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Simon Nicholas and Jesse Yannotti

I've always been fond of our Dominion Rd store; it was the first that we opened outside our usual stomping ground of the CBD, Ponsonby, etc. and our first foray into a mostly suburban setting. With subsequent store openings in Westmere, Kingsland and Remuera, it would appear that the suburbs like us too, so Dom Rd proved to be the perfect punt. Lying in proximity as it does to Eden Park, I guess that's a bad pun, so we'll move on.

This bustling outlet has just taken on the mantle of being a corporate hub store for the area, meaning that they've acquired a van, a full-time driver and a whole bunch of stock. And just got even busier.

'It's been brilliant,' smiles the ever-effervescent store Manager, Simon Nicholas. His trusty sidekick and Assistant Manager, Jesse Yannotti, nods in enthusiastic agreement. Ramping up the customer service to include regular deliveries, to advise on functions, choose Friday night drinks and so forth 'just reflects how much busier the area has become,' says Simon. It also reflects the shift in clientele over the years, 'the demographic, to use marketing-speak,' smiles Jesse.

From being a quick stop for that one bottle purchase on the way home from work, or maybe a cheap vino on the way to a BYO ethnic restaurant, Dominion Rd now serves a huge host of regular clientele, people enthusiastic and interested in wine, who are prepared to try something a bit different and who are willing to take advice from the team, each one of whom has a specialist area.

'Austin, one of our long time full-timers, has built up the single malt section to reflect his knowledge,' says Simon, 'and so now he has a whole lot of people who will only speak to him when they come in. Jesse has the same thing going with people who will only listen to her wine advice; it's brilliant.' And reflects a maturing market, perhaps?

'Definitely,' the two chime together. 'People's purchases are much more quality-driven than they were even a year ago,' says Simon. 'People want wines that are ideal for dinner parties, or as gifts and so on, so we spend a lot of time talking to customers, getting an idea of what they know and what they want and then helping from there. It makes it much more enjoyable for everyone.'

In amongst the regulars are a continuing influx of new faces, says Jesse, herself an import from northern New Jersey when she arrived at the store nearly a year ago. 'Even in that time, I have seen a huge number of new people come in, and then they become regulars and so on,' she says. 'They like it because we know what they drink, or what they bought off us last time. It's a bit like Cheers, except instead of everyone knowing your name, we all know what you like to drink!'

With all the team, part-timers included, being genuine wine enthusiasts and having all completed the Glengarry Wine Academy courses, it would seem that friendly, knowledgeable advice, as clichéd as it may sound, is the key to success in the store. 'Exactly,' says Simon. 'We keep it simple and customer-oriented, and that seems to do the trick.'

Jak Jakicevich

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Everyday Drinking

A quartet of smart wines that won't tax your wallet but will deliver a great mouthful

Deen De Bortoli **Vat 9** Cabernet Sauvignon **2005**

was \$19 now **\$15.90** 20913

BUY A CASE OF 6 FOR \$14.00 A BOTTLE

There is a piece of ancient Chinese wisdom that says, 'know when to stop and you can meet with no danger.' Wisely, New Zealand producers stopped trying to make wines like this, for the very reason that this one is here: the Aussies do them so well, so effortlessly and so cheaply that it was always going to be pointless to compete. This is just so ripe, so soft, no hard edges of any nature here at all; not of tannin, acid, nothing. Rich, lush, full of flavour, gutsy, jammy and cheap.

Kaiken Argentine Malbec **2005**

was \$19.90 now **\$16.90** 90610

BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR \$15.90 A BOTTLE

A triumph of South American elements, this is Argentine wine made by the acclaimed team at Montes in Chile. Argy Malbec has become the toast of the wine-slugging world, delivering, as this does, all the richness, complexity and depth of a decent Bordeaux, with a similar ability to cellar for a tiny fraction of the price. Intensely aromatic, where deep-scented berries meet damp, earthy rusticity, the fruit is sweet and ripe on the palate, a mocha tinge trips on through and the finish is full-on and vibrant.



Culley Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc **2007**

was \$19.90 now **\$16.90** 12475

BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR \$16.50 A BOTTLE

A mouthful of good Marlborough Savvy such as this is not unlike accidentally rubbing up against a small dog: they explode with indignance, jumping about, unleashing a lively array of cutely appealing characteristics that they might consider aggressive, but are really very agreeable and distracting; then slowly they settle back down until the next vivacious encounter. This booms with gooseberries and passion-fruit, commands your attention, leaves a charming impression, then goes back into its box. Stylish, diverting and plenty of fun.



Spy Valley Marlborough Pinot Gris **2007**

was \$23.50 now **\$19.50** 18333

BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR \$18.90 A BOTTLE

It's a delight to find a local Pinot Gris with so much character, but no surprise, as the Spies have always known their way around this wily grape and delivered expressions of excellence and punch. Picked very ripe and massaged gently through in the winery, it is a wine of vibrant aromatics, all pears and ginger spice and warm apples, while the palate is a tunnel of love, with well-defined, focused flavours sidewalled by balancing acid. A little residual sugar provides further intrigue and balance.



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Feature Winery

Cable Bay



WINE IS THE ART OF LIFE



One of the brightest stars in Waiheke Island's winery constellation is Cable Bay. Founded by Neill Culley and a small group of passionate shareholders, it has established a reputation for producing finely-crafted wines of distinction. Neill's original intention was to become a marine biologist. 'The plan was to study

for my Masters, but it was suggested I take time out and try something else. Wine seemed the way to go, so I went to Australia and completed a post graduate diploma in oenology at Roseworthy.' On his return to New Zealand, Neill joined Babich, initially as assistant winemaker and finally as Chief Winemaker. During his 12 year stint there, Neill gained an MBA and started planting the home vineyard on Waiheke.

First planted in 1998, Cable Bay's Waiheke vineyards are spread over several sites and feature Merlot, Cabernets Sauvignon and Franc, Malbec, Chardonnay, Syrah, Viognier and Pinot Gris. The company also has access to vineyards in Marlborough that provide Sauvignon Blanc, Riesling, Gewürztraminer and Pinot Noir. Neill states, 'The diversity of fruit from different vineyard sites gives us an excellent palette from which to blend, to achieve stylistic consistency.'

Until now, the Waiheke range of wines has been made at a West Auckland facility, but the 2008 wines will be produced at the new complex on Waiheke. The Marlborough range will continue to be made in Marlborough. 'Our aim is to produce high quality wines that have the ability to develop and that go well with food,' says Neill. This is artfully illustrated by a six-course, seasonally inspired degustation menu Cable Bay has introduced at their Waiheke complex.

The Cable Bay winery complex, a twenty minute walk or five minute cab ride from the ferry terminal, is nestled comfortably and unobtrusively into the hillside off Nick Johnstone Drive, but it is inside the buildings that the attention to detail is best appreciated. The impressively coordinated buildings house a classy restaurant with outdoor courtyards, a wine bar, a tasting room, a private dining/conference room and a state-of-the-art production area, hewn out of the hillside, that incorporates a wine library, a barrel room and a gallery.

The ferry from downtown Auckland to Waiheke Island takes little more than forty minutes, but in that short time one is transported to a place where the tempo of life is so far removed from that of the city that it's hard to believe they are both part of the same geographic region. And the journey holds the promise of the exceptional wines and hospitality to be found at Cable Bay.

Cable Bay

Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc 2007

was \$23.90 now **\$19.90** 12447

BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR ONLY \$19.50 A BOTTLE

Neill Culley has crafted a serene and elegant wine with a great sense of place; it couldn't be from anywhere else than Marlborough. The 2007 season provided superb conditions and the fruit, harvested from the Omarka and Rauapara districts, was very well balanced. This is a perfect summer wine with a crunchy herbal character. The palate is a fusion of gooseberry, herb and lime flavours with good weight and a lovely fresh crispness that cleans up the palate. Chill it, unscrew it and rejoice; it's a spanking good wine.



Cable Bay Five Hills

Waiheke Island Merlot Cabernet Malbec 2005

was \$35.90 now **\$29.90** 12442

BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR ONLY \$29.50 A BOTTLE

Waiheke Island's wine reputation was built on the back of Bordeaux blends, and this is right up there with the best that Waiheke can offer. It has a boisterous, persistent, ripe fruit quality and a luxurious texture held in focus by supple tannins. The blend consists of Merlot (53%), Cabernet Sauvignon (24%), Cabernet Franc (16%) and Malbec (7%) that has been harvested from five hillside vineyards. The integrated berry and spicy oak characters seamlessly follow through onto the palate, accentuating elegance rather than raw power. An excellent cellaring wine.



Cable Bay

Waiheke Island Chardonnay 2006

was \$35.90 now **\$29.90** 12446

BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR \$29.50 A BOTTLE

This Chardonnay is for true fans of the variety. It is complex yet restrained and has the depth to entice and intrigue the palate with every sip. The hand harvested fruit was whole bunch pressed and fermented in French oak barrels, and matured on yeast lees for ten months. The complex bouquet is rich with expansive aromas of melon, peach, hazelnut and spicy oak. Tiers of flavours and nuances, accompanied by a suave texture, are balanced by a mineral-edged, lingering finish. Unquestionably good drinking.

Cable Bay

Marlborough Gewurztraminer 2007

was \$23.90 now **\$19.90** 12444

BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR \$19.50 A BOTTLE

A classic Gewürtz with elegant, spicy Turkish Delight and fresh rosewater flavours seamlessly bound together around a silky texture and cool stop fermented to retain some natural residual sugars and fruit flavours. Following fermentation, the wine was left on yeast lees to add greater dimension and complexity. It has a seductive nose with waves of lifted, perfumed, spicy aromas. The weighty palate has a creamy, fleshy texture, with just a lick of honeyed sweetness balanced by a fresh, clean finish.

Cable Bay

Marlborough Pinot Noir 2006

was \$35.90 now **\$29.90** 12443

BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR \$29.50 A BOTTLE

Pinot is a finicky, uncooperative variety; it's tricky to grow, yields can be poor, it's hard to ripen and it needs to be coaxed by the wine-maker to produce good wine; and that means that it can be expensive. Made from young Marlborough vines in Cable Bay's hillside Brancott Valley Vineyard, this is a sensual, finely textured wine, the bouquet a swirling amalgam of strawberry, cherry, spice and mushroom. It has a wistful yet assured palate that is elegantly styled, smooth and long. A hedonist's dream for under \$30.



Hot OFF THE Press

New releases, the strangely exciting or new vintages of old favourites out this month

Tietjen Witters

TW Gisborne Chardonnay Viognier

\$17.90 12243

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$17.50 A BOTTLE



Paul Tietjen and Geordie Witters are experienced Gisborne growers whose respective vineyards have won silverware galore for other companies. Gimme some of dat, they said, and a label was born. An excellent blend of two premium whites, the Chardy is 2006 but the Viognier is 2007, hence the Non-Vintage tag. The Viognier brings a freshness, floral loveliness and lushness to the affair, while the Chardonnay provides structure and no little finesse. It's ripe as all hell, with vivid stonefruit colourings and a lush, golden texture.

Sacred Hill

Sauvage Hawkes Bay Fumé Blanc 2005

\$29.90 18287

COMMEMORATIVE RETRO LABEL



Golly! You know the industry is coming along when one of the Young Turks is turning 21. Paua shell keys aloft, the Sacreds are celebrating with something a little cooler than that, thanks: an unreleased, extremely limited (180 bottles only) and remarkable wine, the Sauvage Fumé Blanc 2005. The first ever Sacred wine was a Fumé Blanc, so it's perfect this barrel fermented rendition marks the occasion. Of inordinate depth and richness, complete with the original Sacred Hill label, there is no better way to celebrate their uncompromising vision.

Alan McCorkindale

Teviotdale Vineyard Pinot Gris 2007

\$25.90 10126

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$25.50 A BOTTLE

This has the concentration and intensity you'd expect from someone as experienced and talented as Alan McCorkindale. The site must be primo, too, because this oozes class, charm and deep rivers of intense flavours. It explodes with tropical fruit aromas, which are doggedly shadowed by a ginger/spice character, and a slight minerality that may or may not come from the Alsace-sourced yeasts used in fermentation. Who knows, but you'll sound smart at dinner. Great buying; this is a class offering.



Pisa Moorings

Central Otago Pinot Noir 2006

\$33 16091

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$32.50 A BOTTLE

This stood out in the latest Wine Panel, and like children at Christmas, the empanellers cried 'we've got to have it!' Pisa Moorings have been producing top class Pinot off their site on the shores of Lake Dunstan for nigh on a decade; this vintage was shepherded through by the well-seasoned Dean Shaw, and it is a very sharp contender indeed. Seductive, multi-layered, it is also lively and spicy, with some wild hillside herbs and smoochy jammy fruit to pull you in. A rich, complex, reliable representative of the Central style.



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Value+

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wines that deliver more in the glass than their price-tag would suggest

Funny old word, 'value', and certainly one that means different things to different people. Every possible consumable appears to offer 'great value', 'added value' or some other vague promise, and it seems that those doing the promotion and advertising of such things haven't given much thought to what these terms really mean.

Well, we did give some thought to the term before we went and devoted a complete section of the wineletter to such a concept. We then had to give much consideration to the wines we chose to reflect the idea of value. The criteria, we decided, was that the wines had to deliver more in the glass than their price-tag would suggest.

Which is why we have wines ranging from seventeen to twenty-eight dollars (normal retail); it's not about what the wines cost, it's about how well they drink compared to what they cost. A \$250 bottle of Champagne can deliver great value, if it exceeds what you'd expect at that price, just as a \$9.90 wine can be poor value if it's only fit to strip the bath.

The wines below, then, are a sort of Greatest Hits of our 'Everyday Drinking' section, and a few more besides; wines that won't remove a limb from you upon purchase (we've reduced them all from their usual retail pricing to emphasise the value-for-money argument), but will ensure that you always have an unbeatable bottle at hand for whenever you require it.

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d'Arenberg The Stump Jump McLaren Vale Grenache Shiraz Mourvèdre 2006

was \$14.90 now **\$13.50** 20749

BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR ONLY \$13.00 A BOTTLE

Named after a plough, and designed in the style of those wonderfully rustic Southern Rhône reds, this is, according to winemaker Chester d'Arenberg Osborn, 'GSM, d'Arenberg style.' It's one of those 'best of both worlds' wines the Aussies are so good at, i.e. it has oodles of bright, raspberry-tinged fruit flavours and aromas, and a good solid framework to hang such a range of flavours on. I cannot believe that it is priced this low: previous experience tells us this will go like warm muffins.



Lake Chalice Cracklin' Rosie Marlborough Pinot Rosé 2007



was \$15.90 now **\$13.90** 13569

BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR ONLY \$13.50 A BOTTLE

Those boots that owner Chris Gambitsis wears are more Rhinestone Cowboy, but a Neil Diamond fan he obviously is with a wine named thus. It is fair cracklin' with fresh, lively characters. A slight spritzig sparkle sets alight the delicious strawberry and peach flavours, while the palate itself is surprisingly full, exotically tinged with cranberries and wild berries, the whole shebang a worthy tribute to... whoever joins you on the picnic blanket.

Wild South Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc 2007

was \$17.90 now **\$14.90** 11174

BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR ONLY \$13.90 A BOTTLE

Pristinely clean, fully flavoured and intensely aromatic, this reflects the top-flight nature of the fruit. That's the thing about Sauvignon; the Emperor is naked, with no oak or malo or anything else to cover up the naughty bits. Well, there's nothing to hide here, as the limes and passionfruit zip about like atomic particles while the grapefruit lolls back observing it all with a cool, knowing grin. Combine it all, and it's a big, zingy mouthful which carries a depth and complexity you'd expect to pay \$25 for.



Dusky Sounds Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc 2007

was \$16.90 now **\$14.90** 12500

BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR ONLY \$13.90 A BOTTLE

Part of the Mud House wine group, and coming off better-named, you'd have to say. The wine is pretty tidy, too, a Marlborough bouncy castle of refreshing citric acid and pushy tropical/stonefruits and grassy herbaceousness. And if that all sounds tu meke, them flavours is all harnessed seamlessly, so fear not, young loons: great, authentic, Marlborough savvy at a rather silly little price is the verdict. Sound your duskies, and git aboard.

Wild South

Marlborough Chardonnay 2007

was \$17.90 now **\$14.90** 11181

BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR ONLY \$13.90 A BOTTLE



It's a great style of wine, this; uncomplicated, unobtrusive, but certainly not lacking in depth, weight and character. There is a coterie of high-minded individuals around town saying things like 'any chardonnay under twenty dollars is not worth drinking,' and I say to them, 'fritter your money away then, fools!' To you I say, lock your sights onto this: creamy and layered, with some Marlborough acid to hurry the proceedings along, a broad wash of flavour on the finish and not a hole or a flaw anywhere to be found.

Château Lucière

Bordeaux 2005

was \$18.90 now **\$14.90** 41147

BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR ONLY \$13.00 A BOTTLE



With everyone climbing into the 2005 Bordeaux wines, it being such an exceptional vintage, it has meant that the top wines pretty much sold out, at somewhat inflated prices. People tend to forget that a good vintage in Bordeaux means the lesser-known producers also made outstanding wine, and this is one of them. Ripe fruit, robust structure, excellent cellaring potential though most approachable now, and a great price tag. Grab loads.

Shipwreck Bay

Northland Merlot Cabernet 2005

was \$19.90 now **\$16.90** 15906

BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR ONLY \$16.50 A BOTTLE



From the Okahu Bay label, situated about as far north as you can get without dropping into the sea, comes this excellent, effortless beauty. The 2004 got a gold at the Royal Easter Show, and this certainly treads a similar path. Tons of upfront blackberry and boysenberry characters on offer, with some typically Cabernet cigar box and leather characters sifting through underneath. Unpretentious and eminently drinkable, it's the sort of wine you should always have on hand; just in case, you know.

Coopers Creek

Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc 2007

was \$19.90 now **\$16** 11827

BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR ONLY \$15.90 A BOTTLE



This is one of those wines where the benevolent altruist in you says, 'golly, they really should charge more for something this good,' while the smug bargain-hunter hidden within us all says, 'Score!!'. For decades the Creokers have put this out, one of the most consistently excellent, authentically varietal and regionally reflective Marlborough Sauvignon Blancs. It is our national drink in a glass; intensely aromatic, weighty, zingy and with a herbaeous hint to its richness that keeps you coming back for another glass.

Brookfields Bergman

Barrel Fermented Chardonnay 2007

was \$19.90 now **\$16.90** 11253

BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR ONLY \$16.50 A BOTTLE



This crosses a few boundaries, as it has all the upfront, obvious fruit and punch to make it appealing and approachable; but there's also a butteriness and toasty character adding weight and complexity that makes you look twice. We were warned off phrases like 'over-delivers' or 'exceeds expectations,' but that is exactly where this wine sits: a peach at \$16.90, it shows all the class, style and finesse of Chardonnays that are ten dollars dearer. An achievement worth taking advantage of.

Saint-Meyland

French Méthode Traditionnelle Brut NV

was \$19.90 now **\$16.90** 43010

BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR ONLY \$15.90 A BOTTLE



'Just like Champagne' could damn a wine with faint praise, perhaps, but it is important to recognise this excellent sparkling receives the full 'Champagne' treatment. The second fermentation most definitely takes place in the bottle, and she's aged for 24 months on yeast lees, ensuring a bready complexity and palate structure you'd normally pay five times as much for. There's a foaming richness on the palate which is balanced by crisp acid; the flavours are fruit, warm bread and a hint of flowers.

Ti Point

Chardonnay 2007

was \$19.90 now **\$16.90** 19030

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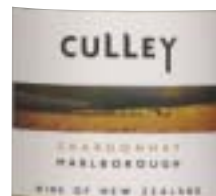
Ti Point winemaker Tracy Haslam hails from Hawkes Bay, so rather than being surprised that the Matakana-based winery has made a fab Chardonnay from down the line, it makes total sense. Split off into two parcels, the very ripe fruit was mainly fermented in stainless steel with wild yeasts, meaning the freshness and flavours of the fruit was maintained, with the wacky, certifiable yeasts adding another dimension of complexity. A bit of oak for the other parcel and here it is: creamy, mouthfilling and far from pocket-emptying.

Culley

Marlborough Chardonnay 2007

was \$19.90 now **\$16.90** 12477

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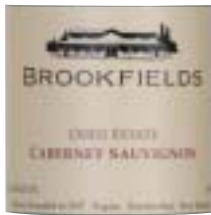
A no-nonsense, high impact Marlborough style made by Neill Culley of Waiheke's Cable Bay fame, designed to deliver maximum fruit expression to your palate while leaving a minimal dollar impression on your wallet. It succeeds on all fronts. Without a shred of oak to confuse or complicate matters, the fruit speaks for itself and gets by with a little help from its wine-making friends, arriving all excited and ready to drink.

Value+

Brookfields Ohiti Estate Hawkes Bay Cabernet Sauvignon 2006

was \$19.90 now **\$16.90** 11254

BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR ONLY \$15.90 A BOTTLE



A real little microclimate, the Ohiti Estate, a suntrap that ensures fully ripened Cabernet fruit every vintage, with a consistency many producers would die for. It is extraordinary that you can buy a fully-flavoured, varietal Cabernet Sauvignon, one that's had the treatment normally reserved for wines in the \$20s and \$30s, for a mere \$16.90. What isn't extraordinary is that this is one of our biggest-selling wines.



Tatachilla Keystone McLaren Vale Cabernet Sangiovese 2004

was \$20 now **\$17.50** 27807

BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR ONLY \$17.00 A BOTTLE

This McLaren Vale winery was established in 1903, have mercy on us all. Now owned by the Lion Nathan group, the winemaker is the fantastically named Fanchon Ferrandi, something he obviously made up. FF claims that 'vibrant fruit and silken textures' are the hallmarks of his wines, and this mixture of old and new world varietals has these qualities in spades. Full-bodied and juicily succulent, it abounds with wild berries and a Sangiovese savouriness, while the Cabernet provides the firm, sound, sensible structure to hang the whimsical berryfruit on.

Tatachilla Partners McLaren Vale Cabernet Shiraz 2004

was \$14.90 now **\$12.90** 27908

BUY A CASE OF 6 FOR ONLY \$12.50 A BOTTLE



Another great-value drop from the 'Chillas, this is a fully-flavoured, meaty wine, with plenty of richness and weight, a vivid, surging palate (14.5% alc) and some lovely, earthy, old world sensations. It's rustic, funky and jammy, with plummy fruit, lashings of licorice, and generous sprinkles of nutmeg. Lounge-lizard smooth with a flavoursome flick in its tail, this is unbeatable value for an Aussie red with so much concentration and style.



Château Nicot Bordeaux 2005

was \$21.90 now **\$17.90** 41623

BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR ONLY \$17.50 A BOTTLE

It's not that many years ago that Bordeaux produced more wine than the whole of Australia, a simple statistic that reminds us it's not all about Latour/Margaux/Petrus, etc. Nicôt, for example, is an excellent little cru Bourgeois, not at all Bolshie then, and willing to share its treats evenly with everyone. And there are treats galore; earthy, toasty notes underpin a full-frontal-fruit fest (in a subdued French way, of course), while the supportive structure is what you'd expect from a well-regarded Bordeaux house.

Vidal Hawkes Bay Merlot Cabernet 2006

was \$21.50 now **\$17.90** 19446

BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR ONLY \$17.50 A BOTTLE



For many years now, Vidal have gone about their business pretty quietly, and yet have produced year in, vintage out, great value, top-drinking reds. This stylish, intensely flavoured, Merlot-predominant offering comes off old vines (hence the concentration), spends a good year plus in oak, and comes out smooth and supple, with jammy, luscious fruit, a hint of spice and a savoury touch, and punch and power that belie the dollars.



Momo Marlborough Chardonnay 2007

was \$21.50 now **\$18** 12869

BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR ONLY \$17.50 A BOTTLE

Second tier labels such as this one that sits under the renowned Seresin label are often a superb way of getting a wine made with all the skill, and experience of the main label for a lot less lolly. As is often the case with labels with the reputation of someone like Seresin, their 2nd label wines would send a lot of top tier- and more expensive wines- packing. This is a creamy, lemon-tinged, tropically correct Chardy with loads of punch, plenty of weight and a well focused and very moreish finish. Buy a case.

Jules Taylor Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc 2007

was \$21.90 now **\$18.90** 12429

BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR ONLY \$17.90 A BOTTLE



This label just seems to go from strength to strength with the '07 Sauvignon being another example of Jules' fine winemaking skills, and her ability to pick a good site when she sees one. Or three sites, as it happens. Yip, 3 different areas of Marlborough contribute fruit with distinct characters to the final blend, and the results of their internecine intermingling is a wine bursting with passion(fruit), deftly sliced capsicums and a freshness and zest that reflects the vigorous enthusiasm of the wonder-woman who makes it.



Crawford Farm Rosé 2007

was \$21.50 now **\$18.90** 11683

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Made from Marlborough fruit, this explodes with bountiful summer flavours, yet has a depth and weight that the word 'rosé' may not conjure up for some. It is totally appropriate that the wine is on the Crawford Farm label, because this intensely aromatic, zingily refreshing and delicious offering brings back all those idyllic childhood thoughts of long, hot grasses, overgrown orchards, dusty country roads and blackberry bushes around every corner. Drink lightly chilled with loads of friends and a long evening stretching ahead.

Trinity Hill

Hawkes Bay Rosé 2007

was \$24.50 now **\$18.90** 19239

BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR ONLY \$17.90 A BOTTLE

Rosé-style wines are finally taking off in the numbers they deserve, as we all discover their food-friendly, sun-friendly nature. Seriously made with the intention of frivolous enjoyment, it's a dry style, and a smart blend of four red varieties, including tempranillo. A bright, delightful glass of vino, with beautiful berryish flavours and a silky smooth texture. Drink it all up with salmon kebabs.



Lawsons Dry Hills

Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc 2007

was \$23.50 now **\$19.90** 13384

BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR ONLY \$19.00 A BOTTLE

A powerful, intense wine that at its normal retail is probably under-priced. At under \$20 you'd be backing the truck up, one suspects. There are myriad and complex flavours, a clever crossover of the typically herbaceous and the charmingly tropical, all seamlessly woven together and powerfully launched onto your palate. There's a wonderful mineral spine, and a tantalising flicker of spice, all in a wine that, unusually for Sav Blanc, ages rather well too. Drinks some now, cellar some for later. Joyous.



Lake Chalice

Marlborough Pinot Noir 2006

was \$22.50 now **\$19.90** 13559

BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR ONLY \$18.90 A BOTTLE

This is the sort of Pinot that Marlborough makes so beautifully. No shortage of varietal complexity and charm, plenty to get excited about but without the annoyingly weighty price tag that seems to accompany much local Pinot Noir these days. Lake Chalice have been round a while, and the experience shows. With plenty of black cherry and redcurrant fruit, a quaint and atavistic earthy note and some savoury mushroom characters, all neatly joined by toasty oak, this is a very smart expression at a very impressive price.



Martinborough Vineyard

Te Tera Pinot Noir 2006

was \$28 now **\$24.90** 13745

BUY A CASE OF 6 FOR ONLY \$24.50 A BOTTLE

Martinborough Vineyard winemaker, Claire Mulholland, knows Pinot Noir intimately. Getting good value Pinot out of the Martinborough region can be a challenge these days, so the opportunity to drink a top-flight expression from one of the country's - and the world's - most renowned producers is an opportunity too good to miss. Especially for such little outlay. Deeply scarlet in colour, this sings with plum and black cherry characters, is framed by soothingly smooth tannins and finishes complex and tasty.



Fearless Buys

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Wally's Hut

Cabernet Merlot 2005

was \$13.90 now **\$9.90** 28427



2005 was a great vintage down SE Aussie way, so the Wallys are already ahead of the pack with brilliantly ripe and fully-flavoured fruit to play with. Very vibrant and bright in the glass, it's a mirror ball of crimson delight. Smells of freshly preserved strawberry jam, and/or cherry preserve, and there's a distinctively Australian, intense mint character to the aromas. The palate is a headrush of the jams and fruit preserve characters, the mint comes through too, and there's a hint of that spicy/cedary oak which, again, is quintessential ocker. Soft, mouthfilling and generous, this really is extraordinary value and primo quality in one package. Go wild.

Clifton Road

Hawkes Bay Sauvignon Blanc 2007

was \$12.50 now **\$9.90** 18007

There's something about Hawkes Bay Sauvignon Blanc that makes a change from the herbaceous aggression of the world-famous Marlborough expressions. This explodes with aromas of summer fruits; passionfruits come screaming into play as well, while a floral wand is waved over it all just to charm. The palate is rich as the stretch of real estate that the name hints at, with all the above fruit notes and a tangy hint of lime just to make sure you're still paying attention. The finish is clean and refreshing as a dip in the ocean.



Freixenet

Cordon Negro Brut NV

was \$13.90 now **\$10.90** 85010



This is textbook-perfection sparkling wine, ticking all the boxes. It has lower acid and sugar than most of its competition, so the acid heads who like a bit of puck can still glean mucho satisfaction from its vibrant palate, while those who find anything too dry an insult to their sensibilities can chug-a-lug this gleefully, basking in the soft fullness of the flavours as they head down the red lane. Yet there's plenty of character and vivacity, it has a spring in its step yet no sting in its tail. And it's a snip at \$10.90. Where's the bad bit?



February 2008

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Tuesday 12th February

An Introduction to Malts: hosted by Jak Jakicevich
Glengarry Victoria Park, 118 Wellesley St West
Cost: \$25 per person. Bookings required

Saturday 16th - Sunday 17th February

Devonport Food & Wine Festival

Tuesday 19th February

Vintage Port Tasting: a vertical tasting of Quinta de la Rosa with Sophia Bergqvist
7:00pm Glengarry Herne Bay Cellar, 54 Jervois Rd
Cost: \$30 per person. Bookings required

Wednesday 20th February

Port Tasting: a range of Quinta de la Rosa ports with food matched and prepared with Sophia Bergqvist by Dida's Head Chef, Vincent Marshall
7:30pm Dida's Food Store, 54 Jervois Rd, Herne Bay
Cost: \$65 per person. Bookings required

Thursday 21st February

Quinta de la Rosa comes to Wellington:
A dinner with Quinta de la Rosa's Sophia Bergqvist
Details to be confirmed; check online at glengarry.co.nz

Thursday 21st February

The Wines of Cable Bay
Tasting with winemaker Neill Culley
7:00pm Glengarry Westmere Wine Club, 164 Garnet Road
Cost: \$15 per person. Bookings required

Monday 25th February

Cocktail Tasting; how to mix cocktails
7:00pm Glengarry Newmarket Wine Club
22 Morrow Street
Cost: \$15 per person. Bookings required

Thursday 28th February

The Wines of Cable Bay
Tasting with winemaker Neill Culley
7:00pm Glengarry Devonport Wine Club
Cnr Clarence St & Wynyard St
Cost: \$15 per person. Bookings required

Tuesday 4th March

Glengarry Wine Academy, Stage 1 - Wellington
Commencing 4 weeks of classes from 6pm-8pm
Glengarry Thorndon, 232 Thorndon Quay
Cost: \$195 per person. Bookings required

Tuesday 4th March

Cellar Tasting: 2005 Chablis
7:00pm Glengarry Herne Bay Cellar, 54 Jervois Rd
Cost: \$35 per person. Bookings required

Wednesday 5th March

Glengarry Wine Academy, Stage 1 - Auckland
Commencing 4 weeks of classes from 6pm-8pm
Glengarry Victoria Park, 118 Wellesley St West
Cost: \$195 per person. Bookings required

Thursday 6th March

Glengarry Malt Whisky Tasting Club
The rare malt whisky of Adelphi Distillery, with Adelphi's Alex Bruce and Whisky Galore's Michael Fraser Milne
7:00pm Glengarry Victoria Park, 118 Wellesley St West
Cost: \$60 per person. Bookings required

Monday 10th March

Syrah Masterclass: New Zealand vs The World
Glengarry Victoria Park, 118 Wellesley St West
Cost: \$35 per person. Bookings required

Monday 10th March

Wine and Cheese Matching
7:00pm Glengarry Kingsland Wine Club
467 New North Road
Cost: \$15 per person. Bookings required

Tuesday 11th March

Lawson's Dry Hills Tasting
7:00pm Glengarry Devonport Wine Club
Cnr Clarence St & Wynyard St
Cost: \$15 per person. Bookings required

Wednesday 12th March

Tasting: wines of the Rhône Valley
6:30pm Glengarry Thorndon, 232 Thorndon Quay
Cost: \$50 per person. Bookings required

Thursday 13th March

Riedel Stemware Masterclass: with 4 free Riedel glasses
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On the Hop

There's a whole world of beer out there; we try them, then let you know what not to miss

Hoegaarden Forbidden Fruit Belgian Beer 330mL

single **\$3.75** 91453

As with all the Hoegaarden beers, this has a firm spice presence, a sprinkling of coriander and that distinctive orange zest note. Incongruous as this may sound, especially when you suggest that the Forbidden Fruit is a malty bevy, too, somehow it all works exquisitely. It also has that classic sweet & sour thing going on, a slight sweetness balances the spice and obvious malt characters. Yip, that alcohol count (8.8%) could bring on a scary body count, but it doesn't feel overly alcoholic, another trick that they've learned over the last 600 years of brewing. The label is worth a mention, too - the artists insist it is a nod to the great master Reubens; the Americans said it was Adam and Eve and they are naked, goddamit, and thus had issues with it. Hasn't anyone heard of irony?





Pol Roger
Brut Réserve NV

was \$85 now **\$74.90** 48211

BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR ONLY \$69.90 A BOTTLE

For those with a sense of occasion, February means Waitangi Day and the forging of a Nation, but for those of us more romantically inclined, it's all about Valentines Day. Sending red roses on Valentines Day as a declaration of undying devotion is a very sweet thought. But considering the pecuniary and cynical world we live in, the reaction might well be 'How do you love me? Let me count the roses.' Best to give Pol Roger Champagne; that way you can share in the pleasure, and maybe even pop the question, straight after the cork.

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Classique Bas-Armagnac 750mL

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You have to love a family that started out at the end of the 19th-century in that time-honoured, Armagnac-producing activity of, um, training bears. Sounds rather idyllic, really: get the young ursine jump happening then retire for a blissful belt of brandy. Perfect. This is close to perfect, too; a lounge lizard-smooth Armagnac made with patience and a respect for tradition that makes it more authentic than most, and possessing of far greater character than many. From Bas-Armagnac, the most famous area of production, which tends to lend a delicacy to the brandy that balances the intense concentration of flavours. A glowing amber in the glass, this has a concentrated aroma of preserved figs and dates, and a beautiful underlying toastiness. Rich and round on the palate, with hints of vanilla from the oak and traces of macerated fruits coming on at the end. Exquisite.



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Laroche

Vin de Pays D'OC Syrah 2006

was \$19.90 now **\$16.90** 48525

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A super value Syrah from Michel Laroche, who has done much to elevate the status of the wines from this ancient wine region of France. This wine was produced at Laroche's superb 'Mas La Chevalière' near Béziers. Fermented on a selected Rhône yeast strain, the wine was macerated for four weeks to extract maximum colour, and matured in tank and oak. It is an inky black, with distinctive black cherry aromas enlivened by hints of ground pepper. Well structured and full bodied, with concentrated plum flavours.



Pierre Brecht

Alsace Pinot Gris 2006

was \$31 now **\$19.90** 42400

BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR ONLY \$19.50 A BOTTLE

This is a perfect summer wine from Alsace, fresh and lively with an excellent depth of fruit. It has an expressive bouquet of pear, spice, hazelnut and musk. The palate has a weighty, almost lush, mouthfeel that emphasises the ripe-tasting fruit flavours. A dash of grapefruit provides balance and a fine lingering freshness to the finish. It is a particularly well-priced Alsace Pinot Gris that's food friendly and ready to enjoy; serve slightly chilled with cold cuts, shellfish and salads.



Arrogant Frog

Ribet White Chardonnay Viognier 2006

was \$19.90 now **\$16.90** 43963

BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR ONLY \$15.90 A BOTTLE

One could never accuse Jean-Claude Mas of not having a sense of humour. He markets his Vin de Pays wine selection under the Arrogant Frog label. This wine is a blend of 60% Chardonnay seasoned with a 40% dollop of Viognier, each fermented separately. It is a brilliant, golden yellow wine with an elegant bouquet of tropical fruit, peach and floral aromas. The palate is elegantly structured, with well defined fruit flavours enhanced by spicy notes and balanced by a fresh, persistent finish. Great with seafood, chicken and sushi.



Jean Chartron

Le Jaja de Jean Chardonnay 2006

was \$34 now **\$25** 41436

BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR ONLY \$24.50 A BOTTLE

Domaine Jean Chartron was established in the 19th-Century in the village of Puligny-Montrachet, renowned for producing some of the greatest dry white wines in the world. The Domaine owns some of the most prestigious Grand Crus and Premier Crus in the region, and has access to top-quality Chardonnay grapes. This wine was barrel fermented in seasoned oak and matured for six months. It is an elegant, well balanced, pale golden wine with fresh pip-fruit and citrus aromas and flavours supported by understated oak and enhanced by a smooth texture.



Paul Jaboulet

Parallèle 45 Côtes du Rhône 2006

was \$21.50 now **\$18.90** 45327

BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR ONLY \$18.50 A BOTTLE

Since the early 1950's, Parallèle 45 has earned accolades all over the world for its consistency and value. The 2006 is a blend of 60% Grenache and 40% Syrah that was carefully matured before being released. It is a youthful looking wine with a deep ruby colour and purple highlights. The relatively complex bouquet exhibits berry and plum aromas supported by spicy notes. The palate is structured around a core of supple tannins that complement the spicy fruit flavours.



Michel Gros Hautes Côtes de Nuits

Bourgogne Pinot Noir 2005

was \$44 now **\$34.90** 41397

BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR ONLY \$34.50 A BOTTLE

This Domaine is owned and operated by Michel Gros, the eldest of a talented trio of sibling winemakers, each commanding great respect for their own Burgundian wineries. Michel is a superbly skilled winemaker, and in recent years has twice been voted International Winemaker of the Year. This 2005 is a classic expression of Burgundian Pinot Noir. It has a refined, aromatic nose of soft red fruit and tasty, earthy nuances that lead seamlessly onto an elegant palate. Finely tuned and beautifully structured.



Italy

Each month, discover the value and style of Italian wines

Pasqua

Le Collezioni Merlot IGT 2006

was \$12.90 now **\$11.90** 62467

BUY A CASE OF 6 FOR ONLY \$10.90 A BOTTLE

For the price of a fill-up and a couple of chocolate bars at the gas station, you can buy a whole case of this enjoyable Italian Merlot. Made from grapes grown in the Friuli region of the Veneto, the wine was fermented on selected yeasts in controlled temperature vessels to extract maximum flavour. A youthful ruby wine with purple flashes around the rim, it has a fragrant bouquet of berry and plum. The palate is full of seductive fruit flavours enhanced by a supple, silky mouthfeel and velvety tannins. Ready to drink, and a good match with lamb or beef.

Pasqua

V Valpolicella DOC 2006

was \$16.90 now **\$14.90** 66006

BUY A CASE OF 6 FOR ONLY \$13.90 A BOTTLE

Outstanding value from Pasqua, and made from Italy's famous trio of native varieties, Corvina, Rondinella and Corvinone, grown in the hilly vineyards of the Clasico zone just north of Verona. Traditionally fermented at controlled temperatures and put through malolactic to soften the palate, it's medium bodied and nicely rounded, has a juicy character and finishes on an easy, rounded note. Superbly priced and worth buying by the case to see you through the summer months; an excellent wine for barbeques.

Pasqua

Night Harvest Pinot Grigio IGT 2006

was \$16.90 now **\$14.90** 66079

BUY A CASE OF 6 FOR ONLY \$13.90 A BOTTLE

Pinot Gris ('Grigio' in Italy) is a variety that produces quite different styles of wine, depending on where it is grown. This wine is from Italy's cool north-eastern district of the Veneto region. It was harvested early and in the cool of the night to maximise balance and fruit freshness. A bright, clean wine with nicely spice-accented pear and mineral notes and a hint of smoke on the nose. The light bodied palate has fresh fruit flavours, enhanced by nutty nuances and balanced by a lemon finish. Widely served in trattorias because it is particularly food friendly.

Cecchi

Bonizio Sangiovese IGT 2006

was \$19.90 now **\$16.90** 62448

BUY A CASE OF 6 FOR ONLY \$15.90 A BOTTLE

Since 1893 the Cecchi family have been making wines that reflect the unique nature of the place where the grapes are grown. The family is renowned for its superb Chianti, but has long believed that Sangiovese from the Maremma region can rival the best that Tuscany can produce. Following ten years of research and investment in Maremma, the result is this 100% Sangiovese, Bonizio. It is a richly-coloured wine with a complex nose that hints at cherry, wild thyme and violet. Full bodied and well structured, it's dominated by ripe blueberry flavours with faintly floral, herb-like nuances. Supple and harmonious, it has a warm heart and a big, tasty finish.

Santa Margherita

Prosecco di Valdobbiadene DOC Brut NV

was \$30 now **\$22.90** 62538

BUY A CASE OF 6 FOR ONLY \$22.00 A BOTTLE

The ancient Prosecco variety is grown almost exclusively in the Valdobbiadene district, north of Venice. In earlier times this late-ripening variety stopped fermenting naturally in late autumn, leaving residual sugar that started a second ferment in spring to produce a fizzy wine. These days the process is controlled, and the Spumante bubbles are created by the Charmat process. A pale wine with a steady stream of bubbles, it has a lovely aromatic bouquet hinting at stone-fruit and apple. Beautifully balanced, with an elegant and clean yet flavoursome palate, this is a superb aperitif and perfect with shellfish.

Pasqua Sagramoso

Ripasso Valpolicella Superiore DOC 2004

was \$29.00 now **\$25** 66081

BUY A CASE OF 6 FOR ONLY \$24.00 A BOTTLE

This was made by the 'ripasso' method from a blend of the traditional native Valpolicella varieties grown in selected vineyards in the Vald'illasi. Following fermentation, the wine was re-fermented for about two weeks on the lees of Amarone (wine made using dried grapes) to impart greater aromatic complexity and body. It was then matured in barrel for 12 months. The distinctive bouquet displays morello cherry, red berry and herb aromas seasoned by a touch of oak. The palate is well structured, with forward fruit flavours enhanced by smooth, silky tannins.

a taste of
Spain

Tapeña

Tempranillo 2006

was \$19.50 now **\$16.90** 88041

BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR ONLY \$15.90 A BOTTLE

Tapeña (pronounced tah-pay-nyah) wines are made by the Ferrer family, who have a distinguished winemaking history dating back several centuries. This Tempranillo, grown in the 'tierra de Castilla' south of Madrid, is a lushly styled red with bright, spicy cherry aromas leading on to the deliciously fruit-driven palate. Wonderfully smooth, and great with grilled meats.



Tapeña

Garnacha 2006

was \$19.50 now **\$16.90** 88040

BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR ONLY \$15.90 A BOTTLE

This Garnacha was grown in Castilla y Leon, the cultural cradle of Spain. It has blackberry and plum aromas underscored by spicy notes, while the palate opens on a fine fruit note that expands to display hints of mineral and herb. Seductively smooth, it is excellent value and the perfect accompaniment to food.



Solar Viejo

Crianza 2004

was \$25 now **\$19.90** 88006

BUY A CASE OF 6 FOR ONLY \$18.90 A BOTTLE

Solar Viejo was established in 1937 in Rioja Alavesa, near the ancient town of Laguardia. 100% Tempranillo matured in French and American oak barriques for 12 months, it displays distinctive aromas of cherry, spice and toffee. The integrated fruity palate is nicely complemented by a smooth texture, mellow tannins and a lengthy finish.



Marques de Caceres

Crianza 2004

was \$28 now **\$25** 87999

BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR ONLY \$24.50 A BOTTLE

If you're fond of well balanced reds with good weight and a lingering aftertaste that won't cost you the proverbial limbs, look no further. Aged in oak barrels for 12 months and a further 14 months in bottle, it has an oak-seasoned, spicy cherry bouquet. The palate has a fleshy feel, lovely supple tannins and a long, flavoursome finish.



Port
Quinta de la Rosa

It is fitting this month that we should take a look at the family-owned bodega (winery) of Portugal's Quinta de la Rosa, for we are privileged to have one of the family, Sophia Bergqvist, visiting at the end of February. Sophia can answer all those port questions that you've always wanted to ask, while we can give you a quick overview of this fascinating producer.

Sophia's father, Tim Bergqvist, inherited the vineyards (quintas) and winery from his mother, Claire, who was gifted these prime sites, high above the Douro River, as a christening present in 1906. Yip, most girls get a charm bracelet, but I guess they do things a bit differently in Portugal. While family history and respect for tradition is the essential lifeblood at De La Rosa, Sophia and Tim have not been backward in coming forward, and since the early 1990s, they have expanded the brand to include the production of high-quality red table wine from the Douro region.

That said, it is the family's ports that have gained fame the world over, and in the face of big brand domination and increasing homogeneity of styles, it is exciting to drink ports that reflect both their unique terroir and the fiercely individualistic approach to winemaking of the family themselves.

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79019	Quinta de la Rosa Vintage Port 2004	\$95.00

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the GLENGARRY Top 10

february

Each month, from the hundreds of wines submitted to us, the Glengarry Tasting Panel selects our top ten wines

1 **G** Ada
Minotauro Azul 2004was \$21 now **\$18.90** 88022

An appealing Spanish red blended from native Garnacha and Tempranillo varieties with Merlot and Cabernet Sauvignon. It's balanced, silky smooth and dominated by supple red berryfruit.

**2** Waipara Hills
South Island Pinot Gris 2007was \$19.90 now **\$17.90** 10918

A beautifully fresh Pinot Gris with fine spicy pear nuances on the nose and palate enhanced by a mouthfilling body, an elegant textural subtlety and a long, crisp finish.

**3** Nga Waka Home Block
Martinborough Chardonnay 2004was \$35 now **\$29.90** 15809

A rich, complex wine characterized by spicy, mineral-edged aromas and deep-seated varietal flavours, supported by mealy nuances and a subtle buttery texture. Elegant drinking.

**4** Okahu
Northland Pinotage 2006was \$30 now **\$24.90** 15013

This cross of Pinot Noir and Cinsault grapes is a medium-bodied red with well defined berryfruit aromas and flavours and a warm, supple mouthfeel that's supported by ripe tannins.

**5** Rockburn
Central Otago Sauvignon Blanc 2007was \$23.90 now **\$19.90** 12332

Partial fermentation in oak barrels has provided this wine with a weighty, creamy dimension that enhances the mineral-edged gooseberry and tropical fruit flavours. Beautifully balanced.

**6** Kingsmill Estate Tippet's Dam
Central Otago Pinot Noir 2006was \$47 now **\$36.90** 14950

A Gold Medal, single vineyard (Bannockburn) Pinot Noir that's all class. Intensely flavoured, complex wine with cherry and herb aromas and flavours supported by spicy oak nuances.

**7** Matua Valley Matheson
Hawkes Bay Chardonnay 2006was \$22 now **\$16.90** 14004

This is a super buy, wonderfully harmonious, with ripe pear-like aromas supported by spicy oak nuances. Medium bodied, it is silky smooth and finishes on a bright citrus note.

**8** The Ned
Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc 2007was \$19.50 now **\$16.90** 12244

This Sauvignon from Brett Marris bursts onto the nose with pungent, crunchy gooseberry aromas. The compelling, fruit-driven palate is magnificently vibrant and zesty.

**9** Weeping Sands
Waiheke Island Merlot Cabernets 2005was \$25 now **\$22.90** 15881

A spicy and slightly fleshy blend of Bordeaux varietals with ripe, upfront berry aromas, a twist of smoky oak and a lovely juicy mouthfeel that's balanced by the firm, lengthy aftertaste.

**10** Villa Maria Gravel Lane Vineyard
Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc 2007was \$29 now **\$24** 19551

Superb Gold Medal Sauvignon with a pungent, mineral-edged aromatic bouquet of passion-fruit and gooseberry. Deeply flavoured and well balanced, it finishes on a smart citrus note.

**10**

Top 10

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Southern Gentleman

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bitters and Tuaca



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Jager Mule

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New Zealand Iced Tea

Add Lemon Z limoncello to a strong iced tea, with slices of citrus fruits and sprigs of fresh mint.

Late Night Lemon

Make a hot toddy with Lemon Z limoncello, scotch, fresh lemon juice, hot water and a cinnamon stick.

Lemon Z, Lime and Bitters

Mix Lemon Z limoncello, Gin, soda water, fresh lime and a dash of Angostura bitters.