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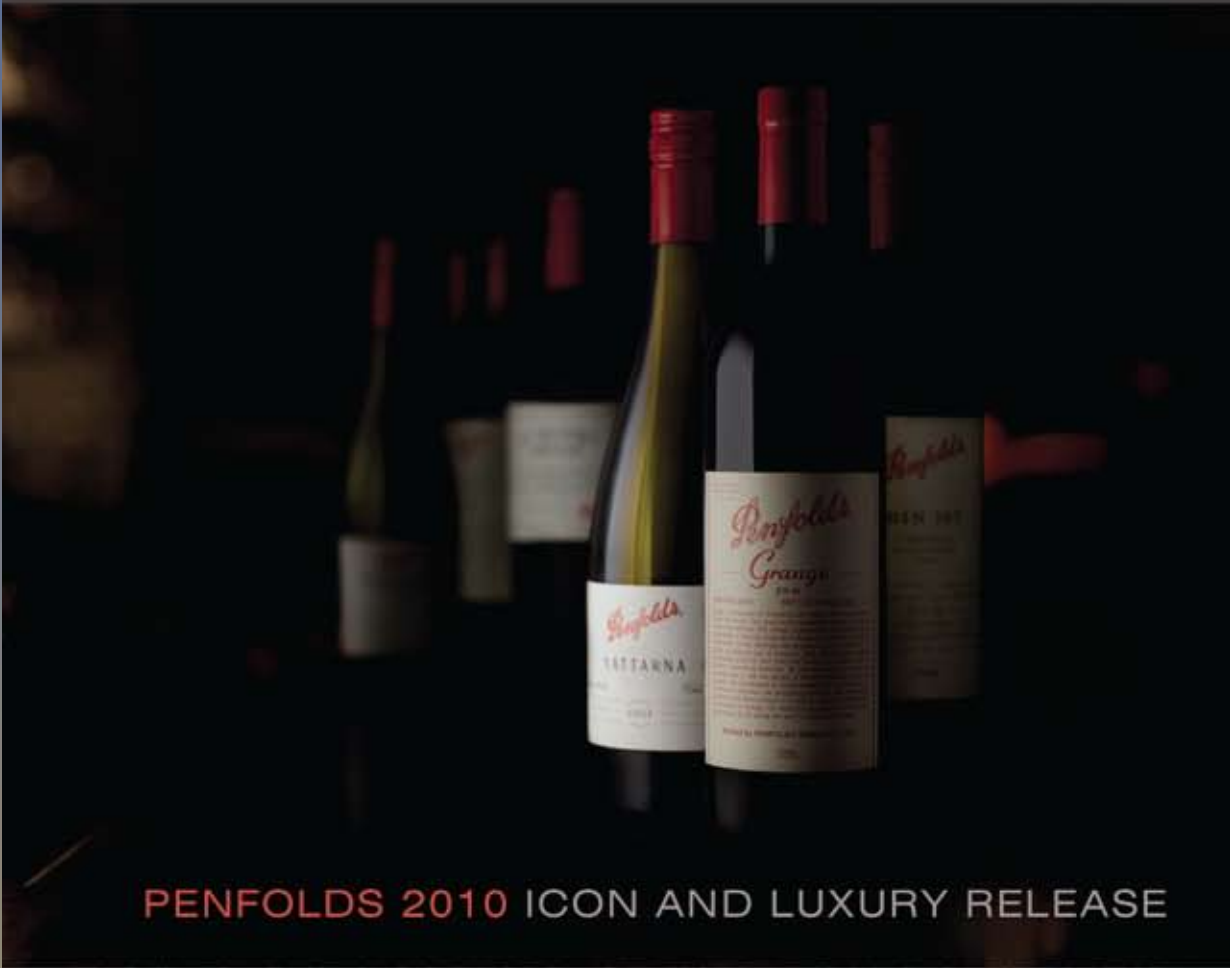
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Crusher Road
Marlborough Pinot Gris 2009



was \$14.90 now **\$10.90** 13421

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$10.40 A BOTTLE

Exclusive to Glengarry

Great name for a wine, Crusher Road, like something out of a Springsteen song, you know, 'Mary left her tears trailing in the dust/Eddie was the only boy she could trust/nowhere to hide nowhere to go/they hit the curves on the Crusher Road.' Um. An under-priced, over-delivering Pinot Gris of some girth and weight, dripping with honeysuckle-tamed fruit and awash in varietal richness. At this price, nab a case; have some on hand at all times. As The Boss will tell you, you never know what's just around the corner.



Crusher Road
Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc 2009

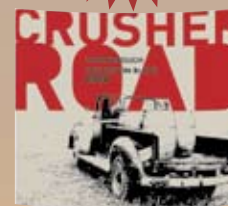


was \$14.90 now **\$10.90** 13341

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$10.00 A BOTTLE

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A Glengarry exclusive, this indeed has a pick-up truck on the label. We're okay with that. We're completely in touch with our inner Kenworth. And this? Well, it's all about laying the dust with something that has some fruit, flavour and punch, at a price that might get you a pie at a roadside diner. Or something similar.



Sacred Hill

Marlborough Pinot Noir 2009

was \$21.90 now **\$14.90** 18478

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$14.40 A BOTTLE

Great value Marlborough Pinot

Seven dollars off? What sort of malarkey is this? Old Muggins here is going to get off the couch and... hand the keys to the missus and get her to go down and grab a case while he focuses hard on changing the channel. A Pinot without the palaver, thank the gods, from a winery who know all about keeping it simple but very effective. Cherry infused, never confused, there's mushroom in there, too. Pull up a pew.



Tawhiri

Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc 2008

was \$18.90 now **\$14.90** 19295

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$14.40 A BOTTLE

Classic varietal aromas & flavours

It's a bit of an Excess All Areas vino, this, with its over-abundance of varietal cut grass and herbaceousness; and really, isn't that what good Sauvignon is all about? You want in your face flavours and aromatics; here, they are offset beautifully by mineral hints and restrained acid. Balance: so difficult to attain, so easy to spell.



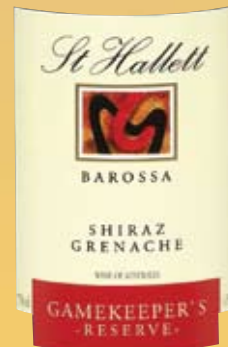
St Hallett Gamekeeper's Reserve
Barossa Shiraz Grenache 2008

was \$19.50 now **\$16.90** 27408

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$16.40 A BOTTLE

Jam-packed with flavour

This blend actually has 6% Touriga Naçionale in the final mix. Curious. Free from the constraints of oak this is all pepper and spice, sweet raspberry fruit and a tender brush of floral magic, just in case it didn't seem quite jam-packed enough with flavours and aromas. Aussies, eh? Over the top is never enough.



Trinity Hill

Hawke's Bay Syrah 2008

was \$22.00 now **\$16.90** 19286

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$16.40 A BOTTLE

Hawke's Bay Syrah for under \$20

Look, it may be vulgar to mention money, but first we see Marlborough Pinot under \$15 and now Hawke's Bay Syrah doing a similar dance. If only the fillet steak/lamb racks to go with this had come down to seven bucks a kilo. Then the butcher wouldn't be mad; he'd be king. This has peppery-laced black fruits, some gentle spice and a richness of which we are undeserving at less than \$20. John Hancock proves, again, that few know Syrah like he does, and, as Carly said, nobody does it better.



Brookfields Bergman

Hawke's Bay Chardonnay 2008

was \$19.90 now **\$15.90** 11270

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$15.40 A BOTTLE

Consistently brilliant, a classic

Spanish maverick Alvaro Palacios was saying that after 20 vintages he's just beginning to get an understanding of his land, and how the particular varieties fare in the various soil types. 'Life goes so fast,' he said in English, while chuckling in Spanish, and chuckling with him would be Brookfields' Peter Robertson. He kicked this winery off in 1977, and this wine, many vintages in, is a consistent, benchmark Chardonnay of some excellence.

PURCHASE ANY OF THE CABLE BAY WINES FEATURED BELOW BEFORE 6TH JUNE AND GO IN THE DRAW TO WIN DINNER FOR TWO AT THE STUNNING CABLE BAY RESTAURANT ON WAIHEKE, VALUED AT \$200.00

WINE IS THE ART OF LIFE



CABLE BAY



Waiheke Island, vinous crowning glory of the Hauraki Gulf, boasts a number of jewels among its wineries, and surely one of the brightest gems is Cable Bay. The winery was founded in 1996 by its Chief Winemaker, Neill Culley, together with a small group of people passionate about New Zealand wine.

Accredited by Sustainable Wine Growing New Zealand, the company's five Waiheke Island vineyards are located on unique sites, providing a range of fruit with different attributes.

In addition, Cable Bay sources grapes from 'grower friends' in Central Otago and Marlborough. Regardless of regional origin, the wines are all made at their impressive state-of-the-art winery complex. Neill Culley says, 'We take an Old World approach and combine it with New World techniques to produce opulent, stylish wines that reflect the land where they began.'

The focus is on producing small lots of separate parcels of fruit from the various vineyards to create wines with their own personality, balanced with layers of flavour and interest. Neill states, 'Our aim is to produce a wine where the last glass from the bottle is better than the first. Wines which capture our attention and imagination.'

Just a ferry ride from downtown Auckland, the Cable Bay Winery is well worth a visit, its stylish buildings housing a top-class restaurant, a tasting area and a private dining/conference room, along with the collection of interesting art works residing in its outdoor courtyards.



Cable Bay Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc 2009

was \$22.90 now **\$18.90** 12447

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$18.40 A BOTTLE

Ripe fruit flavours with a refreshing edge

The fruit was harvested from two Marlborough sub-regions, each providing distinctive characteristics. The wine was cool fermented to retain aromatic definition and freshness, and several months of lees aging has provided a degree of complexity and textural richness. It displays integrated aromas of tropical fruit, peach and capsicum, while the palate is dominated by ripe fruit flavours, beautifully balanced by a rasp of refreshing citrus.



Cable Bay Waiheke Island Chardonnay 2007

was \$37.90 now **\$32.90** 12564

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$32.40 A BOTTLE

Excellent food wine; nuances of peach and spice

A blend from five vineyards, fermented in French barriques, with about 20% allowed to go through natural fermentation. After ten months of maturation on lees, the final blend displays a complex, integrated bouquet, with peach and understated spicy oak aromas and flavours supported by biscuity characters. It is an excellent food wine, with waves of flavours resonating throughout.

Cable Bay Five Hills Waiheke Merlot Malbec Cabernet 2006

was \$37.90 now **\$32.90** 12565

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$32.40 A BOTTLE

Complex, richly flavoured, outstanding

Anyone harbouring doubts about the quality of Waiheke Island reds should try this outstanding Bordeaux varietal blend. The fruit was hand harvested from five meticulously managed, low-yielding vineyards. After primary and malolactic fermentations, the wine was matured for 12 months in French oak. Complex and richly flavoured, with nuances of plum, berry, coffee and cedar and a supple tannin structure.



Cable Bay Waiheke Island Viognier 2009

was \$37.90 now **\$32.90** 12571

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$32.40 A BOTTLE

Fragrant nose with a ripe, clean, creamy palate

The hand harvested fruit was cool fermented in stainless steel tanks and a small portion lees-aged in seasoned French oak barriques to add greater dimension. It has a fragrant bouquet with characteristic varietal apricot and pear aromas and just a hint of spicy oak. The weighty palate has excellent depth of ripe fruit, a creamy texture and a fine, clean finish.



SPARKLING

A celebration of sparkling wines from across the globe to make every day a festive occasion

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ALLAN SCOTT

Cecilia Reserve Brut NV

was \$26.50 now **\$19.90** 17397

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$19.40 A BOTTLE

Elegant blend of Chard & Pinot

He's made quite a foray into the sparkling arena, has Allan; I guess when you've done twenty-plus vintages of Sauvignon you might be ready for a challenge. Cecilia is like a house style now; a richly generous blend of Chardonnay and Pinot Noir, stylish, elegant and utterly approachable. Biscuity lees notes support the fruit, while the long tail has a tarty citrus tinge. Go the price, too.

YOU SAVE **25%**



Les Joutes Rouges Reserve Brut NV

was \$26.50 now **\$19.90** 17422

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$19.40 A BOTTLE

Smooth, rich rosé sparkler

Did you know that writer Cyril Connolly almost died by gorging himself on ripe mangoes? Extraordinary. I thought of it since this wine has an embarrassment of riches on the fruit front; oodles of strawberries and raspberries salaciously slipping out of your flute, so to speak. Yet there's meat to back the treats, too, and a smoothness that ensures there's no fear of choking whatever. Odd fellows, writers.



YOU SAVE **25%**

Blanc de Blancs Reserve Brut NV

was \$29.90 now **\$23.90** 17421

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$23.40 A BOTTLE

Refined with a biscuity richness

And the last in today's triumvirate of Allan Scott's sparklings, Mesdames and gendarmes, is the lean (but never mean) Blanc de Blancs, white from white and good as gold. While the style will always be elegant and refined, there is a good swirl of biscuity richness underpinning the proceedings, so if you felt the need for a little canapé... oh go on, Beverly, one more won't hurt.



NEW ZEALAND Daniel Le Brun
Méthode Traditionnelle Brut NV

was \$31.00 now **\$24.90** 12145

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$24.40 A BOTTLE

One of our biggest sellers

My word that's a sharp little price on a wine that is one of our biggest sellers, stomping out the door as it does. So legendary is Daniel, there should be a bronze bust of a bottle overlooking the Wairau River acknowledging twenty-odd years of consistently brilliant méthode. Classy, stylish, but never elitist, she's pitch perfect.



FRANCE Moët & Chandon
Brut Impérial NV

was \$89.00 now **\$59.90** 47211

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$59.40 A BOTTLE

Highly popular, a classic

If you need to know what Moët is about, you've either been inside for something nasty, or you've had a case of the Howard Hughes and have been living in a hotel room hooked up to a blood transfusion machine and avoiding all human contact. Either way, at this price, get out of bed and introduce yourself.



YOU SAVE **33%**

FRANCE Lanson
Black Label Brut NV

was \$77.00 now **\$69.90** 46313

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$69.40 A BOTTLE

Rich florals, toast and honey

No malolactic fermentation. Maybe not as significant as Obama's healthcare reforms, but in the bright world of bubbly it's quite a big call. It means that Lanson always has a richness and an extra edge to its spring-time florals and toast and honey. In another first, they use the word 'plenitude' on their website. Well done.



FRANCE Dom Pérignon
Vintage 2000

was \$326.00 now **\$199.00** 47240

Outstanding cuvée, great price

Now we're talking. Let's face it, Dom's not a wine, it's an event. An Aladdin's Cave of sensual experiences, the nose is clean and fresh, with hints of gardenia, smoke, citrus and more, while the palate is a slow-build slowdive of rich fruits boldly spiced with ginger and other exotic scents and tastes. Outstandingly fresh, the rewards are manifold now, but cellar it and you'll be the talk of your town.



YOU SAVE **39%**

The Iberian Peninsula Spain

Rioja



The thing with borders, if you all grab your atlases, is you'll find, particularly in Europe, that they are man-made, and thus often divide countries, regions and therefore cultures in an almost random fashion. With Spain and Portugal both undergoing something akin to vinous revolutions, and with those revolutions happening in markedly similar ways – uneconomic winemaking processes abandoned, seemingly uneconomic vineyards restored to their former glories, and so forth – we thought it would pay to treat the two as one, and view the Iberian Peninsula as a whole.

Far from lumping everyone in together, what's interesting are the similarities that pop up as, region by region, we take a look, via the wines being produced, at what's happening on the ground and, indeed, in it.

Up till 15 or 20 years ago, both countries were dismissed in many quarters as producing difficult, brawny, tannic reds, while the whites were judged by press and punters alike as hard and flavourless. Not all the wines and not all the press, but in a general sense, such has been the fate of the Iberian Peninsular. Oh, of course, we love your ports, Luis and, yes, some Rioja even shows fruit, but then there's the labelling being so odd, and do they even have an appellation system?

Both countries are very well regulated, as it happens, and the wines we look at are all at least DO status and higher. In terms of labelling, the trend for producers to now be the rock stars and to make wines from a mixture of indigenous and imported varieties means understanding the labels is a lot more straightforward. A little effort, and a reminder that it is what's in the bottle that counts, will go a long way towards adding breadth to your Iberian experience.

And it is what's in the bottle that counts; we are continually amazed at how much flavour, intrigue and class you get for your financial outlay. Even the more expensive wines offer extraordinary value, especially when lined up against some of the more high-profile international stars.

So, we swear that whatever your particular penchant is – red, white, portular or sherried – the wines we feature come from the best producers on the peninsula, the ones leading both these countries into international recognition, respect and demand. We hope you enjoy having a nose around.

It seems almost impossible to discuss any major wine region in Europe without having to deal with the phylloxera issue, and Rioja is no exception, even if their experience is slightly different than most. It wasn't until the early 20th century that the vines were ravaged by the nasty pestilence, but at the end of the 19th century, when the French were suffering from major phylloxera outbreaks themselves, they went on the lookout for new wine regions to explore. And they came in droves, or at the very least Peugeots, to Rioja.



Solar Viejo
Crianza 2007

was \$25.00 now **\$18.90** 88009

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$18.40 A BOTTLE

Spicy, succulent, sweet, ripe fruit

Solar Viejo has sat high and proud in northern Rioja since 1937. Their 'least aged' red is a berry-burst of cherries and plums supported by typical Rioja notes of tobacco and cedar. Slightly spicy, succulent with sweet, ripe fruit, it's a right poppet, a princess even...



Solar Viejo
Reserva 2004

was \$36.00 now **\$24.90** 88010

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$24.40 A BOTTLE

Savoury, meaty Rioja red

This shows a bit of terracotta around its deep red centre. Remarkably fresh, it's also a savoury, meaty expression, softly powerful with broad shoulders and a slightly furrowed brow. With sticks of liquorice and baskets of fruit, it is complex, full, deeply enjoyable.



88012 **Solar Viejo** Cosecha 2008

was \$20.00 now **\$16.90**



Allende
Rioja 2004

was \$55.00 now **\$44.90** 87800

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$44.40 A BOTTLE

92/100, Robert Parker

Having revived flagging vineyards in the hill town of Briones in the Rioja Alta, the de Gregorio brother and sister team are hell-bent on making heaven-sent Rioja and 'the purest expression possible.' Very impressive, deeply rich and concentrated, yet also ebulliently fruity. A stunning example of modern Rioja.

Rioja

We care because? Well, mes enfants, the French impact on Rioja's winemaking tradition has been extensive. The first commercial bodegas were founded here as the French arrived, and they were modeled on the great Bordeaux châteaux. The French brought barriques with them (or at least the idea thereof), they brought winemaking skills and approaches that the Spanish simply hadn't seen.

But then came the Spanish Civil War, World War II and other nasties, and so, just as Rioja was getting good, its reputation faded somewhat. Not at home of course, and the Latin Americans lapped it up in the 1970s; but slowly, through the '80s and '90s, the rest of the world got the Rioja bug.

The extensive aging in oak, though, ensured the wines were too tannic for many of us, and it's only in the last decade or so that some almost anti-traditional, anarchic winemakers have turned history on its head and started to show wines with the suppleness and full-on fruit that we all know Tempranillo is capable of producing under the right conditions.

So, if your past experience is tannic, heavy reds, drink again, for the new Rioja is a very different beast to the one of old.



Palacios Remondo La Vendimia Rioja 2008

was \$24.90 now **\$19.90** 88060

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$19.40 A BOTTLE

Sassy, succulent, modern Rioja

A youthful expression, about as removed from old Rioja as you could possibly get. 50/50 Garnacha and Tempranillo, it has all the sassy, succulent sway of the latter and the star-bright, ripe, red fruits of the former. Generous, fully flavoured, very attractive.

Palacios Remondo Propiedad Rioja 2007

was \$59.90 now **\$49.90** 88057

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$49.40 A BOTTLE

Sumptuous spice, coffee, chocolate

'Propiedad' means property, the fruit all coming from the Palacios estate vineyards at the eastern end of the Rioja region, their charms harnessed by the indefatigable Alvaro Palacios. Sumptuous spice notes, gentle coffee and chocolate touches and rich, juicy fruit are integrated beautifully in this exquisite expression.



88054 **Palacios Remondo** La Montesa Rioja 2006

was \$36.90 now **\$24.90**



Marqués de Murrieta Tinto Reserva 2005

was \$64.00 now **\$49.90** 81019

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$49.40 A BOTTLE

Cherry, vanilla & sturdy tannins

The first Marqués was Peruvian, as it happens, and they are one of the leading bodegas in Rioja. It's true, I read it on the internet. Distinctly Rioja, this reserve red has cherries to swoon for, licks of vanillin oak and a sturdy tannic grip, reflecting the winery's policy of long aging in oak.

Marqués de Cáceres Reserva Rioja 2002

was \$40.00 now **\$34.90** 87991

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$34.40 A BOTTLE

Complex and multi-layered

Having undergone many years in barrel and bottle, the emerging wine is exciting, complex and multi-layered. Huge waves of dark fruit surge beneath the tannic tide, tobacco, cedar and leather lash the berries mercilessly and the whole is an intense, rewarding experience.



87997 **Marqués de Cáceres** Blanco 2007

was \$19.00 now **\$16.90**

87990 **Marqués de Cáceres** Crianza 2005

was \$27.00 now **\$22.90**

87996 **Marqués de Cáceres** Gran Reserva 2001

was \$50.00 now **\$45.90**

Bierzo

Bierzo is tucked away in the north-west of Spain, as much as you can tuck away 3000 square kilometres of DO vineyards. Our man, the groundbreaking Alvaro Palacios, has ridden into the region and said to the local, traditional growers (as politely as possible, no doubt) that the area and the local Mencía grape have quite some potential that they may, in fact, have not fully realised.

Along with nephew Ricardo and the highly-thought of, equally pioneering Dominio de Tares, Alvaro Palacios bought up sites long considered unproductive, replanted traditional varieties in terroir where they would thrive, and brought modern technology and thinking into an area that probably considered a burro pulling a plough to be highly mechanised.

Descendientes de J. Palacios Petalos Bierzo 2007

was \$35.00 now **\$28.90** 88056

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$28.40 A BOTTLE

92/100, Robert Parker

This wine takes off in a thoroughly modern direction, all bright fruit, layered flavours and expertly massaged tannins. If you thought that Spanish reds were unforgiving, you're at the wrong confessional; this is approachable, seductive and satisfying in the extreme.



Dominio de Tares Baltos Bierzo 2007

was \$39.90 now **\$29.90** 88115

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$29.40 A BOTTLE

90/100, Parker & Wine Spectator

This concentrated, fruit-proud, meaty expression of 40-year-old Mencía vines, low yields and smart wine-making is a great example of why the revolution in Spain is so profound. With scores of 90 from both Parker and Spectator, you'd expect to pay way more.

Spain

Ribera del Duero

We seem to say it about every Spanish region, but Ribera del Duero (the banks of the Duero) is one of Spain's most exciting wine regions. Located an hour's mule ride and a bit from Madrid, the cultivation of excellent reds from the Tinto Fino variety (Tempranillo by any other name) has gone on here for centuries, with the King's court happy to slosh them down their tunics and not share them with the world.

But since DO status was awarded in 1982, along with compulsory legwarmers for the cold winter nights, the region has come on in leaping bounds. The key here is the landscape; it is very, very high here, and despite searing summer heat, the altitude and the cool nights mean the grapes develop flavours and concentration that would just blow out otherwise.

The aromatics in particular can be swoon-inducing, with the great wines explosively heady, intoxicatingly exotic, spicy, sweet-edged and opulent. And the other thing we always say about Spain, of course, is that its wines offer extraordinary value. There is a depth and intensity to the bulk of these offerings that would command far more pesetas from your pink pockets if they came from, say, oh, I don't know, the Barossa, or Coonawarra.

But while the revolutions in these Spanish regions are becoming world-renowned, the prices haven't quite yet caught up with the critics, leaving us, the consumer, to make hay. Or at least, a very tasty paella.

Protos

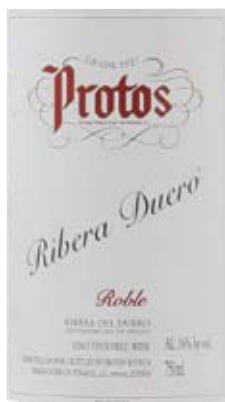
Roble Ribera del Duero 2007

was \$24.90 now **\$19.90** 88069

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$19.40 A BOTTLE

Vibrant, youthful red

Wine wasn't being produced in this region before the pioneers at Protos came along; they were the first. By planting in the right soils and applying modern winemaking techniques, they have shown that vibrant young reds with just a touch of oak can be ours.



88078 **Protos Verdejo** 2008
88073 **Protos Crianza** 2004

was \$28.90 now **\$19.90**
was \$45.00 now **\$34.90**



Aalto

Ribera del Duero 2006

was \$85.00 now **\$69.90** 88090

94/100, Robert Parker

A collaboration between Mariano Garcia, a former top winemaker at the famed Vega Sicilia winery, and Javier Zaccagnini, former President of the governing body of the Ribera del Duero's AOC, this was always going to be something special. Everything at Aalto speaks quality. Underlining that, Parker doesn't hand out this sort of score lightly.



Emilio Moro

Finca Resalso 2007

was \$29.00 now **\$19.90** 87750

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$19.40 A BOTTLE

90/100, Robert Parker

Named after Emilio's first-ever vineyard, this is a delightful little drop, made for your enjoyment nowish, not later. It sees a bit of French oak (bonjour!) but is defiantly unfiltered (au revoir!), the intense berry flavours lifted with coffee, spice and tobacco notes.



87755 **Emilio Moro Red** 2005

was \$51.00 now **\$47.90**

Rias Baixas

You don't really envisage Spaniards trudging their way home through thick fog, collar up, enthusiasm down, but up in the far north-west of the country, the climate is maritime; mild temperatures, buckets of rain and the odd pea soup. And while we're realigning our traditional perceptions of Spain as a wine-making nation, red wines virtually don't even feature up this way, either.

Indeed, this region's reputation, which is not inconsiderable – it was accorded DO status in 1988 – is largely forged on the fortunes of the Albariño grape. Planted by Cistercian monks in the 12th century, the variety produces lively, sometimes angular, sometimes more fleshy, mineral-tinged whites, wines that make a lot more sense when paired with fish, that being the cuisine around these parts.

Viña Almirante Pionero

Mundi Rías Baixas Albariño 2008

was \$28.00 now **\$24.90** 87881

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$24.40 A BOTTLE

Mineral freshness, ripe stonefruit

With the look of the new Spain about it, this offering comes from one of the leading vintners in the region. Touched with fresh herbs, it is spiked with a mineral freshness that balances its fat, ripe stonefruit characters. Look, I know it's technically five to midday, but, the fridge was open and, you know...



Pazo Barrantes

Rías Baixas Albariño 2008

was \$49.00 now **\$39.90** 81024

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$39.40 A BOTTLE

Nuances of creamy apricot, peach & crisp apple

This is a vineyard managed by Marqués de Murrieta, the Riojan giant, and comes off a slip of a site (12ha) in the heart of the region. Full and fleshy, despite no wood being killed in the making of this vino, the fruits are creamy apricots and peaches and crisp apples.

Spain Priorat

The tiny DOQ enclave of Priorat almost solely owes its existence to the vision of Alvaro Palacios. Only he knows what attracted him to the vertigo-inducing, black slate hillsides of the region, even more to actually buying a 'you won't get a tractor up there, boy' steep schist vineyard in 1993.

When he pulled out of his hat, however, the stunning L'Ermita (which Glengarry currently has in stock) and had it named one of the world's greatest reds, every Spaniard worth his salt was saying, 'oh yeah, Priorat, I'd thought about getting some land there...'

Not far from Barcelona, yet a million miles from most of what's produced nearby, the wines of Alvaro and another amazing producer we discovered, Pares Balta, will stun and surprise in equal measure. Worth noting that this is only the second region to qualify as a DOQ, the top tier of Spain's regional qualification.



Alvaro Palacios Camins del Priorat 2007

was \$39.90 now **\$34.90** 88059

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$34.40 A BOTTLE
Spain's winemaker of the moment

Flamboyance with substance would be a reasonable summation of the Camins, with this blend of Alvaro's beloved Garnacha with Cabernet, Syrah and Cariñena demonstrating all the punch and power for which he is renowned while still being sweetly seductive.

Alvaro Palacios Les Terrasses Priorat 2006

was \$59.90 now **\$49.00** 88083

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$48.50 A BOTTLE
91/100, Robert Parker

It was 'Les Terrasses' that attracted Alvaro to Priorat, the steep, free-draining schist hillsides proving ideal for high quality Garnacha cultivation. A Cabernet-derived cigar-box character, luscious fruit, a hint of mineral and a fulsome power delivered with finesse.



88080 Alvaro Palacios Dofi Priorat 2006

was \$124.00 now **\$99.00**



Parés Balta Gratavinum 2π Priorat 2006

was \$65.00 now **\$49.00** 87850

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$48.50 A BOTTLE
A blend of Spanish & French varietals

A family winery renowned for their top-end Cava, Parés Balta also produce three wines from Priorat, under the Gratavinum label. 50% Garnacha, 30% Cariñena, 10% Cabernet Sauvignon and 10% Syrah, there is a massive (fruit) attack swiftly followed by liquorice, cedar and graphite. An exquisitely rendered representation of pure terroir.

Parés Balta Gratavinum GV5 Priorat 2006

was \$115.00 now **\$89.00** 87851

Intense wine with layers of flavour

Although the GV5 sounds like the latest Alfa Romeo, it is in fact an explosive expression of everything Priorat. The intensely flavoured fruit gets a major winery work out, and density and critical mass are the result. With granite-like solidity and layers of flavour, you'll need to return again and again.



Jumilla

As we swivel back around to the south-east we encounter one of Spain's most interesting regions, and one that has, like many of the others, undergone a recent transformation of some significance. Spared phylloxera first time around, nature cruelly got them just as Vanilla Ice topped the charts. Indeed 1989 was an annus horribilis, but they've bounced back, using the possible disaster as an opportunity to plant carefully and regraft vines with some thought for the region's future.

Monastrell (Mourvèdre to us) accounts for over 85% of vines planted, but have a dig around, because behind the odd tin shed or hidden in a field, some mavericks are doing interesting things with non-traditional varieties, Merlot in particular proving to be quite okay with 40-degree summer days and zero-degree winter nights.

Syrah and Cabernet are producing interesting expressions, too. And you must check out Luzon's organic offering; modern winemaking never tasted so guilt-free. What do the, erm, bankers say? It's red but it's green?

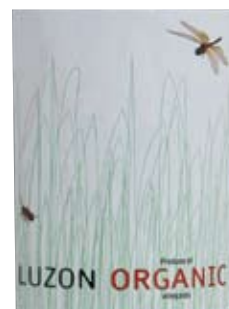


Luzon Organic Jumilla 2008

was \$23.00 now **\$16.90** 86958

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$16.40 A BOTTLE
Rich, generous, unoaked red

The label is so non-trad Spanish you'd be forgiven for thinking it were French or Italian. And the insides; well, the idea of a non-wooded Spanish red is almost heresy. Rich and generous and exquisitely structured, without a shred of oak coming near it.



Carchelo Jumilla 2008

was \$19.90 now **\$15.90** 81043

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$15.40 A BOTTLE
Monastrell-Syrah-Cabernet blend

Carchelo are fiercely modern; this blend of Monastrell, Syrah and Cabernet is probably still causing consternation in certain circles. With a capsule that looks like old-fashioned togs and a palate with more fruit than is decent at this price, resistance is, as they say, futile.

Spain

Cádiz

Cádiz, the town, is one of the oldest continually-inhabited cities in Europe, and if that dry statistic does nothing for you, it is also one of the most visually stunning. In wine terms, which are the terms in which all business should be conducted, it is part of the DO of Andalucía, the country's second biggest, and home, mostly, to sherry.

Thanks to the envelope-pushing personality of the likes of Vicente Taberner, wines other than the internationally-renowned fortifieds are poking their head above the sturdy parapet, and so the region has gone from being comfortable and predictable to, like so much of Spain, having a bit of a shake up.

The sherries we ship are from Valdespino, an old bodega and a world-renowned one, their output covering all the sherry bases, from the scintillating and dry 'Inocente' (and we all were once) through the thick, lush, Pedro Ximenez dominated styles. Forget the dusty flagon on your pop's sideboard, this is the real deal, and an entire world of wine that just might open you up like a can of sardines. 2010, the year of new experiences, then.



Huerta de Albalá Barbazul 2007

**YOU SAVE
30%**

was \$26.90 now **\$18.90** 88032

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$18.40 A BOTTLE

Outstanding red from indigenous Tintilla variety

Winemaker Vicente Taberner, who is a total legend around these parts, decided that the region's glory need not rest on sherry alone, and boom! We have a wine from the local Tintilla de Rota grape styled to blow you down with its audacious fruit, spice and sheer gall.

88030 Huerta de Albalá Taberner 2005

was \$49.00 now **\$39.00**

Valdespino Inocente Single Vineyard Fino Dry Sherry 375mL

was \$25.00 now **\$19.90** 89827

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$19.40 A BOTTLE

Brilliant matched with tapas

Banishing any residual notion you may have of sherry as an innocuous Granny-silencer, this is an exquisite wine, searingly dry with straw-like qualities and an underpinning nuttiness that opens it up to pair all manner of tasty tapa morsels. Superb lightly chilled.



89850 Valdespino Real Tesoro Manzanilla Sherry 750mL

was \$30.00 now **\$24.90**

89853 Valdespino Real Tesoro Fino Seco Sherry 750mL

was \$30.00 now **\$25.00**

89851 Valdespino Real Tesoro Oloroso Sherry 750mL

was \$31.50 now **\$28.90**

89852 Valdespino Real Tesoro Cream Sherry 750mL

was \$31.50 now **\$28.90**

89854 Valdespino Real Tesoro Pedro Ximenez Sherry 750mL

was \$42.00 now **\$35.00**

89828 Valdespino Deliciosa Manzanilla Sherry 375mL

was \$20.00 now **\$16.90**

89826 Valdespino El Candado Pedro Ximenez Sherry 375mL

was \$30.00 now **\$24.90**

89831 Valdespino Solera 1842 Oloroso VOS Sherry 375mL

was \$47.00 now **\$36.90**

89841 Valdespino Don Gonzalo Oloroso VOS Sherry 375mL

was \$46.00 now **\$36.90**

cava

Cava (simply Catalan for 'cave' or 'cellar') has its provenance in the late 18th century. A few pioneering souls saw the success the French were having with champagne and thought, et tu, Miguel. The designated local varieties are ideal for the production of sparkling wine; with the use of Chardonnay authorised in 1986, options really opened up for the region's producers. 95% of production is centred in Penedés, Catalonia, and none other than Hugh Johnson says firmly, 'the best can certainly be counted among the world's greatest sparkling wines.' Dip a toe in the tantalising tide – a brilliant bubbly experience awaits.

Perelada Brut Reserva Cava NV

was \$16.90 now **\$14.90** 88051

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$14.40 A BOTTLE

Castillo Perelada is the official cava at all functions for the Spanish King. The wine itself is an elegant sense-fest, with great acid/fruit/yeast balance and an irresistible charm. Warm, generous, delicious.



Perelada Rosado Cava NV

was \$17.90 now **\$15.90** 88052

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$15.40 A BOTTLE

Only autochthonous varieties used, they tell us, so no Chardonnay or ring-ins from France here. With beautifully boisterous red fruit aromas and characters, this wonderfully vibrant rosé delivers certain lift-off to any social gathering.



Freixenet Cordon Negro Brut Cava NV

was \$20.50 now **\$14.90** 85010

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$14.40 A BOTTLE

The new Freixenet tag is 'unplan the moment,' a nod in the direction of spontaneity, which is what a wine like this is all about. Refreshing, dry, with a citrusy complexity, there really should always be one in your fridge for those 'oh, c'mon, why not?' moments.

**YOU SAVE
27%**



Freixenet Extra Cava NV

was \$18.50 now **\$12.90** 85019

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$12.40 A BOTTLE

Slightly less dry than the House mainstay, with surges of citrus fruit tangily tarted up by some peachy melons and tides of tangerine. Vigorous and smooth, a suave changeout from the Cordon Negro, and while a delight on its own, it comes to life in a cocktail context.



Portugal

the DOURO

It's said that virtually every great wine region in the world has, at its heart, a great river. When the name of the river is the region itself, its significance is clear. The romance of the Douro River is that it winds its way from Spain, where it is the Duero, neatly threading together the Iberian Peninsula as a whole.

Of course the rather famous town of Porto lies on the same river, and for many of us, Portugal means port, period. However, some of the table wines being produced are very smart, the ubiquitous port grapes of Touriga Naçionale, etc. showing they can be massaged into excellent non-fortified expressions as well.

A selection of the port houses produce table wines alongside their fortifieds, while some new kids on the terraced block are table wine specialists alone, and have shown that all the rock breaking and back breaking may well be worth it.



Quinta de la Rosa douROSA Red Wine 2006

was \$26.00 now **\$18.90** 79008

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$18.40 A BOTTLE
Fresh, dynamically fruity red

It's always astounding to open up a four-year-old wine and be assailed by its vitality and freshness. In the Douro, where the wines can become as slow-moving as the river, this little peach delights. It fair skips along with dynamic fruit flavours and sprightly spice.



79007 **Quinta de la Rosa** Aguia Tinto Douro 2007

was \$32.00 now **\$28.00**

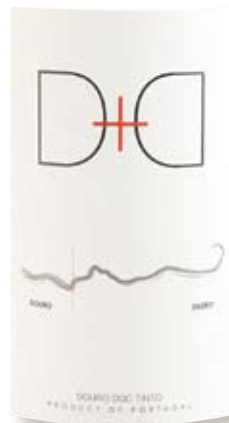
Quintas das Bandeiras Passagem Douro Tinto 2006

was \$59.00 now **\$49.00** 79050



Balance and power combined

A beautifully crafted cuvée, comprising mainly Touriga Naçionale and Touriga Franca from vineyards sited right on the river. The fruit has a delicious smoky character to it, the wine showing superb balance and barely restrained power. Broadly appealing, but unquestionably from the Douro.



Emilio Moro D+D Douro DOC Tinto 2006

was \$99.00 now **\$79.00** 87756

Portuguese fruit, Spanish know-how

EM is better known for his Ribera del Duero wines, but under this banner comes a wine almost borne of stubbornness, a blend from both sides of the Douro/Duero. Fleshy and broad as the river itself, it's a bold undertaking that has paid off handsomely.

Bairrada

Bairrada is a DOC appellation; carrying Portugal's highest legislative affixation means that there are some fundamental restrictions on yields, grape varieties used, alcohol levels, brand of 4WD to take the kids to the local school...

Just west of the Dao appellation and just south of Oporto, the region's reliable if historically anodyne reds were often blended into the ports made up the river, thus never gaining the opportunity for free expression of their own vibrant personalities, poor oppressed mites.

But with people like Luis Pato championing the prowess of the Bago variety, and backing that up with what's in the bottle, and a number of others in the region now looking forward, not back, we have yet another small but important appellation waving its own flag instead of someone else's.

Chewy, succulent, substantial reds are the order of the day, but check Luis' daughter Filipa's whites; a deft touch if ever there was one, and one that shows generalisations cannot be made about a region's output, despite what history may or may not point to. As Filipa says, 'I believe in the essential complementarity of tradition and innovation that is the reward of an open mind.'



Luis Pato Casta Baga Vinho Tinto 2007

RRP \$24.90 now **\$16.90** 79103



CASE OF 12 ONLY \$16.40 A BOTTLE

Luis has seemingly made international recognition of the potential of the Baga grape his life's work, although his website pic suggests he enjoys the odd meal and game of golf, natch. Primary fruit flavours abound, while a merlot-like chocolate silkiness brings things to a delicious finale. Tasty, simple, characterful.

79107 **Luis Pato** Maria Gomez Blanco 2009

rrp \$19.90 now **\$16.90**

79102 **Luis Pato** Vinhas Velhas Blanc 2008

rrp \$27.90 now **\$17.90**

79106 **Luis Pato** Vinha Barrosa 2005

rrp \$24.90 now **\$18.90**

79104 **Luis Pato** Vinhas Velhas Tinto 2007

rrp \$48.90 now **\$34.00**

79108 **Luis Pato** Quinta do Moinho 2001

rrp \$74.00 now **\$69.00**



F Pato Ensaios Blanco 2008

was \$29.90 now **\$19.90** 79109



CASE OF 12 ONLY \$19.40 A BOTTLE

A chemistry graduate who has worked at Cantenac Brown and Leeuwin Estate, Filipa is as keen as her ebullient pops to showcase the undiscovered glory of the region and its indigenous varieties. This is a citrus-fresh, slightly floral wine with a creamy texture and a long, mineral, almost Chablis-like finish.

79110 **F Pato** Ensaios Tinto 2007

rrp \$29.90 now **\$19.90**

79111 **F Pato** Lokal Calcario 2007

rrp \$76.90 now **\$69.00**

79112 **F Pato** Silex 2007

rrp \$76.90 now **\$69.00**

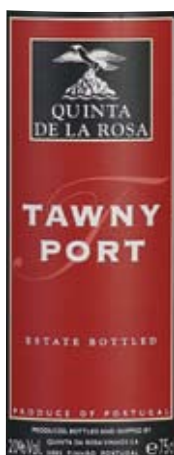
Portuguese Port

Where do you start with port? By taking the top off, of course. But seriously, most people know the history – fortify the wines with alcohol and ship them to the English – and most know the different styles, Ruby being the cheeky young expression, Vintage being the wise old man in the cave, that type of thing. The meteoric rise in your electricity bill and the recommissioning of your mothballed Swandri tells you it's perfect port weather, so what would you like to know?

What's on offer? Fair question. The wines below come from two fine producers; Having just been named Winemaker of the Year in Portugal, Quinta de la Rosa is a tiny, family-owned bodega steeped in tradition, with steep, riverside vineyards and a knack for turning the traditional port varieties into something pretty special, which is why we've been importing their offerings for over a decade.

Porto Barros has been around since just before World War I, starting as a small but well-regarded family business, and only recently transferring ownership to a larger organisation, one able to maintain the high level of investment required to make seriously good port, vintage in, vintage out. Which they do.

While the older wines are an experience all their own, don't swing your wagon past the tawny and ruby styles; when you're after that warming winter tiple, they're often just the ticket. Now, where did I put my Stilton...



Quinta de la Rosa Tawny Port

was \$44.00 now **\$36.00** 79010

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$35.50 A BOTTLE

Makes a great aperitif

She's but a baby, but there's no shortage of substance here. The French get the bulk of De La Rosa's output, and they, the stylish wee things, drink this wine as an aperitif, sipping quietly on a thimbleful while they press the Prada before another soir e.



Barros Special Reserve Tawny Port

RRP \$49.90 now **\$39.00** 79703

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$38.50 A BOTTLE

Fruitcake-marzipan-nutty nuances

A blend of superior younger wines that has the chewy depths and complexities of a 10-year-old and the vibrant, life-giving properties of a spicy young tawny. Fruitcake, marzipan, Peter Pan - it's a flier, with upfront appeal yet nutty complexity. Very smart for the \$\$\$.



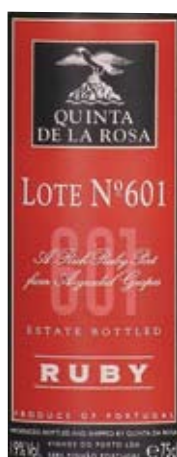
Quinta de la Rosa Ruby Port

was \$44.00 now **\$36.00** 79015

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$35.50 A BOTTLE

Superb with a good cheese

Ruby, don't take your love to town. Sound advice; stay at home and sip a sumptuous one of these, break out a cheese instead of laddering your tights... DLR use their highest grade of grapes for this, their entry-level wine, and if the fruit don't get you, your heart is ice.



Barros LBV Port 2005

RRP \$49.90 now **\$39.00** 79704

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$38.50 A BOTTLE

Ripe black fruits, a touch of spice

Like an impatient person's vintage port, with the 2005 having only just been released after its long days and nights in oaken vats. The wood is present on the nose and palate, integrating beautifully with ripe black fruits and a touch of spice. Complex, but not confounding.



Quinta de la Rosa White Port

was \$44.00 now **\$39.00** 79005

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$38.50 A BOTTLE

Craziness! White Port. Get out! Very cool, especially when cooled verily for an early evening snifter. The vinous quality and weight comes from extended skin contact for the fruit, the freshness from top-flight grapes on a well-cooled, treacherously steep site. Like Vermouth, in a way, but easier to spell.



Barros 10-Year-Old Tawny Port

RRP \$51.90 now **\$49.00** 79705

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$48.50 A BOTTLE

Spicy, rich, vanillin-touched

Similar to Champagne, a style like this is all about the blending. Trawling and tasting through vintage after vintage of casks, the various components are blended to an average of 10 years. It's like cake! Spicy, vanillin-touched and richly rewarding. With no calorie issues.



79033 **Quinta de la Rosa** LBV Port 2004
79095 **Quinta de la Rosa** Tonel 10-Year-Old Port

was \$59.00 now **\$46.00**
was \$81.00 now **\$75.00**

79700 **Barros** Ruby Port
79701 **Barros** Tawny Port
79702 **Barros** White Port
79706 **Barros** 20-Year-Old Tawny Port

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PINOT NOIR

Martinborough

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Three Paddles
Martinborough Pinot Noir 2009

was \$25.90 now **\$18.90** 15839

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$18.40 A BOTTLE
From Nga Waka's Roger Parkinson

Produced predominately from three selected vineyards. Following malolactic fermentation in barrel the wine was matured for eleven months in French oak barriques and bottled unfiltered and unfiltered. It is a deep ruby wine with spicy berry and cherry aromas supported by unobtrusive oak. The well integrated palate has persistent ripe fruit flavours enhanced by a smooth texture and a supple tannin texture.

The Edge
Marlborough Pinot Noir 2009

was \$26.00 now **\$22.90** 12544

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$22.40 A BOTTLE
From a pioneer of NZ Pinot Noir

A smart, well-priced offering from master winemaker Larry McKenna, who put Martinborough on the Pinot map in the mid 1980s. From McKenna's Escarpment stable, The Edge was produced on Martinborough's famous alluvial terraces. Boasting distinctive morello cherry and cassis aromas, it's stylish, full bodied and approachable, with a good backbone of ripe tannins.



Martinborough Vineyard
Martinborough Pinot Noir 2008

was \$65.00 now **\$59.90** 13706

One of NZ's top Pinot producers

Martinborough Vineyards is rightfully acclaimed as one New Zealand's top Pinot Noir producers. It has consistently produced award-winners, including the prestigious UK trophy for Best Pinot Noir Worldwide. The 2008 was harvested from the company's mature vines planted back in 1980. It is a boldly styled wine with an enticing bouquet of spicy plum and cherry. Richly flavoured, supple, deliciously complex.



Russian Jack
Martinborough Pinot Noir 2009

was \$19.50 now **\$16.90** 18949

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$16.40 A BOTTLE
Made by the team at Burnt Spur

A very popular Pinot Noir made by Burnt Spur. An approachable, immediately appealing wine with a vibrant colour and an enticing bouquet of ripe berryfruit, floral aromas and spicy notes. Nicely weighted and supple, it has an attractive earthy edge to the palate. Ready to drink.



Nga Waka 2008
Martinborough Pinot Noir

was \$44.90 now **\$29.90** 15848

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$29.40 A BOTTLE
Succulent and richly flavoured

Roger Parkinson's philosophy is to produce wines that reflect their unique Martinborough terroir. The wine is from the company's low-yield vineyard that delivered beautifully balanced and concentrated fruit. Aromas of plum and ripe summer fruits are underscored by a note of spice. The succulent, richly flavoured palate shows good depth of fruit melding with hints of cinnamon. A complex wine, with silky tannins and a lingering finish.



Martinborough Vineyard
Te Tera Martinborough Pinot Noir 2009

was \$29.50 now **\$24.90** 13745

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$24.40 A BOTTLE
Very popular drink-now Pinot

Martinborough Vineyard's second label Pinot Noir is produced to be enjoyed upon release. Like its illustrious big brother, the wine is hand crafted, fermented on indigenous lees and aged in seasoned French oak barriques. With classic cherry and plum notes and a touch of mocha on the nose, it is an elegant and approachable wine, the spicy plum and berry flavours complemented by a velvety mouthfeel.



Ata Rangi
Martinborough Pinot Noir 2008

was \$79.90 now **\$69.90** 10581

Power & weight combined with finesse

This artfully manages to combine power and weight with finesse. It is a beautifully crafted, seductive wine produced from hand harvested 20-year-old vines. The wine was fermented on indigenous yeasts, matured in French oak for twelve months and bottled unfiltered. It's a multi-layered, seamless and powerful expression with lush cherry and plum flavours supported by nuances of spice and fine tannins.

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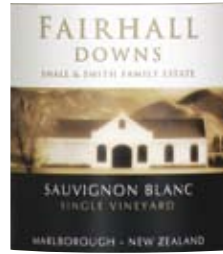
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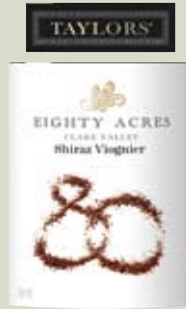
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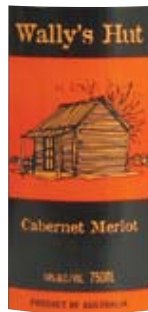
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Waipara Hills 2008
Southern Cross Pinot Gris
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CENTRAL OTAGO Pinot Noir 2008
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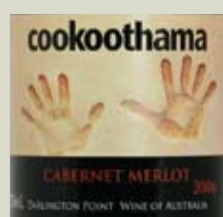
Immensely popular Pinot Noir from this high quality winery



Rockburn CENTRAL OTAGO
Parkburn Riesling 2006
 was \$23.90 now **\$14.90** 12323



With a bit of age on it, this is drinking particularly well



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Cabernet Merlot 2006
 was \$19.00 now **\$13.90** 21045



Silky smooth Australian red

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A monthly selection of affordable French wine from our extensive range

Rhône 2007 AN IMPRESSIVE VINTAGE

Wise and experienced winemakers tend to be cautious when it comes to making predictions about the quality of a vintage. They normally reserve judgement until all the grapes have been harvested. As the 2007 Rhône harvest approached, it was clear – judging by the back slapping and broad smiles – that the vintage was going to be special.

The 2007 delivered a near perfect growing season, characterised by dry, temperate conditions, particularly during August and the crucial month of September. The month was filled with hot sunny days, dry northern winds and cool nights beneficial to the slow, gradual maturing of the grapes.

The upshot is, the 2007 wines – from the most humble Vins de Pays to the greatest appellations – are uniformly excellent. The Côtes du Rhône wines are particularly good value; most are sourced from Southern Rhone, which experienced a season where everything fell into place. The resulting wines have excellent depth of fruit, great colour and supple but firm tannins.

The world's most influential fine wine critic, Robert Parker, wrote: 'Tasting the 2007s out of bottle has confirmed my thoughts; this is a truly historic and profoundly good vintage, the vintage of a lifetime.'

Paul Jaboulet Parallèle 45 Côtes du Rhône 2007

was \$24.00 now **\$17.90** 45395

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$17.40 A BOTTLE

Smart Grenache/Syrah blend

Named after the 45th parallel that runs through the Jaboulet cellars, the 2007 version is a blend of 60% Grenache and 40% Syrah, aged in stainless steel to retain freshness and vitality. An immediately attractive wine, with a bouquet of floral/raspberry aromas and spicy notes. The palate has well defined, spice-edged fruit flavours supported by nicely rounded tannins. Exceptional value.



Pierre Gaillard Côte-Rôtie 2007

was \$110.00 now **\$69.90** 46813

Refined, medium-weighted red blend

Pierre Gaillard is one of the most respected vigneron in the Northern Rhône. Before establishing his own domaine in the mid-eighties, he worked with Etienne Guigal, a legendary figure in the Côte-Rotie. The 2007 is a classic blend of 90% Syrah and 10% Viognier. It is an intensely aromatic wine, with hints of rose, violet, cherry and a touch of pepper. The refined, medium-weighted palate has plump cherry flavours, with some savoury, supple tannins providing textural balance and grip. It finishes on a smooth and elegant note.



Paul Jaboulet Les Traverses Côtes du Ventoux 2007

was \$22.00 now **\$19.00** 45312

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$18.50 A BOTTLE

Elegant and concentrated Grenache/Syrah blend

Les Traverses are the walls that support and protect the vineyard terraces from erosion and the Mistral winds encountered in the hill country of the Ventoux appellation. 80% Grenache, 20% Syrah, the 2007 is an elegant ruby wine displaying cherry, pepper and liquorice aromas. The concentrated palate has layers of dark berryfruit and plum, embellished by spice, supported by firm yet mellow tannins.



Chapoutier Belleruche Côtes-du-Rhône 2007

was \$26.90 now **\$20.90** 46340

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$20.40 A BOTTLE

Over two centuries of winemaking experience

Established in 1808, Chapoutier is one of the most important wine companies in France. The family own significant vineyard holdings in the Northern Rhône, and the Belleruche is their signature Côtes du Rhône, sourced from exceptional vineyards. It is a big-boned wine, with aromas of red berries and cherry, embellished by black pepper notes, that spill through onto the generously flavoured palate.



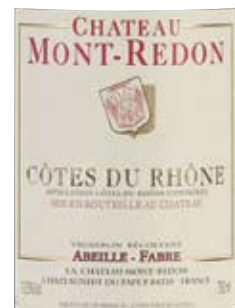
Château Mont-Redon Côtes du Rhône 2007

was \$34.50 now **\$24.90** 41475

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$24.40 A BOTTLE

Succulent and silky expression

Mont-Redon are renowned for their meticulous approach to the selection and blending of wines from the region. The 2007 is a mix of 70% Grenache, 20% Cinsault and 10% Syrah derived from low-yield vines. It is a moderately complex wine, with an appealing bouquet of violet, blackberry and spice. The succulent palate is well balanced, nicely structured and silky smooth.



Les Vins de Vienne Côtes du Rhône 2007

was \$38.00 now **\$25.90** 41329

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$25.40 A BOTTLE

Superstar collaboration of top winemakers

Vastly experienced winemakers with impeccable reputations, Yves Cuilleron, Pierre Gaillard and Francois Villard founded Les Vins de Vienne in 1996, and their carefully crafted wines have been widely acclaimed. This is 50/50 Grenache and Syrah, a beautifully focused wine with ripe berry flavours and hints of spice complemented by a velvety mouthfeel and a lingering finish.





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beef cheek
with
parsley sauce
vine tomatoes
basil &
balsamic
reduction

Recipe by Dida's Head Chef, Vincent Marshall. Photograph by Amos Chapple

Braised Cheek

2KG BEEF CHEEK
2 CARROTS DICED
2 ONIONS DICED
1 LEEK DICED
25g THYME
25g ROSEMARY
2L BEEF STOCK

White Sauce

100g BUTTER
100g FLOUR
2L MILK
4 VINE TOMATOES
15 BASIL LEAVES
BALSAMIC REDUCTION

Braise the beef in beef stock with the herbs and root vegetables for 2½ hours

Make a basic white sauce and add in a good handful of chopped parsley when cooled

Slice vine tomatoes and pick basil leaves

Slice beef into 3-4 pieces and layer with white sauce, then tomato, then basil

Repeat until all the ingredients are used

Drizzle with balsamic reduction and serve



Pasqua Lapaccio
Primitivo Salento IGT 2007

was \$22.00 now **\$15.90** 66021

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$15.40 A BOTTLE

*Beef cheek with
parsley sauce, vine tomatoes,
basil & balsamic reduction*

The indigenous Primitivo grape is widely used in blends of other Italian regional wines to provide depth and body. The Lapaccio is 100% Primitivo, a boldly styled red with upfront, spice-edged, black cherry aromas. The full-bodied palate is richly flavoured, the perfect foil to the beef cheek recipe featured above, which is, most fortuitously, available to try right now at our brand new Dida's store at Victoria Park, 118 Wellesley Street West.



Pasqua Le Collezioni
Montepulciano d'Abruzzo DOC 2008

was \$15.00 now **\$9.90** 62480

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$9.40 A BOTTLE

*Smoked venison fillet with
warm beetroot and muscatel relish*

After Sangiovese, Montepulciano is Italy's most widely-planted native variety and at its best in the Abruzzo DOC. This is great value; unpretentious, with nicely ripened mulberry aromas and flavours supported by supple tannins, providing smooth drinkability.



Bolla Torralta
Prosecco di Conegliano DOC NV

was \$24.00 now **\$16.90** 62566

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$16.40 A BOTTLE

*Seared Tuna belly with caper,
coriander and lemon mayonnaise*

A relatively low alcohol Italian sparkler with an aromatic bouquet of pipfruit and spice. It's an off-dry style with a fruity presence and fresh, tingly finish. A versatile wine, superb as an aperitif or with food.



Cecchi
Chianti DOCG 2008

was \$25.00 now **\$19.90** 62432

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$19.40 A BOTTLE

*Confit lamb neck
and panzanella salad*

Chianti in a raffia basket is about as quintessentially Italian as it gets, and this Sangiovese-based wine sourced from the heart of the Chianti DOC zone is immaculately styled. Harmonious and easy to enjoy, with classic violet notes on the nose and palate.



Gagliardo
Dolcetto d'Alba DOC 2008

was \$38.00 now **\$24.90** 62753

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$24.40 A BOTTLE

*Rabbit and black olive tortellini
with spiced plum coulis*

Piedmont is justly famous for its long-lived, Nebbiolo-based Barolo wines, but most popular with the local inhabitants are the wines made from Dolcetto. This purple-fringed ruby Dolcetto displays spice-edged violet and raspberry aromas and flavours complemented by a smooth mouthfeel.



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Rediscover the wines of the lucky country with our pick of the best and most exciting Aussies on offer

Peter Lehmann

In wine circles Peter Lehman is known as The Baron of the Barossa, an appropriate title for a man who has become a legend there. Peter was born in the heart of the Barossa, and has been involved in the wine industry since he was seventeen, first with Yalumba and later as the winemaker at Saltram.

He established his own company in 1979, and since then, Peter Lehmann Wines have earned countless awards internationally, including five Best in the World trophies at the International Wine and Spirit Competition. Not surprisingly, the company is regarded as one of Australia's most respected and innovative wine producers.

Peter is no longer hands-on winemaking; today the wines are produced by a talented team of four headed by Andrew Wigan. But Peter's influence, values and loyalty to the Barossa are very apparent. The Lehmann award-winning range of wines are produced from the company's four vineyards, as well as from fruit purchased off local growers.

Peter Lehmann The Futures Barossa Shiraz 2006

was \$39.00 now **\$30.90** 23121

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$30.40 A BOTTLE *Iconic Australian winery*

One of Australia's favourite reds, The Futures had an interesting beginning; it was the first wine Peter Lehmann sold to friends and family on a pay now for delivery in two years arrangement. The stratagem worked, ensuring that the winery had a future. The fruit was selected from low-yielding Barossa vineyards, partially barrel fermented and matured for fifteen months in French oak. Inky dark, it displays aromas of ripe plum and black cherry enveloped by nutmeg and vanilla. Opulently structured and richly flavoured, with an enduring finish.



23127 **Peter Lehmann** Barossa Semillon 2008
23111 **Peter Lehmann** Barossa Cabernet Sauvignon 2006
23103 **Peter Lehmann** Barossa Shiraz 2008
23120 **Peter Lehmann** Stonewell Barossa Shiraz 2004

was \$18.50 now **\$16.90**
was \$26.00 now **\$21.90**
was \$26.00 now **\$19.90**
was \$92.00 now **\$85.00**

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Grant Burge Barossa Vines Barossa Shiraz 2008

was \$21.50 now **\$19.90** 21371

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$19.40 A BOTTLE *Five generations in the Barossa*

Established in 1988, Grant Burge Wines have grown to become one of Australia's top ten privately-owned wineries. Burge's family have been viticulturists and winemakers for five generations in the Barossa. The 2008 Shiraz is a deeply coloured wine with complex aromas of plum and mulberry intertwined with hints of leather, nutmeg and vanilla. Full bodied, with the expressive varietal flavours supported by a touch of liquorice and complemented by a smooth mouthfeel, it has a supple tannin structure and lingering finish.

Hardy's Oomoo McLaren Vale GSM 2006

was \$21.50 now **\$19.90** 21475

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$19.40 A BOTTLE *Earthy, aromatic, big-hearted*

Oomoo was one of the first wines produced by Thomas Hardy at the original Bankside winery he built in 1857. A blend of Grenache, Shiraz and Mourvèdre, each variety adds its varietal nuances without dominating the blend. Opening with a vibrant, aromatic nose of berry, violet, stewed rhubarb and spicy oak, it is a big-hearted wine with deep-seated flavours of cherry, plum, some earthy notes and spice wound around a supple tannin structure.



St Hallett Blackwell Barossa Shiraz 2007

was \$39.00 now **\$29.00** 26031

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$28.50 A BOTTLE *Concentrated berry, spice & licorice*

St Hallett was established in 1944 by the Lindner Family, who have a very long history in the Barossa, settling at Bethany in 1845. For their wines, St Hallett use only Barossa-produced fruit off well established vines. The Blackwell Shiraz has a complex bouquet of plum, coffee, cinnamon, hints of eucalyptus and vanilla. The concentrated palate is packed with tiers of berry, spice, liquorice and integrated oak complemented by grainy tannins.



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the GLENGARRY Top 10

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

1 Chapel Hill The Parson's Nose Shiraz 2008

was \$24.90 now **\$18.90** 21248

CASE OF 12 \$18.40 A BOTTLE

Not the rear end of a fowl, but a stylish McLaren Vale Shiraz packed to the brim with plum, violet and coffee aromas and flavours supported by spicy nuances and understated oak.



2 Urlar Gladstone Sauvignon Blanc 2009

was \$23.90 now **\$19.90** 15305

CASE OF 6 \$19.40 A BOTTLE

A top-notch Wairarapa Sauvignon with defined varietal aromas and flavours of gooseberry and capsicum. Balanced and fresh tasting, it has a textural mouthfeel and a lively, zesty finish.



3 Te Mata Woodthorpe Hawke's Bay Syrah 2008

was \$22.90 now **\$17.90** 19143

CASE OF 12 \$17.40 A BOTTLE

An inky-coloured Syrah with an aromatic nose of cassis and spice. The well structured palate is endowed with rich, pervasive blueberry and plum flavours. An excellent food wine.



4 Dog Point Marlborough Chardonnay 2008

was \$40.00 now **\$32.00** 18392

CASE OF 12 \$31.50 A BOTTLE

A full bodied Chardonnay expressing aromas and flavours of citrus enhanced by a textural, nutty mouthfeel and well integrated toasty oak. It finishes on a finely judged crisp note.



5 Lake Chalice Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc 2009

was \$19.90 now **\$16.90** 13592

CASE OF 12 \$16.40 A BOTTLE

A pale yellow-green wine with intense aromas of gooseberry, passionfruit and hints of celery. Beautifully balanced, crisp and fresh tasting, with a savoury, elegant, mineral-edged finish.



6 Cape Mentelle Margaret River Shiraz 2007

was \$39.00 now **\$32.90** 20514

CASE OF 6 \$32.40 A BOTTLE

With blackberry, plum and liquorice aromas and flavours supported by cracked pepper notes, this is well structured around a core of supple tannins and a lingering, flavoursome finish.



7 Brookfields Burnfoot Hawke's Bay Merlot 2008

was \$19.90 now **\$16.90** 11275

CASE OF 12 \$16.40 A BOTTLE

Very expressive of its Burnfoot vineyard terroir, this is distinguished by its ripe plum and berry fruit characters and enhanced by some mellow tannins and a fine, long finish.



8 Torea Marlborough Chardonnay 2009

was \$18.90 now **\$14.90** 12284

CASE OF 12 \$14.40 A BOTTLE

Hand harvested, aged in French oak barriques, this is a beautifully crafted wine with distinctive citrus notes suggesting grapefruit and lime. Rich and silkily textured, great with food.



9 Montes Classic Series Malbec 2008

was \$20.00 now **\$16.90** 90524

CASE OF 12 \$16.40 A BOTTLE

Malbec produced from very old vines and aged in French oak barrels. Full bodied and well structured, it intones berryfruit and plum neatly supported by vanillin oak nuances.



10 Koura Bay Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc 2009

was \$22.00 now **\$19.90** 13307

CASE OF 12 \$19.40 A BOTTLE

Classically-styled Marlborough Sauvignon with nettle, capsicum and gooseberry aromas and flavours enhanced by a touch of complexity from lees ageing. Wonderfully fresh and zesty.





DIDA'S



We've just opened the latest outlet to bear the Dida's banner at Glengarry Victoria Park. This one takes the concept and expands it, blends it and serves it up in a way that we think is unique to the Auckland dining arena.

Starting with breakfast, we're open throughout the day, for casual lunch sojourns to early evening sessions with our Tapas and Raciones menu.

It's euro-styled food, with fresh salads and sandwiches available, or our sumptuous Tapas and Raciones. As well, we have cheeses stored to perfection, dried meats of exotic provenance, and a whole range of local and imported deli delights.

And a wine? We have for you a quicklist, 30 or so excellent food-leaning offerings; but if you feel like coming downstairs with us, the entire Victoria Park cellar is at your disposal.

Any wine in the retail store is available, at retail plus a service fee, and all wines are served in top-end stemware and available by the glass, while also offered in a 375ml half-bottle, served in a Riedel Cabernet Decanter.

An evolving wine selection, fresh, delicious and interesting food options in a beautifully styled, inner city location. Could be a good thing, we reckon.

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