Origines (a blend of 50% Grenache, 30% Mourvedre and 20% Syrah aged in small barrels) offers notes of graphite, camphor, blackberries, creme de cassis, Provençal herbs and lavender. It is nearly as good as the brilliant 2007. Full-bodied and rich with nicely integrated tannins, acidity and wood, the 2009 will benefit from several years of bottle age and should evolve for 20 or more years. Score: **92-95** (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, Oct. 2010)

43059 [XD] 750 mL \$59

**DOMAINE GRAND VENEUR
VIEILLES VIGNES
CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE 2009**

AC

(Alain Jaume)

TASTING NOTE: The 2009 Chateauneuf du Pape Vieilles Vignes (a cuvee that was first made in 2006) is a blend of 50% Grenache, 30% Mourvedre and 20% Syrah, all aged in new oak casks. Despite all the new oak, its influence is marginal. Some toasty notes are present, but the wine is very full-bodied with extraordinarily intense aromas and flavors of creme de cassis, kirsch, lavender, licorice and hints of lead pencil shavings and smoke. Dense, full-bodied, tannic and super intense, this is a massive 2009 that begs for 4-5 years of cellaring. It should drink well for 20-25 years thereafter. Score: **93-95** (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, Oct. 2010)

145607 [XD] 750 mL \$109

**CLOS ST-JEAN
CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE 2008**

AC, Unfiltered

TASTING NOTE: The outstanding 2008 Chateauneuf du Pape reveals a dark plum/garnet color along with a sweet nose of cranberries, black cherries, smoke, herbs and meat juices. Fleshy, medium to full-bodied and silky smooth, this endearing seductive 2008 should drink nicely for 7-8 years. Score: **91** (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, Oct. 2010)

70888 [XD] 750 mL \$49

**CLOS SAINT JEAN
DEUS EX MACHINA
CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE 2008**

AC, Unfiltered

TASTING NOTE: The 2008 Chateauneuf du Pape Deus Ex Machina is the wine of the vintage. A dense purple color is accompanied by astonishing levels of concentration, and loads of garrigue, steak tartare, grilled beef, Provençal herbs, blackberries, blueberries and a touch of graphite. Full-bodied and rich with moderate tannins and a long finish, this is an aberration for a 2008. However, if it's a freak, it's an extraordinary one. Give it 2-3 years of bottle age and drink it over the following 25 years. Score: **95** (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, Oct. 2010)

103036 [XD] 750 mL \$95



FRANCE – RHÔNE

SOUTHERN RHÔNE

RED WINE

CLOS ST-JEAN LA COMBE DES FOUS CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE 2008

AC, Unfiltered

TASTING NOTE: Another shocker in the best sense is the 2008 Chateauneuf du Pape La Combe des Fous. As I wrote last year, this is one of the most complex and concentrated wines of the vintage. An extraordinary perfume of white chocolate, roasted Provencal herbs, lavender, licorice, black cherries and sweet black currants is followed by a broad, expansively flavored wine with a superb full-bodied texture, terrific purity and a 40+ second finish. In fact, the tannins are such that 1-2 years of bottle age may be beneficial. This 2008 should evolve for 15 years. It is almost impossible to believe that something like this could have been achieved in this vintage. Score: **94** (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, Oct. 2010)

103028 [XD] 750 mL \$95

**CUVÉE DU VATICAN RÉSERVE SIXTINE CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE 2007**

AC

TASTING NOTE: The blockbuster 2007 Chateauneuf du Pape Reserve Sixtine (55% Grenache, 30% Syrah, and 15% Mourvedre from 50- to 105-year-old vines) boasts an inky/purple color as well as a sensational perfume of camphor, graphite, black currants, black cherries, licorice, and smoke. Built like a young Bordeaux with its tannic structure, this full-bodied, intensely flavored wine reveals a meaty character in the mouth. As with most vintages since 1998, the 2007 requires cellaring. Anticipated maturity: 2014-2028+. Score: **94** (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, Oct. 2009)

740639 [XD] 750 mL \$55

**DOMAINE DU VIEUX LAZARET CUVÉE EXCEPTIONNELLE CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE 2007**

AC

TASTING NOTE: Perhaps the finest wine I have ever tasted from Jerome Quiot is Vieux Lazaret's 2007 Chateauneuf du Pape Cuvee Exceptionnelle. This fabulous wine boasts an inky/ruby/purple color as well as a sweet nose of cassis, black raspberry liqueur, spring flowers, and hints of graphite and truffles. It is deep, ripe, full-bodied, rich, and multidimensional with a stunningly long, 45+ second finish. Give it 2-3 years of bottle age, and consume it over the following two decades. Score: **92-94** (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, Oct. 2008)

957274 [XD] 750 mL \$55

MAS DE BOISLAUZON CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE 2007

AC

TASTING NOTE: The 2007 Chateauneuf du Pape, a big time sleeper of the vintage, is well-worth buying. The finest traditional Chateauneuf produced at Mas de Boislauzon, it boasts a saturated ruby/purple color as well as a spectacular nose of licorice, black raspberries, black cherries, and lavender, and an exquisitely full-bodied, multidimensional and layered wine with not a hard edge to be found. Tremendous depth, beautiful freshness, and admirable purity suggest this 2007 will evolve for 12+ years. Readers should move quickly to secure some of this fabulous bargain. Score: **94** (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, Oct. 2009)

244269 [D] 750 mL \$55

FRANCE – ALSACE

WHITE WINE

**DOMAINE ZIND-HUMBRECHT
CLOS WINDSBUHL PINOT GRIS
2008**

AC Alsace

TASTING NOTE: Ripe flavors of yellow peach, melon, clementine and honey are well-balanced by the firm acidity and notes of white pepper and smoke. An intense, layered wine, still tightly knit right now, hinting at a long future. Best from 2012 through 2030.

Score: **94** (Alison Napjus, *winespectator.com*, Sept. 30, 2010)

256198 [MD] 750 mL \$55

**RENÉ MURÉ CLOS ST. LANDELIN
SÉLECTION DE GRAINS NOBLES
RIESLING 2007**

Vorbourg, AC Alsace

TASTING NOTE: The elegance of this wine belies the intensity of its racy acidity and well-meshed frame. Offers layers of flavor – from apple and peach pie to smoke and honey to toffee and a hint of beeswax.

This is incredibly silky and lightly mouthcoating, and the finish just keeps going. Drink now through 2030. Score: **95** (Alison Napjus, *winespectator.com*, Nov. 15, 2009)

235192 [D] 500 mL \$69



GERMANY – MOSEL

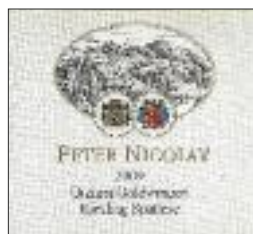
WHITE WINE

**PETER NICOLAY RIESLING
SPÄTLESE 2009**

QmP, Ürziger Goldwingert, Estate Btd.

TASTING NOTE: Very elegant and pure, with a delicate creaminess that runs through the opulent honeyed flavors of apricot, guava, ripe pineapple and baked apple tart. Bright and spicy on the rich finish. Drink now through 2030. Score: **94** (Kim Marcus, *winespectator.com*, Dec. 15, 2010)

71142 [MS] 750 mL \$32

**ST. URBANS-HOF RIESLING
SPÄTLESE 2009**

QmP, Ockfener Bockstein

TASTING NOTE: Hinting at graphite, this white delivers peach, Golden Delicious apple, warm baking spice and citrus aromas and flavors. It's all matched to a firm, tightly wound structure, with the acidity topping the balance now. There's fine, stony length. Needs time. Best from 2014 through 2035. Highly Recommended. Score: **94** (Bruce Sanderson, *winespectator.com*, Nov. 15, 2010)

235200 [MS] 750 mL \$36

**VOLLENWEIDER GOLD CAPSULE
RIESLING AUSLESE 2009**

QmP, Wolfer Goldgrube

TASTING NOTE: After assessing the paucity and nature of those bunches anywhere in his Goldgrube acreage that had genuinely shriveled from botrytis infection, Vollenweider elected not to attempt a long gold capsule Auslese, with the result that his 2009 Wolfer Goldgrube Riesling Auslese gold capsule is richer than usual for a wine so-designated. Here, the potential glory of the 2009 vintage becomes evident. Whiffs of fresh bread, black tea smokiness, and prickle of botrytis spice on the nose are underpinned by ripe, suggestively-sweet notes that intimate what follows on a creamily-textured, luscious palate: a fine, fascinating combination of quince preserves, pear drops, sheer honey, marzipan, and caramel, making for a decidedly confectionary tone, but what an irresistible one! Browned butter, salt, and lobster shell reduction supply salvia-inducing savor to a finish of formidable length and uncanny in its combination of richness and levity. This will be hard to keep one's corkscrew away from though I am sure it will reveal further fascinating and alluring facets over the next 30 years. Score: **94** (David Schildknecht, *erobertparker.com*, Dec. 2010)

107524 [MS] 375 mL \$45

GERMANY – MOSEL

WHITE WINE

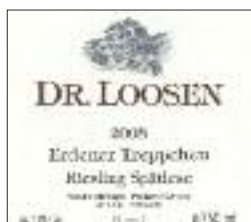
DR. LOOSEN RIESLING SPÄTLESE 2008

QmP, Erdener Treppchen

TASTING NOTE: Plump and juicy, with racy acidity driving the jellied citrus and apricot notes. A latent mineral element sits under the surface, playing a more integral role on the lingering finish. Drink now through 2024.

Score: **91** (Bruce Sanderson, *wine-spectator.com*, Dec. 31, 2009)

249664 [MS] 750 mL \$34



MARKUS MOLITOR RIESLING SPÄTLESE 2008

QmP, Niedermenniger Herrenberg

TASTING NOTE: Quince jelly, marzipan, and lily on the nose of Molitor's 2008 Niedermenniger Herrenberg Riesling Spätlese follow on a subtly creamy palate underlain by stony, saline, smoky notes, the whole striking performance here bearing some resemblance to that of a Vouvray moelleux. Molitor opines that it is the air drying of the tiny berries on these ancient vines that enhances the wine's sense of levity and delicacy, although that was also a striking feature of the Urziger Wurzgarten Spätlese I tasted immediately preceding this. Despite only 7.5% alcohol and concomitantly high residual sugar, this comes off as by no means overly sweet. If you want to experience the essence of liquefied flowers and of 2008 vintage buoyancy, then hitch a ride on this remarkable Riesling and expect to stay high for at least 20 years. Score: **93** (David Schildknecht, *erobertparker.com*, Feb. 2010)

235234 [MS] 750 mL \$29

WEINGÜTER WEGELER RIESLING SPÄTLESE 2008

QmP, Wehlener Sonnenuhr

TASTING NOTE: A beam of lime, apple and mineral runs through this white like a jolt of energy. Shows terrific definition coiled around a spine of acidity, with a fine, vanilla-tinged finish. Best from 2012 through 2025. Score: **93** (Bruce Sanderson, *wine-spectator.com*, Feb. 28, 2010)

87452 [MS] 750 mL \$30

ITALY – CAMPANIA

RED WINE

TERRE DEL PRINCIPE PIANCASTELLI 2007

IGT Terre del Volturno

TASTING NOTE: The 2007 Vigna Piancastelli is Pallagrello Nero and Casavecchia made in a slightly late-harvest style. This sumptuous racy wine bursts from the glass with heady notes of ash, scorched earth, game, wild cherries, sage and rosemary. Despite the wine's size, everything is in wonderful harmony here. Today the Piancastelli is quite young, but it should develop beautifully in bottle over the coming years. Anticipated maturity: 2015-2027. Score: **93** (Antonio Galloni, *erobertparker.com*, June 2010)

235416 [XD] 750 mL \$59

**TERRE DORA FATICA CONTADINA
TAURASI 2004**

DOCG

TASTING NOTE: The 2004 Taurasi Fatica Contadina is truly beautiful and refined. Silky ripe tannins frame red berries, underbrush, tobacco, spices and dried flowers. Ash, smoke and licorice develop in the glass, adding further layers of complexity to what seems like an eternal finish punctuated by clean, mineral notes. Today the 2004 is impossibly young and powerful, but in a few years' time it will develop into a splendid Taurasi. Actually, it already is. Once again, a comparison with Barolo seems particularly apt. Anticipated maturity: 2014-2034. Score: **94** (Antonio Galloni, *erobertparker.com*, Aug. 2010)

235366 [XD] 750 mL \$39

**TERRE DORA PAGO DEL FUSI
TAURASI 2004**

DOCG

TASTING NOTE: The 2004 Taurasi Pago dei Fusi is a single-vineyard wine that has previously not been available in the US. Hopefully that will change, as this is a rock-star wine. The Pago dei Fusi shows a touch more depth and inner sweetness than the regular bottling, but without abandoning what is essentially a classic style. Dark cherries, plums, tobacco, licorice and incense are woven together in a fabric of superb richness. The finish is long, precise and exceptionally pure, with crystalline, mineral notes that add freshness. This site, which was once under water, is rich in marine deposits that confer a beautiful sense of vibrancy to the wine. The integration of the oak is superb. Readers will not want to miss this gem! Anticipated maturity: 2014-2029. Score: **95+** (Antonio Galloni, *erobertparker.com*, June 2010)

235374 [XD] 750 mL \$39

ITALY – PIEDMONT

RED WINE

**ALDO CONTERNO CICALA BUSSIA
BAROLO 2006**

DOCG

TASTING NOTE: The 2006 Barolo Cicala is another serious, austere Barolo that is tightly wound at this stage. Here the fruit is darker and more intense than in the Colonnello, while the aromatics tend towards menthol, pine, spices and all things balsamic. Sweet, powerful and layered, the 2006 Cicala finishes with a blast of roasted coffee beans, licorice and mint. This is an absolutely wonderful, complete Barolo from Aldo Conterno. Anticipated maturity: 2016-2031. Score: **94** (Antonio Galloni, *erobertparker.com*, Feb. 2010)

51003 [XD] 750 mL \$149

BROVIA VILLERO BAROLO 2006

DOCG

TASTING NOTE: Like the Rocche, the 2006 Barolo Villero is also made from a vineyard in Castiglione Falletto, but it could not be more different. Here the fruit is deep, dark and sensual. While the Rocche tends towards suggestions of floral red berries, the Villero reveals plums, prune, spices and menthol intermingled with a host of other balsamic overtones. This virile yet mid-weight wine is quite promising. Anticipated maturity: 2016-2031. Score: **92-95** (Antonio Galloni, *erobertparker.com*, Feb. 2010)

489 [XD] 750 mL \$75

ITALY – PIEDMONT

RED WINE

**GIANNI GAGLIARDO CANNUBI
BAROLO 2006**

DOCG

TASTING NOTE: A Barolo superstar on the rise – keep a close watch on the wines of Gianni Gagliardo and family. This expression from the prized Cannubi cru offers impressive intensity and personality with enticing aromas of black fruit, cola, root beer, cured beef, cedar and white truffle. The wine is ethereal and elegant but the tannic touch is firm enough to promise a long cellar future ahead. Score: **94** (Monica Lerner, *Wine Enthusiast*, Dec. 1, 2010)

235325 [D] 750 mL \$129

**GIANNI GAGLIARDO SERRE
BAROLO 2006**

DOCG

TASTING NOTE: Gianni Gagliardo's Barolo Serre is an impressively delicate wine with layers of wild berry, red rose, pressed violets, smoke and mineral. The mouthfeel is fresh, tannic, clean and very long lasting. This classic expression of Nebbiolo shows the best qualities of this noble Italian variety. Score: **93** (Monica Lerner, *Wine Enthusiast*, Dec. 1, 2010)

235333 [D] 750 mL \$84

**MARCHESI DI BAROLO SARMASSA
BAROLO 2006**

DOCG

TASTING NOTE: Here's an excellent measuring stick with which to gauge some of the world's best Nebbiolo-based wines. This bright Barolo from the Sarmassa cru delivers textbook aromatic nuances of small berry, cinnamon, dried currants, licorice and balsam freshness. Tight tannins and a fine texture will enable longevity. Cellar this wine ten years or more. Score: **94** (Monica Lerner, *Wine Enthusiast*, Dec. 2010)

973628 [XD] 750 mL \$59

**PAOLO SCAVINO BRIC DÈL FIASC
BAROLO 2006**

DOCG

TASTING NOTE: The 2006 Barolo Bric dël Fiasc is a dramatic, sweeping wine that bursts onto the palate in a powerful expression of this Castiglione Falletto vineyard. Dark red fruits, smoke and grilled herbs are just some of the nuances that come to life as this imposing, focused Barolo opens up in the glass. Today, the wine is a touch austere, but in a few years the structure should fill out nicely. It is impossible to ignore the sheer pedigree and class here. Anticipated maturity: 2016-2031. Score: **95** (Antonio Galloni, *erobertparker.com*, Feb. 2010)

185066 [XD] 750 mL \$105

**PARUSSO BUSSIA BAROLO 2006**

DOCG

TASTING NOTE: The 2006 Barolo Bussia reveals a multitude of balsamic, mineral-infused aromas and flavors. Large-scaled and dramatic, the Bussia sweeps across the palate, showing off tons of pedigree and sheer class. The Bussia is quite a bit more backward than the Le Coste-Mosconi, and it will require considerable cellaring, but it is a beauty. Flowers, spices and minerals waft out of the glass on the sensual, ethereal finish. I also tasted the Riserva version of this wine, which won't be released for a few years. For now, let me just say the 2006 Riserva is shaping up to be another hugely promising, important wine from Parusso in this vintage. Anticipated maturity: 2018-2031. I was deeply impressed with the wines I tasted from Marco Parusso this year. Score: **95** (Antonio Galloni, *erobertparker.com*, Feb. 2010)

105130 [D] 750 mL \$85

**PARUSSO LE COSTE MOSCONI
BAROLO 2006**

DOCG

TASTING NOTE: Parusso's 2006 Barolo Le Coste-Mosconi is simply superb. The late harvest in 2006 yielded a wine blessed with gorgeous, articulate aromatics, beautifully ripe fruit and finessed tannins, all of which add tons of class to what is essentially a full-throttle, fruit-driven Barolo. A vein of minerality runs through the wine from start to finish, adding a degree of freshness that is unusual for such a big Barolo. The textural richness and balance here are drop-dead gorgeous. Anticipated maturity: 2016-2031. Score: **95** (Antonio Galloni, *erobertparker.com*, Feb. 2010)

105122 [D] 750 mL \$79

PARUSSO MARIONDINO BAROLO 2006

DOCG

TASTING NOTE: The 2006 Barolo Mariondino is built on a core of floral red fruit. Despite its medium-bodied personality, the Mariondino packs a surprising punch. This utterly engaging Barolo possesses superb depth and lovely persistence on the palate. It is a wonderful effort from this site. Anticipated maturity: 2016-2026. Score: **92** (Antonio Galloni, *erobertparker.com*, Feb. 2010)

105114 [XD] 750 mL \$55

PELISSERO LONG NOW 2006

DOC Langhe

TASTING NOTE: Dark and brooding, featuring saturated black currant, wild herb and mineral aromas and flavors, just hinting at animal. This is backward and tightly structured with tannins, yet also concentrated and long, with sweetness prevailing in the end. Needs time. Nebbiolo and Barbera. Best from 2015 through 2040. Score: **95** (Bruce Sanderson, *winespectator.com*, Nov. 30, 2010)

138438 [XD] 750 mL \$54

**ROBERTO VOERZIO CEREQUIO BAROLO 2006**

DOCG

TASTING NOTE: The 2006 Barolo Cerequio opens with an utterly beguiling, captivating bouquet that leads to ripe red fruit, flowers, minerals and spices, all framed by sweet, silky tannins. Aromatics, textural elegance and freshness come together in this energetic, vivid Barolo. The finish is exceptionally long, pure and fresh, which suggests the wine will age gracefully for many years. The 2006 Barolo Cerequio is emerging as one of the finest wines in this important vintage. Simply put, it is awesome! Anticipated maturity: 2016-2026. Score: **97** (Antonio Galloni, *erobertparker.com*, March 2010)

955641 [XD] 750 mL \$235

**ALESSANDRIA SAN GIOVANNI BAROLO 2005**

DOCG

TASTING NOTE: Alessandria's 2005 Barolo San Giovanni is an over-achiever in this vintage. To be sure, it is a relatively small-scaled, feminine San Giovanni, but the balance and harmony is all there in this first-class Barolo. In 2005 the wine shows more dark red fruits (as opposed to the blacker profile than is the norm), raspberries, crushed flowers, spices and French oak, yet the tannins are beautifully integrated, the finish is long and the wine's overall balance is exemplary. The San Giovanni offers an additional layer of density and richness over the Barolo, but it, too, is drinking beautifully today. Anticipated maturity: 2009-2020. Score: **93** (Antonio Galloni, *erobertparker.com*, April 2009)

239087 [XD] 750 mL \$69

**JOSETTA SAFFIRIO PERSIERA BAROLO 2005**

DOCG

TASTING NOTE: Very ripe, with plum skin and raspberry aromas. Full-bodied, with round, soft tannins and loads of fruit. Juicy, almost decadent, with raisin and spices. Very approachable. Best after 2010. Score: **91** (James Suckling, *winespectator.com*, Dec. 15, 2009)

239103 [D] 750 mL \$69

ITALY – PIEDMONT

RED WINE

LUCIANO SANDRONE LE VIGNE BAROLO 2005

DOCG

TASTING NOTE: The 2005 Barolo Le Vigne opens with fresh, high-toned aromas that meld into a core of perfumed red fruits. There is notable vibrancy to the fruit, and although the 2005 is a relatively small-scaled vintage for this wine, the balance is exceptional. The Le Vigne has more than enough fruit to follow through all the way to the close, where notes of raspberry jam offer a final burst of intensity. Le Vigne is made from a number of parcels in Vignane (Barolo), Conterni and Ceretta (Monforte) and Merli (Novello). In 2005 the harvest took place in the first two weeks of October. The wines were vinified separately, then racked into 500-liter barrels. The final blend was assembled in the summer of 2006. Every year I taste through the various parcels separately and every year I am amazed by the way the final blend transcends the quality of the individual wines. Simply put, Le Vigne is a gem of a wine from Luciano Sandrone. Anticipated maturity: 2011-2021. Score: **94** (Antonio Galloni, *erobert-parker.com*, April 2009)

687996 [XD] 750 mL \$125

MARCHESI DI BAROLO CANNUBI BAROLO 2005

DOCG

TASTING NOTE: Thanks to its sandy, well-draining soils, the Cannubi cru delivers delicate and elegant wines with refined and complex aromas. Violets, orange zest, Spanish cedar, smoke and wild berries all emerge from the nose of this deeply layered wine. You could pair this Barolo with white truffles and other equally delicate or aromatic foods. Score: **94** (Monica Lerner, *Wine Enthusiast*, Feb. 2010)

980912 [XD] 750 mL \$59

MASCARELLO SANTO STEFANO DI PERNO BAROLO 2005

DOCG

TASTING NOTE: The 2005 Barolo Santo Stefano di Perno reveals a pretty core of dark fruit, herbs and spices in a medium-bodied style. This round, harmonious Barolo should drink nicely with a minimum of cellaring. The integrity of the fruit and the inner perfume of the 2005 are gorgeous and in this vintage the wine shows none of the angular edges that are present at times. With air, the wine gains volume and comes together very nicely. This is a gorgeous and very pure Santo Stefano from Mauro Mascarello. Anticipated maturity: 2012-2022. Score: **92** (Antonio Galloni, *erobert-parker.com*, Oct. 2009)

235358 [D] 750 mL \$119



ORLANDO ABRIGO MONTERSINO BARBARESCO 2005

DOCG

TASTING NOTE: Soft and sweet, with beautiful plum and berry character and coffee flavors underneath. Rich and very long. A gorgeous young wine. Best after 2011. Score: **93** (James Suckling, *winespectator.com*, Dec. 15, 2008)

239111 [XD] 750 mL \$64



PAOLO SCAVINO CAROBRIC BAROLO 2005

DOCG

This wine was ranked #81 on the 2009 *Wine Spectator* Top 100.

TASTING NOTE: This rich wine shows exotic fruit on the nose, with blueberry, blackberry and flowers. Full-bodied, concentrated and chewy, with layers of ripe tannins and loads of fruit. The finish is massive. Best after 2013. Score: **95** (James Suckling, *winespectator.com*, July 31, 2009)

182337 [XD] 750 mL \$75

**PRODUTTORI DEL BARBARESCO
ASILI RISERVA BARBARESCO
2005**

DOCG

TASTING NOTE: The 2005 Barbaresco Riserva Asili is sweet, sensual and perfumed. Today the wine remains extremely reticent, but the tannins show extraordinary purity and silkiness, suggesting the only thing missing is time. For now the 2005 Asili shows great integrity in its dark red fruit, with notable persistence on the palate and a round, powerful close. Anticipated maturity: 2015-2030. Score: **93** (Antonio Galloni, *erobertparker.com*, Oct. 2009)

241398 [D] 750 mL \$58



ITALY – SICILY

RED WINE

**SANTA ANASTASIA MONTENERO
2006**

IGT Sicilia

TASTING NOTE: The 2006 Montenero, a Nero d'Avola-based blend, is an interesting wine. Technically speaking it is beautiful, with well-delineated aromatics, silky tannins and an expressive core of ripe red fruit. The oak is beautifully integrated and the finish is impeccable. At the same time, it is a wine that could have been made anywhere. Still, it is undeniably a terrific effort, even if I can't help wishing for a more truly distinctive showing. The potential here is notable. Anticipated maturity: 2010-2018. Score: **92** (Antonio Galloni, *erobertparker.com*, June 2010)

235226 [D] 750 mL \$39

MASSETO 2008

IGT Toscana

(Tenuta dell'Ornellaia)

TASTING NOTE: The 2008 Masseto comes across as relatively reserved and along the lines of vintages like 1988 that age beautifully but aren't the blockbuster type wines usually associated with Maremma. Freshly cut flowers, crushed rocks, spices and black cherries are some of the aromas and flavors that emerge from the 2008. This is an exceptionally beautiful Masseto that impresses for its elegance. The wine fleshes out nicely in the glass, while retaining its refined personality. Anticipated maturity: 2016-2028. Score: **96** (Antonio Galloni, *erobertparker.com*, Aug. 2011)

730655 [XD] 750 mL \$475

732172 [XD] 1500 mL \$995

ITALY – TUSCANY

RED WINE

BRANCAIA ILATRAIA 2008

IGT Maremma

TASTING NOTE: There's plenty of ripe, juicy fruit in this young wine, which is full and velvety, with a long finish. Best after 2011. Score: **91** (James Suckling, *winespectator.com*, Oct. 31, 2010)

685230 [XD] 750 mL \$69



ITALY – TUSCANY

RED WINE

BARONE RICASOLI CASTELLO DI BROLIO CHIANTI CLASSICO 2007
DOCG

James Suckling of *Wine Spectator* gave this a score of **91** (Oct. 31, 2010).

TASTING NOTE: The 2007 Chianti Classico Castello di Brolio offers up rich, textured dark fruit in a succulent style that is very appealing. French oak gives the Castello di Brolio notable volume and body, in addition to an attractive smokiness that works quite nicely in this vintage. The Castello di Brolio can be enjoyed today for its forward fruit or cellared for another decade or so. Anticipated maturity: 2010-2020. Score: **90** (Antonio Galloni, *erobertparker.com*, Oct. 2010)

942607 [XD] 750 mL \$59
226498 [XD] 1500 mL \$125



CASALVENTO JANUS 2007

IGT Toscana

TASTING NOTE: This offers phenomenal aromas of currant, blackberry and crushed raspberry, yet it's subtle and refined. Full-bodied, with a beautiful balance of ripe fruit and fresh acidity, followed by just a hint of mineral at the end. Best after 2012. Score: **94** (James Suckling, *wine-spectator.com*, Oct. 31, 2010)

237594 [XD] 750 mL \$49

FONTODI VIGNA DEL SORBO RISERVA CHIANTI CLASSICO 2007
DOCG

TASTING NOTE: The 2007 Chianti Classico Riserva Vigna del Sorbo is a wine that expresses a contemporary vision of what Chianti Classico can be but without ever fully abandoning its roots. The single-vineyard Vigna del Sorbo adds 10% Cabernet Sauvignon (planted on Sangiovese rootstocks) to the Sangiovese. Texturally it is classic Sangiovese with the fine, sweet tannins that are the hallmark of the vintage, while the Cabernet adds a sepia-hued dimension to the fruit and an element of greater richness in the body, but without dominating the aromatic or flavor profile. The radiant warmth of Panzano doesn't hurt either, as the fruit is gloriously ripe and soft in this vintage. Everything is beautifully in balance, including the oak, which is barely perceptible. Today the Vigna del Sorbo is very young. It should start to be expressive around age ten and continue to drink beautifully for another decade-plus. Vigna del Sorbo remains a benchmark for the heights the international style of Chianti Classico can reach. This is another fabulous effort from proprietor Giovanni Manetti. Anticipated maturity: 2017-2032. Score: **95** (Antonio Galloni, *erobertparker.com*, Oct. 2010)

963827 [XD] 750 mL \$69

LA QUERCE 2007

IGT Toscana

TASTING NOTE: A polished and silky-textured red, offering currant, blueberry and vanilla character, with hints of coffee. Full and round. Still needs to come together somewhat. Best after 2012. Score: **92** (James Suckling, *winespectator.com*, Oct. 31, 2010)

48835 [XD] 750 mL \$45



MONTEPELOSO ENEO 2007

IGT Toscana

TASTING NOTE: The 2007 Eneo is simply awesome. Juicy red cherries, new leather, tobacco, wild cherries and earthiness come together in a rich, powerful style. Elements of ripeness and structure are combined in a classy wine of notable pedigree. The finish is long, energetic and focused, bringing everything back into place with remarkable harmony. The 2007 Eneo is 40% Montepulciano, 25% Sangiovese, 25% Marselan and 10% Alicante Bouschet that was aged in used French oak barrels. Anticipated maturity: 2017-2027. Score: **93** (Antonio Galloni, *erobertparker.com*, Oct. 2010)

114660 [XD] 750 mL \$49

MORIS FARMS AVVOLTORE 2007

IGT Toscana

TASTING NOTE: The 2007 Avvoltore, a blend of 75% Sangiovese, 20% Cabernet Sauvignon and 5% Syrah, is a stunner. All of the elements come together gracefully as this soft, sumptuous wine opens up to reveal multiple layers of fruit, refined tannins and exceptional harmony that all leave lasting impression. Power, weight and intensity are balanced beautifully in a soft, seamless style that is impossible to resist. This is a fabulous vintage of Avvoltore. Anticipated maturity: 2012-2027. Score: **93** (Antonio Galloni, *erobertparker.com*, Oct. 2010)

77768 [XD] 750 mL \$59

**PODERI DEL PARADISO
MANGIAFOCO 2007**

IGT Toscana

TASTING NOTE: A complex and powerful red, with currant, toasty oak, spices and berries on the nose and palate. Chewy, with plenty of fruit underneath. Just a baby. Best after 2014. Score: **94** (James Suckling, *winespectator.com*, Oct. 31, 2010)

244749 [D] 750 mL \$49

**VIGNAMAGGIO CASTELLO DI
MONNA LISA RISERVA CHIANTI
CLASSICO 2007**

DOCG

TASTING NOTE: The 2007 Chianti Classico Riserva Castello di Monna Lisa is one of the more distinctive Chiantis in this vintage. Made in a super-ripe, opulent style, the Monna Lisa reveals superb textural richness buttressed by fine, silky tannins on a medium-bodied, elegant frame. The wine remains exquisitely youthful, with little in the way of tertiary development. Readers who prefer a more overt, fruit-driven style of Chianti will love the Monna Lisa. Anticipated maturity: 2012-2022. Score: **92** (Antonio Galloni, *erobertparker.com*, Oct. 2010)

930651 [XD] 750 mL \$38

**CASTELLO DI MONSANTO
NEMO VIGNETO IL MULINO 2006**

IGT Toscana

TASTING NOTE: The 2006 Nemo Vigneto Il Mulino (Cabernet Sauvignon) is a more overt, fruit-driven wine than Il Poggio in this vintage. Sweet scents of French oak meld into blackberries, blueberries, licorice and grilled herbs. The fruit remains extremely primary, while the oak is a touch prominent, both of which suggest further cellaring is needed for all of the elements to come together. A rich, textured, creamy finish provides the final exclamation point to this superb, pedigreed Nemo. This distinctly Tuscan Cabernet seems to get better and better with each passing vintage. The 2006 is not to be missed. Anticipated maturity: 2016-2031. Score: **95** (Antonio Galloni, *erobertparker.com*, Oct. 2010)

738906 [XD] 750 mL \$65

**DUEMANI CABERNET FRANC
2006**

IGT Toscana

TASTING NOTE: Exotic aromas of smoke, meat, crushed berries and fresh herbs. Full-bodied and polished, with chewy tannins and lots of fruit. Built for aging. Very concentrated. Big, New World-like sort of red. Best after 2011. Score: **94** (James Suckling, *winespectator.com*, Web Only, 2009)

239129 [XD] 750 mL \$95

**ROCCA DI FRASSINELLO 2006**

IGT Maremma Toscana

TASTING NOTE: Three Glasses went once again to the '06 Rocca di Frassinello, which looks confidently set on its way to join the finest examples of winemaking in Tuscany and beyond. The elegant aromas are veined with lush fruit that blends harmoniously with the spice from the well-judged use of oak during maturation. Density, volume and depth are the distinguishing features of the juicy palate with its long, intense finish. Score: **94** (Gambero Rosso *Italian Wines*, 2009)

25692 [XD] 750 mL \$49

ITALY – TUSCANY

RED WINE

VIGNAMAGGIO CABERNET FRANC 2006

IGT Toscana

TASTING NOTE: The 2006 Cabernet Franc is marvelous in its ripe dark fruit, violets, graphite, espresso, Venezuelan bittersweet chocolate and minerals. The interplay between fruit and structure here is simply magnificent, while the wine's focus and crystalline purity are something to behold. This beautifully sculpted, powerful Cabernet Franc captures plenty of varietal expression married to an unmistakable sense of Tuscany. It is a magnificent effort from Vignamaggio. Anticipated maturity: 2014-2026. Score: **95** (Antonio Galloni, *erobertparker.com*, Oct. 2010)

236190 [XD] 750 mL \$59



DONATELLA CINELLI COLOMBINI BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2005
DOCG

TASTING NOTE: Here is a thick and succulent expression of Brunello di Montalcino with a generous and immediately friendly disposition. The wine is soft, smooth and satisfying with firm tannins and a full delivery of blackberry, cherry and spice.

Score: **93** (Monica Lerner, *Wine Enthusiast*, Aug. 2010)

113357 [XD] 750 mL \$49



LA SERENA BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2005

DOCG

TASTING NOTE: Offers coffee and spice notes, with treacle tart and ripe dark fruits such as sultana. Full-bodied, with firm tannins and lots of fruit. Tight but juicy. Needs some bottle age to express itself more.

Best after 2011. Score: **91** (James Suckling, *winespectator.com*, June 15, 2010)

149583 [XD] 750 mL \$64

SALCHETO SALCO EVOLUZIONE VINO NOBILE DI MONTEPULCIANO 2005

DOCG

TASTING NOTE: The 2005 Vino Nobile di Montepulciano Salco Evoluzione is a wine that seems to get better with each passing vintage. The 2005 takes another step in the right direction, despite a vintage that on paper was less favorable than 2004. This dark, hulking Salco flows from the glass with massive depth in its dark fruit, French oak, licorice and new leather. The balance of fruit, acidity, structure and French oak is nothing short of first-class, while the finish is generous and expansive. There is something totally mesmerizing about this superb, pedigreed Salco. Simply put, it is terrific. The Salco is 100% Prugnolo Gentile (Sangiovese) fermented in large oak vats and aged in a combination of small French oak barrels and in large Slavonian oak casks for a total of 24 months ... Anticipated maturity: 2015-2025. Score: **94** (Antonio Galloni, *erobertparker.com*, Oct. 2010)

241281 [XD] 750 mL \$49

SESTI BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2005

DOCG

TASTING NOTE: Sesti's 2005 Brunello di Montalcino is a tightly wound, focused offering imbued with scorched earth, smoke, licorice and red cherries, all of which flow from an authoritative, powerful frame. It remains one of the firmer wines of the vintage, but there is a lot to like. Suggestions of smoke and tar reappear on the finish. Anticipated maturity: 2012-2022. Score: **92** (Antonio Galloni, *erobertparker.com*, April 2010)

243915 [D] 750 mL \$79

**ALTESINO RISERVA BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2004**

DOCG

TASTING NOTE: This stunning wine boasts loads of character that peels off as aromatic layers of cherry, cassis, soapy wild flowers, violets, earth, cola and church incense. There's a sweet spice element of cinnamon and nutmeg and all the flavors last long on the finish. It's tempered, elegant and smooth overall. Score: **96** (Monica Lerner, *Wine Enthusiast*, Oct. 2010)

8011 [XD] 750 mL \$99

CASTELLO ROMITORIO BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2004

DOCG

TASTING NOTE: Blackberry and dried flowers on the nose. Full-bodied, with soft and silky tannins and a long finish. Very approachable now, with bright fruit and fresh acidity. Long and beautiful. Drink now through 2015. Score: **93** (James Suckling, *winespectator.com*, Web Only, 2009)

236356 [XD] 750 mL \$59

IL PALAZZONE RISERVA BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2004

DOCG

TASTING NOTE: The 2004 Brunello di Montalcino Riserva is quite possibly the finest wine I have tasted from Il Palazzone. The fruit is rich, round and caressing, all qualities that carry through to the round, creamy finish. Red cherries, spices and subtle oak add layers of complexity on the close. This is essentially a fruit-driven, open style of Brunello. The wine is firing on all cylinders today and should drink beautifully for a number of years. The Riserva is made from vineyards in Montalcino and Castelnuovo dell'Abate. Anticipated maturity: 2010-2022. Score: **92+** (Antonio Galloni, *erobertparker.com*, April 2010)

21063 [XD] 750 mL \$99

LA LECCIAIA RISERVA BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2004

DOCG

TASTING NOTE: The 2004 Brunello di Montalcino Riserva is one of the more accessible wines of the vintage. Dark cherries, plums, flowers, spices and tobacco emerge with gorgeous clarity and detail. The wine's inner sweetness takes on more prominence on the mid-palate, leading to a long, polished finish. Anticipated maturity: 2010-2020. Score: **92** (Antonio Galloni, *erobertparker.com*, April 2010)

241307 [XD] 750 mL \$69

**VITANZA RISERVA BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2004**

DOCG

TASTING NOTE: Lovely aromas of dried flowers, licorice, blueberry and mineral lead to a full body, with pretty, superracy tannins, plenty of subtle fruit and an ultralong finish. Best after 2012. Score: **95** (James Suckling, *winespectator.com*, June 15, 2010)

236232 [XD] 750 mL \$99

ITALY – VENETO

RED WINE

ZENATO SANSONINA MERLOT 2006

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TASTING NOTE: The 2006 Merlot is a big, brawny wine bursting with dark fruit, grilled herbs, licorice, and spices that combine elements of ripeness, structure and freshness in a highly attractive style. The 2006 is made in a less super-ripe style than has been the case in the past. The wine needs some time for the tannins to settle down, but it is undoubtedly quite beautiful. Sansonina is made from a densely planted vineyard near Lake Garda. The wine spends 18 months in French oak prior to being bottled. Anticipated maturity: 2011-2016. Score: **91** (Antonio Galloni, *erobertparker.com*, Oct. 2009)

236448 [D] 750 mL \$54

LORENZO BEGALI MONTE CA' BIANCA AMARONE DELLA VALPOLICELLA CLASSICO 2005

DOC

TASTING NOTE: Wonderful aromas of plum and delicate vanilla bean lead to a medium body, with polished, fine tannins and a delicious finish. Chewy and tight. Needs to open. Give this some bottle age. Best after 2011. Score: **91** (James Suckling, *winespectator.com*, July 31, 2010)

204883 [XD] 750 mL \$95

SERGIO ZENATO RISERVA AMARONE DELLA VALPOLICELLA CLASSICO 2005

DOC

(Zenato)

TASTING NOTE: The nose is almost port-like in its richness and depth. The palate is wonderfully concentrated, with bright flavours of blackcurrants and liquorice, concluding with a deliciously long finish. Score: **Silver Medal** (*International Wine & Spirit Competition*, 2010)

132316 [XD] 750 mL \$79

PORTUGAL

RED WINE

CHRYSEIA 2007

DOC Douro

(Prats & Symington)

TASTING NOTE: Chryseia is a benchmark wine in modern Douro table wine making. With its layered tannins, black currant fruit, minerality and stylish yet powerful structure, this is a wine of great stature, needing aging for 2-3 years. Score: **94** (Roger Voss, *Wine Enthusiast*, April 2010)

236372 [XD] 750 mL \$75

SPAIN

RED WINE

EMILIO MORO MALLEOLUS 2007
DO Ribera del Duero

TASTING NOTE: The 2007 Malleolus is a vineyard selection with vine age ranging from 26-76 years. It was aged for 18 months in French oak. Opaque purple-colored, it sports an aromatic array of pain grille, pencil lead, spice box, black cherry, and blackberry. Supple-textured, elegant yet powerful, with layers of savory fruit, this lengthy effort will benefit from 4-5 years of cellaring and offer prime drinking from 2014 to 2027. Score: **92** (Jay Miller, *erobertparker.com*, June 2010)

236141 [D] 750 mL \$55

RAÚL PÉREZ ULTREIA DE VALTUILLE MENCIA 2007

DO Bierzo

TASTING NOTE: Last but not least is the 2007 Ultreia de Valtuille, also 100% Mencia from the DO of Bierzo. A glass-coating opaque purple color, it has an amazingly sublime, other-worldly perfume like, dare I say it, Romanée-Conti (from a great vintage). Round, velvety, and remarkably graceful on the palate, it has the structure and balance to make old bones. This awesome effort can be enjoyed now and over the next 40 years. Score: **99** (Jay Miller, *erobertparker.com*, June 30, 2009)

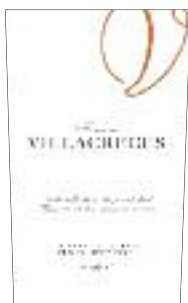
236240 [D] 750 mL \$89

FINCA VILLACRECES TINTO 2006

DO Ribera del Duero

TASTING NOTE: The purple-colored 2006 Reserva is made up of 86% Tempranillo and the balance Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot aged for 16 months in French oak. The nose displays a brooding aromatic array of Asian spices, damp earth, mineral, blackberry, and violets. Dense and stacked on the palate, the wine is still a bit tightly wound and will benefit from 4-6 years of additional cellaring. Incipiently complex and exceptionally lengthy, it should be at its best from 2025 to 2031. Score: **94** (Jay Miller, *erobertparker.com*, April 2010)

236422 [D] 750 mL \$49

**MUGA TORRE MUGA 2006**

DOCa Rioja

TASTING NOTE: Toast and cola notes frame rich plum and fig flavors in this concentrated red, which is bright and polished, though there's depth under the muscular tannins. Impressive in the modern style. Best from 2011 through 2021. Score: **94** (Thomas Matthews, *winespectator.com*, June 30, 2010)

719609 [XD] 750 mL \$79

**RAMÓN BILBAO MIRTO 2006**

DOCa Rioja

TASTING NOTE: The 2006 Mirto is 100% Tempranillo sourced from vineyards over 70 years of age. It spent 24 months in French oak before bottling without filtration. A glass-coating opaque purple color, it proffers a brooding bouquet of pain grille, espresso, licorice, lavender, and blackberry. On the palate it has layers of fruit bordering on opulent with outstanding volume and concentration. This dense, lengthy effort has 4-6 years of aging potential and will be at its best from 2014 to 2026. Score: **92+** (Jay Miller, *erobertparker.com*, April 2010)

236455 [D] 750 mL \$54

MUGA ESPECIAL RESERVA SELECCIÓN 2005

DOCa Rioja

TASTING NOTE: The 2005 Muga Reserva Seleccion Especial is the identical cepage but sourced from older vineyards and aged longer in barrel. A glass-coating opaque purple color, it offers up an alluring perfume of sandalwood, pencil lead, incense, espresso, black cherry, and blackberry. Dense, rich, structured, and savory, on the palate spice notes and terroir aromas make an appearance leading to a pure, 45-second finish. It will offer a drinking window extending from 2015 to 2035. Score: **93** (Jay Miller, *erobertparker.com*, April 2010)

921536 [XD] 750 mL \$35

**VAL SOTILLO RESERVA 2004**

DO Ribera del Duero

TASTING NOTE: Wonderful on the bouquet, where earthy notes blend perfectly with alert, bright fruit aromas. This is a sizable, full-bodied wine with leather, lively fruit character and a dose of rich chocolate. It's in excellent shape and shows impressive balance and depth. Delicious to the core, with heft and noticeable oak that should lessen if given more time. Drink now-2019. Score: **93** (Michael Schachner, *Wine Enthusiast*, Oct. 2010)

244152 [XD] 750 mL \$49

SPAIN

RED WINE

MAS GARRIAN

MAS DEL CAMPEROL 2002

DOCa Priorat

TASTING NOTE: The superb 2002 Mas del Camperol (30% Cabernet Sauvignon, 30% Grenache, 25% Carignan, and 15% Syrah) is one of the candidates for wine of the vintage in Priorat. An intriguing, provocative perfume of flowers, raspberries, black currants, blueberries, and that wet steel/crushed rock component jumps from the glass of this medium to full-bodied wine. With sensational purity, real nobility, and a heady finish with no hard edges, it should drink well for 6-8 years, possibly longer. Score: **92** (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, June 2005)

237602 [D] 750 mL \$45

BALBAS RESERVA 2001

DO Ribera del Duero

TASTING NOTE: This spicy red shows an alluring mix of ripe fruit, with more mature flavors of tobacco, leather and cedar. The tannins are well-integrated and softening, while the acidity is still fresh and crisp. Elegant and long. Drink now through 2015. Score: **93** (Thomas Matthews, *winespectator.com*, Nov. 30, 2007)

85183 [XD] 750 mL \$39



**MARQUÉS DE RISCAL
GRAN RESERVA 2001**

DOCa Rioja

TASTING NOTE: The 2001 Gran Reserva is a glass-coating opaque purple color. It presents an aromatic array of incense, Asian spices, cigar box, violets, and an assortment of black fruits. Dense, sweet, and powerful, this loaded effort from a great vintage will continue to evolve for another 8-10 years and deliver prime drinking through 2036.

Score: **93** (Jay Miller, *erobertparker.com*, June 2010)

990309 [XD] 750 mL \$49

CANADA – ONTARIO

RED WINE

**STONEY RIDGE EXCELLENCE
PINOT NOIR 2009**

VQA Niagara Peninsula

Crafted by winemaker Gordon Robert, the Excellence line from Stoney Ridge is made only from the best of the best grapes, and only in years that warrant the treatment. This Pinot, from a very strong vintage for the variety in Niagara, took home a **Silver Medal** at the 2011 Ontario Wine Awards. It features aromas of raspberry, cherry, pumpkin spice, earth, and mellow oak, and will make a splendid partner for a roast beef dinner. Cellar it 2-4 years, or enjoy it tonight, decanted.

254250 [XD] 750 mL \$29

LE CLOS JORDANNE

LE GRAND CLOS PINOT NOIR 2007

VQA Twenty Mile Bench,
Niagara Peninsula

TASTING NOTE: Well, isn't this fine!

The vintage was excellent and winemaker Thomas Bachelder has handled it beautifully, producing one of the most elegant, sensuous Canadian pinots I have ever had.

The fruit is perfectly ripened with black cherry, interlaced oak spice, vanilla, smoke and herbs. The ripeness will be unfamiliar to Ontario pinot fans. It's mid-weight, smooth and dry on the finish, with excellent length.

Score: **93** (David Lawrason, *winealign.com*, Nov. 2009)

260182 [XD] 3000 mL \$395

WHITE WINE

**INNISKILLIN LEGACY PINOT GRIS
2009**

VQA Niagara Peninsula

TASTING NOTE: Winemaker Bruce Nicholson chooses his limited Legacy series wines carefully before he decides to put his signature on the gold label series. This is another winner. Such a great nose of hazelnuts, vanilla, toast, creamy peach and added tropical fruits chiming in. It's honied and layered on the palate in an off-dry, elegant and concentrated style that shows oak, vanilla, nuts and gorgeous fruit from beginning to end. A perfect Pinot Gris done in a style that's a showcase for Niagara fruit.

Score: **★★★★★** (Rick VanSickle, *winesinnigara.com*, Dec. 29, 2010)

229591 [XD] 750 mL \$35

**TAWSE ROBYN'S BLOCK
CHARDONNAY 2008**

VQA Twenty Mile Bench,
Niagara Peninsula
Best White Wine of the Year at
the *Wine Access* 2010 Canadian
Wine Awards.

TASTING NOTE: Amid tough competi-
tion, this chardonnay powered to
the highest score achieved by a table
wine in 10 years of the Canadian
Wine Awards. Sourced from a 28-year-
old, biodynamically farmed vineyard
named for Moray Tawse's daughter,
it is a masterpiece of well-integrated
pear, toasty almond barrel notes and
mineral complexity. It has penetrating
acidity and outstanding length.
(*wineaccess.ca*, Nov. 30, 2010)

131979 [XD] 750 mL \$42

**CANADA –
BRITISH COLUMBIA**

RED WINE

**BLACK WIDOW SINGLE VINEYARD
HOURLASS 2008**

Naramata Bench,
VQA Okanagan Valley

TASTING NOTE: The winery's
flagship red, it is a blend of 95%
Merlot, 5% Cabernet Sauvignon.
It has spent 21 months in barrels,
mostly French oak. It is a deep,
rich red with flavours of blackberry,
black currants and figs; and the
structure to age well and develop
further complexity. Score: **90**
(John Schreiner, *johnschreiner.blog-
spot.com*, April 25, 2011)

258822 [XD] 750 mL \$54

AUSTRALIA

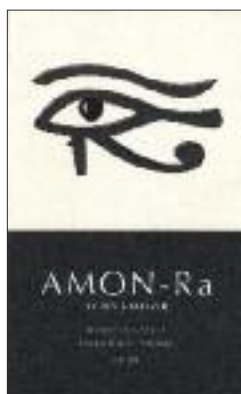
RED WINE

**GLAETZER AMON-RA SHIRAZ
2009**

Barossa Valley, South Australia,
Unfiltered

TASTING NOTE: The 2009 Amon-Ra
Shiraz displays a very deep purple-
black color and floral notes of violets
and wilted rose petals over mulberries,
blueberries, star anise, mocha, fenu-
greek, cumin seeds, cloves and tree
bark plus some toasty oak. Full-bodied
and rich yet not overly so, it has
refreshingly crisp acid and firm grainy
tannins texturing the long spicy finish.
Give it at least 2 years more in bottle
and consider drinking it 2013 to
2024+. Score: **96+** (Lisa Perrotti-Brown,
MW, *erobertparker.com*, Dec. 2010)

58032 [XD] 750 mL \$75

**GLAETZER ANAPERENNA SHIRAZ/
CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2009**

Barossa Valley, South Australia
TASTING NOTE: Blended of 76%
Shiraz and 24% Cabernet Sauvignon,
the 2009 Anaperenna Shiraz
Cabernet presents a very deep purple-
black color and pronounced aromas
of black cherries and blackberries with
an undercurrent of coffee, aniseed,
damp loam, chocolate, cloves and
menthol plus a hint of cedar. Very
crisp, full and rich on the palate, it
has firm very finely grained tannins,
commendable concentration and a long
bramble fruit finish. Drink it now to
2022+. Score: **94** (Lisa Perrotti-Brown,
MW, *erobertparker.com*, Dec. 2010)

72926 [XD] 750 mL \$59



AUSTRALIA

RED WINE

TEN MINUTES BY TRACTOR 10X PINOT NOIR 2009

Mornington Peninsula, Victoria
 TASTING NOTE: Excellent depth of colour; the bouquet has that X factor of top pinot, with complex plum, spice and calibrated oak, the palate picking up precisely where it should, reinforcing the complexity and generosity of a truly delicious pinot, retaining finesse and elegance in the midst of the candy store of flavours. Drink: Now-2020. Score: **97** (James Halliday, *winecompanion.com.au*, 2010)

250613 [XD] 750 mL \$49

VELVET GLOVE SHIRAZ 2009

McLaren Vale, South Australia
 TASTING NOTE: The 2009 Velvet Glove is 100% Shiraz matured in American oak, 97% new. Very deep garnet purple colored, it gives intense warm blackberry, choco-mint, smoked bacon and marmite-toast aromas with nuances of coffee, roasted nuts and vanilla. Floral notes of violets and potpourri emerge after a few minutes. Very rich, very crisp, concentrated and full, there's a good backbone of firm, very fine tannins and crisp acid leading into the very long and layered finish. This is a very well balanced, structured wine that should begin to open-out with 2-3 years in bottle, drinking 2014 to 2024+. Score: **97+** (Lisa Perrotti-Brown, MW, *erobertparker.com*, Dec. 2010)

242784 [XD] 750 mL \$269

FERNGROVE THE STIRLINGS CABERNET SAUVIGNON/SHIRAZ 2007

Frankland River, Western Australia
 TASTING NOTE: Produced for the last 5 years, The Stirlings is a blend each year of the best fruit, so it's composition varies from year to year. The 2007 The Stirlings Cabernet Sauvignon Shiraz is about 55% Cabernet Sauvignon and 45% Shiraz matured in 100% new French oak. Opaque in color, it provides a good intensity of cassis, blackberry, spearmint, licorice, tar and dark chocolate aromas. In the mouth it is full bodied, concentrated with great structure of medium to high acid and medium to firm, fine tannins. It finishes long. Consider drinking this one now to 2020+. Only 200 cases were produced. Score: **93** (Lisa Perrotti-Brown, MW, *erobertparker.com*, Oct. 2010)

249276 [XD] 750 mL \$65



MOLLYDOOKER CARNIVAL OF LOVE SHIRAZ 2007

McLaren Vale, South Australia
 TASTING NOTE: The 100% Shiraz 2007 Carnival of Love has a smoky, toasty perfume with notes of violet, garrigue, blueberry, and plum adding complexity. Opulent on the palate, this glossy Shiraz has serious depth of flavor, great concentration, excellent integration of oak, tannin, and acidity, and a pure, silky finish. Drink it from 2013 to 2026. Score: **96** (Jay Miller, *erobertparker.com*, Feb. 2009)

242743 [XD] 750 mL \$129



TEUSNER AVATAR 2005

Barossa Valley, South Australia

TASTING NOTE: The 2005 Avatar is composed of 55% Grenache, 25% Shiraz, and 20% Mataro and spent 16 months in used French and American oak. Purple-colored, it exhibits a brooding nose of cedar, saddle leather, scorched earth, kirsch, and blueberry. This leads to a medium to full-bodied, well-balanced, ripe wine with layers of spicy red and black fruits. There is enough ripe tannin to support 5-7 years of further evolution in the cellar. Drink it through 2020. Score: **92** (Jay Miller, *erobertparker.com*, Oct. 2007)

219220 [XD] 750 mL \$36

WHITE WINE

PENFOLDS YATTARNA CHARDONNAY 2008

Australia

TASTING NOTE: This year's Yattarna chardonnay is made from grapes grown in Tasmania and Adelaide Hills, though interestingly it's 87 percent Tasmania ... I tasted this alongside the new Penfolds 09A chardonnay and in that context it seemed cuddlier and more approachable ... Even so there are struck match and lees characters here, and smoky oak too, but the fruit is pure and voluptuous – we're talking white peach and lime, apples and nuts. Indeed it's a beautifully settled, naturally complex, flavoursome wine – a wine that seems comfortable in its complex skin. If a wine can be both seductive and restrained at once, then this one is. Drink: 2013-2019. Score: **95** (Campbell Mattinson, *winefront.com.au*, April 26, 2011)

558643 [XD] 750 mL \$124

NEW ZEALAND

RED WINE

PYRAMID VALLEY EATON FAMILY PINOT NOIR 2007

Marlborough, South Island

TASTING NOTE: Receiving 15% whole cluster and aged 15 months in French oak, 33% new, on original lees, the 2007 "Eaton Family Vineyard" Pinot Noir has a medium ruby color. There's a funky/wild character on the nose over aromas of warm strawberries and raspberries, game, earth, forest floor, loam, truffles and a whiff of dried herbs. Very crisp and tight in the mouth, this medium-full bodied Pinot gives a medium level of silky tannins with great flavor concentration and a long layered finish. Drink it now to 2015+. Score: **92+** (Lisa Perrotti-Brown, MW, *erobertparker.com*, Oct. 2010)

242602 [XD] 750 mL \$56

WHITE WINE

SACRED HILL RIFLEMAN'S CHARDONNAY 2009

Hawkes Bay, North Island

TASTING NOTE: Sacred Hill's flagship Chardonnay is one of New Zealand's greatest – powerful yet elegant, with striking intensity and outstanding cellaring potential ... The 2009 vintage is very classy and finely structured. Pale yellow, it is highly concentrated, with grapefruit, peach and nut flavours and a crisp, minerally streak, building across the palate to a lasting finish. A very complete wine, it's built to last. Score: ★★★★★ (Michael Cooper, *Buyer's Guide to New Zealand Wines*, 2011)

39503 [XD] 750 mL \$32

SOUTH AFRICA

RED WINE

BOEKENHOUTSKLOOF CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2006

WO Franschhoek

TASTING NOTE: Rich and muscular, but with plenty of precision to the cedar, espresso, macerated currant, tobacco and loam notes. The long, dense finish lets the fruit and grip hang together nicely. Built for the cellar. Best from 2010 through 2013. Score: **92** (James Molesworth, *winespectator.com*, May 31, 2009)

52084 [XD] 750 mL \$49

ARGENTINA

RED WINE

ALTA VISTA TEMIS MALBEC 2007

Single Vineyard, Uco Valley, Mendoza

TASTING NOTE: The fruit for the 2007 Temis Single Vineyard was sourced from a vineyard planted in 1939. The wine is 100% Malbec aged for 18 months in new French oak. A glass-staining opaque purple color, it delivers a nose of balsam wood, graphite, cinnamon, allspice, incense, black cherry, and black raspberry. It has more focus on the palate than the two preceding wines along with a sense of elegance to accompany the obvious power. Layered, sweetly-fruity, and smoothly-textured, it has impeccable balance, 4-6 years of aging potential and a drinking window extending from 2014 to 2027. Score: **93+** (Jay Miller, *erobertparker.com*, Aug. 2009)

119859 [XD] 750 mL \$49



CATENA ZAPATA ADRIANNA VINEYARD MALBEC 2007

Mendoza

TASTING NOTE: The 2007 Adrianna Vineyard Malbec is a similar purple/black in color with an expressive bouquet of sandalwood, Asian spices, incense, mineral, black cherry, and black raspberry. Opulent on the palate with serious extraction, great depth of flavor, complexity, and impeccable balance, this loaded, potent effort will evolve for at least 5-7 years and see its 20th birthday in prime condition. Score: **96** (Jay Miller, *erobertparker.com*, Dec. 2010)

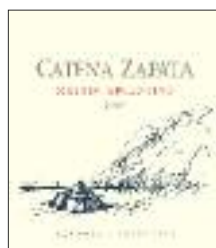
132340 [XD] 750 mL \$79

CATENA ZAPATA ARGENTINO MALBEC 2007

Mendoza

TASTING NOTE: The 2007 Argentino Malbec is a blend of the Nicasia and Adrianna cuvees. Since I have been tasting the Catena wines, this has generally been my preference because it seems to have an extra dimension of complexity. So it is with the 2007 vintage. The Argentino offers a similar aromatic and flavor profile, but with just a bit of extra nuance. It will be most enjoyable to taste these 3 wines side-by-side in another 10 years (or, to be truthful, at any time). Score: **97** (Jay Miller, *erobertparker.com*, Dec. 2010)

170035 [XD] 750 mL \$98



GIMENEZ RIILI GRAN RESERVA MALBEC 2007

Uco Valley, Mendoza

TASTING NOTE: [Gimenez Riili's 2007 Gran Reserva Malbec] was sourced from a single 4.4 acre vineyard in Altamira with 40-year-old vines and aged in French oak for 18 months. Purple in color, it reveals an expressive bouquet of balsam wood, cherry blossom, cinnamon, incense, lavender, black cherry, and black raspberry. Medium- to full-bodied on the palate with densely packed spicy black fruit and lots of spice, it is impeccably balanced and structured for the long haul. Give this exceptionally lengthy effort another 4-6 years to reveal its full potential and drink it through 2027. Score: **93** (Jay Miller, *erobertparker.com*, Dec. 2010)

250555 [XD] 750 mL \$46



CHILE

RED WINE

CASA LAPOSTOLLE BOROBO 2008

Rapel Valley

Casa Lapostolle has crafted yet another lovely wine in this proprietary red blend. Borobo takes its name from the fact that it is made with grapes that originate in Bordeaux, Rhône and Burgundy. The blend changes each vintage, but the primary grapes are Carmenère, Pinot Noir, Merlot, Syrah, and Petit Verdot, all of them farmed 100% organically. The wine promises a smooth and juicy attack with ripe black and red fruits, spices and notes of tobacco. Moderately firm tannins and fresh acidity bring both balance and longevity to this wine (cellar 4-6+ years). There's wonderful harmony here and a lasting finish.

39263 [XD] 750 mL \$99

USA – CALIFORNIA

RED WINE

LUCIA PINOT NOIR 2009

Santa Lucia Highlands, Monterey
Lucia Vineyard's Santa Lucia Highlands Pinot Noir is a made from a blend of fruit from their Garys and Pisoni Vineyards. This blend allows the winery to express the qualities of each vineyard. Typically a 50/50 proposition, the Garys Vineyard brings elegance to the wine, while the Pisoni brings power. Cellar this wine 2-4 years, or savour it tonight, decanted.

244624 [XD] 750 mL \$47

**CALERA DE VILLIERS VINEYARD
PINOT NOIR 2008**

Mount Harlan

"The debut release of a new bottling, the dark ruby-hued 2007 Pinot Noir de Villiers is from a 13.1-acre vineyard planted in 1997 on pure limestone soils. Cropped at an unbelievably low .78 tons of fruit per acre, the wine spent 16 months in Francois Freres oak barrels (30% new), and was bottled without filtration." (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, Aug. 2010) Parker has not yet reviewed the 2008, but the debut 2007 vintage, which he refers to above, received a score of **92**. Expect similar excellence from this hugely respected Pinot producer.

227504 [XD] 750 mL \$45

**CHAPPELLET CABERNET
SAUVIGNON 2008**

Napa Valley

TASTING NOTE: A wonderful Cabernet, dry and classically structured, notable for elegance and smooth power. A sort of junior version of the Pritchard Hill Estate bottling, it's rich and complex in blackberry and cherry, chocolate and cedar flavors, wrapped into smooth tannins. Now-2014. Score: **92** (Steve Heimoff, *Wine Enthusiast*, July 2011)

704254 [XD] 750 mL \$69

**PETER MICHAEL LES PAVOTS
2008**

Knights Valley, Sonoma County

TASTING NOTE: Peter Michael's Bordeaux program is built around their flagship Cabernet Sauvignon-based wine, Les Pavots. The 2008 Les Pavots, a blend of 67% Cabernet Sauvignon, 22% Cabernet Franc and 11% Merlot, offers up notes of roasted coffee, cocoa, chocolate fudge, black currants, licorice and a hint of truffles. This full-bodied, beautifully rich red boasts an opulent texture, impressive purity and a long finish. Impressively made with impeccable attention to detail (it is sorted berry by berry rather than grape bunch by grape bunch), this 3,500-case cuvee should drink well for two decades or more. Quality-wise, the 2008 is just a notch behind the stratospheric 2007. Score: **95** (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, Feb. 2011)

260877 [XD] 750 mL \$259

USA – CALIFORNIA

RED WINE

TABLAS CREEK VINEYARD ESPRIT DE BEAUCASTEL ROUGE 2008

Paso Robles

TASTING NOTE: (38% mourvedre, 30% grenache, 26% syrah and 6% counoise) Bright red. Enticing aromas of raspberry, potpourri, licorice and fresh herbs. Lush, broad and sweet but structured, with an exotic candied fruit quality giving this dense, well-constituted wine plenty of early sex appeal. Finishes sweet and spicy, with a fine dusting of tannins and outstanding length. This is already delicious but has the balance to age. Score: **93** (Josh Reynolds, *International Wine Cellar*, Nov./Dec. 2010)

735654 [XD] 750 mL \$45

CAKEBREAD BENCHLAND SELECT CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2007

Napa Valley

TASTING NOTE: The stunning 2007 Cabernet Sauvignon Benchland Select is a cross-village blend of Oakville and Rutherford fruit. Aromas of graphite, burning embers, crushed rocks/flint, plums, licorice and blackberries are vaguely reminiscent of a top vintage of La Mission-Haut-Brion. Full-bodied, deep, chewy flavors, admirable purity and stunning concentration result in a profound Cabernet Sauvignon to drink over the next 20+ years. Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon of this quality rarely exists at this price point. Score: **96** (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, Dec. 2010)

924175 [XD] 750 mL \$129

CALERA MILLS VINEYARD PINOT NOIR 2007

Mount Harlan

TASTING NOTE: From a 13.1-acre vineyard planted in 1997, the 2007 Pinot Noir Mills Vineyard was cropped at an absurdly low .84 tons of fruit per acre. This beauty offers up notes of forest floor, raspberries, fresh mushrooms, sweet currants, and meat juices. The provocative, riveting aromatics are followed by a medium to full-bodied wine with sweet tannins, dense, chewy, lush fruit, good acidity, and a 40-second finish. Drink this profound Pinot Noir over the next decade or more. Score: **95** (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, Aug. 2010)

716407 [XD] 750 mL \$54

CALERA RYAN VINEYARD PINOT NOIR 2007

Mount Harlan

TASTING NOTE: From one of the property's coolest sites, the 2007 Pinot Noir Ryan Vineyard reveals nearly overwhelming notes of sassafras, root vegetables, plums, red currants, and raspberries. It is a spicy, earthy effort with an autumnal-like herbageousness. Aged 17 months in French oak (30% new), it is a Pinot Noir for those who prefer that varietal's spicy, stemmy, earthy side. Nevertheless, there is still plenty of fruit in this complex, singular cuvee. Score: **93** (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, Aug. 2010)

58966 [XD] 750 mL \$49

CLOS MIMI MCGINLEY VINEYARD CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2007

Santa Ynez Valley

TASTING NOTE: This is generally a Rhone Ranger-dominated portfolio, but Clos Mimi has produced a 2007 100% Cabernet Sauvignon from the McGinley Vineyard in Santa Barbara that is a beautiful wine, without a bit of herbaceousness. Inky/purple, with a big sweet kiss of creme de cassis, camphor, spice box, and cedar, it is rich, full-bodied, and probably capable of evolving for 20+ years. This is a brilliant Cabernet Sauvignon from an area where no one ever expects to produce Cabernet of this quality. Score: **93** (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, Aug. 2010)

239145 [XD] 750 mL \$89



DUCKHORN VINEYARDS THREE PALMS VINEYARD MERLOT 2007

Napa Valley

Duckhorn Vineyards has been a major player in Napa Valley since 1978, which was the year they first produced this iconic Merlot. Known as the “King of American Merlot,” Duckhorn was instrumental in showcasing this grape’s potential in Napa Valley terroir. With the recent addition of New Zealand-born winemaker Bill Nancarrow, who specialized in Bordeaux varietals during his winemaking tenure in Hawkes Bay, Duckhorn is well poised to continue its tradition of excellence. The 2007 Three Palms Vineyard Merlot spent 18 months in French oak, and sports lovely blueberry, chocolate and coffee nuances, as well as a rich, velvety texture. Expect it to provide great pleasure over the next decade.

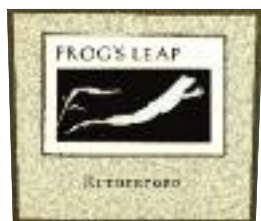
34785 [XD] 750 mL \$85

FROG’S LEAP RUTHERFORD CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2007

Napa Valley

TASTING NOTE: Frog’s Leap strove for elegance above power in this modulated wine. It’s delicate in the mouth, with complex notes of herbs, cherry tart, cherry Lifesaver candy and cedar wood. Turns a bit sharp in the finish, with a cut of acidity that should help the wine age for 6-8 years. Score: **90** (Steve Heimoff, *Wine Enthusiast*, Dec. 2010)

596064 [XD] 750 mL \$95

**GROTH RESERVE CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2007**

Oakville, Napa Valley

TASTING NOTE: Tight and concentrated, with a dense, rich, chewy beam of dried currant, mineral, graphite, black cherry and blackberry fruit that’s intense and full-blown, both flexing its muscle while displaying deft balance. Ends with a compact, layered finish. Best from 2012 through 2022. Tasted twice, with consistent notes. Score: **94** (James Laube, *winespectator.com*, Oct. 31, 2010)

247312 [XD] 750 mL \$169

HEWITT VINEYARD CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2007

Rutherford, Napa Valley

TASTING NOTE: The 2007 Cabernet Sauvignon is a slightly softer, more forward wine, but it should last just as long. It is more typically Californian in its opulent black currant fruit intermixed with notes of chocolate, crushed rocks, vanilla, and black fruits. The tannins are sweeter than in the 2006, and the wine is full-bodied with a layered texture, admirable purity and depth, and a blockbuster finish with no shortage of tannin. Approachable now, it will be better in 2-3 years, and should last for 20-25 years. Score: **93** (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, Dec. 2009)

80192 [XD] 750 mL \$69

JANZEN CLOUDY’S VINEYARD CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2007

Napa Valley

TASTING NOTE: A beautiful, classy Cab, marked by smoky new oak and very ripe blackberry and cassis flavors, with a streak of minerals. The vineyard is in the Vaca Mountains, in the valley’s far east. You can taste the sunshine in the wonderful fruitiness, and the tannins are extraordinarily refined, but they’re also aggressive. Fine now, with a long decant, but should develop bottle complexity over many years. Score: **95** (Steve Heimoff, *Wine Enthusiast*, Sept. 2010)

53769 [XD] 750 mL \$95

JONATA EL DESAFIO DE JONATA 2007

Santa Ynez Valley, Santa Barbara County

TASTING NOTE: The profound 2007 El Desafio de Jonata (a 500-case blend of 95% Cabernet Sauvignon and 5% Merlot, Cabernet Franc, and Petit Verdot, aged in 85% new French oak and 15% old wood) is the reference point for Cabernet Sauvignon in Santa Ynez. Blueberry liqueur, graphite, acacia flower, and creme de cassis aromas are followed by a wine with great stature, medium to full-bodied power, awesome layers of flavor, and a finish that lasts nearly 60 seconds. The tannins are substantial, but well-integrated and velvety, and the wine is impressively long and layered. Score: **95-97**. (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, Aug. 2009)

218933 [XD] 750 mL \$145

USA – CALIFORNIA

RED WINE

KEENAN CABERNET FRANC 2007

Spring Mountain District, Napa Valley
 TASTING NOTE: There are just under 1,000 cases of the 2007 Cabernet Franc, a wine that admirably demonstrates the heights to which this varietal can climb. A brilliant effort, it boasts elegant blue, red, and black fruit notes intermixed with abundant spring flower and forest floor aromas. Intense, yet light on its feet, medium to full-bodied, stylish, and gracious, it is a compelling example of Cabernet Franc from a high elevation (2,000 feet) vineyard. It will be fascinating to follow this lovely wine's evolution over the next 10-15 years. Score: **94** (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, Dec. 2009)

104398 [XD] 750 mL \$69



POETRY CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2007

Stags Leap District, Napa Valley (Cliff Lede)
 TASTING NOTE: The quintessential expression of an elegant Stags Leap Cabernet Sauvignon, the 2007 Cabernet Sauvignon Poetry (86% Cabernet Sauvignon) combines elegance with power. Layered and full-bodied with an ethereal lightness as well as touches of oak and tannin, it is gorgeously pure and textured yet strikingly long and intense. Bursting with flavor, but neither heavy nor cloying, give it 3-4 years of cellaring, and enjoy it over the next 25+ years. Score: **96** (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, Dec. 2009)

14209 [XD] 750 mL \$149

REVANA FAMILY ST. HELENA CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2007

Napa Valley
 This wine ranked #4 in *Wine Spectator's* Top 100 Wines of 2010.
 TASTING NOTE: Aromas of roasted herb, red pepper and sage are complex, elegant and spicy, joined by ripe currant, plum and black cherry fruit, but this is at its best on the full-bodied palate, where the texture is supple, graceful and polished. Drink now through 2020. Score: **97** (James Laube, *winespectator.com*, Oct. 15, 2010)

242461 [XD] 750 mL \$149



RUBICON 2007

Napa Valley
 James Laube of *Wine Spectator* gave this a score of **92**, suggesting enjoying it between now and 2020 (Oct. 31, 2010).

TASTING NOTE: New oak stands out in toast and caramelized wood sweetness on this Cab, overshadowing to some degree the underlying blackberry, cherry and black currant fruit. It's quite a fashionable, delectable young wine, and will probably be consumed too early by many people who buy it, but it's really a cellar candidate. Made with a few drops of Petit Verdot and Cabernet Franc, it should develop for 12-15 years. Score: **93** (Steve Heimoff, *Wine Enthusiast*, Dec. 2010)

703967 [XD] 750 mL \$179

STONESTREET LEGACY 2007

Alexander Valley, Sonoma County
 TASTING NOTE: Stonestreet's only proprietary red wine is the 2007 Legacy, a blend of 80.5% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Merlot, and 9.5% Cabernet France. Another beauty, there are 600 cases of this dense ruby-purple colored wine. Displaying notes of smoky oak intermixed with barbecue spices, black currants, graphite, and cedar, it is a fleshy wine with a succulent personality, silky tannins, and a full-bodied, heady mouthfeel. It should drink well for 10-15+ years. Score: **93** (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, Feb. 2010)

708024 [XD] 750 mL \$99

**STONESTREET ROCKFALL
CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2007**

Alexander Valley, Sonoma County

TASTING NOTE: This is Cabernet Sauvignon lifted to greatness, an impeccable statement concerning this region of the high Mayacamas Mountains on the Sonoma side that, by law, is forced to bear a “valley” appellation. The wine is awesome, vast and complex, fascinating in every aspect, yet locked down in tough tannins that exaggerate the acidity, making the wine functionally undrinkable. It is a beautiful, classic Cabernet, very near perfect, and certainly one of the successes of the vintage. Don’t even think of drinking it before 2014, and it should evolve in the bottle for a good 10 years after that. Score: **99** (Steve Heimoff, *Wine Enthusiast*, May 2011)

249367 [XD] 750 mL \$89

**VALDEZ SIMONCINI
VINEYARD ZINFANDEL 2007**

Dry Creek Valley, Sonoma County

TASTING NOTE: A blockbuster, boldly structured but impeccably balanced and complex, with smoky, meaty blackberry aromas and ripe yet vivid flavors of huckleberry, fresh cracked pepper and toasty espresso-tinged oak. Drink now through 2016. Score: **95** (Tim Fish, *winespectator.com*, Web Only, 2010)

227538 [XD] 750 mL \$49

**WIND GAP CASTELLI-KNIGHT
RANCH SYRAH 2007**

Russian River Valley, Sonoma County

TASTING NOTE: The stunning, inky/purple-hued 2007 Syrah Castelli Knight Ranch offers up notes of bouquet garni, roasted meats, pepper steak, blackberries, and cassis. Made from 100% Syrah (with 100% whole clusters), and aged 22 months in French oak (30% new), it possesses superb concentration, richness, texture, and length. It should drink well for 10-12+ years. Drink: 2010-2022. Score: **94** (Robert Parker Jr., *robertparker.com*, Feb. 2010)

242776 [XD] 750 mL \$59

**GRGICH HILLS
YOUNTVILLE SELECTION
CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2006**

Napa Valley

The Yountville Selection from Grgich is sourced from the oldest block of Cabernet Sauvignon in Napa. Planted in 1959, the “Ingenook clone” was found to thrive in Napa, opening the window for the future success of the grape across California. Cellar this exceptional and storied wine for up to a decade. It’s also drinking beautifully now.

253245 [XD] 750 mL \$119

**STAGLIN CABERNET SAUVIGNON
2006**

Rutherford, Napa Valley

Wine Spectator awarded this wine **96** points. (James Laube, Oct. 15, 2009)

TASTING NOTE: This immense, deeply fruited, lavishly oaked wine is all about the future, and, despite showing loads of highly concentrated, black currant character, it is prohibitively tannic for near term drinking. It is also as rich and as precise in its varietal Cabernet Sauvignon focus as any wine tasted in some time. Everything about this one speaks to depth and longevity, and it is likely to need a decade or more before hitting its stride. But, few wines are its equal for classic flavors even now and fewer still will match its progress in the fullness of time. Score: **97** (*Connoisseurs’ Guide to California Wines*, April 2009)

716258 [XD] 750 mL \$199

USA – CALIFORNIA

RED WINE

STONESTREET CHRISTOPHER'S CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2006

Alexander Valley, Sonoma County
 TASTING NOTE: Hard mountain tannins characterize this Cab, which was grown above 2,000 feet in the Mayacamas. It's hugely deep in blackberries and black currants, with notes of dark chocolate and violets. Meanwhile, 100% new French oak adds an elaborate layer of smoky caramel and char that's entirely in keeping with the wine's volume. Impressive and flashy, but immature, this wine requires cellaring. Best 2012-2018. Score: **96** (Steve Heimoff, *Wine Enthusiast*, Sept. 2010)

238741 [XD] 750 mL \$124

WHITE WINE

PETER MICHAEL BELLE CÔTE ESTATE CHARDONNAY 2009

Knights Valley, Sonoma County
 TASTING NOTE: The fresh, lively 2009 Chardonnay Belle Cote (2,850 cases; 15.2% alcohol) exhibits abundant floral and tropical fruit blossom notes intermixed with notions of poached pear, honeysuckle, oak and earth. The complex aromatics are followed by a medium-bodied, elegant, fresh, lively white that should keep for 6-8 years. Score: **93-95** (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, Feb. 2011)

154633 [XD] 750 mL \$119

PETER MICHAEL MON PLAISIR CHARDONNAY 2009

Sonoma County
 TASTING NOTE: This displays a rich, enticing mix of green fig, white peach, apple, melon and smoky oak flavors, leading to a full body. Intense and concentrated, this ends with a smoky, figlike aftertaste. Drink now through 2018. Score: **93** (James Laube, *winespectator.com*, June 30, 2011)

154690 [XD] 750 mL \$124



TABLAS CREEK VINEYARD ESPRIT DE BEAUCASTEL BLANC 2009

Paso Robles
 TASTING NOTE: The pick of the 2009s, not surprisingly, is the 2009 Esprit de Beaucastel Blanc, a blend of 62% Roussanne, 12% Picpoul, and the rest Grenache blanc. Great fruit in the aromatics and on the attack (honeysuckle, white peach, apricot, and quince) is followed by a full-bodied, dense, yet at the same time, elegant, refreshing, well-delineated wine. It is a superb example of how well these grapes can be blended together by a competent viticultural and winemaking team. Score: **92-94** (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, Aug. 2010)

735506 [XD] 750 mL \$37

STONESTREET LOWER RIM CHARDONNAY 2008

Alexander Valley, Sonoma County
 TASTING NOTE: The 2008 Chardonnay Lower Rim is another compelling effort displaying enormous flesh, richness, succulence, minerality, and acidity. Notes of steely nectarines, bright oranges, lemon zest, butter cookies, and nutmeg emerge from this serious Chardonnay. Score: **96** (Robert Parker Jr., *erobertparker.com*, Feb. 2010)

227561 [XD] 750 mL \$63



USA – OREGON

RED WINE

**CHEHALEM STOLLER VINEYARDS
PINOT NOIR 2008**

Dundee Hills

TASTING NOTE: Light and tangy, with a strong mineral character running through the deftly balanced plum and currant fruit, the airy texture letting the finish hang like a cloud with impressive length. Defines finesse. Drink now through 2018. Score: **93** (Harvey Steiman, *winespectator.com*, Dec. 31, 2010)

249268 [XD] 750 mL \$49

**EVENING LAND LA SOURCE
PINOT NOIR 2008**

Eola-Amity Hills

This wine was #32 in *Wine Spectator's* Top 100 Wines of 2010.

TASTING NOTE: Refined, elegant, focused and complex, piling layer upon layer of subtle flavors onto a racy, deftly balanced frame. Blackberry, currant and mineral notes compete for attention and mingle harmoniously on the long, expressive finish. Best from 2012 through 2020. Score: **96** (Harvey Steiman, *winespectator.com*, Dec. 31, 2010)

239996 [XD] 750 mL \$79

WHITE WINE

**EVENING LAND LA SOURCE
CHARDONNAY 2008**

Eola-Amity Hills

TASTING NOTE: Bright, agile and light on its feet, delivering mouthwatering, mineral-drenched green apple and grapefruit flavors. Lingers impressively, suggesting this will only flesh out and get deeper with age. Drink now through 2018. Score: **94** (Harvey Steiman, *winespectator.com*, Dec. 31, 2010)

240010 [XD] 750 mL \$79



USA – WASHINGTON STATE

RED WINE

REININGER SYRAH 2007

Walla Walla Valley

TASTING NOTE: Very spicy, its velvety frame enclosing a juicy blast of black pepper, green peppercorn and balanced blackberry flavors that persist on a medium-weight structure. Best from 2011 through 2015. Score: **92** (Harvey Steiman, *winespectator.com*, Sept. 30, 2010)

249227 [XD] 750 mL \$39

FORTIFIED WINE

PORT

DELAFORCE VINTAGE PORT 1963
DOC Douro

Though the flavours and aromas described by James Suckling in his 1989 review will have matured and developed, this 1963 is in superb shape and continuing to evolve. Classically, as Port ages, fresh fruit aromas will evolve into dried fruit characters, for example.

TASTING NOTE: This is the best Delaforce in three decades. It is a massive monster. Deep red-ruby color, with a wonderfully rich blackberry nose, full-bodied, with enough tannins to hold together tons of superb fruit. Will continue to improve. Score: **93** (James Suckling, *winespectator.com*, Web Only, 1989)

241349 [S] 750 mL \$215



FORTIFIED WINE

PORT

GRAHAM'S VINTAGE PORT 2000

DOC Douro, Btld. 2002

This wine was #9 in *Wine Spectator's* Top 100 Wines of 2003.

TASTING NOTE: Smells like freshly picked orchids, with loads of ripe, clean fruit. Full-bodied, medium sweet and very powerful and racy. It lasts for minutes on your palate. Yet there's a balance and class to this young Vintage Port. This is the greatest glass of Graham I have ever tasted, young or old. Best after 2014. Score: **98** (James Suckling, *winespectator.com*, May 15, 2003)

236760 [S] 750 mL \$139

TAYLOR FLADGATE VINTAGE PORT 2007

DOC Douro

TASTING NOTE: This is a giant of a wine lurking behind fresh flowers and ripe fruit. Starts off in a friendly way, then takes hold of the palate, with intense blueberry and blackberry fruit and chewy yet fine tannins. Mouth-puckering, but impressively complex and long. Really kicks in on the finish. The best Taylor since 1994. Best after 2020. Score: **96** (James Suckling, *winespectator.com*, May 31, 2010)

139709 [S] 750 mL \$139

DESSERT WINE

GÉRARD BERTRAND LEGEND VINTAGE BANYULS 1951

AC, In Wooden Case

TASTING NOTE: With just shy of 1,000 bottles produced, this will be hard to find. Dried fruit flavors of raspberry and red plum dominate the nose and mouth, while notes of sweet mulled spice, clove-pricked orange rind, pepper, walnut skin and bittersweet cocoa glimmer throughout. Full and rich but lively, with medium acidity and a zippiness to the finish. Enjoyable now, but this will benefit from another 5-10 years in the cellar. Score: **93** (*Wine Enthusiast*, March 2011)

241422 [S] 750 mL \$295

GÉRARD BERTRAND LEGEND VINTAGE RIVESALTES 1945

AC, In Wooden Case

TASTING NOTE: For any serious fan of Rivesaltes, this is a must-have example. Aromas of dried apricot, toasted hazelnut, fig, ginger, sweet spice and candied orange rind fill the bouquet, while the mouth is silky and balanced – sweet and heady without being cloying. All of the aromas transition onto the palate alongside accents of walnut skins and shiitake mushroom. Soft salinity makes the long finish even more mouthwatering. Drink now, or continue to age. There are 869 bottles produced. Score: **95** (Lain Bradford, *Wine Enthusiast*, March 2011)

241406 [S] 750 mL \$329

SPIRITS

SCOTCH WHISKY

BOWMORE 25 YEARS OLD ISLAY SINGLE MALT

TASTING NOTE: This is a new recipe for the 25 year old, one that employs a higher ration of sherry-influenced whisky; I scored the original recipe 5 Stars. Deep tawny, copper hue; superb purity. The initial sniffings are distinctively briny, salty and cotton candy sweet; aeration serves to broaden the aromatic scope as scents of pastry, baked pear and butter-scotch are added to the profile. The palate entry is rich, almost jammy and peppered with salty/winey flavors that say Bowmore, but with greater emphasis on the sweetness; the mid-palate finish is long, nicely balanced between the sea salt and the sherry, and succulent. The change in taste-profile is due entirely to what type of whisky was available for bottling and sherry cask whisky was there and ready; the superior craftsmanship of Bowmore remains steady and true. Score: ★★★★★ (F. Paul Pacult, *Kindred Spirits 2*, 2008)

714113 750 mL \$395



BOWMORE 40 YEARS OLD ISLAY SINGLE MALT

TASTING NOTE: Definitely showing its age, but not in a bad way – the distillery character is still there. Solid foundation of thick, chewy toffee, old pot still rum, and fig cake. Fruity too, with notes of golden raisin and nectarine. Soft, seductive peat smoke, juicy oak, cinnamon, and brine round out the palate. Excellent balance! One of the finest Bowmore whiskies I've ever tasted (and, at this price, will probably never taste again.) (Editor's Pick) Score: **96** (John Hansell, *maltadvocate.com*, 2nd Quarter, 2011)

258111 700 mL \$14,895

GLENFIDDICH 30 YEARS OLD SPEYSIDE SINGLE MALT

With Wooden Box

TASTING NOTE: Beautiful nose just rich in complexity and where maturity is the password. Rich fruit cake, orange rind, dry spice, ripe berry fruit with a hint of oak and twist of smoke. Well rounded, deep flavoured mouth follows the nose with more oak and a full wave of magnificent malt. Great texture and mellowness. Treacle, honey, golden syrup all combine to give ultra smoothness. Wonderful complexity. Everlasting finish. Score: **Gold Medal – Best in Class** (Judges panel, *International Wine & Spirit Competition*, 2010)

936518 750 mL \$399

**THE BALVENIE 30 YEARS OLD SPEYSIDE SINGLE MALT**

TASTING NOTE: Nose: Has kept its character wonderfully, with a real mixture of varied fruits. Again the smoke is apparent, as is the panting oak. Astonishing that the style should have been kept so similar to previous bottlings. Taste: Big, full delivery first of enigmatic, thick barley, then a gentle eruption of controlled, warming spices. Finish: Much more oaky involvement but such is the steadiness of the barley, its extraordinary confidence, no damage is done and the harmony remains. Balance: Rarely have I come across a bottling of a whisky of these advanced years which is so true to previous ones. Amazing. Score: **92** (Jim Murray, *Whisky Bible*, 2010)

665091 700 mL \$725

**ARMAGNAC****DAMBLAT ARMAGNAC 1971**

AC, With Gift Box

Armagnac is considered to be oldest spirit produced in France, dating back some seven hundred years. Damblat crafts theirs in a traditional style. Complex and sophisticated, this is a contemplative libation for the spirit connoisseur. An ideal gift to mark a 40-year milestone.

238527 700 mL \$175

MARQUIS DE SAUVAL ARMAGNAC 1981

AC

For that special someone about to celebrate a 30th birthday, or a favourite couple on their 30th anniversary, here's a very special vintage-dated Armagnac from a small, well-respected producer that is new to our market.

242537 750 mL \$325

**EAU-DE-VIE****DOMAINE DE LA ROMANÉE-CONTI FINE BOURGOGNE 1993**

AC

Made in very tiny quantities, Fine Bourgogne is an eau-de-vie from the legendary producer Domaine de la Romanée-Conti. They use the lees and some wines from the making of all their Pinot Noir vineyards to create this distillate. It has characteristic aromas and flavours: very fruity, pleasant and almost sweet, on the feminine side (fine and delicate) with a cocktail of flowers and herbal aromas. It is given extensive ageing in barrel. It can be enjoyed as an aperitif, but Fine is better after a good meal with coffee and chocolate dessert. The perfect capper for the Romanée-Conti fan on your list.

250233 [XD] 700 mL \$495

PRODUCT SUMMARY

PRODUCT	SIZE (mL)	PRODUCT NUMBER	PRICE (per btl.)	SCORE	OPENING INVENTORY (btl.s.)
FRANCE – CHAMPAGNE <small>CHAMPAGNE</small>					
JEAN MILAN GRAND CRU BLANC DE BLANCS BRUT SPÉCIAL CHAMPAGNE	750	143602	\$54	WS 92	240
KRUG BRUT ROSÉ CHAMPAGNE	750	38703	\$409	WS 95	60
RENÉ GEOFFROY PREMIER CRU BRUT ROSÉ DE SAIGNÉE CHAMPAGNE	750	245878	\$59	RP 94	360
ROGER POUILLON & FILS FLEUR DE MAREUIL PREMIER CRU BRUT CHAMPAGNE	750	112912	\$72	JR 18.5 (OUT OF 20)	180
DEUTZ BRUT ROSÉ CHAMPAGNE 2006	750	167734	\$79	RP 92+	360
LOUIS ROEDERER BRUT ROSÉ CHAMPAGNE 2006	750	368415	\$85		298
DEUTZ BRUT CHAMPAGNE 2005	750	167486	\$69	RP 91	240
CRISTAL BRUT ROSÉ CHAMPAGNE 2004	750	352716	\$649	RP 94	75
NICOLAS MAILLART LES CHAILLOTS GILLIES PREMIER CRU BLANC DE BLANCS EXTRA BRUT CHAMPAGNE 2004	750	244111	\$85	BH 92	180
BESSERAT DE BELLEFON CUVÉE DES MOINES BRUT CHAMPAGNE 2002	750	240077	\$79	WS 92	240
DOM PÉRIGNON BRUT CHAMPAGNE 2002	1500	461145	\$589	RP 96	30
POL ROGER BRUT CHAMPAGNE 2000	750	989137	\$85	WE 94	180
POL ROGER BRUT CHAMPAGNE 2000	1500	235630	\$175	WE 94	15
POL ROGER CUVÉE SIR WINSTON CHURCHILL BRUT CHAMPAGNE 1999	750	958678	\$199	RP 94	180
DOM PÉRIGNON BRUT ROSÉ CHAMPAGNE 2000	750	91777	\$449	RP 96	75
KRUG BRUT CHAMPAGNE 1998	750	68395	\$325	WS 96	72
KRUG CLOS DU MESNIL BLANC DE BLANCS BRUT CHAMPAGNE 1998	750	38711	\$1,095	WE 100	10
VEUVE CLICQUOT PONSARDIN LA GRANDE DAME BRUT CHAMPAGNE 1998	750	38802	\$245	WS 92	120
DOM PÉRIGNON OENOTHÈQUE BRUT CHAMPAGNE 1995	750	92999	\$469	RP 96	15
FLEURY EXTRA BRUT CHAMPAGNE 1995	750	240051	\$75	WS 93	240
KRUG CLOS D'AMBONNAY BLANC DE NOIRS BRUT CHAMPAGNE 1995	750	91827	\$4,495	RP 98	5
VEUVE CLICQUOT PONSARDIN LA GRANDE DAME BRUT CHAMPAGNE 1995	1500	239764	\$649	WD 17+ (OUT OF 20)	15
KRUG COLLECTION BRUT CHAMPAGNE 1985	750	38687	\$1,195	WS 96	6

FRANCE – BORDEAUX

RED WINE

ALTER EGO 2008	750	187286	\$69	WS 90	300
CHÂTEAU BELLEVUE MONDOTTE 2008	750	187245	\$369	RP 95+	82
CHÂTEAU CHEVAL BLANC 2008	750	185223	\$749	RP 93	18
CHÂTEAU CLOS DE SARPE 2008	750	137844	\$119	RP 95	359
CHÂTEAU COS D'ESTOURNEL 2008	750	136606	\$179	RP 92+	239
CHÂTEAU DUCRU-BEAUCAILLOU 2008	750	187815	\$169	RP 95+	636
CHÂTEAU HAUT BRION 2008	750	154773	\$565	RP 96	60

SCORES

 We have included scores from the following sources:

AWC	<i>winecompanion.com.au</i>	MA	<i>maltadvocate.com</i>
BH	<i>burghound.com</i>	NZW	<i>Buyer's Guide to New Zealand Wines</i>
CGC	<i>Connoisseurs' Guide to California Wines</i>	RP	<i>erobertparker.com</i>
DEC	<i>decanter.com</i>	WA	<i>winealign.com</i>
GM	<i>gaultmillau.fr</i>	WB	<i>Whisky Bible</i>
GR	<i>Gambero Rosso Italian Wines</i>	WD	Chris Kissack, <i>thewinedoctor.com</i>
IWC	<i>International Wine Cellar</i>	WN	Rick VanSickle, <i>winesinniagara.com</i>
IWSC	<i>International Wine & Spirit Competition</i>	WF	<i>winefront.com.au</i>
JR	<i>jancisrobinson.com</i>	WE	<i>Wine Enthusiast</i>
JS	<i>johnschreiner.blogspot.com</i>	WS	<i>winespectator.com</i>
KS	F. Paul Pacult, <i>Kindred Spirits</i>		

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PRODUCT	SIZE (mL)	PRODUCT NUMBER	PRICE (per btl.)	SCORE	OPENING INVENTORY (btl.s.)
CHÂTEAU HAUT-BAILLY 2008	750	137075	\$99	RP 96	246
CHÂTEAU LA MISSION HAUT-BRION 2008	750	134031	\$299	RP 94	120
CHÂTEAU LAFITE ROTHSCHILD 2008	750	154781	\$895	RP 98	60
CHÂTEAU MARGAUX 2008	750	141614	\$795	RP 94	264
CHÂTEAU MONTROSE 2008	750	137240	\$129	RP 95	179
CHÂTEAU MOUTON-ROTHSCHILD 2008	750	186270	\$695	RP 94+	84
CHÂTEAU RAUZAN-SÉGLA 2008	750	136671	\$105	RP 90+	240
CHÂTEAU TROPLONG MONDOT 2008	750	137448	\$119	RP 96	180
DOMAINE DE CHEVALIER 2008	750	135111	\$69	WE 94	240
PAVILLON ROUGE 2008	750	187237	\$135	GM 17 (OUT OF 20)	120
PAUILLAC DE LATOUR 2007	750	182766	\$109		420
CHÂTEAU BRANE CANTENAC 2006	750	235408	\$85	RP 92	180
CHÂTEAU GRAND-PUY-LACOSTE 2006	750	235259	\$95	RP 92	180
CHÂTEAU LAGRANGE 2006	750	235242	\$85	WE 92	180
CHÂTEAU RAUZAN-SÉGLA 2006	750	504209	\$109	RP 93	180
CHÂTEAU SMITH HAUT LAFITTE 2006	750	235382	\$99	RP 93	180
LA PARDE DE HAUT BAILLY 2006	750	236901	\$48	WS 90	480
LES TOURELLES DE LONGUEVILLE 2006	750	733055	\$54	WS 90	420
CHÂTEAU BATAILLEY 2004	750	120709	\$54	RP 91	360
CHÂTEAU HAUT-BAGES LIBÉRAL 2004	750	235473	\$59	RP 90	360

FRANCE – BORDEAUX WHITE WINE

CHÂTEAU LA LOUVIÈRE BLANC 2009	750	581074	\$49	WE 93	240
CHÂTEAU CLIMENS 2006	375	166488	\$79	RP 94	240
CHÂTEAU DE MALLE 2006	750	241463	\$75	WE 93	180
CHÂTEAU DE FARGUES 2005	750	235267	\$165	JR 17 (OUT OF 20)	120
CHÂTEAU SUDUIRAUT 1997	375	249748	\$55	DEC ★★★★★	240

FRANCE – BURGUNDY – CÔTE DE NUITS RED WINE

DOMAINE BOUCHARD PÈRE & FILS CLOS VOUGEOT GRAND CRU 2008	750	182733	\$159	RP 94	96
DOMAINE DE LA ROMANÉE-CONTI ÉCHÉZEUX GRAND CRU 2008	750	723122	\$285	BH 93	23
DOMAINE DE LA ROMANÉE-CONTI GRANDS ÉCHÉZEUX GRAND CRU 2008	750	721316	\$475	IWC 92(+?)	23
DOMAINE DE LA ROMANÉE-CONTI LA TÂCHE GRAND CRU 2008	750	721654	\$835	RP 96-97	33
DOMAINE DE LA ROMANÉE-CONTI RICHEBOURG GRAND CRU 2008	750	737379	\$775	JR 19 (OUT OF 20)	17
DOMAINE DE LA ROMANÉE-CONTI ROMANÉE-ST-VIVANT GRAND CRU 2008	750	721399	\$775	JR 19 (OUT OF 20)	23
LOUIS JADOT DOMAINE GAGEY CLOS ST-DENIS GRAND CRU 2008	750	241448	\$275	IWC 91-94	60
PASCAL MARCHAND CHAMBERTIN-CLOS DE BÈZE GRAND CRU 2008	750	256081	\$249	RP 93-94	60
PASCAL MARCHAND CLOS-SAINT-DENIS GRAND CRU 2008	750	254474	\$109	RP 93-94	120
PASCAL MARCHAND GEVREY CHAMBERTIN LES CAZETIERS 1 ^{er} CRU 2008	750	255364	\$75	RP 91-92	240
PASCAL MARCHAND MOREY ST. DENIS DES ORMES 1 ^{er} CRU 2008	750	254441	\$55	RP 90-91	240
PASCAL MARCHAND VOSNE-ROMANÉE LES SUCHOTS 1 ^{er} CRU 2008	750	254466	\$109	RP 92-93+	240
ROCHE DE BELLENE CHARMES-CHAMBERTIN GRAND CRU 2008	750	235390	\$145	WS 93	120
DOMAINE TORTOCHOT CHARMES-CHAMBERTIN GRAND CRU 2007	750	235309	\$129	BH 92	144
DOMAINE TORTOCHOT GEVREY-CHAMBERTIN LAVAUX ST. JACQUES 1 ^{er} CRU 2007	750	235317	\$75	BH 90	180
DOMAINE TRAPET PERE & FILS CHAMBERTIN GRAND CRU 2007	750	241331	\$275	RP 93	120
JOSEPH DROUHIN CHAMBOLLE-MUSIGNY 1 ^{er} CRU 2007	750	715441	\$84	BH 90	168
LOUIS JADOT CHAMBOLLE MUSIGNY LES FUÉES 1 ^{er} CRU 2007	750	47878	\$85	WS 92	120
NICOLAS POTEL CLOS DE LA ROCHE GRAND CRU 2007	750	155267	\$185	BH 91-93	72

PRODUCT SUMMARY

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FRANCE – BURGUNDY – CÔTE DE BEAUNE <small>RED WINE</small>					
DOMAINE BOUCHARD PÈRE & FILS ANCIENNE CUVÉE CARNOT VOLNAY CAILLERETS 1 ^{er} CRU 2008	750	77016	\$74	RP 92-93	360
PASCAL MARCHAND CORTON GRAND CRU 2008	750	254433	\$75	WS 91	120
BITOUZET-PRIEUR VOLNAY CLOS DES CHÊNES 1 ^{er} CRU 2007	750	259341	\$65	BH 90	180
BITOUZET-PRIEUR VOLNAY PITURES 1 ^{er} CRU 2007	750	241430	\$55	BH 90	360
LOUIS JADOT POMMARD RUGIENS 1 ^{er} CRU 2006	750	47860	\$85	BH 92	180

PRODUCT	SIZE (mL)	PRODUCT NUMBER	PRICE (per btl.)	SCORE	OPENING INVENTORY (btl.s.)
FRANCE – BURGUNDY – CÔTE DE BEAUNE <small>WHITE WINE</small>					
DOMAINE LATOUR-GIRAUD MEURSAULT CHARMES 1 ^{er} CRU 2009	750	111336	\$75	IWC 90-93	240
ROCHE DE BELLENE CHASSAGNE-MONTRACHET MORGEOT 1 ^{er} CRU 2009	750	236414	\$75	IWC 90-93	240
ROCHE DE BELLENE PULIGNY-MONTRACHET BLAGNY 1 ^{er} CRU 2009	750	236398	\$79	IWC 90-92	180
BITOUZET-PRIEUR MEURSAULT PERRIÈRES 1 ^{er} CRU 2008	750	241414	\$75	BH 91	180
BONNEAU DU MARTRAY CORTON-CHARLEMAGNE GRAND CRU 2008	750	118646	\$159	BH 92-95	150
DOMAINE BOUCHARD PÈRE & FILS CHEVALIER-MONTRACHET GRAND CRU 2008	750	88708	\$259	IWC 95(+?)	96
DOMAINE BOUCHARD PÈRE & FILS CORTON-CHARLEMAGNE GRAND CRU 2008	750	88682	\$155	BH 96	144
DOMAINE BOUCHARD PÈRE & FILS MONTRACHET GRAND CRU 2008	750	182329	\$525	BH 98	72
DOMAINE BOILLOT PULIGNY-MONTRACHET LES PUCELLES 1 ^{er} CRU 2008	750	231894	\$119	BH 93	180
HENRI BOILLOT MEURSAULT 2008	750	626861	\$65	BH 90	240
HENRI BOILLOT PULIGNY-MONTRACHET 2008	750	626838	\$72	BH 90	240
PASCAL MARCHAND BÂTARD MONTRACHET GRAND CRU 2008	750	254482	\$275	WS 95	60
DOMAINE JOSEPH MATROT MEURSAULT BLAGNY 1 ^{er} CRU 2007	750	958496	\$79	RP 92	178
OLIVIER LEFLAIVE BÂTARD-MONTRACHET GRAND CRU 2007	750	932129	\$389	WS 95	60
OLIVIER LEFLAIVE CORTON-CHARLEMAGNE GRAND CRU 2007	750	746735	\$175	BH 92-94	120


PRODUCT	SIZE (mL)	PRODUCT NUMBER	PRICE (per btl.)	SCORE	OPENING INVENTORY (btl.s.)
FRANCE – BURGUNDY – CHABLIS <small>WHITE WINE</small>					
DOMAINE CHRISTIAN MOREAU PÈRE & FILS VAUDÉSIR CHABLIS GRAND CRU 2008	750	29751	\$59	WS 95	360
DOMAINE LONG DEPAQUIT MOUTONNE CHABLIS GRAND CRU 2008	750	46706	\$89	BH 94	150
DOMAINE PINSON FOURCHAUME CHABLIS 1 ^{er} CRU 2008	750	231944	\$39	RP 91	300
DOMAINE WILLIAM FÈVRE LES PREUSES CHABLIS GRAND CRU 2008	750	74773	\$79	WE 95	240
LOUIS MICHEL & FILS FOURCHAUME VAULORENT CHABLIS 1 ^{er} CRU 2008	750	41418	\$42	RP 94	300
LOUIS MICHEL & FILS LES CLOS CHABLIS GRAND CRU 2008	750	720391	\$75	RP 94	180
DUPLESSIS LES CLOS CHABLIS GRAND CRU 2006	750	168104	\$58	BH 89-92	180

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FRANCE – RHÔNE – NORTHERN RHÔNE <small>RED WINE</small>					
E. GUIGAL LA LANDONNE CÔTE-RÔTIE 2007	750	985549	\$339	RP 98-100	108
E. GUIGAL LA MOULINE CÔTE-RÔTIE 2007	750	985572	\$339	RP 95-97	156
E. GUIGAL LA TURQUE CÔTE-RÔTIE 2007	750	985523	\$339	RP 97-99	156
FERRATON PÈRE & FILS LES MIAUX HERMITAGE 2007	750	110528	\$75	WS 91	120
E. GUIGAL BRUNE ET BLONDE CÔTE-RÔTIE 2006	1500	125625	\$125	IWC 92	120
E. GUIGAL CHÂTEAU D'AMPUIS CÔTE-RÔTIE 2006	750	741983	\$135	IWC 93	240

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FRANCE – RHÔNE – NORTHERN RHÔNE <small>WHITE WINE</small>					
E. GUIGAL LA DORIANE CONDRIEU 2009	750	40527	\$99	RP 95	180

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FRANCE – RHÔNE – SOUTHERN RHÔNE <small>RED WINE</small>					
CLOS DES PAPES CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE 2009	750	963546	\$109	JR 19 (OUT OF 20)	264
DOMAINE DU CLOS DU CAILLOU CUVÉE QUARTZ CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE 2009	750	255042	\$94	RP 91-93	300
DOMAINE GRAND VENEUR LES ORIGINES CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE 2009	750	43059	\$59	RP 92-95	480
DOMAINE GRAND VENEUR VIEILLES VIGNES CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE 2009	750	145607	\$109	RP 93-95	210
CLOS ST-JEAN CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE 2008	750	70888	\$49	RP 91	600
CLOS SAINT JEAN DEUS EX MACHINA CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE 2008	750	103036	\$95	RP 95	240
CLOS ST-JEAN LA COMBE DES FOUS CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE 2008	750	103028	\$95	RP 94	240
CUVÉE DU VATICAN RÉSERVE SIXTINE CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE 2007	750	740639	\$55	RP 94	600
DOMAINE DU VIEUX LAZARET CUVÉE EXCEPTIONNELLE CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE 2007	750	957274	\$55	RP 92-94	480
MAS DE BOISLAUZON CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE 2007	750	244269	\$55	RP 94	300
FRANCE – ALSACE <small>WHITE WINE</small>					
DOMAINE ZIND-HUMBRECHT CLOS WINDSBUHL PINOT GRIS 2008	750	256198	\$55	WS 94	180
RENÉ MURÉ CLOS ST. LANDELIN SÉLECTION DE GRAINS NOBLES RIESLING 2007	500	235192	\$69	WS 95	180
GERMANY – MOSEL <small>WHITE WINE</small>					
PETER NICOLAY RIESLING SPÄTLESE 2009	750	71142	\$32	WS 94	360
ST. URBANS-HOF RIESLING SPÄTLESE 2009	750	235200	\$36	WS 94	360
VOLLENWEIDER GOLD CAPSULE RIESLING AUSLESE 2009	375	107524	\$45	RP 94	240
DR. LOOSEN RIESLING SPÄTLESE 2008	750	249664	\$34	WS 91	480
MARKUS MOLITOR RIESLING SPÄTLESE 2008	750	235234	\$29	RP 93	300
WEINGÜTER WEGELER RIESLING SPÄTLESE 2008	750	87452	\$30	WS 93	480
ITALY – CAMPANIA <small>RED WINE</small>					
TERRE DEL PRINCIPE PIANCASTELLI 2007	750	235416	\$59	RP 93	180
TERRE DORA FATICA CONTADINA TAURASI 2004	750	235366	\$39	RP 94	240
TERRE DORA PAGO DEL FUSI TAURASI 2004	750	235374	\$39	RP 95+	240
ITALY – PIEDMONT <small>RED WINE</small>					
ALDO CONTERNO CICALA BUSSIA BAROLO 2006	750	51003	\$149	RP 94	90
BROVIA VILLERO BAROLO 2006	750	489	\$75	RP 92-95	216
GIANNI GAGLIARDO CANNUBI BAROLO 2006	750	235325	\$129	WE 94	60
GIANNI GAGLIARDO SERRE BAROLO 2006	750	235333	\$84	WE 93	180
MARCHESI DI BAROLO SARMASSA BAROLO 2006	750	973628	\$59	WE 94	240
PAOLO SCAVINO BRIC D'EL FIASC BAROLO 2006	750	185066	\$105	RP 95	180
PARUSSO BUSSIA BAROLO 2006	750	105130	\$85	RP 95	210
PARUSSO LE COSTE MOSCONI BAROLO 2006	750	105122	\$79	RP 95	240
PARUSSO MARIONDINO BAROLO 2006	750	105114	\$55	RP 92	240
PELISSERO LONG NOW 2006	750	138438	\$54	WS 95	360
ROBERTO VOERZIO CERQUIO BAROLO 2006	750	955641	\$235	RP 97	60
ALESSANDRIA SAN GIOVANNI BAROLO 2005	750	239087	\$69	RP 93	300
JOSETTA SAFFIRIO PERSIERA BAROLO 2005	750	239103	\$69	WS 91	180
LUCIANO SANDRONE LE VIGNE BAROLO 2005	750	687996	\$125	RP 94	150

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ITALY – PIEDMONT <small>RED WINE</small>					
MARCHESI DI BAROLO CANNUBI BAROLO 2005	750	980912	\$59	WE 94	240
MASCARELLO SANTO STEFANO DI PERNO BAROLO 2005	750	235358	\$119	RP 92	120
ORLANDO ABRIGO MONTERSINO BARBARESCO 2005	750	239111	\$64	WS 93	360
PAOLO SCAVINO CAROBRIC BAROLO 2005	750	182337	\$75	WS 95	300
PRODUTTORI DEL BARBARESCO ASILI RISERVA BARBARESCO 2005	750	241398	\$58	RP 93	150
ITALY – SICILY <small>RED WINE</small>					
SANTA ANASTASIA MONTENERO 2006	750	235226	\$39	RP 92	300
ITALY – TUSCANY <small>RED WINE</small>					
BRANCAIA ILATRAIA 2008	750	685230	\$69	WS 91	360
MASSETO 2008	750	730655	\$475	RP 96	450
MASSETO 2008	1500	732172	\$995	RP 96	9
BARONE RICASOLI CASTELLO DI BROLIO CHIANTI CLASSICO 2007	750	942607	\$59	RP 90	420
BARONE RICASOLI CASTELLO DI BROLIO CHIANTI CLASSICO 2007	1500	226498	\$125	RP 90	20
CASALVENTO JANUS 2007	750	237594	\$49	WS 94	360
FONTODI VIGNA DEL SORBO RISERVA CHIANTI CLASSICO 2007	750	963827	\$69	RP 95	300
LA QUERCE 2007	750	48835	\$45	WS 92	540
MONTEPELOSO ENEO 2007	750	114660	\$49	RP 93	480
MORIS FARMS AVVOLTORE 2007	750	77768	\$59	RP 93	240
PODERI DEL PARADISO MANGIAFOCO 2007	750	244749	\$49	WS 94	420
VIGNAMAGGIO CASTELLO DI MONNA LISA RISERVA CHIANTI CLASSICO 2007	750	930651	\$38	RP 92	480
CASTELLO DI MONSANTO NEMO VIGNETO IL MULINO 2006	750	738906	\$65	RP 95	360
DUEMANI CABERNET FRANC 2006	750	239129	\$95	WS 94	180
ROCCA DI FRASSINELLO 2006	750	25692	\$49	GR 	360
VIGNAMAGGIO CABERNET FRANC 2006	750	236190	\$59	RP 95	480
DONATELLA CINELLI COLOMBINI BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2005	750	113357	\$49	WE 93	360
LA SERENA BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2005	750	149583	\$64	WS 91	300
SALCHETO SALCO EVOLUZIONE VINO NOBILE DI MONTEPULCIANO 2005	750	241281	\$49	RP 94	300
SESTI BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2005	750	243915	\$79	RP 92	240
ALTESINO RISERVA BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2004	750	8011	\$99	WE 96	150
CASTELLO ROMITORIO BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2004	750	236356	\$59	WS 93	360
IL PALAZZONE RISERVA BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2004	750	21063	\$99	RP 92+	180
LA LECCIAIA RISERVA BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2004	750	241307	\$69	RP 92	270
VITANZA RISERVA BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2004	750	236232	\$99	WS 95	240
ITALY – VENETO <small>RED WINE</small>					
ZENATO SANSONINA MERLOT 2006	750	236448	\$54	RP 91	264
LORENZO BEGALI MONTE CA' BIANCA AMARONE DELLA VALPOLICELLA CLASSICO 2005	750	204883	\$95	WS 91	300
SERGIO ZENATO RISERVA AMARONE DELLA VALPOLICELLA CLASSICO 2005	750	132316	\$79	IWSC SILVER MEDAL	600

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PORTUGAL <small>RED WINE</small>					
CHRYSEIA 2007	750	236372	\$75	WE 94	240
SPAIN <small>RED WINE</small>					
EMILIO MORO MALLEOLUS 2007	750	236141	\$55	RP 92	180
RAÚL PÉREZ ULTREIA DE VALTUILLE MENCIA 2007	750	236240	\$89	RP 99	108
FINCA VILLACRECES TINTO 2006	750	236422	\$49	RP 94	300
MUGA TORRE MUGA 2006	750	719609	\$79	WS 94	300
RAMÓN BILBAO MIRTO 2006	750	236455	\$54	RP 92+	240
MUGA ESPECIAL RESERVA SELECCIÓN 2005	750	921536	\$35	RP 93	600
VAL SOTILLO RESERVA 2004	750	244152	\$49	WE 93	210
MAS GARRIAN MAS DEL CAMPEROL 2002	750	237602	\$45	RP 92	240
BALBAS RESERVA 2001	750	85183	\$39	WS 93	332
MARQUÉS DE RISCAL GRAN RESERVA 2001	750	990309	\$49	RP 93	300
CANADA – ONTARIO <small>RED WINE</small>					
STONE RIDGE EXCELLENCE PINOT NOIR 2009	750	254250	\$29		144
LE CLOS JORDANNE LE GRAND CLOS PINOT NOIR 2007	3000	260182	\$395	WA 93	6
CANADA – ONTARIO <small>WHITE WINE</small>					
INNISKILLIN LEGACY PINOT GRIS 2009	750	229591	\$35	WN ★★★★★★	144
TAWSE ROBYN'S BLOCK CHARDONNAY 2008	750	131979	\$42		120
CANADA – BRITISH COLUMBIA <small>RED WINE</small>					
BLACK WIDOW SINGLE VINEYARD HOURGLASS 2008	750	258822	\$54	JS 90	118
AUSTRALIA <small>RED WINE</small>					
GLAETZER AMON-RA SHIRAZ 2009	750	58032	\$75	RP 96+	382
GLAETZER ANAPERENNA SHIRAZ/CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2009	750	72926	\$59	RP 94	190
TEN MINUTES BY TRACTOR 10X PINOT NOIR 2009	750	250613	\$49	AWC 97	312
VELVET GLOVE SHIRAZ 2009	750	242784	\$269	RP 97+	60
FERNGROVE THE STIRLINGS CABERNET SAUVIGNON/SHIRAZ 2007	750	249276	\$65	RP 93	178
MOLLYDOOKER CARNIVAL OF LOVE SHIRAZ 2007	750	242743	\$129	RP 96	300
TEUSNER AVATAR 2005	750	219220	\$36	RP 92	670
AUSTRALIA <small>WHITE WINE</small>					
PENFOLDS YATTARNA CHARDONNAY 2008	750	558643	\$124	WF 95	58
NEW ZEALAND <small>RED WINE</small>					
PYRAMID VALLEY EATON FAMILY PINOT NOIR 2007	750	242602	\$56	RP 92+	298
NEW ZEALAND <small>WHITE WINE</small>					
SACRED HILL RIFLEMAN'S CHARDONNAY 2009	750	39503	\$32	NZW ★★★★★★	296
SOUTH AFRICA <small>RED WINE</small>					
BOEKENHOUTSKLOOF CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2006	750	52084	\$49	WS 92	60

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ARGENTINA <small>RED WINE</small>					
ALTA VISTA TEMIS MALBEC 2007	750	119859	\$49	RP 93+	118
CATENA ZAPATA ADRIANNA VINEYARD MALBEC 2007	750	132340	\$79	RP 96	118
CATENA ZAPATA ARGENTINO MALBEC 2007	750	170035	\$98	RP 97	240
GIMENEZ RIILI GRAN RESERVA MALBEC 2007	750	250555	\$46	RP 93	118

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RED WINE

CASA LAPOSTOLLE BOROBO 2008	750	39263	\$99		30
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USA – CALIFORNIA

RED WINE

LUCIA PINOT NOIR 2009	750	244624	\$47		82
CALERA DE VILLIERS VINEYARD PINOT NOIR 2008	750	227504	\$45		90
CHAPPELLET CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2008	750	704254	\$69	WE 92	168
PETER MICHAEL LES PAVOTS 2008	750	260877	\$259	RP 95	120
TABLAS CREEK VINEYARD ESPRIT DE BEAUCASTEL ROUGE 2008	750	735654	\$45	IWC 93	672
CAKEBREAD BENCHLAND SELECT CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2007	750	924175	\$129	RP 96	180
CALERA MILLS VINEYARD PINOT NOIR 2007	750	716407	\$54	RP 95	90
CALERA RYAN VINEYARD PINOT NOIR 2007	750	58966	\$49	RP 93	90
CLOS MIMI MCGINLEY VINEYARD CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2007	750	239145	\$89	RP 93	600
DUCKHORN VINEYARDS THREE PALMS VINEYARD MERLOT 2007	750	34785	\$85		210
FROG'S LEAP RUTHERFORD CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2007	750	596064	\$95	WE 90	120
GROTH RESERVE CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2007	750	247312	\$169	WS 94	150
HEWITT VINEYARD CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2007	750	80192	\$69	RP 93	300
JANZEN CLOUDY'S VINEYARD CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2007	750	53769	\$95	WE 95	120
JONATA EL DESAFIO DE JONATA 2007	750	218933	\$145	RP 95-97	600
KEENAN CABERNET FRANC 2007	750	104398	\$69	RP 94	180
POETRY CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2007	750	14209	\$149	RP 96	300
REVANA FAMILY ST. HELENA CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2007	750	242461	\$149	WS 97	120
RUBICON 2007	750	703967	\$179	WE 93	180
STONESTREET LEGACY 2007	750	708024	\$99	RP 93	336
STONESTREET ROCKFALL CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2007	750	249367	\$89	WE 99	60
VALDEZ SIMONCINI VINEYARD ZINFANDEL 2007	750	227538	\$49	WS 95	480
WIND GAP CASTELLI-KNIGHT RANCH SYRAH 2007	750	242776	\$59	RP 94	672
GRGICH HILLS YOUNTVILLE SELECTION CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2006	750	253245	\$119		90
STAGLIN CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2006	750	716258	\$199	CGC 97	240
STONESTREET CHRISTOPHER'S CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2006	750	238741	\$124	WE 96	60

USA – CALIFORNIA

WHITE WINE

PETER MICHAEL BELLE CÔTE ESTATE CHARDONNAY 2009	750	154633	\$119	RP 93-95	480
PETER MICHAEL MON PLAISIR CHARDONNAY 2009	750	154690	\$124	WS 93	480
TABLAS CREEK VINEYARD ESPRIT DE BEAUCASTEL BLANC 2009	750	735506	\$37	RP 92-94	336
STONESTREET LOWER RIM CHARDONNAY 2008	750	227561	\$63	RP 96	60

USA – OREGON

RED WINE

CHEHALEM STOLLER VINEYARDS PINOT NOIR 2008	750	249268	\$49	WS 93	672
EVENING LAND LA SOURCE PINOT NOIR 2008	750	239996	\$79	WS 96	120

PRODUCT	SIZE (mL)	PRODUCT NUMBER	PRICE (per btl.)	SCORE	OPENING INVENTORY (btl.s.)
USA – OREGON <small>WHITE WINE</small>					
EVENING LAND LA SOURCE CHARDONNAY 2008	750	240010	\$79	WS 94	168
USA – WASHINGTON STATE <small>RED WINE</small>					
REININGER SYRAH 2007	750	249227	\$39	WS 92	240
FORTIFIED WINE <small>PORT</small>					
DELAFORCE VINTAGE PORT 1963	750	241349	\$215	WS 93	120
GRAHAM'S VINTAGE PORT 2000	750	236760	\$139	WS 98	300
TAYLOR FLADGATE VINTAGE PORT 2007	750	139709	\$139	WS 96	300
FORTIFIED WINE <small>DESSERT WINE</small>					
GÉRARD BERTRAND LEGEND VINTAGE BANYULS 1951	750	241422	\$295	WE 93	20
GÉRARD BERTRAND LEGEND VINTAGE RIVESALTES 1945	750	241406	\$329	WE 95	20
SPIRITS <small>SCOTCH WHISKY</small>					
BOWMORE 25 YEARS OLD ISLAY SINGLE MALT	750	714113	\$395	KS ★★★★★	60
BOWMORE 40 YEARS OLD ISLAY SINGLE MALT	700	258111	\$14,895	MA 96	2
GLENFIDDICH 30 YEARS OLD SPEYSIDE SINGLE MALT	750	936518	\$399	IWSC GOLD MEDAL	67
THE BALVENIE 30 YEARS OLD SPEYSIDE SINGLE MALT	700	665091	\$725	WB 92	19
SPIRITS <small>ARMAGNAC</small>					
DAMBLAT ARMAGNAC 1971	700	238527	\$175		108
MARQUIS DE SAUVAL ARMAGNAC 1981	750	242537	\$325		60
SPIRITS <small>EAU-DE-VIE</small>					
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