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Special Collector Sets of Château Léoville-Las-Cases

Direct from the property, these wines are sold on a futures basis and are due to arrive in December.

Léoville-Las-Cases "Best Value Case" (\$1399.00)

A set direct from the château containing twelve 750ml bottles, two each of 1983, 1988, 1991, 1993, 1994 and 1999. Special wood box with these excellent value Léoville-Las-Cases vintages.

Léoville-Las-Cases "100-pt Dream Case" (\$2499.00)

A set direct from the château containing two 750ml bottles each of 1982, 1986 and 2000 vintage Léoville-Las Cases. All 100-point Robert Parker wines (new 2005 edition). The perfect dream case! Very limited availability.

Léoville-Las-Cases "100-pt Dream Case 1.5L" (\$4999.00)

A set direct from the château containing two magnums (1.5L) each of 1982, 1986 and 2000 vintage Léoville-Las Cases. All 100-point Robert Parker wines. The perfect dream case for the serious wine collector. Very limited availability.

Léoville-Las-Cases "Best Vintage Cases" (\$3999.00)

A set direct from the château containing One Magnum (1.5L) each of the best six vintages of Léoville-Las-Cases from the last 35 years - 1 bottle ea of 1982, 1986, 1990, 1995, 1996, and 2000 vintages. All wines rated 95-100 points by Robert Parker. A serious addition to a wine collector's cellar. Very limited availability-special wood box.

Clos du Marquis "Special Vertical Case" (\$499.99)

For those who love Las Cases and their second wine. A set direct from the château containing two bottles of each of the last six vintages of the '90s. (1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999 and 2000). Clos du Marquis is truly one of the great second wines from Bordeaux.

Château Montelena at The Ritz

On December 1, we will have a Château Montelena dinner at the Ritz Carlton Half Moon Bay with winemaker Bo Barrett. We will taste fabulous Montelena Estate Cabernets including 1994, 1995, 1997 and more with an outstanding five-course dinner. Come to the beautiful Ritz, fully decorated for the holidays. \$225 per person. Spend the night and play golf or enjoy the spa. What a holiday treat. Special room rates available. Very limited availability.

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

Exciting Things in Store for 2006

Clyde Beffa shares some great news, and a selection of personal favorite wines! Check out page 2.

Schmanksgiving!

Forget about silly traditions, and serve whatever you like with the turkey. Better yet, serve what Jeff Vierra likes! See page 18.

Trip of a Lifetime

Ralph Sands (page 4) will make you green with envy for missing his voyage to Bordeaux.

Kirk Walker (page 2) and Steve Bearden (page 4) will make you feel all better again!

BIG Reds for Your Holidays!

Cooler weather and lots of relatives staying over call for feel-good, hearty wines!

2002 Opus One.....\$129.00

The 2002 is a blend of 86% cabernet sauvignon, 6% merlot, 3% malbec, 3% cabernet franc and 2% petit verdot. Dusty, ripe, red fruit aromas are followed by minerals, red currants and licorice. In the mouth this wine tastes more like a Bordeaux than a California Cab. Decant this one for at least an hour!

2002 Joseph Phelps Napa "Insignia" Cabernet Sauvignon\$105.00

96 points from Robert Parker! This big, lush, concentrated, exotic Cabernet is an explosion of fruit in your palate. Not overripe, but definitely ripe, this wine still shows finesse and balance.

2003 Dow Vintage Port\$71.99

92-94 points *Wine Spectator*: "Thick and velvety, with loads of fruit and a chocolaty, berry and raspberry character. Big velvety tannins and a long, long finish. Medium-sweet. Wonderful. Dow shows class here."

2001 Dominus Napa Valley Proprietary Red\$99.00

95 points Robert Parker: "The impeccably made 2001 Dominus boasts a dense plum/purple color in addition to a fragrant, promising perfume of cocoa, cedar, coffee, roasted herbs, and copious quantities of black fruits."

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A Brief Note from Clyde Beffa Jr

Yes, Virginia I am still hanging around K&L, though I don't get to write much in the newsletter. So many writers, so much great wine and not much space in our 24-page *Wine News*. Perhaps we will enlarge the newsletter in 2006 (and we're looking at doing just that). Lots of new things in store for K&L and our great customers in 2006. For starters, a **store in the Los Angeles area**, an updated website with lots of new goodies (I can't explain them because I am high tech challenged. I'm still getting used to the fax machine), and some great new sales associates. Also more wine locker space is on the drawing board as is an enlarged RWC tasting room and store remodel! And what about all the great wines that will become available in 2006? We're looking at a possibly stunning Bordeaux vintage (2005) as well as great buys from all over the world.

And what am I recommending these days, winewise? Two fabulous sauvignon blancs from Bordeaux are high on the list. **2003 Chateau Reynon (\$10.99)** and **2002 Clos Floridene (\$17.99)** are brilliant wines from Denis Dubourdieu. And both are must tries. Old wine winners include the stunning **1986 Château Cos d'Estournel (\$139.99)** and the recent value-packed 1.5L formats from **Château Pichon-Lalande (1992 \$89.99 and 1993 \$134.99-** right from the château). Dessert wines are a must for the holidays. **2002 Château Climens (\$54.99)** and **Rieussec (\$39.99)** are almost as good as their 100-point older brothers. In addition, the **1955 Rivesaltes (\$59.99)** is a spectacular wine value. Have a great holiday season!
—Clyde Beffa Jr

More Bordeaux!

2003 Etoiles de Mondorion, St-Emilion (\$14.99)

This is the very limited, 500 cases, second wine of Mondorion. And all of the care and attention that they put into their first wine is also seen here: hand harvesting, complete destemming, fermentation in temperature regulated concrete vats and aging in French oak barrels. A blend of 90% merlot and 10% cabernet franc, the nose is bold and dark with red and black fruits, toast and earth. The palate is moderately rich and balanced. The round dark fruit is bolstered by ripe tannins and accented with a hint of earth on the finish. A terrific deal.

2000 Mondorion, St-Emilion (\$19.99)

New life has been breathed into this estate since it was purchased in 1999. With a new vision for the future, you couldn't ask for a better inaugural vintage. It undergoes everything as in the case of the above wine but sees 40% new French oak, and the varietal composition is somewhat different: 76% merlot and 24% cabernet franc. It is really the big brother to the Etoiles. Deeper and darker in color and character, it has more berries and oaky spice. Definitely made in a new world style but still rooted in the old world with its unmistakable terroir shining through on the finish. Drink or hold on to it for another few years. Only 3500 cases made.

2000 Trebiac, Graves (\$13.99)

An old favorite is back! A wonderful ambassador for the wines of Graves, the Trebiac is about structure and minerality. Its relatively high percentage of merlot (40%) fattens the middle giving it a lushness that keeps the wine from becoming austere. This is a dinner wine and needs 30 to 40 minutes in a decanter to open it up and show off its red fruits and gravelly minerality, both of which are enhanced by its acidity. With good length, the wine opens up and reveals even more of its classic earthiness.

2000 Bellerose Figeac Reserve, St-Emilion (\$27.99)

This is a full-throttle, modern St-Emilion. The grapes for this cuvee come from near the Pomerol border, with its deep sandy iron-rich subsoil. They green harvest, hand pick, de-stem, cold soak, ferment in temperature controlled concrete vats, then age in French oak barrels. 60% merlot with the remaining a blend of cabernet franc and cabernet sauvignon. Dark red fruits and berries on the nose peppered with oaky spice and earthy minerality, the wine has good structure. The ripe round fruit is wrapped around a core of dark chocolate and earthy spice. Drink it tonight with about 45 minutes decanting or hold on to it for another 5 years.
—Kirk Walker

2004 BORDEAUX FUTURES

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

Alter Ego de Palmer, Margaux-Spectator: A lovely, silky wine.....	\$32.99
Angélus, St-Emilion (1.5L)	\$179.99
Angélus, St-Emilion-92-94 points Parker and Spectator	\$86.99
Ausone, St-Emilion-91-93 points Robert Parker	\$229.99
Barde Haut, St-Emilion-91-93 points Robert Parker	\$27.99
Branais-Ducru, St-Julien (1.5L)-90-93 points Robert Parker	\$56.99
Branais-Ducru, St-Julien	\$28.99
Brane-Cantenac, Margaux (1.5L)-90-91 points Robert Parker	\$59.99
Brane-Cantenac, Margaux.....	\$30.99
Calon Segur, St-Estèphe (1.5L)-90-93 points Robert Parker	\$78.99
Calon Segur, St-Estèphe.....	\$37.99
Canon-La-Gaffelière, St-Emilion-92-94 points Wine Spectator.....	\$46.99
Cantenac-Brown, Margaux	\$24.99
According to the Wine Spectator: "Silky and fruity..."	
Carruades de Lafite, Pauillac (1.5L)	\$66.99
Carruades de Lafite, Pauillac.....	\$34.99
Cheval Blanc, St-Emilion-93-95 points Robert Parker	\$219.00
Clerc-Milon, Pauillac-89-91 points Wine Spectator	\$29.99
Clos du Marquis, St-Julien-(1.5L)	\$49.99
Clos du Marquis, St-Julien-89-91 points Wine Spectator	\$24.99
Cos d'Estournel, St-Estèphe-92-94 points Robert Parker and WS	\$69.99
Cos d'Estournel, St-Estèphe (1.5L)	\$144.99
d'Aiguilhe, Côtes d'Castillon-88-90 points Stephen Tanzer	\$18.99
d'Angludet, Margaux-An outstanding value	\$22.99
d'Armailhac, Pauillac-88-90 points Stephen Tanzer	\$23.99
du Tertre, Margaux (1.5L \$51.99)-90-92 points Robert Parker	\$24.99
Destieux, St-Emilion-Tanzer: sweet berry and dark chocolate flavors ..	\$23.99
Domaine de Chevalier Rouge, Pessac	\$29.99
Ducru-Beaucaillou, St-Julien-92-94 pts Parker	\$59.99
Ducru-Beaucaillou, St-Julien (1.5L)	\$129.00
Giscours, Margaux-90-92 points Robert Parker	\$29.99
Grand-Puy-Lacoste, Pauillac (1.5L \$71.99)-88-91 points Tanzer ..	\$34.99
Gruaud-Larose, St-Julien-(1.5L)	\$69.99
Gruaud-Larose, St-Julien-89-91 points Wine Spectator	\$35.99
Haut-Brion, Pessac-Léognan-93-95 points Robert Parker	\$139.99
Haut-Bailly, Pessac-91-93 points Robert Parker	\$38.99
La Fleur de Bouard, Lalande de Pomerol-88-90 points Tanzer	\$25.99
La Mission-Haut-Brion, Pessac-Léognan-91-93 points Parker	\$98.99
Lagrange, St-Julien-89-91 points Wine Spectator	\$27.99
Langoa-Barton, St-Julien.....	\$32.99
Langoa-Barton, St-Julien-89-91 points Spectator	\$66.99
Larcis-Ducasse, St-Emilion-90-93 points Robert Parker	\$27.99
Lascombes, Margaux-From legitimate U.S. source.....	Inquire
Léoville-Barton, St-Julien-92-94 points Robert Parker	Inquire
Léoville-Las-Cases, St-Julien-95-100 points Wine Spectator	\$74.99
Léoville-Poyferré, St-Julien-90-93 points Robert Parker	\$35.99
Les Forts de Latour, Pauillac (1.5L).....	\$89.99
Les Forts de Latour, Pauillac-89-93 points Stephen Tanzer	\$46.99
Lynch-Bages, Pauillac-89-91 points Wine Spectator and Tanzer	\$39.99
Lynch Bages, Pauillac (1.5L)	\$4.99
Malescot St Exupery, Margaux (1.5L \$58.99)-91-93 pts Parker.....	\$28.99
Meyney, St-Estèphe-Excellent wine	\$22.99
Montrose, St-Estèphe-92-95 points Stephen Tanzer	\$49.99
Mouton-Rothschild (1.5L \$299.00)-92-94 points Spectator	\$139.99

Nenin, Pomerol-89-91 points Spectator.....	\$29.99
Pagodes de Cos, St-Estèphe	\$21.99
Palmer, Margaux-91-93 points Stephen Tanzer.....	\$79.99
Pape Clement, Pessac-92-94 points Robert Parker	\$66.99
Pavie, St-Emilion-95-97 points Robert Parker.....	\$109.99
Pavillon Rouge, Margaux-(1.5L)	\$69.99
Pavillon Rouge, Margaux-87-90 points Stephen Tanzer	Inquire
Phelan-Ségur, St-Estèphe-Tanzer: "supple and lush..."	\$24.99
Pichon-Baron, Pauillac (1.5L \$99.99)-90-93 points Robert Parker...\$	\$51.99
Pichon-Lalande, Pauillac-91-94 points Robert Parker	\$59.99
Pichon Lalande, Pauillac (1.5L).....	\$129.99
Pontet-Canet, Pauillac-92-94 points Robert Parker	\$39.99
Quinault L'Enclos, St-Emilion-91-93 points Robert Parker	\$24.99
Smith-Haut-Lafitte Blanc, Pessac-Léognan-91-92 points Tanzer...\$	\$37.99
Smith-Haut-Lafitte Rouge, Pessac-Léognan-91-93 points Parker	\$36.99
Sociando-Mallet, Haut-Médoc-90-92 points Parker.....	\$36.99
Troplong-Mondot, St-Emilion-92-94 points Robert Parker	\$38.99

2003 BORDEAUX FUTURES

Exceptional vintage for collectors. Check out our 16-page Vintage Report. Scores are from The Wine Advocate. Wines are starting to arrive.

Brane-Cantenac, Margaux (90-93)	\$34.99
90-93 points Robert Parker: "Showing better several months prior to bottling than it did last year,... sweet black currant, herbaceous aroma with hints of earth, blue fruits, and some of the forest floor characteristics ..." (04/05)	
Clos d'Oratoire, St-Emilion (89-92)	\$34.99
d'Issan, Margaux (90-92)	\$29.99
90-92 points Robert Parker: "...Elegant, focused bouquet of floral notes intermixed with blueberry, black currants and some earth and spice, this wine reveals elegance, ripeness, good freshness, and a medium-bodied, attractive finish with low acidity, outstanding depth, and overall balance." (04/05)	
d'Aiguilhe, Cotes du Castillon (87-89)	\$19.99
Ducru-Beaucaillou, St-Julien (94-96)	\$104.99
Grand-Puy-Lacoste, Pauillac (91-94)	\$43.99
Haut-Marbuzet, St-Estèphe (90-92)	\$33.99
Haut-Bailly, Pessac-Léognan (90-92)	\$37.99
Parker says, "...nose of roasted herbs and scorched earth, this wine has sweet cherry and black currant fruit notes along with hints of graphite and toasty oak. Pure, rich and more powerful than usual, it remains elegant and precise."	
Haut-Brion, Pessac (93-95+)	\$279.99
Lafite-Rothschild, Pauillac (96-100)	\$359.00
Léoville-Las-Cases, St-Julien (93-95)	\$169.99
95-100 points Wine Spectator: "...Very complex. Layers of cashmerelike tannins, turning to leather. Warm and inviting, yet rich and powerful; fantastic purity, yet voluptuous. This is what exciting wine is about."	
Margaux, Margaux (96-100)	\$369.00
Mouton-Rothschild, Pauillac (95-96)	\$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
Pichon-Lalande, Pauillac (93-95)	\$98.99
95-100 points 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."	
Potensac, Médoc (88-90)	\$19.99
Poujeaux, Moulis (88-90 sleeper)	\$22.99
Smith-Haut-Lafitte, Pessac-Léognan (90-93)	\$39.99

Highlights from the Bordeaux Tour of a Lifetime-Part One

After over a year of planning and plenty of stress, our tour of Bordeaux went off as smooth as silk. The thank you cards have been sent off already, but the memories and education will last a lifetime. Even for a cagey veteran like myself, the excitement from an experience like this is hard to come down from; the reflections of the great wines and times keep come back to mind. Here are some of my favorite recollections:

We tasted the new baby/vintage of 2004 at numerous estates, and they are showing much better than on our April tasting. More middle fruit and richness really coming thru now from wines like Mouton-Rothschild, Léoville-Barton, Léoville-Las-Cases, Lynch Bages, Palmer, both Pichons, Phelan-Segur, Haut-Bergey, Barde-Haut and Ferriere. We also tasted many 2002s, which are arriving in America now. These are much better than billed, classic firm wines with good shoulders on the best wines. Just as is the case with 2004, the 2002s are excellent values.

I tell customers everyday that 1999 is a supple and tasty vintage that is providing great drinking pleasure. The 1999 from Margaux, **Haut-Brion (\$124.99)**, **Branais-Ducru (\$29.99)** and **Cantemerle (\$42.99 1.5L)** are fine examples of that.

The 1987 Pavie was just delicious, the great vineyard shining brightly in an incredibly rough vintage as was 1983 Canon. Lunch at Palmer included a lovely 1997, a young 1996 with great potential and 1990 that's just starting to sing. After tasting 2000, 2001 and 2002 at Pichon-Baron, the dinner wines were mind blowing. The dry new white of Ch. Suduiraut (S de Suduiraut, coming to K&L in December) for aperitif, 1998 Petite Village and 1996 Cantenac Brown. 1995 Baron (K&L just got magnums and 5Ls), 1990 out of 3L, 1962 Quinta do Noval National, Yikes! 1997 and 1975 Suduiraut, and we were party fresh!

The fastest two star lunch in the history of the wine business was briskly loved at Lynch Bages where the 1995 was very fine. At Cos d'Estournel the 2003 was so amazing, huge sweetness, thick layers of fruit and incredible length that the famous 2000 had no chance at this point in time! The 1988 Léoville-Barton, with Lilian, Anthony and Michel was so good I bought some upon returning. The 1988 Pichon-Lalande out of double magnum in the company of Thomas Do-Chi-Nam and May Eliane de Lenquesaing was just outstanding. The tour of Latour's new facility and tasting the 2001 and 2004 was quite a treat. As was Thierry Gardiner and his warm hospitality as well as the elegant, spicy wines of Phelan-Ségur, which can be enjoyed young.

A very good seminar on right bank viticulture and tasting at Canon La Gaffeliere started a new day. A marvelous lunch with Corinne De Bouard at Angelus featuring the 1998 and 1995 **Angelus (\$159.99)**. Now we know why these wines are so pure. The merlot grapes were being sorted under close supervision by 30 or more college students, and the fruit was so perfect, not a stem to be seen near the fruit, only in the baskets below.

To be continued in next month's newsletter... A special thanks to all the great customers who made the trek, all our gracious friends in Bordeaux, as well as Cecile Levin and Magda Johnson who made it all happen. Cheers to all of you!
—Ralph Sands

Bearden's Bordeaux: Direct from the Châteaux

1992 Pichon-Lalande 1.5L, Pauillac (\$89.99) This mature wine has complex aromas of plum, cedar, coffee roast, wood smoke and flowers. The mid palate is round and silky with flavors of red cherry, cigar box and herb. The finish is mild but persistent and even shows a slight touch of ruby grapefruit. This was a huge hit at a recent Bordeaux tasting. Not to be missed.

1993 Pichon-Lalande 1.5L, Pauillac (\$134.99) 4 stars *Decanter*: "Good solid nose. Tannic fruit on the palate. Good, big and sound ... Very deep red; closed nose, with a hint of smoky oak; fairly soft and approachable, reasonable concentration and grip, good acidity, no unripeness; quite good length." (12/97) With more structure and richness than the 1992, this is a deeply colored, smooth, silky, classic Pichon-Lalande. There is lots of dark fruit and mineral in the plush mid palate which flows into a very elegant finish showing licorice and olive. This is a classic to decant now or age further for a special occasion.

1994 Haut-Bailly, Pessac-Léognan (\$44.99) This is a stunning example of Haut-Bailly's habit of putting on extra fat and richness after at least five years of bottle age. Super elegant yet rich, this has gobs of ripe fruit, earth, mineral and oak in a sweet, complex and seamless package. Awesome old-school Bordeaux!

2002 Léoville-Las-Cases, St-Julien (\$83.99) 95 points Parker: "The wine exhibits pure black currant, licorice-infused fruit, huge body, a viscous mid-palate, and a long, heady finish... This is certainly one of the half dozen or so candidates for wine of the vintage."
—Steve Bearden

BORDEAUX 1996-2004

- 1996 Cos d'Estournel, St-Estèphe\$96.99**
95 points *Wine Spectator*.
- 1996 Phelan-Ségur, St-Estèphe.....\$31.99**
Quite forward for the vintage-enjoy now.
- 1996 Montrose, St-Estèphe.....\$79.99**
- 1996 Ormes de Pez, St-Estèphe\$27.99**
- 1996 Pichon-Lalande, Pauillac.....\$129.99**
96 points Robert Parker: "...just as awesome from bottle as it was from multiple cask tastings."
- 1996 Pichon-Baron, Pauillac\$52.99**
92 points *Spectator* and \$20 less than 2003.
- 1997 Canon Moueix, Bordeaux\$9.99**
Easy drinking merlot-poolside red.
- 1997 Lagrange, St-Julien\$21.99**
Absolutely delicious-fruity with a touch of oak.
- 1997 La Grave a Pomerol, Pomerol ..\$24.99**
Great drinking and great price.
- 1997 Léoville-Barton, St-Julien\$39.99**
A well-crafted red; silky tannins and pretty berry, mineral and spice character. Decant one hour.
- 1998 Cos d'Estournel, St-Estèphe\$49.99**
According to Robert Parker: "Concentrated and powerful..."
- 1998 Malartic-Lagraviere, Pessac.....\$26.99**
Good minerality and lingering finish. Fine plus.
- 1998 Pichon-Lalande, Pauillac.....\$57.99**
- 1999 Branais-Ducru, St-Julien\$29.99**
Robert Parker and Clyde Beffa love this wine.
- 1999 Cantemerle, Médoc (1.5L)\$42.99**
Great tasting red-superb value.
- 1999 Grand-Puy-Lacoste, Pauillac....\$24.99**
Robert Parker: "... an elegant, medium-bodied, delicious effort that will reward readers who have the patience to cellar it for several years."
- 1999 Haut-Brion, Pessac\$124.99**
93 points Robert Parker.
- 1999 Lalande Borie, St-Julien.....\$18.99**
From Bruno Borie of Ducru Beaucaillou-superb!
- 1999 Phelan-Ségur, St-Estèphe.....\$24.99**
Robert Parker: "The 1999 is charming. It exhibits strawberry, cherry, and black currant fruit, a touch of minerals, earth, and underbrush." (04/01)
- 1999 Pichon-Baron, Pauillac\$39.99**
- 1999 Pichon-Baron (1.5L)\$79.99**
K&L's notes - A serious wine in '99. Black currant and spicy aromas, with nice thickness in the mouth. It has a tinge of coffee and vanilla on the palate. An exotic wine.
- 1999 Poujeaux, Moulis\$21.99**
Dominated by delicious sweet, toasty dark fruit.
- 1999 Prieure-Lichine, Margaux\$24.99**
- 1999 Smith-Haut-Lafitte, Pessac\$39.99**
One of Clyde's favorite '99s. Elegant-fruity.
- 1999 Talbot, St-Julien\$29.99**
According to Robert Parker: "An impressive effort for the vintage, this is an opulent, velvety-textured 1999 that comes across as a hypothetical blend of a Pomerol and Burgundy."
- 2000 Beaumont, Médoc\$17.99**
Superb value! Soft and fruity.

BORDEAUX 1996-2004

2000 Bellerose Figeac Res, St-Emil ..\$27.99

See Kirk's notes on page 2.

2000 d'Issan, Margaux\$49.99

2000 Ferriere, Margaux\$59.99

2000 Feytit Clinet, Pomerol\$34.99

Great value Pomerol from 2000 vintage with plenty of dark fruits, toasty oak, hints of spice and earth. The palate is round and quite juicy.

2000 Grangeneuve, Pomerol\$27.99

2000 La Mouleyre, St-Emilion\$19.99

Easy drinker-toasty and forward.

2000 Les Chemins de Commanderie, Bordeaux-A Ralph pick.....\$15.99

2000 Lynch-Moussas, Pauillac\$31.99

91 points *Wine Spectator*: "...Full-bodied, yet fine and silky, with a long, delicious finish."

2000 Malescot St Exupery, Marg\$59.99

92 points Robert Parker: "This estate has been making fine wine for over a decade but never receives the attention it deserves."

2000 Mondorian, St-Emilion\$19.99

2000 Montlisse, St-Emilion\$28.99

2000 Mouton Rothschild (5L)\$4499.00

97 points Robert Parker-special box and bottle-collector's item.

2000 Palmer, Margaux\$169.99

2000 Pavillon Rouge, Margaux\$59.99

2000 Phelan-Ségur, St-Estèphe.....\$29.99

89 points *Wine Spectator*: "Refined and silky."

2000 Pontet-Canet, Pauillac.....\$48.99

2000 Poujeaux, Moulis\$29.99

2000 Poumey, Pessac\$29.99

According to Parker: "...delicious plum, anise, and tobacco nose ... possesses soft flavors."

2001 Angéus, St-Emilion.....\$89.99

2001 Beausejour-Duffau,St-Emilion \$44.95

2001 Cos d'Estournel, St-Estèphe\$72.99

94 points *Wine Spectator*: "Wonderful spice and currant aromas...Full-bodied, with super well-integrated, refined tannins. Long caressing finish..."

2001 de Franc les Cerisiers\$12.99

Hubert de Bouard made this delicious red. Fruity, sweet, and forward. Outstanding value.

2001 du Moulin, Haut-Médoc\$18.99

According to the *Spectator*: "Good berry and mineral character with silky tannins..."

2001 d'Issan, Margaux\$29.99

Super delicious wine and a great value.

2001 Haut-Bergey, Pessac\$24.99

2001 Haut-Brion, Pessac\$159.99

94 points Robert Parker: "...currants, licorice, smoke, and crushed stones. Medium bodied with excellent purity, firm tannin ..." (06/04)

2001 Haut Marbuzet, St-Estèphe\$21.99

2001 La Couspaude (1.5L)\$49.99

2001 l'Arrosée, St-Emilion\$24.99

2001 La Mondotte, St-Emilion\$119.99

2001 La Roche Amavinum\$18.99

75% merlot. Coffee and chocolate aromas. Good

middle and fine length. Sweet and lush.

2001 Léoville-Las-Cases, St-Julien\$72.99

94 points *Spectator*: "Very floral and perfumed with violets, roses, berries. Full-bodied, with ultra-fine tannins and racy finish..."

2001 Magrez Fombrauge, St-Emilion\$79.99

2001 Malescot-St-Exupéry, Marg.....\$29.99

2001 Margaux, Margaux.....\$164.99

93 points Robert Parker: "...an elegant, seamlessly constructed effort with a deep ruby/purple color, and a beautiful nose of flowers, creme de cassis, blackberries, and cedar... This is one of the most elegant wines of the vintage."

2001 Montlisse, St-Emilion\$22.99

Wine Spectator: "A intense red, with fresh herbs and berries on the nose and palate."

2001 Ormes de Pez, St-Estèphe\$24.99

Excellent. From the Jean Michel Cazes group.

2001 Pagodes de Cos, St-Estèphe\$24.99

Soft, perfumed and silky-drinking very well now.

2001 Pichon-Lalande, Pauillac.....\$66.99

95-100 points *Spectator*: "Very well-integrated."

2001 Quinault d'Enclos, St-Emilion \$39.99

2001 Reserve de Comtesse, Pauillac..\$26.99

"Super delicious! As good as any Reserve I have ever had. Silky and elegant," Clyde Beffa Jr.

2002 Branaire-Ducru, St-Julien\$28.99

90-92 points Robert Parker.

2002 Cantemerle, Médoc\$17.99

2002 Carruades de Lafite, Pauillac ..\$36.99

Wine Spectator: "Good plum and raspberry aromas and flavors. Medium bodied with silky tannins...Best after 2008." (03/05)

2002 Clos du Marquis, St-Julien\$29.99

90 points *Wine Spectator*: "Wonderful aromas of currants and berries with hints of flowers."

2002 d'Armailhac, Pauillac.....\$28.99

2002 du Tertre, Margaux\$25.99

89 points from Robert Parker.

2002 de Pez, St-Estèphe\$18.99

2002 Eglise-Clinet, Pomerol.....\$79.99

2002 Eglise-Clinet (1.5L)\$139.99

90-92 points Robert Parker: "An exceptionally strong effort from a vigneron, Denis Durantou..."

2002 Filet, Fronsac\$9.99

2002 Gigault Cuvee "Viva"\$14.99

2002 Haut-Bailly, Pessac.....\$35.99

90 points Robert Parker: "...displaying notes of tobacco smoke intermixed with sweet currant, cherry, and some toast... has the hallmark purity married graciously with nicely concentrated fruit."

2002 Haut-Bergey, Pessac.....\$19.99

2002 Haut-Brion, Pessac.....Inquire

2002 Lascombes, Margaux\$34.99

2002 Langoa-Barton, St-Julien.....\$29.99

90 points *Wine Spectator*: "Beautiful aromas of licorice, currants and berries follow through to a medium- to full-bodied palate...." (03/05)

2002 Latour-Martillac, Pessac\$19.99

2002 Léoville-Barton, St-Julien\$42.99

Big wine-powerful cassis aromas and flavor-needs several years in your cellar.

2002 Léoville-Las-Cases, St-Julien\$83.99

95 points Robert Parker.

2002 l'Evangile, Pomerol\$89.99

2002 Margaux (1.5L)\$259.00

2002 Mouton-Rothschild, Pauillac \$299.99

2002 Montrose, St-Estèphe.....\$45.99

2002 Pape Clement, Pessac.....\$51.99

2002 Pontet-Canet, Pauillac.....\$29.99

92 points *Wine Spectator*: "Full-bodied, with silky tannins and a long finish."

2002 Potensac, Médoc\$18.99

2002 Reserve Comtesse-Lalande\$25.99

Pichon-Lalande's 2nd wine. Bright and deep with dark blackberry and cherry fruit, hints of herb and mineral, plenty of plump merlot juiciness.

2002 Roc de Cambes, Cote Bourg\$24.99

2003 St Andre Corbin, St Georges\$14.99

Fabulous value-rich and round-lush.

White Bordeaux

2001 Haut-Brion Blanc, Pessac\$169.00

2002 Clos Floridene Blanc, Graves ..\$17.99

2002 Haut Bergey Blanc, Pessac.....\$19.99

2003 Reynon "VV" Blanc, Bord.....\$10.99

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Red Bordeaux

- 1961 Palmer, Margaux**\$1699.00
1966 Palmer, Margaux\$649.00
 Two classics. From the best cellar in Bordeaux
- 1978 Palmer, Margaux**\$159.99
 90 points Robert Parker. Perfect condition.
- 1978 Trotanoy, Pomerol**\$129.00
1981 Palmer, Margaux\$99.99
1982 Cos d'Estournel, St-Estèphe ..\$279.00
1982 Ducru-Beaucaillou, St-Julien \$199.00
1982 Léoville-Barton, St-Julien\$159.00
 93 points Parker: "One of the most traditionally-styled wines of the vintage ... a throw-back to the old, rough and tumble style of Bordeaux."
- 1982 Léoville-Poyferré (1.5l)**\$399.99
1982 Lynch-Bages, PauillacInquire
1983 l'Évangile, Pomerol\$139.00
1986 Cos d'Estournel, St-Estèphe ..\$139.99
 95 points Robert Parker: "Highly extracted wine, with a black/ruby color and plenty of toasty, smoky notes in its bouquet that suggest ripe plums and licorice." Decant one hour.
- 1988 Pichon-Lalande, Pauillac**.....\$129.99
 90 points Robert Parker: "One of the stars of the vintage, the 1988 has evolved beautifully."
- 1989 Beausejour-Duffau (1.5L)**\$149.99
 88 points Robert Parker: "This spicy, tannic, medium to full-bodied 1989 is promising ..."
- 1989 Branaire-Ducru, St-Julien**\$99.00
1989 Cos d'Estournel, St-Estèphe ..\$149.99
 95 points *Wine Spectator* (03/92). Delicious right now. Direct from the château.
- 1989 Gruaud-Larose, St-Julien**\$64.99
 91 points *Wine Spectator*: "...firm tannins and long, silky-textured, minty, berry finish..."
- 1989 Léoville-Barton, St-Julien**\$129.00
1989 Pavie, St-Emilion\$119.00
 A great wine-ready to enjoy. Value!
- 1989 Talbot, St-Julien**\$59.99
 90 points Robert Parker: "The 1989 Talbot is a fascinating wine that resembles the 1982, although the 1982 possessed more weight and extract. The 1989 is more elegant ..."
- 1990 Meyney, St-Estèphe**\$59.99
1992 Pichon-Lalande (1.5L)\$89.99
 Outstanding for enjoying right now. Direct from the property.
- 1993 Pichon-Lalande (1.5L)**\$134.99
 4 stars *Decanter* magazine: "Good solid nose. Tannic fruit on the palate. Good, big and sound."
- 1994 Gruaud-Larose, St-Julien**\$29.99
 Robert Parker: "Gruaud's 1994 offers an excellent, saturated ruby/purple color, and a tight, but sweet nose of ripe berry and cassis fruit and underbrush..."
- 1994 Haut-Bailly, Pessac**.....\$44.99
 According to Robert Parker: "One of the finest

1994s... The sweet, blackcurrant, earthy, and mineral-scented nose, and ripe, medium-bodied, fleshy flavors represent the quintessentially elegant style of red Graves. The wine is rich yet ethereal in the mouth..." (02/97)

- 1994 Ormes de Pez, St-Estèphe**\$16.99
 A great value, 10-year-old inexpensive Bordeaux.
- 1994 Pichon-Baron, Pauillac**\$34.99
 Robert Parker: "...sweet, smoky, cassis scented nose, supple, round tannin...excellent richness..."
- 1995 Angélys, St-Emilion**.....\$159.99
 95 points Parker: "A superb effort in this vintage ...Most concentrated of the 1995 St-Emilion premier grand crus." Direct from château.
- 1995 Lagrange, St-Julien**\$46.99
1995 Pichon Baron (1.5l)Inquire
 91 points Robert Parker: "Pichon-Baron continues to build on the success it established in the late eighties with its three consecutive top-notch vintages of 1988, 1989, and 1990."

Sauternes

- 1986 Lafaurie Peyraguey (375ml)**\$79.99
1986 Raymond-Lafon (1.5L)\$129.00
1987 Raymond-Lafon (1.5L)\$89.00
1988 Lamothe-Guignard (375ml)\$34.99
1991 d'Yquem\$159.00
1994 Raymond-Lafon.....\$39.99
1995 Raymond-Lafon.....\$39.99
1995 Raymond Lafon (1.5L).....\$69.99
1996 Raymond-Lafon.....\$59.99
1998 Raymond-Lafon.....\$39.99
 Rich, honeyed and for enjoying now to five years.
- 1999 Raymond-Lafon**.....\$39.99
1999 Raymond-Lafon (375ml)\$22.99
 Fabulous buy for the cellar-perfect acidity with pineapple nuances and coconut undertones.
- 2001 Cypres de Climens (500ml)**\$29.99
2001 de Myrat\$35.99
2001 Doisy-Daene (375ml)\$28.99
2001 Doisy-Védrines\$39.99
2001 Lamothe-Guignard\$29.99
2001 Guiraud\$49.99
2001 Guiraud (375ml)\$27.99
2001 Nairac (375ml)\$29.99
2001 Rayne-Vigneau.....\$37.99
2002 Climens\$54.99
2002 Climens (375ml)\$27.99
 Best price in the world?? Close to 2001 in quality.
- 2002 Doisy-Védrines**\$29.99
2002 Doisy-Védrines (375ml)\$16.99
 "Aromas of lemon and honey and a touch of oak. Appley with pear nuances on the palate. Very long on finish. Reminds me of their wonderful 1988. Should turn out to be just as great a value," Clyde Beffa
- 2002 La Fleur d'Or (375ml)**\$9.99
2002 Petit-Védrines (375ml)\$10.99
- Champagne**
- 1985 Rene Collard Reserve**.....\$59.99
1990 Rene Collard Reserve.....\$49.99

- 1990 Krug**\$189.00
 98 points *Wine Spectator* and a Collectibles designation: "A profound wine of great depth and complexity ..." (08/04)
- 1996 Franck Bonville Blanc de Bl**\$32.99
1996 Laurent Perrier Vintage.....\$39.99
1996 Lancelot Pienne Cuvee Marie ..\$39.99
1998 Ariston Brut.....\$32.99
1998 Franck Bonville Blanc de Bl\$27.99

SHERRY/MADEIRA

- Hartley and Gibson Sherries**\$7.99
Sanchez Romate "Iberia" Cream\$7.99
Hidalgo La Gitana Manzan (500ml) ..\$8.99
Antonio Barbadillo Manzanilla.....\$9.99
Antonio Barbadillo Amontillado\$9.99
Pedro Romero Manz "Aurora"(500ml)\$9.99
Lustau "Los Arcos" Dry Amont\$13.49
Tio Pepe Fino\$13.99
A Barbadillo "San Rafael" Oloroso ..\$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
Gonzales Byass Matusalem Muy Viejo Oloroso Dulce (375ml)\$24.99
Sacrista de Garvey Onana Amont\$49.99
Sacristia de Garvey "Museo" Cream \$49.99

PORT: OLD AND NEW

- 1958 Krohn Colheita**\$99.99
1958 Warre\$179.00
 "Caramel overtones of great colheita intermingled with the bright, ripe and deep red and black fruit flavours of vintage port," Joe Zugelder, K&L
- 1960 Krohn Colheita**\$89.99
1963 Croft\$159.99
 91 points *Spectator*: "...elegance and harmony"
- 1966 Krohn Colheita**\$79.99
1970 Quinta do Noval\$99.99
1974 Quinta Noval Colheita.....\$84.99
1978 Krohn Colheita\$46.99
1983 Graham\$84.99
1985 Dow\$74.99
1985 Fonseca-95 points Spectator\$88.99
1985 Graham\$119.00
1985 Warre\$74.99
1994 Krohn Colheita\$21.99
1994 Croft.....\$69.95
1997 Offley Boa Vista (375ml)\$19.99
2000 Krohn LBV\$13.99
2003 Graham.....Inquire
2003 Graham (375 ml)Inquire
Quinta do Tedo Ruby Reserve\$14.99
Warre Otima 10-yr Tawny (500ml) ..\$18.99
Quinta do Noval 40-yr-old Tawny\$99.99
Krohn 20-yr-old Tawny\$39.99

DIRECT BUYS FROM FRANCE

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

Alsace/Loire Valley

2002 Pinot Blanc, Charles Baur.....	\$10.99
2003 J.P. Becker Muscat Grand Cru Froehn	\$16.99
2001 J.P. Becker Gewürztraminer Grand Cru Froehn	\$17.99
2004 La Tour St Martin, Menatou Salon Blanc.....	\$14.99
2004 La Tour St Martin, Menatou Salon Rouge	\$14.99
Excellent, good value wines.	
2003 Franck Millet Sancerre Rouge	\$14.99
2003 Franck Millet Sancerre Blanc "Insolite".....	\$19.99

White/Red Bordeaux/Stickies

2002 Château Maine Bonnet Blanc, Graves	\$9.99
2004 Château Roquefort Blanc, Bordeaux	\$9.99
Clean and crisp with medium-full body. Quite spicy.	
2004 Château Thieuley Blanc, Bordeaux	\$10.99
A bit richer style with plenty of semillon in blend.	
2003 Château Reynon VV-From Denis Dubourdieu	\$10.99
Perfect acid balance. Rich and round with mineral undertones. Fabulous!	
2002 Clos Floridene Blanc, Graves	\$17.99
Very similar to Domaine de Chevalier-Richness and tons of mineral on the nose and palate. Classic! A blend of 70% semillon and 30% sauvignon blanc.	
2003 Château Souvenir, Bordeaux	\$9.99
2003 Château Jouanin Cuvee Prestige Red, Cotes Castillon ..	\$10.99
Very ripe blackberry aromas and flavor. Sweet and lush. Superb value!	
2002 Château de Birot, Premiere Cotes de Bordeaux.....	\$10.99
Lots of structure, with broad fruit and complexity. A fine value.	
2002 Château Haut Nadeau, Bordeaux Superiore	\$10.99
Very sweet and quite lush for the vintage. 80% merlot-super value!	
2004 La Peyreres du Tertre, Clairet	\$12.99
2000 Château Trebiac, Graves	\$13.99
Two everyday values just arrived.	
2001 Maison Noble du Petit Puch, Graves de Vayres	\$13.99
The ripe merlot shines through here-quite rich and ripe-sweet black fruit flavor.	
2003 Château St. Hilaire, Médoc.....	\$14.99
2003 Petit Manou, Médoc	\$14.99
2nd wine of Clos Manou. Perfect crossover from California Cab to Bordeaux.	
2000 Château Thieuley Cuvee Reserve F Courselle	\$16.99
It is back and still great. Toasty, full-flavored from the great 2000 vintage.	
2001 Château Bois Martin, Pessac.....	\$17.99
From the Perrin family of Carbonnieux fame. Toasty, elegant, good stuffing.	
2002 Grand Enclos de Château Cerons Rouge, Graves.....	\$19.99
This wine has ripe berry flavors and smooth, velvety tannins.	
2000 Grand Enclos de Château Cerons Blanc (375ml)	\$14.99
2002 Grand Enclos de Château Cerons Blanc (375ml)	\$13.99
2002 Petit Védrières, Sauternes (375ml)	\$10.99

White Burgundy

Plaisir des Princes Vin de Pay (Chardonnay)	\$6.99
2004 Mâcon Solutre, Domaine Renaud.....	\$10.99
2004 Mâcon Charnay, Domaine Renaud.....	\$9.99
Three delicious, value-packed whites that have just arrived.	

Southern France/Rhône

2002 Grand Cuvee Red, JL Denois	\$16.99
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Sold out quickly last time-last 50 cases have arrived.

2002 "La Riviere" Chenin Blanc, JL Denois	\$16.99
Sold out immediately last time-here is last 25 cases.	
2003 Beaumes de Venise "Chapelle Notre Dame d'Aubune"	\$7.99
Fine value-very ripe and fruity.	
2001 Valreas "Domaine du Val Des Rois," Bouchard	\$8.99
Rich palate is focused with bright red and dark berry fruit, and some spice.	
2004 Côtes du Rhône, Domaine Maurelle	\$9.99
Meaty and spicy aromas follow to the palate. Good sweet middle palate fruit.	
2003 Vacqueyras, Domaine Mas du Bouquet	\$10.99
Bright raspberry flavors meshed with underlying spiciness.	
2001 Corbieres, Chateau Ayraud	\$11.99
Old school, solid red wine. Good earthy and peppery nuances.	
2001 Corbieres, "Cuvee Henri Serres" Domaine Serres	\$12.99
Serious wine, with dark fruit backed by chewy tannins, hints of oak and spice.	
2001 Côtes du Rhône "Baron Louis" Domaine Montfaucon ..	\$14.99
A hefty wine that is nonetheless elegant and classic.	
2001 Rasteau, Domaine Girasols.....	\$14.99
Spicy on palate with an assertive black pepper character, with the syrah shining through! This wine is lush, rich and full, with a long, warm finish.	
2004 Gigondas, Domaine Maurelle.....	\$16.99
2000 Côtes du Rhône "VV" Domaine Girasols.....	\$16.99
A powerhouse red from a powerhouse vintage to enjoy for the next four years.	
2002 Gigondas, Moulin de Gardette	\$16.99
A mixture of their Ventabren and Tradition-excellent wine value.	
2001 Gigondas "Ventabren" Moulin deGardette	\$26.99
Sold out quickly three months ago. Rich, round and deep.	

Two Luscious Rhônes to Give Thanks for!

2001 Coteaux du Tricastin, Domaine de Grangeneuve "Vielles Vignes" (\$13.99) Tricastin is the fastest growing region in the Rhône Valley. About forty years ago, this area was barren. Once France relinquished its authority over Algiers, many of the French natives of Algiers came to Tricastin. Renewed interest in the area resulted in the planting of over 5,000 acres, and the area is far from barren today. Domaine de Grangeneuve, founded in 1964 by Odette and Henri Bours, is one of the top two estates in Tricastin. Production of all wines produced at Domaine Grangeneuve is an amazingly small 2000-3000 cases per year! This wine comes through with pure Rhone fruit, balanced minerality and ample but not aggressive spices. A blend of 50% grenache and 50% syrah with the syrah fruit really shining through. A fine and elegant nose of tart cherries, minerals, herbs, spices and violets. In the mouth, the initially tart cherry fruit segues into ripe, red plums and strawberry fruit. A truly amazing wine for under \$14.00!

2004 Cotes de Ventoux, Domaine de Fondreche "O Sud" (\$13.99) At Domaine de Fondreche, winemaker Sebastien Vincenti (formerly of Châteauneuf-du-Pape) joined forces with neighbor Didier Robert to create "O" Sud. The heart of this wine comes from 50 acres in the Ventoux. The Domaine de Fondreche "O Sud" is a blend of syrah, grenache and cinsault. Stainless steel aging lets a rich nose of ripe cherries, glycerin, lavender and faint anise notes shine through. On the palate, charming, silky, jammy dark cherry fruit that is full and lush with white pepper and dusty notes that carry over onto the finish. One of the things that both these wines have in common is the extraordinary combination of quality and value they both represent.

—Scott Beckerley

RHÔNE VALLEY

2002 Cabernet Sauvignon, Domaine de la Soumade	\$10.99
2003 Cairanne Domaine Richaud	\$24.99
2004 Côtes du Rhône Rouge, Guigal.....	\$9.99
2004 Côtes de Ventoux, de Fondreche "O'Sud"	\$13.99
2003 Côtes du Rhône "Vignob. de la Ramiere" (Monpertuis)	\$13.99
2003 Côtes du Rhône Blanc, Les Figuières, Colombo	\$16.99
2003 Côtes du Rhône, "Forots" Jean-Luc Colombo	\$18.99
2003 Châteauneuf du Pape, Grand Veneur.....	\$24.99
2003 Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Domaine de la Côte de l'Ange	\$29.99
2003 Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Monpertuis "Classique"	\$31.99
2003 Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Jean Royer "Tradition"	\$32.99
2003 Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Domaine Andre Brunel.....	\$33.99
2003 Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Les Bosquet des Papes.....	\$34.99
2001 Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Domaine Marcoux	\$37.99
2003 Châteauneuf-du-Pape Blanc, Chateau La Nerthe	\$38.99
2001 Châteauneuf, "Chante Merle" Les Bosquet des Papes	\$49.99
2003 Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Monpertuis "Tradition"	\$62.99
2003 Cornas, Domaine Vincent Paris "Granit 30"	\$29.99
2001 Cornas, Alain Voge "Vieilles Vignes"	\$49.99
2003 Côte Rotie, Joel Champet, "La Viallière"	\$37.99
2004 Crozes-Hermitage Blanc, Domaine Combier	\$17.99
2003 Crozes-Hermitage, du Colombier, "Cuvee Gaby"	\$21.99
2001 Crozes-Hermitage, Albert Belle "Cuvée Louis Belle"	\$28.99
2002 Gigondas, Moulin de la Gardette	\$16.99
2001 Gigondas, Moulin de la Gardette "Ventabren".....	\$26.99
2003 Gigondas, Château Saint Cosme	\$30.99
2003 Gigondas, Domaine Santa Duc.....	\$36.99
2003 Lirac Chateau de Segriés, "Cuvée Reservée"	\$9.99
2002 Merlot, Domaine de la Soumade	\$10.99
2001 Rasteau, Domaine Girasols.....	\$14.99
2002 Rasteau, "Prestige" Domaine de la Soumade.....	\$19.99
2001 St. Joseph Rouge, Pierre Gaillard "Cuminaille".....	\$31.99
2003 Vacqueyras, La Bourgeat	\$16.99
2003 Vacqueyras, Bastide St. Vincent "Pavane"	\$16.99

Jim C's View Down Under

2005 Matua Valley Sauvignon Blanc, Marlborough New Zealand (\$7.99) and the 2004 Vasse Felix "Adams Road" Chardonnay, Margaret River Western Australia (\$13.99) These are two screaming deals! The Matua, now with bolder color and in a Bordeaux bottle, serves up a bouquet of lime, cantaloupe and fresh cut red peppers. On the palate there is good acidity to support the more tropical mango-papaya fruit that lead to a refreshing clean finish. The Adams Road chardonnay is 50% tank fermented. The nose offers aromas of light toast, pear, pineapple, honey, hazelnut and cinnamon spice. The wine has superb acidity bringing all these components together.

2004 Boekenhoutsklouf Porcupine Ridge Syrah, Coastal Region South Africa (\$10.99) The 2004 shows smoky, meaty notes with lovely ripe boysenberry fruit and a hint of lavender in the aromatics. In the mouth, the wine is full bodied and juicy with soft lush tannins and a fine finish.

2004 Hewitson "Miss Harry" GSM, McLaren Vale South Australia (\$17.99) Dean Hewitson brings another super edition of Miss Harry with his 2004 blend of 44% grenache, 43% shiraz and 13% mourvèdre sourced from 50 and 80 year old vines. The bouquet sings with notes of black raspberry, cassis, white pepper, smoked meats and a

SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE-COMMONWEALTH

South Africa

2003 Kanu Chenin Blanc	\$7.99
2003 Goats do Roam Red	\$8.99
2004 Indaba Chardonnay	\$8.99
2003 Excelsior Cabernet Sauvignon	\$8.99
2004 Excelsior "Paddock" Shiraz	\$9.99
2004 Porcupine Ridge Syrah	\$10.99
2003 Glen Carlou Chardonnay	\$11.99
2001 Mischa Estate Shiraz	\$14.99
2002 Diversity Gamma (de Toren)	\$17.99
2004 Neil Ellis Groenekloof Sauvignon Blanc	\$15.99
2003 Rustenberg Chardonnay Stellenbosch	\$17.99
2003 Fairview "Caldera"	\$22.99
2002 Rustenberg John X Merriman.....	\$27.99

New Zealand

2004 Griffin Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc-Just arrived!	\$10.99
2004 Whitehaven Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc	\$13.99
2004 Kim Crawford Marl. Sauvignon Blanc-91 points <i>Spectator</i>	\$14.99
2003 Sherwood Marlborough Pinot Noir	\$14.99
2004 Goldwater "New Dog" Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc..	\$14.99
2004 Nautilus Pinot Gris, Marlborough	\$15.99
2004 Isabel Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc	\$15.99
2004 Kennedy Point Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc	\$15.99
2004 Konrad Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc	\$15.99
2004 Neudorf "Nelson" Sauvignon Blanc	\$16.99
2004 Craggy Range Martinborough Sauvignon Blanc	\$18.99
2003 Murdoch James Syrah, Martinborough	\$23.99
2003 Amsfield Central Otago Pinot Noir	\$27.99

Australia

2004 Deakin Shiraz or 2004 Milton Park Shiraz	\$6.99
2002 Step Road "Black Wing" Shiraz	\$6.99
2003 Fifth Leg Red (Devil's Lair).....	\$9.99
2004 Marquis Philips Shiraz	\$12.99
2002 Eagle Vale Margaret River Semillon/Sauvignon Blanc ..	\$12.99
2003 Peter Lehmann Clancy's Red Blend	\$13.99
2003 d'Arenberg "Footbolt" Shiraz	\$13.99
2002 Twelve Staves Grenache, McLaren Vale	\$14.99
2004 The Black Chook Shiraz-Viognier	\$15.99
2001 Dominique Portet Yarra Valley Sauvignon Blanc	\$16.99
2002 Cullen "Ephraim Clarke" Sauvignon Bl/Semillon.....	\$17.99
2002 Bleasdale "Frank Potts" Red, Langhorne Creek.....	\$24.99
2001 Dominique Portet Yarra Valley Cabernet	\$27.99
2003 Possums Vineyard, McLaren Vale Shiraz	\$27.99
2002 Hewitson "Mad Hatter" Shiraz.....	\$31.99
2003 Spinifex "Esprit"	\$34.99
2003 d'Arenberg "The Dead Arm" Shiraz	\$49.99
2000 Penley Estate Res Cab, Coonawara-92 points Parker	\$49.99

hint of mocha. On the palate there is fine balance and length, with more structure and weight than last years 91-point wine.

The 2003 d'Arenberg "Footbolt" Shiraz McLaren Vale South Australia (\$13.99) shows how good the vintage was in McLaren Vale. This wine is richer and shows more depth than the fine 2002, with notes of dark plum, blackberry, blueberry, chocolate and earth. Very well balanced with fine length and polish for the money.

—Jimmy C

OLD & RARE DOMESTIC

1970 Charles Krug Vint Select\$59.00
1976 Beaulieu Private Reserve\$129.00
 95 points Robert Parker: "The 1976 is full-bodied, with a huge, intoxicating perfume of sweet black and red fruits, earth, Asian spices, roasted herbs, and toasty oak. This massive, full-bodied, super-concentrated, fragrant, alcoholic wine is close to full maturity." (06/95)
1978 Robert Mondavi Reserve\$119.99
 The 1978 Cabernet Sauvignon Reserve has consistently been a 90-point wine.
1981 Dunn Howell Mountain (5L) ..\$899.00
1982 Beringer Private Res (9L)\$1,699.00
1983 Caymus Special Select\$199.00
 90 points *Wine Spectator*.
1983 Montelena Estate Napa\$89.95
1985 Conn Creek Barrel P Res\$79.95
1985 Dominus Napa Red\$149.00
 96 points Robert Parker (10/95).
1985 Dunn Howell Mount (5L)\$1,399.00
1985 Heitz Bella Oaks Napa\$89.95
1986 Beringer Private Res Napa\$109.99
1986 Jordan Alexander Valley\$69.95
1986 Montelena Napa\$149.95
 96 points from Parker... "What a remarkable performance."
1987 B.R. Cohn "Olive Hill"\$89.95
1987 Beaulieu Vineyard Rutherford \$29.99
 Outstanding value for enjoying now.
1987 Kenwood Artist (3L)\$399.95
1988 Anderson's Conn Valley Res ..\$69.95

1989 Beringer Private Res Napa\$99.00
1990 Beaulieu Vineyards Tapestry....\$39.99
1990 Montelena Estate Napa\$129.00
 93 points Robert Parker: "Its stunning display of highly extracted, blackcurrant fruit judiciously wrapped in toasty oak is impressive. It is a 20-30 year wine."
1990 Pahlmeyer Caldwell\$149.00
1990 Silver Oak Alex Valley\$125.00
1990 Silver Oak Alex Valley (6L)..\$1,099.00
1991 Anderson's Conn Valley\$89.95
1991 Heitz Martha's Vineyard\$139.00
1991 Montelena Estate Napa\$149.95
 95 points Robert Parker.
1993 Burgess Vintage Select\$44.99
Wine Spectator: "Tight and well focused, with cedar, currant, tobacco and spice flavors at the core, finishing with firm tannins. Drinkable now, but cellaring into 1998 won't hurt." (05/97)
1993 Caymus Napa\$89.00
1993 Kathryn Kennedy\$119.00
1993 Kenwood Artist Series\$59.00
1993 Silver Oak Alex Valley (6L)\$999.00
1993 Silver Oak Napa Valley (6L) ..\$999.00
1993 Silverado Res Napa\$99.00
1993 Stag's Leap "Cask 23"\$149.00
1994 Barnett Spring Mountain\$89.95
1994 Beaulieu Vineyard P Res\$54.99
 93 points *Wine Spectator*: "One of the most prestigious wines in California, the 1994 version shows an impressive core of spicy currant and

mineral-laced Cabernet flavors emerging from chewy tannins, picking up cedary oak, coffee and sage notes." (10/97)

1994 Beaulieu Vineyard Tapestry\$49.99
 91 points and a Spectator Selection designation from the *Wine Spectator*.
1994 Oakville Ranch Napa\$59.95
1994 Stag's Leap "Cask 23" (1.5L) ..\$450.00
1995 Caymus Napa Valley\$89.00
1996 Beaulieu Private ReserveInquire
 92 points *Wine Spectator*: "Ripe, round and smooth, with a core of coffee, currant, sage, cedar and spice. Gains nuance and complexity on the finish, where the tannins are firm and integrated. Wonderful texture and polish. Drink now through 2008." (11/99)
1996 Beaulieu Vineyard Tapestry\$54.99
 92 points *Wine Spectator*: "Tight in structure while plush in texture, offering rich plum, dark chocolate, cinnamon, spice and earth flavors that linger deliciously on the long, complex finish--this is one seductive California red." (10/99)
1996 Beaulieu Rutherford\$19.99
 This is a classic Rutherford Cab with distinctive aromas of black cherry, dark olive and mineral, combined with hints of smoky oak, blackberry and a nice touch of those famous Rutherford dusty tannins.
1997 Beaulieu Rutherford\$24.99
 According to Robert Parker: "...exhibits a medium ruby color as well as cassis and earth in the bouquet and flavors, medium body, and moderate tannin. Drink this elegant Cabernet over the next 5-6 years." (12/2000)

Domaine de Monpertuis, Rhône Giant

This month K&L is proud to offer a Domaine de Monpertuis wine for Rhône lovers in every price range. This venerable Southern Rhône estate has been in the hands of the Jeune family for several generations. Each successor has added bits and pieces so that the current owner, Paul Jeune, is now the proprietor of the 10 acres of vines that are scattered amongst 32 separate parcels throughout the confines of Châteauneuf-du-Pape. Jeune has the remarkable good fortune of having a majority of his vineyards planted to vines between 60 and 110 years of age. The multiplicity of parcels spread across Châteauneuf imparts a classic character to the wines of Monpertuis, absorbing the nuances of each soil type of the appellation. The heart and soul of the domaine lies within three primary parcels: La Croze, Le Clos de la Cerise and Monpertuis. Although Châteauneuf-du-Pape may be composed of 13 individual varietals, the Domaine de Monpertuis relies most heavily on the grenache grape.

The **2003 Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Domaine de Monpertuis "Classique"** (\$31.99) is a more approachable, albeit powerful Châteauneuf from this warm vintage. Decant and serve with heartier fare.

The **2003 Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Domaine de Monpertuis "Cuvee Tradition"** (\$62.99), produced solely from old vines at least 60 years old, is supported by at least 85% grenache. This is hands down one of THE BEST Châteauneufs I have tasted from this vintage. This wine is laden with a core of black fruit and chiseled mineral drive. Do not, I repeat do not, even think about touching this wine for at least 5 years,

preferably 10. I promise you, your patience will be generously rewarded. This is an outstanding wine with enormous potential.

As of 1995, the Domaine de Monpertuis has vinified a Côtes du Rhône and Vin de Pays du Gard. Both of these wines come from a recently acquired parcel known as *vignoble de la Ramiere*. The **2003 Côtes du Rhône "Vignoble de la Ramiere,"** **Domaine de Monpertuis (\$13.99)** is made almost exclusively from grenache. Both wines are lovely with cranberry, roasted sage and lavender. And both wines are Monpertuis reds to drink up while you wait for the big boys to grow up.

—Mulan Chan

Happy Holidays from the K&L Staff

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CABERNET SAUVIGNON

2001 Artesa, Napa.....\$21.99	2002 Groth, Napa\$42.98	2002 Versant, Napa.....\$74.99
2001 Amici, Napa\$34.99	2002 Hanna, Alexander Valley.....\$26.99	2002 Viader, Napa.....\$74.99
2001 Beringer Knights Valley\$19.99	2002 Hawk Crest, California\$9.99	2002 Whitehall Lane, Napa\$34.98
2001 Burgess, Napa\$29.99	2002 Hess Estate, Napa.....\$16.99	2002 Andrew Rich Cab Franc\$19.99
2001 Conn Creek, Napa\$18.99	2002 Honig, Napa\$28.99	From Oregon, shows the most pristine raspberry and bitter cherry fruit imaginable!
2001 Corison, Napa\$54.99	2002 J. Lohr “Seven Oaks”\$10.99	2003 Alexander Valley\$14.99
2001 Darioush, Napa\$59.99	2002 Joseph Phelps, Napa.....\$36.98	2003 Avalon, Napa\$9.99
2001 Dominus, Napa\$99.00	2002 Joseph Phelps “Insignia”\$109.00	2003 Bacio Divino “Pazzo”\$23.99
2001 Flora Springs, Napa\$21.99	2002 Kalinda, Knights Valley.....\$14.99	2003 Caymus, Napa\$64.99
2001 Guilliams, Spring Mnt.....\$36.99	Lush, fruit forward, easy drinking Cabernet.	Just released! Loaded with black cherry, plummy fruit, spice and vanilla overtones.
2001 Grgich Hills, Napa\$44.98	2002 Kathryn Kennedy, Small Lot\$56.99	2003 Decoy Napa Red.....\$24.99
2001 Hetiz, Napa\$29.98	2002 L’Aventure “Optimus”\$41.99	2003 Diamond Creek’sInquire
2001 Jordan, Alexander Valley.....\$39.99	2002 Miner Family, Oakville\$46.99	2003 Elizabeth Spencer, Napa\$26.99
2001 Judd’s Hill, Napa\$34.99	2002 Nickel & NickelInquire	2003 Esser, California.....\$7.99
2001 Keenan “25th Ann,” Napa\$29.99	We have all of them in stock!	2003 House Wine, Washington\$9.99
2001 La Jota “Howell Mnt”.....\$39.99	2002 Opus One\$129.00	Cab sauv, merlot, syrah and cabernet franc.
2001 Lancaster, Alexander Valley\$48.99	2002 Pine Ridge Oakville\$49.99	2003 Justin, Paso Robles.....\$19.99
2001 Larkmead, Napa.....\$36.99	2002 Pine Ridge, Rutherford\$24.99	Aromas and flavors of black cherry, currant and vanilla jump out of the glass. Delicious!
2001 Laurel Glen, Sonoma\$44.99	2002 Provenance, Rutherford\$24.99	2003 Justin “Justification”\$34.99
2001 Merryvale “Starmont,” Napa\$19.99	2002 Revana, Napa\$89.99	2003 Kathryn Kennedy “Lateral”.....\$32.99
2001 Mount Eden, Santa Cruz\$29.99	2002 Ridge, Santa Cruz Mnt Red.....\$27.99	2003 Lang & Reed Napa Cab Franc ..\$21.99
Cassis, bitter chocolate, tobacco, cinnamon and eucalyptus on the nose with a note of dried rose.	2002 Robert Craig “Affinity”\$36.99	2003 L’Aventure, Paso Robles\$59.99
2001 Oakville Ranch, Napa\$44.99	2002 Robert Mondavi, Napa\$19.99	2003 Lewis Cellars, Napa\$62.99
2001 Page, Napa Red Blend\$54.99	2002 Robert Mondavi Res\$99.00	2003 Liberty School California\$11.99
2001 Pine Ridge “Stag’s Leap”\$56.99	2002 Roth, Alexander Valley\$34.99	2003 Stephen Vincent, California\$8.99
2001 Silver Oak, Alexander Vly\$59.99	2002 Shypoke, Knights Valley\$17.99	2003 Twenty Bench, Napa\$14.99
2001 Silverado, Napa\$29.99	2002 Selene, Napa.....\$69.99	2003 Twenty Rows, Napa\$19.99
2001 St. Clement, Napa\$24.99	2002 Simi, Alexander\$21.99	2004 McManis, California\$8.99
2001 Stonestreet “Legacy”\$49.99	2002 Stags’ Leap Winery, Napa\$34.99	2004 Waterbrook Melange\$12.99
93 points from Robert Parker!	2002 Turnbull, Napa.....\$32.99	
2001 Stonestreet, Alexander Vly\$17.99	2002 T-Vine “Monte Rosso”\$47.99	
2001 Terra Valentine, Sprg Mnt\$26.99	2002 Two Tone Farm, Napa\$8.99	
2001 Trefethen, Napa\$34.99		
2001 William Hill, Napa.....\$14.99		
2002 Altamura, Napa\$59.99		
2002 Anderson’s Conn Vly Res\$46.99		
2002 Anders Conn Vly Right Bank ..\$29.99		
2002 B. R. Cohn, California\$14.98		
2002 BV Rutherford\$21.99		
2002 BV Res. “Georges de Latour” ..\$69.98		
Expressive aromas, with clean fruit, lush mouth-feel and a spicy lingering finish. Best in years!		
2002 BV Napa “Dulcet”\$24.99		
2002 BV Tapestry\$36.98		
2002 Cain Concept\$46.99		
2002 Chimney Rock “SLD”\$44.98		
2002 Charles Krug “V. Select”\$44.99		
2002 Ch Montelena, Napa\$34.99		
2002 Cloverdale Ranch, Alex Vly.....\$16.99		
2002 Darioush, Napa\$59.99		
2002 Dominus Napa.....\$99.00		
96 points Robert Parker		
2002 Ehlers, Napa Cab Franc.....\$27.99		
2002 Etude, Napa\$79.99		
2002 Far Niente, Oakville.....\$89.99		
2002 Flora Springs “Trilogy”\$46.99		
2002 Franciscan, Oakville\$21.99		

Trey’s Picks

Last month Martin and I took a trip down south for a quick tour of a few wineries. This was our first day on our two-day trip. Our first stop was at Garretson Wine Company in Paso Robles. Working in a very industrial looking building, winemaker Matt Garretson is focusing on Rhône-inspired blends from Paso Robles. Our favorite pick from this stop was the **2003 Garretson Red Central Coast Red Blend (\$19.99)**. This would be considered their user-friendly red, which is a blend of 70% syrah, 12% grenache, 10% mourvèdre and 8% viognier. Continuing down south, our next stop was at **Domaine Alfred**. People were friendly, and the wines were well made. Our favorites included the **2003 Domaine Alfred Edna Valley Chardonnay (\$18.99)** and the **2002 Domaine Alfred “Califa” Edna Valley Pinot Noir (\$39.99)**. The Chardonnay shows great acidity, freshness and pure fruit, and the Pinot Noir is rich, balanced and pure as well. Both are clean and fresh. No heavy-handed winemaking here. Our next visit was with John Alban at Alban Cellars in Arroyo Grande. Great guy and great visit! Unfortunately the wines are next to impossible to get. We then had a quick visit at Talley and then made our way to Laetitia. Our two picks from Laetitia were the **2004 Laetitia Arroyo Grande Chardonnay (\$14.99)** and the **2003 Laetitia Arroyo Grande Pinot Noir (\$17.99)**. The Chardonnay is rich, ripe and full in the mouth with hints of sweet pear, honey and lime. The Pinot Noir shows a nice balance between fruit and earth with hints of spicy minerals and red strawberry fruit. After Laetitia our next appointment was with John Nivin of Baileyana. Our favorites included the Chardonnay and Pinot releases under their Grand Firepeak Cuvee label. Located just a few miles from the Pacific Ocean, the Firepeak Vineyard is the first to benefit from the cool maritime breezes funneling in from the Morro Bay. The warm days and cool nights are perfect for growing Chardonnay and Pinot Noir. Currently we have the **2002 Baileyana Grand Firepeak Pinot Noir (\$29.99)** and the **2003 Baileyana Grand Firepeak Chardonnay (\$19.99)**. Both are delicious!

—Trey Beffa

CHARDONNAY

2001 Bernardus "Rosella's"	\$14.99	2003 Handley, Dry Creek	\$16.99	2003 Talley Estate, Arroyo Grande ..	\$24.99
2001 Marimar Torres	\$18.99	2003 Hartford, Sonoma	\$16.99	2003 Taz, Santa Barbara	\$12.99
2001 Talbott "Sleepy Hollow"	\$29.99	2003 Hawkcrest, California	\$7.99	2003 Trefethen, Oak Knoll	\$21.99
2002 Beauregard "Bald Mnt"	\$11.99	2003 Hess Collection, Napa	\$16.99	Aromas and flavors of tropical fruit, mango and Fuji apple spiced with hints of tarragon pave the way for a palate that is lush and creamy.	
2002 Bernardus, Monterey	\$14.99	2003 Hess Select, California	\$8.99	2003 Villa Mt Eden Bien Nacido	\$12.99
2002 Mount Eden "Wolff"	\$14.99	2003 Jordan, Russian River	\$21.99	2003 Vine Cliff, Carneros	\$23.99
Originally planted in 1976, by Edna Valley wine Pioneer Andy Macgregor, the Wolff Vineyard is one of the oldest in the entire Central Coast of California.		2003 J. Lohr, Arroyo Seco	\$10.99	2003 Walter Hansel "North Slope"	\$28.99
2002 Monte Eden Estate	\$32.99	2003 Kendall Jackson "Grand Res" ..	\$14.98	2003 Walter Hansel, Russian River ..	\$26.99
2002 Murphy Goode, Sonoma	\$11.99	2003 Landmark "Overlook"	\$21.99	2003 West Slope, Edna Valley	\$11.99
2002 Olivet Lane, Russian River	\$14.99	2003 Lockwood, Monterey	\$9.99	2004 Acacia, Carneros	\$15.99
2002 Sanford, Santa Rita	\$14.99	2003 Logan, Monterey	\$12.99	2004 Ambullneo, "Big Paw"	\$54.99
2002 Sonoma Cutrer "The Cutrer" ..	\$29.99	2003 Lynmar, Russian River	\$19.99	2004 Beringer "Founders"	\$7.99
2002 Tandem "Porter-Bass"	\$39.99	2003 Margaret's Vineyard, Cal.	\$5.99	2004 Cartledge & Browne, Cal	\$8.99
2003 Arrowood, Sonoma	\$23.99	2003 Mark West, Central Coast	\$9.99	2004 Chalone, Monterey	\$10.99
2003 Beringer "Private Reserve"	\$19.98	2003 Matanzas Creek, Sonoma	\$17.98	A new project for Chalone, this Monterey County Chardonnay shows cool climate freshness in the fruit, along with good viscous texture and body.	
2003 Cambria "Katherine's"	\$12.98	2003 Mer Soleil, Central Coast	\$34.99	2004 Ch St. Jean, Sonoma	\$9.98
2003 Carmel Road, Monterey	\$11.99	Rich and ripe tropical style with hints of spice, mango, pineapple and citrus.		2004 Chehalem, "Inox"	\$16.99
2003 Ch Montelena, Napa	\$29.99	2003 Merryvale "Starmont"	\$15.99	2004 Edna Valley Vineyards	\$10.99
New vintage! Focused, clean and rich Chardonnay fruit.		2003 Miner Family "Wild Yeast"	\$44.99	2004 Elizabeth Spencer, Sonoma	\$21.99
2003 Chalone	\$19.99	2003 Newton "Red Label"	\$17.98	2004 Esser, California	\$7.99
2003 Cinnabar, Monterey	\$13.99	2003 Oakville Ranch, Napa	\$29.99	2004 Four Vines "Naked"	\$10.99
2003 Cuvaion, Carneros	\$15.99	2003 Pine Ridge "Dijon Clones"	\$21.98	Naked refers to the fact that this wine is made au natural: no oak, no malolactic fermentation!	
2003 Domaine Alfred "Chamisal"	\$18.99	2003 Qupe "Block Eleven"	\$21.99	2004 Foxglove, Edna Valley	\$9.99
2003 El Molino, Napa	\$39.99	Block Eleven is considered the premier Chardonnay block in the Bien Nacido Vineyard.		2004 Heitz, Napa	\$12.99
2003 Far Niente, Napa	\$34.99	2003 Ridge, Santa Cruz Mnts.	\$27.99	2004 Heron, California	\$7.99
2003 Gary Farrell, Russian River	\$29.99	2003 Robert Keenan, Napa	\$18.99	2004 Justin, Paso Robles	\$14.99
2003 Grand Cru, California	\$4.99	2003 Solitude, Carneros	\$23.99	2004 Kali Hart, Monterey	\$9.99
		2003 Sonoma Cutrer, Russian Rvr	\$17.99	2004 Kalinda, Sonoma	\$9.99

Spotlight on Palmina Wines

On a recent trip down to Santa Barbara, Trey and I stopped to visit Palmina, a small producer of Italian varietal wines. Located in an unassuming Lompoc warehouse complex affectionately called the "wine ghetto" (at once the most critical and least glamorous wine-making settings in Santa Barbara), Palmina is making truly spectacular things happen. The husband-and-wife team of Steve and Chrystal Clifton (yes, from Brewer-Clifton fame) are absolutely fantastic winemakers, besides being incredibly friendly and down-to-earth people. Their contagious passion for Italy and its soul-stirring wine and food inspires anyone who sets foot in their facility. A great visit, made better by both wonderful people and extraordinary wines. A few of their best, perfect for holiday dinner season:

2004 Palmina "Sisquoc Vineyard" Santa Maria Sauvignon Blanc (\$14.99) is aromatically electrifying and astonishing in its pedigree. A rare breed of domestic premium Sauvignon Blanc, and probably my favorite one this year. In fact, it was so good I couldn't wait until KL carried it; I bought some bottles at the winery to take home!

2004 Palmina "Botasea" Rosato (\$16.99) is a clear winner in the rosé category. A 50/50 blend of sangiovese and barbera, bone dry on the palate, with a fresh strength that shows best at the dinner table. Try it with roasted cornish hen with acorn squash. That rocks!

2004 Palmina "Zotovich Vineyards" Dolcetto (\$19.99) A surprisingly structured wine with earthy, subtle charm, this one took off with the cheese and sausage in the Clifton's tasting room. Definitely a welcome dinner companion at my home anytime!

2004 Palmina Barbera (\$24.99) This one is perfect for Thanksgiving!! A superbly made Barbera, showing true hallmarks of the variety with an abundance of bright, plummy fruit and tremendous lively acidity. Unquestionably delicious and versatile by any standard, it will dance well with all the dishes of the coming holiday season. Enjoy!

—Martin Reyes

2004 Keller "Oro de Plata"

2004 La Crema, Sonoma

2004 Lewis Cellars, Napa

2004 Lewis Cellars, Sonoma

Two new releases from Lewis Cellars! Unfortunately they are both quite limited this year.

2004 Macrostie, Carneros

2004 Melville, Santa Rita

Along with bright acidity, this wine is pure and clean with additional hints of crushed white rock, orange rind, orange melon and lemon tart.

2004 Meridian, Santa Barbara

2004 Morgan "Metallico"

2004 Neyers Carn/Napa

2004 Patz & Hall "Durrell"

2004 Purisima Canyon, Sonoma

2004 Qupe "Y Block"

2004 Storrs, Santa Cruz

2004 Toasted Head, Dunnigan Hills ..

2004 Two Tone Farm, Napa

2004 ZD, California

PINOT NOIR

2002 Domaine Serene "Evanstad"\$39.99
2002 Oak Arbour "Toulouse".....\$29.99
2002 Porter Creek "Fiona Hill"\$24.99
2002 Row Eleven, Santa Maria.....\$24.99
2002 Taz, Santa Barbara.....\$17.99
2003 A to Z, Willamette Valley.....\$14.99
2003 Andrew Rich, Willamette\$26.99
2003 Au Bon Climat, Santa Maria\$23.99
2003 Aubin Cellars "Verve"\$29.99
2003 Belle Glos "Clark and Tele"\$39.99
2003 Bethel Heights "West Block"\$32.99
2003 Brandborg, Umpqua Valley.....\$16.99
2003 Byron, Santa Maria\$17.98
2003 Carmel Road, Monterey\$13.99
2003 Chalone Estate\$21.99
2003 Chehalem "3 Vineyards"\$21.99

May be the best 3 Vineyards to date! Shows the ripe fruit of 2003 in Oregon.

2003 Daedalus, Willamette Vly\$21.99
2003 Domaine Alfred "Califa"\$39.99
2003 Domaine Serene "Yamhill"\$29.99
2003 Elk Cove, Willamette Valley\$18.99
2003 Etude, Carneros\$36.99
2003 Flying Goat "Soloman Hills"....\$32.99
2003 Gary Farrell, Russian River\$29.99
2003 Joseph Swan "Cuvee de Trois" ..\$19.99
2003 Kalinda, Willamette Valley\$14.99

"Generous red berry, a gentle silky body and Oregon earthiness. Inspiring," Martin Reyes, K&L

2003 Laetitia, Arroyo Grande\$17.99

2003 Mia's Playground, Rus Rivr\$12.99
2003 Miner Family "Gary's"\$44.99
2003 Ponzi, Willamette Valley\$26.99
2003 Rex Hill "Kings Ridge"\$13.99
2003 Rex Hill, Oregon\$19.99
2003 Shea Wine Cellars, Willamette \$32.99
2003 Soter "Beacon Hill," Ore\$44.99
2003 St. Innocent "Shea"\$31.99
2003 Talley, Arroyo Grande\$29.99
2003 Tandem "Keefer Ranch"\$39.99
2003 Varner "Hid Blck," Snt Crz\$36.99
2003 WH Smith, Sonoma.....\$19.99
2003 Willakenzie, Willamette Vly\$16.99
2004 Acacia, Carneros\$19.99
2004 Argyle, Willamette Vly\$16.99
2004 Avila, San Luis Obispo.....\$11.99
2004 Cambria "Julia's"\$16.99
2004 Chalone Monterey\$14.99
2004 Erath, Oregon\$12.99
2004 Esser, California.....\$9.99
2004 La Crema, Sonoma Coast\$14.98
2004 Mark West, Central Coast\$9.99
2004 Melville, Santa Rita\$24.99

Bright, fresh red and blue fruit components immediately jump from the glass reminiscent of blueberry, black raspberry and plum

2004 Parker Station, Santa Barbara..\$10.99
2004 Patz & Hall, Sonoma\$29.99
2004 Smooking Loon California\$6.99

ZINFANDEL

2001 Joseph Swan "Stellwagen"\$21.99
2002 Amici "Panek Vineyard"\$26.99

The Panek vineyard is bordered by Turley Wine Cellars to the south and the Aida vineyard to the north. These gnarled, 35-year-old dry-farmed vines produce some seriously intense fruit.

2002 Ch Montelena, Napa\$24.99
2002 D Cubed, Napa.....\$22.99
2002 Green & Red "Chiles Mill"\$21.99
2002 Jessie's Grove "Westwind"\$14.99
2002 Klinker Brick, Lodi\$14.99
2002 Little 8 Ottimino "Vn W"\$29.99

This Zin comes from the Von Weidlich Vineyard in the Russian River appellation of Sonoma.

2002 Montevina Terra d'Oro\$18.99
2002 Rancho Zabaco Dry Crk Res\$15.99
2002 Renwood "Sierra Series"\$9.99
2002 Renwood "Old Vines"\$13.99
2002 Ridge "Geyserville"\$27.99
2002 Rombauer, El Dorado\$21.99
2002 Storrs "Rusty Ridge"\$24.99
2002 Storybook "Mayacamas"\$25.99
2002 Storybook Estate Reserve\$44.99
2002 Unti Vineyards, Dry Creek\$21.99
2003 August Briggs, Napa\$27.99
2003 Bogle Old Vine.....\$8.98
2003 Brown Estate, Napa\$32.99
2003 Carlisle, Sonoma\$24.99
2003 Carol Shelton "Rocky Res"\$29.99

90 points from the *Wine Spectator*: "...tangy and intense, with concentrated raspberry pie and dried currant flavors supported by vibrant acidity and a tannin structure."

2003 Dover Canyon "Cujo"\$17.99
2003 Folie á Deux "Menage á Trois" ..\$8.99
2003 Four Vines Old Vine Cuvee\$10.99
2003 J. Runquist "Z," Amador\$18.99
2003 Jan Kriss, Paso Robles\$9.99
2003 Joel Gott "Dillian Ranch"\$21.99
2003 Kalinda, Sonoma\$9.99
Deeply colored, loaded with blackberry, raspberry, and spicy clove-like tones with just a touch of cedary oak as a supporting element!

2003 Klinker Brick "Old Ghost"\$34.99
2003 Kunin, Paso Robles\$19.99
2003 MD Phillips "7 Deadly Zins"....\$12.99
2003 Purisima Canyon, Sonoma\$9.99

79% zinfandel, 19% petite sirah and 2% merlot make for a juicy, explosive wine!

2003 Rancho Zabaco "Dancing Bull" \$6.99
2003 Ravenswood Single Vinyrds....Inquire
2003 Ridge-Many vineyards in stock!Inquire
2003 Rosenblum "Carla's"\$21.99
2003 Shenandoah, Amador\$7.99
2003 Sobon "Rocky Top"\$12.99
2003 Tin Barn "Gilsson"\$24.99
2003 Tobin James "Ballistic," Paso....\$14.99
2004 David Coffaro, Dry Creek\$19.99
2004 Joel Gott, California\$12.99
2004 Windmill Estates Old Vine\$9.99

Comfort Whites for Thanksgiving

It's November again, time for comfort food and comfort wine. Some wines just strike a cord with wide swaths of palates and ring nostalgic, just like Thanksgiving dinner. I've chosen a few for you this month, in hopes of bringing fond memories to your holidays.

2003 West Slope "Edna Valley" Chardonnay (\$11.99) Made by Mount Eden Winery, and what a bargain! Big and rich, juicy tropical fruit, creamy lush toasty and buttery oak, and a nice long finish. This little beauty is classic California Chardonnay; don't let the small price fool you.

2004 Four Vines "Naked" Santa Barbara Chardonnay (\$10.99) This wine is for those of you who prefer no oak but love the rich tropical qualities Chardonnay can present. The naked aspect refers to the absence of oak overlays. All the fruit is purely framed. Ripe pear and pure apple fruit dominate, with just enough acidity. Friendly is a great word to describe this wine, and this wine is a friendly way to greet your holiday guests.

2002 Kalinda Knights Valley Cabernet Sauvignon (\$14.99) I know Jim Barr has already alerted you to our latest Cabernet winner, but I couldn't resist seconding his opinion. This ripe rich Cab is full of classic cassis, black cherry and blueberry fruit, rounded out by creamy vanillin oak and super smooth velvety tannins. This is traditional, rich and beautiful California Cab. Pour this for your favorite Santa, and you'll have a reward by Christmas!

2003 House Wine, The Magnificent Wine Co., Columbia Valley Red (\$9.99) This wine has a very strange label, no doubt, but the wine is worth overlooking it. Cab dominates, then merlot, and with syrah and cab franc rounding it out. The winemaker focused on making a great wine for little money... He succeeded! Juicy, yummy, round and smooth. Not too much tannin, easy drinking and a crowd pleaser. Your party wine has been found! Happy Turkey Day!

—Shaun Green

OTHER DOMESTIC WINE

Domestic White

2001 Corazon Gewurztraminer	\$19.99
2003 Brandborg Ore. Riesling	\$10.99
2003 Erath Pinot Gris.....	\$10.99
2003 Graff Chalone Pinot Blanc	\$15.99
2004 A to Z Pinot Gris (Ore)	\$10.99
2004 Alban Central Coast Viognier..	\$21.99
2004 Dry Creek Chenin Blanc	\$9.99
2004 FishEye CA Pinot Grigio	\$5.99
2004 Luna Napa Pinot Grigio	\$16.99
2004 Miner "Simpson" Viognier	\$18.99
2004 MacMurray Rnch Pinot Gris	\$14.99
2004 Pine Ridge Chenin/Viognier	\$11.99
2004 Ponzi Will. Vally Pinot Gris	\$13.99
2004 Smoking Loon Viognier	\$6.99
2004 Thomas Fogarty Gwrtz	\$12.99
2004 Trefethen Napa Dry Riesling....	\$14.99
2004 Tremani RR Pinot Gris	\$14.99
2004 Vinum CNW Chenin Blnc.....	\$7.99
2004 Willakenzie Pinot Blanc/Gris ..	\$17.99

Sauvignon Blanc

2002 Matanzas Creek, Sonoma	\$15.99
2003 Bernardus, Monterey.....	\$10.99
2003 Murphy Goode "Tin Roof"	\$6.98
2003 Saracina, Mendocino	\$21.99
2003 Spring Mountain, Napa	\$24.99
2003 Voss, Napa	\$14.98
2003 Wattle Creek, Mendocino	\$16.99
<i>Spectator: "Lively ... with grass, lemon and lime skin tones wrapped in lingering citrus acidity..."</i>	
2004 Cakebread, Napa	\$21.98
2004 DeSante, Napa	\$16.99
2004 Duckhorn, Napa	\$21.99
2004 Frog's Leap, Napa.....	\$12.98
2004 Ferrari Carano, Sonoma	\$14.99
2004 Geyser Peak, California	\$7.99
2004 Girard, Napa	\$12.99
2004 Grgich Hills, Napa	\$19.98
2004 Hanna, Russian River	\$11.99
2004 Honig, Napa	\$11.99
2004 Husch, Mendocino.....	\$9.99
2004 Joel Gott, California	\$9.99
2004 Kalinda, Mendocino	\$9.99
<i>Shows aromas of exotic citrus, grapefruit and lime, which lead to a palate of ripe grapefruit.</i>	
2004 Kathryn Kennedy.....	\$18.99
2004 Kenwood, Sonoma.....	\$9.99
2004 Mason, Napa	\$12.98
2004 Morgan, Monterey	\$10.99
2004 Paige 23, Santa Barbara.....	\$13.99
2004 Palmina "Sisquoc," Snt Maria ..	\$14.99
2004 Rock Rabbit, Central Coast.....	\$7.99
2004 Sauvignon Republic, RR	\$12.99
<i>Classic pale-straw color with rich pineapple.</i>	
2004 Selene "Hyde Vineyard".....	\$26.99
2004 St. Supéry, Napa.....	\$13.99
2004 Sterling, Napa	\$10.99
2004 Two Wives, Napa	\$14.99

Merlot

2001 Keenan "25th Anniv," Napa.....	\$22.99
2001 Rombauer, Napa	\$24.99
2001 Stonestreet, Sonoma	\$14.98
2001 Vine Cliff, Napa	\$19.99
2002 Burgess, Napa	\$13.99
2002 Chappellet, Napa	\$29.99
2002 Cinnabar, Paso Robles	\$15.99
2002 Cloverdale Ranch, Alex	\$16.99
2002 Emmolo, Napa-Intense fruit!	\$18.99
2002 Etude, Napa	\$44.99
2002 Flora Springs, Napa	\$17.98
2002 Franciscan, Napa	\$17.99
2002 Januik, Washington	\$22.99
2002 L'Ecole No. 41 Columbia Vly....	\$29.99
2002 Markham, Napa	\$15.98
2002 Matanzas Creek, Sonoma	\$19.98
2002 Paradigm, Napa	\$42.99
2002 Provenance, Carneros	\$21.98
2002 Sineann "Hillside," Wash.....	\$29.99
2002 Stags' Leap Winery, Napa	\$19.99
2002 Swanson, Napa.....	\$24.99
2002 Taft Street, Sonoma	\$9.99
2002 Twomey, Napa-94 points Parker! ..	\$64.99
2002 Whitehall Lane, Napa	\$22.98
2003 Duckhorn, Napa	\$44.99
2003 McManis, California	\$8.99
2003 Parcel 41, Napa	\$14.99
2003 Shafer, Napa	\$39.99

Domestic Red

2002 Altamura Sangiovese	\$32.99
2002 Bennett Lane "Maximus"	\$25.99
2002 Bogle "The Phantom"	\$13.99
2002 Palmina "Stolpman" Nebbiolo ..	\$31.99
2002 Graff Family Mourvèdre	\$16.99
2002 Paraduxx Napa Red	\$39.99
2002 Tablas Creek Cotes de Tablas ..	\$18.99

2003 Bacio Divino "Pazzo"	\$23.99
2003 Edmund St. John "Rock & Gr" ..	\$17.99
<i>A blend of grenache, mourvèdre and syrah.</i>	
2003 Ethan Paso Rob, Sangiovese	\$21.99
2003 Garretson Paso Mourvedre	\$26.99
2003 Porter Creek Carignane.....	\$14.99
2003 Runquist "Nostro" Barbera	\$17.99
2003 Shypoke Napa Charbono.....	\$19.99
2003 T-Vine Napa Grenache.....	\$24.99
2004 Boony Doon Clos du Gilroy	\$9.99
2004 Palmina Barbera	\$24.99
2004 Palmina "Zotovitch" Dolcetto ..	\$19.99

Syrah/Petite Sirah

2001 Austin Hope, Paso Robles	\$19.99
2001 Miner, Napa	\$19.99
<i>92 points Wine Enthusiast.</i>	
2002 Columbia Crest "Two vines"	\$6.99
2002 Foppiano Sonoma Petite Sirah ..	\$14.99
2002 Martella "The Hammer"	\$19.99
2002 Stags' Leap Petite Sirah	\$29.99
2002 Tobin James "Rock & Roll"	\$14.99
2003 Concannon CC Petite Sirah	\$11.99
2003 EXP, Dunnigan Hills	\$9.99
2003 Hahn Central Coast.....	\$9.99
2003 J. Runquist, Paso Robles	\$23.99
2003 JC Cellars California Cuvee.....	\$24.99
2003 Justin Paso Robles	\$19.99
2003 K Vintners "Milbrandt"	\$27.99
2003 Melville, Santa Rita	\$18.99
2003 Michael & David "6th Sense" ..	\$14.99
2003 Piedrasassi California	\$49.99
2003 Rock Rabbit, Central Coast.....	\$9.99
2003 Rosenblum "Abba," Lodi	\$16.99
2003 T-Vine "Duarte"	\$28.99
2003 Stolpman "Hilltops"	\$31.99
2004 Holus-Bolus, Santa Ynez.....	\$24.99
2004 Owen Roe "Ex-Umbris".....	\$26.99

San Francisco Focus

Wow, November already. Time sure flies when you're selling wine. I thought about writing on holiday wines. No, it's been done. So, here are a new wines that I thought were worth a look.

2001 Corison Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon (\$54.99) Cathy has created a gem this vintage. Her wines are always balanced and perfect for drinking or aging. Red fruit and chocolate with hints of mineral and spice make this one of my favorite wines of 2001. A popular wine with the Francophiles who work in San Francisco. I just had the 1996 in London, and it was almost perfect.

2001 Corison "Corazon" Anderson Valley Gewürztraminer (\$19.99) Produced since 1999, this is rarely seen in stores. Alsatian in style, this wine shows touches of pear and grapefruit and a little smokiness. Fermented to complete dryness. It doesn't get any better than this.

2001 Paradise Ridge "Elevation" Cabernet Sauvignon (\$21.99) A fantastic price on this Rockpile Vineyard Cabernet. 89% cabernet with a little merlot and petit verdot, this wine jumps right out at you with dark fruit and oak. A bright finish with long, lush tannins.

2003 Cristom "Mt. Jefferson Cuvee" Willamette Valley Pinot Noir (\$25.99) Always a great drinking pinot, the 2003 definitely has a little more forward fruit. The wine shows hints of licorice, tea and earth with light tannin and acidity. Perfect for the holidays.

See you in the City...

—Mike Jordan

ARGENTINA/CHILE/PORTUGAL/SPAIN

Chile, Argentina

2004 Concha y Toro Xplorador Cabernet Sauvignon (Chile) ..	\$5.99
2004 Elsa Malbec (Argentina)	\$7.99
2004 Terrazas de los Andes Malbec (Argentina)	\$7.99
2003 Two Brothers Tattoo Red (Chile)	\$7.99
2003 Concha y Toro Casillero del Diablo (Chile)	\$7.99
2002 Budini Cabernet (Argentina)	\$8.99
2002 Bodegas J.F. Lurton Reserva Malbec (Argentina)	\$9.99
2004 Casa Lapostolle Rapel Valley Merlot (Chile)	\$9.99
2003 Fin del Mundo, Postales Cab/Malbec (Argentina)	\$9.99
2005 Dominio del Plata, Crios, Rosé of Malbec (Argentina)	\$9.99
2004 Dominio del Plata, Crios, Torrontes (Argentina)	\$12.99
2003 Valentin Bianchi Famiglia Malbec (Argentina)	\$12.99
2003 Concha y Toro, Pirque Marq de Casa Concha (Chile)	\$13.99
2003 Mapema Tempranillo (Argentina)	\$14.99
2003 Fin del Mundo, Malbec, Patagonia (Argentina).....	\$14.99
2002 Catena Malbec or Cabernet (Argentina)	Inquire
2003 Casa Lapostolle, Cuvée Alexandre, Cabernet (Chile)	\$16.99
2003 La Posta Bonarda or Malbec (Argentina).....	\$17.99
2002 Mapema Malbec (Argentina)	\$18.99

Portugal/Spain

2004 Wrong Dongo, Jumilla	\$6.99
2003 Candela Carro, Murcia	\$7.99
2004 Yasa Garnacha, Calatayud	\$7.99
2003 Marco Real Tempranillo, Navarra	\$8.49
2003 Bodegas Tintoralba Higuera Almansa-Grenache	\$8.99
NV Broadbent Vinho Verde (Portugal).....	\$8.99
2003 Mano a Mano, La Mancha.....	\$8.99
2000 Marques de Arienzo, Rioja, Crianza	\$8.99
2001 Conde de Valdemar Crianza Rioja	\$9.99
2001 Casa Ferreirinha Esteva (Portugal)	\$9.99
2003 Hecula, Yecla	\$9.99

90 points Robert Parker: "...sweet bouquet of ripe plums, figs, raspberries, and cherries, it boasts a terrific texture, enviable purity, medium to full body, and a long, seamless finish. Drink this outstanding bargain over the next 2-3 years."

2004 Naia Rueda Blanc	\$9.99
2002 Castell del Remei Gotim Bru	\$10.99
2003 Gramona Gessamie	\$10.99
2000 Mont Marcal Cava	\$11.99
2004 Valminor Albariño, Rias Baixas	\$11.99
2002 Cellers del Roure, Les Alcusses	\$12.99
2000 Sierra Cantabria Crianza Rioja	\$13.99
2003 Vinas del Cenuit, Venta Mazzaron, VDT de Zamora.....	\$13.99

90 points Robert Parker: "A superb discovery by broker Jorge Ordonez..."

2001 Biurko, Los Valles, Rioja	\$14.99
2003 Bodegas Arrocal, Arrocal	\$14.99
2003 Dominio de Tares, Bierzo	\$14.99
2003 Rozaleme, Utiel Roquena	\$14.99
2001 Bodegas Montebaco, Pago Senda Misa Crianza.....	\$16.99
2002 Gramona "Grand Cuvee" Cava	\$16.99
2001 Bodegas Garanza Cyan, Crianza, Toro.....	\$19.99
2001 Casa Castillo, Las Gravias, Jumilla	\$24.99
2001 Remondo Palacios, Propiedad, Rioja	\$26.99
2000 Finca Villacreces Reserva, Ribera del Duero	\$28.99
2001 Hacienda Monasterio, Ribero del Duero	\$34.99

Turkey, Family and Good times!

2004 Marques de Riscal Rueda Verdejo (\$6.99) This awesome Verdejo reminds me of a NZ Sauvignon Blanc—dry, crisp with great body and charm. It's a perfect pick for cocktail party snacks!

2000 Mont Marçal Brut Reserva Cava (\$11.99) Is there a better way to begin a fiesta than with a glass of bubbly? The Mont Marçal is one of the best Cavas around. Rich and creamy with a crisp finish, this wine from the Penedes is sure to please even the fussiest palate!

2004 Valminor Albariño, Rias Baixas (\$11.99) 2004 is an truly great vintage for white wines in Spain. The Valminor Albariño is one of the most charming wines of the vintage. From the seductive aromas of white peach and citrus blossoms to the long crisp finish, this wine is perfect with any seafood or with a plate of fruit and cheese!

2002 Vina Alarba Old Vines Pago San Miguel (\$14.99) 90 points Robert Parker: "...a blend of 85% old vine Grenache and 15% Syrah aged in French oak for six months prior to bottling. It exhibits a deep ruby/purple color, fine elegance, serious concentration, sweet black cherry and currant scents intermixed with resinous, forest floor characteristics, and medium body. Drink it over the next 2-3 years. This is a ridiculously priced bargain!" Try with braised beef short ribs!

2000 Finca Villacreces Reserva, Ribera de Duero (\$28.99) 91 points Robert Parker: "One of the best kept secrets of Ribera del Duero, Finca Villacreces produces a sexy red from 75% Tempranillo and the rest Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot. Aged 14 months in new and one-year old French casks, this 2,000-case cuvee exhibits a deep ruby/purple color along with a bouquet of smoky hickory wood, barbecue spices, vanilla, black currants, cherries, melted asphalt, and licorice. The complex aromatics are followed by a delicious, fruit-driven, opulent, medium to full-bodied offering with no hard edges. Drink it over the next 5-7 years." (04/04) Buen Cata y Buen Provecho!

—Anne Pickett

Tasting Bar Schedule for the Month of November, 2005.

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

Saturday, November 5: Bordeaux! Clyde, Ralph and Steve bring us picks for Bordeaux. They will highlight the 2002/2003 vintage with an older pick as well. Ten wines to be presented. Tasting price TBA.

Saturday, November 12: Port, Sherry and Madera. Trey, Clyde, Gary and Jeff Jones open port season with their upcoming picks for the holiday season. Fascinating sherries and Maderas. Scrumptious ports from nutty Tawny, silky Colheitas to lush, rich vintage ruby ports. Ten wines to be poured. Tasting price TBA.

Saturday, November 19: Burgundy. Just in time for Thanksgiving, Keith Wollenberg and Kirk Walker bring us a dozen of their favorite red and white wines to help make your Thanksgiving meal unforgettable. A cornucopia of great values and cellar selections. Twelve wines to be poured. Tasting price TBA.

Saturday, November 26: Staff Picks for the Holidays. The staff of both stores will pick their favorite wines for the holiday season. Expect an eclectic mix of red, white and sparkling wines. The staff will be on hand to guide you through food pairings with these wines. Twelve wines to be poured. Tasting price TBA.

—Scott Beckerley

We have an extensive selection of outstanding Austrian and German wines including the bulk of our 2004 Pre-Arrival. The following is a sampling of our inventory, which you can view at www.klwines.com

Austria

2002 Malat Grüner Veltliner Dreigärten.....	\$14.99
2002 Leithner Grüner Veltliner "Privat".....	\$14.99
2002 Weingut Schmelz Riesling "Stein am Rain" Federspiel ..	\$17.99
2003 Peter Schandl Pinot Blanc.....	\$14.99
2003 Türk Grüner Veltliner "Vom Urgentein"	\$12.99
2003 Walter Glatzer Zweigelt "Rubin Carnuntum"	\$21.99
2003 Peter Schandl Bläufränkisch.....	\$14.99
2004 Weingut Pfaffl Grüner Veltliner Weinviertal DAC	\$17.99

Lively Veltliner with a typical peppery tone, complemented by aromas of citrus fruits.

Germany

2004 Weingut Binz Nackenheimer Spatburgunder	\$12.99
2004 Josef Leitz Rudesheimer Drachenstein "Dragonstone" ..	\$14.99
2004 Fritz Haag Estate Riesling.....	\$17.99
2004 Fritz Haag Brauneberger Juffer-Sonnenuhr Spätlese	\$32.99
Spine-tingling brightness and purity.	
2004 Fritz Haag Brauneberger Juffer Sonnenuhr Aus 375ml	\$26.99
2004 Schloss Lieser Niederberg Helden Spätlese	\$21.99

Happy Happy Wines

Yes, it is upon us, the holiday season. This is the season when we find ourselves spending our time and money on everyone else but ourselves. Two months of being pulled in every direction possible. With that in mind I'll keep it short and sweet, shooting it to you straight, three wines that make me smile.

From the Rust region, here is...

2004 Heidi Schrock Muscat (\$21.99) This spicy little beauty will just make you tingle inside. Made up of 40% gelber muskateller, 20% ottonel muskateller, 40% sauvignon blanc and a whole lot of love, this is a must have. Fragrances of a newly flowered spring meadow race around the rim of the glass. I swear I saw a couple of fairies from the land of Aromatica, it's a fairly new country, that came flying out of the bottle when it was uncorked. When I finally decided to find out what the rest of this wine had to offer I took a sip. A feeling of brilliant purity zipped across my palate backed up by a freshness of pears that are interlaced with mint and crystal clear water from the high mountains.

From the Kamptal region I give you...

2004 Schloss Gobelsburg Grüner Veltliner "Gobelsburger" (\$13.99) A lighter, polished style of Grüner, with an unexpected, hidden core of fruit that will, truly, make you smile. A truly classic Grüner, aromas of a peppery earthiness linked with a racy acidity that will tantalize your palate, leaving you with the realization that you just got one heck of a wine for, only fourteen bucks.

And last but not least, from the region of Mittelburgenland, here is...

2003 Paul Lehrner Claus (\$16.99) A vibrant, juicy red blended from 85% zweigelt and 15% blaufränkisch. Here is a wine you don't have to put away and forget about for years and years. Drink it today, or tomorrow if that is better for you! This is really a warm, delicious wine packing quite a bit of life. A bit of smokiness, a hint of fresh herbs and just enough acidity to make everything balance out, it's a quaffer!!!

—Eric Story

2004 Weingut Spreitzer Oestricher Doosberg Spätlese	\$18.99
2004 Josef Leitz Rudesheimer Klosterlay Spätlese	\$18.99
2004 Gunderloch Nackenheimer Rothenberg	\$26.99
2003 Schlossgut Diel Dorsheimer Pittermännchen Spätlese ..	\$36.99
2003 Florian Weingart Schloss Fürstenberg Spätlese	\$26.99
2003 Spreitzer Winkler Jesuitengarten Spätlese	\$26.99
2002 Weingut Knebel Winninger Röttgen Riesling Spätlese ..	\$17.99
2002 Weingut Vollenweider Wolfer Goldgrube Spätlese	\$22.99
2002 Eitelsbacher Karthausenhofberg Spätlese #10 Auction ..	\$25.99
2002 J.&H.A. Strub Niersteiner Hipping Kabinett	\$16.99
2002 Alfred Merkelbach Kinheimer Rosenberg Spätlese	\$17.99
1998 Franz Karl Schmitt Niersteiner Hipping Spätlese	\$14.99
1997 Franz Karl Schmitt Niersteiner Pettenthal Auslese	\$15.99

The 15th Page Man: Of Spätburgunder and SF

Before we get real serious about Spätburgunder and why you should be drinking more of it, you need to get out your calendars and block off Saturday January 21 for our Third (not exactly annual) Terry These German and Austrian Tour Tasting. This year we will be holding the event in San Francisco at a very hip yet undisclosed space. It will cost some amount of money, and you will get some amount of food. How's that for exclusive? Come rub elbows, taste and chat with some of the hottest growers from the coldest regions, learn why drinking Riesling will make you better looking, how a steady diet of Grüner Veltliner has been proven to make you happier and more content, how Blaufränkisch has been known to cause sudden outbursts of extreme joy... in other words don't miss it. We will be pouring a ton of 2004s and some others: whites, reds, sparkling and down-right weird. The final list of producers is not yet firm, but I can say now that they will be many and most of them tall. Stay tuned for more info, or send me an email (jeffvierra@klwines.com) to be put on a notification list. There will be a bottle of wine for the person who travels the furthest to attend this spectacular event.

Now on to your new passion... German Pinot Noir aka Spätburgunder in the homeland. First, I must say that if you are the type who likes pinot more in the style of syrah, big and dark with super-ripe flavors and lots of new oak, please do not buy these wines. You will hate them and me for suggesting them to you. If finesse and subtlety appeal to you, then we are on the right track. German Pinot Noir is, as you can imagine, more of a novelty in this country, not because it is no good but because it is in such short supply and what we get here is usually the lowest quality wine made by large blenders (any one remember the monkey bottle?) The market is so strong in Germany for great Spätburgunder that some of the wines routinely fetch over 100 Euros. and are much coveted by collectors. We have two great wines in stock now to introduce you to this important cool-climate style of Pinot.

2004 Weingut Binz Nackenheimer Spätburgunder (\$12.99), grown on the red slopes of Nackenheim, is a bright zesty style of pinot, balanced with reasonable alcohol level, full of spice, wild cherry and hints of earth. Yes I said \$12.99!! The **2003 Bercher Jechtinger Eichert Spätburgunder Spätlese Trocken (\$28.99)** is from just east of Alsace in the warmest growing region of Germany, the Kaiserstuhl. Here is where you find some of the most sought-after reds in the country and where most of the great Pinot comes from, like this supple beauty. Rich and lush with great power and depth, this wine will convince even the most skeptical among you. Live in the Light! —Jeff Vierra

2001 Leagues Over the Sea - A Space Oddity

I am high. I am high above the Earth. I am high above the Earth in this tin can they call a spaceship. My name is Jim Barr. I am a professional clodsmonaut searching for the legendary Apes That Dance Around A Granite Slab. I drink wine. Lots of wine. If you think this story is slow, try the movie. One big bathroom break.

The crew consists of myself, Dave and our on board calculator, the H.A.L. 3.14159. We call him Pi, and he hates it.



So this is the future: everyone wears white outfits, speaks in drugged dulcet tones and seems capable of enduring searing cattle prods of boredom. The future... space is riddled with junk. Ritalin is a food group. And symphonic versions of Ted Nugent classics are pumped into the black holes of the thoughts of humankind. So. It has come to this.

“Dave,” drones Hal, in a liquid sneer. “Please don’t call me Pi. I really hate it.” “Maybe you ought

to lube your attitude, Hal,” Dave retorts. “Oh? I understand, Dave. Please watch yourself when you are outside the ship, fixing the turn indicators.”

So far, I’ve said nothing, and so have not said anything stupid. I am on this voyage for one reason: to study the effects of red wine in space. I have extensive notes on pouring wine onto a ceiling. Hal calls me

Jackson Pollack, but I am not Polish. I am drinking **1992 Pichon-Lalande (\$89.99 1.5L)** through a straw. Not the best way, but not a bad way either. Lovely herbal character, still fairly firm. A classically styled wine with elegance and restraint. I toast Dave as he floats outside the ship. “Oh dear,” drones Hal. “Looks like Dave’s safety cord has malfunctioned. Goodbye Dave.”

Dave looks a bit like Kenny on Southpark as he gets smaller and smaller. I admire his sense of adventure.

The next year is uneventful. I lose 5300 straight chess matches to Hal. Stanley Kubrick seems completely stumped by his inability to craft a screenplay that is worth filming. Or writing poorly about.

In addition, Hal’s attitude has worsened, and I am reduced to calling him Master. A bright spot for me is another vintage of Pichon, this time the **1993 Pichon-Lalande (\$134.99 1.5L)**. A fine ripeness is balanced by firm structure and notes of cedar. Really tasty stuff, a wonderful value. Pairs well with Marmite and toast.

Hal is drinking wine now, and I pull another cork for him. He is getting chattier, too. “Jim, I should show you the monkeys. Would you like to see the monkeys, Jim? Right after you go outside and change the turn indicators.” “Oh boy! Thank you Pi,” I say. I like monkeys.

My safety cord seems to have snapped. Hal’s metallic lips move in the window of the ship. He is saying something about hating pie. A Soylent Green container floats by. Conductorless classical music is playing. My head is getting light, even more than usual. A giant baby looms before me.

David Bowie is singing now... I see the Jetsons in the distance... goodbye Hal... I’m sorry that I called you Pi... —Joe Zugelder

Jim’s November Gems

Happy beginning of the holidays, everyone. I cannot believe that this year has passed already and that we are into Thanksgiving and Christmas time (Don’t I say this every year?). As of this writing (September 28th), our winemaking group has yet to receive any grapes; they are not ripe at this point. This harvest has been very late, and the only positive side to it is that we hope for no rain and tons of hang-time with warm, not extremely hot weather. The other problem that I noticed is that many of the vines are beginning to go dormant and shut down due to the fact that we have been averaging ten to fifteen degrees cooler than normal—not good for a late vintage. The positive side to this, Indian Summer gave us a call today for the first time with temperatures into the 90s... It’s about time!

We just landed some incredible directly imported, reasonably priced Bordeaux. Let me begin with the **2003 Château Saint Hilaire Queyrac, Médoc (\$14.99)**, a blend of cabernet sauvignon (50%), merlot (45%) and cabernet franc (5%), which is an incredibly lush, well-rounded, new-world fruit-driven wine. Deep ruby in color, the nose explodes with focused currants, roasted coffee bean and blackberries. In the mouth, this is an incredibly broad, fleshy wine with soft, silky tannins, ripe fruit, good complexity, cedary undertones and a long, warm finish. Anderson says for all of you to do yourselves a flavor: Buy a case or two at this price and enjoy. (🍷🍷🍷🍷🍷🍷)

Another Bordeaux, the **2003 Château Souvenir Bordeaux Supérieur (\$9.99)**, that we have been importing for nearly ten years, is a wonderful drink-me-now red. A blend of merlot (60%), cabernet franc (20%), and cabernet sauvignon (20%), the nose is typical of this ’03 vintage,

showing ripe, lush curranty to blackberry fruit with just a hint of minerality and no oak interference that carries over through a broadly fruited, soft tannin impression and a finish that lingers. A great value that will drink nicely for the next five years. (🍷🍷🍷🍷🍷🍷)

Believe it or not, we are still finding some 2000 and 2001 Bordeaux to buy that are not only good, but totally pocketbook friendly. The **2001 Château de Francs, Cotes de France “Les Cerisiers” (\$12.99)** is a wonderfully dense, ripe wine that shows tons of lush, concentrated cassis to black currant fruit with just a hint of cranberry and cedar on the nose and in the mouth. As with many of the 2001s, the fruit is broad, round and forthcoming but with excellent acid structure. This puppy should drink fantastically well for the next 5 to 8 years. Anderson has told me that this and the above two reds will be our house reds for the month. We might even serve it with our Thanksgiving wild turkey, if he can catch another one. (🍷🍷🍷🍷🍷🍷)

The 2003 Blason wines were big hits in our store last year. How do the Blasons do this and charge such reasonable prices? I think they function under the age-old attitude that wine is a food source meant to be consumed on a daily basis versus a collector’s art piece. Thank you, Giovanni. The **2004 Blason Friuli Pinot Grigio (\$7.99)** gushes with jasmine aromas. The mouth is lush, rich, yet clean, crisp and viscous across the tongue, and the finish is to die-for. This is absolutely wonderful and one of the best Pinot Grigios I have ever put in my mouth! How much is it? Greg, are you kidding? Eby has told me that this will be our house white for the month. (🍷🍷🍷🍷🍷🍷)

We hope you enjoy this month’s selections! —Jim, Anderson, and Eby

CHAMPAGNE/SPARKLING WINE

Ariston Carte Blanche Brut-Our best deal in bubbles? Powerful!\$22.99
Marguet-Bonnerave "Cuvee Reserve"\$24.99
Michel Dervin Brut.....	\$24.99
Franck Bonville Brut Selection Blanc de Blancs	\$24.99
Ariston Brut Rosé	\$25.99
Marguet-Bonnerave Brut Rosé-Fantastic!\$25.99
Launois "Sable" Brut Blanc de Blanc	\$25.99
Launois "Cuvee Reserve" Brut Blanc de Blanc	\$25.99
Laurent Perrier Brut	\$27.99
Tarlant Brut Reserve-Quality obsessed grower, direct pricing!\$26.99
Tarlant Brut Zero-Our driest. No sugar added	\$26.99
De Meric Sous Bois Brut-Delicious.....	\$27.99
Philippe Gonet Brut Reserve Champagne	\$27.99
1998 Franck Bonville Brut Millesime Blanc de Blanc	\$28.99
Louis Roederer Brut-One of Clyde's favorites	\$34.99
1998 Launois Brut Blanc de Blanc.....	\$29.99
1998 Ariston Vintage Brut.....	\$29.99
Leclerc Briant "Les Chèvres Pierreuses" Brut	\$29.99
Leclerc Briant "Les Crayères" Brut	\$29.99
Leclerc Briant "Clos des Champions"-The last for a while!	\$29.99
1999 Leclerc Briant Cuvee Rubis Brut Rosé	\$29.99
1999 Michel Dervin Vintage Brut Champagne.....	\$29.99
1996 Franck Bonville Brut Millesime Blanc de Blanc	\$32.99
Ariston Aspasia Brut Prestige	\$34.99
Veuve Clicquot Brut	\$36.99
2000 Philippe Gonet Blanc de Blancs Grand Cru.....	\$39.99
Philippe Gonet Brut Roy Soleil Blanc de Blancs	\$39.99
Lallement Brut.....	\$39.99
Tarlant Cuvee Louis Brut Prestige-1996 and 1997	\$39.99
Tarlant Single Vineyard Champagnes	Inquire
1996 Laurent Perrier Brut	\$39.99
Rene Collard Brut Carte d'Or	\$39.99
Rene Collard Ultra Brut "Utime".....	\$39.99
Fleury Brut Rosé	\$39.99
Tarlant Cuvee Louis Brut Prestige-New 1996/1997 cuvee	\$39.99
Laurent-Perrier Brut Rosé (1.5L \$110.00)	\$49.99
Lallement Brut Réserve	\$49.99
1990 Rene Collard	\$49.99
De Meric Grande Reserve Sous Bois Brut (1.5L)	\$56.99
Franck Bonville Cuvee Belles Voyes	\$59.99
1985 Rene Collard	\$59.99
Laurent Perrier "Grand Siècle"-The new '96, '95, '93 cuvee!	\$74.99
Cattier Clos du Moulin 1er Cru Brut	\$77.99
1996 Dom Perignon	Inquire

Famously Tasty Bergerac

This month I would like share with you two wines from Bergerac. Like its famous neighbor, Bordeaux, red wines here rely on merlot, cabernet franc and cabernet sauvignon while the white wines are typically comprised of semillon and sauvignon blanc (Perhaps more famously, Bergerac is also home to the famous Cyrano de Bergerac). The **2004 Château de Calabre Bergerac Rouge (\$10.99)** is a lovely example of a merlot-based red from the appellation that is both inexpensive and extremely versatile at the table. Comprised of 80% merlot, 20% cabernet sauvignon and 20% cabernet franc, and vinified in stainless steel, the Calabre exhibits hints of black cherry, blueberry and violets. This

More than "Decent" Champagne!

Yesterday, Mr. Jim Barr, one of K&L's best wine guys, showed me an extraordinary piece of history. A customer had given him a wine list from a restaurant in Bremen Germany, circa 1935. The most interesting thing to me about this lovely old menu was the pricing, particularly the comparative pricing of the wines. While one could enjoy a bottle of 1911 Cheval Blanc (about 25-years old at the time) for 15 marks, and the legendary 1921 d'Yquem for 20 marks, even the least expensive non-vintage Champagne on the list was 25 marks. The contrast to present times is striking. Many of our customers will request a "decent" bottle of Cabernet Sauvignon in the \$30 price range while almost all of our most exciting Champagnes are under \$30!

One of the most striking values we have in Champagne is the **De Meric Grande Reserve Sous Bois Brut Champagne (\$27.99)**. Composed of 75% pinot noir, 20% chardonnay and 5% meunier from Grand and Premier Cru vineyards, this wine was aged for four years on the lees before release. It is a combination of the 2000, 1999 and 1998 harvests, and half of the juice was fermented and aged in neutral barrels and foudres without malolactic fermentation. The other half of the juice was fermented and kept in stainless steel and allowed to go through malolactic. This Champagne has a great core of black cherry pinot noir fruit and ample yeasty, toasty flavor. The texture and length of this wine are exceptional as well, and it makes anytime that I am drinking it feel like a special occasion or when shared with just one special person over a great dinner at home. —Gary Westby

DOMESTIC SPARKLING WINE

1998 Schramsberg Reserve	\$54.99
1999 Argyle Oregon Brut	\$16.99
1999 Roederer L'Ermitage Rosé	\$54.99
1999 Argyle Willamette Valley Brut	\$16.99
1999 Domaine Carneros (1.5L)	\$36.99
1999 J Wine Company	\$23.99
1999 Roederer "l'Ermitage"	\$32.99
2001 Domaine Carneros Brut	\$18.99
2001 Schramsberg Blanc Noir/Blc.....	\$24.99
2002 Iron Horse "Wedding Cuvée"	\$26.99
2002 Schramsberg Brut Rosé.....	\$29.99
2004 Sofia Coppola Blanc de Blanc.....	\$16.99
NV Domaine Chandon Brut	\$14.99
NV Domaine Chandon Noir	\$14.99
NV Gloria Ferrer Brut/Blanc Noir	\$14.99
NV Mumm Brut/Blanc de Noir.....	\$14.99
NV Roederer Estate Brut.....	\$16.99
NV Scharffenberger Brut.....	\$13.99

would be just the thing with meatloaf!

In 1994 Englishman Charles Martin purchased the Château de la Colline and immediately began restoring and re-planting the vineyards with semillon, sauvignon blanc, merlot and cabernet sauvignon. Carminé is the estate's top red wine and is made from 95% merlot and 50% cabernet sauvignon aged in new oak barriques for 18 months. The **2001 Château de la Colline Bergerac Carminé (\$17.99)** is a rich and elegant southwestern red with crushed red raspberries and rich mocha notes. Enjoy with a gorgeous piece of filet mignon or braised beef shortribs. A bientot! —Mulan Chan

WHITE BURGUNDY

NV Plaisir des Princes.....	\$6.99
It's back!! Our favorite declassified Mâcon chardonnay is back at a great price!	
2003 St Bris "Sauvignon," Domaine Goisot	\$9.99
2003 Bourgogne Cotes d'Auxerre Rosé, Domaine Goisot	\$9.99
2002 Bourgogne Aligoté V.V., Domaine Goisot	\$10.99
Delightful fresh and bright wine grown just a stone's throw from Chablis.	
2003 Chablis, Domaine Anne & Arnaud Goisot.....	\$11.99
2002 Pouilly-Vinzelles, En Paradis, Louis Latour.....	\$12.99
Crisp and focused Mâcon with nice richness. Also available in 375ml for \$6.99	
2002 Chablis, AC, Cuvee LC, La Chablisienne	\$12.99
2002 St-Veran, Domaine de la Croix Senaillet	\$14.99
This is a staff and customer favorite. And it is now at an even better price!	
2002 Bourgogne Chardonnay, Domaine Marc Jomain.....	\$15.99
2003 Bourgogne Chardonnay, Domaine Jomain	\$15.99
2004 Chablis, "Domaine Sainte Claire," J-M Brocard	\$16.99
2004 Bourgogne Blanc, Femelottes, Chavy-Chouet	\$16.99
2002 Givry, 1er Cru, La Plante, Dom. Deanjean-Berthoux	\$16.99
Great minerality, spice and focus. Absolutely classic Givry!	
2002 Bourgogne Chardonnay, "Vero," Joseph Drouhin	\$17.99
2004 Macon, Domaine Heritiers Comte Lafon.....	\$17.99
2002 Meursault, Maison Maurice Chen	\$19.99
Only K&L's direct importing price makes this deal possible!	
2002 Bourgogne Aligoté, Domaine Ramonet.....	\$21.99
2002 Chassagne Montrachet, Louis Latour (375ml).....	\$21.99
2003 Chablis "Cote de Lechet," 1er Cru, Domaine Barat	\$23.99
2002 Pouilly-Fuissé, Chateau de Beauregard	\$24.99
2002 St-Aubin, "Murgers Dent de Chien," 1er Cru, Champy..	\$29.99
The vineyard next to Puligny Champs Gain. Concentrated, rich and mineral-driven.	
2002 St-Aubin, "Murgers Dent de Chien," 1er, M. Colin	\$29.99
2002 St-Aubin, "Charmois," 1er, M. Colin	\$29.99
2003 Beaune, Les Aigrots, 1er Cru, Louis Latour	\$29.99
2001 Puligny-Montrachet, Domaine Gerard Chavy.....	\$29.99
2003 Puligny-Montrachet, Domaine Paul Pernot	\$31.99
2000 Meursault, Grands Charrons, Michel Bouzereau	\$34.99
2003 Chassagne-Montrachet, Domaine Jean-Marc Morey.....	\$38.99
2002 Puligny Montrachet, Les Enseignères, V. Girardin	\$39.99
Was \$43.99 elsewhere. Special purchase makes this price possible.	
2002 Meursault, "Les Corbins," Bitouzet-Prieur	\$46.99
2002 Meursault, Domaine François Mikulski.....	\$47.99
2002 Meursault, Clos du Cromin, Bitouzet-Prieur	\$49.99
2003 Meursault, Boucheres, Deux Montilles	\$54.99
2001 Chablis, "La Moutonne," Grand Cru, Long Depaquit	\$56.99
2002 Meursault, "Gruyaches," Jean-Philippe Fichet.....	\$56.99
2002 Meursault, "Tessons," Jean-Philippe Fichet	\$56.99
1996 Meursault, "Tillets," Domaine Guy Roulot	\$59.95
2002 Chassagne-Montrachet, "Maltroie," 1er, M. Coutoux	\$64.99
2002 Meursault, "Perrieres," 1er, Bitouzet-Prieur	\$68.99
2000 Meursault, "Perrieres," 1er Cru, Pierre Morey.....	\$69.95
Lovely mineral-laden Meursault form Leflaive's winemaker's own domaine.	
1995 Corton-Charlemagne, Grand Cru, Dom. J-M Boillot	\$76.99
2002 Puligny-Montrachet, "Caillerets," 1er Cru, De Montille	\$94.99
2003 Puligny Montrachet, "Clavoillons," Domaine Leflaive	\$104.99
2003 Corton-Charlemagne, Grand Cru, Louis Latour	\$119.95
95-100 points <i>Wine Spectator!</i>	
1999 Puligny-Mont, "Folatières," 1er Cru, Dom. Leflaive	\$125.00
1995 Bâtard-Montrachet, Grand Cru, Louis Jadot.....	\$154.99

1996 Bâtard-Montrachet, Grand Cru, Louis Jadot	\$154.99
2003 Bâtard-Montrachet, Grand Cru, Marc Colin	\$179.95
2003 Chevalier-Montrachet, Grand Cru, Marc Colin	\$199.95
2003 Bienvenues-Bâtard-Montrachet, Grand Cru, Domaine Leflaive.....	\$234.95
2003 Le Montrachet, Grand Cru, Marc Colin.....	\$375.00
2003 Le Montrachet, Grand Cru, Louis Latour	\$549.95



Loire, Alsace and Beyond: Pilgrims Beware

Please permit me to throw my hat into the already frantic discussion of what to drink with your Thanksgiving meal, the most over thought wine/food pairing in history. Every major wine publication will feature their experts on why an aged Merlot goes best with farm-raised chestnut-fed turkey stuffed with morel mushrooms slowly roasted, covered, uncovered, basted, brined and beaten... or most definitely it is Pinot Noir you want to drink to encompass the entire meal and its myriad flavors. But wait! Not just any Pinot Noir; it must be from Oregon and from a cool vintage to better enhance the subtle earthy flavors the pecans add to the stuffing. My advice as a certifiable wine person is to order Thai food, tell them you want it real hot and open a few bottles of Riesling, then wait till the next day and visit your friends for those turkey sandwiches that always seem to be so much more satisfying. Wait wrong article... So what you want to do is drink wines from the Loire Valley with your holiday meal or Alsace for that matter because these are the perfect wines to match the complexities of your now featherless friend. Listen equally featherless friends, there is no need to stress (funny it is me saying that). The straight deal is this: Turkey is a bland bird, not much flavor, a bit like chardonnay in the sense that it takes well to adornment, hence all the fine recipes to dress it up. Turkey as it is most often cooked—roasted—goes best with white wines with clean flavors and not too much oak. Second best is light to medium bodied juicy reds with low tannin levels and again clean flavors and not too much oak. Now, unless you are me or the three or four other people who actually read this column each month and say "yeah man, that's it" then you should drink what you like. Since you know what? *You* have to drink it. If you were like me, or you want to be like me, you would drink these:

To start- **Jean-Louis Denois Brut Rosé Pinot Noir** (\$12.99), not from the Loire, but I just love it. 100% pinot noir rosé made by skin contact, bright juicy and darn fine. Then the **2002 Domaine Vincent Ogereau Anjou Blanc** (\$12.99), 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 and is possibly the most versatile and friendly chenin blanc I have tasted. For the reds I suggest two: the **2004 Domaine de la Pépière Cuvee Granit Rouge** (\$10.99), from our friend Marc Ollivier in Muscadet, is his take on cheery red wine, though not without substance. It fits the bill (or beak) with its juicy, supple personality. A blend of cô, gamay and merlot (Oh no). Or if you are flush, the **2003 Château du Hureau Saumur Champigny Cuvée Lisagathe** (\$24.99), a great cab franc from a hot vintage that is seething with rich luscious fruit and minerals that will satisfy even the "big" wine drinkers. No more room - Gobble, Gobble.

—Jeff Vierra

RED BURGUNDY

2003 Bourgogne Rouge, Maison Boisset.....	\$12.99
2002 Bourgogne Rouge, Domaine Desertaux-Ferrand	\$12.99
2003 Bourgogne Rouge, Louis Latour.....	\$13.99
2001 Bourgogne Rouge, Denis Bachelet-Was \$19.99	\$15.99
Delightful, focused and surprisingly serious for a Bourgogne Rouge.	
2003 Givry, 1er Cru, Deanjean-Berthoux	\$16.99
2002 Bourgogne Rouge, Montre Cul, Domaine Bouvier	\$16.99
2002 Bourgogne Rouge, St. Vincent, Vincent Girardin	\$17.99
2002 Bourgogne Rouge, Domaine Heresztyn	\$18.99
2002 Bourgogne Pinot Noir, Domaine Guyot.....	\$19.99
Also available in half bottles, at \$9.99!	
2002 Cotes de Nuits Villages, Vaucrains, L. Jadot.....	\$20.99
1996 Aloxe Corton, Domaine Ravaut-Was \$34.99 elsewhere	\$27.99
1999 Savigny Les Beaune, Domaine J-M Pavelot	\$27.99
Silky and wonderful Savigny from a master in a great vintage.	
2000 Chambolle-Musigny, Derriere Le Four, Gerard Seguin..	\$29.99
Special price on this Chambolle, ready to drink, with lots of red fruit flavors.	
1999 Gevrey-Chambertin, V. V., Dom. Gerard Seguin.....	\$29.99
2002 Volnay, Grand Poisots, Domaine Louis Boillot	\$36.99
2002 Vosne-Romanée, Domaine Jerome Chezeaux	\$36.99
2002 Pernand-Vergelesses, “Les Fichots,” 1er, Dom Rollin	\$38.99
1999 Beaune, “Marconnets,” 1er Cru, Albert Morot	\$38.99
2002 Pommard, Domaine Louis Boillot	\$41.99
2002 Volnay, Santenots, Domaine Matrot.....	\$41.99
2002 Nuits-St-Georges, Domaine Michel Gros.....	\$43.99
2002 Chambolle-Musigny, Domaine Guyon.....	\$44.99
2002 Gevrey-Chambertin, Ostrea, Domaine Trapet	\$45.99
2002 Nuits-St-Georges, “Boudots,” 1er, Jerome Chezeaux.....	\$46.99
2002 Nuits-St-Georges, “Richemone,” 1er Cru, Moillard.....	\$46.99
2002 Nuits-St-Georges, Domaine Henri Gouges	\$46.99
2002 NSG, “Les St. Georges,” 1er, Dom. Xavier Liger-Belair ..	\$46.99
2002 Nuits-St-Georges, Bas de Combes, Dom Jean Tardy	\$47.99
The NSG comes from the Vosne border, very rich, elegant and lovely Burgundy.	
2002 Pommard, Clos des Commaraine, Jadot	\$53.99
2003 Charmes-Chambertin, Grand Cru, Frederic Esmonin ..	\$59.99
2003 Ruchottes-Chambertin, Grand Cru, F. Esmonin	\$59.99
2001 Nuits-St-Georges, “Murgers,” 1er Cru, Cathiard	\$59.99
2002 Vosne-Romanée, “Les Beaumonts,” 1er Cru, Champy ..	\$64.99
2002 Vougeot, Les Petite Vougeots, Domaine Fourrier	\$65.99
2003 Vosne-Romanée, “Malconsorts,” 1er, Dom. Moillard	\$67.99
2002 Corton Pougets, Grand Cru, Domaine Jadot.....	\$69.99
2003 Vosne-Romanée, “Suchots,” 1er Cru, Dom. l’Arlot	\$69.99
2003 Gevrey-Chambertin, Denis Mortet	\$69.99
2002 Volnay, “Mitans,” 1er Cru, Domaine de Montille	\$71.99
2002 Vosne-Romanée, “Suchots,” 1er Cru, Jerome Chezeaux ..	\$72.99
1999 Nuits-St-Georges, “Clos des Forêts,” 1er Cru, l’Arlot.....	\$74.99
2002 Gevrey-Cham, “Combe aux Moines,” 1er, Faiveley	\$74.99
2002 Pommard, “Grands Epenots,” 1er, Dom. Pierre Morey ..	\$74.99
2003 Gevrey-Chambertin, Combe du Dessus, Denis Mortet..	\$79.99
2003 Clos Vougeot, Grand Cru, F. Esmonin	\$88.99
2003 Clos Vougeot, Grand Cru, Domaine Moillard.....	\$89.95
2003 Chambolle-Musigny, “Hauts Doix,” 1er Cu, Groffier	\$97.99
2003 Chambolle-Musigny, “Sentiers,” 1er Cu, Groffier	\$99.99
2003 Clos de la Roche, Grand Cru, V.V., Vincent Girardin	\$99.99
2002 Clos de la Roche, Grand Cru, Dom. Louis Remy	\$99.95
2003 Chambertin-Clos de Beze, Grand Cru, F. Esmonin.....	\$99.95
2003 Château Corton Grancey, Grand Cru, L. Latour	\$99.99

2001 Morey-St-Denis, 1er Cru, Dom Hubert Lignier.....	\$99.95
2002 Clos Vougeot, Grand Cru, Dom. Xavier Liger-Belair ..	\$104.99
2002 Clos Vougeot, Grand Cru, Domaine Michel Gros	\$108.99
2002 Latricieres-Chambertin, Domaine Louis Remy	\$109.99
2003 Clos Vougeot, “Maupertuis,” Grand Cru, Anne Gros ..	\$124.99
1999 Clos Ruchottes Chambertin, Grand Cru, Rousseau	\$139.99
2002 Chambertin, Grand Cru, Joseph Drouhin	\$149.95
2003 Bonnes Mares, Grand Cru, Dom. Robert Groffier	\$159.99
2002 Richebourg, Grand Cru, Dom. Xavier Liger-Belair.....	\$174.99
2003 Chambertin, Grand Cru, Louis Latour	\$189.99
1999 Romanée St. Vivant, Grand Cru, Louis Jadot	\$199.95
2003 Romanée St. Vivant, Grand Cru, Louis Latour	\$229.95
2003 Charmes-Chambertin, Grand Cru, Louis Latour	\$229.95
2003 Richebourg, Grand Cru, Domaine Anne Gros	\$279.95

Beaujolais

Nouveau arrives November 17! See www.klwines.com for a list.

2004 Beaujolais-Villages, Louis Tete	\$9.99
2004 Beaujolais-Villages, Domaine Manoir du Carra	\$10.99
2004 Beaujolais Villages, Domaine Pascal Granger	\$11.99
2003 Fleurie, Chateau de Beauregard	\$14.99
2003 Chiroubles, Clos le Farge, Domaine Chrysson	\$14.99
Soft, Supple and elegant, with lovely fruit and great richness.	
2003 Morgon, Domaine Ruet	\$14.99
2003 Cote de Brouilly, Domaine Ruet.....	\$16.99
The Morgon is spicy, bright and focused, the Brouilly rich with a long finish.	
2003 Fleurie, Poncié, Domaine du Vissoux-Elegant, long finish ..	\$19.99

Pour Votre Plaisir

Life: A Bowl of Cherries!

2003 was a vintage in Burgundy unlike any in memory, thanks to the ferocious heat wave. The wines are often very different than in a typical Burgundy vintage. This left some growers in a dilemma. If their wine did not fit their style, either they had to change their style for the vintage, or they had to take a financial loss and bulk out the wine.

I was most interested when Daniel Johnnes, sommelier and importer, approached me in May with an offer for a 2003 Nuits St. George, Premier Cru, at a great price. He told me that one producer in Nuits St. Georges had had several barrels of a single vineyard Premier Cru that just did not fit into their desired style, and that they were interested in selling it in bulk. Of course, it would be labeled as a negociant wine, even though it was all from a single one of their Premier Cru vineyards. When I visited Burgundy in June and tasted the wine, I was delighted to find a beautiful Nuits St. Georges. The **2003 Nuits St. Georges, 1er Cru, La Cerisière (\$29.99)** is big and rich, with ripe fruit and a brawny charm reminiscent of the old Jules Belin style. A fat and luscious nose is followed by rich blackberry notes on the palate and lots of grip. We grabbed all there was, both for our Signature Red Club and for our retail customers. I felt like a cherry-picker, which is fitting. After all, when you get a chance to be a cherry picker, and get the perfect thing, the next thing you want to be is a Cerisière (a cherry seller). At these prices I do not expect the wine to be around for long. *À Santé.*

—Keith Wollenberg

ITALIAN WINES

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Tuscany

2004 Maritima Sangiovese "4 Old Guys"	\$7.49
2003 Teruzzi & Puthod Vernaccia di San Gimignano	\$9.99
2001 Castello di Monastero Chianti Superiore	\$10.95
2003 Poliziano Rosso di Montepulciano	\$11.95
2002 Castello di Monastero Chianti Classico	\$13.95
2003 Teruzzi & Puthod Terre di Tufi	\$15.99
2002 Felsina Chianti Classico	\$16.99
2002 San Vincenti Chianti Classico	\$17.99
2002 Palazzino Chianti Classico "Pieve"	\$18.99
2003 Le Cinciole Chianti Classico	\$19.99
2002 Poliziano Vino Nobile di Montepulciano	\$21.99
2001 Felsina Chianti Classico Riserva "Rancia"	\$26.99
2000 Poliziano Vino Nobile di Montepulciano "Asinone"	\$27.99
91 points Robert Parker.	
1999 Fanetti Vino Nobile di Montepulciano Riserva	\$28.99
1995 Felsina Vin Santo (500ml)	\$29.99
2000 Castello di Fonterutoli Chianti Classico	\$33.99

Montalcino

2003 Poggiarellino Rosso di Montalcino	\$12.99
2003 La Fortuna Rosso di Montalcino	\$17.99
2003 Baricci Rosso di Montalcino	\$18.99
2003 Pian dell'Orino Rosso di Montalcino	\$19.99
1999 Pian dell'Orino "Piandorino"	\$19.99

An outstanding Super Tuscan blend of sangiovese and merlot from the sensational 1999 vintage!

2003 La Fortuna Sant'Antimo Rosso	\$28.99
2000 Poggiarellino Brunello	\$29.99

There is a certain sweetness that emanates from the nose; it is the ripeness of the grapes, the plummy, and chocolate cherry character, unstoppable, flowing powerfully from the glass layering flavors across the palate like sedimentary deposits. Warmth, dense richness, lush thickness, pleasing, warming, enriching, and filling the palate. The finish is sunny, warming, complete, balanced and lingering with more chocolaty intrigue. (Greg St. Clair, K&L Italian buyer)

2000 Baricci Brunello	\$36.99
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"Sweet earth" were my first notes for this wine, that classic Montosoli nose, elegantly spicy, full of cinnamon, cardamom, anise and leather. The wine exudes a feminine mystique, lithe, supple, delicate, giving then taking, hinting not demanding, complex however simple, yet leaves you with a warmth, round and complete feeling on the palate. (Greg St. Clair, K&L Italian buyer)

2000 La Fortuna Brunello	\$36.99
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A warm, sweet ripeness, full of dark and intense plum aromatics rise from the glass and give you an immediate sense of density, weight, and richness. The wine is so supple on the palate, easy like the first warm day of spring, comfortable, invigorating and relaxing. Complex, chocolaty amarena (Italian wild cherry) flavor dance around your palate and come together for a long, graceful finish that would state with a rather clipped British accent "rather well-balanced." Drink now with a couple of hours in a decanter, or it will continue to evolve for another 4-5 years. (Greg St. Clair, K&L Italian buyer)

2000 Croce di Mezzo Brunello	\$37.99
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2000 Pian dell'Orino Brunello	\$39.99
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The nose just explodes out of the glass, a chocolaty, plummy, spicy array of complex wild fruits that just envelop you. On the palate the wine is bold, dramatic, lots of mid palate structure, like someone with powerful, muscular shoulders, a real depth of flavor flows from the chocolaty, plummy nose to more, herb, leather, a taste of the earth but finish with more ripe, yet very focused and structured plummy fruit. (Greg St. Clair, K&L Italian buyer)

2000 Sesta di Sopra Brunello-92 points <i>Wine Spectator</i>	\$42.99
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The nose just jumps out at you spicy, complex, wild cherry fruit, with hints of sage, leather, intriguing, seductive and inviting. On the palate the wine is broad, full-bodied and rich yet not heavy, it has an elegance, more like a lithe,

Podere Rinascimento

Prosecco! I have been looking for a Prosecco producer that we could import directly for a few years. Last April in Italy I met with the very young brother-and-sister team of Silvano and Alberta Follador. We didn't even taste their wines when we first met. They just wanted to meet me before we even thought about the wine. We liked each other immediately. In today's world of fast-paced business it was very refreshing to see that producers were more interested in who was going to take care of their wines rather than how much we were going to buy. I walked away hoping that they made wine that was at the very least good. A month later we tasted the samples and YOWSA! We were stunned by the quality; I have never tasted better Prosecco than these. Dumfounded by the quality, humbly I asked for the price list knowing the quality and the stunning package would demand some outrageous price. The prices matched their personalities, however, humble and honest.

Prosecco, for those of you who aren't familiar with the term, is a grape, just like chardonnay or cabernet. As a grape, it can be made into sparkling, semi-sparkling, still or sweet wine. The towns of Valdobbiadene and Conegliano are the center of the DOC production and lay about an hour to the northwest of Venice. In the **Silvano Follador Prosecco Valdobbiadene Brut (\$10.99)**, the first thing you notice is the incredibly perfumed nose. Beautifully balanced and delicate, it is followed by refined fruits with hints of yeasty

complexity without being ponderous. This sparkling wine is a perfect aperitivo—long, pure and refreshing. It makes you want to drink glass after glass. The **Silvano Follador Prosecco Valdobbiadene Extra Dry (\$10.99)** has a slightly higher dosage, and that gives this wine a slight more heft on the palate. Prosecco is generally made at the Extra Dry level, where its creamier feel gives more body to the generally slightly lower alcohol levels of 11.5%. It is truly an exceptionally versatile food wine! The **Silvano Follador Prosecco Valdobbiadene "Superiore di Cartizze" (\$17.99)** comes from the most famous "vineyard zone" in the region, a 266-acre slope framed by the villages of San Pietro Barbozza, Saccol and Santo Stefano (from where the Folladors hail). Cartizze traditionally has a higher dosage than the rest of the wines, but its increased power carries it off well. More complexity, broader on the palate, richer flavors, this is certainly a marvelous match for spicy cuisine. Although we weren't originally given any samples of the **Silvano Follador Prosecco Valdobbiadene "Sui Lieviti" Frizzante (\$10.99)**, when I saw it in their catalog I had to ask about it. Silvano said, "Oh that's just what we drink locally here." I said that's what I'd like to drink *here!* It is Prosecco fermented in the bottle and not disgorged, so there are still some dead yeast cells in the wine that make it a little cloudy. If you are a beer drinker, it is sort of like a Hefe-Weizen Prosecco!

—Greg St. Clair

ITALIAN WINES

muscular athlete, supple yet forceful and is full of the complex character evident in the nose yet is slightly plumper, meatier, warmer, sweeter. As the wine lies on your palate its incredible length begins to blossom, as you follow its ever lengthening finish seems to be depositing mineral character, iron like, focused, powerful and very, very long. (Greg St. Clair, K&L Italian buyer)

1997 Casisano Colombaio Riserva-92 points *Wine Spectator*\$54.99
1999 Casisano Colombaio Riserva-95 points *Wine Spectator*\$54.99

Piedmont

2003 Ruggeri Corsini Dolcetto d'Alba.....\$11.99
2002 Ruggeri Corsini Nebbiolo delle Langhe\$14.99

This is the poor man's Barolo I went crazy over when I first tasted it, the classic nebbiolo nose of rose and earth, yet soft and rich in the mouth at an unbelievable price! (Greg St. Clair, K&L Italian buyer)

2002 Ruggeri Corsini Barbera d'Alba "Armujan"\$17.99
Vibrant fruit, incredibly balanced, richness, great finish, drinking beautifully now!

Barolo/Barbaresco

2001 Paitin di Pasquero Elia Barbaresco "Serra Boella"\$25.99
2001 Ruggeri Corsini Barolo-90 points *Wine Spectator*\$31.99
2001 Paitin di Pasquero Elia Barbaresco "Sori Paitin"\$32.99
2000 Ruggeri Corsini Barolo-91 points *Wine Spectator*\$32.99

I was impressed by the seductive elegance in the wines; it seemed as if a feminine touch had softened the powerful structure of the nebbiolo grape, relaxing its muscles, allowing the personality of the soil to gently state its character, coupled with the classic rose petal aromatics that make Barolo so famous. (Greg St. Clair, K&L Italian buyer)

2000 Famiglia Anselma Barolo-92 points *Wine Spectator*.....\$43.99
2001 Paitin Barbaresco "Vecchie Vigne"-94 points Parker\$46.99
2001 Seghesio Barolo "La Villa"\$47.68
1998 Famiglia Anselma Barolo\$47.99
2001 Marengo Barolo "Brunate"\$49.95
1996 Famiglia Anselma Barolo "Adasi"\$55.99
2001 Elio Grasso Barolo Gavarini "Vigna Chiniera"\$55.99
1997 Famiglia Anselma Barolo "Adasi"\$59.99
2001 Einaudi Barolo "Costa Grimaldi".....\$69.99
2001 Einaudi Barolo "Nei Cannubi"\$79.99

Silvano Follador Prosecco Arrives!

For years I have looked for a Prosecco that would fit into the quality level of our Direct Import portfolio and had all but given up hope. But I have finally snatched the best Prosecco I have ever had, and at unbelievable prices!

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Stunning quality! An introductory price, this will be your new house sparkler!

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Slightly off dry, the "classic" style for Prosecco.

NV S.Follador Frizzante Prosecco Valdobbiadene\$10.99
Fermented in the bottle on the lees (sui lieviti) and lightly sparkling.

NV S. Follador "Cartizze" Prosecco Valdobbiadene Superior \$17.99
The premier appellation for Prosecco di Valdobbiadene is Cartizze. This magnificent sloping vineyard produces a very rich and complex wine and the natives like their best wine with a slightly higher dosage.

Blason is Back!!!!

Giovanni Blason's tremendous Friulian bargains have arrived. The sensational 2004 vintage is really evident in each and every wine, and the prices are incredible enough to make them every day drinking wines!

2004 Pinot Grigio DOC Isonzo\$7.99
2004 Tocai Friulano DOC Isonzo\$7.99
2004 Merlot DOC Isonzo\$7.99

2004 Sauvignon DOC Isonzo\$8.99
2004 Chardonnay DOC Isonzo\$8.99
2003 Venc Bianco DOC Isonzo\$14.99
2002 Vencjar Rosso DOC Isonzo\$19.99

Trentino-Alto Adige and Friuli

2000 Convento Muri-Gries Lagrein Scuro-1 Glass *Gambero Rosso* \$8.99
2003 Convento Muri-Gries Pinot Grigio-1 Glass *Gambero Rosso* \$14.99
2003 Ermacora Merlot\$14.99

Lookout *Sideways!* Innocuous California Merlot beware! This is ripe, complex fruit filled and sensationally balance wine at a great price, Yes Friuli makes great Reds in hot vintages. (Greg St. Clair, K&L Italian buyer)

2003 Ermacora Refosco\$15.99
2004 Jermann Pinot Grigio\$24.99

Sicily, Puglia, Campania, Basilicata, Lazio, Abruzzi and Sardegna

2003 Arancio Grillo Bianco\$5.99
2003 D'Angelo Aglianico "Sacravite"\$10.99
2003 Valle del Acate Poggio Bidini Nero d'Avola\$12.99
2003 Antica Masseria Sigillo Primo Primitivo\$13.99
2004 Mastroberardino Lacryma Christi Bianco\$14.99
2001 D'Angelo Aglianico del Vulture\$14.99

Lombardia, Umbria, Veneto, Marche and Other

2003 Corte Rugolin Valpolicella Classico\$8.99
2001 Corte Rugolin Valpolicella Classico Superiore
Ripasso.....\$16.99
2003 Bucci Verdicchio Classico dei Castelli di Jesi\$17.95
2001 Corte Rugolin Amarone "Danieli"\$39.99
2 Glasses *Gambero Rosso*.

November's Picks

2004 Palladino Gavi del Comune di Gavi (\$17.99) Okay, the grape is cortese, and this wine is from Serralunga D'Alba. One of this producer's most popular wines. Low temperature fermentation in stainless steel and then aged for 18 months in Slovenian oak. Beautifully balanced you will find peaches, pear and minerality and a chalky finish. Will work as an aperitif or with light fish dishes and fresh cheeses.

2002 Savese Picchieri "Le Petrose" Primitivo del Taranto IGT (\$15.99) Primitivo and zinfandel share the same DNA, as one Puglian put it, "They are like twins separated at birth." This wine's bouquet has plum and currant and the palate brings plum jam, blackberries and raspberries notes with under tones of hay and oriental spice. This full-bodied wine will show best with red meats, game and stews.

Poggiarellino is one of those small boutique wineries in the town of Montalcino. Small production, HUGH values.

2003 Poggiarellino Rosso di Montalcino (\$13.99) Baby Brunello at its best! This rosso is aromatic, balanced with the terroir of Montalcino. Bright fruit jumps out on the palate, raspberries and black cherries rounded off with touches of leather, spice and a cherry stone bitterness on the finish. Try with aged Pecorino or a Tri-tip steak. Yum!

2000 Poggiarellino Brunello di Montalcino (\$29.99) Yes, that's right, \$29.99 for a Brunello! Needs a couple of hours of decanting, and this baby is good to go. On this full-bodied wine you will find plum, chocolate and cherries dancing with smooth and silky tannins. This Brunello will age well for another four to five years, but no need to wait. Perfect accompaniment to hearty pork dishes or the classic accompaniment: wild boar! Salute!

—Mike Parres

SPECIALTY SPIRITS

Bourbon

A. H. Hirsch 16 year.....\$79.99

Hirsch Reserve stands in the class of top-flight single malt Scotch Whisky and Grand Champagne Cognac, offering a silky smooth texture and perfectly balanced flavors of sweet oak, maple and spice. The aftertaste is round, rich, very long and mellow.

Black Maple Hill 16 year, Single Barrel.....\$61.99

We are so happy to have the bourbons from Black Maple Hill back in the store! The 16-year-old is the smokiest of the three we carry and would be great for a single malt lover who wants to move into the world of Bourbon.

Pappy Van Winkle Family Reserve 20 year\$81.99

99 points *Wine Enthusiast*: "The nose is intensely fruited but also bears a tantalizing citrus zest note. The body is huge and almost chewable, and the palate is tremendously buttery with some sherry notes, a dash of dried fruits and some rich, creamy vanilla. The finish is long and elegant."

Brandy

Germain Robin XO\$89.99

Astonishing quality in the classic XO tradition. Very deep and rich, with hints of vanilla and dark chocolate. Eleven years in small Limousin barrels, chosen from the brandies, which are put aside for long aging. High proportion of brandies from Pinot Noir. The finish is astoundingly long and full.

Gran Duque D'Alba Spanish Brandy.....\$49.99

Osocalis Alambic Brandy\$36.99

Osocalis is a small, artisanal distillery in Soquel, California. The name Osocalis is the original Native American name for Soquel, today part of the greater Santa Cruz area. Osocalis uses a small (100 gallon) antique alambic charentais still, imported from Cognac. This lovely brandy is a blend of Colombard, Pinot Noir, and other Coastal California grape varieties.

Cognac

Ferrand Abel Grande Champagne 1er Cru.....\$249.99

The Abel is a 45-year-old cognac. Rich and elegant flavors with great complexity. Truly, a very special cognac. This cognac was named after the cellarmaster who distilled it. Ruby-gold in color, with an incomparably subtle and delicate bouquet that can only come from long aging in oak cask. The lingering aroma and flavor of this superb product can last as long as 10 minutes on the palate.

Ferrand Ancestrale 1er Cru du\$599.99

Special Order Only! Blended from the cellar's oldest reserve Cognacs, its extraordinary finesse and complexity are comparable to those of a great, old vintage wine. A truly great Cognac with an amazingly rich aromatic pallet, featuring walnut, prune, leather, tobacco, and candied fruit.

Ferrand Cigar Reserve Havana 1er Cru\$84.99

Special Order Only! The Pierre Ferrand Cigar Reserve is full of rich robust flavors. Dark caramel, spicy nutmeg, allspice and a nice toastiness. Very smooth and round on the palate with nice long finish. Want a great companion with your favorite cigar?

1914 Ferrand Memoire Vintage Edition\$849.99

Special Order Only! The fiery "robe" is intense with glints of mahogany. The bouquet recalls aromas of grilled bread and hot butter. Possessing an exceptionally rich bouquet, Mémoires 1914 has an incomparable long-lasting taste. Its notes of prune and cherry preserves mix with vanilla oak.

1971 Ferrand Memoire Vintage Edition\$209.99

Special Order Only! Its beautiful, crystal aspect has a pale yellow color. Vanilla and honey are unveiled in the nose as well as notes of muscatels. Supple and expressive, it offers extraordinary, exotic aromas such as banana, orange, and pineapple.

Eau de Vie

Klipfel Poire Williams-Pear in the bottle. From Alsace\$59.99

There is nothing better than finding something special that is made by a family-run estate, and with such care. This spirit is hand crafted and lovely.

Reisetbauer Eau de Vie (375ml)-Very Limited\$89.99

You'll find magic in these Austrian spirits, and to call them eau de vie is rather like calling Lance Armstrong a bicyclist. The Raspberry is authentic, balanced, with fruit aromas with a touch of lemon, slightly green-leafy flavors, very well-knit, seems almost light footed, though it has a long, powerful finish. The

Rowanberry shows a delicious interplay of scents; savor, spice and fruit backed by creamy chocolate flavors; displays bright, greenish spice flavors on the palate, enhanced by finely distinguished varietal almond aromas, equally powerful and elegant. The Pear displays ideal typicity, ripe and juicy fruit fragrances, discreet spiciness, savory grassiness, lively and stimulating, a youthful palate with an interplay of fruit and spice, great resources for future evolution.

Gin

Cadenhead's Old Raj (110 Proof)\$54.99

Old Raj Gin is distinctive in that it contains a measure of saffron, the rare and costly spice derived from the crocus flower. In addition to the slightly spicy flavor, this also imparts a pale yellow color. The subtle, aristocratic botanical mix (starring, of course, juniper berries) lures you into a warm, delighted sense of well-being, a feeling deepened by the sheer silkiness of the spirit.

Magellan Original Natural Blue\$32.99

Magellan Gin is the only natural blue spirit available on the market. Magellan is infused with natural Iris root and flower. The petals from the iris flower give Magellan its crisp taste and beautiful, soothing blue color. This is the perfect proof to balance the alcohol and complex flavors.

Sarticious\$28.99

We are so happy to have the Sarticious Gin back! It is now produced in Santa Cruz, and there will be articles regarding this lovely gin in *Celebrator* magazine and *American Distiller*. You've got to love local, hand-crafted spirits! An artful blend of the best juniper berries, organic orange and cilantro and other fresh botanicals. Neat, shaken or chillin' over ice, Sarticious is sartorial, luscious.

Irish Whiskey

Cooley 12 year Peated, Murray McDavid\$76.99

Wow! The guys at Murray McDavid have done it again! Despite over 40 different Irish whiskey brands, there are only three distilleries in Ireland, and big conglomerates own two of them. Cooley started in 1989 producing malt and grain whiskey in Dundalk near the Northern Ireland border. This, produced in pot stills with peated barley, is the authentic taste of traditional Irish whiskey, offered here without the blarney. What makes this bottle so very special is this: It was matured for a period of time on Islay, breathing in Islay's unique briny atmosphere. It has been reduced from cask strength to 46% strength using Bruichladdich's legendary spring water. It is unchillfiltered and coloring free.

Single Malt Whisky

1980 Benromach 24 year, Cask Strength.....\$169.99

Michael Jackson: Colour: Bright amber; Nose: Sweet toffee with tropical fruits - pineapple and kiwi fruit. Some dry Grass and cedar wood elements; Body: Complex, rich and powerful; Palate: Powerful, very sweet - cloying, spices with burnt fruitcake flavors mellowing into leafy and dry grass; Finish: Gentle fruitiness with a hint of chocolate. Refill Sherry Hogshead Cask: 755-759

1983 Edradour 21 year Port Finish, Cask Strength\$209.99

Special Order Only! The combination of Edradour and port cask is a marriage made in heaven or actually, Pitlochry! Salmon or peach like in color, you get the creamy richness of Edradour and the deep fruitiness of the port cask. This is no wimpy malt! At 52.9% ABV, a wee bit of water makes this malt blossom with flavors of milk, caramel, dried fruits and hints of spice. Outstanding!

1966 Lochside, Jim McEwan's Celtic Heartlands\$375.00

Please note - This is a pre-arrival (futures) item. It is due in the Spring 2006. "On Thursday, September 1, 2005, I was lucky enough to be in Warehouse #2 at the Bruichladdich Distillery with Jim McEwan. We were evaluating whisky as part of my Bruichladdich Whisky Academy experience and tasted some very nice single malts. When we got to the 1966 Lochside, the world seemed to stop, and the only thing that existed was the beauty of this malt. The Lochside has been aging in a refilled Bourbon cask. What struck me first was the amazing color: the deep rich amber and gold of mature Sauternes. Right out of the cask it was so vibrant and alive, all strawberry jam and cranberries. It exploded on my palate and filled my mouth, showing outstanding complexity and balance that just would not end. This is what I look for in a mature cask of whisky: life, life, life. It was one of the best malts I have ever had in my life to date! So, I was ecstatic to find on my return to the U.S. that it would be available. Lochside Distillery is no longer in existence, which makes this malt even more rare. It was located in city of Montrose, north of Dundee. Do not miss out on this extraordinary single malt and special pre-arrival price. Buy two, one for now and one to put away for the future. You will not be disappointed!" —Susan Purnell

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We continue to look for interesting wines from around the world. If the wine does not meet our high standards, we pass. Some selections have been from well-known wineries such as Beaulieu Vineyards, Château Pichon-Lalande, Dominus, and others are wines that we directly import providing further savings. Monthly shipments have included 10-year-old Napa Cabernets, Barolo, Zinfandel, Pinot Noir, Shiraz, Viognier, Chardonnay, Burgundy and Bordeaux and a host of others. Wines have come from Australia, Argentina, Austria, Italy, Spain, France, New Zealand, South Africa, Germany and others. Regardless of their origins, these wines are offered to Club members for less than anyone else in the country. We do our best to insure not only the highest quality but also the very best value.

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SIGNATURE RED COLLECTION

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PREMIUM WINE CLUB

This Club features a tremendous selection of wines from around the world. These wines show complexity and true varietal character. See below for two of our past selections. Usually, but not always, we include a white and a red. Wines in this Club normally sell for between \$18 and \$30 a bottle. Monthly Cost: Only \$29.95 + Shipping (+ Tax for CA residents only). All reorders are \$13.99 per bottle. Previous Premium selections: (*Wine Spectator*-listed prices) 2001 Blackford Chardonnay (\$30) and 1998 Passing Clouds "Graemes" (\$25).

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