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# Affordable Bordeaux Picks

# 2001 Château Cambon-Pelouse, Haut-Médoc ......\$17.99

Neighbor of Ch. Cantemerle (to the south) and Giscours and Ch. Margaux (to the north). 50% merlot, 30% cabernet sauvignon, 20% cabernet franc. At this price the perfect introduction to Bordeaux for those with California palates. Here is an estate to watch for future values.

#### 2001 Château Larruau, Margaux.....\$21.99

Larruau is three doors up from Palmer and two doors down from Margaux, a good neigborhood for sure. With 7.5 acres planted to 55% merlot and 45% cabernet sauvignon, this estate only makes 1,000 cases a year. The '01 is a sterling example with glorious smokey, curranty aromatics and bright fruit on the palate. Delicious now with decanting.

#### 2000 Reserve de Comtesse Lalande, Pauillac .......\$36.99 2000 Château Haut-Bages-Libéral, Pauillac ......\$39.99

The GREAT year and priced under \$40, these two Pauillacs will please both your palate and pocketbook. The Comtesse has just arrived from the Château and it received 89 points Robert Parker: "An excellent second wine..."

### 2001 Calon-Ségur, St-Estèphe ......\$36.99

Don't overlook 2001 Bordeaux. Priced at less than half of the 2000 or 2003 vintages, this Calon-Ségur is right for your cellar. 90 points *Wine Spectator*: "Elegant and spicy, with blackberry and earth character. Medium- to full-bodied, with silky tannins and a medium to long finish." (03/04)

#### 1996 Château Pichon-Baron, Pauillac.....\$52.99

No introduction needed for this second growth value. 92 points *Spectator*: "Marvelous aromas of raspberry, coconut and mineral. Full-bodied, with superbly well-integrated yet powerful tannins. Chewy and fruity finish. Needs a lot of time to mellow. Best Pichon-Baron since 1990. Best after 2006." (01/99)

#### 2001 Petit Vedrines, Sauternes ......\$23.99 2002 Petit Vedrines, Sauternes (.375ml) .....\$11.99

Affordable second wine of Doisy Vedrines. Wonderful aromatics and some coconut and pineapple flavors. Excellent acid balance and a lingering finish.

—Clyde Beffa Jr.

# Pichon-Lalande & Cos d'Estournel at the Ritz!

Thursday night, March 3 will see THE wine event of the year at the beautiful Ritz Carlton Half Moon Bay. A wonderful five course dinner with the wines of these two famous châteaux. Gildas d'Ollone, director of Pichon-Lalande and Jean Guillaume Prats, director of Cos d' Estournel will talk about their wines. We will taste ten wines including the fabulous 1986, 1996 and 2000 Cos as well as the equally fabulous 1996 and 1986 Pichon-Lalande. Make a weekend of it as the Ritz has special rates for attendees: golf, spa, wine and food by the ocean!! Limited to 100 people. \$230 plus tax per person.

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## Valentines Day Rosé!

It's bubbly, and it's pink! What could be more romantic? See page 17 for a great Rosé Champagne suggestion from Gary Westby.

## K&L Exclusives = Unreal Values!

If you only knew the sources for Kalinda, Kirkham Peak and Purisima Canyon. Read Jim Barr's column on page 2.

## Toro and Rueda

Two regions in Spain producing two exceptional wine styles. See page 14 for recommendations from Anne Pickett.

# What's Happening at K&L in 2005

First, thanks to all of our great customers. Because of you, K&L Wine Merchants just registered our best year ever (and we started doing this in 1976). We are expecting a fine 2005, and should have some great values for you.

Bordeaux 2004 should be a "useful" vintage, not up to the caliber of the great 2003 vintage (and we still have many gems from '03). In stock, look at the superb bargain-priced 2001s and 2002s.

Italy and Burgundy and Germany offer super vintages and reasonable prices. Spain and down under wines are always a great deal, while Champagne sales continue to soar. In 2004 California was king (except for 2003 Bordeaux pre sales), and we expect that trend to continue as the Euro strength has affected imports.

As we get older, so do the wines, and our old/rare sales are strong. Can you believe 1995 wines are now considered old? Weren't we just selling them as new releases??

Don't miss our great dinner/tasting events and especially our March 3 dinner at the Ritz Carlton in Half Moon Bay. It will be superb.

Again thanks for your support in 2004, and we look forward to serving you in 2005.

—Clyde Beffa Jr.

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# Jim's February Gems

When Clyde and Todd initiated our **Kalinda** program 21 years ago (1984), the original concept was to provide top-notch quality varietals from domestic wineries at incredibly reasonable prices. In many cases, these wines would be up to 50% cheaper than comparable varietals under the wineries' labels and would, in fact, be the very same wine at times. Thus a single label, Kalinda (named after Clyde and Todd's wives, Kay and Linda), was launched.

In the beginning it was challenging to consistently, and on a regular basis, find exceptionally wonderful wine for the Kalinda label. Through lots of searching we were able to find excellent wines then, but never any from those few "cult" producers. This situation remained unchanged throughout most of the 1980s and into the 1990s, especially after 80% of the North Coast vineyards were replanted in the early '90s.

This started to change about seven years ago. When we began seeing all this truly exceptional wine

being made available to us, we decided to create two more brands: **Purisima Canyon** and **Kirkham Peak**. We did this so as not to confuse our very loyal, ever-expanding following with, for example, three or four different Cabernets or Chardonnays at one time under the Kalinda label.

With all the new plantings coming on line in combination with the enormous crop size yet excellent quality of the 2002 and 2003 vintages, we were suddenly being offered varietals from some highly sought after cult wineries. It seemed that many of these famous producers had just a bit too much juice from those two vintages to feel comfortable selling all of it under their own winery label. This was the case last year with the 2003 Kalinda Anderson Valley Chardonnay and the 2002 Kalinda Anderson Valley Pinot Noir from the Floodgate Vineyard.



Kirkham Peak

I never imagined, however, that we would ever be

We have just imported for the first time a white that is a project and production by Pierre Lurton (managing director of Château Cheval Blanc). The **2003 Château Marjosse Entre-Deux-Mers Blanc** (**\$9.99**), offering the essence of lime peel and citrus, is a clean, crisp and well-defined white (85% semillon and 15% sauvignon blanc) on the palate and in the nose. A mouthwatering finish with excellent acid structure and balance completes this gem and makes it a perfect compliment to the above-mentioned cuisine. (

Anderson's birthday is on February 14 (he will be three), and he expects tons of treats from everyone, being the spoiled Brittany that he is. In any case, if you have any questions about this month's gems, you can e-mail me at jimbarr@klwines.com. Enjoy February's selection!

—Jim, Anderson, and Ebby.

#### **2003 BORDEAUX FUTURES-FABULOUS VINTAGE**

Vintage Report for insight into the 2003s and tasting notes. S	
are from the Wine Advocate.	
Angélus, St-Emilion (94-96)	
95-100 points <i>Wine Spectator:</i> "A fabulous young wine. Beautiful. This fruit-coated cashmere." (04/04)	·
Beausejour-Becot, St-Emilion (90-92)	
Beausejour-Duffau, St-Emilion (89-91+)	\$47.99
Beychevelle, St-Julien (88-90)	
89-91 points <i>Spectator</i> : "currant, mineral and berry character. Full- to um-bodied, with fine tannins and a reserved finish. Delicious already."	
Brane-Cantenac, Margaux (85-88)	
Canon-La-Gaffelière, St-Emilion (87-89)	
Carbonnieux Rouge, Pessac-Léognan	
Chauvin, St-Emilion (90-92)	
Robert Parker: "Impeccably well-made by Madame Ondet, the inky/ruby	//pur-
ple-colored 2003 offers up beautiful aromas of jammy black fruits intert with licorice, smoke, and graphite." VALUE!!	
Chasse-Spleen, Moulis	
Chasse-Spleen, Moulis (1.5L)	
According to the <i>Wine Spectator:</i> "A pretty Moulis with raspberry, cheri berry character. Medium body and silky tannins" (04/04)	
Clos du Marquis, St-Julien	\$37.99
Cos d'Estournel, St-Estèphe (95-98)	\$139.99
Robert Parker: "a substantial yet extraordinarily elegant claretIt is the impressive young Cos I have ever tasted."	e most
Destieux, St-Emilion (90-92)	\$27.99
d'Issan, Margaux (88-90+)	
d'Aiguilhe, Cotes du Castillon	
Domaine de Chevalier Rouge, Pessac-Léognan (88-90)	
du Tertre, Margaux	
Ducru-Beaucaillou, St-Julien (93-95)	
Figeac, St-Emilion	
Fombrauge, St-Emilion (90-92)	
Gigault "Cuvee Viva," Blaye (87-89)	
Goulee, Médoc (87-89)	
Grand-Puy-Lacoste, Pauillac (91-94)	
Gruaud-Larose, St-Julien (86-88??)	
Haut-Marbuzet, St-Estèphe (89-91)	
Haut-Bages-Libéral, Pauillac	
Haut-Bailly, Pessac-Léognan (87-89)	
Robert Parker: "with racy, noble, restrained aromas of sweet cherries, currants, damp earth, and new wood. Medium-bodied, with spicy oak, acidity, and clean, refreshing fruit"	black
Haut-Brion, Pessac (95-98)	
Joanin Becot, Cotes du Castillon (90-92)	
La Couspaude, St-Emilion (90-92)	\$45.99
La Fleur de Bouard, Lalande-de-Pomerol (88-91)	
89-91 points <i>Wine Spectator</i> : "Bright blackberry and wet earth, with his crushed currants. Full-bodied and chewy, with plenty of tannins and a m finish. Impressive." (04/04)	
Lafite-Rothschild, Pauillac (98-100)	
Langoa-Barton, St-Julien (88-90)	
Larcis-Ducasse, St-Emilion (88-91)-Super VALUE!!	
Lascombes, Margaux (91-93)	
Léoville-Las-Cases, St-Julien (94-96+)	\$169.99

2004 Bordeaux won't be as collectible as 2003. Check out our 16-page

95-100 points Wine Spectator: "Very complex. Layers of cashmereli	ke tan-	
nins, turning to leather. Warm and inviting, yet rich and powerful; far	itastic	
purity, yet voluptuous. This is what exciting wine is about."		
Les Carmes Haut-Brion, Pessac-Léognan (88-91)\$39		

Les Carmes Haut-Brion, Pessac-Léognan (88-91)	\$39.99
Malartic-Lagravière, Pessac-Léognan (88-91)	\$29.99
Malescot St-Exupéry, Margaux (90-93)-VALUE!!	\$34.99
92-94 points Wine Spectator: "Wonderful aromas of blackberries, d	ark choco-
late, meat and other yummy decadent things Full-bodied, with ve	ery well-
integrated tannins and a long, fresh finish. Silky backbone of tannin	s."

Margaux, Margaux (96-100)	.Inquire
Monbousquet Rouge, St-Emilion (90-92)	\$29.99
Montlisse, St-Emilion (88-90)	\$24.99
Robert Parker: "Perhaps the finest wine this estate has yet made"	

Mouton-Rothschild, Pauillac (95-98)\$259.	.99
95-100 points Wine Spectator: "Complex aromas of blackberries, citrus and	
tobacco. Currants. Subtle nose yet complex"	

Palmer, Margaux (88-91)	\$114.99
Pape-Clément Rouge, Pessac (92-94)	\$69.99
Phéan-Ségur, St-Estèphe (87-89)	\$26.99
Pichon-Lalande, Pauillac (93-95)	\$98.99
Pichon-Lalande, Pauillac 1.5L (93-95)	\$199.99

95-100 points *Wine Spectator*: "This tastes like crushed grapes and red fruits. It's big and rich, full-bodied, with velvety tannins and a long, long finish. Juicy wine. A cross between the 1995 and 1996. In fact, it could be better than 2000. Wonderful." (04/04)

Potensac, Médoc (88-90)	\$19.99
Poujeaux, Moulis (88-90 sleeper)	\$22.99
Rausan-Segla, Margaux (88-90)	\$49.99
Rouget, Pomerol	\$24.99
Smith-Haut-Lafitte Rouge, Pessac-Léognan (90-92)	\$39.99
Sociando-Mallet, Médoc (91-94)	\$39.99
St. Pierre, St-Julien (90-92)	\$29.99
Talbot, St-Julien (88-90)	\$32.99

## Sauternes: voluptuous like the 1990s

Climens, Barsac (.3/5ml \$3/.99)	Inquire
Doisy-Védrines, Sauternes (89-92) (.375ml)	\$14.99
Doisy-Védrines, Sauternes (89-92)	\$29.99
Guiraud, Sauternes (90-93) (.375ml)	\$21.99
Guiraud, Sauternes (90-93)	\$41.99
Lafaurie-Peyraguey, Sauternes (89-93)(.375ml \$19.99)	\$39.99

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## Treat Your Valentine to Wines of Elegance

The views from the top floors of the two great second growth estates, the Pichons of Pauillac, are second to none. Looking southeast from the top floor of Château Pichon-Longueville-Baron the landscape is stunningly vast and beautiful. Lush green vineyards gently roll away from you on their way down to the shoreline of the mighty Gironde estuary. Formed by the Garonne and Dordogne rivers, it is the protector of some of Bordeaux's greatest vineyards in the Médoc. As a natural frost deterrent and cooling influence in the hot summer heat, it is a key element to the freshness and elegance these wines have amid a powerful core of fruit.

This is exceedingly evident in the great vineyard of Léoville-Las-Cases, which pre-dates the French revolution. Jean Hubert Delon's wine is as intense as the man himself. He calls the **2001 Ch. Léoville-Las-Cases** (\$79.99) "classic, like 1995 and 1996," and I think he would also tell us that the low yield cabernet franc (13% of the vineyard blend) adds to the elegance! My notes say: "Great, loaded with powerful red fruit, not hard, great mouth feel, long and pure on the finish, fantastic-another great one." It surely will be great, but it will require 10 years of aging. Don't fret, we can drink the superb 2nd wine that was established in 1902, Clos du Marquis, while the great wine ages. The 1994 has been a huge hit with our customers, and the **2001 Clos du Marquis** (\$28.99) is far better. It is zesty, with vibrant, crisp raspberry fruit, good grip and vanilla oak hints. A very natural nice bridge to the first wine.

As the eyes move north, the short but imposing tower of Latour seems to silently express to me, "What about my first growth power and elegance?" Latour needn't worry; I certainly have not forgotten this great estate, as I can actually afford to buy some **2001 Ch. Latour** (\$169.99)!

Right next door, and intersecting these powerhouses is elegance personified at Ch. Pichon-Longueville-Comtesse de Lalande. I have to believe you, my customers, so many have called to say the second wine **2001 Reserve de La Comtesse** (\$25.99) is delicious right now with an hour decanting! The **2001 Ch. Pichon-Lalande** (\$69.99) is glossy, fragrant, spicy and firm, and reminds me of one of my absolute favorite PCLs, the lovely 1981.

From the top floor at Ch. Pichon-Lalande looking west, the vineyards seem to roll on forever, and then your eyes catch the huge pond that reflects the stunning façade of Pichon-Longueville-Baron. It reminds you that the ultra-modern winemaking facility under the direction of Jean Rene Matagon is now producing wines of great richness, power, fragrance and class as never before. The **2001 Ch. Pichon-Baron** (\$49.99) has been a showstopper at every tasting with our customers. Powerful and slightly exotic cabernet sauvignon fruit rule this fine wine with hints of earth, tobacco and cigar. Underlying sweetness of the merlot adds to the complexity of this tasty, lush wine. Give it eight to fifteen years to blossom. As the vineyards roll, so must I, on to another sip of Bordeaux wine!

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or advice on the wines of Bordeaux at ex 2723 or Ralph@klwines.com. Cheers and Happy Valentines Day!

—Ralph Sands

## Bearden's Bordeaux Beauties

**2001 Cambon La Pelouse, Haut-Médoc (\$17.99)** This super quality Cru Bourgeois is toasty and earthy with sweet black fruit and a deep ruby color. The mid palate is deep, rich and lively with licorice, oak and mineral. 50% cabernet sauvignon, 30% merlot, 20% cabernet franc. 89 points from Robert Parker and a BEST BUY!

**2001 Château Larruau, Margaux (\$21.99)** This tiny château, located between Palmer and Margaux, makes only 1000 cases of this outstanding wine from a near equal blend of cabernet sauvignon and merlot. This garnet-colored, earthy micro cuvee is firm with bright cherries and currants on a long, smoky finish. This traditionally made, well-priced beauty is sure to sell out quickly, so don't wait.

**2001 Château Montrose, St-Estèphe (\$49.99)** This inky 2001 is one of the biggest wines of the vintage. Aromas of raspberries and currants gush forth with dark chocolate, mineral and sweet tannin building on the powerful finish. This outstanding, concentrated powerhouse needs six years in the cellar to strut its stuff. 91 points from Robert Parker and my vote for "best buy cellar candidate." 62% cabernet sauvignon, 34% merlot, 3% petit verdot and 1% cabernet franc.

**2001 Château Lafite-Rothschild, Pauillac (\$169.99)** The most consistent Bordeaux château over the last 20 years has produced a harmonious, seamless 2001. Flowery aromatics are followed by sweet velvety dark fruit, cedar, pencil lead and ripe tannins. This is an elegant blend of 86.5% cabernet sauvignon and 13.5% merlot. 94 points from Parker.

—Steve Bearden

#### **BORDEAUX 1995-2003**

BURDEAUX 1995-2005
1995 Haut-Brion, Pessac\$329.00
1995 Pichon-Baron, Pauillac\$54.99
1995 Poumey, Pessac\$19.99
1996 Mouton-Rothschild (3L)\$879.00
<b>1996 Phelan-Ségur, St-Estèphe\$29.99</b> Quite forward for the vintage-enjoy now.
1996 Pichon-Baron, Pauillac\$54.99
92 points <i>Spectator</i> and \$20 less than 2003.
1996 Soudars, Haut-Médoc
1997 Hauts de Pontet, Pauillac\$14.99 American version of Pontet-Canet's second wine
<b>1998 Camensac, Médoc\$16.99</b> This property is making very good wines of late.
<b>1998 Cantemerle, Médoc\$21.99</b> One of our favorite "value" properties.
1998 Haut-Brion, Pessac\$189.99
1998 Latour, Pauillac\$149.95
1998 Léoville-Barton, St-Julien\$46.99
1998 Léoville-Las-Cases, St-Julien\$76.99
93 points Robert Parker
<b>1998 Pavillon Rouge, Margaux\$44.99</b> This could be the best second wine of the vintage.
1999 Bellegrave VanderVoort, Pl\$24.99
Their best to date-quite silky.
1999 Branaire-Ducru, St-Julien\$29.99
1999 Carillon d'Angélus, St-Emilion \$24.99
Sweet and lush-outstanding. 90 points, Clyde.
1999 Cos d' Estournel, St-EstèpheInquire
1999 Dom de Gartieux, Pauillac\$21.99
A Pichon-Lalande wine with toasty aromas and flavors. Small production. Rare in the U.S.
1999 Langoa-Barton, St-JulienInquire
1999 Pavie-Macquin, St-Emilion\$44.99
1999 Palmer, MargauxInquire
1999 Phélan-Ségur, St-Estèphe\$26.99
Another excellent wine from this property.  1999 Poujeaux, Moulis\$21.99
Dominted by delicious sweet, toasty dark fruit.  1999 Rés de Léoville-Barton (1.5L)\$34.99
Rich and powerful. Great for the cellar.
2000 Barde Haut, St-Emilion\$33.99
2000 de Birot, Cotes de Bordeaux\$10.99
Outstanding value-made by former owner of Château Canon, St-Emilion.
2000 Calon-SégurInquire
2000 Cantemerle, Médoc\$28.99
91 points Wine Spectator: "Opulent red. Intense
aromas of currants, cigar tobacco and berries. Full-bodied, with a solid core of silky tannins"
<b>2000 Carruades de Lafite, Pauillac\$52.99</b> 90 points Robert Parker:
2000 Clerc-Milon, Pauillac\$52.99
2000 Clos Villemaurine, St-Emilion \$14.99
2000 Coucy Maureze, Mont-St-Em\$18.99
An everyday drinking 2000 vintage wine. NICE!
2000 Destieux, St-Emilion\$29.99
2000 Ducru-Beaucaillou, St-Julien \$119.99
2000 du Taillan, Haut-Médoc\$14.99

#### **BORDEAUX 1995-2002**

	BURDEAUX 1995-2002	
What a value-just when you thought there were no more deals in 2000 Bordeaux!  2000 du Tertre, Margaux\$44.99  2000 Ferriere, Margaux\$68.99  2000 Fournas de Bernadotte, Pauil\$14.99	2000 Smith-Haut-Lafitte, Pessac\$56.99 2000 Trimboulet, St-Emilion\$19.99 Old-school winemaking at its best. 2000 Yon Figeac, St Emilion\$24.99 2001 Angélus, St-Emilion\$99.99	2001 Léoville-Las-Cases, St-Julien\$79.99 2001 Léoville-Las-Cases (1.5L)\$159.99 94 points <i>Spectator:</i> "Very floral and perfumed with violets, roses, berries. Full-bodied, with ultra- fine tannins and racy finish" (03/04)
Toasty, coffee aromas. Smooth on palate.  2000 Fourcas Hosten, Listrac\$14.99  2000 Grange-neuve, Pomerol\$29.99  2000 Grand Mayne, St-Emilion\$49.99  2000 Grand-Puy-Lacoste, Pauillac\$65.99	2001 Angélus, St-Emilion (1.5L)\$169.99 2001 Barde-Haut, St-Emilion\$28.99 2001 Beausejour-Duffau, St-Emilion\$49.95 2001 Beausejour-Duffau (1.5L)\$79.99 2001 Bernadotte, Haut-Médoc\$17.99	2001 l'Enclos du Lezongars, Cotes\$15.99  According to Joanna Simon of the UK's Sunday Times: "Ideal Christmas claret – and for the next six years. Serious but seductive, with ripe mulber- ry fruit and fine tannins. One of Bordeaux's rising stars, so buy now while you still can." (11/04)
<b>2000 Haut-Bages-Libéral, Pauillac\$39.99</b> 92 points <i>Spectator</i> : "Best HBL ever. Lots of currant bush and berry aromas and flavors. Full-bodied, with compacted fruit and a silky tannin"	2001 Bon Pasteur, Pomerol	2001 l'Hermitage, St-Emilion\$52.99 2001 Lynch-Bages, PauillacInquire 2001 Magrez Fombrauge, St-Emil\$98.99 2001 Margaux, Margaux\$179.99
2000 Haut-Brion, Pessac       \$379.00         2000 la Conseillante, Pomerol       \$199.00         2000 La Forge, St-Emilion       \$69.00         2000 La Fleur de Bouard       \$39.99         2000 La Fleur Maillet, Pom(.375ml)       \$13.99	2001 Brillette, Moulis\$15.99 2001 Calon-Ségur, St-Estèphe\$36.99 Half the price of the 2003! I'll take this one. 2001 Cambon La Pelouse, Haut-Md \$17.99	2001 Montrose, St-Estèphe\$49.99 92-94 points <i>Wine Spectator:</i> Sweet and ripe fruit, with spice and tarragon. Full- to mediumbodied, with silky tannins and a long finish. Refined. Almost like 1996."
2000 La Grace Dieu, St-Emilion\$19.99 Inky ruby in color, the nose offers a sweet roasted coffee bean character that is underscored by cherry, vanilla and herbs. Shows lots of off-sweet, lush, ripe fruit on the palate with obvious cedary oak notes, excellent structure, moderate complex-	2001 Canon-La-Gaffeliere (1.5L)\$89.99 2001 Cantemerle, Médoc\$19.99 An absolute steal and a mid-term ager. 2001 Cap de Faugeres, St-EmilionInquire 2001 Carruades de Lafite, Pauillac\$39.99 2001 Cheval Blanc, St-Emilion\$219.00	2001 Nenin, Pomerol       \$39.99         2001 Palmer, Margaux       \$129.99         2001 Pavie-Macquin, St-Emilion       \$44.99         2001 Peby Faugeres, St-Emilion       \$69.99         2001 Pichon-Baron, Pauillac       \$49.99         93 points Robert Parker:       "this deep ruby-pur-
ity, and a long, warm finish.  2000 La Mission-Haut-Brion\$369.00  2000 La Mondotte, St-Emilion\$279.00  2000 La Parde de Haut-Bailly\$19.99  2000 Lafon-Rochet, St-Estèphe\$39.99	2001 Clos du Marquis, St-Julien\$28.99 A dazzling wine-so much ripe fruit!  2001 Cos d'Estournel, St-Estèphe\$79.99 One of the best of the vintage. Superb value.	ple-colored Pauillac exhibits breed along with black currant liqueur, licorice, and incense notes. Sweet, expansive, fleshy, and medium to full-bodied, with good structure, ripe tannin"  2001 Pichon-Lalande, Pauillac\$69.99
2000 Latour, Pauillac       \$469.00         2000 Léoville-Barton, St-Julien       \$139.99         2000 Lynch Bages, Pauillac       \$109.99         2000 Margaux, Margaux       \$459.00	2001 d'Armailhac, Pauillac\$25.99 2001 Domaine de Chevalier Rouge\$31.99 Elegant and refined-this goes in my cellar. 2001 du Moulin, Haut-Médoc\$18.99 According to the <i>Spectator</i> : "Good berry and	2001 Potensac (1.5L) \$29.99 2001 Quinault d'Enclos \$49.99 2001 Reserve de Comtesse, Pauillac\$25.99 Just as the 2001 Pichon is better than the 2000, this fabulous wine beats out the Comtesse 2000.
2000 Monbousquet, St-Emilion\$99.99         2000 Ormes de Pez, St-Estèphe\$29.99         2000 Palmer, Margaux\$169.99         2000 Pavillon Rouge, Margaux\$62.99	mineral character in this medium-bodied red with silky tannins and a fresh finish"  2001 Ferrand-Lartique, St-Emilion\$26.99  2001 Grand-Puy-Ducasse, Pauillac\$18.99	2001 Rol Valentin, St-Emilion\$39.99 2001 Rol Valentin (1.5L)\$79.00 2001 Smith-Haut-Lafitte, Pessac\$39.99
2000 Pensees de Lafleur, Pomerol\$69.99         2000 Phélan-Ségur, St-Estèphe\$31.99         2000 Pibran, Pauillac\$24.99	2001 Grand-Puy-Lacoste, Pauillac\$27.99 2001 Haut-Bailly, Pessac (1.5L)\$59.99 2001 Haut-Bailly, Pessac\$29.99	2001 Carbonnieux Blanc, Pessac\$24.99 2003 Marjosse Blanc, Bordeaux\$9.99
2000 Pichon-Lalande, Pauillac\$149.00 2000 Plaisance "Cuvee Alix"\$14.99 Superb wine for short-term enjoyment.	87-89 points, Parker. Clyde scores it 92 points.  2001 Haut-Brion (1.5L)\$249.99  2001 Haut-Beausejour, St-Estèphe\$14.99	<b>K&amp;L Staff</b> In Redwood City: Alex B, Jim B, Clyde B Jr, Trey B, Jim C, Jeff G, Shaun G, Brian H,
<b>2000 Pontet-Canet, Pauillac\$54.99</b> 93 points <i>Wine Spectator:</i> "Extremely pretty aromas of mineral, blackberry and raspberry The best Pontet-Canet ever."	This Cru Bourgeous entices you with lovely scents of earth, mineral and toast. Rustic yet lively, the currant, plum, oak and coffee flavors are sweet, balanced, long and savory. 89 pts Wine Spectator	Thornton J, Matt K, John L, Susan P, Anne P, Sharon R, David R, Martin R, Ahila S, Greg S, Ralph S, Jeff V, Jorge V, Gary W, Keith W,
2000 Potensac, Medoc       \$18.99         2000 Poujeaux, Moulis       \$24.99         2000 Poumey, Pessac       \$21.99	2001 la Couspaude, St Emil (1.5L)\$69.99 2001 l'Arrosée, St-Emilion\$29.99 2001 Lafite-Rothschild, Pauillac\$169.99	Kirk W, Brian Z, Todd Z and Joe Z.  In San Carlos: Stacy B, Sal C, Don D, Peter D, Kevin I, Brian K, Frank M, Rick N, Kit O,
According to Robert Parker: "delicious plum, anise, and tobacco nose possesses soft flavors, and plenty of fruit and glycerin."  2000 Puy Arnaud, Côtes Castillion\$16.99	#7 in the <i>Spectator's</i> Top 100 for 2004. 96 points and a Collectibles designation from <i>Spectator</i> .  2001 Lafon-Rochet, St-Estèphe\$27.99  2001 Langoa-Barton (1.5L)\$57.99	Victor R, Julio S and Sal S.  In San Francisco: Darryl B, Scott B, Steve B, Gregory C, Mulan C, Marco D, Jeff J,
Excellent value from 2000 vintage.  2000 Reserve de Comtesse Pauil Inquire	2001 La Mondotte, St-Emilion\$159.99	Michael J, Mike P, David R, Eric S and Elisabeth S.

In Los Angeles: Chip H and Tommy M. In Phoenix: Kerri B.

2001 Lascombes, Margaux ......\$44.99

2001 Latour, Pauillac .....\$169.99

2001 Léoville-Barton, St-Julien ......\$43.99

2000 Reserve de Comtesse, Pauil ....Inquire

2000 Réserve de Léoville-Barton .....\$27.99

One of the best second wines of this vintage.

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# Red Bordeaux 1948 Cheval Blanc, St-Emilion ....\$1299.00

As good as their legendary 1947! Magnif	icent!
1959 Latour, Pauillac	1299.00
1961 Haut-Bailly, Pessac	.\$299.99
Clyde just drank this-perfection!	
1961 Haut-Brion, Pessac	.\$849.00
1962 Haut-Brion, Pessac	.\$239.00
1966 Bellegrave, Pauillac	\$69.95
1966 Lafite-Rothschild	
1966 Léoville-Las-Cases	\$129.99
1970 Lalagune, Médoc	\$96.00
1970 La Mission-Haut-Brion	
1970 Mouton-Rothschild	
1970 Palmer, Margaux	.\$299.99
95 points Parker. Direct from the château.	
1975 Haut-Brion, Pessac	.\$279.00
1975 Palmer, Margaux	\$149.00

1975 Pichon-Lalande (1.5L)	\$279.00
Direct from the property. 92 points Park	er: "Big-
boned, full-bodied Pichon-Lalande" Jเ	ıst tasted
by Clyde-perfect right now!	
1976 Latour, Pauillac	\$199.00

90 points Parker: "...consistently been one of the top wines of the vintage." Direct from château.

1976 Pétrus, Pomerol	\$499.00
1978 Pétrus, Pomerol	\$599.00
1979 La Mission-Haut-Brion	\$149.00
1979 Latour, Pauillac	\$229.00
1979 Margaux, Margaux	\$229.00
1979 Pétrus, Pomerol	\$499.00
1982 Grand-Puy-Lacoste (1.5l) .	\$399.00
1982 Palmer, Margaux	\$199.00
1983 l'Evangile, Pomerol	\$119.00
1983 Palmer, Margaux	\$299.00
97 points from Robert Parker: "One of the superb	
wines of the vintage" Direct from the	ne chateau.

1985 Palmer, Margaux	\$159.99
***** Broadbent, Château direc	t.

1986 Haut-Brion, Pessac	\$199.00
93 points from Parker: "hig	hly concentrated,
nowerful wine "	

**1986 Lafon-Rochet, St-Estèphe .......\$59.99**Robert Parker 88 points: "...one of the estate's best wines made during the eighties."

1988 Haut-Brion, Pessac	\$179.99
Excellent wine and half the p	rice of 1989.

1988 Latour, Pauillac	\$249.00
91 points Robert Parker.	

1988 Pétrus, Pomerol	\$599.00
1989 Beausejour-Duffau (1.5L)	\$169.00
88 points Robert Parker: "This spicy, t	annic, medi-
um to full-bodied 1989 is promising	"

**1989 Gruaud-Larose, St-Julien .......\$64.99** 91 points *Wine Spectator: "...*firm tannins and

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long, silky-textured, minty, berry finish"
1989 La Louviere, Pessac\$59.99
1990 Lafite-Rothschild\$359.00
1990 Palmer, Margaux\$179.99
92 points <i>Wine Spectator</i> : "A beauty. Seductive,
with currant, berry, tobacco, cedar and flowers"
1993 Margaux, Margaux\$159.99
According to Robert Parker: "A beautifully made,
elegant, rich style of Margaux."
<b>1994 Haut-Batailley, Pauillac\$22.99</b> Lovely wine-plenty of stuffing. Lingering finish.
<b>1994 Mouton-Rothschild\$129.00</b> 91 points <i>Spectator</i> : "silky tannins and a chewy, ripe fruit-accented finish impressive Mouton"
<b>1994 Ormes de Pez, St-Estèphe\$16.99</b> A great value, 10-year-old inexpensive Bordeaux.
1994 Palmer, Margaux\$79.99
According to the <i>Wine Spectator:</i> "Exuberant aromas of new wood, chocolate and tobacco. Medium- to full-bodied, yet wonderfully refined"
1994 Pichon-Baron, Pauillac\$34.99
Robert Parker: "sweet, smoky, cassis-scented nose, supple, round tanninexcellent richness"
<u>Sauternes</u>
1953 Doisy-Daëne, Barsac\$199.00
1988 Nairac\$59.95
1991 d'Yquem\$159.00
1991 d'Yquem (1.5L)\$299.00
1997 Sigalas Rabaud\$37.99
1997 d'Yquem (.375ml)\$139.00
1998 d'Yquem\$174.99
2000 Doisy-Vedrines\$21.99
2000 Climens, Barsac\$59.99
2001 d'Arche\$36.99
2001 d'Arche (.375ml)\$20.99
2001 Grand Enclos du Cerons Blanc \$24.99
2001 Sigalas Rabaud\$39.99
2001 Sigalas Rabaud (.375ml)\$21.99
2001 Clos Haut Peyraguey\$44.99
2001 Rabaud Promis\$39.99
2001 Rabaud Promis (.375ml)\$23.99
<u>Champagne</u>
1976 Rene Collard Cuvee Reserve\$74.99
1976 Rene Collard Prestige Roi Rene\$89.00
1985 Rene Collard Cuvee Reserve\$59.99
1996 Dom Pérignon\$98.95
1997 Laurent Perrier Grand Siecle Cuvee
Alexandra Rosé\$89.99
<u>Port</u>
1900 Krohn Vintage Reserve\$899.00
1958 Krohn Colheita\$83.95
1958 Warre\$179.00
1960 Krohn Colheita\$84.95
1963 Cockburn\$169.00
1963 DowInquire

1963 Graham .....\$299.99

1963 Taylor .....\$269.00

1963 Warre .....\$219.00

1966 Krohn Coheita	Inquire
1970 Dow	
1970 Fonseca	
1970 Graham	\$159.99
1970 Quinta do Noval	\$99.99
1970 Taylor	
1970 Warre	
1974 Quinta do Noval Colheita	\$84.99
1977 Fonseca	
1977 Graham	\$129.99
1977 Taylor	\$144.99
1977 Warre	
1978 Krohn Colheita	\$43.99
1983 Graham (1.5L \$139.00)	\$79.99
1985 Croft	
1985 Fonseca	\$79.99
1985 Offley Boa Vista	\$37.99
1994 Krohn Colheita	
1997 Dow LBV	\$17.99
1999 Taylor LBV	\$17.95
2000 Croft	
2000 Dow	\$49.99
2000 Fonseca	\$79.99
2000 Krohn LBV	\$12.99
2000 Quinta do Noval "Silval"	\$32.99
Krohn 20-yr-old Tawny	
Quinta do Tedo Ruby Reserve #3	
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#### **SHERRY/MADEIRA**

Antonio Barbadillo Manzanilla\$7.99
Antonio Barbadillo Amontillado\$7.99
Hidalgo La Gitana Manzanilla
(.500ml)\$8.99
Hidalgo Napolean Cream\$11.99
Cossart Gordon Rainwater\$11.99
Tio Pepe Fino\$13.99
Barbeito 5 year Verdelho "Rainwater"
Madeira\$16.99
Hidalgo Pedro Ximmenez Viejo\$18.99
A Barbadillo "Rafael" Olor Dulce\$22.99
A Barbadillo "Laura" Mosc Muscat \$22.99
Gonzalez Byass Apostles Muy Viejo Palo
Cortado (.375ml)\$24.99
Gonzalez Byass del Duque Muy Viejo
Amontillado (.375ml)\$24.99
Lustau "Pata de Gallina" Oloroso\$27.95
Hidalgo Jerez Cortado Palo Cortado \$28.99
Hidalgo "Pastrana" Amont Viejo\$29.99
A Barbadillo "Principie" Amont\$30.99
Henriques & Henriques 10 yr Sercial\$33.99
Barbeito "Cristovao Colombo" 10-yr
Malmsey\$38.99
A Barbadillo "Obispo" Palo Cortado\$39.99
Sacristia de Garvey "Museo" Cream \$54.99
Sacristia de Garvey Onana Amont\$54.99

Garvey Grd Orden Pedro Ximmenez\$54.99

#### **DIRECT BUYS FROM FRANCE**

K&L buys many imported wines directly from the producers or negociants. The advantages of this direct buying are twofold: first, we can taste the wines at the property and negotiate with the seller, often finding wines that are not available in the U.S. market; second, we can get the wines to our customers for less. There are no middlemen taking a percentage while passing it through distribution. You reap the benefits of direct buying by getting outstanding, hand-picked, best-value wines at less-than-normal market prices.

Alsace	Loire	Val	lev
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Alsace/Loire Valley
J.P. Becker-Incredible wines from Alsace just arrivedInquire
2002 Pinot Noir and 2002 Pinot Blanc, Charles BaurInquire
Solid, fine values from an excellent producer.
Cremant d'Alsace, Charles Baur\$13.99
2002 Riesling, Grand Cru, "Eichberg," Charles Baur\$16.99
Nuances of peach, Kaffir lime, and guyaba are absolutely intoxicating. This is a
spectacular example of Alsatian Riesling.
2002 Gewürztraminer, Grand Cru, "Pfersigberg," Baur\$19.99
Very racy and so clean! Ruby grapefruit, jasmine blossom and lychee are popu-
lar descriptors for the varietal, and this one's got them in spades.
2003 Sauvignon Blanc Haut Poitou, Demoiselles de Brizay\$9.99
The 2003 is alive with broad fruit flavors and an almost decadent litchi nut to
mango quality in the fruit presentation in its aromatics and flavors.
2001 Sancerre Grand Pichot, Cherrier\$15.99
2003 Sancerre Blanc, Franck Millet-The best value in the Loire\$12.99
2002 Sancerre "Cuvee Insolite" Franck Millet\$19.99
Made from Millet's chalkiest limestone soils.
Red Bordeaux/Sweet Wines
2002 Château Souvenir, Bordeaux\$9.99
After decanting, the blackberry aromas and flavors really come through.
2001 Château Delord, Premiere Cotes de Bordeaux\$9.99
"Provides fresh cherry-like fruit, soft tannins, and is just a joy to consume on a
regular basis at a great price, "Jim Barr
2000 Château de Birot, Premiere Cotes de Bordeaux\$10.99
Lots of structure, with broad fruit and complexity, with a roasted coffee bean to
cassis nose, soft tannins, moderate complexity and near-term drinkability.
2000 Château de Viaud, Lalande-de-Pomerol\$14.99
Spicy, lively wine. Rich and ripe. Enjoy over the next ten years.
2000 Fournas de Bernadotte, Pauillac\$14.99
This special cuvee is delicious. Made by the Pichon-Lalande crew.
2001 Château Haut Vigneau, Pessac\$15.99
Soft and fruity on the palate with some underlying mineral notes. Owned by
Eric Perrin (son of Anthony Perrin of Carbonnieux fame).
2000 Château Caronne St Gemme, Haut-Médoc\$15.99
2001 Château Bois Martin, Pessac
From the Perrin family of Carbonnieux fame. Toasty, elegant, good stuffing.
2000 Château Cantelys Rouge, Pessac-Léognan\$19.99
From the Cathiards of Smith-Haut-Lafitte fame.
2002 Grand Enclos de Château Cerons Rouge, Graves\$19.99
Elegant, with mineral notes and red fruit aromas, this wine has ripe berry fla-
vors and smooth, velvety tannins.
2000 Château Pressac, St-Emilion\$26.99
2002 Petit Vedrines, Sauternes (.375ml)\$11.99
2001 Petit Vedrines, Sauternes
Second wine of Doisy-Vedrines—superb bargain!
2001 Grand Enclos du Château Cerons Blanc, Cerons\$24.99
100% semillon, aged in new oak barrels for 18 months. Aroma-wise, very
Sauternish: bitter orange, citrus, honey. On the palate an exquisite balance

#### Southern France/Rhône

2001 Corbieres Cuvee Henri Serres-Just arrived	\$13.99
2000 Côtes du Rhône Rosé "Toques," Vignerons Beaume	\$7.99
2003 Côtes du Ventoux Res Rouge, Beaumont du Ventou	x\$8.99
Aromas of very ripe blackberries with notes of peppers and garrigue. in the mouth with a good structure, finishing with soft and ripe tann	
2003 Vacqueyras, Domaine Mas du Bouquet	\$9.99
Bright raspberry flavors meshed with underlying spiciness.	
2001 Côtes du Rhône, Domaine Montfaucon	\$9.99
Bold, ripe and rich, with tons of berry fruit and smooth, integrated to	annin.
2003 Côtes du Rhône, Château Malijay-Just arrived	\$10.99
2001 Valreas "Domaine du Val Des Rois," Bouchard  Just arrived. Solid wine with fine acidity and terroir.	\$11.99
2000 Vacqueyras, Cecile Chassagne	\$11.99
Very ripe and spicy with jammy raspberry flavors. Delightful and affo	rdable.
2001 Gigondas, Cecile Chassagne	\$14.99
Offers lots of rich, black fruit and a full-bodied plumy finish.	
2001 Sablet Reserve "VV," JC Chassagne	\$14.99
2003 Rasteau Rosé, Domaine Girasols	\$10.99
The rosé is a lighter, fresher version of the reds, with pink fruit flavor know, like those rose-hued raspberries you sometimes see).	s (you
2001 Rasteau, Domaine Girasols	\$14.99
Spicy on palate with an assertive black pepper character, with the synthrough! This wine is lush, rich and full, with a long, warm, complex	
2000 Côtes du Rhône "VV," Domaine Girasols	\$15.99
From its deep, bright red color to its aroma of currants and blackbern panoply of fruit and more earthy flavors, this is a powerhouse red.	ries, to its
2001 Gigondas "Ventabren" Moulin de Gardette (1.5L)	¢40.00

## Special Wines for a Special Month

2003 Domaine Girasols Rasteau Rosé (\$9.99) This tiny vineyard (17 hectares) produces great grenache from old vines growing on terraced, rocky hillsides. While the red wines are full, rich and concentrated, the rosé is lighter. It is refreshing and alive with crisp raspberry fruit. Scents of wet stones and roses. A dry style with balanced acidity that works exceedingly well with grilled tuna and poultry.

**2003 Vignerons Beaumes de Venise Côtes du Rhône Rosé, Toques** (\$**7.99**) A great little rosé and a great value. Composed of 80% grenache, 10% syrah and 10% cinsault. A nose of fresh strawberries with full fruit. In the mouth, more strawberry fruit with interesting undertones of anise and fennel. A fleshy style with a rather full palate. Soft, yet never flabby. Well-structured and balanced.

**2003 Domaine de Verquiere Côtes du Rhône (\$8.99)** Like the Toques, a blend of grenache, cinsault and syrah. A very pretty nose of lush cherries, white pepper and licorice. In the mouth, concentrated red fruits with pepper notes, very soft tannins, with integrated cherry and boysenberry fruit. A velvety wine to drink on its own, this is also a great match with grilled steak, pork and pastas with red sauces. One of our perennial best selling wines (and for good reason!).

2000 Cecile Chassagne Vacqueyras (\$11.99) This Vacqueras is a wonderfully simple blend of 85% grenache and 15% syrah. Raspberry scents with a touch of earth and tobacco. In the mouth, raspberry fruit, cherries and a hint of menthol. Fairly ripe, yet with a balance of spice and earth. More traditional in style and drier than the Domaine de Verquiere. A perfect mate for hearty stews, baked eggplant and spare ribs. Yum! Enjoy!

—Scott Beckerley

between acidity and sweetness.

## **RHÔNE VALLEY**

2003 Côtes du Rhône, Domaine Verquiere\$8.99
This is consistently one of the best-selling Rhônes in the store.
2001 Côtes du Rhône, Guigal\$9.49
2003 Côtes du Rhône, Domaine Grand Veneur\$9.99
2003 Côtes du Rhône, Domaine de la Mordoree\$9.99
<b>2003 Côtes du Rhône Rosé, Domaine de la Mordoree\$9.99</b> Robert Parker: "One of the world's great winemaking estates, proprietor Christophe Delorme has taken this property to the pinnacle of quality"
2003 Côtes du Rhône, de Segries-Serious wine\$10.99
2001 Côtes du Rhône "Champauvins" Grand Veneur\$10.99
2003 Côtes du Rhône, Chateau Malijay\$10.99
2002 St-Peray, Domaine de la Fauterie\$11.99
2003 Côtes du Rhône "Cuvee Romaine" Dom Garrigue\$12.49
2001 Côtes du Rhône Mon Coeur, JL Chave\$14.99
2003 Viognier, Domaine Grand Veneur\$14.99
2001 Cairanne, Domaine Santa Duc "Les Buissons"\$15.99
2000 Crozes-Hermitage JC Fayolle "Le Grand Seguine"\$17.99
Spicy red and black fruits mix with peppery rustic notes. Eminently drinkable!
2001 Rasteau Prestige, Domaine Soumade-90 points Parker\$19.99
2001 Châteauneuf-du-Pape, La Gardine\$24.99
2000 Crozes-Hermitage "Cuvee Louis Belle" Albert Belle\$25.99
2001 Gigondas "Laurel" Patrick Lessac\$26.99
2001 Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Roger Sabon "Les Olivets"\$29.99
2000 Côte-Rôtie, Domaine Duclaux\$29.99
2001 Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Sabon "Reserve"\$34.99
2001 Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Domaine Marcoux \$37.99
92 points Stephen Tanzer and 90 points Parker.
2001 Châteauneuf, Charbonniere "VV"\$39.99
<b>2001 Rasteau "Fleur de Confiance" Domaine Soumade\$39.99</b> 92 points Parker: "black currant liqueur, melted licorice, and blackberries."
2001 Châteauneuf-du-Pape, "Cuvee Arnaud," Cabrières\$49.99
<b>2001 Châteauneuf-du-Pape, "Cuvee Arnaud" (1.5L)\$99.99</b> 92-94 points Robert Parker.
2001 Gigondas "Ventabren" Moulin de Gardette (1.5L)\$49.99
<b>2001 Châteauneuf, Bosquet des Papes "Chante Merle"\$49.99</b> 91-94 points Robert Parker.
2001 Hermitage Blanc, JL Chave\$79.99
2000 Côte-Rôtie "Ampuis" Guigal\$99.99

## Everyday Rhône and Beyond

2003 Château Malijay Côtes du Rhône, Vendages du 28 Aout (\$10.99) From a region where grenache is the dominant variety, this was made from a small selection of syrah that was thought enough of to be vinified separately. The palate is lush and dense, with savory fruit, ripe but pronounced tannins and delectable spice.

2001 Domaine Serres Mazard Corbieres, Cuvee Henri Serres (\$13.99) Proprietor Jean-Pierre Mazard's family has lived in the area for twelve generations. This premier cuvee is a blend of old-vine syrah and carignan aged for one year in barrique. This is serious wine, with dark fruit backed by chewy tannins, hints of oak and herbal spice.

**2001 Château de Montfaucon Côtes du Rhône (\$9.99)** This has been established as a perennial bargain here at K&L. The owner/ winemaker graduated from UC Davis then went to work at the great Châteauneuf-du-Pape estate of Vieux Telegraph! That pedigree is pretty impressive for such a "common" wine.

2001 Emmanuel Bouchard Côtes du Rhône Villages, Valreas

## SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE-COMMONWEALTH

#### **South Africa**

2003 Kanu Chenin Blanc	\$7.99
2003 Excelsior Cabernet Sauvignon	\$8.99
2003 Goats do Roam Red	\$8.99
2004 Neil Ellis "Sincerely" Sauvignon Blanc	\$10.99
2003 Porcupine Ridge Syrah	\$10.99
2003 Glen Carlou Chardonnay	\$11.99
2003 Goat-Roti, Fairview	\$15.99
2004 Warwick "Professor Black" Sauvignon Blanc, Stellen .	\$15.99
2004 Thelema Sauvignon Blanc	\$16.99
2002 Diversity Gamma (de Toren)	\$17.99
2003 Rudera Chenin Blanc	\$17.99
2004 Mulderbosch Sauvignon Blanc-91 points Wine Spectator	\$18.99
2002 Mulderbosch Chardonnay-92 points Wine Spectator	\$21.99
2001 Rustenberg John X Merriman-91 points Wine Spectator	
2001 Kevin Arnold Shiraz, Stellenbosch	
2002 Thelema Cabernet Sauvignon-91 points Wine Spectator	
New Zealand	
2004 Babich Unwooded Chardonnay, Hawkes Bay	\$8.99
2004 Kirkham Peak Sauvignon Blanc, Marlborough	
2004 Huia Pinot Gris	
2004 Huia Sauvignon Blanc	
2004 Kim Crawford Sauvignon Blanc, Marl-91 points Spectato	
2003 Sherwood Marlborough Pinot Noir	
2003 Isabel Sauvignon Blanc, Marlborough	
2003 Craggy Range Sauvignon Blanc, Martinborough	
2002 Griffin Estate Pinot Noir	
2003 Pegasus Bay Riesling, Waipara	
2003 Mt Difficulty Central Otago Pinot Noir	
2002 Murdock James "Blue Rock" Pinot Noir Martinbor	
2003 Kumeu River Chardonnay-91 points Wine Spectator	
Australia	Ф27.99
	<b>410.00</b>
2001 Wynn's Coonawara Cabernet	
2002 Water Wheel "Memsie" Shiraz-Cabernet-Malbec	
2002 Coldstream Hills Pinot Noir, Yarra Valley	
2001 d'Arenberg "Footbolt" Shiraz, McLaren Vale	
2003 Thorn-Clarke "Shotfire Ridge" Shiraz	
2002 Twelve Staves Grenache, Mclaren Vale	
2002 Mak Shiraz, Clare Valley-90 points Wine & Spirits	
2002 Connor Park Shiraz	
2003 Craneford "Allyson Parsons" Shiraz	
2001 Dominique Portet Yarra Valley Sauvignon Blanc	
2003 Hewitson "Ned and Henry's" Shiraz	
2002 Heathvale Eden Valley Shiraz-92 points Robert Parker	
2002 Bleasdale "Frank Potts" Red, Langhorne Creek	
2001 Dominique Portet Yarra Valley Cabernet	
2002 Branson Coach House "Grenock Block" Shiraz	
<b>2000 Penley Estate Reserve Cabernet, Coonawara</b> -92 pts Park	
2002 d'Arenberg "Coppermine Road" Cabernet-93+ pts, Park	
1999 Penfolds Grange Hermitage	\$189.99

(\$11.99) Valreas is one of the northernmost villages allowed to put its name on the label. And here it is syrah rather than grenache as the dominant varietal. On the nose the wine shows bright fruit with earthy undertones. The moderately rich palate is focused with bright red and dark berry fruit, earth and a touch of spice.

-Kirk Walker

#### FRENCH REGIONAL

2003 Dom Duffour Banc Gascogne\$6.99
2003 Château d'Oupia "Les Heretiques"
VdP\$7.99
2003 Maison Angelot Bugey Gamay\$8.99
2003 Ch Calabre Bergerac Rouge\$9.99
2003 Laurent Miquel Nord Sud
Viognier\$9.99
2001 Domaine Pellehaut Cuvee
Marcottes\$9.99
2003 Mais Angelot Bugey Mondeuse \$10.99
2002 Mas Guilhem "VV" Syrah\$10.99
2001 Lapeyre Minervois l'Amourier \$12.99
2002 Dom des Persenades Gros Manseng
Moelleux\$13.99
2003 Domaine Gavoty Cotes de Provence
Clarendon Blanc\$13.99
2000 Domaine Clavel "La Copa Santa"
Coteaux de Languedoc\$13.99
2001 Corbieres, Cuvee Henri Serres \$13.99
2002 Clos Val Bruyere Cassis\$14.99
2001 Lapeyre Bearn Fut de Chene\$14.99
2002 Charles Hours Clos Uroulat
2002 Charles Hours Clos Uroulat Jurancon "Cuvee Marie"\$15.99
Jurancon "Cuvee Marie"\$15.99
Jurancon "Cuvee Marie"\$15.99 2001 Château d'Estoublon, Les Baux de Provence\$17.99
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Jurancon "Cuvee Marie"\$15.99 2001 Château d'Estoublon, Les Baux de Provence\$17.99 2002 Clos Lapeyre Jurancon Moelleux\$17.99
Jurancon "Cuvee Marie"\$15.99 2001 Château d'Estoublon, Les Baux de Provence\$17.99 2002 Clos Lapeyre Jurancon Moelleux\$17.99 2001 de la Bastide Banche Bandol\$18.99 2001 Chloe, Jean Louis Denois\$19.99
Jurancon "Cuvee Marie"\$15.99 2001 Château d'Estoublon, Les Baux de Provence\$17.99 2002 Clos Lapeyre Jurancon Moelleux\$17.99 2001 de la Bastide Banche Bandol\$18.99
Jurancon "Cuvee Marie"

## **OLD & RARE CALIFORNIA CABERNET-MERITAGE**

1958 Beaulieu Vineyards Private Reserve,	1986 Robert Mondavi Reserve\$109.00
Napa\$749.00	1986 Robert Mondavi Reserve
1958 Charles Krug VS\$499.00	(1.5L)\$249.95
1974 Robert Mondavi Reserve	95 points Wine Spectator.
(3 L)\$699.00	1986 Shafer Hillside Select\$249.00
1977 Beaulieu Vineyard Private Reserve,	1987 Cain Five Napa Red (1.5 L)\$199.00
Napa\$89.95	1987 Caymus Special Selection\$199.00
1977 Ridge "York Creek"\$69.95	1987 Dunn Howell Mountain
1980 Beaulieu Vineyards Private Reserve	(1.5L)\$349.00
Napa\$89.00	1987 Grace Family Napa\$299.00
1980 Kenwood "Artist Series" (6L) \$699.00	1987 Groth Reserve Napa\$199.95
1980 Montelena Estate\$99.00	1988 Heitz "Martha's" Napa\$99.95
90 points Robert Parker.	1988 Kenwood Artist Series (6L)\$499.00
1980 Opus One Napa\$249.00	1988 Spottswoode Napa (1.5L)\$199.00
1981 Dunn Howell Mountain (5L)\$899.00 93 points <i>Wine Spectator.</i>	1988 Spottswoode Napa (3L)\$399.00 90 points <i>Wine Spectator.</i>
1981 Kenwood Artist Series (6L)\$699.00	1989 Caymus Napa\$69.95
1982 Joseph Phelps "Insignia"\$99.95	1989 Diamond Creek Red Rock\$89.95
1982 Montelena Napa\$99.00	1989 Philip Togni Napa\$79.95
1983 Dunn Howell Mountain (5L)\$899.00	1989 Robert Mondavi Reserve Napa \$59.00
1983 Opus One Napa (1.5L)\$449.00	1990 Duckhorn, Napa\$79.95
1984 Beaulieu Vineyards Private Reserve,	1990 Groth Reserve\$169.95
Napa (6L)\$699.95	94 points Wine Spectator.
1984 Kenwood Artist Series (6L)\$699.00	1990 Mayacamas\$89.00
1984 Mayacamas Napa\$99.95	1991 Anderson's Conn Valley\$89.00
1984 Robert Mondavi Reserve\$99.00	1991 Dominus\$149.00
1984 Silver Oak Alexander (5L)\$799.00	1991 Heitz "Trailside"\$89,95
91 points Robert Parker.	1992 Beringer Reserve\$99.00
1985 Caymus Special Select Napa \$299.00	96 points Robert Parker.
99 points Wine Spectator.	1992 Duckhorn, Napa\$79.95
1985 Groth Napa\$99.95	1992 Groth, Napa\$49.00
1985 Jordan Alexander Valley\$89.95	1992 Newton\$69.95
1986 Diamond Creek Gravelly Meadow	1992 Stag's Leap Napa\$39.95
(12L)\$1599.00	1993 Silver Oak Alexander Valley\$110.00
1986 Diamond Creek Volcanic Hill \$129.00	1993 Spottswoode Napa\$99.95
1986 Dunn Howell Mountain	1994 Beringer Private Reserve
(1.5L)\$299.00	Napa\$119.00
1986 Jordan\$79.95	1994 Groth Reserve Napa\$199.00
1986 Pahlmeyer Caldwell Red\$149.00	96 points and a Cellar Selection designation from
1986 Ridge York Creek Napa\$69.00	the Wine Spectator.
1986 Robert Mondavi Napa\$59.95	1994 Heitz "Trailside" Napa\$79.99
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1986 Robert Mondavi Reserve\$109.00
1986 Robert Mondavi Reserve
(1.5L)\$249.95
95 points Wine Spectator.
1986 Shafer Hillside Select\$249.00
1987 Cain Five Napa Red (1.5 L)\$199.00
1987 Caymus Special Selection\$199.00
1987 Dunn Howell Mountain
(1.5L)\$349.00
1987 Grace Family Napa\$299.00
1987 Groth Reserve Napa\$199.95
1988 Heitz "Martha's" Napa\$99.95
1988 Kenwood Artist Series (6L)\$499.00
1988 Spottswoode Napa (1.5L)\$199.00
1988 Spottswoode Napa (3L)\$399.00
90 points Wine Spectator.
1989 Caymus Napa\$69.95
1989 Diamond Creek Red Rock\$89.95
1989 Philip Togni Napa\$79.95
1989 Robert Mondavi Reserve Napa \$59.00
1990 Duckhorn, Napa\$79.95
1990 Groth Reserve\$169.95
94 points Wine Spectator.
1990 Mayacamas\$89.00
1991 Anderson's Conn Valley\$89.00
1991 Dominus\$149.00
1991 Heitz "Trailside"\$89,95
1992 Beringer Reserve\$99.00
96 points Robert Parker.
1992 Duckhorn, Napa\$79.95
1992 Groth, Napa\$49.00
1992 Newton\$69.95
1992 Stag's Leap Napa\$39.95
1993 Silver Oak Alexander Valley\$110.00
1993 Spottswoode Napa\$99.95
1994 Beringer Private Reserve
Napa\$119.00
1994 Groth Reserve Napa\$199.00
96 points and a Cellar Selection designation from the <i>Wine Spectator</i> .

# Tasting Bar Schedule

All tastings are from Noon to 3 p.m. in San Francisco and 1 to 4 p.m. in Redwood City. For more information about monthly tastings and dinners, please see our website at www.klwines.com and click on the "local events" bar.

Saturday, February 5: Wines from Italy. Greg St. Clair and Mike Parres pick new arrival wines from Italy and monthly newsletter picks. Be prepared for some blockbuster wines, some great values and cellar selections. Ten wines to be poured. Price TBA.

**Saturday, February 12:** Champagnes for Valentines Day. Our annual Valentines Day (as close to it as we can get!) Champagne tasting. Gary Westby and Marco DeFreitas pick the most marvelous bubblies from selected small estates and a few larger producers. Break out those charge cards for your loved one! Eight wines to be poured. Price TBA.

Saturday, February 19: Bordeaux! Our monthly Bordeaux tasting with picks from Clyde, Ralph and Steve. This is a great opportunity to try the current release 2001s and to learn about the upcoming 2002 and 2003 vintage. Ten wines to be poured with one Sauternes and one older vintage red Bordeaux. Tasting price TBA.

Saturday, February 26: French Burgundy in Redwood City, California Cabernets in San Francisco. Keith Wollenberg pulls out all of the stops for a Burgundy tasting in Redwood City. He will pour his newest releases and picks from his monthly newsletter column. Both red and white Burgundies to be poured. Ten selections. Price TBA. In San Francisco, Trey and Mike Jordan pick current releases from the outstanding 2001 vintage. They will feature newer, smaller producers and a few "big guns." Eight wines to be poured. Price TBA. —Scott B.

# **CABERNET SAUVIGNON**

2000 Dominus, Napa\$64.99	2001 Silverado, Napa\$32.99	2002 X Winery, Napa\$17.99
Drinking very well right now!	2001 Spring Mountain "Elivette"\$69.98	2003 Avila, Santa Barbara\$8.99
2000 Heitz, Napa\$29.99	2001 Spring Mountain Estate\$42.99	2003 Esser, California\$7.99
2000 St Clement, Napa\$17.99	2001 St Clement "Oroppas"\$39.99	2003 McManis, California\$8.99
2001 Altamura, Napa\$54.99	2001 Staglin Family, Napa\$99.00	2003 Waterbrook Melange\$9.99
2001 Amici, Napa\$34.99	2001 Stag's Leap "Fay," Napa\$64.99	# 84 in the <i>Spectator's</i> Top 100 for 2004! 90
Delicious Napa Cab! Full bodied and loaded with	2001 Stags' Leap Winery, Napa\$34.99	points Wine Spectator and rated a Smart Buy!
dark black and red currant fruit!	This wine shows layers of flavors of blackberry, black cherry, anise, black tea and dark chocolate.	DOMESTIC REDS
2001 Arbios, Alexander Valley\$24.99		DOMESTIC REDS
2001 Archipel, Napa Red\$27.98	2001 Sterling Reserve, Napa\$54.98	2001 Altamura Sangiovese\$29.99
2001 Atalon, Napa\$24.98	2001 Sterling "SVR"\$29.99	2001 EXP Dunnigan Hills Syrah\$10.99
2001 BR Cohn, California\$12.99	2001 Terra Valentine, Napa\$26.99	2001 Hess Select Syrah\$11.99
2001 BV, Rutherford\$16.98	2001 Turnbull, Napa\$29.99	2001 Martella "Hammer" Syrah\$19.99
2001 BV Napa Tapestry\$27.99	2001 Vine Cliff, Napa	2001 Tablas Creek "Cote de Tablas"\$19.99
2001 BV Napa Private Res\$59.99	2001 Verite "Le Desir"\$125.00 95 points from Robert Parker!	2002 Bogle Petite Sirah\$7.98
2001 Benziger, Sonoma	•	2002 Chalone Estate Syrah\$27.99
2001 Ch Montelena, Napa\$36.99	2001 Volker Eisele Estate, Napa\$34.99	2002 Cloumbia Crest Shiraz\$6.99
2001 Ch St Jean, Sonoma	2001 Whitehall Lane, Napa\$32.98	2002 Decoy Napa Red Blend\$23.99
2001 Ch St Jean "Cinq Cepages"\$59.98	2001 ZD, Napa\$29.99	2002 Four Vines "Anarchy"\$21.99
92 points from the <i>Wine Spectator!</i>	2002 Alexander Valley\$14.99	A heavy-duty blend of syrah (42%), zinfandel
2001 Clark Claudon, Napa\$84.99	2002 Avalon, Napa	(29%) and mourvèdre (29%).
2001 Cliff Ledge, Napa\$46.99	2002 Bacio Divino "Pazzo"\$24.99	2002 J.D. Bryan S.B. Syrah\$16.99
2001 Cloud View Name Pad	2002 Beringer "Founders"\$6.99	2002 Justin Paso Robles Syrah\$19.98
2001 Cloud View Napa Red\$59.99	2002 Buehler, Napa\$17.98	This wine shows a firm, jazzy earthiness while
2001 Cloverdale Ranch, Alex Valley \$16.99	<b>2002 Buehler Estate Napa\$29.99</b> This wine is brimming with fruit aromas and fla-	showing off the soft, supple fleshy style of Paso!
2001 Corrison, Napa	vors: plums, blackberry, black currant.	2002 Rock Rabbit Centr Coast Syrah \$9.99
2001 Cornerstone "Hwl Mnt"\$79.99	2002 Caymus, NapaInquire	2002 Seven Hills Wash. Syrah\$16.99
<b>2001 Dominus, Napa</b>	2002 Decoy, Napa\$23.99	2002 Tor "Old Clone" Syrah\$44.99
grance of cedar and coffee," Mike Jordan	2002 Dynamite, North Coast\$10.99	2002 Viader Napa Syrah
2001 Echelon, California\$8.99	2002 Echelon, California\$8.99	2003 Wild Hog Carignane\$22.99
2001 Flora Springs "Trilogy"\$44.99	2002 Elizabeth Spencer, Napa\$26.99	2003 Cline "A.V." Mourvèdre\$12.99
2001 Flora Springs, Napa\$21.99	2002 Francis Coppola Claret\$12.98	2003 Drew Family "Sixth Sense"\$24.99
2001 Forefathers, Alexander Vly\$34.99	2002 Franciscan, Oakville\$21.99	2003 Hahn, Central Coast Syrah\$8.99
2001 Groth, Napa\$39.98	2002 Hawk Crest, Califorina\$9.99	2003 Orin Swift "The Prisoner"\$23.99 2003 Vinum "PETS" Petite Sirah\$10.99
2001 Hess Estate, Napa\$16.99	2002 Hess Select, California\$12.99	2003 vinum PE18 Petite Siran\$10.99
2001 Hess Collection, Napa\$34.99	2002 Hollywood & Vine "2480"\$78.99	DOMESTIC WHITES
2001 Honig, Napa\$27.99	2002 Hyde de Villaine "HdV"\$49.99	DOMESTIC WHITES
2001 Joseph Phelps, Napa\$38.98	2002 J. Lohr "Seven Oaks"\$10.99	Sokol Blosser "Evolution No. 9"\$13.99
2001 Judd's Hill, Napa\$34.99	2002 Justin, Paso Robles\$18.99	2002 Alban Estate Roussane\$36.99
2001 Kalinda, Alexander Valley\$17.99	2002 Justin "Justification"\$36.99	2002 Brandborg Umpqua Riesling\$11.99
2001 Kamen, Sonoma\$49.99	2002 Philip Togni "Tanbark Hill"\$47.99	2002 Gregory Graham KV Viognier \$26.99
2001 Kenwood, Sonoma\$11.99	2002 Provenance, Oakville\$29.99	2002 Ken Wright F.H. Pinot Blanc\$19.99
2001 L'Aventure, "Optimus"\$39.99	2002 Purisima Canyon, North Cst\$9.99	2002 King Estate Oreg Pinot Gris\$12.99
2001 Lewelling, Napa\$44.99	2002 Salus, Napa\$49.99	2002 Tablas Crk "Côtes de Tablas"\$24.99
2001 Merryvale "Starmont," Napa\$19.99	2002 Atrea Old Soul Red\$23.99	A rich white inspired by the whites you would
2001 Merryvale Napa "Profile"\$79.98	2002 Sebastiani, Alexander\$19.98	find in the Rhône Valley.
2001 Miner Family, Napa\$44.99	2002 Seven Hills "Ciel du Cheval"\$29.99	2003 A to Z Willamette Pinot Gris\$10.99
Deep, dark, rich and extremely focused, this is	2002 Simi, Alexander\$17.99	2003 Alban Estate Viognier\$32.99
truly what great Oakville Cab is all about.	2002 Stag's Leap "Artemis"\$39.98	2003 Di Bruno Pinot Grigio\$13.99
2001 Mount Eden, Santa Cruz\$27.99	2002 Stephen Vincent, California\$8.99	2003 Erath Pinot Gris\$10.99
2001 Pine Ridge "Stag's Leap"\$59.98	2002 House Wine, Washington Red\$9.99	2003 Ethan Central Coast Viognier \$17.99
2001 Pine Ridge Rutherford\$27.99	Cabernet (85%), syrah (11%), cabernet franc	2003 MacMurray Ranch Pinot Gris\$13.99
2001 Provenance, Rutherford\$27.99	(2%) and merlot (2%), full of chewy, silky fruit.	Very fresh, spicy and balanced! Shellfish anyone?
2001 Ridge "Home Ranch"\$59.99	2002 Turnbull Old Bull Red\$14.99	2003 Ponzi Pinot Blanc\$12.99
2001 Robert Craig "Affinity"\$32.99	2002 Twenty Bench, Napa\$14.99	2003 Vinum "CNW" Chenin Blanc\$8.99
2001 Salvestrin, Napa\$41.99	2002 Viader, Napa\$69.98	2003 Viento Washington Viognier\$19.99
2001 Seavey, Napa\$54.99	2002 Whispering Dove, Oakville\$29.99	2003 Willakenzi Pinot Gris\$15.99
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## **CHARDONNAY**

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2001 Anderson's Conn Valley\$29.99	
91 points Parker! From the Fournier Vineyard.	,
2001 Artesa, Carneros\$10.99	
2001 Baileyana "Firepeak Cuvee"\$19.99	
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2001 Chalk Hill, Sonoma\$29.98	-
2001 Hanzell Vineyards, Sonoma\$47.99	
2001 Mayacama, Napa\$29.99	
2001 Olivet Lane, Russian River\$14.99	
2002 Amici, Napa\$23.99	-
2002 Arrowood, Sonoma\$21.98	- 2
2002 Beringer Founders Estate\$6.99	- 2
2002 Beringer, Napa\$9.98	- 2
2002 Beringer "Private Reserve"\$19.99	- 1
2002 Bernardus, Monterey\$14.99	
2002 Buehler, Russian River\$9.99	
2002 Ch Montelena, Napa\$29.99	
A Redwood City staff favorite!	,
2002 Chalone Estate\$19.99	
2002 Chasseur "Lorenzo Vineyard" \$47.99	-
2002 Ch St Jean, Sonoma\$9.99	- 2
2002 Clos du Val, Carneros\$17.99	- 2
2002 Columbia Crest, Washington\$8.99	
2002 Cuvaison, Carneros\$16.99	
2002 Ferrari Carano, Alex Valley\$24.99	1
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2002 Fisher "Whitney's"\$39.99	- 1
2002 Gainey, Santa Barbara\$12.99	- 1
2002 Grgich Hills, Napa\$26.99	
2002 Handley, Dry Creek\$14.99	
2002 Hartford, Sonoma Coast\$16.99	,
2002 Hyde de Villaine "HdV"\$44.98	
2002 Jordan, Russian River\$19.98	
2002 Jospeh Phelps "Ovation"\$42.99	
2002 Lambert Bridge, Sonoma\$13.99	
Aromas of pear and grapefruit combine with	
flavors of toasted hazelnut.	- 2
2002 Landmark "Overlook"\$19.99	
2002 Lockwood, Monterey\$9.99	
2002 Logan, "Sleepy Hollow"\$12.99	- 2
2002 Matanzas Creek, Sonoma\$17.99	- 2
2002 Merryvale "Starmont," Napa\$13.99	1
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2002 Morgan, Monterey\$15.99	- 1
2002 Muir-Hanna, Napa\$21.99	- 1
2002 Newton "Red Label"\$16.98	
2002 Pine Ridge "Dijon Clones"\$21.99	,
2002 Ramey, Carneros/RR\$29.98	
2002 Ramey, "Hudson Vineyard"\$44.98	
2002 Ridge "Home Ranch"\$36.99	,
2002 Rudd "Baciagalupi"\$49.98	
2002 Smith Madrone, Napa\$19.99	- 1
2002 Solitude, Carneros\$23.99	
2002 Steven Kent "Merrillie"\$19.99	
	- 2
2002 Taylor Family, Stag's Leap\$16.99 A favorite of Jim Barr's!	- 2
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2002 Testarossa "Castello"\$21.99	2
2002 Thomas Fogarty, Santa Cruz\$19.99	,
2002 Toasted Head Dunnigan Hills \$10.99	
2002 Trefethen, Napa\$18.99	

2002 Walter Hansel, RR	.\$26.99
2002 Wente "Riva Ranch," Montry .	
2002 ZD, California	
2003 Acacia, Carneros	
2003 Ambullneo, "Big Paw"	.\$46.99
Lush, tropical fruit balanced by a bright, cle	ean
acidity and hints of toast, this wine will know	ock
your socks off!	4 - 00
2003 Beringer "Founders Estate"	
2003 Bogle, California	
2003 Cakebread, Napa	
2003 Cambria Katherine's Vineyard	
2003 Ch Samurain, Samura	
2003 Ch St. Joan Sanama	
2003 Ch St. Jean, Sonoma	
No oak, no ML = all fruit!	.\$14.95
2003 Clos du Bois, California	¢0 00
2003 Cios du Bois, Camorina	
2003 Edna Valley Vineyards	
2003 Edna Vancy Vincyards	
Great value Chardonnay! Balanced, clean a	
great richness for under \$10!	
2003 Far Niente, Napa	.\$36.99
2003 Forman, Napa	
2003 Foxglove, Edna Valley	
2003 Frog's Leap, Napa	.\$19.98
2003 Groth, Napa	
2003 Hahn, Monterey	
2003 Hawkcrest, California	
2003 Heitz, Napa	
2003 Heron, California	
2003 Hess Collection, Napa	
2003 Hess Select, California	
2003 Hollywood & Vine "2480"	
Big, rich, full-throttle Chardonnay from Na Only 346 cases were made in '03.	pa!
2003 J. Lohr, Arroyo Seco	\$10.99
2003 Kali Hart, Monterey	
2003 Keller "La Cruz"	.\$23.99
2003 La Crema, Sonoma Coast	
2003 Lewis, Sonoma	
2003 MacRostie, Carneros	
2003 Morgan "Metallico"	
2003 Neyers, Napa	
2003 Patz & Hall, Napa	
2003 Rombauer, Carneros	.\$24.99
2003 Round Hill, California	\$5.99
2003 Rusack, Santa Barbara	.\$16.99
Graceful orange blossom, Fuji apple and ci	
notes highlight this appealingly crisp white	
2003 Salus, Napa	
2003 Stuhlmuller, Alexander Valley	
2003 Talley Estate, Arroyo Grande .	
2003 Taz, Santa Barbara	
2003 Villa Mt. Eden Bien Nacido	
2003 Wild Horse, Central Coast	۹11.99

# FUME/SAUVIGNON BLANC

2002 Chalk Hill, Sonoma	.\$21.99
2002 Chance Creek, Redwood Vly	
Leans toward the fruity (and non-grassy) st	yle.
2002 Ch St Jean, Sonoma	
2002 Flora Springs "Soliloquoy"	
2002 Husch, Mendocino	\$9.99
2002 Mayacamas, Napa	.\$18.99
2002 Morgan, Monterey	\$9.99
2002 Wattle Creek, Mendocino	.\$17.99
Aromas of exotic lime and lemon citrus!	
2003 Cakebread, Napa	.\$19.99
2003 Clos du Bois, Sonoma	\$7.99
2003 DeSante, Napa	.\$16.99
2003 Duckhorn, Napa	.\$19.99
2003 Ferrari Carano, Sonoma	.\$11.99
A Chardonnay drinkers Sauvignon Blanc.	
2003 Frog's Leap, Napa	.\$12.98
2003 Geyser Peak, California	\$6.99
2003 Grgich Hills, Napa	.\$16.99
2003 Groth, Napa	.\$12.98
2003 Honig, Napa	
2003 Kalinda, Lake County	\$9.99
Lip-smacking tropical fruit, crisp acidity!	
2003 Kenwood, Sonoma	\$7.99
2003 Mason, Napa	.\$14.99
2003 Murphy Goode "Tin Roof"	\$6.98
No oak and no cork! Only in screwcaps.	
2003 Peter Franus Carneros	.\$16.99
2003 Saracina, Mendocino	
John Fetzer and David Ramey have produce	ed this
Sauvignon Blanc from 40-year-old, dry-farm	ned
organic vines. No new oak and no ML.	
2003 Selene "Hyde Vineyard"	
2003 St Supéry, Napa	
2003 Sterling, Napa	
2003 Voss, Napa	
2003 Whitehall Lane, Napa	
2003 Work, Napa	.\$21.99
90 points from the Wine Spectator!	

## **DOMESTIC SPARKLERS**

**1999 Argyle Willamette Valley Brut \$16.99**Fresh and crisp, this Orgonian Brut is exceptionally bright with a smooth cream center.

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1999 Domaine Chandon "Etoile"\$27.99
1999 J Wine Company\$23.99
1999 Roederer "l'Ermitage"\$32.99
1999 Roederer "l'Ermitage" Rosé\$59.99
2000 Schramsberg B de B/B de N\$23.99
2001 Domaine Carneros Brut\$18.99
2001 Schramsberg Brut Rosé\$26.99
<b>NV Domaine Chandon Brut /Noir\$14.99</b>
NV Gloria Ferrer Brut/Blanc Noir\$14.99
NV Mumm, Napa Brut Prestige\$13.99
NV Sofia Coppola Blanc de Blanc\$16.99
NV Roederer Estate\$16.99
NV Sharffenberger Brut\$14.99

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2001 Atalon, Napa\$24.99
91 points from Robert Parker: "A sexy, seductive,
mocha-infused, black cherry liqueur-filled effort displaying a hint of chocolate."
2001 Benziger, Sonoma\$12.99
2001 Ch Souverain, Sonoma\$12.98
2001 Ch St Jean, Sonoma\$17.98
2001 Clos du Bois, Sonoma\$11.99
2001 Columbia Crest Grand Estate\$8.99 90 points Wine Spectator: "Ripe, plump and generous with its fresh cherry, dried cherry, dark plum and sweet spice flavors."
2001 Clos du Bois, Sonoma\$11.99
2001 Cloverdale Ranch, Alex\$16.99
2001 Dynamite, North Coast\$10.99
2001 Gainey, Santa Ynez\$13.99
Lush black cherry and plum fruit followed by subtle notes of warm cinnamon and clove and a finish of velvety tannins and sweet creamy oak.
2001 Hall Vineyards\$24.99
2001 Nickel & Nickel "Harris"\$34.99
2001 O'Brien, Napa\$29.99
2001 Paradigm, Napa\$38.99 One of Napa's finest Merlots!
2001 Provenance, Carneros\$19.99
2001 Robert Sinskey, Carneros\$21.99
2001 Rombauer, Napa\$24.99
2001 Sirita, Napa\$41.99
2001 Sterling, Napa\$18.98
2001 Stonestreet, Sonoma\$14.99
2001 Swanson, Napa\$24.99
<b>2001 Twomey, Napa</b> \$59.99 From Silver Oak!
2001 Whitehall Lane, Napa\$21.99
2002 Benziger, Sonoma\$12.99
2002 Blackstone, California\$8.99
2002 Bogle, California\$7.99
2002 Cakebread, Napa\$49.99 2002 Cinnabar, Paso Robles\$14.99
2002 Chinabai, Paso Robles
2002 Flora Springs, Napa\$17.99
2002 Franciscan, Napa\$17.99
2002 Groth, Napa\$29.99
2002 Hacienda, California\$4.99
2002 Jewel, California\$9.99
This rich, value-priced Merlot offers toasted oak
aromas and thick, coating black cherry and plum flavors.
2002 L'Ecole No. 41 Columbia Vly\$29.99
2002 Marilyn Pose #2 (1.5L)\$199.00
2002 Matanzas Creek, Sonoma\$19.99
2002 Praxis, Dry Creek\$12.99
2002 Seven Hills, Columbia Vly\$18.99
Ripe black fruits surrounded by complex oak tones of spice and vanilla.
2002 Simi, Alexander Valley\$14.99
2002 Tamarack, Columbia Valley\$17.99
2002 Walla Walla Vintners, Wash\$25.99
2003 McManis, California\$8.99

# **PINOT NOIR**

PINOT NOIR
2001 Beaux Freres "Soeurs" & "BF" Inquire
2001 Benton Lane, Oregon\$13.98
2001 Chehalem Rion Reserve\$44.99
2001 Domaine Drouhin, Oregon\$36.99
2001/2 Domaine Serene "Evanstad" \$39.99
2001 Iron Horse, Russian River\$24.99
2001 Fort Ross Reserve Sonoma\$36.99
2001 Robert Sinskey, Carneros\$26.99
2001 Robert Sinskey, Carneros\$20.59 2001 Roessler Cellars "Dutton"\$32.99
2002 Amici, Mendocino\$31.99
2002 Anapamu, Monterey\$10.99
2002 Andrew Rich, Willamette\$24.99
2002 Andrew Rich, Whiamette\$24.99 2002 Aubin Cellars "Verve" R.R\$29.99
Shows flavors of earth and red cherry fruit, along
with a lush texture and soft, supple finish!
2002 Brandborg, Umpqua Valley\$19.99
2002 Chalone Estate, Monterey\$19.99
2002 Chehalem "3 Vineyards"\$19.99
2002 Elk Cove, Willamette\$18.99
2002 Esser Cellars, California\$9.99
2002 Flying Goat "Dierberg Viney"\$31.99
Loaded with flavors of smoke, sweet herbs and
blackberries!
2002 Handley, Anderson Valley\$17.99
2002 Hirsch Estate, Sonoma\$59.99
2002 Joseph Swan "Cuv de Trois"\$19.99
2002 Lemelson "Six Vineyards"\$15.99
2002 Orogeny, Green Valley\$24.99
2002 Patton Valley, Oregon\$27.99
2002 Penner Ash, Willamette\$36.99
2002 Rex Hill "King's Ridge"\$13.99
2002 Saintsbury, Carneros\$19.99
2002 Siduri, Russian River\$26.99
2002 Steele "Goodchild" S.B\$16.99
This delicate wine reveals slightly smoky aromas
of almond and sweet cherries along with a nutty,
red fruit palate.
2002 Taz, Santa Barbara\$19.99
2002 Testarossa "Palazzio"\$29.99
2002 Varner "Hidden Block"\$36.99
2002 Willakenzie, Oregon\$16.99
2003 A to Z, Willamette Valley\$15.99
2003 Acacia, Carneros\$19.99
2003 Avila, San Luis Obispo\$9.99
2003 Ambullneo "Bulldog Reserve" \$74.99
2003 David Bruce, Central Coast\$16.99
2003 Drew "Gatekeeper's," St Rita\$26.99
Ripe, rich and full, the Gatekeeper's is a mouthful
of fruit with hints of spice and smoky overtones.
2003 Echelon, California\$8.99
2003 Edna Valley "Paragon"\$10.99
2003 Erath, Oregon\$12.99
2003 La Crema, Sonoma Coast\$12.98
2003 Lachini "S," Willamette Vly\$31.99
2003 MacMurray Ranch, Sonoma\$13.99
2003 McKinlay, Willamette Valley\$13.99
2003 Parker Station Santa Barbara\$9.99
2003 Saintsbury "Garnet"\$12.98

# **ZINFANDEL**

NV Rosenblum Cuvée XXVII\$7.98
2001 Ch Montelena, Napa\$21.99
2001 Joseph Swan "Frati," RR\$23.99
A classic, old-style zin with intense, rustic black
fruit, a pungent finish and briary notes.
2001 Justin, Paso Robles\$18.99
2001 Klinker Brick "OV," Lodi\$14.99
2001 Little 8 Ottimino, RR\$29.99
2001 Pezzi King "Maple Viney"\$27.99
92 points Wine Spectator!
2001 Renwood "Old Vines"\$12.99
2001 Storrs "Rusty Ridge"\$23.99
2002 Amici "Old Vine," Napa\$29.99
2002 Atrea Old Soul Red\$23.99
A blend of 46% zinfandel, 37% syrah, 10%
petite sirah and 7% malbec, this wine is spicy,
lush and complex.
2002 Bogle Old Vine\$8.98
2002 Buehler, Napa\$10.99
2002 Carlisle "Carlisle Vineyard"\$34.99
2002 Cline, California\$7.98
2002 Dashe Cellars, Dry Creek\$18.99
2002 Four Vines "Old Vine"\$9.99
This Old Vines cuvee is culled from vineyards in
both Paso Robles and Sonoma. Silky, with layers
of berry fruit, spice and oak.
2002 Green & Red "Chiles Mill"\$21.99
2002 J. Runquist "Z", Amador\$20.99
2002 MD Phillips "7 Deadly Zins"\$12.99
2002 Norman "The Monster"\$18.99
2002 Peter Franus, Napa\$22.99
2002 Porter Bass, Russian River\$26.99
2002 Quivira, Dry Creek\$16.99
2002 Rancho Zabaco "Heritage"\$9.98
2002 Rancho Zabaco "Dancing Bull" \$6.98
2002 Renwood "Sierra Series"\$9.99
2002 Ridge ZinsInquire
Too many to list! Call for pricing and availability.
2002 Rombauer, El Dorado\$21.99
2002 Seghesio "Old Vines"\$26.99
2002 Shenandoah Spec Reserve\$7.99
2002 Storybook Mnt "Mayacamus"\$25.99
2002 Terra d'Oro "Deaver Viney"\$18.99
2002 Tin Barn, Russian River\$24.99
2002 Titus, Mendocino\$23.99
2003 Alexander Valley "SinZin"\$16.99
2003 Cosentino "CigarZin"\$16.99
2003 Hartford, Russian River\$27.99
2003 Folie à Deux "Menage à Trios"\$9.99
Actually a blend, the zinfandel (49%) provides a
blackberry-like peppery spiciness while merlot (33%) adds a mature fruity bell pepper quality
and cabernet franc (18%) adds a soft violet note.
2003 Joel Gott, California\$15.99
2003 Rosenblum "Continente"\$12.98
2003 Rosenblum "Sauret"\$12.98
2003 Rosenblum "Oakley" \$10.99
2003 Seghesio, Sonoma\$13.98
2003 Sobon "Rocky Top" Amador\$12.99

# February Best Buys!

**2003 Work Napa Sauvignon Blanc (\$21.99)** 90 points from the *Wine Spectator*, this Sauvignon Blanc is loaded with rich, creamy fruit and hints of citrus and green apples, which linger on the finish. Great for a Chardonnay drinker who is looking for a rich, full Sauvignon Blanc.

**2003 Heitz Napa Chardonnay** (\$13.99) Never overly oaky or buttery, Heitz' 2003 Chardonnay is another in a line of balanced, crisp, food-friendly whites that will make you think again before dismissing this ever-popular varietal. This wine shows fresh and lively fruit with a long creamy but not heavy finish.

**2001 Mount Eden Estate Santa Cruz Cabernet Sauvignon** (\$27.99) Just released! Made from 75% cabernet sauvignon, 22% merlot and 3% cabernet franc, this wine is grown, fermented and bottled 2000 feet above the floor of the Santa Clara Valley on a peak of the Chaine d'Or in the Santa Cruz Mountains. Always in a classic Cabernet style, the Mount Eden shows tremendous depth of

fruit, balance, finesse and character. The wine shows terrior along with ripe California fruit. Should age well, too.

**2002 Steele "Goodchild Vineyard" Santa Barbara Pinot Noir** (\$16.99) Goodchild Vineyard is located on the southern banks of the Sisquoc River, very close in proximity to Bien Nacido. This delicate wine reveals slightly smoky aromas of almond and sweet cherries along with a nutty, red fruit palate. A steal at this price!

**2002 J. Runquist "Massoni Ranch" Amador Zinfandel (\$20.99)** This deliciously ripe Zinfandel comes from Amador County's Shenandoah Valley. The Zinfandel grapes used to produce "Z" hail from the Massoni Ranch, which was planted at the turn of the century. Ripe, lush and spicy, this wine screams for BBQ. —Trey Beffa

## Three Good Ones

**2003** Taz Santa Barbara Chardonnay (\$12.99) Named after Bob "Taz" (short for Tasmanian Devil) Steinhauer, a prominent figure in California viticulture, this wine comes from the sandy soils of a well-situated vineyard in Santa Barbara County. A delightful, versatile wine, to be had with a variety of great food or alone while watching Seinfeld re-runs, like I'm doing right now.

2002 Joseph Swan "Cuvee de Trois" Russian River Pinot Noir (\$19.99) Pinot Noir is a hard wine to get right. Many winemakers are too brusque with this delicate grape, and create over-ripe wines that lose their charm and taste like diluted Syrah. Joseph Swan has been quietly nailing its Pinots for years. Why quietly? Well, let's just say that J. Swan flies under the wine critic radar screen. This understated yet delicious Pinot is an aromatic beauty with unique elegance and charm. J. Swan is a breath of fresh air and a bastion of terroir-driven, world-class Pinot Noir in California. Nice!

2000 Guilliams Spring Mountain Napa Cabernet Sauvignon (\$36.99) The fuss over the pricey 2001 Napa vintage has made 2000 a smart place to go for high-end Cabernet. The '01s, while quite good, are often robust, tannic and can benefit from cellaring. Meanwhile, the better-priced 2000 vintage is consistently approachable and delicious upon release. One of the best examples is Guilliams. These folks crafted one of the last good finds of the "smart money" 2000 vintage. I'll say this clear as day—don't let the vintage bother you. This is a fantastic and beautiful wine, perfect for a special occasion. Let others pay more for not-so-ready '01s while you pay less for premium wine that's ready to drink now. Just 730 cases made.

—Martin Reyes

## San Francisco Focus

Valentines Day is coming soon, and many wine experts will give you the same old recommendation: Champagne. I say, NO! Give that special someone, or yourself, a fantastic Zinfandel and chocolate treat. We have a great selection of Zinfandels, but here are a couple of my personal favorites.

#### 2002 Porter Bass Russian River Zinfandel (\$26.99)

The new vintage has just been released, and it's even better than the 2001. Grapes from this century-old vineyard make wine that is incredibly intense yet very well balanced. This wine has the fruit and the spice to make everything nice. The Bass family has proven that this small, family-run estate is one to watch out for. **Chocolate**: Scharffen Berger extra bitter.

## 2002 Joseph Swan "Frati Ranch" Zinfandel (\$23.99)

If you are partial to classic, old-style Zinfandel with intense, rustic black fruit, a pungent finish and bite of heat on the end, this spectacular wine from Sonoma winery Joseph Swan will wow you. **Chocolate**: Ghiradelli milk chocolate with almonds.

#### 2002 Storybook Mountain Mayacamas Zinfandel (\$25.99)

This is a very forward and youthful wine with wonderful fruit and hints of spice, finishing long and strong. From legendary winemaker Jerry Seps, founder of ZAP, this wine will fulfill all your Zinfandel desires. **Chocolate**: Valrhona sweet dark.

See you in the City...

-Mike Jordan

# Bigger can be Better

We spend so much time describing the new and different wines from countries all over the world, I'm getting back to good old California basics here. If you're looking for a delicate wine with intricate wafts of semi French adjectives, you'll want to skip my wines this month, 'cause these babies are Big, Bold and Showy American favorites with all the ripeness and power you'd expect. These wines couldn't even find France on a map.

Rosenblum hardly needs an introduction, but these were released in late December, and the previous vintages were so successful, you'll want to make sure to get yours quickly. Rosenblum's 2002 version of the following wine was #41 of the Spectator's Top 100, and sold out immediately. Since the 2003 Rosenblum "Richard Sauret" Paso Robles Zinfandel (\$13.99) has now been released, you can have the heir to the throne. Dense and black with a mouth-coating dose of blackberry and black currant fruit, lots of creamy oak, thickness and power (15.5% alcohol), overtly ripe and long in the finish, this is classic chunky Rosenblum! We also offer the 2003 Rosenblum "Continente" San Francisco Bay Zinfandel (\$13.99). This bad boy is loaded with liqueur-ish juicy black cherries, very black currants and licorice, very, very ripe and a great dollop of American oak. Big and black, this is not a wine for the delicate type (15.3% here). Not so overripe and black, but with sweet plumy juiciness is the 2002 Groth Napa Merlot (\$29.99). Very smooth texture and a wonderful dose of black cherry, blueberry and plum fruit, dusty-ness, mouthwatering acidity, creamy oak and a nice minty-ness. Succulent and just plain yummy, this wine is always a favorite!

Not to forget you white wine drinkers, the **2002 Beringer Private Reserve Chardonnay** (\$19.99) from Napa is our giant killer. Big and juicy with a boat load of tropical fruits, great aromatics and lots of oakiness plus no malo, which keeps the acidity level up, and with a lot of lees stirring, it has a rich textural unctuousness. Hurry, this wine is almost gone! Happy February.

—Shaun Green

### ARGENTINA/CHILE/PORTUGAL/SPAIN

#### Chile, Argentina

2003 Concha y Toro Xplorador Cabernet Sauvignon (Chil	
2003 Concha y Toro Casillero del Diablo (Chile)	\$7.99
2003 Elsa Malbec (Argentina)	
2002 Two Brothers Tattoo Red (Chile)	
2003 Casa Lapostolle Merlot (Chile)	\$9.99
2003 Nandu Malbec (Argentina)	
2002 Altos Las Hormigas Malbec (Argentina)	
2002 Bodega Cicchitti Cabernet/Malbec (Argentina)	\$10.99
2003 El Felino Malbec (Argentina)	
2002 Felipe Rutini Malbec (Argentina)	\$11.99
90 points from the <i>Wine Spectator</i> .	
2002 Luis Correas "Malbec Oak" (Argentina)	\$11.99
2001 Apaltagua Envero, Colchagua Valley (Chile)	\$12.99
2002 Valentin Bianchi Cabernet or Malbec (Argentina)	\$12.99
1999 Casa Lapostolle, Cuvee Alexandre Cabernet (Chile).	\$13.99
2002 Concha y Toro Marq de Casa Concha Cabernet (Chil	e) \$14.99
2002 Las Terrazas Malbec Reserve (Argentina)	\$14.99
2002 Ricardo Santos Malbec (Argentina)	\$15.99
2002 Catena Malbec (Argentina)	
# 67 in the Wine Spectator's Top 100 for 2004!	
2002 Encierra Colchagua Valley (Chile)	\$22.99
2001 Cheval des Andes (Argentina)-From Cheval Blanc	
Portugal/Spain	
2003 Antano Tempranillo	\$5.99
2002 Cecile Chassagne Tempranillo, Navarra	
2003 Bodegas Castano Monastrell, Yecla	
2001 Sierra Cantabria Tinto, Rioja	
2001 Olivares Altos de la Hoya, Jumilla	
2002 Viña Alarba Old Vine Grenache, Catatayud	
2003 Panarroz, Jumilla	
2002 Atazuri, Artazu, Navarra	
2003 Muga Rosado	
2002 Capcanes Mas Donis Barrica-90 points Parker	
2003 Naia Rueda Blanc	
2002 Bodegas "Y" Vinedos" Almanza Red	
2001 Castell del Remei Gotim Bru	\$9 99
2003 Seguras Vidas Creu de Levit	
2002 Bodegas Castano Solanera, Yecla-90 points Parker	
2003 La Legua	
2000 Sierra Cantabria Crianza Rioja	
2001 Bodegas del Muni, Corpus del Muni Vina Lucia	
2002 Gamez Alba Red	
2000 Bodegas Muga Reserva Rioja	
1999 Falset Marca Castell de Falset	
1998 Torres Gran Coronas Black Label	
2000 Bodegas Castano Casa Cisca	
2001 Mas Doix, Solanque, Priorat	
2001 Emilio Moro, Ribera del Duero, Tinto	
1998 Muga Seleccion Especial Rioja	
2001 Logos I, Navarra	
2002 Vall Llach Embruix, Priorat	
2001 Pago de Carraovejas Crianza, Ribera del Duero	
2001 Venus la Universal, Monstant	
2001 Pintia, Toro	
2002 Vall Llach Idus Priorat	
2002 Vall Llach Priorat	
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## Toro, Toro, Toro...Ole!

Toro and Rueda are neighbors in the Castilla y Leon region of Spain that share a symbiotic relationship. In Toro, you will find big muscular reds made from tinto de toro, the local clone of tempranillo. This region is rocketing to prominence with the success of wines like Numanthia and Termes. Rueda, on the other hand, is the birthplace of modern white wine making in Spain. It all began in 1970 with the wines from Martin Sancho. Bright, fresh wines made from grapes like verdejo, sauvignon blanc and viura were at first a radical departure from the dense, oxidized "imitation sherry," which had been the regional specialty. The following are some of the hottest picks…ole!

**2003** Palacio de Menade, Cuevas de Castilla, Cuvee RS, Rueda (\$6.99) 88 points from Stephen Tanzer! The Cuvee RS is made from a blend of 80% verdejo, 15% viura and 5% sauvignon blanc. Perfect with grilled shrimp!

**2003 Naia, Rueda Blanco (\$9.99)** The Naia is one of the latest and greatest wines from the stable of wineries brought represented by "Super Importer" Jorge Ordonez. Made from a blend of 85% verdejo and 15% viura, the 2003 is the second vintage of this scrumptious white wine. Enjoy this wine with asparagus risotto or grilled salmon!

**2001 Campo Eliseo, Toro (\$45.99)** 92 points from Parker and 93 points from the *Spectator*! A joint venture from Michel Rolland and J.F. Lurton, the Campo Eliseo has all of the bold, brash flavors of Toro with just a hint of French finesse and sexiness...only 1000 cases made of this "hottie!"

**2001 Pintia, Toro (\$49.95)** 95 points Robert Parker. This big red from Toro is the newest project from the famed Ribera del Duero winery, Vega Sicilia. Fat and luscious with a big structure, this has a breed and style that only the winemakers of Vega Sicilia can achieve. MUST TRY if you love Numanthia! Buen Cata!

—Anne Pickett

## Jim C's View Down Under

2002 Griffin Pinot Noir, Marlborough, New Zealand (\$16.99)

This wine reminds me a bit of the Oregon style of Pinots with smoky dark plum and ripe strawberry fruit enhanced by notes of toffee, clove, earth and a hint of bacon. There is good density to the wine with fine tannins and juicy acidity, giving definition and fine length.

2003 Hewitson "Ned & Henry's" Shiraz, Barossa Valley, Australia (\$17.99) Dean Hewitson has a knack for sourcing old-vine fruit in McLaren Vale and the Barossa Valley with the sense to use wood as a seasoning and not to obscure the character of the wine. Last year was the debut for this wine in his portfolio. Given that his daughter Harriet has the "Miss Harry" named after her, he had to keep peace in the family and give a nod to the boys, Ned and Henry. This comes from the eastern side of the Barossa on a limestone plateau covered with terra rossa soil with gullies on either side, which allows for cooling breezes to come into the vineyard during the warm summer. The bouquet shows bright boysenberry fruit complimented by accents of pepper, roasted grains and a mocha note. On the palate, the wine is lush with seamless balance, fine tannins and a juicy long finish.

2003 Longwood "The Sheep Shearer" Shiraz, McLaren Vale, Australia (\$16.99) Here's a great value fashioned by Phil Christiansen, who made our Kirkham Peak Shiraz last year. Aged completely in 300-liter French and American hogsheads to showcase the fruit, the wine shows a deep purple color with ripe succulent black fruits and notes of pepper and fine grained tannins. This is a rich wine for current drinking that offers the classic silky texture of McLaren Vale.

Cheers, and Happy Valentines Day! — Jim Chanteloup

#### **GERMANY**

View our complete inventory at www.klwines.com. 2003 Langwerth Von Simmern Riesling Qba ......\$9.99 2003 Leitz Rüdesheimer Drachenstein "Dragon" Riesling......\$14.99 Rippling with zingy grapefruit and current aromas with a haunting wiff of spice. 2003 Alfred Merkelbach Kinheimer Rosenberg Spätlese .......\$15.99 2003 Alfred Merkelbach Ürziger Würzgarten Spätlese .........\$15.99 2003 Zilliken Saarburger Rausch Kabinett ......\$16.99 2003 Carl Schmitt Wagner Longuicher Maximiner Herrenberg Spätlese ......\$18.99 2003 Josef Leitz Rudesheimer Magdalenenkreuz Spätlese ......\$19.99 2003 Spreitzer Oestricher Lenchen Kabinett ......\$19.99 2003 Schloss Lieser Niederberg Helden Spätlese ......\$21.99 2003 Freiherr Langwerth von Simmern Erbacher Marcobrunn Spätlese ......\$26.99 2003 Joh. Jos. Prüm Graacher Himmelreich Spätlese.....\$29.99 2003 Gunderloch Nackenheimer Rothenberg Spätlese ........\$29.99 2003 Joh. Jos. Prüm Graacher Himmelreich Auslese ......\$34.99 2003 Schlossgut Diel Dorsheimer Pittermännchen Spätlese ..\$39.99

## The 15th Page Man: Schlossgut Diel 200 and 1

The 2003 vintage marks the two hundred and first anniversary of this historic estate in Burg Layen owned and directed by the dynamic Armin Diel and his family. Armin is a man greatly respected and feared in the German wine world, an almost Robert Parker-like personality in terms of his influence on the public's opinion of new wines. Armin, along with Joel Payne, reviews the German wines for the Gault Millau, an extremely influential publication that can greatly affect the sales of any given estate. The **Schlossgut Diel** is without exception one of the top estates in all of Germany, known for dry Burgundian varietals as well as classic Rieslings that hail most importantly from a trio of contiguous Grand Crus: Goldloch on thin loam and gravel over a rocky subsoil, Burgberg on quartzite, and Pittermännchen or "little silver coin," composed of Hunsrück slate with traces of quartz and silica throughout.

"The age of the vines are similar in the three sites, the microclimates are similar in the three sites, only a few meters separate them from one another, yet they are entirely different based on terroir," says Armin. What I found in Armin and his wines is a lusty vitality and purity that is refreshing and invigorating, almost contagious. He has that glow of someone who loves what they do and are proud of what they have accomplished.

2003 Schlossgut Diel Dorsheimer Pittermännchen Kabinett (\$21.99) We had to beg for this wine, as it was our favorite Kabinett and was not slated to be imported. We got it, and you will love its bright and truly haunting nose of sweet herbs, lemon essence, smoke and slate, which will leave you enchanted. The palate is awash with racy fruit and mineral, which refuses to relent. There is so much depth here it seems infinite.

The 2003 Schlossgut Diel Dorsheimer Pittermännchen Spätlese (\$39.99) is all that with an added saltiness and mineral intensity that surrounds this wine's coiled, powerful center. You need this in your cellar, and you need to put way in the back and forget about it. We also have a small amount of the 2003 Schlossgut Diel Dorsheimer Pittermännchen Auslese (\$65.99) at the time of this writing, so give a ring and check it out. Stay in the sunshine!

—Jeff Vierra

#### **AUSTRIA**

2003 Iby Zweigelt Classic	
2002 Türk Grüner Veltliner "Vom Urgentein"	12.99
Old vines in primary rock give this wine an intense, clean and vibrant person	ona.
2003 Hiedler Grüner Veltliner "Loess"	313.99
2003 Hirsch Grüner Veltliner # 1-Silly deer label	
2002 Peter Schandl Pinot Blanc	14.99
2001 Weingut Schmelz Riesling Smaragd Durnsteiner	
Freiheit	14.99
Bracing and stony, very clear and detailed, deep and powerful.	
2002 Iby Blaufränkisch Hochäcker	17.99
Shows wonderful aromas of Bing cherries, red berry fruit, smoke and spice	<del>)</del> .
2002 Leithner Grüner Veltliner "Privat"	17.99
2003 Walter Glatzer Zweigelt "Rubin Carnuntum"	19.99
2003 Hirsch Grüner Veltliner "Heiligenstein"	
2003 Walter Glatzer Zweigelt "Dornenvogel"	26.99
Dornenvogel (thorn-bird) is Glatzer's term for his best lots because these thing birds like to eat the ripest grapes. Sexy red!	
<b>1999 Alzinger Grüner Veltliner Smaragd Mühlpoint</b> One of the great wines of Austria, no one should miss this.	31.99
2003 Peter Schandl Pinot Noir	32.99
2003 Alzinger Grüner Veltliner Weingärten Smaragd	33.99
2002 Hirsch Grüner Veltliner Lamm "September"	
2002 Hirsch Riesling Gaisberg "April"	34.99
These are late-bottled masterpieces that should not be missed!!	
2003 Nigl Riesling Senftenberger Piri	34.99
2001 Prager Riesling Smaragd Wachstum Bodenstein	39.99
2003 Alzinger Riesling Liebenberg Smaragd	
92 points Falstaff!	
2002 Emmerich Knoll Riesling Smaragd Loibenberg	51.99

## A Grüner to Sink Your Teeth Into

The scene was the Bambuddha Lounge, a Southeast Asian restaurant in San Francisco. It was the summer of 2004. The event was a major tasting of Austrian and German wines from the Terry Theise portfolio. The buzz was all around me as I entered. I began at the start of the Austrian selections and immediately overheard people talking about the 2003 Mantlerhof Grüner Veltliner "Spiegel" (\$25.99). As I tasted my way through an endless lineup of delicious wines from various producers, I finally arrived at the wine in question. I struck up a conversation with a young lady who had just finished tasting this wine... she wore a facial expression that spoke volumes. She, too, raved about the wine. As I tasted it, I was struck by how different it was from most of the other Grüners on the table. A bit more "meaty," a bit more saturated with extract, a bit less "shy." I drew a happy face on my tasting note and continued on. At the end of the tasting I compared notes with several colleagues and was astonished at how many of us had this wine on their "must-buy" list.

Well, months have passed, and the wine has finally arrived on our shelves. I was almost afraid to taste it again. Was I swept up by peer pressure? Was I influenced by mob mentality? My mind was soon put at ease, however, when I once again sampled this marvel: extroverted, aromatic and packed with citrus, floral, mineral, peppery and herbal flavors. The winemaker at Mantlerhof likes to leave the musts on the grape skins longer than other estates tend to, which perhaps explains the full mouthfeel and saturated flavor profile of this wine. This may not be the most elegant Grüner, but it is a gorgeously untamed creature of mosaic complexity.

—Marco DeFreitas

## I'll Have the Usual: Jim Barr, Great Port and Roscoe's Chicken and Waffles

The pairing of fine wine with exotic cuisine is the type of challenge that we trained professionals live for. What to have with Roscoe's chicken and waffles? A clinical breakdown of the variables is required. Certainly the syrup type comes into play, as does the crispness of the clucker. And the butter...pats or whipped? Which will you bite into first? The complexities of chicken and waffles have humbled many a sommelier. But the answer is simple if one uses the theory put forth by the master detective Sherlock Holmes:

Eliminate the impossible. Whatever remains—however improbable—must be the truth.

And there it is, plain as day at the bottom of Roscoe's menu: Vin Rose, Burgundy, Chablis: \$8.75 ½ Liter \$16.00 Full Liter. So now you know.

If you like port (and even if you don't), we've just received an extremely rare bottling of **1958 Warre's** (\$179.00). The 1958 vintage was overshadowed by the monumental ports of 1955, but '58 produced some excellent, elegant wines that were clearly worthy of the vintage declaration. Warre's is clearly worthy, and one of the finest produced. The provenance of this acquisition is nonpareil. In fact, the wine was originally purchased out of this very building in Redwood City from then wine merchant Rollie Somers. This was long before K&L took over in 1976. The Warre's returns to us from a cellar right up the street, an unlikely scenario to say the least. And the wine: amazingly vibrant and quite complex, with the intriguing caramel overtones of a fine tawny juxtaposed with the bright, ripe and deep red and black fruit flavors of top-drawer vintage port. The zippy, spirity kick to the finish that comes from extended age adds another dimension. Absolutely unique. In the midst of bullcrap I just reviewed a wine. Apologies all around.

Oops, I'm doing it again:

1998 Château Montelena Estate Cabernet Sauvignon (\$79.95) If you are thinking of serving up a heaping plateful of "1998s aren't good in California," The Finger Wags At You! Better to have a helping of "classic Napa Cabernet, with ripe black fruit notes, cedar and spicy nuances." The '98 Montelena Estate is a joy to drink at six years old, which is a rarity from this property. Montelena cabs are notorious for their propensity to evolve at a glacial pace. This supple offering is drinking perfectly. 93 points Parker, 98.5 on your FM dial.

1989 Beausejour-Duffau (1.5L \$169.00) Ah, the unsung hero. The 1990 got the accolades, and after the party everyone went home, leaving the '89 to clean up. It is certainly cleaning up now. This exceptional magnum has continued to develop in a positive fashion. The power was always there but walked ahead of the finesse. They stroll arm in arm now. The predominance of merlot gives the wine silkiness and warmth. In addition, the magnum format has rendered the wine bolder and more focused than the standard bottle size. A fine wine and a fine value. The glass slipper fits. She is ready for the ball.

Wouldn't you know it, after coming to the conclusion that it would be best for me to stop picking on Jim Barr and actually expound on something concrete (like Jim's palate, oops I did it again), in comes Barr with a hair style that proves the Grim Reaper now works at Supercuts. Maybe he had some guy with the DTs cut his hair, I don't know, but there is a mangy map of Belarus on the back of his head and what looks like a cattle brand on top. The Anderson Valley Chainsaw Hair Massacre comes to mind. Or scalping by cotton gin. Thank God he didn't bring attention to it, like walking in and yelling "Don't say anything about my hair!" Enough said.

—Joe Zugelder

# **Boating in Bandol**

Flashback to 1992. A younger and more apt-to-don-a-bathing-suit me had just finished four years of college studies. Eager to embark on a new more "adult" chapter of my life (what did I know?), I sold my '63 Dodge Rambler and boarded a plane for France. Enough theory, I wanted a life filled with old-world culture, high art, and topless bathing. No, actually the last item is not something I really wanted to experience (what can I say, old habits die hard). However, it was my uncle Marcel who demonstrated to me how common (and appreciated) this practice was when we went boating near Bandol one summer day. As my aunt Edwige dropped anchor and my cousin Stephan began preparing our lunches, I looked around for Marcel's expert guidance. I quickly discovered that he was missing from the boat. I scanned the liquid blue Mediterranean. Did he fall overboard? Drown? And then, as panic started to set in, I heard him. "Warren, viens!" My uncle was in the water and very much alive. He was, in fact, halfway to a small island where I could faintly discern two bathing beauties perched on a rock who were, you guessed it, very topless. My youngest cousin Warren (about age 9) jumped in and joined his dad on this most important expedition. Ah...the French!

This month I would like to introduce you to the wines of Bandol, because, besides offering great boating and topless adventures, there is some amazing wine made here.

Bandol is now largely a Mediterranean resort town very similar to neighboring Cassis. Because of its bowl-shaped south-facing slopes, however, the wines are largely protected from harsh north winds. It is here that the mourvedre grape is able to ripen, producing flavorful and age-worthy wines with nuances of roasted herb, black olive, ripe cherry and smoky black tea. Below are two fine examples of Bandol for your consideration. I do hope that you will be able to try them!

2001 Domaine de la Bastide Blanche Bandol (\$18.99) In the early '70s Michel and Louis Bronzo acquired the property of the Bastide Blanche, with the goal of producing top Bandol wines to rival their more famous cousins in Châteauneuf-du-Pape. The brothers Bronzo have several cuvees, depending on the vintage, but they always use a minimun of 75% mourvèdre. This 2001 is a tremendous effort, with black cherry, roasted herbs and tar on the nose. After an hour of decanting, this unfiltered wine begins to elicit nuances of espresso bean, crushed rock and cassis. Fantastic with gigot d'agneau.

2000 Château Pradeaux Bandol Rouge (\$30.99) Château Pradeaux is one of the grand warhorses for this ancient wine-growing district. The château is situated on the outskirts of the town of St. Cyr Mer, which lies directly on the Mediterranean Sea between Toulon and Marseilles. The estate is owned by the Portalis family who has run the property since the 18th century. The domaine is currently under the direction of Cyrille Portalis, who continues to maintain the great traditions of this estate. The 2000 Châteaux Pradeaux Bandol Rouge is dense and rich with notes of garrigue, smoked meat and black olive. Deep notes of black currants and plum impart balance and roundness to the wine, which finishes with a dusty sweetness. Best from 2006-2010.

—Mulan Chan

### CHAMPAGNE/SPARKLING WINE

J Laurens Brut (Cremant de Limoux)-Great and less than \$10!\$9.9	9
Eart Robert Plageoles Mauzac Nature Sparkling Wine\$13.9	
Ariston Carte Blanche Brut \$22.9	
Our best deal in bubbles? Powerful!	,
Franck Bonville Brut Selection Blanc de Blancs-What richness! \$24.9	9
Marguet-Bonnerave "Cuvee Reserve"	
Michel Dervin Brut \$24.9	
Ariston Brut Rosé- See Gary's article\$25.9	
Marguet-Bonnerave Brut Rosé- It's finally back!\$25.9	
Launois "Sable" Brut Blanc de Blanc\$25.9	
Launois "Cuvee Reserve" Brut Blanc de Blanc\$25.9	
Laurent Perrier Brut\$25.9	
Michel Arnould Verzenay Brut Reserve Champagne\$25.9	
Tarlant Brut Reserve-Quality-obsessed grower, direct pricing!\$26.9	
Tarlant Brut Zero-Gary's desert island Champagne	
1998 Franck Bonville Brut Millesime Blanc de Blanc\$27.9	
De Meric Sous Bois Brut-Delicious \$27.9	
Michel Arnould Grand Cuvee Brut Champagne\$29.9	9
Louis Roederer Brut-One of Clyde's favorites\$29.9	
A Margaine Demi-Sec\$29.9	
1998 Michel Dervin Brut\$29.9	
1998 Launois Brut Blanc de Blanc\$29.9	
1996 Ariston Vintage Brut\$29.9	9
1996 Franck Bonville Brut Millesime Blanc de Blanc\$29.9	
Veuve-Clicquot Brut-One of the nation's best prices! Inquir	·e
Lallement Brut \$39.9	9
1995 Laurent Perrier Brut\$34.9	9
Fleury "Carte Rouge" Brut-Biodynamic. Beyond organic!\$34.9	9
René Geoffroy Brut Rosé	9
Fleury Brut Rosé\$39.9	
Laurent Perrier Ultra Brut\$39.9	9
Tarlant Cuvee Louis Brut Prestige-One of our best\$39.9	9
Laurent-Perrier Brut Rosé\$43.9	9
Lallement Brut Réserve\$49.9	9
1996 Pol Roger Vintage Brut Champagne\$49.9	9
De Meric Grande Reserve Sous Bois Brut (1.5L)\$56.9	9
Franck Bonville Cuvee Les Belles Voyes\$59.9	
Laurent Perrier "Grand Siècle"	
Cattier Clos du Moulin 1er Cru Brut\$77.9	
1996 Dom PerignonInquir	
Krug Grand Cuvee\$104.9	
Laurent-Perrier Brut Rosé (1.5L)\$110.0	
1995 Salon Blanc de Blancs\$128.9	
Laurent Perrier "Grand Siècle" (1.5L)\$129.0	0

## Valentines Day Rosé Champagne!

It is a Valentines tradition, so I have to say it again this year: Flowers are fun and jewels are pretty, but try as you might, you can't drink them. Don't forget the bubbles on Valentines Day! I will be pouring Rosé (and maybe a few other) Champagnes here in Redwood City on Valentines Day, Saturday February 11. Marco DeFreitas will be pouring in San Francisco. Please come on by and audition some of our recommendations with your sweetheart. It will be a fun tasting, and you can be sure to get a bottle that you both love for Wednesday. If you can't make it, here are a couple of ideas: For a romantic bottle at a reasonable price I recommend the Ariston Brut Rosé (\$25.99). Fans of Billecart-Salmon take note: This is an elegant, dry style that is made entirely from estate-grown fruit in Brouillet. This Champagne is a blend of half and half pinot noir and meunier. The color comes from 12% meunier that is vinified red, from an old-vine plot that gets quite ripe. It is a very pretty tarnished pink color and has a lazy bead from over five years of ageing on the lees. It has gorgeous red cherry fruit on the nose and mid palate but still finishes snappy and dry. The wine also has a nice mineral note on the finish, and I can't help thinking about all the fossils that I filled my pockets with in their vineyard while enjoying its length.

Another great option for Valentines Day is the **1997 Laurent Perrier Grand Siecle Cuvee Alexandra Brut Rosé (\$89.99)**. Less than 2000

six-bottle cases of this Champagne were made, and only 500 allocated to the U.S.A. It is composed of 80% pinot noir and 20% chardonnay, also exclusively from Grand Cru vineyard sites. I preferred this Alexandra over the majes-



tic 1990. It is extraordinarily refined and long but still has plenty of fun, refreshing fruit in the middle. This dry rosé has top-tier texture and miniscule bubbles, and I am sure it will be memorable part of an unforgettable Valentines. Perhaps I ought to get a bottle of each for Cinnamon and I...

Contact me at 1 (800) 247-5987 ex 728 or by email at garyw@klwines. com with your champagne (or sherry!) needs! —Gary Westby

# Hungarian Gems

1999 Tokaji Aszu 3 puttonyos, Hetszolo ......\$15.99

Explosive nose of guince and dried pear. Some honey flavors. Balanced and delicious. 100 g/l. residual sugar.

1996 Tokaji Aszu 5 puttonyos, Hetszolo .....\$27.99

This is a very rich, unctuous wine that is not cloying at all. Perfect acid balance and quince aromas mixed with honey nuances. 136 g/l residual sugar and 11.5% alcohol. Foie gras anyone?

1995 Tokaji Aszu 6 puttonyos, Hetszolo ......\$34.99

The richest of the Hetszolo dessert wines (except for Essencia). 160 g/l of residual sugar. 11.5% alcohol. Will age gracefully for many years. 100% harslevelu.

#### WHITE BURGUNDY

2002 St Bris (Sauvignon), Moreau & Fils-Chablis minerality\$9.99
2003 Mâcon Solutré, Domaine Renaud-Bright, mineral driven\$10.99
2002 Petit Chablis, Moreau & Fils\$11.99
1999 Bourgogne Blanc, Domaine Charlopin-Special price\$11.99
2002 Bourgogne Blanc, Domaine Gerard Chavy\$12.99
2002 St-Véran, Domaine de la Croix Senaillet\$13.99
Perennial favorite. Forward and rich with minerality and charm.
2001 Mâcon-Villages, "Les Bruyeres," Lapalus-Extremely rich\$13.99
2002 Bourgogne Aligoté, Domaine Pierre Morey\$14.99
2003 Bourgogne Blanc, Domaine J Matrot\$14.99
2002 Chablis, Domaine Barat-Mineral driven and classic\$14.99
2002 Bourgogne Blanc, Domaine Matrot\$15.99
2002 Rully Blanc, Joseph Drouhin\$15.99
2002 Bourgogne Chardonnay, Signature, Champy\$16.99
2002 Bourgogne Blanc, "Les Champlains," Domaine
Simon Bize-Floral and lovely, from Pernand/Savigny\$17.99
2002 Bourgogne Blanc, Domaine Marquis d'Angerville\$18.99
2002 Chablis, Domaine Long Depaquit\$18.99
2002 Pouilly-Fuissé, Domaine Michel Delorme\$19.99
2001 Bourgogne Blanc, Domaine Henri Gouges\$19.99
Made from his albino pinot noir grapes! Floral and concentrated, fascinating.
2002 Bourgogne Blanc, Domaine François Mikulski\$20.99
Bright, focused, with Meursault minerality. Very poised rather than rich and fat.
2002 St-Aubin, Domaine Patrick Miolane-Was \$25.99 elsewhere \$20.99
2002 St-Aubin, Chateniere, 1er Cru, Olivier Leflaive\$23.99
2001 Pouilly-Fuissé, Les Moulins, Domaine J.A. Ferret\$23.99
2002 St-Aubin, "Sur Gamay," 1er, Dom. H. Prudhon\$26.99
2002 Pouilly-Vinzelles "Les Quarts," Dom. La Soufrandie\$27.99
1997 Meursault, Château Blagny, 1er Cru, Louis Latour\$29.99
2002 St-Aubin, Murgers Dent de Chien, 1er Cru, Champy\$29.99
2003 Meursault, Domaine J. Matrot
2002 St-Aubin, "Charmois," 1er, Dom Jean-Marc Morey\$33.99
2002 Meursault, Château de Puligny Montrachet
2002 Puligny-Montrachet, Les Enseignères, Champy\$39.99
2002 Meursault, Santenots, Dom Marquis d'Angerville\$41.99
2002 Puligny-Montrachet, "Folatieres," Gerard Chavy\$41.99 2002 Meursault, Domaine François Mikulski\$47.99
2002 Chablis, "Vaudesirs," Grand Cru, Dom Long Depaquit \$49.95
2001 Meursault, Domaine Pierre Morey\$49.99
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2002 Meursault, Perrieres, 1er Cru, Joseph Drouhin\$52.99
2002 Meursault, Perrieres, 1er Cru, Joseph Drouhin\$52.99 2002 Meursault, Perrieres, Domaine Albert Grivault\$56.99
2002 Meursault, Perrieres, 1er Cru, Joseph Drouhin\$52.99 2002 Meursault, Perrieres, Domaine Albert Grivault\$56.99 2002 Chassagne-Montrachet, Chenevottes or Vergers, 1er Cru,
2002 Meursault, Perrieres, 1er Cru, Joseph Drouhin
2002 Meursault, Perrieres, 1er Cru, Joseph Drouhin
2002 Meursault, Perrieres, 1er Cru, Joseph Drouhin
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2002 Meursault, Perrieres, 1er Cru, Joseph Drouhin

#### ALSACE/LOIRE

# Alsace 2002 Pinot Blanc, Charles Baur .....\$10.99

Charles Baur Cremant d'Alsace\$12.99
An elegant and rich sparkler with a fine bead and fruity nose, perfect for parties and holiday gatherings!!
2002 Tokay-Pinot Gris Domaine Roland Schmitt\$12.99
2000 Domaines Schlumberger Riesling Saering Grand Cru\$14.99
2002 Becker Muscat Grand Cru Froehn\$16.99
2001 Becker Riesling Grand Cru Froehn\$18.99
2002 Becker Gewürztraminer Grand Cru Schoenenbourg\$18.99
<b>2002 Gewürztraminer, GC Pfersigberg , Charles Baur\$19.99</b> Very classy, lots of soil character. Properly dry, full of vibrant, refreshing acidity, never cloying, yet still pungently spicy.
2002 Riesling, Domaine Weinbach Cuvee St. Catherine\$35.99
2000 Marcel Deiss Gruenspiel de Bergheim\$55.99
<u>Loire</u>
2003 Muscadet Sèvre Maine Sur Lie, Domaine de la Pepiere\$8.99
2003 Touraine Gamay, Clos Roche Blanche\$12.99
2002 Vincent Raimbault Vouvray Sec\$13.99
<b>2002 Saumur-Champigny, Rene Noel Legrand La Chaintre\$13.99</b> Pure ripe expression of franc, showing chocolate and minerals.
2002 Filliatreau Saumur Champigny La Grand Vignole\$15.99
2002 Sancerre Domiane Daulny, Clos de Chaudenay VV\$16.99

vinified in a bold rich dry style. Chidaine is the top!

1999 Savennieres "Clos des Perrieres" Pierre Yves Tijou .......\$19.99

**2002 Montlouis "Les Choisilles," François Chidaine ............\$18.99**Dry long and intensely mineral, from distinct plots all left to ripen late and

**2000 Chinon Couly Dutheil Clos de l'Echo \$21.99**The domaine's masterpiece, the Clos de l'Echo is a wine of grand proportion. It is also complex, structured and very age worthy.

# Loire & Beyond: Domaine Vincent Ogereau

In the tiny commune of Saint-Lambert-sur-Aubance there lives a tuba player of great renown, his name is Vincent Ogereau. In addition to having great lungs and a strong back, the man makes a bit of wine as well, and though I cannot personally attest to his mastery of the tuba, I can tell you that he makes fabulous wine. The estate is comprised of about 20 ha in the Anjou, Anjou Villages and Coteaux du Layon appellations. All his vines are tended organically, and the wines are fermented with wild yeasts. Vincent is very dedicated to reducing yields and does an extensive green harvest then pickers make multiple passes through the vineyards picking only at optimum ripeness. Wines are aged in either old wood Tonnes of 500 liters or in stainless steel, no new oak to mess around with the crystalline flavors he works so hard in the vineyard to preserve. His domaine is well known in the Loire, and now thanks to a new importer Jon-David Headrick and some fortunate introductions, the wines are making their debut at K&L. The 2002 Domaine Vincent Ogereau Anjou Blanc (\$12.99) is 100% hand-harvested chenin blanc from a parcel of schist-laden soil in the commune of Saint Lambert. It is vinified in 500-liter Tonnes on its lees until bottling in May. The wine is saturated with wet stone flavors with hints of stone fruits, ginger and sweet herbs. Possibly the most versatile and friendly Chenin Blanc I have ever tasted! The 2002 Domaine Vincent Ogereau Anjou Villages (\$12.99) is 100% handharvested cabernet franc from the same parcel. This seductive stylish red is ripe and smooth brimming with succulent flavors of ripe plums, hints of spice and dried cherry. Live in the light! —Jeff Vierra

#### RED BURGUNDY

2001Bourgogne Rouge, Domaine Olivier Merlin\$8.99
2001 Bourgogne Rouge, Domaine Desertaux-Ferrand\$13.99
2002 Marsannay Rouge, Maison Louis Latour\$14.99
2001 Bourgogne Rouge, Domaine Camus-Brochon\$15.99
2002 Bourgogne Rouge, Domaine Heresztyn\$18.99
2002 Bourgogne Rouge, Domaine Michel Gros\$18.99
2002 Marsannay Rouge, Maison Champy\$18.99
2002 Côtes-de-Nuits-Villages, "Le Vaucrain," Louis Jadot\$20.99
From a vineyard next to Clos de Marechal. Lovely bright fruit and length.
2002 Ladoix, "Les Chaillots," Dom Prince de Mèrôde\$21.99
2002 Beaune, Vielles Vignes, Maison Champy
2002 Santenay, Clos de Malte, Domaine Louis Jadot\$23.99
"Juicy, pure black pepper-laced blackberries," Wine Advocate.
2001 Marsannay, Domaine Joseph Roty\$24.99
2002 Monthelie, "Les Duresses," 1er, Dom Bouchard P&F\$25.99
2001 Marsannay, "Quartiers," Domaine Roty\$25.99
2002 Savigny-Beaunes, "Clos Guettes," 1er, Domaine Jadot\$26.99
"delicious, intense and persistent wine of notable distinction," Burghound.
2001 Savigny-Beaunes, "Narbanton," 1er, Camus Brochon\$26.99
2000 Morey-St-Denis, Domaine Regis Forey\$29.99
2001 Gevrey-Chambertin, "VV," Domaine Heresztyn\$29.99
2002 Nuits, "Clos Fôrets," 1er, Dom l'Arlot (.375ml)\$31.99
2000 Nuits-St-Georges, "Perrieres," 1er, Dom Regis Forey\$36.99
2002 Pommard, "Clos de La Platiere," Prince de Mèrôde\$36.99
2001 Morey-St-Denis, "En la Rue de Vergy," Michel Gros\$36.99
2001 Nuits-St-Georges, "Aus Bas de Combes," Jean Tardy\$39.99
Rich, juicy, oaky and concentrated, due to low yields.
2001 Vosne-Romanée, "Vigneux," Jean Tardy\$39.99
Pretty and charming fruit with a long finish. Nice Vosne-Romanée plushness.
<b>2001 Chambolle-Musigny, "Les Athets," Jean Tardy\$39.99</b> Gentle oak, Chambolle elegance and lovely fruit. Elegant and understated.
2001 Morey-St-Denis, 1er, Dom Lambrays-(\$69 elsewhere)\$39.99
2001 Gevrey-Chambertin, Champs Chenys, Joseph Roty\$42.99
2001 Chambolle-Musigny, Domaine Georges Roumier\$43.99
2001 Morey-St-Denis, "Clos Bussiere," 1er Cru, Roumier\$43.99
2001 Gevrey-Chambertin, "Corbeaux," 1er Cru, Heresztyn\$43.99
The Corbeaux is dark, rich and spicy.
2002 Nuits-St-Georges, "Chaliots," Domaine Michel Gros\$43.99
2001 Gevrey-Chambertin, "Champs Chenys," Joseph Roty\$43.99
2002 Chambolle-Musigny, Domaine Heresztyn\$44.99
2002 Chambolle-Musigny, Domaine Michel Gros\$44.99
2002 Nuits-St-Georges, Bas de Combes, Dom Jean Tardy\$47.99
2002 Vosne Romanée, Vigneux, Domaine Jean Tardy\$47.99
2002 Chambolle-Musigny, Les Athets, Dom Jean Tardy\$47.99
2002 Corton Marechaudes, Grand Cru, Prince de Mèrôde\$49.99
2001 Nuits-St-Georges, "Boudots," 1er Cru, Jean Grivot\$53.99
2001 Vosne-Romanée, "Beaux Monts," 1er, Jean Grivot\$54.99
2002 Vosne-Romanée, "Chaumes," 1er, Dom Jean Tardy\$57.99
2002 Corton Renardes, Grand Cru, Prince de Mèrôde\$59.99
2002 Nuits-St-Georges, "Boudots," 1er, Dom Jean Tardy\$59.99
2002 Vosne-Romanée, Les Beaumonts, Maison Champy\$64.99
2002 Vosne-Romanée, Les Suchots, Maison Champy\$67.99
2002 Corton Bressandes, Grand Cru, Prince de Mèrôde\$67.99
2002 Corton Clos du Roi, Grand Cru, Prince de Mèrôde\$69.99
2002 Nuite "Clas Augillians" Law Dam Datains Diam 671 00
2002 Nuits "Clos Argillieres," 1er, Dom Patrice Rion\$71.99
2002 Nuits "Clos Argillieres," 1er, Dom Patrice Rion

2002 Mazis Chambertin, Champy-95 points Wine Spectator\$99.95
2002 Clos de Vougeot, Hudelot Noellat\$99.95
2002 Clos Vougeot, Grand Cru, Domaine Michel Gros\$108.99
2002 Bonnes Mares, Grand Cru, Domaine Groffier\$159.99
2002 Donnes Mares, Grand Cru, Donname Gromer
<u>Beaujolais</u>
2004 Beaujolais Nouveau, Louis Tête\$7.99
2004 Beaujolais-Villages Nouveau, Domaine Piron\$8.99
2004 Beaujolais-Villages Nouveau, Domaine Bacarra\$9.99
<b>2004</b> Beaujolais-Villages Nouveau, Domaine Geo Duboeuf\$9.99  The Tete is soft and fruity; the Piron is the <i>San Jose Mercury</i> pick, the Bacarra the <i>LA Times</i> , and the Duboeuf a perennial favorite.
2003 Chenas, Bernard Santé-Charm and spice\$13.99
2002 Julienas, Pascal Granger-Lovely aromatics\$13.99
2002 Moulin-a-Vent, Château des Jacques (Jadot)\$15.99
2003 Fleurie, Les Garants, Domaine de Vissoux\$19.99

#### **Pour Votre Plaisir**

## Jean Tardy, Dedicated Winegrower

It's February, and the 2002s just keep on coming in. One of our finds in Burgundy has been **Domaine Jean Tardy**, in Vosne-Romanée. This tiny domaine is the principal metayeur (sharecropper) for Meo-Camuzet, farming part of their Clos Vougeot, and all of their Nuits-St-Georges, Boudot and Vosne-Romanée, Les Chaumes vineyards. But, Jean's wines sell for much less, as he is not as famous a name. Working with his son, Guillaume, who is gradually taking on more responsibilities, the domaine is making deep and distinguished wines. I recently had the 1990 Vosne-Romanée "Vigneux" and was reminded how elegantly their wines age.

Their 2002 Chambolle-Musigny, "Les Athets" (\$47.99) shows characteristic soft, elegant fruit with an interesting spice note and red fruit tones. The 2002 Nuits-St-Georges, "Bas de Combes" (\$47.99) is located just below Boudots, and is plush, ripe and very lovely and rich on the palate. Their 2002 Nuits-St-Georges, "Les Boudots," 1er Cru (\$59.99) is rich, fleshy and a very big wine with lots of density but a very succulent and forward style. This vineyard, located just a stone's throw from La Tache, on the border with Vosne-Romanée, is often one of my favorite vineyards with the structure of Nuits and the richness of Vosne. The 2002 Vosne-Romanée, "Vigneux" (\$47.99) is elegant and attractive with lots of class and classic Vosne-Romanée spice and richness. The 2002 Vosne-Romanée, "Les Chaumes," 1er Cru (\$59.99) is supple, very rich, focused and dense, with a long finish and lots of class and power. The extremely limited 2000 Clos Vougeot, Grand Cru (\$124.99) comes from Meo Camuzet's holding in the desirable top portion of the vineyard, shows old vine character, length, density, meatiness and all you want from a Clos Vougeot. Finally, and new to the Tardys this year, is the 2002 Echézeaux, Grand Cru (\$124.99). It is a new metayage parcel for them and is from one of the best sections of this Grand Cru vineyard. Deep and concentrated, with weight, dark fruit notes and a finish that goes on and on. This is not to be missed. The wines are very limited in supply, so if we have sold out of some in the the weeks between arrival and publication, you have our apologies. To be among the first to know, just send an email to Burgundy@klwines.com and ask to be included on the Burgundy email list. À Santé. -Keith Wollenberg

#### **ITALIAN WINES**

For questions about Italian wines email Greg at greg@ klwines.com or call at ex 2713. If you can't get me directly, in San Francisco try the one and only Mike Parres mikep@klwines.com, in Redwood City Jeff Vierra jeffv@klwines.com at ex 2736 or Kirk Walker kirkw@ klwines.com. Or visit www.klwines.com.

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2003 Maritma Sangiovese "4 Old Guys"\$7.49
2003 Teruzzi & Puthod Vernaccia di San Gimignano\$9.99
2001 Castello della Paneretta Chianti Classico\$14.99
2001 Felsina Chianti Classico-Best in a decade!\$17.99
2001 Isole e Olena Chianti Classico\$16.99
2001 Carobbio Chianti Classico-2 Glasses Gambero Rosso\$16.99
2002 Teruzzi & Puthod Terre di Tufi\$16.99
2000 Il Molino di Grace Chianti Classico\$20.99
2001 Avignonesi Vino Nobile di Montepulciano\$20.99
2001 San Vincenti Chianti Classico\$21.99
2001 Poliziano Vino Nobile di Montepulciano\$21.99
Truly wonderful Vino Nobile and drinking perfectly now! Spectacular vintage.
1999 Castello di Volpaia Chianti Classico Riserva\$22.99
2001 Fonterutoli Chianti Classico\$23.99
1999 Felsina Chianti Classico Riserva "Rancia"\$26.99
2001 Castello della Paneretta Chianti "Torre a Destra"\$28.99
Superb Chianti, great drinkability. 94 points Wine Spectator.
<b>2000 Poliziano Vino Nobile di Montepulciano "Asinone"\$27.99</b> 91 points Robert Parker.
1999 Castello di Volpaia Chianti Classico Ris "Coltassala"\$33.99
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1999 Il Molino di Grace Chianti Classico Ris "Margone"\$39.99
1999 Il Molino di Grace Chianti Classico Ris "Margone"\$39.99 <u>Montalcino</u>

1999 Pian dell'Orino Brunello-K&L Direct Import bargain!	\$36.99
1999 La Mannella Brunello	\$38.99
1999 Verbena Brunello-91 points Wine Spectator	\$39.99
Big, ripe, fruit, balanced, drinkable and really good!	
1999 Coldisole Brunello	\$39.99
Modern, ripe with a touch of vanillin, great balance.	
1999 Piancornello Brunello-3 Glasses Gambero Rosso	\$42.99
1999 La Togata Brunello	\$47.99
1999 Villa le Prata Brunello-93 points Spectator	\$72.99
1999 Castelgiocondo Brunello-95 points Spectator	\$49.99
1999 Casanuova delle Cerbaie Brunello-2 Glasses Gamb Rosso.	\$57.99
Dense, powerful, needs decanting or 3-5 years cellaring. A powerhouse	e!
1997 Pertimali Livio Sassetti Riserva Brunello-92 points Parke	er <b>\$99.99</b>
<u>Piedmont</u>	
2002 Bera Dolcetto d'Alba	\$9.99
2002 Ruggeri Corsini Dolcetto d'Alba-1 Glass Gambero Rosso	
2001 Anna Maria Abbona Dolcetto Dogliani, Sori dij But	\$12.99
2003 Saracco Moscato d'Asti-2 Glasses Gambero Rosso	\$13.99
2003 Cascina Val de Prete Barbera d'Alba Serra de Gatti	\$15.99
Super rich 2003 vintage! Mario Roagna's new vineyard source is fabulo	ous!
2003 Cascina Val de Prete Arneis "Luet"	\$15.99
2003 Monchiero Carbone Arneis "Recit"-1 Glass Gambero Ross	so <b>\$15.99</b>
This is so good it doesn't seem possible to be Arneis!	
2002 Barone Riccati Dolcetto, Il Colombo	\$15.99
2002 G.D. Vajra Dolcetto d'Alba Coste & Fossati	\$16.99
2003 Villa Sparina Gavi di Gavi "La Villa"	\$17.99
2001 Cascina Castle't Barbera d'Asti Superiore "Passum"	
Stunning Barbera from dried grapes, incredible richness and great drink	king!
2001 Cascina Val de Prete Barbera d'Alba "Carolina"  One of our favorite barrique-aged Barbera-supple, ripe and great concentration.	\$29.99

# Sotto la Pergola Inclinata

Barbaresco is a small village perpetually lost in the shadow of its bigger brother, Barolo. Barbaresco has about 500 producers and as a zone produces less than 200 thousand cases of wine a year to Barolo's almost 600 thousand cases. Barbaresco, by law, requires one year less aging than Barolo and hence is released a year earlier, and in the wake of the *Wine Spectator's* 100-point-vintage declaration for the 2000 vintage, many Barbaresco were overlooked, having already been released and reviewed. Barbaresco is just down the block from Barolo and is made from the same 100% nebbiolo grapes. It is more like Sonoma to Napa.

I met **Giovanni Pasquero-Elia** seemingly in my first days in the business, longer than I'd like to count now. He is a very quiet, reserved man who exudes an air of serious thought and commitment. Underneath the serious exterior, however, lays the heart of a warm, kind and vibrantly passionate soul. Giovanni's wines have always been good, but since the 1994 vintage they've been really, really good. The Langhe hills, home to both Barolo and Barbaresco, have experienced the greatest consecutive string of superb-quality vintages they've ever recorded. 1996 through 2001 were all spectacular vintages. Incredibly, considering these great vintages, the area is suffering through a perilous period financially speaking. The German economy is in difficult times, and what was once the best market is now only a dribble. Americans still learning about these nebbiolo-based wines have their cellars full. Plus

the dollar is dropping like a rock as I write this: \$1.36 for 1 Euro, while just a couple of years ago it was \$.87 for 1 Euro. What's a producer to do? Giovanni has decided to eschew the traditional multilayered import system and is instead getting his product to the market for prices that harken back to yesteryear!

Giovanni's estate goes by the name of Sori Paitin. His 2001 Barbaresco "Serraboella" (\$25.99) is stunning! Made in traditional large oak, the wine is incredibly drinkable with layers of rose petal in the nose, broad and rich on the palate, offering structure but balance. In the mouth the wine has the classic feel of nebbiolo—a little grip, but a delicate sweetness accented with an exotic, smoky, truffle subtlety that is hard to describe but incredibly delicious and drinkable now. The 2001 Barbaresco "Sori Paitin" (\$35.99) is barrique aged. A wine with powerful structure, dense yet yielding on the palate, the sweet vanillin tones float through an array of sweet fruit and earthy highlights. Powerful, balanced, but would do best with another few years in the cellar. The 2001 Barbaresco "Vecchie Vigne" (\$46.99) is an old-vine selection and a truly stunning wine. Layer after layer reveals some new hint or expression of rose, tar or truffle, delicately weaving power and flavor together. A wine for your cellar, you'll need a decade so you can fully feel the greatness. Sori Paitin also produces wonderful Dolcetto and Barbera; look for those too! —Greg St. Clair

#### **ITALIAN WINES**

Barolo/Barbaresco
2000 Massolino Barolo-92 points Wine Spectator\$35.99
2000 Famiglia Anselma Barolo-92 points Wine Spectator\$43.99
<b>1993 Famiglia Anselma Barolo</b> -(Yes, 1993!)
Complex, balanced, drinkable Barolo at an excellent price. What a concept!
1997 Famiglia Anselma Barolo\$47.99 1998 Famiglia Anselma Barolo\$47.99
2000 Elio Grasso Barolo Ginestra "Casa Mate"\$53.99
1995 Famiglia Anselma Barolo "Adasi"\$53.99
1996 Famiglia Anselma Barolo "Adasi"\$55.99
1997 Famiglia Anselma Barolo "Adasi"\$59.99
Trentino-Alto Adige and Friuli
<b>2003 Blason Pinot Grigio</b> -1 Glass <i>Gambero Rosso</i>
2003 Blason Merlot\$8.99
Blason's Merlot is chocolaty, ripe, super drinkable with considerable depth for a wine of this price range.
1999 Rotari Brut Riserva "Metodo Classico"\$9.99
2002 Blason Chardonnay\$9.99
This Chardonnay is partially barrel-fermented and the tank portion is all "sur lie." A wonderful blend, balanced and drinkable, not woody but with some vanillin intrigue, and mineral finish. Closer to Mâcon than California.
2003 H. Lun Schiava\$13.99
2003s warmth made this local red something we just couldn't pass up. It's sensational!
<b>2003 Ermacora Tocai Friulano</b> -2 Glasses <i>Gambero Rosso</i>
2003 H. Hun Lagrein Kretzer (Rosé) \$13.99  Pink in February? Valentines Day, of course! Anytime is good for rosé, and Lagrein makes it the best!
2000 Convento Muri-Gries Lagrein Scuro-1 Glass Gamb Rosso\$13.99
2003 Convento Muri-Gries Pinot Grigio-1 Glass Gambero Rosso \$14.99
This is Pinot Grigio worth looking for, powerful, complex and still easy drinking.
2003 Ermacora Sauvignon-1 Glass Gambero Rosso\$14.99
2001 Blason "Venc" Chardonnay/Pinot Bianco\$14.99 50% pinot bianco, 20% chardonnay both tank fermented and aged "sur lie," and 30% barrel-fermented chardonnay. The nose is fascinating, alternating between flower and fruit with hints of hazelnut and vanilla.
<b>2003 Ermacora Pinot Bianco</b> -2 Red Glasses <i>Gambero Rosso</i>
<b>2003 Valle Isarco Kerner "Aristos"</b> -2 Glasses <i>Gambero Rosso</i> <b>\$17.99</b> You won't believe the quality, power and body of this un-oaked masterpiece!
2003 Valle Isarco Veltliner "Aristos"-3 Glasses Gambero Rosso\$17.99
2003 Cantina Terlan Pinot Grigio dell Alto Adige\$19.99
2003 Abbazia di Novacella Gewürztraminer\$24.99
2 Red Glasses <i>Gambero Rosso</i> . "Spectacular! The nose has incredible floralness, and in the glass you'll find rose petals as well minerality, very pretty melon fruit and acidity so crisp it almost slaps you in the face," Mike Parres
2002 Blason "Vencjar" Bordeaux Blend (1.5L)\$39.99
This wine comes from a tiny 3.7-acre vineyard planted in 1950. This is a blend of cabernet franc, cabernet sauvignon and merlot in equal parts that is layered with spicy red fruits, walnut, leather and whose sweet fine grain tannins come together in a supple, richly textured finish. If you like Graves you'll love this wine.
2000 Lageder Pinot Nero "Krafuss"

2001 H. Lun "Albertus" Lagrein Riserva\$34.99
Sicily and Sardegna
2002 Arancio Grillo Bianco\$5.99
2001 Arancio Nero d'Avola\$5.99
2001 Arancio Syrah\$5.99
2003 Colosi Bianco\$7.99
2002 Colosi Rosso\$7.99
2003 Cusumano Nero d'Avola\$8.99
2003 Mancini Vermentino di Gallura,\$11.99
2003 Valle del Acate Poggio Bidini Nero d' Avola\$12.99
2003 Cantina di Gallura Vermentino di Gallura "Canayli"\$15.99
2001 Gulfi Nero d'Avola Nerojbleo\$17.99
2001 COS Cerasuolo di Vittoria\$18.99
2001 Valle dell'Acate Cerasuolo di Vittoria\$18.99
2001 COS Cerasuolo di Vittoria\$18.99
1999 COS Nero d'Avola Contrade "Labirinto"\$54.99
Stunning concentration and complexity!
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2002 Zandotti Frascati\$6.99
2002 Zandotti Frascati\$6.992001 Trullari Primitivo del Tarantino\$8.99
2002 Zandotti Frascati\$6.992001 Trullari Primitivo del Tarantino\$8.992001 Corte Rugolin Valpolicella-2 Glasses Gambero Rosso\$8.99
2002 Zandotti Frascati\$6.992001 Trullari Primitivo del Tarantino\$8.992001 Corte Rugolin Valpolicella-2 Glasses Gambero Rosso\$8.99NV Ca' de Medici "Terra Calda"-Staff favorite!\$9.99
2002 Zandotti Frascati\$6.992001 Trullari Primitivo del Tarantino\$8.992001 Corte Rugolin Valpolicella-2 Glasses Gambero Rosso\$8.99NV Ca' de Medici "Terra Calda"-Staff favorite!\$9.99NV Col Sandago Prosecco Extra Dry Valdobbiadene\$13.99
2002 Zandotti Frascati

# Big Reds for a Short Month

**2000 D'Angelo Aglianico del Vulture (\$14.99)** There is no more serious red in Basilicata than Aglianico del Vulture, made from the aglianico grape, the undisputed KING of Italy's southern provinces and one of the oldest continually grown grapes of the world. You'll find plums, cherries, smoke, licorice with savory spice. A must try!

**2001 COS Cerasuolo di Vittoria (\$18.99)** Also from the South, this wine is a blend of 40% frappato di Vittoria, fermented in all stainless steel and 60% nero d'avola, which is fermented in large wood barrels. This crowd-pleaser offers soft red fruit, a light and elegant body and a jammy, juicy finish. Works well with poultry and cannellini beans.

**2003** Cascina Val Del Prete Barbera D'Alba "Serra de' Gatti (\$15.99) WOW! Can I just say I love this stuff!!! A Barbera a little more new world in style, the nose has vanilla and spices. The palate is SUPER rich with SUPER ripe fruit. Black cherries and cassis dance with nutmeg and cinnamon, very well balanced, good acidity, soft tannins. Two thumbs up once again to Mario Roagna!

2000 Famiglia Anselma Barolo (\$43.99) from our friend Mauizio
 Anselma who brings us yet another winederful Barolo. 92 points *Wine Spectator*: "Bright berry and strawberry, with cedar and floral character. Full-bodied, with solid core of fruit and ripe tannins. Long finish."
 Salute! —*Mike Parres*

# **SINGLE MALTS**

Tobermory 10-year-old Isle of Mull\$29.99
Compass Box Orangerie Infused Blended Whisky (.375ml)\$29.99
Auchentoshan 10-year-old, 1992, Murray McDavid\$29.99
Bowmore 12-year-old Distillery Bottling\$32.99
Compass Box Asyla Blended Whisky\$32.99
Highland Park 12-year-old Distillery Bottling\$35.99
Glenlossie 10-year-old, 1993, Murray McDavid\$39.99
Isle of Jura Superstition\$39.99
Macallan 12-year-old Distillery Bottling\$39.99
Ardbeg 10-year-old Single Malt Distillery Bottling\$40.99
Compass Box The Peat Monster Vatted Malt Whisky\$41.99
Tomintoul 16-year-old \$41.99
Arran Single Island Malt Whisky Non-Chill filtered\$45.99
Bladnoch, 11-year-old, Signatory Single Malt\$46.99
Clynelish 14-year-old, Distillery Bottling\$47.99
Longmorn 14-year-old, 1990, Murray McDavid\$47.99
Bruichladdich 10-year-old Islay Malt\$49.99
Compass Box Eleuthera Vatted Malt Whisky\$49.99
Edradour 10-year-old Distillery Bottling\$49.99
Caol Ila 1990, 13-year-old, Signatory Single Malt\$51.99
Macallan "Fine Oak" 15-year-old Distillery Bottling\$62.99
Michel Couvreur 12-year-old Malt (Unfiltered)\$64.99
Caol Ila 14-year-old, 1989, Murray McDavid\$68.99
Bruichladdich 15-year-old Islay Malt\$69.99
Michel Couvreur 12-year-old Pale Single-Single Whisky\$69.99
Highland Park 18-year-old, Distillery Bottling\$71.99
Balvenie 21 year Port Wood\$74.99
Compass Box Hedonism Vatted Grain Whisky\$76.99
Arran Single Island Malt Whisky Single Cask\$77.99
Michel Couvreur Special Vatting Scotch Whisky\$85.99
Bruichladdich 17-year-old Islay Malt\$107.99
Macallan 18-year-old, Distillery Bottling\$109.99
Brora 21-year-old, 1981, Signatory\$114.99
Strathisla 33-year-old, 1967, Hart Brothers\$129.99
Old Rhosdhu, 24 year, 1979, Murray McDavid Mission #3\$129.99
Glen Scotia, 28 year, 1975, Murray McDavid Mission #3\$139.99
Linlithgow (St. Magdalaine), 21-year-old, Duncan Taylor\$145.99
Craigellachie, 33 year, 1970, Murray McDavid Mission #3\$159.99
Macallan "Fine Oak" 21-year-old, Distillery Bottling\$229.99
Michel Couvreur Very Sherried Single-Single Whisky\$319.99
Strathmill, 28-year-old, 1975, Duncan TaylorInquire
Tomatin, 37-year-old, 1965, Duncan TaylorInquire
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# Spirit of the Month

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La Favorite Rhum Agricole Blanc Coeur de Canne (1L)\$28.99
The fresh smooth aroma is accented by tropical florals. The body is rich in citrus and pear notes followed by citrus and fresh sugar cane juice in the finish.
La Favorite Rhum Agricole Vieux Coeur (1L)\$44.99
The aroma carries hints of prune and smoky wood leading to a balanced fig, cinnamon, prune and nutmeg body accented with licorice in the finish. Blended from stocks aged at least three years
Neisson Rhum Agricole Reserve Speciale (1L)\$66.99
Rich aroma of dark fruit and roasted nuts leading to a hearty body of fruit, nuts, smoky oak and vanilla followed by hints of spice in the warm, lingering

finish. A blend of rhums aged up to ten years in French and American oak.

# **SPECIALTY SPIRITS**

## **Armagnac**

Dartigalongue XO 10-year-old\$35.99
Château de Pellehaut Bas-Armagnac, Tenareze
Castarede Bas-Armagnac VSOP\$36.99
Briat Hor d'Age\$45.99
Castarede Bas-Armagnac XO
Darroze Armagnac Reserve Speciale
Château de Ravignan, 1982
Château de Ravignan, 1979 \$75.99
Baron de Lustrac, 1973, Folle Blanche, Domaine Courros\$99.99
Baron de Lustrac, 1970, Folle Blanche, Domaine Courros\$109.99
Darroze Bas-Armagnac Domaine de Rieston, 1975\$139.99
Boingneres, 1975, Bas-Armagnac\$209.99 Darroze Bas-Armagnac, Domaine de Peyrot, 1965\$259.99
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Osocalis Alambic Brandy (.375ml)\$23.99
Gabriel & Andreu Fins Bois\$24.99
Bessière VSOP\$24.99
Maison Surrenne Petite Champagne\$30.99
Prunier Axel Gay Grande Champagne\$31.99
Brillet Selection Petite Champagne\$34.99
Dudognon Reserve\$34.99
Germain Robin Fine Alambic\$34.99
Ferrand Ambre 10-year-old\$35.99
Osocalis Alambic Brandy\$36.99
Montifaud Fine Petite Champagne VSOP\$39.99
Gabriel & Andreu Borderies\$42.99
Germain-Robin XO California Alambic Brandy (.375ml)\$45.99
Cardinal Mendoza Spanish Brandy\$49.99
Germain Robin Shareholder's Reserve Brandy \$49.99
Gran Duque D'Alba Spanish Brandy\$49.99
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Ferrand Reserve 20-year-old
Francois Peyrot 18-year-old Extra Reserve\$57.99
Prunier Family Reserve
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Prunier Château De Brives Petite Champagne\$69.99
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Brillet Tres Vieille Reserve XO Grande Champagne
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Francois Peyrot Heritage 50-year-old\$149.99
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Coeur de Lion Selection Calvados
Berneroy Fine Calvados \$29.99
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We also often include some of our direct imports. With the Euro at an all-time high, import prices continue to rise. Each year, we send each of our buyers to the country and region of their specialty, and they come back with wonderful wines that we directly import, resulting in huge savings. We are able to offer these wines at tremendous savings. As with our domestic purchases, the quality of the wine is of paramount importance.

Wine Club members are now able to take advantage of numerous special offers and Wine Club re-orders directly through our website. The benefits of being a Club member have dramatically increased, and we invite you to join one (or more) of our Clubs and see why we have so many happy, and oftentimes surprised, members.

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