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Dinner/Tasting with James Sichel and Château d'Angludet

Make your reservations now for Saturday September 9 and join coowner James Sichel and K&L for a great dinner featuring the wines of Château d'Angludet. Wines from 1983, 1988, 1999, 2000, 2001 and 2003 will be poured.

This dinner will be held at Spago Restaurant in Palo Alto. Reception at 6:30 and dinner at 7:15. 60 seats available. Casual elegance is the dress code. \$150 per person.

Clyde's Picks: Château Rochebelle

This unknown jewel of a château lies near Tertre Roteboeuf. Ch. La Mondotte was at one time part of this property. Great terroir and fantastic wines to try. More traditional styled wines-not the garage style so prevalent in this area of Bordeaux. And the prices are fantastic! These wines just arrived and are in very limited supply-direct from the château. Less than 2000 cases produced yearly.

1985 Ch Rochebelle, St-Emilion (1.5L)\$	139.99
Elegant, fruity, smooth and lingering finish. Perfect right now.	
1989 Ch Rochebelle, St-Emilion	\$49.99
Elegant, black fruit, minerally aromas. Sweet fruit on mid palate. Long fin Very elegant ready to enjoy now-and a superb price. Opulent on the pala	
1990 Ch Rochebelle, St-Emilion	\$49.99
Richer than 1989 with a bit more tannin and earthy characters. Sweet an on the palate. Great structure and will cellar well for a few more years.	d long
1995 Ch Rochebelle, St-Emilion (1.5L)	\$89.99
1996 Ch Rochebelle, St-Emilion (1.5L)	\$89.99
Only a few cases of these two wines available.	
1999 Ch Rochebelle, St-Emilion (1.5L)	

New Arrival 2003 Bordeaux: Fine Values

will cellar well. Drink now after decanting one hour.

These wines are very affordable and offer plenty of wine for the price.

Check our website for tasting notes.

Ch Bernadotte, Haut Médoc-Parker and Beffa pick	\$20.99
Ch Fonbadet, Pauillac-Gutsy-quite delicious	\$23.99
Ch Ormes de Pez, St-Estèphe-Old school	\$24.99
Ch Joanin Becot, St-Emilion-Lovely and lush	\$24.99
Ch La Fleur, St-Emilion-New wave but balanced	\$26.99

For up-to-date inventories, check www.klwines.com

2005 Bordeaux!

The list grows. See page 3 for our current offering.

Cool Down, Sip Spain

Check out Kirk's selections on page 14

The "Other" Léoville

Cellar values from St-Julien. See pages 4 and 16.

Wine Lockers In San Carlos Location

New temperature-controlled lockers are located at our San Carlos distribution center on Bing Street. We have many lockers for rent, all of the same size-holding 24 wood cases or 30 cardboard cases (about 28 cases in combo). For more information visit www.klwines.com

Tesseron Cognac-Fabulous Quality...

Limited availability. From Alfred Tesseron of C Pontet Canet fame, these exquisite Cognacs have finally made it to the West Coast.

Tesseron "Tradition" Lot No. 76, XO Grande Champagne\$81.99The palate entry is elegant, composed, and moderately sweet in more of an oaky than a fruity way; by the midpalate stage, there's flavor evidence of ripe pear, white grapes, cake frosting.

Tesseron "Perfection" Lot No. 53, XO Grande Champagne ..\$129.99

5 Stars and a Highest Recommendation from the *Spirit Journal* - F. Paul Pacult. Perfumed scents of sweet oak, vanilla bean, with fruity notes of berries, dried fruit. The palate entry is serenely composed, succulent, sweet as ripe red fruit, and honeyed. Depth, finesse, power and maturity.

Tesseron "Exception" Lot No. 29 XO Grande Champagne....\$279.99

100 Point Robert Parker. The palate entry is supple, fruity sweet, and ripe; the midpalate stage highlights melded flavors of light caramel, marzipan, and nougat. One of the greatest Cognacs in the world!

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Super Summer Specials from Around the World

And the containers keep rolling in, three in May, three in June and three in July with more on the horizon. One from the Rhone, two from Italy, one from Australia, one from Champagne, three from Bordeaux, etc, etc. Our direct import program is in full force with thousands of cases of great values in stock for your selection. All price ranges from \$6.99 to \$100+.

You want Rosé wines? We have at least thirty for you to pick from. (Try the newly arrived 2005 Calon Segur Rosé (\$12.99) which always sells out quickly). Want a spicy Rhone for a barbecue? Try the 2003 Chante Cigale Châteauneuf-du-Pape (\$22.99), a K&L favorite and a big score (92+) from Robert Parker. If old wine is your thing, we just received several vintages of Léoville-Poyferre and the super value 1989 and 1990 Ch. Rochebelle, St-Emilion (\$49.99) have just arrived. The very delicious wines from the 2003 vintage are arriving, and you should try the 2003 Pibran (\$29.99) and the 2003 Reserve de la Comtesse Lalande (\$31.99).

From Australia, we have two great reds that are must trys. The 2004 Kirkham Peak Barossa Cabernet (\$9.99) and the 2004 Kirkham Peak McLaren Vale Shiraz (\$15.99) are stunning wines. And the list goes on with superstar Italian new arrivals along with summer sippers from the Loire Valley and Alsace. Speaking of great drinkers, try the 2005 Hughes Beaulieu Picpoul de Pinet (\$6.99) and the stunning 2005 Laurent Miquel Viognier (\$9.99). Yes a great summer of drinking is in full swing, right through October and our California Indian summer.

-Clyde Beffa Jr

Late Summer Night with Bordeaux!

Nothing beats late summer evening when it's still warm after a scorching hot day and you finally get a breeze from the fog rolling in... It's after dinner, and you're now going to enjoy some cheese because you're still just a bit hungry. What wine should you open? Well, I've got several for you. First off, the 1997 Sarget de Gruaud Larose, Saint-Julien (\$19.99), second wine of Gruaud Larose, is showing a bit of maturity, good length, nice acidity with cherry being the main fruit. If you prefer a softer wine, the 1999 Château Bernadotte, Haut-Médoc (\$18.99) is showing great elegance, medium body and low acidity. For something full bodied try the 2001 Reserve de Léoville-Barton, Saint-Julien (\$25.99). It has great length, bright concentrated red fruit with hints of sweetness, good acidity, firm tannins, all in all a more structured wine. My last wine this month might not be for this year, but it will be great in maybe 7+. The 2003 Château Siran, Margaux (1.5L \$64.99) is still shut down but offers elegant dark fruit, softer tannins great balance and a finish that keeps going. Enjoy now with hours of decanting or cellar.

—Alexandre Brisoux

Bearden's 2003 Bordeaux Picks

2005 Rosé de Phelan Segur, St-Estèphe (\$8.99) At K&L we sell huge quantities of rosé all year long, and here is one that is very easy to like. This is dry and refreshing with soft aromatics and round raspberry fruit. This gentle blend of cabernet and merlot from the stellar 2005 vintage is both food friendly and tasty by the glass.

2004 Lynch Bages Blanc, Pauillac (\$33.99) Well known for their remarkable red wine, this property also makes a delicious white wine sourced from vineyards in the Haut-Médoc. This bright, perfumey beauty has a beam of high-toned crushed citrus notes that cut through the rich yet lively lemon curd and green apple flavors. There are hints of honeysuckle on the long, mineraly finish of this aromatic and vibrant summer wine. Perfect with shellfish or goat cheese.

2000 Cantemerle, Haut-Médoc (\$32.99) One of the greatest values from the awesome 2000 vintage is back in stock. 91 points *Wine Spectator*: "Opulent red. Intense aromas of currants, cigar tobacco and berries. Full-bodied with a solid core of silky tannin and a long finish."

2003 Pibran, Pauillac (\$29.99) This property situated near Pontet-Canet and Mouton Rothschild has come on strong since the wine making team of Pichon-Baron took over. Only 5000 cases of this concentrated, muscular and well priced wine were produced. This is deep and dark with tons of sweet black currant and cassis fruit in the ripe, sturdy middle and a long, powerful finish. Fire up the grill and prepare to be impressed.

2003 La Tour de Mons, Margaux (\$19.99) Here is a well-made and crowd-pleasing value to buy by the case. This round, rich wine has beautiful flowery aromatics that lead to a smooth middle of sweet berries and an elegant finish showing ripe, round tannins. Super easy to drink and very affordable. Don't miss this!
—Steve Bearden

2005 BORDEAUX FUTURES

Fabulous year for Bordeaux. These wines are sold on a futures basis.		
See our notes on these wines in our Vintage Report or online.		
Barde-Haut, St-Emilion-90-93 points Robert Parker		
Beaumont, Haut-Médoc-Elegant. Easy drinker. Value\$12.99		
Beauregard, Pomerol-89-91 points Parker and Wine Spectator\$38.99		
Bernadotte, Médoc-Spice on the nose. Elegant wine		
Brane Cantenac, Margaux-91-93 points Robert Parker\$49.99		
Brown Rouge, Pessac-88-90 points Robert Parker\$23.99		
Brun, St-Emilion -Spicy, black cherries. Good richness. Great value\$12.99		
Canon, St-Emilion-90-93 points Robert Parker		
Cantemerle, Haut-Médoc-89-91 points Robert Parker\$28.99		
Caronne Ste. Gemme, Haut-Médoc-89-91 points Spectator\$13.99		
Caronne Ste. Gemme, Haut-Médoc (1.5L)\$29.99		
One of the best values in all of Bordeaux. We also have 3L and 6L available.		
Chasse Spleen, Moulis-89-91 points Wine Spectator		
Chauvin, St-Emilion-90-92 points Robert Parker\$34.99		
Clos des Jacobins, St-Emilion-92-94 points Wine Spectator \$39.99		
Cos d'Estournel, St-Estèphe-95-100 points Wine SpectatorInquire		
Coutet, Sauternes-92-94 points Wine Spectator\$49.99		
d'Aiguilhe, Cotes de Castillon-89-91 points Parker and Spectator\$27.99		
Dauzac, Margaux-90-92 points Robert Parker\$39.99		
Desmirail, Margaux\$27.99		
Elegant, value-packed red from the same family who owns Brane Cantenac.		
Doisy Vedrines, Sauternes -92-94 points <i>Wine Spectator</i>		
Could be as good as their 2001. Rich, flavorful, great acidity.		
Ferrand Lartigue, St-Emilion-89-91 points Robert Parker\$21.99		
Gigault "Cuvee Viva" Cotes de Blaye\$17.99		
Parker: "One of my favorite inexpensive offerings from the Blaye"		
Goulee, Médoc-89-91 points Robert Parker		
Grand-Puy-Ducasse, Pauillac-Parker: "Sleeper of the vintage."\$29.99		
Grand-Puy-Lacoste, Pauillac-92-94 points Robert Parker\$72.99		
Guiraud, Sauternes (375ml \$26.99) -95-100 points <i>Spectator</i> \$49.99		
Haut Bergey Rouge, Pessac-91-93 points Robert Parker\$29.99		
Haut Bergey Blanc, Pessac-90-92 points Robert Parker\$29.99		
Haut Bailly, Pessac-93-95 points Robert Parker\$74.99		
Haut Marbuzet, St-Estèphe-90-92 points Robert Parker\$39.99		
la Cour d'Argent, Bordeaux-Parker: "Sleeper of the vintage." \$10.99		
la Croix de Beaucaillou, St-Julien-89-91 points Wine Spectator \$29.99		
la Fleur de Bouard, Lalande de Pomerol-90-92 points Parker \$33.99		
Lafaurie Peyraguey, Sauternes (375ml \$24.99)-92-94 points WS \$49.99		
Lanessan, Médoc-Parker 88-90 points, "sleeper"		
La Fer, St-Emilion-Great concentration. Sweet and lush		
La Tour Carnet, Médoc-89-91 points Wine Spectator\$29.99		
Lafon Rochet, St-Estèphe-91-93 points Robert Parker\$39.99		
Langoa Barton, St-Julien-92-94 points Wine Spectator\$73.99		
Lascombes, Margaux-94-96 points Robert Parker		
Léoville-Las-Cases, St-Julien-95-100 points Wine Spectator\$279.99		
Les Gravières, St-Emilion-Spectator: "silky tanninsBalanced." \$29.99		
Lucia, St-Emilion-Parker 92-94 points		
Lynch Bages, Pauillac-92-94 points Wine Spectator		
Lynsolence, St-Emilion-92-94 points Robert Parker		
Malartic Lagraviere, Pessac-90-93 points Robert Parker		
Marjosse, Bordeaux-Parker: "Sleeper of the vintage."		
Meyney, St-Estèphe-89-91 points Wine Spectator\$25.99		
Moulin-Haut-Laroque, Fronsac-Parker 90-92 points		
Mouton-Rothschild, Pauillac-94-96 points Robert Parker\$549.99		
Mylord, Bordeaux-Parker: "Sleeper of the vintage."\$8.99		

Nenin, Pomerol-92-94 points Wine Spectator	\$59.99
Pagodes de Cos, St-Estèphe	. \$37.99
89-91 points Spectator: "Very attractive aromas of blackberries and cur-	-
rantswith ultrafine tannins and a long, delicious finish. Very racy and l	inear."
Petit Village, Pomerol-90-92 points Robert Parker	\$52.99
Petit Mouton, Pauillac-88-90 points Robert Parker	\$64.99
Phelan-Segur, St-Estèphe-89-91 points Wine Spectator	\$34.99
Picard, St-Estèphe-Sweet ripe with a full, round palate impression	\$17.99
Pichon-Baron, Pauillac-92-95 points Robert Parker	\$119.99
Pichon-Lalande, Pauillac-92-94 points Wine Spectator	\$119.99
Pierre de Lune, St-Emilion-92-94 points Robert Parker	\$44.99
Potensac, Médoc-Spectator: " well done."	\$22.99
Poujeaux, Moulis-89-91 points Wine Spectator	\$26.99
Prieure Lichine, Margaux-91-94 points Robert Parker	\$42.99
Quinault l'Enclos, St-Emilion-Parker 92-95 points	\$41.99
Rauzan Gassies, Marguax-90-93 points Robert Parker	\$39.99
Rieussec, Sauternes (375ml \$34.99)-95-100 points Spectator	\$69.99
Roc de Cambes, Cotes de Bourg-87-90 points Stephen Tanzer	\$45.99
Rochebelle, St-Emilion-Exceptional palate with great sweetness	. \$44.99
Adjacent to La Mondotte at 1/10 the price.	
Senejac, Haut-Médoc-90-92 points Robert Parker	\$22.99
Siran, Margaux-89-91 points Wine Spectator	
Sociando Mallet, Haut-Médoc-92-94 points Robert Parker	
St-Pierre, St-Julien-92-94 points Robert Parker	
Suduiraut, Sauternes-95-100 points Spectator	
Tour de Mons, Margaux-89-91 points Wine Spectator	
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2004 BORDEAUX FUTURES

See our Vintage Report and list of wines available on our website. A very fine vintage, classic style and very well priced.

Angélus, St-Emilion-92-94 points Parker and Spectator	Inquire
Branaire-Ducru, St-Julien-90-92 points Robert Parker	\$29.99
Clos du Marquis, St-Julien-89-91 points Wine Spectator	.\$26.99
Cos d'Estournel, St-Estèphe-90-93 points Robert Parker	.\$74.99
\$100 below the 2005 vintage.	
d'Angludet, Margaux-An outstanding value	.\$23.99
Destieux, St-Emilion-89-91 points Robert Parker	.\$24.99
Giscours, Margaux-90-93 points Robert Parker	.\$34.99
Gruaud-Larose, St-Julien-89-91 points Wine Spectator	.\$35.99
La Mission Haut Brion, Pessac-89-91 points Parker	103.99
Lagrange, St-Julien-89-91 points Wine Spectator	.\$29.99
Langoa-Barton, St-Julien-89-91 points Spectator	.\$32.99
Lascombes, Margaux-93-94 points Robert Parker	.\$45.99
Better than their 2003!	
Léoville-Barton, St-Julien-90-92 points Robert Parker	.\$47.99
Léoville-Poyferré, St-Julien-90-93 points Robert Parker	.\$36.99
Les Forts de Latour, Pauillac-91-93 points Robert Parker	.\$48.99
l'Evangile, Pomerol-90-92 points Robert Parker	.\$84.99
Nenin, Pomerol-89-91 points Spectator	.\$29.99
Pavillon Rouge, Margaux-89-91 Points Robert Parker	.\$36.99
Phelan-Ségur, St-Estèphe-Tanzer: "supple and lush"	.\$24.99
Pichon-Baron, Pauillac-89-92 points Robert Parker	.\$54.99
Pichon-Lalande, Pauillac-90-92 points Robert Parker	.\$64.99

Pontet-Canet, Pauillac-90-93 points Robert Parker\$42.99 Smith-Haut-Lafitte Rouge, Pessac-Léognan-90-92 points Parker \$37.99 Sociando-Mallet, Haut-Médoc-90-92 points Parker\$37.99

BORDEAUX IN STOCK 1953-2004

1953 Siran, Margaux-Delicious wine	\$219.99
1961 Palmer, Margaux	.\$1699.00
Direct from Mahler-Besse cellar, best in	Bordeaux.
1962 Palmer, Margaux	

L	1962 Paimer, Margaux5399.00
	91 points Robert Parker: "This wine, like some of
	the finest 1962s, seems to have been underrated
	by everybody, including the author."

1975 Poujeaux, Mou	lis (1.5L)	\$169.99
Awesome value! Sweet	fruit, lingering af	tertaste.

1985 Langoa-Barton, St-Jul	ien\$99.99
1985 Palmer, Margaux	\$189.99
1985 Pape-Clement, Pessac	\$119.99

Parker: "...the best Pape-Clement since the 1975, is a fragrant, supple, tasty wine with a great deal of finesse and charm. It is deeply concentrated, medium bodied, long, and complex."

1986 Léoville-Barton, St-Julien\$199.00

92 points Robert Parker: "...the 1986 is a backward and tannic wine designed for long-term cellaring. This huge, dense, medium to full-bodied wine exhibits tremendously rich, classic, weedy, blackcurrant fruitiness

1986 Sociando Mallet, Haut-Médoc \$99.99 1986 Sociando Mallet, (1.5L)\$219.99 1988 Léoville-Barton, St-Julien\$119.99

91 points Wine Spectator: "...Full-bodied, with a compacted fruit structure, firm tannins and a long finish. As outstanding as it should be...'

1989 d'Armailhac, Pauillac (1.5L) ..\$189.00

According to Robert Parker: "The 1989 is a grace-

89 points Parker: "It has always been a very good wine... In this tasting, the wine exhibited a youthful color, as well as attractive, sweet, cherry and black-currant notes in its nose intermingled with

ful, medium-bodied wine displaying the vintage's

Château Léoville-Poyferre

Just arrived direct from the château, these

wines are bargains compared to some of the

1989 Léoville-Poyferre, St-Julien\$149.00

1989 Léoville-Poyferre (1.5L).....\$289.00

soft, silky texture, plenty of alcohol, low acidity,

and aging potential of 4-8 years." (02/93)

recent Bordeaux prices.

a touch of earth and spice."

1989 Léoville-Barton, St-Julien\$139.99 1989 Siran, Margaux (1.5L)\$139.00

1993 Léoville-Poyferre, (1.5L)\$89.99 Very under-rated year. And also under priced! Try this beauty-old school wine.

1994 Léoville-Poyferre (1.5L).....\$89.99

Robert Parker: "The dark ruby/purple-colored 1994 offers up scents of toasty vanilla and sweet blackcurrant fruit. This medium-bodied claret possesses good fat, moderate tannin, and a traditional, backward, overall feel. Although still youthful, there is enough fruit to balance out the wine's tannin. Anticipated maturity: 2000-2015."

1995 Léoville-Poyferre, St-Julien\$89.99 1995 Léoville-Poyferre (1.5L)......\$189.00

93 points Wine Spectator: "Best Leoville Poyferre ever. Big, mouthpuckering wine. Bubbling over with mint, blackberry and currant character. Fullbodied, with extremely full yet finely textured tannins and a long, silky texture. Try after 2002."

1990 Gloria, St-Julien\$94.99 1994 Ormes de Pez, St-Estèphe\$16.99 1994 Pichon-Baron, Pauillac\$34.99 1994 Pichon-Lalande (1.5L)\$159.00

91 points Robert Parker: "One of the stars of the vintage, a gorgeously perfumed, exotic, smoky, blackcurrant, Asian spice, and sweet vanillinscented bouquet... outstanding purity, and a classically layered, long, pure finish." (02/97)

1995 Domaine de Chevalier, Pessac..\$34.99 Quite earthy and fruity-forward wine. Enjoy now.

1995 Léoville-Las-Cases, St-Julien..\$159.99 95 points Robert Parker. "1995 Leoville-Las-Cases is one of the vintage's great success stories. ... On the attack, it is staggeringly rich."

1995 Palmer, Margaux\$139.99 94 points Wine Spectator: "Elegant and beautiful.

Outstanding Palmer...'

1995 Phelan-Segur, St-Estèphe.....\$34.99 1995 Pichon-Lalande, Pauillac\$169.99 1995 Reserve de Comtesse (1.5L)....\$119.00 1996 Pagodes de Cos, St-Estèphe \$29.99

Very rich and quite elegant for the vintage. Value. 1996 Palmer, Margaux\$129.99

91 points Wine Spectator.

1997 Angelus, St-Emilion.....\$59.99 1997 Chapelle de Ausone......\$34.99 Great second wine-tons of fruit, lingering finish.

1997 La Mission-Haut-Brion, Pessac \$69.99

Hot August Buys from the Hot 2005 Bordeaux Vintage

The hottest topic of the year wine wise is 2005 Bordeaux. In almost every phone conversation and sale, even if the reason for the call had nothing to do with Bordeaux, the topic comes up. In my opinion the only possible negative aspect of this fantastic vintage was created by a few of the most famous estates (e.g. Ausone, Cheval Blanc, Yquem), with very high pricing strategy. This has unfortunately cast a shadow that will hurt Bordeaux for a long time. It hurts most of all the estates that made really fine wine in 2005 and increased their prices within reason (e.g. Léoville-Barton, Branaire-Ducru, Malartic-Lagraviere, Smith-Haut-Lafitte, Phelan-Segur). Thank goodness the many positives of this fine vintage far outweigh the negatives.

The Union Des Grand Cru (UGC), Haut-Médoc tasting is a sure gauge of the depth and quality of a vintage, and there were many tasty wines. Ch. Beaumont (\$12.99) was lovely, elegant wine with traditional focus and very spicy. The red cherry fruit in Ch. Chasse Spleen (\$26.99) was strong, bright and firm with some hints of earth. Ch. Clarke (\$21.99) showed a ton of newworld flash in its super dark, black-and-blue fruit and power. And the Ch. Caronne St Gemme (\$13.99) was super delicious. What a steal!

Ch. Sociando Mallet (\$42.99) was one of the first wines I purchased for my collection in 2005, deep purple fruit, a very big wine with a zesty vibrant character and very serious. No question one of the great deals in all of Bordeaux. That tag used to be the attached to the hip of Ch. Langoa-Barton (\$73.99). Just as it took many years for wine enthusiasts to catch on to the phenomenal wine of Léoville-Barton, it has taken some time for Langoa to grab world-wide attention, but that has surely happened. Full of intense blood-red fruit that features hints of cranberry/raspberry bordering on the exotic, very strong wine that should be as great as the 1995 I enjoyed last week. My notes also indicate and reinforce to me after tasting the 2004 and 2005 Barton wines side by side that the 2004s are "super-deals." Now that we know the price of the 2005s, it bolsters that thought.

The Pichons both nailed it in 2005! Very fine, wavy/warm and opulent, sweet but soft middle fruit as well a long, smooth, delicious finish that is found in all the greatest Ch. Pichon-Lalande (\$119.99) insures that we have a classic here. Ch. Pichon-Baron (\$119.99) is the opposite, the strong older brother if you will. Big, dark and masculine, spicy Cabernet, full of tannin and complexity. This wine will need many years, and with time will rival the great 1989!

The smallest classified growth, Ch. Ferierre (\$31.99) from Margaux, merits special attention for its lush attractive fruit with tropical elements, and this wine will be a love early in its life. **Ch. Gruaud-Larose** (\$56.99) is dead on with its earthy/berry flavors and fine balance.

Of course Ch. Cos d'Estournel (\$189.99) made a great wine. Powerful amounts of roasted cabernet and fragrant merlot fruit in this very linear wine, everything in perfect balance, very fresh and long on the finish as well as elegant. A wine built to age. The same can be said of Ch. Angelus (\$239.99), where the wine is intensely fruity, smoky-berry with exotic ripeness. Tight now, this will require a minimum of 10 years.

Please feel free to contact me anytime with any questions or advice on the wines of Bordeaux at ex 2723 or Ralph@klwines.com. Cheers and Go Giants! —Ralph Sands

BORDEAUX 1997-2004

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1997 Léoville-Barton, St-Julien\$49.99	2001 Mouton-Rothschild, Pauillac \$137.99	2003 Gigault "Cuvee Viva"\$18.99
1997 Sarget de Gruaud Larose\$19.99 Excellent drinker-plenty of fruit.	2001 Reserve Léoville Barton\$25.99	2003 Goulee, Médoc\$29.99
, ,	2001 Reserve de Comtesse Lalande\$27.99 "Super delicious! As good as any Reserve I have	2003 Haut Gay, Bordeaux Superior\$13.99
1997 Smith-Haut-Lafitte, Pessac \$29.99	ever had. Silky and elegant," Clyde Beffa Jr.	2003 Haut-Bages-Liberal, Pauillac\$26.99 2003 Haut Bailly, Pessac\$38.99
1998 Malescot-St-Exupéry\$39.99 Lovely and very ripe and toasty for the vintage.	2002 Cos d'Estournel, St-EstèpheInquire 93 points Robert Parker: "One of the candidates	Very sweet aromas of violets and undertones of black licorice. Sweet palate entry-substantial.
1998 Pichon-Lalande (1.5L)\$134.99	for wine of the vintage"	2003 Haut-Beausejour, St-Estèphe\$19.99
1998 Res. de Léoville-Barton (1.5L)\$64.99 1999 Bernadotte, Haut-Médoc\$18.99	2002 de Sales, Pomerol\$24.99	Superb value. Sweet and lush.
1999 d'Angludet, Margaux\$34.99	According to the Wine Spectator: "with berry	2003 Joanin Becot, St-Emilion\$24.99
Super sweet and silky black fruit notes. Hints of	and cherry character, medium body, fine tannins and a delicate finish. Very nice indeed."	2003 Kirwan, Margaux\$44.99
orange zest. Soft tannins and quite broad on the	2002 Eglise-Clinet, Pomerol\$69.99	2003 La Gatte, Bordeaux\$10.9
palate. Very similar to Palmer. Terrific length.	2002 Eglise-Clinet (1.5L)\$129.99	Great aromas, deep cherry, touch of spice-classic.
1999 Lalande Borie, St-Julien\$17.99	90-92 points Robert Parker: "An exceptionally	2003 La Couspaude, St-Emilion\$39.99
65% cabernet, 25% merlot and 10% cabernet franc. Elegant, perfect drinking right now.	strong effort from a vigneron, Denis Durantou"	2003 La Couspaude (1.5L)\$79.99
1999 Pichon-Baron, Pauillac\$39.99	2002 Gruaud Larose, St-Julien\$31.99	2003 La Fleur, St-Emilion\$26.99
Black currant and spicy aromas, with nice thick-	2002 Haut-Bailly, Pessac \$34.99	Super delicious-ripe and round. I love this wine.
ness in the mouth. It has a tinge of coffee and	90 points Robert Parker.	2003 La Fleur de Bouard\$28.99
vanilla on the palate. An exotic wine.	2002 Haut-Bergey, Pessac\$19.99	2003 La Gomerie, St-Emilion\$72.99
1999 Smith-Haut-Lafitte, Pessac\$39.99	2002 Haut-Brion, Pessac\$149.99	2003 La Grave a Pomerol, Pomerol\$42.99
One of Clyde's favorite '99s. Elegant-fruity.	2002 La Fleur de Bouard\$25.99	2003 Langoa Barton, St-Julien\$41.99
1999 Talbot, St-Julien\$29.99	2002 Pedesclaux, Pauillac\$19.99	2003 La Tour de Mons, Margaux\$19.99 2003 Les Carmes Haut Brion, Pessac \$43.99
2000 Bellerose Figeac Reserve\$24.99	Very charming with notes of coffee and toast.	2003 Malartic Lagraviere Rouge\$29.99
The ripe round fruit is wrapped around a core of dark chocolate and earthy spice.	2002 Reserve de Comtesse Lalande\$25.99	2003 Malartic Lagraviere (1.5L)\$59.99
2000 Cantemerle, Haut-Médoc\$32.99	Bright and deep with blackberry and cherry, hints of herb and mineral and plump merlot juiciness.	2003 Manoir de Gravoux, Castil\$8.99
2000 Calon-Segur, St-Estèphe\$89.00	2002 Sociando Mallet, Haut-Médoc \$23.99	A fruit bomb and great buy to enjoy tonight.
2000 d'Angludet, Margaux\$39.99	2003 Bahans de Haut-Brion, Pessac\$41.99	2003 Marquis de Calon, St-Estèphe\$21.99
Parker: "The 2000 is a traditional claretMedium	2003 Beausejour Duffau, St-Emilion \$49.99	2003 Montlisse, St-Emilion\$25.99
to full-bodied, solidly tannic, and attractive, it will	2003 Bernadotte, Médoc\$20.99	2003 Ormes de Pez, St-Estèphe\$24.99
age well for 10-15 years"	2003 Bernadotte, Médoc (1.5L) \$42.99	2003 Pagodes de Cos (1.5L)\$61.99
2000 Feytit Clinet, Pomerol\$34.99 Great value with plenty of dark fruits, toasty oak,	90 points Robert Parker: "A sleeper of the vin-	2003 Pedesclaux, Pauillac\$20.9
hints of spice and earth.	tage silky tannin, low acidity, and a lush, hedo- nistic, sensual personality." (04/06)	2003 Pedesclaux, Pauillac (1.5L)\$41.99
2000 Fiefs Lagrange, St-Julien\$26.99	2003 Beychevelle, St-Julien (1.5L)\$69.99	Cherry, anise as well as a bite of dusty quality on the nose reinforces my opinion that this estate
Sweet and lovely. Enjoy now.	2003 Brane Cantenac, Margaux\$36.99	has changed for the better.
2000 Greysac, Médoc\$16.99	2003 Brane Cantenac (1.5L)\$74.99	2003 Pibran, Pauillac\$29.99
Sweet and lush. 89 points Wine Spectator.	2003 Cambon la Pelouse, H Médoc\$17.99	2003 Potensac, Medoc (1.5L)\$43.99
2000 Kirwan, Margaux\$54.99	2003 Cambon la Pelouse (1.5L)\$36.99	2003 Poujeaux, Moulis (1.5L 46.99) \$23.99
2000 Lalande Borie, St-Julien\$24.99	According to Parker: "Cambon has been consis-	2003 Reignac, Bordeaux Superiore\$24.99
2000 Mouton-Rothschild (5L)\$3999.00	tently excellent over recent vintages, and 2003 is	2003 Reserve de Comtesse, Pauillac\$31.99
97 points Robert Parker. Special box and bottle	no exception exhibits excellent berry fruit along with hints of saddle leather, licorice, and earth"	2003 Saransot-Dupre, Listrac\$18.99
collector's item. Only two left.	2003 Carbonnieux Rouge, Pessac\$23.99	2003 Siran, Margaux (1.5L)\$64.99
2000 Phelan-Segur, St-Estèphe\$29.99 From a great vintage. This property is on a roll.	2003 Chasse Spleen, Moulis\$25.99	2003 Sociando Mallet, Haut-Médoc \$42.9
2000 Pressac, St-Emilion\$24.99	2003 Clement Pichon, Médoc\$15.99	2003 St Paul, Haut-Médoc
2000 Trilogie St Georges, St-Emilion\$17.99	2003 Clement Pichon (1.5L) \$30.99	
2000 Trilogie St Georges (1.5L)\$34.99	2003 Clerc Milon, Pauillac\$48.99	2003 Teyssier, St-Emilion \$26.99 70% merlot and 30% cab franc. Rich, balanced.
2001 Berndaotte, Médoc (1.5L)\$39.99	2003 Clos d'Oratoire, St-Emilion\$37.99	•
2001 Cantemerle, Médoc\$24.99	2003 Dame de Montrose, St-Estèphe \$36.95	White Bordeaux
2001 Croix de Beaucaillou\$24.99	2003 de Pez, St-Estèphe	2004 Marjosse, Bordeaux\$9.99 2003 Reynon VV, Graves\$11.99
2001 d'Angludet, Margaux \$34.99	According to the Wine Spectator: "Blackberry and milk chocolate aromas follow through to a	Fabulous, delicious minerally wine.
Robert Parker: "A sleeper of the vintage, this	medium-bodied palate, with fine tannins and a	2003 Carbonnieux, Pessac\$29.99
excellent offering possesses a deep ruby/purple	rich, caressing finish"	90-93 points Robert Parker.
color as well as a sweet nose of moltod scholt	. ,	
color as well as a sweet nose of melted asphalt, cedar wood, black currants, gravel and tar."	2003 de Sales, Pomerol\$24.99	
cedar wood, black currants, gravel and tar."		2003 Monbousquet, St-Emilion\$49.99
	2003 de Sales, Pomerol\$24.99	

DIRECT BUYS FROM AROUND THE WORLD

K&L buys many imported wines directly from the producers or negociants. We taste the wines at the property and negotiate with the seller, often finding wines that are not available in the U.S. market. And we get the wines to our customers for less. There are no middlemen taking a percentage while passing it through distribution.

France:

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Alsace/Loire Valley
2004 Pinot Blanc, Charles Baur\$11.99
2004 Pinot Noir, Charles Baur\$12.99
Cremant d'Alsace, Baur\$14.99
2004 Muscat Grand Cru Froehn, J.P. Becker\$17.99
2004 Riesling Grand Cru Froehn, J.P. Becker\$18.99
2004 Gewurztraminer Grand Cru Froehn, J.P. Becker\$18.99
2004 Gewürztraminer Eichberg, Charles Baur\$19.99
2004 Riesling Grand Cru Eichberg, Charles Baur\$21.99
2005 Muscadet, Château la Moriniere\$10.99
2005 Muscadet, Domaine de la Pepiere\$10.99
2005 Rosé de Loire, Château Soucherie\$11.99
2004 La Tour St Martin Menetou Salon Rouge\$14.99
2004 Franck Millet Sancerre Rouge-Another great value!\$14.99
2002 Savennieres "Cuvee des Genets," Domaine Laureau\$15.99 Delightful, mineral-driven white.
2004 Gerard Boulay Sancerre Chavignol Rose\$16.99
2004 Joel Taluau St Nicolas de Bourgueil VV\$16.99
2003 Franck Millet Sancerre Blanc "Insolite"\$18.99
Clean, balanced, earthy.
2004 Gerard Boulay Sancerre Chavignol Blanc\$18.99
2004 Gerard Boulay Sancerre Rouge\$18.99
2004 Gerard Boulay Sancerre Clos du Beaujeu\$24.99
2002 Quincy, Silice de Quincy\$24.99
This is a wine of power and poise with pungent layers of flavor built on a foun-
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dation of stone. 2004 Gerard Boulay Sancerre Mont Damnes\$26.99 Wine from the earth-just arrived. Magnificent!
2004 Gerard Boulay Sancerre Mont Damnes

2002 Dauphin de Guiraud, Sauternes (375ml)\$13.99
Rosé/White Burgundy
Chardonnay, Plaisir des Princes\$6.99
2005 Bourgogne Cotes d'Auxerre Rosé, Goisot\$10.99
2004 St Bris "Sauvignon," Goisot\$10.99
2004 Macon Villages, Domaine des Nialles\$11.99
2005 Chablis, Château Maligny\$14.99
2004 St-Veran, Domaine de la Croix Senaillet\$14.99
The 2003 St-Veran has a delicate nose, with honey and rich flavors.
2004 Pouilly-Fuissé, Noel Leprince\$16.99
2003 St Romain, Champy\$19.99
Red Burgundy
2002 Volnay, "Santenots," 1er Cru, Rossignol-Jeanniard\$51.99
2003 Vosne-Romanée, "Les Suchots," 1er Cru,
Maison Champy\$59.99
2003 Vosne-Romanée, "Beaux Monts," 1er Cru,
Maison Champy\$59.99
Rich, chocolatey, round, this is classic Beaumonts.
Southern France
2005 Picpoul de Pinet Blanc, Hughes Beaulieu\$6.99
2004 Marselen, Domaine l'Attilon (Organic)\$8.99
2004 Garrigues Blanc, Jean Louis Denois-Delicious!\$8.99
2002 Garrigues Rouge, Jean Louis Denois-Great value!\$8.99
2005 Viognier, Laurent Miquel "Nord Sud"\$9.99
Cremant de Limoux, Aimery Sieur d'Arques "1531"\$9.99
2005 Côtes de Thau Rosé, Hecht and Bannier\$9.99
2004 Coteaux du Languedoc Domaine La Sauvageonne
"Les Ruffes"
2005 St Chinian Blanc, Rimbert\$11.99
2002 Minervois Lauraire des Lys "Loriza"\$12.99
2004 Côtes du Roussillon Domaine du Roc
des Anges "Segna"\$13.99
2004 Saint Chinian "Le Mas au Schiste," Rimbert\$14.99
2005 Cerdon de Bugey, Caveau de Mont St July\$14.99
2002 Grand Cuvee Red, Jean Louis Denois
2002 "La Riviere" Chenin Blanc, Jean Louis Denois\$16.99
Sold out immediately last time-here is last 25 cases.
2003 Les Baux de Provence Château d'Estoublon Rouge\$17.99
2004 Les Baux de Provence Château d'Estoublon Blanc\$19.99
Fabulous wines-just arrived.
2001 Minervois Lauraire des Lys\$19.99
2003 Coteaux de Languedoc Faugeres, Hecht & Bannier\$22.99
2003 Palette Blanc, Château Simone\$28.99
2003 Saint Chinian, Rimbert "Le Mas au Schiste" (1.5L)\$29.99
Rhone
2004 Côtes du Rhône, Domaine Verquiere\$8.99
2004 Côtes du Rhône, Domaine de la Maurelle
2004 Rasteau, Domaine Verquiere\$9.99
2004 Côtes du Rhône, 'Generation' Domaine Jaume\$10.99
2005 Tavel Rosé, Domaine de Segries\$11.99
Clairette de Die Cave Carod\$12.99
2003 Vacqueyras, Cecile Chassagne\$12.99
2004 Gigondas, Domaine de la Maurelle

DIRECT BUYS FROM AROUND THE WORLD CONTINUED

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2004 Lirac Alain Jaume "Clos de Sixte"
2003 Gigondas Tradition, Moulin de Gardette\$18.99
Black fruit, spicy, and a bit peppery. Long finish.
2003 Gigondas, Raspail Ay "Reserve"
2001 Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Chante Cigale\$19.99
2003 Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Chante Cigale-92 points Parker\$22.99
2003 Gigondas Moulin de Gardette "Ventabren"\$27.99
2004 Cornas Vincent Paris "Granit 30"\$29.99
2004 Cornas Vincent paris "Granit 60"\$39.99
2004 Cote Rotie, Joel Champet "La Villiere"\$39.99
<u>Champagne</u>
Ariston Carte Blanche Brut\$22.99
Our best deal in bubbles? Powerful!
Franck Bonville Brut Selection Blanc de Blancs\$23.99
Launois "Cuvee Reserve" Brut Blanc de Blanc\$25.99
Launois "Quartz" Brut Blanc de Blanc\$25.99
Tarlant Brut Reserve\$26.99
Quality obsessed grower, direct pricing!
Tarlant Brut Zero-Our driest. No sugar added\$26.99
de Meric Sous Bois Brut-Rich style\$27.99
Philippe Gonet Brut Reserve\$27.99
Hubert Paulet Brut Tradition\$27.99
Ariston Brut Rosé\$28.99
Ariston Blanc de Blanc Brut\$29.99
2001 LeClerc Briant Cuvee Rubis Brut Rosé\$29.99
2000 Franck Bonville Brut Millesime Blanc de Blanc\$29.99
Leclerc-Briant "La Croisette" Single Vineyard Brut\$29.99
Leclerc-Briant "Les Crayeres" Brut
Leclerc-Briant "Les Cheves Pierreuses" Brut\$29.99
Leclerc-Briant "Clos des Campions" Brut\$29.99
Fleury Carte Rouge
Fleury Brut Rosé
Ariston Aspasie Brut Prestige
2000 Philippe Gonet Blanc de Blancs Grand Cru\$39.99
Philippe Gonet Brut Roy Soleil Blanc de Blancs
Rene Collard Brut Carte d'Or\$39.99
Tarlant Cuvee Louis Brut Prestige-New 1996/1997 cuvée\$39.99
1990 Rene Collard
Tarlant Single Vineyard Blanc de Blancs\$49.99
De Meric Grande Reserve Sous Bois Brut (1.5L)\$56.99
Franck Bonville Cuvee Belles Voyes
1985 Rene Collard Rosé
Corsica
2003 Clos Canarelli "Petit Clos" (Organic)
The red "Le Petit Clos" from Clos Canarelli is a blend of younger vine syrah, nielluccio and sciacarello. It displays bright violet and hibiscus flora-matics along
with juicy canberry and cassis fruit.

Italy:

Tuscany/Montalcino

2003 La Fortuna Sant'Antimo Rosso	\$17.99
2000 La Fortuna Brunello-2 Glasses Gambero Rosso	\$36.99
2000 Baricci Brunello-2 Glasses Gambero Rosso	\$36.99
2000 Pian dell'Orino Brunello di Montalcino	\$39.99
2000 Sesta di Sopra Brunello-92 points Wine Spectator	\$42.99
1997 Casisano Colombaio Brunello Riserva	
92 points Wine Spectator and 2 Glasses Gambero Rosso	

Piedmont

2004 Ruggeri Corsini Barbera d'Alba	\$13.99
2002 Ruggeri Corsini Nebbiolo delle Langhe	\$14.99
<u>Veneto</u>	
Silvano Follador Prosecco Valdobbiadene Brut	\$10.99
Silvano Follador Prosecco Valdobbiadene Extra Dry 2 Glasses <i>Gambero Rosso</i> .	\$10.99
<u>Friuli</u>	
2003 Blason Venc Bianco DOC Isonzo 1 Glass <i>Gambero Rosso</i> .	\$14.99
2002 Blason Vencjar Rosso DOC Isonzo	\$19.99
2004 Ermacora Merlot COF	
2004 Ermacora Sauvignon COF	\$14.99
2004 Ermacora Tocai Friulano COF	\$14.99
2004 Ermacora Pinot Bianco COF-2 Glasses Gambero Rosso	\$14.99
2004 Ermacora Refosco	\$15.99

Australia

2004 Craneford Private Selection Cabernet Sauvignon\$9.99

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2004 Kirkham Peak McLaren Vale Shiraz.....\$15.99

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K&L Hours and Information

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Redwood City hours: Monday-Friday 10 to 7, Saturday 9 to 7, Sunday 10 to 6. Lockers Monday-Saturday 10 to 6 and Sunday

Availability: Certain wines are in short supply and may sell out before you receive this newsletter. It takes weeks from the time the newsletter is written to the time you receive it.

Sale Dates: End August 31, 2006. Prices subject to change without notice. We reserve the right to correct errors in pricing.

Will Call/Hold Policy: We will gladly keep your wines at any of our locations for up to 90 days. If you still need to store your wines after 90 days, we have both short-term and long-term storage available in our San Carlos facility. Please contact us for details.

RHÔNE VALLEY

2004 St. Joseph Blanc Pierre Coursodon	\$25.99
2004 St. Joseph Blanc "Le Paradis St. Pierre" Coursodon	\$32.99
2004 Saint Joseph Blanc Domaine Vallet	
2003 Côtes du Rhône Vill. Grand Veneur "Champauvins" .	\$11.99
2004 Côtes du Rhône de Segries "Clos de l'Hermitage"	\$18.99
2004 Châteauneuf-du-Pape Blanc, Senechaux	
2003 Châteauneuf-du-Pape Domaine Bois de Boursan	
2001 Châteauneuf-du-Pape Chante Cigale	
2003 Châteauneuf-du-Pape Chante Cigale	\$22.99
2003 Gigondas Moulin de la Gardette "Ventabren"	\$26.99
2004 Châteauneuf Blanc, Saint-Benoit "VV de Roussane" .	
2004 Châteauneuf-du-Pape Grand Veneur	\$25.99
2004 Châteauneuf-du-Pape Grand Veneur (1.5L)	\$59.99
2004 Châteauneuf-du-Pape Chateau Fortia Cuvée Baron	
2004 Châteauneuf-du-Pape Pierre Usseglio "Tradition"	\$46.99
2004 Châteauneuf Mas de Boislauzon "Cuvée de Quet"	\$69.99
2004 Lirac Alain Jaume "Clos de Sixte"	
2004 Lirac Domaine de la Mordoree "La Dame Rousse"	\$14.99
2003 Gigondas Montirius (Bio-dynamic)	\$29.99
2003 Gigondas Moulin de la Gardette "Tradition"	\$18.99
2003 Vacqueyras Bastide St. Vincent "Pavane"	
2004 Cairanne Domaine Richaud	\$23.99
2001 Cairanne Domaine Richaud "l'Ebrescade"	\$36.99
2004 Crozes Hermitage du Colombier "Cuvee Gaby"	\$24.99
2004 Crozes Hermitage Yann Chave "Le Rouvre"	\$27.99
2004 Hermitage Yann Chave	
2003 Cornas Robert Michel "Cuvée des Coteaux"	\$44.99
2003 Côte Rôtie Bernard Levet "La Chavaroche"	\$69.99
2004 Côte Rôtie Joel Champet "La Vialliere"	\$44.99
2004 St. Joseph Pierre Coursodon	\$25.99
2004 St. Joseph Pierre Coursodon "L'Olivaie"	\$32.99

Rhone Threesome

This month I suggest several of my favorite Rhone wines, a delicate sparkling wine, a luscious rosé and a full-throttle red. A wine for my every mood. And yours!

NV Clairette de Die Cave Carod (\$12.99) This non-vintage sparkler from the northern Rhone is composed of 75% muscat petits grains and 25% clairette, and made using the methode champenoise. This is a sparkling wine with very fine bubbles, light in alcohol (8°), and still containing residual sugar. Clairette brings delicacy to the wine whereas muscat gives its typical sweetness. This zippy and refreshing sparkling wine is the PERFECT accompaniment to all spicy cuisines.

2005 Tavel Rosé Domaine de Segriés (\$11.99) This is not your everyday quaffer of a rosé. The average vine age here is 30 years, and the resulting juice (specifically 50% grenache, 30% cinsault, 15% clairette and 5% syrah) is concentrated and deep. Yes, this is a vin de saignee, meaning it is bled off the grapes keeping just a hint of the red color. But bear in mind that no red wine is made in Tavel. Just rosé. And we're just fine with that! Enjoy with hearty foods like pissaladiere.

2004 Lirac Alain Jaume "Clos de Sixte" (\$16.99) The 2004 Clos de Sixte Lirac is composed of 50% grenache, 35% syrah and 15% mourvèdre. A gorgeously intense red garnet color sets off striking aromas of cassis and wild blackberries. And although full-bodied, with notes of licorice, espresso nib and truffle, the tannins are supple, making this a fantastic Rhone to enjoy tonight with say, gigot d'agneau or grilled sausages.

—Mulan Chan

SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE-COMMONWEALTH

South Africa

2004 Excelsior Cabernet Sauvignon\$7.99
2005 Le Bonheur Sauvignon Blanc\$7.99
2004 Indaba Chardonnay\$8.99
2004 Porcupine Ridge Syrah\$10.99
2005 Buitenverwachting "Beyond" Sauvignon Blanc\$10.99
2004 Glen Carlou Chardonnay\$12.99
2004 Glen Carlou Paarl Syrah-John Platter Wine of the Year \$21.99
2003 Fairview "Caldera"\$22.99
New Zealand
2005 Matua Valley Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc\$8.99
2005 Nobilo Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc\$8.99
2005 Lawson's Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc\$12.99
2005 Isabel Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc\$15.99
2004 Seven Terraces Pinot Noir Marlborough\$15.99
2004 Olssen's "Jackson Barry" Otago Pinot Noir\$23.99
2004 Kumeu River Chardonnay\$25.99
<u>Australia</u>
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2004 Water Wheel "Memsie"-90 points Parker and Spectator \$9.99
2004 Thorn-Clarke "Terra Barossa" VS Cabernet\$10.99
2004 Sylvan Springs "Hard Yards" Shiraz-90 points Parker\$14.99

Iim C's View Down Under

2005 Nobilo Sauvignon Blanc Marlborough New Zealand (\$8.99) Lifted aromas of lime blossom and grapefruit with a hint of herbs. On

the palate the wine is refreshing with good acidity and fine length. This crowd pleaser is a must for any party or wedding this summer.

2005 Highfield Estate Sauvignon Blanc Marlborough New Zealand (\$13.99) For those who prefer a richer style, the bouquet offers lovely notes of lime, passion fruit, gooseberry, red bell pepper and minerals. The wine has a wee bit of barrel fermentation and lees contact giving it a creamy texture on the palate framed by juicy acidity.

2001 Penfolds Winemakers Reserve Limited Release Shiraz South Australia (\$9.99) Due to a error in the Penfolds warehouse, this wine was found and labeled as the Winemakers Reserve. The juice inside is a wine (no, not Grange!) you would normally have to pay quite a bit more for. Full of ripe mulberry, cedar, spice and earth aromas, on the palate notes of dusty red currant, cherry and mint come into play, with fine tannins, good acidity and very nice length.

2004 Hewitson "Miss Harry" GSM Barossa Valley South Australia (\$17.99) Dean Hewitson makes one the great values in a Southern Rhone style Aussie red. A bit more structured than the 2003, the wine offers beautiful aromas of plum, dark berry, meats and pepper spice. On the palate there is seamless balance framed by a hint of mocha and a little mint in the long finish.

—Jimmy C

OLD & RARE CABERNET AND MERITAGE BLENDS

Most of these wines are in very limited supply and could be sold out when you see this list.

1978 Robert Mondavi Napa\$59.95
1978 Robert Mondavi Res (3L)\$549.95
1979 Kenwood Artist Series\$89.00
1979 Niebaum Cop Rubicon (1.5L) \$225.00
1980 Inglenook Res Cask\$49.95
1980 Mayacamas Napa\$89.00
1981 Mayacamas Napa\$89.00
1983 Beringer Prv Res Napa\$109.95
1984 Beaulieu Vineyard Prv Res\$94.95
1984 Joseph Phelps Eisele Napa\$139.00
1984 Niebaum Cop Rubicon (1.5L) \$199.00
1984 Stag's Leap Cask 23\$229.00
1985 Montelena Napa\$149.95
1985 Diamond Creek Red Rock T\$149.95
1985 Diamond Creek Volcanic H\$169.95
1985 Dunn How Mtn\$179.00
1985 Etude California\$125.00
1985 Robert Mondavi Res Napa\$110.00
1985 Silver Oak Napa Valley (3L)\$899.00
1985 Simi Res Alexander Valley\$99.95
1985 Spottswoode Napa\$149.95
1986 Diamond Creek Volcanic H\$129.00
1986 Dominus Napa\$125.00
1986 Etude Napa\$110.00
1986 Robert Mondavi Res\$99.99
1986 Shafer Hillside Select Napa\$249.00
1986 Stag's Leap Cask 23\$229.00
1987 Beaulieu Vineyard P Reserve\$89.95

91 points *Wine Spectator:* "Generous, soft and big, with a dark ruby color and mint, plum and smoke character. Full-bodied and very velvety, with lots of ripe berry and chocolate flavors and a long, long finish." (02/2000)

Special Lunch/Tasting with the Caymus Family Wineries

Take Friday October 20 off and come to a great event at the Bankers Club on the 52nd floor of the Bank America Building, 555 California Street, in San Francisco. Caymus Director Bob Roux and K&L's Clyde Beffa will preside over this Lunch and Tasting. This event will place while the *Wine Spectator* California Wine Experience is happening in San Francisco. Reception 11:30 and Lunch at 12:15. Price TBA. Limited to 100 people.

1987 Beringer Prv Res Napa\$129.00 1987 Caymus Sp Selection Napa\$199.00
1987 Diamond Creek Volcanic H\$139.00
1987 Silver Oak Alexander V (3L)\$649.00
1989 Beringer Prv Res Napa\$89.00
1989 Caymus Sp Selection Napa\$169.95
1989 Silverado SLD Napa\$39.95
1990 Beaulieu Vineyard P Reserve\$79.99
Clyde just tasted this beauty. Sweet mid-palate, plenty of richness. Delicious.
1990 Caymus Sp Selection Napa\$225.00
1990 Dalla Valle Napa\$169.95
1990 Diamond Creek Volcanic H\$129.00
1990 Silver Oak Napa Valley (3L)\$799.00
1990 Spottswoode Napa\$129.95
1991 Abreu\$249.00
1991 Beringer Prv Res Napa\$129.00
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1991 Diamond Creek Volcanic H\$139.95
1991 Dunn Howell Mountain\$149.00
1991 Kathryn Kennedy Santa C\$129.00
1991 Silver Oak Bonny's\$229.00
1991 Silver Oak Bonny's (3L)\$899.00
1991 Silver Oak Napa Valley (3L)\$799.00
1991 Silverado Limited Res Napa\$125.00
1991 Spottswoode Napa\$119.00
1991 Sterling Res (6L)\$399.00
1992 Bryant Family Napa\$450.00
1992 Caymus Napa Valley\$89.00
1992 Kathryn Kennedy Santa Cru\$125.00
1992 Opus One (1.5L)\$499.00
1992 Silver Oak Alexander (1.5L)\$249.00
1992 Stag's Leap Cask 23\$199.00

1993 Beaulieu Vinevard P Reserve....\$69.99

91 points Wine Spectator: "Complex and harmo-

nious, with a pretty core of ripe plum, cherry and currant flavors and shades of herb" (11/96)
1993 Burgess Vintage Selection\$39.95
1993 Leonetti Columbia Valley\$125.00
1993 Opus One Napa (1.5L)\$499.00
1993 Ridge Monte Bello\$109.00
1993 Silver Oak Alexander Valley\$109.00
1993 Silver Oak Napa Valley\$149.99
1993 Silver Oak Napa Valley (1.5L) \$319.00
1993 Silverado Limited Res Napa\$99.00
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1994 Caymus Sp Selection\$225.00
1994 Kathryn Kennedy Santa Cr\$129.00
1994 Newton Claret\$39.95
1994 Silver Oak Alexander Valley\$129.00
1994 Silver Oak Napa Valley\$179.00
1994 Silverado Limited Res Napa\$139.95
1994 Stag's Leap Cask 23 (1.5L)\$349.00
1995 Beaulieu Vineyard P Reserve\$89.00
93 points and a Cellar Selection designation fom
the Wine Spectator: "Complex and elegant, with- ripe, round, plush, currant, cherry, berry and spice
flavors, and a long, rich finish that gains nuances
of cedar, anise, tobacco and mineral. Echoes
toasty, spicy, vanilla-tinged oak on the aftertaste.
Impressive finesse and polish."
1995 Joseph Phelps Insignia\$149.95
1996 Beaulieu Vineyards Prv Res\$84.99
1996 Colgin Herb Lamb Napa\$549.95
1996 Hartwell Stag's Leap District \$125.00
1996 Silver Oak Alexander Valley\$119.00

1996 Silver Oak Napa Valley\$149.99

1996 Spottswoode Napa\$99.00

Mighty Pithon

This May I had the opportunity to spend time with Olivier Pithon, a rising young star making wine in the Roussillon. K&L is proud to offer a selection of Olivier's wines, which beautifully showcase the beauty and terroir of one of the most underrated wine regions of France.

2003 Côtes du Roussillon Domaine Olivier Pithon "La Coulée" (\$20.99) "La Coulée" is a great introduction to both the terrior of the region and to Olivier's non-interventionist style. This grenache-based red (with some carignan and syrah for tannin and acidity) offers copious quantities of sweet red fruit with a spicy note of pepper and local wild herbs.

2004 Cotes du Roussillon Blanc Domaine Olivier Pithon "Cuvée Laïs" (\$26.99) Laïs is the name of one of Olivier's Jersey cows. Strange to name a wine after a cow, but both the wine and cow share something in common; they are both loved by Pithon! The blend is maccabeu and white and gray grenache. New oak is used in fermentation, but the wood influence is discreet.

2003 Côtes du Roussillon Domaine Olivier Pithon "Saturne" (\$28.99) Produced from black grenache and carignan, planted on the rock on shale slopes almost 60 years ago. A touch of syrah enlivens this local base. Very special attention is given to these vines from which you can catch a glimpse of the Mediterranean, the foothills of the Pyrenees and Corbières.

2003 Vin de Pays des Côtes Catalanes Blanc Domaine Olivier Pithon "LA D18" (\$39.99) For the domaine's top white cuvee, Pithon borrowed the name of a local road, one that threads its way quite breathtakingly from Calce to Le Col de la Dona. Based on a selection of the best slopes of white and grey grenache this tastes quite like a white Châteauneuf.

—Mulan Chan

CABERNET SAUVIGNON/FRANC

2002 Ruston "Stagecoach"	
2003 Andrew Rich Columbia Vly	
2003 Dare "Viader" Napa	
2003 Stepping Stone "Cornerstone"	\$23.99
2003 Vinum Cellars "The Scrapper'	\$27.99
Cabernet Sauvignon & Blend	
2001 Burgess, Napa	. \$29.99
2001 Heitz "Bella Oaks"	
2001 Heitz, Napa	
2001 Roth, Alexander Vly	
2001 Trefethen, Napa	
2002 Altamura, Napa	\$59.99
2002 Amici, Napa	\$39.99
2002 BV Res. "Georges de Latour".	. \$69.98
2002 Cloverdale Ranch, Alex Vly	
2002 Corison, Napa	
2002 Jordan, Alexander Valley	
2002 Miner "Oracle"	
2002 Mount Eden Santa Cruz	
CABERNET PICK OF THE MON	NTH!
2002 Napanook	
92 points Robert Parker: "Dominus is a lar	ge
vineyard, and they have the ability to make	e a
strict selection. Their second wine, Napano	
continues to get better and better. The 20	
Napanook is more structured and tannic the 2003, but also deeper colored with ad	
notes of plum liqueur, black currants, unde	
brush, cedar, and licorice."	Ci
2002 Raymond Reserve	
2002 Robert Mondavi Res	. \$89.99
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Cabernet Franc

2001 Cooper Garrod, Santa Cruz \$19.99

2002 Ruston "Stagecoach" \$39.99

2003 Darioush, Napa\$59.99	2003 Purisima Canyon, Alex. Vly\$16.99
2003 Dominus, Napa\$99.99	2003 Raymond "R Collection" \$14.99
2003 Duckhorn, Napa\$59.99	2003 Redmond "Stage 9," Napa \$29.99
2003 Edge, Napa\$16.99	2003 Reynoso, Alexander Valley\$14.99
2003 Far Niente, Napa \$89.99	2003 Ridge Santa Cruz Mnts Red \$29.99
2003 Five Vintners, Napa\$24.99	2003 Robert Mondavi, Napa \$19.99
2003 Frei Brothers, Alexander Vly\$14.99	2003 ScrewKappa, Napa\$10.99
2003 Groth, Napa \$39.98	2003 Sebastiani, Alexander Vly\$21.99
The '03 Groth is a lush wine with a subtle tannin	2003 Sensorium \$44.99
backbone, sweet vanilla character, black cherry and blackberry flavors and aromas.	2003 Simi, Alexander Valley\$19.99
•	2003 Stag's Leap Cellars "Artemis" \$39.98
2003 Hess Select, California\$11.99	2003 Stewart, Napa\$59.99
2003 Hess Estate, Napa \$16.99 2003 Hestan, Napa \$79.99	2003 Travieso "El Rey"\$36.99
	2003 Turnbull, Napa\$34.99
2003 Honig, Napa\$29.99	2003 Two Tone Farm, Napa\$8.99
2003 J. Lohr "Seven Oaks"	2003 Waterstone, Napa\$19.99
2003 J. Runquist "Colina Poca" \$23.99	2003 Whispering Dove, Napa \$32.98
2003 Joseph Phelps, Napa\$36.98	2003 Whitehall Lane, Napa \$29.99
2003 Kalinda, Alexander Vly\$16.99 Ripe, spicy and lively. Great for summer BBQs!	2003 ZD, Napa\$34.99
	2004 Avalon, Napa\$9.99
2003 Karl Lawrence, Napa\$54.99	2004 BR Cohn "Silver Label"\$14.98
2003 L'Aventure Optimus	2004 Bogle, California\$9.99
2003 Larkmead "Firebelle," Napa \$36.98	2004 Caymus, NapaInquire
2003 Liberty School, California\$11.99	2004 Elisabeth Spencer, Napa\$29.99
2003 Miner Family, Napa\$49.99	2004 House Wine, Washington \$9.99
2003 O'Shaughnessy, Howell Mnt\$64.99	2004 Joel Gott, California\$11.99
2003 Paul Hobbs, Napa \$79.99	2004 Justin, Paso Robles\$21.99
2003 Peter Franus, Napa\$39.99	2004 McManis, California\$8.99
2003 Pine Ridge, Rutherford\$32.98	2004 Ten Mile, California\$9.99
2003 Pine Ridge, Oakville\$59.98	2004 Twenty Bench, Napa \$14.99
2003 Provenance, Rutherford \$29.99	Twenty Bench is a relatively new project of Jim
2003 Purisima Canyon, Napa\$16.99	Regusci of Regusci Winery. We think he has cer-
An amazing value in elegant and impressively endowed Napa Cab! This wine was aged in	tainly met his goal of making fantastic, easy drinking Cabernet for far less than \$20!
French oak barrels and comes from Chiles Valley, St. Helena, and Pope Valley ranches.	2005 Esser, California\$7.99

California Corner

Now that the 2005 Bordeaux craze is slowing down a bit we can get back to basics: California Wines. The first growths of California (Caymus, Montelena, Silver Oak, Dominus, etc...) could almost be called bargains in comparison. My only hope is that the producers in California don't get any ideas. The only wine I will mention this month is one I tasted a few days ago, the 2002 Mount Eden "Cuvee Saratoga" Santa Cruz Cabernet Sauvignon (\$22.99). For the money, this wine can't be beat! The wine is elegant, fresh and loaded with complex mineral flavors and aromas that are balanced by ripe cassis and currant fruit. This is a wine to enjoy with food and is a steal at this price! —Trey Beffa

Introducing Deerfield Ranch: After PJ Rex gave her husband a wine-making kit some 30 years ago, Robert Rex quickly began to unleash his talent and passion on the world. And what a wonderful treat it was to discover this underappreciated, biodynamic, handmade, small-lot producer, Deerfield Ranch Winery. The 2002 Deerfield Syrah, Ladi's Vineyard, Sonoma County (\$34.99) sent me soaring into another galaxy. After one sip, within seconds there was global peace, no acne, no off-putting in-laws and no bad meals. Make all your dreams come true. Drink this wine and be forever full of ravishing bliss! Enjoy responsibly. The 2001 Deerfield Super T-Rex (\$27.99) is a Meritage style wine that pays homage to Italian Super Tuscans. It's a blend of 73% sangiovese from Sonoma county, 14% cabernet franc from Napa, 8% cabernet sauvignon from Sonoma and 5% dolcetto from Sonoma, all aged in French and American oak for one year. It shows gorgeous and graceful fruit with layered complexity, friendly tannins and a solid back bone. —Keelyn Healy

CHARDONNAY

2002 Chalk Hill, Sonoma\$29.99
2002 Ch. St Jean Reserve\$29.98
2002 Landmark "Lorenzo" \$39.99
2002 Mount Eden Estate\$34.99
2003 Bernardus, Monterey \$13.99
2003 Buehler, Russian River\$9.99
2003 Clos du Val, Carneros \$15.99
2003 Domaine Serene "Clos/Soleil" \$36.99
2003 Ferrari Carano, Alex. Vly \$27.99
2003 Foley, Santa Rita \$21.99
2003 Gainey, Santa Barbara\$12.99
2003 Grgich Hills, Napa\$29.99
2003 Mount Eden "Wolff"\$14.99
2003 Olivet Lane, Russian River \$14.99
2003 Saintsbury "Brown Ranch"\$39.99
2003 Sbragia "Gamble Ranch"\$34.99
2003 Simi, R.R Reserve\$19.99
2003 Sonoma Coast Vineyards\$36.99
Toasty and creamy richness in the framework of
fresh silky acid. The fruit content replicates zesty
lemon and fresh pear with a core of tropical fruit.
2003 Talbott "Sleepy Hollow" \$31.99
2003 Tolosa, Edna Valley\$15.99
Polished and balanced, this Chard is laced with
flavors of Asian pear, nectarine and honey.
2003 Varner "Home Vineyard" \$28.99
2003 Villa Mt Eden, Bien Nacido\$12.99
2003 Walter Hansel "Cahill Lane"\$29.99
2003 Wente "Riva Ranch Reserve" \$12.99
2003 West Slope, Edna Valley\$11.99

From Mount Eden Vineyards!	
2004 Acacia, Carneros	\$15.99
2004 Ambullneo, "Big Paw"	\$54.99
2004 Aquinas, Carneros	\$9.99
2004 Benziger, Carneros	\$9.99
2004 Beringer, Napa	\$9.98
2004 Beringer "Private Reserve"	\$29.99
2004 Cambria "Katherine's"	\$12.98
2004 Carmel Road, Monterey	\$11.99
Rich, ripe lush fruit is followed by hints of lespice, hazelnuts and a creamy finish!	emon,

CHARDONNAY PICK OF THE MONTH! 2004 Cartlidge & Browne, Ca.....\$8.99 A steal at this price, this wine will be a hit at your party. We call it a crowd pleaser!

2004 Chalone Estate	\$19.99
2004 Chalone "Monterey"	\$9.99
2004 Ch. Montelena, Napa	\$32.99
2004 Ch. Souverain, Sonoma	\$12.98
2004 El Molino, Napa	\$45.99
2004 Esser, California	
2004 Far Niente, Napa	\$39.99
2004 Francisca, Napa	
2004 Franciscan "Cuvee Sauvage"	\$29.99
2004 Frei Brothers, Russian River	\$12.99
2004 Groth, Napa	\$22.98
2004 Hartford, Sonoma Coast	\$17.99
2004 Hess Collection, Napa	\$16.99
2004 Hess Select, California	\$8.99

2004 Hestan, Napa\$49.99
2004 J. Lohr, Arroyo Seco\$10.99
2004 Jordan, Russian River \$21.99
2004 Keller "La Cruz," Sonoma\$23.99
2004 Kendall Jackson Grand Res\$14.98
2004 La Crema, Sonoma \$14.99
2004 Landmark "Overlook"\$21.99
2004 Macrostie, Carneros\$16.98
2004 Mark West, Central Coast\$8.99
2004 Matanzas Creek, Sonoma\$18.98
2004 Meridian, Santa Barbara\$6.99
2004 Merryvale "Starmont" \$12.99
2004 Mer Soleil, Central Coast \$34.99
2004 Miner Family "Wild Yeast" \$46.99
2004 Mi Sueno, Los Carneros\$32.99
2004 Napa Cellars, Napa \$15.99
2004 Newton "Red Label" \$19.99
2004 Neyers, Napa \$23.99
2004 Nickel & Nickel "Truchard" \$34.99
2004 O'Connor, Alexander Vly \$16.99
2004 Orogeny, Russian River \$21.99
2004 Pahlmeyer, Napa\$69.99
2004 Patz & Hall "Durell" \$36.99
2004 Ramey, Russian River\$31.99
2004 Raymond "R Collection" \$9.99
2004 Ridge, Santa Cruz Mnts\$29.99
2004 Rusack, Santa Barbara\$15.99
2004 Sebastiani, Sonoma\$10.99
2004 Silverado, Napa\$14.99
2004 Smith Madrone, Napa\$19.99
2004 Solitude, Alexander Vly\$24.99
2004 Testarossa "Castello"\$25.99
2004 Toasted Head\$10.99
2004 Trefethen, Oak Knoll\$21.99
Aromas of toasted almonds, honey, ripe peach
and pear entice the nose. The palate is racy, lively
and bright
2004 Trinchero, California\$6.99
2004 Two Tone Farm, Napa\$7.99 2004 Varner "Bee Block"\$29.99
Another winner from Varner!
2004 ZD California\$24.99
2005 Babcock, Santa Rita Hills\$16.99
2005 Bogle, California\$7.99

California Boutique Wines

This month I have three wines for your collection. They are not cheap, but the quality and pedigree behind them are sure to show themselves when you drink them in ten years.

2001 Heitz Cellars "Martha's Vineyard" Napa Cabernet Sauvignon (\$119.00) This wine is superb. I tasted it twice at an industry-only tasting in March, and it stole the show. The 2001 Martha's delivers on both the winery's reputation and the vintage. At once rich and elegant, its intense color is followed by aromas of mint and cassis. On the palate, red fruit and firm tannins combine into a focused and firmly tannic wine. One for the cellar... this one will not disappoint those who are patient!

2002 Vineyard 7 Spring Mountain Cabernet Sauvignon (\$75.00) A newcomer to the Spring Mountain area of Napa, this wine is one to put in the cellar and forget about for 5-10 years. This wine exhibits a complex nose of ripe, black currants and blackberries intermixed with whiffs of cedar, tobacco, spice and a hint of chocolate. There is a wonderful balance to the wine in the mouth and the rich complex flavors reflect their aromatic profile. The two winemakers are legends in winemaking. Christian Le Sommer spent years at d'yquem and Ch. Latour and is currently working Barons Rothschild's properties around the world. Larry Langbehn has spent 30 years in the California wine industry, most notably 10 years with Freemark Abbey.

2003 Egelhoff Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon (\$74.95) Bob Egelhoff is the winemaker for five Napa Valley wineries: David Arthur Vineyards, Amizetta Vineyards, Richard Partridge Wines, Axios Wines and Phelan Vineyard. His 2003 is very approachable with soft tannins and a long creamy finish. 100% cabernet sauvignon sourced from Sacrashe Vineyard and Glendale Vineyard in the hills surrounding Lake Hennessey. 847 cases made.

See you in the City... —Mike Jordan

2005 Kalinda Los Carneros	\$12.99
Great fruit and a crisp, green apple finish!	
2005 Keller Oro de Plata	\$18.99
2005 Mer Soleil "Silver"	.\$39.99
2005 Margarett's Vineyard, CA	\$6.99
2005 Morgan "Metallico"	.\$17.99
2005 Storrs, Santa Cruz	Inquire
2005 Taz, Santa Barbara	.\$12.99

2005 Ch. St. Jean, Sonoma\$10.99

2005 Edna Valley Vineyards.....\$9.98

2005 Foxglove, Edna Valley\$10.99

2005 Joel Gott "Blend 406," Napa\$15.99

2005 Kali Hart, Monterey.....\$9.99

PINOT NOIR

2003 Au Bon Climat, Santa Rita \$29.99	2004 Lo
2003 Domaine Serene "Evenstad" \$46.99	2004 Lo
2003 El Molino, Napa\$54.99	2004 Lu
2003 Fess Parker "Bien Nacido" \$39.99	2004 Ma
2003 Oak Arbour "Toulouse" \$29.99	2004 Me
2003 Saintsbury "Brown Ranch"\$49.99	2004 Mi
2003 Sonoma Coast Vineyards\$44.99	2004 Mo
2003 The Four Graces, Willam Vly \$21.99	2004 Ol
2003 Tolosa, Edna Valley\$19.99	2004 Pe
2003 Willakenzie Single Vineyrds Inquire	2004 Po
2004 A to Z ,Willamette Vly\$14.99	2004 Re
2004 Ambullneo "Bulldog Res"\$76.99	2004 Ro
2004 Andrew Rich, Willamette Vly \$28.99	2004 Ro
2004 Belle Glos "Clark & Teleph" \$39.99	2004 Sa
2004 Bogle, California\$11.98	2004 So
2004 Carmel Road, Monterey \$14.98	2004 Su
2004 David Bruce Central Coast\$18.99	2004 Ta
2004 Esser, California\$9.99	2004 Ta
2004 Etude, Carneros\$38.99	2004 TF
2004 Frei Brothers, Russian River\$19.99	2004 Va
2004 Foley, Santa Rita Hills\$32.99	2004 We
2004 Green Truck, NapaInquire	2004 Wi
2004 Handley, Mendocino\$16.99	2005 Ca
2004 Hartford, Sonoma\$24.99	2005 Ch
2004 Hirsch, Sonoma\$59.99	2005 La
2004 Ken Brown, Santa Rita \$34.99	2005 Ma
Pure Pinot fruit with hints of rose petal and spice.	2005 O'
2004 La Crema, Sonoma \$14.98	2005 Pa
2004 Lange "Three Hills Cuvee" \$36.99	2005 Sm

2004 Londer, Anderson Vly	\$27.99
2004 Longoria, Santa Rita Hills	\$22.98
2004 Lucia, Santa Lucia Highlands	\$36.99
2004 Macphail, Sonoma	. \$39.99
2004 Melville, Santa Rita	
2004 Miner Family "Rosella's"	\$46.99
2004 Morgan "Gary's"	. \$39.99
2004 Olivet Lane, Russian River	. \$23.99
2004 Peter Cellars, Sonoma	\$29.99
2004 Ponzi, Willamette Valley	. \$29.99
2004 Rex Hill, Oregon	\$17.99
2004 Robert Sinskey, Carneros	
2004 Roessler Cellars "Bluejay"	. \$29.99
2004 Sanford, Santa Barbara	\$24.98
2004 Soter North Valley, Oreg	
2004 Summerland "Fiddlestix"	\$39.98
2004 Talley Estate, Arroyo Grande	
2004 Tantara, Santa Barbara	\$19.99
2004 TR Elliott "Three Plumes"	
2004 Varner "Hidden Block," SC	\$36.99
2004 Westrey, Willamette	\$17.99
2004 Witness Tree, Willamette Vly	\$24.99
2005 Cartlidge & Browne, Calif	\$9.99
2005 Chalone, Monterey	. \$13.99
2005 Laetitia, Arroyo Grande	\$17.99
2005 Mark West, Central Coast	\$9.99
2005 O'Reily, Oregon	
2005 Parker Station, Santa Barbar	. \$10.99
2005 Smoking Loon, California	\$7.99

Classic Wines, Sane Prices!

I'm back from my traveling marathon, South Africa, France, Italy and Switzerland, just to get hit with sticker shock with the stratospheric prices coming from Bordeaux for the 2005s. What better time to highlight some fantastic wines for great prices?

Let's start with the **2004 Stuhlmuller Alexander Valley Chardonnay (\$21.99)**. What a wonderful Chardonnay. Ripe apple and pear fruits are complemented by a wonderful sprinkling of white flowers, subtle spices, citrus hints and a sur lie richness that emulates much more expensive Chards. This wine really shows the affable charm of Fritz Stuhlmuller himself... when Mom and Dad own the vineyard you really have something to prove, and Fritz can be very proud of his achievement. Awards, fans and a sterling wine... what more could you ask?

How about the **2002 Mount Eden "Saratoga Cuvee" Cabernet Sauvignon (\$22.99)?** I brought this wine to South Africa to taste with winemakers from the region. It was in the company of some very prestigious (and expensive) wines, yet was the belle of the ball! A worthy little brother of the great Santa Cruz Mountains Cabs from this winery. Full of ripe succulent and fleshy fruit, with a dusting of chocolate powder, minerals, earth and a wonderfully long intense finish. All this, seriously composed in a solid frame that won't take 25 years to age. If you don't have any Springbok to pair this with, no worries, grill up some lamb chops with garlic and rosemary for a perfect match!

Now I'm sure one of us has already pointed you toward the **2003 Kalinda Los Carneros Reserve Syrah (\$17.99)**, but I have to tell you about this beauty. If you love the cult wine styles, but not the prices (don't we all) don't wait too long. This was made by a very serious wine partnership that is no stranger to cult status. Big, unctuous mounds of delicious black fruit with spices, soft leather, syrah cream and deep floral notes combining on the palate for a sensational experience and a long intense finish. You won't believe how good this is until you try it. MMMMMMM... Cheers!

—Shaun Green

ZINFANDEL

2002 Amici "Panek"	\$26.99
2002 Kirkham Peak, Howell Mnt	
Well balanced, ripe and rich with great stru	
and finish! It's BBQ Time!	
2002 Ch Montelena, Napa	\$24.99
2003 Atrea Old Soul Red	
As a salute to the old field blends on Meno	
County, the Saracina Vineyards team has b	
four varietals (zinfandel, syrah, petite sirah, bec) from low-yielding, sustainably farmed	
yards that range in age from 10 to 105 yea	
2003 Black Sears, Howell Mnt	
2003 Dashe, Dry Creek	
2003 D Cubed Howell Mountain	
2003 Elyse "Morisoli"	
2003 Four Vines Old Vine Cuvee	\$10.99
2003 Green & Red "Chiles Mill"	.\$22.99
2003 Marietta, Sonoma	
2003 Ridge "Geyserville"	
2003 Rombauer-Big, rich and juicy	
2003 S.E. Chase "Hayne"	
2003 Seghesio "Old Vines"	.\$26.99
2003 St. Francis "Old Vine"	
2003 Storybook Mnt "Mayacamas".	
2003 Woodenhead Martinelli Road	
2004 Alexander Valley "Sin Zin"	
2004 Artezin, California	
2004 Bogle Old Vines	
2004 Brown Estate, Napa	
2004 Cline, California	
2004 David Coffaro "MyZin"	
2004 Dover Canyon "Cujo"	
2004 Earthquake, Lodi	
2004 Edmeades, Mendocino	
2004 Folie á Deux "Menage á Trois" Peppery, spicy, richly fruity and so so drinka	
2004 Hartford, Russian River	
2004 Holdredge, Dry Creek	
2004 Joel Gott "Dillian Ranch" 2004 J. Runquist "Z"	
2004 J. Runquist Z	
2004 Michael & David 7Deadly Zins	
2004 Michael & David / Deadily Zins 2004 Neyers "Pato"	
2004 Nickel & Nickel "Ponzo"	\$40.90
2004 Pellegrini, Eight Cousins	
2004 Plungerhead, Dry Creek	
2004 Preston, Dry Creek	
2004 Rancho Zabaco "Dancing Bull'	
2004 Ridge "Three Valley's"	
2004 Ridge Lytton Springs	
2004 Rosenblum Paso/SF Bay	
2004 Seghesio Sonoma	
2004 Shenandoah Spec Rs. Amador	
2005 Sobon "Fiddletown"	\$15.99
2004 Sobon "Rocky Top"	\$12.99
2004 Windmill Estates Old Vine	\$9.99
Produced from the vineyards of four of Loc	
growers, this zin is heady with the aromas	ot ripe.

Produced from the vineyards of four of Lodi's top growers, this zin is heady with the aromas of ripe, blackberries, Bing cherries and vanilla.

OTHER DOMESTIC WINE

Domestic White
2002 Corazon Gewürztraminer \$19.99
2004 Conundrum White Blend\$21.99
2004 Graff Chalone Pinot Blanc \$16.99
2004 Londer Gewürztraminer\$19.99
2004 Luna Napa Pinot Grigio \$16.99
2004 Stolpman L'Avion Rousanne\$22.99
2004 Willakenzie Pinot Blanc/Gris \$17.99
2005 A to Z Oregon Pinot Gris \$11.99
2005 Bonny Doon Malvasia Bianca\$11.99
2005 Chehalem Pinot Gris\$16.99
2005 Clos Saron Carte Blanche \$18.99
2005 Cold Heaven "LBC" Viognier\$22.99
2005 Dry Creek Chenin Blanc\$9.99
2005 Elk Cove Pinot Gris\$14.99
2005 Fish Eye Pinot Grigio
2005 La Sirena Muscato Azul\$29.99
2005 Palmina Pinot Grigio \$14.99
2005 Pine Ridge Chenin/Viognier\$11.99
2005 Rex Hill Oregon Pinot Gris \$16.99
2005 Smoking Loon Viognier
2005 Sobon Amador Roussanne\$14.99
2005 Trefethen Napa Dry Riesling\$14.99
2005 Vinum Cellars "CNW" Chenin\$8.99
Sauvignon Blanc
2004 Bernardus, Monterey \$10.99
2003 Chalk Hill, Sonoma\$21.99
2003 Ruston, Napa (was \$20)\$10.99
Richly fruity, with citrus as well as tropical notes.
2004 Chance Creek, Redwood Vly \$12.99
2004 Ch St. Jean, Sonoma \$9.99
2004 Emmolo, Napa\$12.99
2004 Husch, Mendocino\$9.99
2004 Joel Gott "Three Ranches" \$11.99
2004 Kathryn Kennedy\$17.99
2004 Mason, Napa\$12.98
2004 Matanzas Creek, Sonoma \$14.99
2004 Merryvale, Napa\$14.99
2004 NO Lake County \$8.99
NO malolactic fermentation, NO oak, NO cork.
2004 Spring Mountain, Napa \$24.99
2004 Voss, Napa\$14.98
2005 Cakebread, Napa\$23.99
2005 Cliff Lede, Napa\$19.99
2005 DeSante, Napa\$16.99
2005 Duckhorn, Napa \$21.99
2005 Ferrari Carano, Sonoma\$11.98
2005 Frog's Leap, Napa\$11.96
2005 Geyser Peak, California\$7.99
2005 Gregory Graham, Red Hills\$14.99
Exotic and full-bodied, offers a balance of miner-
als, citrus and tropical fruits with spice.
2005 Grgich Hills, Napa\$19.98
2005 Groth, Napa\$12.98
2005 Hanna, Russian River \$12.98
2005 Honig, Napa\$12.99
2005 Margerum "Westerley" \$17.99
2005 Pomelo, California\$9.99

2005 Preston, Dry Creek\$14.99	Domestic Red
2005 Provenance, Rutherford \$15.99	2002 Altamura Sangiovese \$32.99
2005 Rock Rabbit, Central Coast\$7.99	2003 Edmunds St. John Rcks & Grvl \$16.99
2005 Sauvignon Blanc Republic\$14.99	2003 Paraduxx, Napa Red \$39.99
Bright lemony flavors with tropical fruit.	2003 Peachy Canyon "The Jester" \$13.99
2005 Sonoma Coast Vineyards\$27.99	2003 Shypoke Napa Charbono\$19.99
2005 Whitehall Lane, Napa\$11.99	2003 Vino Noceto Sangiovese \$13.99
<u>Merlot</u>	2004 Bonny Doon Clos du Gilroy \$9.99
2002 Atalon, Napa\$24.98	2004 Fess Parker "Fontier Red"\$7.99
2002 Ch. Souverain, Sonoma \$13.99	2004 Graff Chalone Mourvèdre \$15.99
2002 Ch. St. Jean, Sonoma\$18.99	2004 J. Runquist Primitivo\$21.99
2002 Duckhorn Howell Mnt\$69.99	2004 Margerum "M5" Red Blend\$23.99
2002 Franciscan, Napa\$17.99	2004 Peirano "The Other Wine"\$12.99
2002 Hogue "Genesis" \$9.99	2004 Rabid Red California Red\$11.99
2002 Keenan, Napa\$26.99	2004 Unti Dry Creek Barbera\$21.99
2002 Markham, Napa \$15.98	Syrah/Petite Sirah
2002 Pine Ridge "Crimson Creek" \$19.99	2001 Miner Family, Napa\$19.99
2002 Rombauer, Napa \$19.98	2001 Steele "Parmelee Hill"\$15.99
2002 Stella Maris, Walla Walla\$29.99	2002 Clos Saron "Heart of Stone" \$32.99
2002 Swanson, Napa\$22.99	2002 Project 3000 Lake County\$17.99
2002 Twomey, Napa-94 points Parker \$64.99	2002 Red Diamond Shiraz, Wash\$9.99
2003 Burgess, Napa \$14.99	2002 RockBlock, Seven Hills\$36.99
2003 Cloverdale, Alexander Vly\$19.99	2003 Curran "Reeves Ranches" \$26.99
2003 Duckhorn, Napa \$44.99	2003 Kalinda, Los Carneros\$17.99
2003 Duckhorn 3 Palms/Estate \$79.99	Generous but structured. Ripe but not overdone.
2003 Emmolo, Napa\$19.99	2003 Ojai, Santa Barbara\$23.99
2003 Frog's Leap, Napa\$29.99	2003 Rosenblum "Rominger"\$16.99
2003 Matanzas Creek, Sonoma \$19.98	2003 Sobon, Amador Syrah\$9.99
2003 Nickel & Nickel Inquire	2003 Stolpman "Angeli"\$49.99
2003 Provenance, Carneros\$24.99	2003 Travieso "Ciego" Syrah\$24.99
2003 ScrewKappa Napa\$11.99	2003 Van Enoo, Santa Ynez \$18.99
2003 Whitehall Lane, Napa \$19.99	2004 Andrew Murray "Tous les J"\$14.99
2004 Bogle, California\$6.98	2004 Bogle California Petite Sirah\$8.99
2004 Hacienda, California\$4.99	2004 David Bruce CC Petite Sirah\$14.99
2004 McManis, California\$7.99	2004 JC Cellars "Fess Parker" \$26.99
2004 Parcel 41, Napa \$15.99	2004 Earthquake Lodi Petite Sirah \$28.99
This limited production Merlot is enormously rich, ripe and concentrated showing layers of black-	2004 Margerum "Colson Canyon" \$29.99
berry, currant and mocha.	2004 T Vine "Duarte" \$31.99
zz., zz. z. za da mocia.	2004 Vinum Cellars "PETS" \$9.98

Believe Again, for the Very First Time!

2004 Graff Family Chalone Viognier (\$18.99) Graff Family, the founders of Chalone, take all that floral, spicy, rounded quality of this grape and zips them up with a sharp Armani suit of acidity. A unique, refreshing wine that's perfect for a late August afternoon.

2003 Reynoso Alexander Valley Cabernet (\$14.99) Like many '03s, this is a husky creature. Rather than the jammy intensity of 2002, this vintage shows a slightly more sober palate of dusty-sweet tannins, leathery blackcurrant cabernet notes and a firm, focused finish. It very easily has the stuffing to be sitting pretty at 25-30 bucks, which happily, it doesn't!

Remember Mi Sueno from last year? How the family immigrated from Mexico and toiled for years under the Napa sun, gaining experience and respect for the vine? How the winemaker lets the wine run its course, not inducing ML, adding acid, or going nuts with the seasoning of the season? I wish to impress upon you high-end Chard lovers out there, the **2004 Mi Sueno Los Carneros Chardonnay** (\$32.99) is a flat-out rocking Chardonnay. Un-manufactured and brimming with natural, exciting Chard flavors, please allow yourselves to believe again, ladies and gentlemen. Believe in refreshing Viognier, in inexpensive Cabernet and intriguing Chardonnay. Enjoy!

—Martin Reyes

ARGENTINA/CHILE/PORTUGAL/SPAIN

2003 Elsa Syrah (Argentina)\$5.99
2004 Elsa Malbec (Argentina)\$6.99
2004 Alamos Malbec (Argentina)\$7.99
2003 Bodegas J.F. Lurton Cabernet Sauvignon (Argentina)\$7.99
2003 Santa Ema Barrel Select Carmenere (Chile)\$7.99
2003 Santa Ema 60/40, Cabernet-Merlot Blend (Chile)\$7.99
2005 Trumpeter Torrontes, Mendoza (Argentina)\$7.99
2004 Loica Carmenere (Chile)\$8.99
2004 Casa Silva Carmenere (Chile)\$9.99
2005 Dominio del Plata, Crios, Rosé of Malbec (Argentina)\$9.99
2004 Kaiken Malbec (Argentina)\$9.99
2002 Montelomas Cabernet Sauvignon (Argentina)\$9.99
2004 Montes Limited Selection Cab./Carmenere (Chile)\$10.99
2005 Montes Limited Selection Leyda
Sauvignon Blanc (Chile)\$10.99
2003 Felipe Rutini Malbec (Argentina)\$11.99
2004 Dominio del Plata, BenMarco, Malbec (Argentina)\$18.99
2004 Tikal Patriota (Argentina)\$23.99
2004 Tikal Armorio Malbec (Argentina)
2003 Achával Ferrer Quimera (Argentina)
Portugal/Spain
2004 Marques de Riscal Rueda Verdejo\$6.99
2004 Encostas do Lima Vinho Verde \$7.99
2004 Las Rocas de San Alejandro, Garnacha, Calatayud\$7.99
2004 Razón, El Bodeguero, Garnacha\$7.99
2004 Yasa Garnacha, Calatayud\$7.99
2004 Cuevas de Castilla "Con Class" Rueda, Blanco\$8.99
2004 Mas Que Vinos, Ercavio Roble, La Mancha\$8.99
2004 Bodegas Tintoralba Higueruela Grenache, Almansa\$9.99
2005 Senorio de Barahonda Monastrell Tinto, Yecla\$9.99
2003 Bodegas Castano Solanera, Yecla\$11.99
2004 Valminor Albariño, Rias Baixas\$11.99
2004 Bodegas Arrocal, Arrocal\$13.99
2004 Dominio de Tares Baltos, Mencia, Bierzo\$13.99
2004 Bodegas Mustiguillo Mestizaje, Valencia\$13.99
2001 Bodegas Julian Chivite Gran Feudo Reserva, Navarra\$14.99
2001 Bodegas Sierra Cantabria, Crianza, Rioja\$14.99
2004 Celler Can Blau, Can Blau, Monsant\$14.99
2001 Viña Izadi, Rioja, Crianza\$14.99
2004 Vinos Piñol Portal Crianza, Terra Alta\$14.99
2004 Vinos Piñol Sacra Natura, Terra Alta (Organic)\$15.99
2001 Bodegas Julien Chivite Salceda Rioja Reserva\$16.99
2004 Fefiñanes Albariño\$16.99
2003 Bodegas Tikalo Kios, La Mancha\$16.99
2004 Pazo de Senorans Albariño\$17.99
2003 Mas Que Vinos, Ercavio La Meseta, La Mancha\$21.99
2001 Viña Izadi, Rioja, Reserva\$23.99
2001 Bodegas Y Vinedos Pujanza Pujanza, Rioja\$24.99
2003 Dominio de Tares, Bierzo Exaltos\$24.99
2000 Bodegas Muga Reserva Selección Especial Rioja\$29.99
2000 Bodegas Muga Reserva Selection Especial Rioja
2003 Pago de Carraovejas, Ribera del Duero
2003 Alto Moncayo Alto Moncayo, Campo de Borja\$36.99
2002 Bodegas Y Vinedos Maurodos San Roman, Toro\$41.99
2003 Dos Victorias Gran Elias Mora Daniel
1999 Arzuaga, Ribera del Duero, Reserva
1996 Muga Rioja Prado Enea Gran Reserva\$46.99

Great Deals for the Bargain Conscious!

2004 Gramona Gessami (\$11.99) 90 points Robert Parker: "A terrific buy... an intriguing blend of 60% muscat de alexandria, 30% sauvignon blanc and 10% muscat de fontignac that comes across like Spain's version of a white Hermitage, although it is lighter-bodied. Exotic waxy notes intermixed with notions of rose water, acacia flowers, and minerals jump from the glass of this medium-bodied white. It possesses a fruity, dry, intense, pure, spicy personality."

2005 Tres Ojos Rosado, Calatayud (\$6.99) This rosé made from old-vine grenache is a fantastic wine for the dog days of summer. Packed with plenty of ripe berry fruit and spice, the Tres Ojos is very dry and substantial enough to go with grilled fish with a spicy rub!

2004 Yasa Garnacha, Calatayud (\$7.99) This 100% old-vine grenache has loads of blackberry fruit and a long perppery finish. The wine is full on the palate and has plenty of acidity and backbone. I love this red with smoked pork shoulder or grilled chops!

2003 Bodegas Castano Solanera, Yecla (\$11.99) 91 points Robert Parker: "... a beautiful blend of 75% Mourvedre and the rest Cabernet Sauvignon and Grenache. A dense ruby/purple color is accompanied by a smoky, scorched earth-scented nose displaying notions of black cherry jam, licorice, and truffles. Ripe and medium to full-bodied, with wonderful sweetness... it possesses purity, suppleness, and balance. It is another example of why Spain is beating virtually every other viticultural area in the world when it comes to high quality wines that sell for a song. Enjoy it over the next 2-3 years."

2001 Quinta de Roriz Reserva, Portugal (\$16.99) 91 points *Wine Spectator*: "Full-bodied, deep-colored and rich with lip-smacking flavors of dark plum, blackberry jam, cocoa and a hint of French roast as well. Tannins build on the finish, but with an appealing silkiness and dark chocolate notes that go on and on." Buen Provecho!

-Anne Pickett, anne@klwines.com

Chilling Iberian Style!

When it is hot one does not want red wine. When you think red you do not think light bodied and crisp, rather you think of full bodied and rich. While those big wines taste great and can be very satisfying, I want something crisp and refreshing, something that will dance lightly on my palate, tease me with juicy stone fruits, berries and citrus. If I'm really lucky it will be reminiscent of wet rocks slowly drying on the banks of a cool mountain stream. Fortunately, for me and everyone else, we can find wines like this from the Iberian Peninsula. First and foremost is the embodiment of this summer white wine fantasy, Albariño! The 2005 Laxas Albariño (\$14.99) is bright and fresh with stone fruits and green apples. At the core of this wine is that cool mountain stream with all those rocks! For those who crave something bright and citrusy but are not rock hounds (read mineral freaks) the place to go is Rueda, the grape verdejo. The 2005 Bodegas Blanco Nieva (\$11.99) is like sauvignon blanc without the grassiness. This is the grown-up version of summertime lemonade sold on the corner, bright and refreshing, perfect for any outdoor occasion. And finally there is a grape called maria gomes. Yes, that is its name. I marveled at the name then bought a bottle, how could I not immediately try it!? The 2004 Luis Pato Maria Gomes (\$9.99) tastes like chenin blanc crossed with sauvignon blanc and riesling, showcasing the texture of chenin, a hint of flinty sauvignon and the racy green apple of riesling. What a deal, this one's intriguing and refreshing! I couldn't ask for more. Hopefully this gives you some more options to cool you down this summer! -Kirk Walker

ALSACE/LOIRE/AUSTRIA/GERMANY

Alsace

Allimant Laugner Cremant d'Alsace Rosé NV	.\$17.99
2004 Charles Baur, Pinot Blanc	
2004 Domaine Roland Schmitt Tokay-Pinot Gris	.\$14.99
2004 Domaines Schlumberger Riesling Saering Grand Cru.	
2004 Domaine Marcel Deiss Riesling Beblenheim	
<u>Loire</u>	
Domaine Fouet Crémant de Loire Rosé	.\$16.99
2002 Joel Taluau St. Nicolas de Bourgueil Cuvee Domaine	
2003 Domaine Fouet Saumur Champigny	
2004 Jo Pithon Les Bergères Anjou Blanc	
2004 Joel Taluau St. Nicolas de Bourgueil Vieilles Vignes	
2005 Clos Roche Blanche Touraine Pineau d'Aunis Rosé	.\$12.99
2005 Ch Soucherie Rosé de Loire	.\$11.99
<u>Austria</u>	
2003 Türk Grüner Veltliner "Vom Urgentein"	.\$12.99
2004 Stadlmann Zierfandler Classic	
2004 Stadlmann Zierfandler Mandel-Höh	.\$25.99
2004 Berger Grüner Veltliner (1L)	.\$11.99
2004 Weingut Pfaffl Grüner Veltliner Weinviertal DAC	.\$17.99
2005 Bernard Ott Grüner Veltliner Am Berg	.\$13.99
Germany	
1996 Bert Simon Serrig Würtzberg Riesling Spätlese	.\$17.99
2004 Schloss Saarstein Pinot Blanc	.\$15.99
2004 August Kesseler Estate Riesling	.\$11.99
2004 Josef Leitz Rüdesheimer Klosterlay Spätlese	.\$14.99
2004 Weingut Binz Nackenheimer Spatburgunder	
2005 Dr. Heyden Rosé Qba	
2005 Josef Leitz Rüdesheimer Drachenstein "Dragonstone".	.\$14.99

We Have No Rules

2004 Kalinda Hattenheimer Riesling Dry (\$9.99) Yup, that's right, Kalinda Riesling from Germany. Why play in the box when you can play outside of the box, that's our mentality here at the 'ol K&L. I'm sure most of you are familiar with our Kalinda label by this time, but this is a first, and you should be a part of it. The village of Hattenheim is located in the heart of the Rheingau with notable vineyard sites such as the Steinberg, Mannberg, Hassel and the Pfaffenberg. Keeping with the Kalinda tradition, we can't tell you exactly where this little beauty hails from, but it is something special. Hattenheim has a rich, deep history of wine production dating back to the mid 1100s and is known for wines that are perfumed, mineral driven, and that have a strong personality. This is a must have. I'm keeping at least three bottles in the fridge at all times for any occasion. Maybe I'm having people over or maybe it's Tuesday; I'll find a reason to crack one open.

Since I still have you outside of the box, get a load of this one: 2004
Schlossgut Diel Rosé de Diel (\$18.99). The wines from Schlossgut
Diel continue to excite me. This is 100% pinot noir from the Nahe,
which is not only pleasing to the eyes (it's one of the prettiest wines
that we have) but on the palate as well. Fermented partially in stainless
steel and partially in old neutral barriques, this has a texture and
vibrancy that is a fantastic addition to the summertime heat. This
screams for an Asian spiced pork loin straight of the grill and a
healthy mixture of summer veggies on the side, or maybe just a few
good friends sitting on the porch talking about the good 'ol times. I'll
let you decide!

—Eric Story

Austria: Summerer in Summertime

Summerer is a new grower in the marketplace and one that we are really digging on. The estate is located in Langenlois the heart of the Kamptal, a bowl like valley with vineyards surrounding the town on all sides. The Summerer's Rupert and Elizabeth continue a tradition at this estate that dates back to 1679 yet this property is anything but traditional. All the wines are now being bottled with glass stoppers. That's right, no more cork taint here my friends. These wines are energetic, snappy and ripe with modest alcohol (12.5%), fresh clean flavors and distinctive minerality. Austria is on the move. I firmly believe it to be one of the most dynamic regions in the wine world today with folks like the Summerers all over the country making great wines that go with food, are distinctive and honest with vision and a sense of place. We have two wines to prove this point for you to try this month.

2004 Summerer Grüner Veltliner Steinhaus (\$15.99), from vines grown on Urgestein (primary rock), is a dazzling little number sure to make you smile, from its fresh cool nose to the zippy mineral mouth feel. This is a great match with heirloom tomato salad.

2004 Summerer Riesling Steinmassl (\$22.99) is from a great site for Riesling, producing wines of real finesse, cut and minerality, always a little firm and lean when young with hints of citrus and white flowers, yet coupled with a very strong scent of stone. Enjoy this now for its vibrant youthful exuberance or drink in 4-8 years for a more mature experience. Enjoy!

—Jeff Vierra

Loire, Alsace and Beyond: Reach for Romo

We have just received some really hip wines guaranteed to create quite the stir at your next gathering. Whenever I have the need to serve some tasty wine I often reach for romorantin. This honeyed bundle of pleasure is all you need to put smiles on your friends' and families' faces and forever seal the fact that you are a certifiable wine geek. I say go for it my friends, embrace the distinctive, rejoice in the weird, be the only person on your block with cases of wine from this long-forgotten grape in your cellar. Romorantin is the name of the most noble ancient grape grown in Cour-Cheverny at the center of the Sologne viticulture region in the Loire Valley. These vines are thought to have been grown here since the time of Francois I (a long time ago), and the wines have historically been highly regarded by the Noble Folk that used to live in all those big châteaux. This appellation is tiny (46ha) compared to say the Cotes du Rhone (42,000ha), and the production that leaves the region is miniscule. We are lucky to have established a relationship with one of the top growers in the region, Philippe Tessier, and are pleased to offer you two new wines. Tessier has just converted the domaine to totally organic viticulture, too!

2004 Tessier Cour Cheverny "La Porte Doree" (\$13.99) From very old vines, 60-85 years of age, all from the romorantin grape. The wine is fermented in three- to five-year old Burgundy barrels and undergoes partial malo-lactic fermentation, which lends a rich, almost viscous mouthfeel to an otherwise extremely mineral wine. You may put this wine in the cellar for many years of rewarding drinking. Now till 2020+.

Did I mention Mr. Tessier also makes red wine? The **2005 Tessier Cheverny Rouge (\$12.99)** is a luscious blend of gamay and pinot noir. This medium-bodied beauty is supple and elegant, a portrait of restraint and purity and just about one of the happiest wines we have in the store. Enjoy its cherry scented nose and spicy licorice-tinged palate and ample sweet fruit just above cellar temperature and over the next 5-8 years. Live in the Light!

—Jeff Vierra

Big Bottles, Bigger Prices, Enormous Egos

Lordy lordy. A spot check on the pricing of the 2005 top-tier Bordeaux wines had best be done sitting down. Ten thousand bucks for a case of wine? Wine that is not even in the bottle yet? As Ebert and Roper would say: two thumbs down. Way down. The few always ruin it for the many. There are scores of fabulous and reasonably priced '05s to choose from. But the perception of blatant gouging across the Bordeaux board already has folks on the run to other vintages (if not other countries), and the damage is done. At \$800 plus a bottle (from a property whose previous vintage sold for \$200 dollars!) very few corks will be pulled. Welcome to Stock Market Wine. This is the wine equivalent of the disappearance of the middle class.

This will hit my department as well. The stocks and cellars of older vintages will go up. The vacuum effect may even extend to the rest of the premium French wine world, and has potentially global implications.

Sound like an Al Gore movie?

To high-price leaders, I say: Better hope the weather holds next year.

O.K., let's get happy again. Please allow me to introduce Léoville-Poyferre, the most obscure of the Léovilles and but no less delicious. The quality here has never been better; the underachieving years are long passed, and the property now has the ability for great success in lesser vintages, not an easy trick.

Léoville-Poyferre tends to be solid and structured but with exotic plumage and somewhat finer tannins. Think of Léoville-Barton with a Cos d'Estournel chaser. We currently something for everyone:

Jim's August Gems

One of my favorite beverages is sparkling wine, particularly Champagne and especially those coming from those small Champagne houses that our buyer, Gary Westby, continues to discover. One can occasionally discover non-Champagne sparklers from other French regions that will rival some of the better multi-vintage sparklers from Champagne. Such is the case with the **Charles Baur Cremant d'Alsace (\$14.99)**, a blend of pinot blanc (40%), auxerrois (40%) and chardonnay, aged on yeast for two years. With a finely etched bead, this shows a rich, creamy texture with a mild nutty tone both on its fabulously aromatic bouquet and in its clean, bright flavors. As Jeff Vierra (our Alsatian wine buyer) has pointed out to customers: "Most people outside of the region don't think about Alsace for sparkling wine." Once you try this you will. (

The 2005 Domaine de la Pépière Classique Muscadet Sevre et Maine Sur Lie (\$10.99) has arrived and it is a very fine example of the exceptional quality of the '05 vintage in France (as well as in the rest of Europe). "This gem has become a perennial hit with our customers," Jeff Vierra, who also does our Loire Valley wine buying, was overheard saying recently. Produced from 40 year or older vines that are planted in granitic soils, the Muscadets from La Pépière are among the best in that region. To once again quote Jeff: "It is energetic, juicy, and full of life, a cool crisp slice of the Muscadet soil tempered with snappy fruit." To quote, in unison, Eby and Vanilla, as they hiss and snarl at each other: "This will be our house white wine for the month."

For the most part, I have never been a fan of Los Carneros fruit. I have always thought that most of the pinot noirs smelled and tasted like Beaujolais, which is generally not a bad thing if you enjoy a simple,

1989 Léoville-Poyferre 1.5L (\$289.00) This is a sturdy wine with sweet currant fruit notes and refined power. I believe that the wine is at its apex, but I'm not averse to drinking wines like this in the September of their life, when the fruit loses a bit of sweetness and the bouquet begins to show more dry roses and minerals. Lovely now.

1993 Léoville-Poyferre 1.5L (\$89.99) The '93 offers up the signature summer fruit flavors of blueberries and plums as well as the ubiquitous blackcurrants. There is a lovely balance to the components, and it drinks perfectly now. The wine does not shout, nor does it whisper.

1994 Léoville-Poyferre 1.5L (\$89.99) This little showboat has it all-ripeness, richness, toasty oak and good body. Oh, and one more thing-the balance to be a complete and complex wine now, more so with a few more vintages under its' belt. An absolute steal. An engaging and exotic wine.

1995 Léoville-Poyferre 1.5L (\$189.00) There is always a tortoise among hares. This offering will require the patience of Job, but not the pocketbook of Steven Jobs. Trust me, this is some serious grape juice: deep, dense and powerful. With smoky notes and tobacco to complement the never ending layers of sweet black fruits, this is a brute with balance. This one needs to get tucked in for at least a half-decade slumber. Wake it up after 2012, or later. You'll be glad you bought it. So, you have two choices: By a single bottle of a certain 2005 first growth, or every one of these magnums and throw in a nice dinner for the same price. See how easy it is to choose?

—Joe Zugelder

If you have any questions about these selections, you can email us at jimbarr@klwines.com. Enjoy this month's wines!

—Jim, Anderson, Eby and Vanilla

CHAMPAGNE/SPARKLING WINE

CHAMPAGNE/SPARKLING WINE	
Ariston Carte Blanche Brut	\$22.99
Michel Dervin Brut	
Franck Bonville Brut Selection Blanc de Blancs (1.5L \$49.99)\$24.99
Launois "Cuvee Reserve" Brut Blanc de Blanc	
Launois "Quartz" Brut Blanc de Blancs-Sable's new name!	\$25.99
Laurent Perrier Brut	\$29.99
Tarlant Brut Reserve	\$26.99
Tarlant Brut Zero-Our driest, no sugar added	\$26.99
De Meric Sous Bois Brut-Delicious	
Hubert Paulet Brut Tradition	
Philippe Gonet Brut Reserve	\$27.99
Ariston Brut Rosé	
Ariston Aspasie Blanc de Blancs	
2000 Franck Bonville Vintage	\$29.99
Fleury Brut Carte Rouge (375ml \$15.99, 1.5L \$64.99)	
1999 Launois Brut Blanc de Blancs	
Leclerc Briant "La Croisette" Single Vineyard Brut	
Leclerc Briant "Les Chêvres Pierreuses"	
Leclerc Briant "Les Crayères"	
2001 Leclerc Briant Cuvee Rubis Brut Rosé-Barely legal!	
Charles Heidsieck Brut Reserve	
1998 Ariston Vintage Brut	
1999 Michel Dervin Vintage Brut	
Philippe Gonet Brut Rosé-Exciting new pink!	
Ariston Aspasie Brut Prestige (1.5L \$69.99)	
Louis Roederer Brut-One of Clyde's favorites	
Fleury Brut Rosé-Now direct!	
2000 Philippe Gonet Blanc de Blancs Grand Cru	
Philippe Gonet Brut Roy Soleil Blanc de Blancs	
1997 Laurent Perrier Brut	
René Collard Cuvee Ultime Ultra Brut	
Tarlant Cuvee Louis Brut Prestige (1.5L \$99.00)	
Laurent-Perrier Brut Rosé	
1990 Rene Collard	
1999 Roederer Vintage Brut	
1999 Roederer Vintage Blanc de Blancs	
Tarlant Vigne d'Or Meunier Single Vineyard	
1999 Roederer Vintage Brut Rosé	
1999 Veuve Clicquot Gold Label Reserve	
Franck Bonville Cuvee Belles Voyes	
1999 Veuve Clicquot Brut Rosé	
1985 René Collard Cuvee Speciale Rosé Brut	
Laurent Perrier "Grand Siècle"	
Krug Grand Cuvee Brut	
1995 Krug Brut Champagne	
1996 Taittinger Comtes de Champagne Blanc de Blancs	
1998 Dom Perignon	
1992 Krug Clos de Mesnil	ınquire
Domestic Sparkling Wine	
1999 Schramsberg Reserve	
1999 Roederer "l'Ermitage"	
2000 Iron Horse Classic Vintage Brut	
2000 J Wine Company	
2002 Domaine Carneros Brut	
2001 Schramsberg Blanc de Blanc	\$24.99

1996 Salon: Lay it Down

The 1996 Salon (\$225) has arrived after much anticipation. Salon is one of the great names in Champagne for a very good reason. It is made only in great vintages (the decade of the eighties only produced '82, '83, '85 and '88) and only from grapes from one village, the grand cru of Mesnil. This village grows the most-sought after chardonnay in Champagne. Half of the vineyards that make the wine are owned by Salon outright, and the other half come from farmers that Salon has been working with for generations. The vines average 40 years of age. Salon suppresses malolactic fermentation for maximum freshness and longevity, an iconoclastic move for a Cote de Blanc producer. The production hovers around 8,000 six-bottle cases, so the wine is always hard to come by but very worth seeking out! Mr. Didier Depond, the director of Champagne Salon, told me when he visited us last month that this was one of the greatest vintages of all time for Salon. This wine should last for generations, but its scintillating minerality, outrageous white flower aromas and stunning length will make it hard to resist in the near term.

Please drop me a line by email at garywestby@klwines.com and say "add me to your list" so that you can be the first to know about new offerings as well as general Champagne news. And feel free to contact me at 1-800-247-5987 ex 2728. A toast to you!

—Gary Westby

Affordable Champagne to Beat the Heat!

In my opinion, there are two great liquid ways to beat the heat of summer: beer and Champagne. Since I do not do a beer column (not that I wouldn't want to!), I'll stick to Champagne. For August, I have two great, underpriced Champagnes that are great on a hot summer evening. Forget air-conditioning; have a nice, cooling glass of bubbly!

At the top of the list is the fresh, zippy and delicate **Launois "Cuvee Reserve" Brut Blanc de Blancs (\$25.99)**. Like one of my other favorites, Champagne Krug, Launois gets a lot of its fruit from the Mesnil district of Champagne. A great blend of all Grand Cru chardonnay from Mesnil, Oger, Cramant and Avize. A nose of custard, pine nuts and wet stones. In the mouth, a wonderful cleanliness of character that melds with pear fruit, almonds, vanilla crème and lemon/lime nuances. Rich in style with 90% of the fruit from the 2000 vintage and 10% coming from 1998 reserve stock. I poured this for the staff last month, and even some of my more skeptical co-workers, who don't really, shall we say, appreciate Champagne, loved this one!

Like an old friend, the **Ariston Carte Blanche Brut** (\$22.99) never fails to please. A direct contrast to the Launois, the Ariston is true to its terroir in the small village of Brouillet. The steep, sunny slopes of this district yield riper fruit with a great richness. The final blend is 40% chardonnay, 30% pinot noir and 30% pinot meunier. The nose has elements of pistachios, brioche and red fruits. Like the Launois, the chardonnay in the mouth has lemon curd and custard flavors, while the pinot noir and the pinot meunier add red plum and currant fruit. A nice finish of toasted hazelnuts. Head out to that porch with some Champagne, crusty bread, cheese and fruit! Cheers and have a great month!

—Scott Beckerley

Domestic Sparkling Wine Con't

2002 Iron Horse "Wedding Cuvée"	\$26.99
2002 Schramsberg Blanc de Noir	\$24.99
NV Domaine Chandon Brut /Blanc de Noir	\$14.99
NV Gloria Ferrer Brut/Blanc Noir	\$14.99
NV Scharffenberger Brut	\$13.99
NV Roederer Estate Anderson Valley Brut	

WHITE BURGUNDY/BEAUJOLAIS

NV Chardonnay Plaisir des Princes
2004 Bourgogne Aligoté, V.V., Domaine A& A Goisot\$10.99
2004 Macon Villages, Domaine des Nialles\$11.99
2004 Bourgogne Hautes Cotes de Beaune, Domaine Arnoux \$14.99
2004 St-Veran, Domaine de la Croix Senaillet\$14.99
2004 Chablis "Montmains," 1er Cru, Vocoret (375ml)\$14.99
2004 Pouilly-Fuissé, Clos Reissier\$14.99
2004 Chablis, Domaine Pinson\$16.99
2005 Bourgogne Blanc, Femelottes, Chavy-Chouet\$16.99
2004 Pouilly-Fuissé, Noel Leprince\$16.99
Bright and attractive, and extraordinarily well priced!
2004 Bourgogne Blanc, Femelottes, Hubert Chavy\$16.99
2004 Chablis, Domaine Pinson\$16.99
2004 Pouilly Fuissé, Les Chataigniers, Denis Barraud\$18.99
Focused minerality, rich palate and charm. Direct Import makes price possible.
2003/4 Chablis "Saint Martin," Domaine Laroche\$19.99
2004 Pouilly Fuissé, Domaine Jean-Pierre Seve\$19.99
2004 Macon Villages, Domaine Heritiers du Comte Lafon\$20.99
2004 Bourgogne Blanc, Domaine Roulot\$21.99
2004 Bourgogne Blanc, Château de Puligny Montrachet\$22.99
2004 Bourgogne Blanc, Etienne Sauzet\$23.99
2002 Bourgogne Blanc, Domaine Tollot-Beaut\$23.99
Lovely floral nose and beautiful balance, with Pernand/Savigny character.
2004 St-Aubin "Fionnes," 1er Cru, Domaine Jomain\$27.99
2003 Marsannay Blanc, Domaine Joseph Roty\$27.99
2004 Monthelie Blanc, Château de Puligny Montrachet\$27.99
2004 St-Aubin "Murgers Dent de Chien," 1er, V. Girardin\$29.99
2004 St-Aubin "Les Charmois," 1er Cru, Marc Colin\$29.99
2004 St-Aubin "En Remilly," 1er Cru, Domaine Marc Colin\$29.99
2004 Meursault Chevalières, Thierry & Pascale Matrot\$29.99
204 Chablis Monte de Tonnerre, 1er Cru, Long-Depaquit\$32.99
2004 Meursault, Les Tillets, Vincent Girardin\$36.99
2004 Chassagne-Montrachet "Clos St. Jean," 1er, B. Morey\$37.99
2002 Chassagne-Montrachet "Macharelles," 1er Cru,
2004 Chassagne-Montrachet "Encégnières," Marc Colin\$39.99
This vineyard is located right below Bâtard Montrachet, Grand Cru!
2004 Puligny-Montrachet, Domaine Paul Pernot\$39.99
2004 Puligny-Montrachet, "Trézin," Domaine Marc Colin\$39.99
2004 Meursault, Grands Charrons, Deux Montille\$40.99
2004 Chassagne-Montrachet, Domaine de Puligny Mont\$41.99
1998 Chablis Grand Cru, "Valmur," Domaine Albert Pic\$43.99
2004 Chassagne-Montrachet, V. V., Bernard Morey\$43.99
2004 Puligny-Montrachet, Domaine Bernard Morey\$43.99
2004 Puligny-Montrachet "Les Enseignières," V. Girardin\$46.99
2004 Puligny-Montrachet "Perrieres," 1er Cru, Jomain\$49.99
2004 Meursault, Clos de Rougeots, Deux Montilles\$49.99
2004 Chassagne-Montrachet "Truffieres," 1er, V. Girardin\$49.99
2003 Meursault, Poruzots, Château de Puligny Montrachet\$53.99
2004 Chablis, Grenouilles, Grand Cru, Domaine Droin\$56.99
2004 Meursault, Boucheres, Deux Montilles\$56.99
Balanced, elegant, lovely, long, very fine. This is just simply a delight!
2004 Meursault, Meix Chavaux / Vireuils, Domaine Roulot\$58.99
2003 Chass-Mont, "Tête du Clos" (Morgeot) V. Dancer\$59.99
2002 Chablis Grand Cru "La Moutonne," Long Depaquit\$64.99
2004 Puligny-Montrachet, "Folatieres," 1er Cru, Paul Pernot \$64.99
Broad, rich and ripe, but also very bright, mineral-driven and alive. Yummy!
2004 Puligny-Mont, "Champ Gain," 1er Cru, Marc Colin\$69.99

2004 Meursault "Charmes," 1er Cru, P-Y Colin-Morey\$78.99
2004 Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru, Marc Colin\$89.95
2004 Puligny-Montrachet, "Pucelles," 1er Cru, Paul Pernot\$89.99
2004 Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru, P-Y Colin-Morey\$119.99
2004 Bienvenues-Bâtard-Montrachet Grand Cru, P. Pernot \$123.99
2004 Bâtard-Montrachet Grand Cru, Paul Pernot\$149.99
2004 Bâtard-Montrachet Grand Cru, Marc Colin\$180.00
2003 Le Montrachet Grand Cru, Louis Latour\$549.95
<u>Beaujolais</u>
2004 Beaujolais Villages, Domaine Manoir du Carra\$10.99
2004 Regnie, Domaine des Braves, Paul Cinquin\$11.99
2004 Chenas, Vieilles Vignes, Domaine Lapierre\$13.99
2004 Julienas, Cuvée Speciale, P. Granger\$14.99
2004 Chiroubles, Clos le Farge, Domaine Chrysson\$14.99
2004 Julienas, Domaine Pascal Granger\$15.99
2004 Chenas, Domaine Pascal Granger\$15.99
2003 Cote de Brouilly, Domaine Ruet\$16.99
2004 Moulin-a-Vent, Domaine Pascal Granger\$17.99
2004 Fleurie, Clos de la Roilette\$18.99

August Tasting Schedule

All Saturday tastings are from noon to 3 p.m. in San Francisco and 1 to 4 p.m. in Redwood City. Look for dinners and other events listed in the "local events" section of our website, www.klwines.com. Please note our new format beginning this month. In order to bring you a wider array of choices, the San Francisco and Redwood City stores will have their own unique tastings. Tasting prices TBA.

August 5: *California Chardonnay in RWC.* Martin will pour wines from top producers in Napa and Sonoma. A rare opportunity to sample some of California's finest Chardonnays. *International Pinot Noir in SF.* The staff will pick their favorite Pinot Noir from the U.S., France, New Zealand and other countries.

August 12: 2001 Brunello di Montalcino in RWC. Greg will be pouring a selection of Brunellos from the spectacular 2001 vintage. Salute to Women Winemakers in SF. A tasting from top women winemaker's such as Cathy Corison, Kristin Belair, Susana Balbao and others.

August 19: 2003 Bordeaux in RWC & SF. Clyde, Steve and Ralph pick one white, eight reds and one Sauternes for our monthly Bordeaux tasting highlighting the 2003 vintage.

August 26: Australia Shiraz in RWC. Jim will focus on the great red wines of Australia. Please join us for this first-class sojourn down under. Sparkling Wine in SF. Sparkling wines from around the world including Champagnes, Cava, domestic bubblies and tasty treats from Alsace, Loire and Burgundy.

Dinner/Tasting with Almaviva and Mouton Rothschild

This should be a great event with the famous
Bordeaux First Growth and one of its new, highly regarded
Chilean properties. Almaviva vintages 1999, 2000, 2001 and the
new 2004 will be poured, along with 1996 and 1986 Mouton
and 1990 Coutet, Sauternes. October 1 at Spago in Palo Alto.
Limited to 100. Price TBA.

RED BURGUNDY

2002 Bourgogne Rouge, Domaine Vincent Sauvestre\$11.99
2003 Bourgogne Pinot Noir, Boisset\$12.99
2004 Bourgogne Rouge, Domaine Patrick Size\$14.99
2002 Bourgogne rouge, Domaine Desertaux-Ferrand\$13.99
2002 Marsannay Rouge, Domaine Charles Audoin\$18.99
2002 Cote de Nuits Villages, Domaine Desertaux-Ferrand\$20.99
2004 Mercurey "Clos Montaigus," 1er Cru, Patrick Size\$21.99
2004 Bourgogne Rouge, "Deux Papis," Alex Gambal\$21.99
1996 Aloxe Corton, Domaine Gaston & Pierre Ravaut\$24.99
2004 Gevrey Chambertin, Clos Prieur, Frederic Esmonin\$26.99
2003 Marsannay Rouge, Domaine Joseph Roty\$27.99
2003 Marsannay, Champs St. Etienne, Domaine Roty\$29.99
2003 Marsannay, Clos de Jeu, Domaine Roty\$32.99
2004 Gevrey-Cham "Lavaux St. Jacques," 1er, F. Esmonin\$36.99
2004 Gevrey-Cham "Estournelles St. Jacq," 1er, F. Esmonin\$36.99
2003 Vosne-Romanée, Domaine Jerome Chezeaux\$39.99
2003 Gevrey-Chambertin, Clos Village V.V., Heresztyn\$42.99
2003 Auxey Duresses, Domaine Comte Armand\$43.99
2003 Meursault-Blagny "Piece Sous Bois," 1er Cru, Matrot\$44.99
2000 Chambolle-Musigny, Domaine J-F Mugnier\$46.99
2003 Vosne-Romanée, Domaine Michel Gros\$46.99
2003 Chambolle-Musigny, Joseph Drouhin\$47.99
2003 Gevrey-Chambertin, Champs Chenys, Domaine Roty\$49.99
2003 Chambolle-Musigny, Domaine Heresztyn\$49.99
2001 Volnay, "Ronceret," 1er Cru, Nicolas Rossignol\$49.99
2003 Gevrey Chambertin, Brunelle, Domaine Roty\$49.99
2003 N.St.G. "Boudots," 1er Cru, Dom. Jerome Chezeaux\$50.99
2002 Volnay, "Santenots," 1er, Ch. Rossignol-Jeanniard\$51.99
2002 Gevrey-Chambertin, V.V., Harmand Geoffroy\$51.99
2002 Pommard Perrieres, Vignes Centenaires, Chas Vienot\$52.99
2000 Corton-Bressandes Grand Cru, Tollot Beaut\$54.99
2000 Corton-Bressandes Grand Cru, Tollot Beaut\$54.99 2003 Gevrey-Chambertin, Clos Prieur Bas, Domaine Roty\$57.99
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2000 Corton-Bressandes Grand Cru, Tollot Beaut\$54.99 2003 Gevrey-Chambertin, Clos Prieur Bas, Domaine Roty\$57.99 2003 Vosne-Romanée "Suchots," 1er Cru, Maison Champy\$59.99 Rich and succulent fruit, with ripe and very fine tannins. Lovely!
2000 Corton-Bressandes Grand Cru, Tollot Beaut
2004 Nuits St. Georges "Clos l'Arlot," 1er Cru, Dom. l'Arlot\$54.99 2000 Corton-Bressandes Grand Cru, Tollot Beaut\$54.99 2003 Gevrey-Chambertin, Clos Prieur Bas, Domaine Roty\$57.99 2003 Vosne-Romanée "Suchots," 1er Cru, Maison Champy\$59.99 Rich and succulent fruit, with ripe and very fine tannins. Lovely! 2004 Nuits-St-Georges "Clos des Forêts," 1er, Dom. L'Arlot\$59.99 Also available in half bottles for \$33.99 2001 Nuits-St-Georges "Murgers," 1er Cru, Cathiard\$60.99 2003 Beaune "Clos des Ursules," 1er Cru, Domaine Jadot\$60.99 2004 Ruchottes Chambertin Grand Cru, F. Esmonin\$63.99 Sweet, delicious and aromatic, with a bit of toasty oak. 2004 Mazy Chambertin Grand Cru, Frederic Esmonin\$63.99 2003 Gevrey-Cham "Champonnets," 1er Cru, Heresztyn\$65.99 2003 Gevrey-Cham "Goulots," 1er Cru, Heresztyn\$65.99 2003 Gevrey-Cham, "Lav St Jacques," 1er Cru, Moillard\$67.99 2002 Gevrey-Cham, "Lav St Jacques," 1er Cru, H. Geoffroy\$69.95 2003 Chambolle-Musigny "Gruenchers," 1er, Dom. Fourrier \$69.99 2003 Chambolle-Musigny "Beaux Bruns," 1er, Barthod\$74.99 2003 Chambolle-Musigny "Les Baudes," 1er, Barthod\$74.99 2003 Vosne-Romanée "Clos des Reas," 1er Cru, Michel Gros \$79.99 2003 Vosne-Romanée "Glos des Reas," 1er Cru, Heresztyn\$79.99 2003 Vosne-Romanée, "Suchots," 1er Cru, Louis Boillot\$79.99 2003 Clos Vougeot Grand Cru, Domaine Moillard\$89.95 2003 Chambolle-Musigny "Les Cras," 1er, Barthod\$89.95 2003 Chambolle-Musigny "Les Cras," 1er, Barthod\$89.99 2001 Chapelle-Chambertin Grand Cru, Domaine Damoy\$999 This rich and focused Grand Cru is at a special price. Was \$130 elsewhere\$999

2002 Clos de la Roche Grand Cru, Domaine Olivier Guyot\$97.99
2003 Chambolle-Musigny, "Hauts Doix," 1er Cru, Groffier\$97.99
2003 Château Corton Grancey Grand Cru, Louis Latour\$99.99
2003 Chambolle-Musigny, "Sentiers," 1er Cru, Groffier\$99.99
2003 Clos de la Roche Grand Cru, V.V., Vincent Girardin\$99.99
2003 Chambertin-Clos de Beze Grand Cru, F. Esmonin\$99.95
2001 Morey-St-Denis, 1er Cru, Domaine Hubert Lignier\$99.95
2002 Clos Vougeot Grand Cru, Xavier Liger-Belair\$104.99
2003 Gevrey-Chambertin "Fontenys," 1er Cru, Dom. Roty\$104.99
2003 Chambolle-Musigny "Fuées," 1er Cru, Mugnier\$104.99
2002 Clos Vougeot Grand Cru, Domaine Michel Gros\$108.99
2002 Latricieres-Chambertin G Cru, Domaine Louis Remy \$109.99
2003 Clos St. Denis Grand Cru, Domaine Heresztyn\$116.99
2003 Clos Vougeot, "Maupertuis," Grand Cru, Anne Gros\$124.99
2003 Grands Echézeaux Grand Cru, Mongeard-Mugneret\$134.99
2003 Chambolle-Musigny, 1er Cru, Comte de Vogue\$149.99
2003 Bonnes Mares Grand Cru, Domaine Robert Groffier\$159.99
2002 Richebourg, Grand Cru, Xavier Liger-Belair\$174.99
2003 Charmes-Chambertin, Grnd Cru, VV, Domaine Roty \$186.99
2003 Chambertin Grand Cru, Louis Latour\$189.99
2003 Charmes-Chambertin Grand Cru, Louis Latour\$229.95

Pour Votre Plaisir

Summer Sippers

Well, folks, it is the dog days of August, and we here at K&L have been looking for some of the best that Burgundy has to offer for your summer parties.

Let's start with a real steal-deal that many of you have enjoyed before. The **Plaisir des Princes (\$6.99)** is a wonderful 2005 Macon Chardonnay that has been declassified to simply Vin de Table. They cannot legally tell you the vintage or the grape on the label. But we know, and will tell you: This is crisp Macon with nice fruit and good length, and it sells for a song. What's not to like? We have also found a talented young vigneron in Macon. Lionel Rhedon-Marin sells all his younger fruit and lesser vineyards to the negociants, but keeps his best, old-vine fruit to make his **2005 Macon Villages, Domaine des Nialles (\$11.99)**, with lovely apple notes, richness and a crisp finish.

In St. Bris-le-Vineux, a tiny town in the Cote d'Auxerre, near Chablis in the north of Burgundy, we work with a small domaine run by a husband and wife. Anne and Arnaud Goisot are dedicated wine growers, making honest, affordable wines with a clear sense of place. The 2004 Goisot St. Bris (\$10.99) shows crisp varietal sauvignon blanc character, gooseberries on the nose and a wonderful flinty finish, thanks to the chalky soils. The 2004 Goisot Bourgogne Aligoté (\$10.99) is regularly an award winner. Once again they were chosen for the coveted tastevinage label, awarded after a large blind tasting. The wine shows the characteristic spice on the finish but is also very open and generous. Try it as an aperitif, with cassis for a kir, or any old time. Finally, the 2005 Goisot Bourgogne Cotes d'Auxerre Rosé, (\$10.99) is made of 100% pinot noir. With a beautiful eye of the swan color and a strawberry nose, this is profound and complex, yet refreshing and charming.

ITALIAN WINES

To be ahead of the game and get email updates on wines that don't make it into the newsletter or to be the first with an opportunity to buy, get on Greg's Italian Wine Update email list by contacting Greg at greg@klwines.com or call 800-247-5987 ex 2713.

Pre-Arrivals Pre-Arrival Brunello di Montalcino and Rosso! The initial list, many more to come!

2004 Valdicava Rosso di Montalcino	\$22.99
2001 Ferrero-90 points Wine Spectator	\$29.99
2001 Baricci-90 points Wine Enthusiast	
2001 La Fortuna-90 points Wine Spectator	
2001 Argiano	
2001 Talenti	
2001 Le Gode	\$39.99
1999 La Fortuna Riserva-92 points Wine Spectator	\$44.99
2001 Gorelli Le Potazzine -93 points Wine Spectator	
2001 La Gerla "Vigna gli Angeli"	
This is my #2 wine of the vintage. The length of this wine is impro	essive but it is

This is my #2 wine of the vintage. The length of this wine is impressive but it is how all of the muscle and power coil themselves together in the center of the wine that makes such a dramatic statement. This wine has a voice, strong, immediate and clear. It has tremendous range it can hit the high notes in a swirling crescendo of bright fruit aromatics that furiously line up to exit the glass. Yet its real power lays mid palate where a powerful tenor voice thunders across your palate with a vibrato that rivals the San Andreas Fault. This wine is absolutely stunning, balanced enough to drink now with a couple of hours in a decanter but will last 20-30+ years. (Greg St. Clair, K&L Italian buyer)

Pre-Arrival Barolo!

1999 Aldo Conterno Barolo "Bussia"-95+ points Stephen Tanzer ..\$59.95

2001 Aldo Conterno Barolo "Bussia"-92 points Stephen Tanzer\$59.95
2001 Aldo Conterno Barolo "Cicala" -95 points Stephen Tanzer\$ 79.95
1999 Aldo Conterno Barolo "Cicala"-95+ points Stephen Tanzer\$89.95
2001 Aldo Conterno Barolo "Cicala" (1.5L)-95 points Tanzer\$174.95

In Stock Tuscany

2004 Maritma Sangiovese "4 Old Guys"-New cuvee\$7.49
2004 Teruzzi & Puthod Vernaccia di San Gimignano\$10.99
2003 Rocca di Montegrossi Chianti Classico (375ml)\$10.99
2004 Poliziano Rosso di Montepulciano\$11.95
2002 Villa Antinori Toscano Rosso\$15.95
2003 Rocca di Montegrossi
2002 Felsina Chianti Classico Chianti Classico\$17.99
2002 Poliziano Vino Nobile-2 Glasses Gambero Rosso\$21.99
2003 Querciabella Chianti Classico\$23.99
2001 Poliziano Vino Nobile "Asinone"-92 points Wine Spectator\$33.99
1997 Fanetti Vino Nobile di Montepulciano Riserva\$34.99
2001 Castello di Fonterutoli Chianti-3 Glasses Gambero Rosso\$34.95
2001 Felsina Fontalloro-3 Glasses Gambero Rosso\$34.99
2001 Isole e Olena "Cepparello"-3 Glasses Gambero Rosso\$44.99
2001 Rocca Montegrossi Chianti C Ris "Marcellino" (1.5L)\$59.99
1999 Rocca Montegrossi Chianti C Ris "Marcellino" (1.5L)\$69.99
Montalcino

2001 Pian dell'Orino "Piandorino"	\$17.99
Awesome Super Tuscan for a song!	

2004 Sesta di Sopra Rosso di Montalcino\$19.99

The stunning quality of the 2004 vintage will blow you away in this wine.

Podere Rinascimento

Finalmente! Yes, finally, the 2001 Brunelli are arriving. This muchballyhooed vintage is here for you to taste. We are doing in-store tastings on Saturday, August 12 for any wishing to sample! Tiny Poggiarellino was last year's introductory success. Its forward drinkability and price had everyone jumping out of their shoes. The 2001 Poggiarellino Brunello di Montalcino (\$29.99) shows that last year was no fluke, In fact, this wine has gone from fun to important. The 2001 lays a powerful, focused center right down the middle of your palate and is rich, fleshy with a chocolaty, ripe-cherry-flavor-filled body. The wine has considerable depth and a texture that makes me think of a Bistecca Fiorentina. This vintage shows far more complexity, layers of spice, distinct mineral components and a truly dramatic and long-lasting finish where the spice and minerals go on forever. Capable of aging 15-20 years easily yet balanced and rich enough to excite anyone today! 2,700 bottles made! The quality evolution at Pian dell'Orino has been dramatic. Mike P. and I tasted everything from their cellar through 2005, and we are supremely impressed by the quality of fruit character, the real terroir and subtle winemaking. The 2001 Pian dell'Orino Brunello di Montalcino (\$39.99) is dense, muscular and dark like an Olympic swimmer returning from a month at the beach. Those muscles are long and sinewy, graceful, full of power yet the wine strides with an elegant balance, oozing confidence still with a reserve reminiscent of nobility. There is a chocolaty, cassis, plum-like flavor that fills the mid palate coiled around a powerful interior structure that gives the wine great length

and allows these flavors to linger in the finish. Mixed in with the warm fruit-filled ripeness are hints of animal, fresh glove leather, stones and wild herbs that are subtly present yet add to the complex background and are more present in the finish. Long, powerful and decidedly delicious, this is a wine that will age 10-15 years easily although so well balanced you could drink it now. The 2001 Pian dell'Orino "Piandorino" (\$17.99) a truly wonderful blend of 75% sangiovese, 15% merlot and 10% cabernet sauvignon aged half in barrique and half in large oak, is REALLY good! The 2004 Pian dell'Orino Rosso di Montalcino (\$19.99) is some truly serious sangiovese. This is a vintage to be reckoned with; in a few years the 2004 vintage will be the thing! Some other fantastic wines just arriving are the 2001 Piancornello Brunello di Montalcino (\$39.99), with its luscious ripe fruit and easy drinkability, as well as its neighbor the 2001 Lisini Brunello di Montalcino (\$39.99), which is really good in this vintage and seriously focused. Another unheard of wine is the 2001 La Mannella Brunello di Montalcino "I Poggiarelli" (\$44.95). Three Stars! Marco Cortonesi produces honest, elegant and deliciously drinking wines. His "I Poggiarelli" vineyard release has layers of complex dark wild cherry flavors that jump out of the wine. It highlights a real sauvage character: spice, saddle leather, earth all balanced in a supple, graceful wine. No blockbuster alcoholic monster, just a really complex, fun wine with elegance and charm, like Audrey Hepburn but with a tan, on the beach, and after a few cocktails. Only 291 cases produced. —Greg St. Clair

ITALIAN WINES

2004 Pian dell'Orino Rosso di Montalcino\$19.99
Great power and structure seems more Brunello than Rosso!
2001 Poggiarellino Brunello\$29.99
2000 La Fortuna Brunello-2 Glasses Gambero Rosso
2001 Pian dell'Orino Brunello -91 points <i>Wine Spectator</i> \$39.99
2001 Lisini-90 points Wine Enthusiast\$39.99
Lisini has the classic warmth and ripeness of this south-facing zone. In great years like this the great structure of the vintage gives a great focal point to the
ripe fruit. This vintage Lisini got it perfect the soft ripeness is given a great can-
vas of structure to play on. All of this gorgeous fruit is propped up with young
muscle and structure wrapped in a warm cloak of spicy, supple fruit. Wonderful wine to drink now with some decanting and will drink well over the next 5-10.
2001 Piancornello -92 points <i>Wine Spectator</i>
incredible focus, a spine of structure that is the defining feature for greatness at this winery. The wines are always pretty, smooth, soft and fruity but this year the structure defines the fruit it isn't just mono-flavored it stands out not just plum, there's wild cherry and a hint of floral zip is mixed in too. Spice, however, is what drives this wine. Supple warmth on your palate yes, but the multi faceted fruit flavors that are bright, fresh, and clean allow the spicy nature to stand out bringing in earthy notes, leather, and touches of Middle-Eastern
spice. Excellent drinking wine but will age well for 15-20 years.
2001 Caprili\$44.95
Dense, concentrated fruit with lots of tannic structure, big shoulders, bulging deltoids, Arnold-like pectorals. The enormous size of this wine gives it a more rustic character than the quality of fruit portrays. Sweet focused plumy fruit with backbone and direction while powerfully striding towards a long finish.
2001 Villa le Prata
2001 Costanti -93 points <i>Wine Spectator</i> \$59.95
2001 Fuligni Brunello -95 points <i>Wine Spectator</i> \$59.95
1999 Valdicava Brunello-94 points Wine Spectator\$59.99
For those who fought to get some of the 98 point 2001, believe me the 1999 is nobody's fool! Mike P and I had this wine with owner Vincenzo Abbruzzese and it was certainly as good as the 2001, maybe not quite as big but certainly just as good! This is a steal of a deal! (Greg St. Clair, K&L Italian buyer)
2000 Casanova Neri Brunello "Cerretalto"-93 points Spectator\$89.99
<u>Piedmont</u>
2004 Ruggeri Corsini Barbera d'Alba
2004 Pietro Rinaldi Barbera d'Alba "Bricco Cichetta"
Barolo/Barbaresco
2001 Paitin di Pasquero Elia Barbaresco "Serra Boella" \$25.99
2001 Paitin di Pasquero Elia Barbaresco "Sori Paitin" \$32.99
2001 Marchesi di Gresy Barbaresco "Camp Gros"\$59.95
2001 Marchesi di Gresy Barbaresco "Gaiun"
1996 Famiglia Anselma Barolo 'Adasi'
1997 Famiglia Anselma Barolo 'Adasi'
2001 Einaudi Barolo "Nei Cannubi"-91 points Spectator\$69.99
Trentino-Alto Adige and Friuli
2004 Ermacora Merlot
Great balance and richness (OK I'm giving the stuff away! Need to go to the next vintage. Buy it, you'll love it!).
2004 Convento Muri-Gries Pinot Grigio-1 Glass Gambero Rosso. \$14.99
2004 Ermacora Pinot Bianco-2 Blue Glasses Gambero Rosso\$14.99
2004 Ermacora Tocai Friulano-2 Glasses Gambero Rosso
2004 Ermacora Refosco-Spicy, full and complex\$15.99

2002 Vencjar Rosso DOC Isonzo-Bordeaux-like beauty!\$19.99
2004 Jermann Pinot Grigio\$24.99
2004 Dorigo Chardonnay "Ronc di Juri" \$36.99
2003 Jermann Vintage Tunina\$49.95
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2004 Arancio Nero d'Avola\$5.99
2003 d'Angelo Aglianico "Sacravite"\$10.99
2004 2004 Planeta La Segreta Bianco & Rosso\$11.95
2003 Feudi di San Gregorio Rubrato Aglianico\$11.99
2003 Valle del Acate Poggio Bidini Nero d'Avola\$12.99
2004 d'Antiche Terre Fiano d'Avellino
2004 Valle dell'Acate "Il Frappato"-2 Glasses Gambero Rosso\$17.99
2000 La Lumia "Torreforte" Nero d'Avola IGT \$19.99
2003 Feudi di San Gregorio Fiano di Avellino "Pietra Calda" \$23.99
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2004 Planeta Nero d'Avola Santa Cecilia\$34.95
2004 Planeta Chardonnay\$36.99
2003 Feudi di San Gregorio Serpico\$69.99
Lombardia, Umbria, Veneto, Marches and Other
2003 Corte Rugolin Valpolicella Classico-1 Glass Gambero Rosso\$8.99
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2001 Luigi Righetti Amarone\$24.95
2002 Buglioni Valpolicella Ripasso\$25.99
Bellavista Franciacorta Brut\$27.95
2001 Corte Rugolin Amarone "Danieli"-2 Glasses Gam Rosso\$39.99

August's Picks

2004 Frescobaldi Castiglione Chianti (\$9.99) This Chianti DOCG is 85% sangiovese and 15% merlot and has been a "best buy" in many wine periodicals over the years. The 2004 is no exception. The nose is appealing with prominent fruit, in particular dark cherry subtly softened by a touch of spice. A light touch of tannin brings good balance to the palate with a hint of Tuscan dust and black fruit. The finish is very luscious.

2004 Dorigo Pinot Grigio (\$17.95) This wine is made entirely in stainless steel and left in contact with the lees, which gives this a richness few pinot grigios have. The palate will bring you that classic Friulian terroir with green apples, a touch of almond and that great 2004 acidity. This is a great wine for those last of the summer days sitting and sipping on the porch.

2004 Planeta "La Segreta" Bianco (\$11.95) From Sicily, this is a blend of 50% grecanico, 30% chardonnay, 10% viognier and 10% fiano fermented and aged in stainless steel. Lots of complexity here, layers of peaches, melons and hint of lime zest mingle with balanced acidity on this full-bodied wine. Enjoy with a pasta primavera!

2004 Planeta "La Segreta" Rosso (\$11.95) The rosso is a blend of 50% nero d'avola, 30% merlot and 20% syrah and again all stainless steel fermented. Here we have a great marriage of grapes that work together very well. Lots of fruit, plum, blackberries and red currant dance with soft tannins on this medium-bodied and "user friendly" wine from Sicily. Try with grilled sausages, this is also great with antipasto and your best friends. Salute!

—Mike Parres

SPECIALTY SPIRITS

I have just returned from another fabulous trip to Scotland. A few days of holiday on Islay then Speyside and Campbeltown, fantastic! Here is a short list of some of the single malts whiskies that are available from the places I visited. Slainte Mhor! —Susan Purnell

BenRiach 10 year "Curiostas" Heavily Peated\$55.99

This rare peated single malt from the Heartland of Speyside has wonderful overtones of peat, in conjunction with fruity, floral and heathery notes followed by an appealing presence of oak wood in the finish. Curiositas achieves optimum balance of peat-bittersweet and oak infusion after 10 years.

BenRiach 12-year-old (Special Order)\$55.00 BenRiach 16-year-old (Special Order)\$75.00

Nose: Honey, vanilla, floral, fruity with well-balanced wood overtones. Color: Mid-amber, hints of gold. Palate: Rounded medium to full bodied, rich honey, vanilla with hints of cream, spices, toffee and apples. Smooth single malt with an elegant full body.

BenRiach 20-year-old (Special Order)\$130.00

Nose: Spicy, nutty, honey, vanilla, floral, fruity with well-balanced wood overtones Color: Mid-amber, hints of gold. Palate: Rounded medium to full-bodied, rich honey, vanilla with hints of apples, spice, chocolate and nuts. Smooth single malt with an elegant full body and aromas that perfectly capture the fruity and floral oak-wood notes with captivating resonance.

BenRiach 21-year-old "Authenticus" Heavily Peated\$145.99

The older and wiser big brother to Curiositas. A peat lover's dream dram! Smooth single malt with an elegant full body and aromas that perfectly capture the fruity and floral oak-wood notes with captivating resonance. (Preiss Imports) Color: Rich golden. Nose: An explosion of smoke and peat, in combination with teasing hints of honey, apples and spices. Taste: Rich peat, in perfect harmony with honey, chocolate, raisins and oak-wood.

1967 Bunnahabhain 36-year-old, Duncan Taylor.....\$209.99

Golden dram with a nose filled with sea salt and citrus. Oakey and sweet flavors with wood embers wafting slightly. So smooth with a long finish. Wonderfully complex, just keeps on opening. This rare whisky is bottled at cask strength and remains in its natural form with no chill filtering or colorings of any kind. Cask #3329. 45.8% ABV. 270 bottles produced.

1981 Glenugie 22 year, Duncan Taylor Rarest of the Rare\$199.99

Classic, Highest Recommendation from the *Wine Enthusiast*! Only a few bottles of this very rare malt available! Distilled in November 1981 and bottled in July 2004. Sherry Cask, Non chill filtered or coloring. Cask #3049. 58% ABV.

1967 Strathisla 36-year-old, Duncan Taylor\$209.99

92 points *Malt Advocate*: "This whisky starts out rich and lush-both in aroma and on the palate, notes of fig cake, candied fruit, and sticky toffee pudding. Citrus fruit, a characteristic that emerges with many older whiskies, cuts through the heft and lushness of this whisky. contributing complexity, balance and drinkability. The whisky continues to evolve, serving up notes of almonds, exotic spice, and polished leather on the finish." Cask #1330. 48.7% ABV

1965 Tomatin 38-year-old, Duncan Taylor\$179.99

Deep golden in color. Joyously big and malty with honey draping over the earthy, peaty notes that emerge with each sip. Beautifully complex yet so affa-

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Glen Scotia 12-year-old, Campbeltown (Special Order)\$60.00

Like Springbank across town, the water comes from Crosshill Loch, as well as from two wells bored 80 feet down into the rock beneath the distillery. The Campbeltown "sea mist" aroma is evident. The aroma is magnificent, as is the smooth, salty palate, and the warm finish is remarkably long and powerful.

Glen Scotia 17-year-old, Campbeltown (Special Order)\$80.00

Recommended from the Beverage Testing Institute: "Reminiscent of chocolate, honey, dried fruit. Expansive chocolate aromas lead a thick, viscous palate with a rich center and a quick finish. Impressively proportioned." 43% ABV

1995 Longrow 10-year-old, Campbeltown (Special Order)\$95.00

Dried fruit and gentle smokiness on the nose give little warning as to the bonfire of flavors that dance around the palate. Sherry and bourbon casks for maturation give an initial rush of both sweetness and spice before the peat smoke arrives to overwhelm the senses, lingering long after the flames have died down. 46% ABV.

Longrow 10-year-old, 100 Proof (Special Order)\$95.00 Longrow 10-year-old, Tokaji "Wood Expression"\$94.99

This 10-year-old is free of artificial coloring and is non chilled filtered. It has a deep medium amber color and has spent eight years in refill casks and two year in fresh Tokaji casks. Only 1500 bottles produced. 55.6% ABV.

Springbank 10-year-old, Campbeltown\$56.99

While bourbon casks are mainly used for maturation, allowing the distillery character to shine through, sherry casks are also used for added body. The light color of this malt belies the richness of its character. While the nose suggests a wide range of aromas, from citrus fruits to pears and a hint of peat, the palate excites even further with touches of smoke, vanilla essence, nutmeg, cinnamon and the salty tang we have come to expect from Springbank.

Springbank 10-year-old, 100 Proof, Campbeltown\$61.99

Subtle scents of sea breeze, green olive, lemon grass, malted milk and unsweetened coconut... The taste profile asserts itself in the forms of light caramel, paraffin and almond paste. At midpalate, the spirit becomes more evident as the off-dry, malty, moderately salty flavor warms the tongue and throat. 4 Stars from F. Paul Pacult, of the *Spirit Journal*.

Springbank 15-year-old, Campbeltown\$94.99

As the eye takes in the dark, russet color of the 15-year old, the nose anticipates the rich sweet smell of the sherry casks used to mature this age of Springbank. The sweet nose on this dram only begins to suggest the full range of flavors that emerge on the palate; dark chocolate, figs, marzipan, brazil nuts and vanilla all mingle to DRAMatic effect!

Springbank 25-year-old, Campbeltown (Special Order)\$550.00

Sweet vanilla, malt and hazelnut combine initially. Very moreish with subtle notes of honey, clove oranges and apricot. Palate: Medium bodied and initially sweet, the palate soon explodes with toffee, creme brulée, vanilla pods and milk chocolate. Finish: The finish is long and lingering, without being overpowering. Understated notes of sherry and oak remain.

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Cheers! —Dave Rosenzweig

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