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OUR BUMPER EDITION OF BRILLIANT BARGAINS
SACRED HILL'S SPECIAL SELECTION RANGE 2010
SOUTH AUSTRALIA'S YALUMBA WINERY
THE RHONE VALLEY'S ORTAS WINERY
ITALY'S FAMILY-OWNED GAGLIARDO WINERY
THE WINES OF RIOJA
GLENGARRY'S TOP10 FOR AUGUST

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 newmarket
 22 morrow st
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 mission bay
 49 tamaki dr
 528 5272
 mt eden
 250 dominion rd
 623 0811
 city
 cnr wellesley st & mayoral dr
 379 8416
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 cnr victoria st & elliot st
 379 5858
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 devonport
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 remuera
 400 remuera rd
 523 1594
 kingsland
 467 new north rd
 815 9207
 westmere
 164 garnet rd
 360 4035

wellington

thorndon
 232 thorndon quay
 472 7051
 kelburn
 85 upland rd
 475 7849
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 paramount cinema building
 27 courtenay place
 385 9600

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dida's wine lounge & tapas
 54 jervois rd 376 2813
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SACRED HILL

SPECIAL SELECTION RANGE 2010

In Sacred Hill's Special Selection wines, Chief Winemaker Tony Bish delivers beautifully crafted and exceptional expressions of variety and terroir that have been sourced from key New Zealand sites and regions. The wines are made from the best of the crop, and only in years when conditions are as close to perfection as nature allows.

The latest release of these legendary wines has become available, and without exception, each has been unerringly crafted to express as brilliantly as possible the chosen variety and its unique place of origin.

18496 RIFLEMANS
 HAWKE'S BAY CHARDONNAY 2009
 RRP \$53.90 NOW \$49.90

18469 DEER STALKERS
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18468 SAUVAGE
 HAWKE'S BAY SAUVIGNON BLANC 2008
 RRP \$34.90 NOW \$29.90

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 HAWKE'S BAY MERLOT 2008
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Fearless Buys

A monthly selection of delicious, dependable reds and whites where the palate, not the price tag, packs a punch

Two Tracks

Marlborough Pinot Gris 2009

was \$16.90 now **\$13.90** 17661

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$13.40 A BOTTLE

Smart PG from the Wither Hills team

Part of the Wither Hills brand, this exudes a spring freshness and summer spring in its step that is mighty welcome in these dark, diabolic days. All peaches and pears subtly sprinkled with varietal spice, it's actually quite weighty, which is mentioned in tones of mild astonishment only because weight, texture and complexity aren't always the handmaidens of, let's face it, thirteen dollar ninety Pinot Gris. Why is that? Do we care? More tea, vicar?



Julicher

Martinborough Sauvignon Blanc 2009

was \$20.90 now **\$14.90** 10707

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$14.40 A BOTTLE

Classic Martinborough

And it's 'u-lik-er' rather than 'Joo-litch-er'. Just for the record, like. Getting your mouth around the wine is equally simple, attractive and instantly appealing as it is. Located in the Te Muna area where some very interesting wines have been popping up, this has the typical citrus-meets-grapefruit character of the region expressed in a multi-layered, texturally complex style. This will complement – not kill – food, unless you drink it with under-ripe bananas.



Luis Pato

Casta Baga Tinto 2007

was \$24.90 now **\$16.90** 79103

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$16.40 A BOTTLE

Silky, fruit-driven Portuguese style

I can't get past that this is somehow connected to Luis Bega, whose utterly irritating 'Mambo #5' is only out-irritated by that other pseudo-Latino muck-fest 'Shadapp You Face'. It's not. It's a Portuguese wine made by a gentleman of debonair pants and much experience, who has shaped the wily and local Baga grape into something delicious. Sturdy yet silky (like his pants, perhaps), this is florid, fruit-driven and forward with rich chocolate tones. None of which sound like Mambo #5. 'A little bit of Jessica by my side...' Heaven help you, boy.



Gunn Estate

Merlot Cabernet 2008

was \$17.90 now **\$11.90** 18076

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$11.40 A BOTTLE

Outstanding value

What a perfectly pretty little wine, not without weight and texture, mind, but just garlanded with wreaths of ripe, berryish fruit, spread through the mid-palate as if by magic. It's the spice that's nice, especially at this price, Bryce, lifting as it does the jammy fruit and adding something extra to an already feature-packed little fellow.



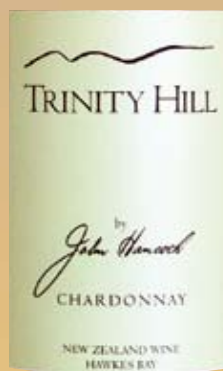
Trinity Hill

Hawke's Bay Chardonnay 2008

was \$20.50 now **\$13.90** 19221

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$13.40 A BOTTLE

This wine is pitch perfect now, drinking absolutely beautifully. You'd think the price should go up, not down, but economics was never a strong suit. (How, indeed, did Adam Smith manage to have an invisible hand? How did he wear gloves?) Rich, in a Chablisean way, mineral, with a seductive spread of stonefruit sexiness. Buy a case. Seriously.



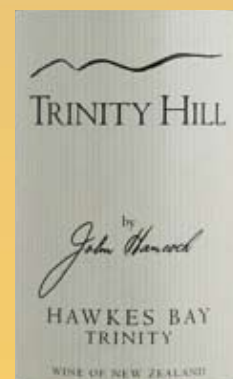
Trinity Hill The Trinity

Merlot Cabernet Syrah 2006

was \$20.50 now **\$13.90** 19243

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$13.40 A BOTTLE

So good they named it twice, this has become soft as an old slipper after five years in the bottle. The '06 got a 91 from Neal 'Orange Peel' Martin, Robert Parker's sidekick, so while we can all take that seriously and stand dumbfounded, the wine dictates that we simply enjoy its soothing smoothness, meaty savouriness and irrepressible charm.



Brookfields Burnfoot

Hawke's Bay Merlot 2009

was \$19.90 now **\$15.90** 11318

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$15.40 A BOTTLE

Much class from Peter Robertson

Burnfoot being a vineyard rather than a squaw, although soaring temperatures here during the ripening season would suggest a sweat lodge would not be out of place. But then, where would the grapes go? Sensuous, soft, seductive and supple, this is a class act, irrespective of price, delivering mouthfuls of chewy berryfruit right to your waiting tonsils.





Robert Hill-Smith and Yalumba's Chief Winemaker, Louisa Rose

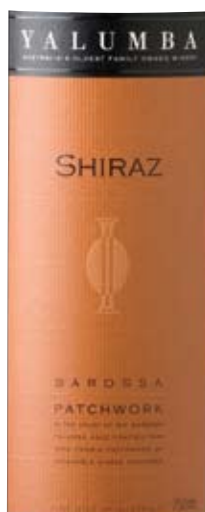
YALUMBA

Samuel Smith, a Dorset brewer, settled in Angaston in the mid 1980's where he purchased a 12-hectare plot of land which he planted with vines. He named his enterprise 'Yalumba,' Aboriginal for 'all the land around.' 161 years on, Yalumba is Australia's oldest entirely family-owned and operated wine company. The pioneering spirit that drove Yalumba's founder is still evident today, and the company is a recognised leader in innovation, experimentation and quality.

Thirty years ago the company made the far-sighted decision to establish its own vine nursery, a move that has had significant impact on the quality of vine root-stock, diversity of clones and the introduction of new varieties. As a result of their persistence and work with the Viognier variety, Yalumba were the first company to plant commercial vineyards of this rare variety.

Under the stewardship of Robert Hill-Smith – a fifth generation family member – the company has developed a strong team spirit, and boasts an impressive cast of winemakers led by Director of Winemaking, Brian Walsh and Chief Winemaker, Louisa Rose.

Together with their talented team they are responsible for producing a vast range of wines under a number of carefully designated categories, ranging from approachable, ready-to-drink styles to fine, long-lived wines that, regardless of price point, deliver great value. Yalumba is at the forefront of Australian viticultural and winemaking practises and has continuously expanded the boundaries of Australian wine production.

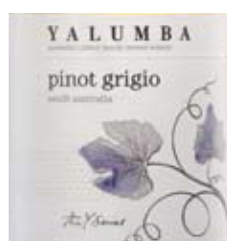


Yalumba Patchwork Barossa Shiraz 2008

was \$25.90 now **\$18.90** 29875

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$18.40 A BOTTLE

Sourced from several high quality Barossa vineyards, each delivering fruit with different characteristics, the final blend showing both individuality and classic Barossa distinctiveness. Aromas of plum meld with hints of spicy pepper and cedary oak. The medium weighted palate is distinguished by ripe fruit flavours supported by a touch of earthiness, complemented by a fine tannin structure. Superb value.



Yalumba Y Series South Australian Pinot Grigio 2009

was \$18.90 now **\$12.90** 29888

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$12.40 A BOTTLE

Outstanding value without any compromise in quality. The fruit was selectively hand harvested, and following fermentation, the wine was lees aged to provide dimension. It has an aromatic nose of stonefruit, melon and a trace of meal. The palate is well balanced, with tiers of fruit flavours complemented by a suave texture and a fresh finish.

Yalumba Bush Vine Barossa Grenache 2007

was \$24.90 now **\$17.90** 29851

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$17.40 A BOTTLE

Harvested from very old, low-yield bush vines, the parcels of fruit were individually fermented on a combination of indigenous and selected yeasts to provide blending options. With aromas of cherry, blackcurrant and spice, the palate is dominated by ripe, concentrated fruit embellished by hints of leather and dusty tannins.

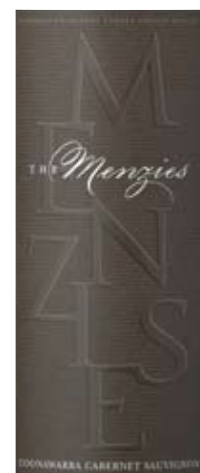


Yalumba The Menzies Coonawarra Cabernet Sauvignon 2005

was \$56.00 now **\$43.90** 29865

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$43.40 A BOTTLE

Named after former Australian Prime Minister and red wine enthusiast, Sir Robert Menzies. The Cabernet fruit was harvested from Yalumba's immaculate vineyard in the heart of Coonawarra. A deep, dark, sensual red with a complex bouquet of dark cherry and plum backed by hints of mocha and vanilla. The complex, full-bodied palate echoes the nose and is complemented by finely integrated oak. Beautifully structured, an Australian classic.



JANE FERRARI WINEMAKERS DINNER
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| 29887 | Yalumba Barossa Shiraz Viognier 2006 | was \$23.90 now \$18.90 |
| 29813 | Yalumba Eden Valley Viognier 2007 | was \$28.00 now \$20.90 |
| 29866 | Yalumba The Signature Barossa Cabernet Shiraz 2005 | was \$56.00 now \$41.90 |
| 20954 | Yalumba The Octavius Barossa Old Vine Shiraz 2005 | was \$115.00 now \$88.00 |



SPARKLING

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

NEW ZEALAND **Nobilo**
Méthode Traditionnelle 2005

was \$27.90 now **\$19.90** 15817

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$19.40 A BOTTLE

★★★★★ *Cuisine*

Good to see all three traditional champagne grapes in a local methode, just the beginning of some smart winemaking choices that have seen this beautifully balanced wine emerge from the dimly-lit Nobilo cellars. Disgorged in February 2008, the time on lees is working its way into the core of Granny Smith apple and creamy Chardonnay characters, the complexity leavened by the vibrant mousse and drinkability. You'd be happy supping this as an aperitif, but it does shine with a little well-considered culinary creativity.



NEW ZEALAND **Deutz**
Marlborough Cuvée Rosé 2006

was \$41.00 now **\$36.00** 15108

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$35.50 A BOTTLE

Outstanding quality

The label alone is worth the entry fee (and that has been reduced, of course), pink swirls reminiscent of those flock wallpapers they had in the salons of the early 20th century, all Baudelaire, Satie and 'let's turn the world on its head through art' kinda thing. Then the wars happened. Glinting and coppery of hue, it has firm fruit flavours, bready complexity and an otherness beyond description that dictates a further glass, convinced this time it won't elude you.



FRANCE **Charles Heidsieck**
Brut Réserve NV

was \$99.00 now **\$74.90** 41522

One of Champagne's very best

Butterscotch and nuts? It sounds like a night dahn the pictures. But it's true; the aromatic unveiling of Mr Charles Heidsieck reveals, amongst the baked apple and poached peach notes, rich, caramelised, nut-like characters which only seal the appeal. It's a bold, slightly plump wine, sure-footed and rich, yet smartly elegant into the bargain, weighty but not monstrous, with full mousse and fine acid. Serve with the entrées, especially if they are gremlins of the deep blue sea, and you're likely to still be with the Charles when the crème brûlée lands. So?



SPAIN **Perelada**
Brut Reserva NV

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

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$14.40 A BOTTLE

The cava of royal occasions

This is such an interesting sparkling wine it should be put on a slab in the lab and poked and prodded á la CSI to see how they get it so. Blast off with a glass of this sumptuous, dry-styled, pedigreed pearler and your night will know no wrong. But you just might, hopefully.



NEW ZEALAND **Allan Scott**
Cecilia Marlborough Brut NV

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

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$19.40 A BOTTLE

Beautifully styled, from pioneering winemakers

It'd be crass to say that we've dropped our proverbials on the price here, but we've certainly 'opened the kimono' as they say in Silicon Valley. Beautifully styled, with fresh stonefruit flavours supported by biscuity richness, this, at this price, demands your attention, and the reversal of the Viva estate to our door.



ITALY **Santa Margherita**
Prosecco di Valdobbiadene Brut NV

was \$29.00 now **\$19.90** 62538

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$19.40 A BOTTLE

At this price, it's like Christmas

This has so much style it makes the Versaces look like some drab pretenders. Because the fruit is grown high on the hill (with the lonely reindeer, yodel after me) it retains an acid bite that is perfect for Prosecco. Pushing apricot/peachy fruit upon your unsuspecting person, it segues into a slightly floral gig before finishing crisp and clear as autumn in Venice. Beach.



FRANCE **Pol Roger**
Brut Réserve NV

was \$90.00 now **\$69.90** 48210

★★★★★ *Cuisine, gold medal wine*

I once read about someone who had to refrain from drinking champagne because it made their teeth itch. To them I would prescribe a daily dose of Pol, for its rich textural smoothness could not possibly irritate an inside incisor. Such a complete wine, too; biscuity, yeasty, fruit-firm yet florally blessed. Indeed, it is the perfect circle of harmony and balance.



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Fairhall Downs

MARLBOROUGH Pinot Gris 2006

was \$25.00 now **\$14.90** 12790



This is drinking superbly right now



Rockburn

CENTRAL OTAGO Pinot Noir 2008

was \$45.00 now **\$29.90** 12365



Super value from a winery that consistently wins gold for its Pinots



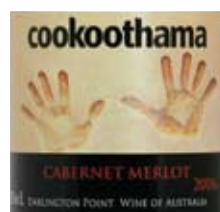
Clifton Road 2008

HAWKES BAY Sauvignon Blanc

was \$12.50 now **\$8.90** 18007



100% New Zealand Sauvignon Blanc for under \$9



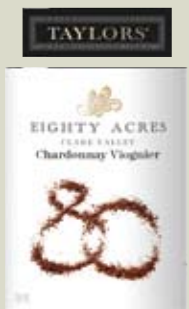
Cookoothama

Cabernet Merlot 2006

was \$19.00 now **\$9.90** 21045



Sub \$10 bargain from this very smart Australian winery



Taylors EIGHTY ACRES

Chardonnay Viognier 2007

was \$21.00 now **\$9.90** 28156



End of line clearance discounted by more than 50%



Rooks Lane

Chardonnay 2008

was \$19.90 now **\$9.90** 20401



Spicy, everyday Chardonnay for half the going rate



Yealands

MARLBOROUGH Riesling 2008

was \$19.90 now **\$7.90** 10004



At this price, you just can't go wrong



Wild South BLACK LABEL

Sauvignon Blanc 2008

was \$26.90 now **\$13.90** 11194



End of vintage clearance from quality Marlborough winery



Whitecliff

Brut Cuvée NV

was \$17.90 now **\$8.90** 18001



Save even more when you buy a case for only \$7.90 a bottle



Sacred Hill

MARLBOROUGH Pinot Gris 2009

was \$21.90 now **\$13.90** 18474



Top producer, superb value sub-\$15 Marlborough Pinot Gris



Gunn Estate SILISTRIA

HAWKES BAY Syrah 2007

was \$32.90 now **\$18.90** 18083



Rich and spicy Hawke's Bay Syrah



Allan Scott 2006

THE MOORLANDS Riesling

was \$26.50 now **\$15.90** 17383



40% off this gold medal winning Marlborough Riesling

Brilliant Bargains



Château Riotor
CÔTES DE PROVENCE Rosé 2008

was \$29.00 now **\$19.00** 41477



Great rosé from the South of France



Waipara Hills 2008
SOUTHERN CROSS Chardonnay

was \$29.90 now **\$14.90** 10315



Half-price Chardonnay from a top New Zealand winery



Nicolas Potel 2007
GÉRARD POTEL Bourgogne

was \$49.00 now **\$26.90** 43370



Very good French Pinot Noir from this talented winemaker



Pierre Brecht
ALSACE Pinot Gris 2008

was \$31.00 now **\$19.90** 42413



Pinot Gris as only the Alsations can do it



Mount Hurtle
GSM 2008

was \$17.90 now **\$11.90** 22152



Made by legendary Australian winemaker Geoff Merrill



Brunton Road
GISBORNE Merlot 2008

was \$20.90 now **\$14.90** 13875



100% Gisborne fruit



Deen de Bortoli
Cabernet Sauvignon 2008

was \$21.90 now **\$12.90** 20919



Winter warming Australian Cabernet Sauvignon



Ada MINOTAURO
Rojo 2004

was \$29.00 now **\$18.90** 88023



The very last of our supply from this stylish Spanish producer



Ti Point MARLBOROUGH
Sauvignon Blanc 2008

was \$21.90 now **\$11.90** 19042



End of vintage clearance at a crazy price



Jaboulet SECRET DE FAMILLE
Côtes du Rhône 2007

was \$25.00 now **\$15.90** 45394



Classic Côtes du Rhône from one of its most respected producers



Clearview BEACHHEAD
HAWKES BAY Chardonnay 2009

was \$30.00 now **\$15.90** 11301



Top Chardonnay from an iconic Hawke's Bay producer



CHÂTEAU d'Archambeau
Graves 2006

was \$42.00 now **\$26.90** 41173



Classic Bordeaux at a classic price

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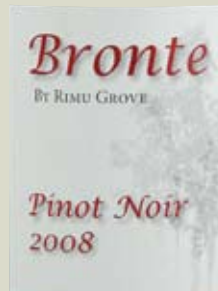


Hewitson MISS HARRY
BAROSSA VALLEY GSM 2008

was \$25.00 now **\$16.90** 21795



*End of vintage clearout
at a bargain price*



Rimu Grove BRONTE
Pinot Noir 2008

was \$29.00 now **\$16.90** 10424



*By Patrick Stowe, one of 2010's
Glengarry Dozen winemakers*



Backyard 2006
CENTRAL OTAGO Chardonnay

was \$19.90 now **\$14.90** 12353



*This is top quality Chardonnay,
the equal of many \$30 wines*



Luzon ORGANIC
Jumilla 2008

was \$23.00 now **\$13.90** 86958



*Very good organically produced
Spanish red*



Yealands Estate
Sauvignon Blanc 2008

was \$24.90 now **\$16.90** 10009



*Produced using methods good
for both you and your world*



Paul Mas ESTATE 2008
LA FORGE VINEYARD Cabernet

was \$21.90 now **\$14.90** 43986



*Excellent ripe Cabernet from
top South of France producer*



Brookfields HAWKE'S BAY
Ohti Estate Riesling 2008

was \$19.90 now **\$11.90** 11267



*Winery's end of vintage clearout
exclusive to Glengarry*



Kaesler STONEHORSE
BAROSSA VALLEY Shiraz 2008

was \$34.00 now **\$19.90** 22274



*A very rich, very ripe Shiraz
from one of the Barossa's best*



Arrogant Frog
Chardonnay Viognier 2007

was \$19.90 now **\$12.90** 43968



*Superbly discounted, sun-kissed
French white*



Waipara Hills 2008
SOUTHERN CROSS Pinot Gris

was \$29.90 now **\$14.90** 10318



*★★★★★ Cuisine
at only half the retail price*



Emeri
Sparkling Pinot Grigio

was \$19.90 now **\$11.90** 20501



*Two of our favourite things in
one bottle: Pinot Gris and bubbles*



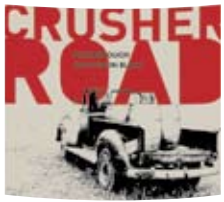
Clifton Road
HAWKES BAY Chardonnay 2009

was \$12.50 now **\$8.90** 18008



*100% New Zealand fruit
for less than \$9*

Brilliant Bargains



Crusher Road
Sauvignon Blanc 2009

was \$14.90 now **\$9.90** 13341



*100% Marlborough
Sauvignon Blanc for under \$10*



Rosemount 2006
TRADITIONAL Cabernet Merlot

was \$42.90 now **\$21.50** 26500



*50% discounted off this
iconic Australian red*



Matua Valley 2007
JUDD ESTATE Chardonnay

was \$34.00 now **\$21.90** 14007



*Classic Gisborne Chardonnay
that's consistently good*



Hawkshead
CENTRAL OTAGO Pinot Noir 2008

was \$38.00 now **\$22.90** 12360



*Central Pinot from the talented
Grant Taylor*



DOMAINE Boiron
Côtes du Rhône 2008

was \$38.00 now **\$19.90** 41344



*Made by Nicolas Boiron of
Bosquet des Papes fame*



Wild South 2008
MARLBOROUGH Sauvignon Blanc

was \$18.90 now **\$9.90** 10319



*Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc
for under \$10*



Curio BENDIGO VINEYARD
CENTRAL OTAGO Pinot Noir 2008

was \$29.00 now **\$16.90** 16070



*Central Pinot Noir at this price
is pure craziness*

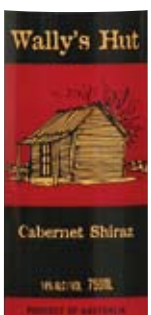


Landmark
GISBORNE Chardonnay 2008

was \$16.90 now **\$10.90** 10302



Always a reliable buy



Wally's Hut
Cabernet Shiraz 2009

was \$13.90 now **\$9.90** 28433



*Great warming wine to have
with friends in front of the game*



Pasqua LE COLLEZIONI
Merlot 2009 1.5 LITRE MAGNUM

was \$25.50 now **\$16.90** 62484



*Brilliant larger option when
you're entertaining a few friends*

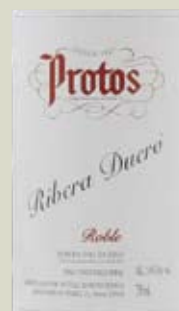


Laroche SOUTH OF FRANCE
VIN DE PAYS Chardonnay 2008

was \$22.00 now **\$13.90** 48544



*Beautifully made Chardonnay
from the South of France*



Protos RIBERA DEL DUERO
Roble 2007

was \$24.90 now **\$17.90** 88069



Sweet, luscious Spanish red

PINOT NOIR



Torea
Marlborough Pinot Noir 2009

was \$19.90 now **\$16.90** 12287

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$16.40 A BOTTLE

Authentic, great value Pinot

Now that some receptionists are being re-titled as 'Hub Facilitators' and sales reps in the States are becoming known as 'Client Solutions Advocates' it seems the human animal's predilection for pretention continues to be boundless. Worth mentioning as one of the greatest appeals of this Torea Pinot Noir is its unpretentious, honest, authentic character. With all the cherry-bright fruit one could hope for, supported by touches of (down-to) earthiness, this is a true, clean Pinot at very much a humble pie price.

Pencarrow
Martinborough Pinot Noir 2008

was \$26.50 now **\$19.90** 17047

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$19.40 A BOTTLE

The little brother of Palliser Estate

Great to see this chap gracing the shelves again; when you're the little brother of a Pinot Noir with the reputation and pedigree of Palliser, some of that excellence will always follow through, from the sites to the processes to the winemaking team themselves. Second tier is inevitably first rate without the price, and so it is here. Classy Pinot, with flavoursome fruit and a clever gamey touch, it's supple, succulent and delicious. Buy some, keep some. And drink some.



Scott Base
Central Otago Pinot Noir 2009

was \$31.00 now **\$21.90** 17342

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$21.40 A BOTTLE

New release from Allan Scott

Owned by Allan Scott and family, with viticulturist daughter Sara looking after the excellent sites and the production of three varietals across the brand. The Pinot is a cracker, the concentration and intensity of the cherry fruit flavours a reminder that the vineyard was first planted back in 1994. A robust style, with Pommardian leanings and Central fruit to burn, it's weighty, intensely flavoured and soundly structured. Char some lamb, twig onto some rosemary, a little to the left, Pierre...



Russian Jack
Martinborough Pinot Noir 2009

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

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$16.40 A BOTTLE

Hugely popular. How do they do it at this price?

Apparently the Russians have come over all strange in this summer's heatwave, flopping into the Volga with gay abandon to cool off and then passing out and having to be revived on its less than pristine banks. Nothing to do with the national drink, of course. Sorry, divergence – startling little drop, doesn't miss a beat, approachable, affordable, excellent, a consistently big seller. Babushka?



The Edge
Martinborough Pinot Noir 2009

was \$26.00 now **\$21.90** 12544

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$21.40 A BOTTLE

Made by Pinot legend Larry McKenna

Without plonking people on pedestals, pioneering Pinot producer Larry McKenna fair spoils us to make such a little ripper at such a little price. All that know-how for such little outlay. No oak here, none needed, just bright, billowing berryfruit and fine tannic support in an uncluttered but satisfying style. Not all the brilliant bargains are on the Brilliant Bargains pages, then.



Allan Scott
Marlborough Pinot Noir 2009

was \$26.00 now **\$19.90** 17352

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$19.40 A BOTTLE

Displays Marlborough's ever increasing quality

It takes a good long while to gain an understanding of Pinot Noir, and especially how the wily grape works in your own particular sites, so it's always good to get a new vintage from someone who has been making Pinot for many years now. The Scott approach is one of fruit first, ask questions later, with supporting woodwork and a rich, lengthy finish.



Rabbit Ranch
Central Otago Pinot Noir 2008

was \$30.00 now **\$24.90** 11167

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$24.40 A BOTTLE

Popular Pinot from the home of Chard Farm

This truly is soft and playful as a little bunny, with warm, ripe fruit and a gentle tannic touch towards the terminus of the texture train. It bounces along, relying on cherries and red berries to distract you from the fact that it is remarkably well put together, and addictively enjoyable. And they say they're a pest.



a taste of Australia

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



De Bortoli dB Selection Shiraz 2008

was \$19.90 now **\$9.90** 20923

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$9.40 A BOTTLE

Super value at under \$10

You've got to be pulling my platypus! Ten dollars off? Perhaps we've developed that horrendous affliction known as Rudd's Pathology, where one is conditioned to act before one thinks. Whatever the cause, just sip up the benefits, oh blessed imbibers. There's spice, girls, an unashamed display thereof, with a peppery powdering to the plummy fruit and a tantalising tartness to the tasty treats. The flavours are berries, chocolate, espresso and touches of plum, the whole welcoming, fulsome and varietally authentic.



Wirra Wirra Church Block McLaren Vale Cabernet Shiraz Merlot 2008

was \$27.00 now **\$20.90** 28798

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$20.40 A BOTTLE

92/100 Jeremy Oliver, Australian Wine Annual

The first wine ever to be released under the Wirra Wirra label, some forty years ago, I am reliably informed. It has become one of those classics that no good home should be without, like good olive oil, a working torch and The Collected Works of Poe. On super 8. Rich and intense black fruits provide the magma-like core, the tannins are muscular, the spices intoxicating and the result an overwhelming joy. Wirra ya mean?

Taylor's Eighty Acres Clare Valley Shiraz Viognier 2007

was \$21.00 now **\$15.90** 28075

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$15.40 A BOTTLE

Carbon neutral winemaking

Gold at the Royal Hobart and Sydney Wine Shows is a considerable achievement, and a bit of a bonus when you have to fork over less than twenty bills to see what the fuss was about. This is a staggeringly good wine, intensely aromatic and comprehensively flavoured, with components too profound and many to mention. Yet there's a Clare Valley clarity that sees everything perfectly poised and beautifully balanced.



Barossa Valley ESTATE E Bass Shiraz 2005

was \$29.90 now **\$25.90** 20174

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$25.40 A BOTTLE

Stylish new release from B.V.E.

A co-operative of eighty growers who have become renowned the shaking world over for the E & E Black Pepper Shiraz, which, incidentally, makes gravy look like consommé, E Bass is a tribute to the brass band that played on the property when things did swing in the late 20s. A concentrated collection of berries, plums, spice and sweet vanillin oak, it goes for style and succulence rather than sledgehammer strength and comes up smiling. As you will.



Hesketh The Protagonist Barossa Valley Shiraz 2006

was \$26.00 now **\$22.90** 21081

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$22.40 A BOTTLE

92/100 Huon Hooke

Hesketh is a family-owned, Barossa-based company who, in this era of virtual everything, are a kind of virtual winery, owning neither vineyards nor stainless tanks, barrels and yapping dogs, these being the usual accoutrements of the budding vintner. Sourced from old vines, cropped low, this is typical Barossa Shiraz, with the power of intensely concentrated fruit and a balancing finesse that keeps it all this side of overwhelming. Multi-layered, fully flavoured. Cool label, too, aesthetes.



Taylor's Gift Collection Estate Cabernet Sauvignon Estate Shiraz Srixon AD333 Golf Ball

was \$44.00 now **\$36.00** 28028

Fantastic gift idea for your local golfing fiend

'Are you ready to play a better ball?' You bet, Bob. But first, can we have a glass of vino? Maybe we could play the golf tomorrow; I mean, those clouds are looking quite ominous and, no, I was on the Shiraz, thanks, but save me some of the Cab, there's a good chap... Are you ready for a better gift pack? Get in.

a taste of **France**

A monthly selection of affordable French wine from our extensive range

ORTAS

FROM THE RHONE VALLEY'S NEWEST APPELLATION

The wine powers that be in France (and they be powerful, make no mistake) don't anoint new appellations willy-nilly or without much heated discussion and spittle flying. So, when it was announced in June that the INAO (them powers) 'promoted (the area of) Rasteau dry red wines from Côtes du Rhône Village to the status of Cru' much celebration was to be had.

Ortas Cave de Rasteau, to give them their full name, are a producer from the region who are renowned the world over and with whom we have had a great relationship for some time. They had this to say: 'This decision is a natural acknowledgment of the quality of the Rasteau terroir, a point that had to be made clear to consumers, and a definite message to the market.'

It means that the AOC Rasteau terroir now joins names like Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Gigondas and Vacqueyras as being recognised for its consistently excellent and distinctive wines and marks it out as another Southern Rhône appellation that merits much consideration.

All of us who have imbibed and rated Ortas knew this anyway, but it's always good when the red tape catches up with the red wine.

THE WINES BELOW LABELLED AS 'COTES DU RHONE VILLAGES' WILL IN THE FUTURE BE LABELLED 'RASTEAU AC' THEY WERE SHIPPED TO US PRIOR TO THIS CHANGE

Ortas **Les Viguiers**
Côtes du Rhône **2008**

was \$26.00 now **\$18.90** 43312



CASE OF 12 ONLY \$18.40 A BOTTLE

Côtes du Rhône character for under \$20

This is very tidy for less than twenty notes, delivering plenty of Côtes du Rhône character and charm while not relying on it solely for effect. Meaning there are plenty of clear, bright red fruit characters also, these having been teased with a little spice and hung over a firm, fine structure. Great with a good strong cheese, as it happens.

Ortas **Tradition**
Côtes du Rhône Villages **2008**

was \$27.00 now **\$21.90** 43306



CASE OF 12 ONLY \$21.40 A BOTTLE

Serious but approachable wine

If this were a Bordeaux it would be twice the price, but the nature of the Rhône is that powerful, serious yet approachable wines such as this also come at approachable prices, Syrah not having the global cachet of Cabernet in the circles that matter, apparently. We'll cope. Intense fruit, spice and a touch of the forest; sturdy and stunning.

Ortas **Prestige**
Côtes du Rhône Villages **2005**

was \$42.00 now **\$29.90** 43303



CASE OF 12 ONLY \$29.40 A BOTTLE

Earthy, smoky, savoury characters

If 'prestige' sends signals of elitism, repack your Louis Vuitton; this is down to earth, literally, with bramble and briar coming through beneath the pretty little fruits all in a row. Smoky nuances enhance the savoury characters on the mid palate, and it's fresh, spice-filled, elegant and powerful all at once. The slight toastiness of oak suggests a roastiness of beef would be an ideal partner.

Cave de Rasteau **Signature**
Vin Doux Naturel **2004 500mL**

was \$39.00 now **\$36.00** 43310



CASE OF 12 ONLY \$35.50 A BOTTLE

Intense, off very old vines

Rasteau has long been renowned for this style of wine, and this 100% Grenache from vines 50-plus years old redefines the word 'intensity.' A waterfall of flavours drenches the senses; cocoa, chocolate, mocha, morello cherries then spice, cinnamon, cloves, nutmegs. Sweet yet firm, cliché that it may sound, this is not to be missed.

New Releases

Gisselbrecht
Reserve Muscat **2008**

was \$32.50 now **\$28.90** 47004

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$28.40 A BOTTLE

From one of Alsace's finest producers

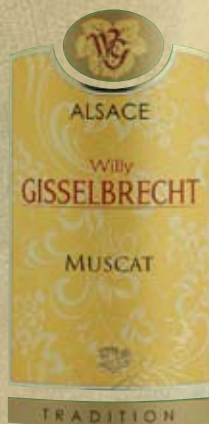
This is more intense than a game of chess, and it moves a little quicker, natch. Vinous to beat the band, that Muscat fleshiness tucks in with florals and a spicy richness on a palate that is a lesson in textural weight and palate presence. They can do no wrong, these people.

Pol Roger Brut Réserve NV
Nebuchadnezzar 15 Litre Bottle

was \$3,150 now **\$2,999** 48245

We secured three, have sold two, and one is still available!

Resorting strictly to the facts, this size of Champagne vessel, the equivalent of just the 20 bottles, mind, was named after the great Nebuchadnezzar II, creator of the Hanging Gardens of Babylon as well as much biblical mayhem. Neb the 1st is little more than a stain on the carpet of history. 15 litres of pulsing, pullulating Pol Roger?



GAGLIARDO

Below the Piedmont town of La Mora, on a hilltop above the valley floor sits the family winery of Gianni Gagliardo. This is a true family affair, with Gianni guiding the winemaker, eldest son Stefano and the viticulturist, Stefano's brother Alberto. The story of this important Piedmont winery began in 1950 in post war Italy, when a fourth-generation winegrower named Paolo Colla settled near La Mora. In 1974, Gianni married Paolo's daughter and joined the business, and by 1986 had become the sole proprietor.

The family has acquired a total of eleven vineyard plots of Nebbiolo, thirty hectares in all, in some of the best sites in La Mora, Barolo, Serralunga and Monforte, providing winemaker Stefano with an exceptional array of fruit from which to craft his distinctive Barolos.

A new building incorporates modern winemaking facilities, a first-class restaurant and underground cellars that provide perfect conditions for wine maturation while having minimal impact on the environment.

The Gagliardo winery's reputation is based squarely on its outstanding Barolos, but it also produces exciting selections of classic Piedmont wines, including the distinctive, delightfully aromatic Villa M wines.

Barolos

Gianni Gagliardo Batiè Langhe Nebbiolo DOC 2006

was \$98.00 now **\$65.00** 62752

Elegant, approachable Barolo

Batiè is a single vineyard wine consisting of 85% Nebbiolo and 15% Barbera. It is a modern styled Barolo, softer, more approachable and elegant than the traditional style that can sometimes take decades to be drinkable. The Barbera component has provided a rich, fruity character that is evident on the lively nose of cherry, damson and rose petals. The palate is richly flavoured, with berry, violet and liquorice woven into a long, smooth finish.



Gianni Gagliardo Preve Barolo Riserva DOCG 2003

was \$244.00 now **\$180.00** 62750

Considered to be Italy's noblest wine

100% Nebbiolo and produced from two vineyards, the two batches of fruit were separately fermented and aged in French oak barriques for 24 months, then blended and bottle-aged for a further six months. With a bouquet of blackberry, cherry and prune backed by tobacco and tarry oak nuances, this is a bold, richly flavoured wine with hints of leather and balsamic wrapped around a fine coating of tannin. Truly magnificent.



a taste of italy

Villa M Moscato 2008

was \$33.00 now **\$19.90** 62760

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$19.40 A BOTTLE

Frizzante - lightly sparkling style

This lightly sparkling style is very popular with the people of Piedmont, particularly the ultra-stylish citizens of Milano. It is produced from 100% Moscato Bianco, a low alcohol, delightfully fruity wine with ripe stonefruit and melon aromas that tickle the nose in a most appealing way.



Villa M Rosso 2008

was \$38.00 now **\$21.90** 62761

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$21.40 A BOTTLE

Velvety red sparkler, great as an aperitif

Like its Moscato stablemate, Villa M's Rosso is a low alcohol, frizzante (semi-sparkling) wine fermented under pressure and bottled early to retain its fresh, tantalising flavours. It displays aromas of soft summer fruits which tumble through onto the delightfully velvety, frothy palate. Easy to enjoy, a great aperitif and a superb match to finger foods.



Gagliardo Barbera d'Alba 2007

was \$38.00 now **\$26.00** 62754

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$25.50 A BOTTLE

Fruit-driven, silky smooth red

The Barbera variety is considered to be at its best in the zone of Alba, particularly in the vineyards located between the communes of La Mora and Barolo, the source of this wine. An intense ruby colour with black cherry and raspberry aromas backed by mineral nuances, this is a fruit-driven, silky smooth red that will appeal to Merlot aficionados.



Gagliardo Dolcetto d'Alba 2008

was \$38.00 now **\$26.00** 62753

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$25.50 A BOTTLE

Fresh, spicy, highly popular Italian red

Dolcetto (the little sweet one) is the most popular red wine in Piedmont; its popularity is due to the youthfully grapey, mouth-filling qualities it offers in contrast to the intense Nebbiolo and Barbera based wines. This displays no aristocratic pretensions, but its approachable personality – ripe cherry and raspberry aromas and fresh, spicy palate – are simply delightful.



a taste of

SPAIN

WINES FROM RIOJA



Marqués de Cáceres
Rosado 2009

was \$20.00 now **\$16.90** 87989

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$16.40 A BOTTLE

Newly arrived Spanish rosé

Deliberately styled to highlight aromatics, freshness and fruit, the latest generation to hold the Marquisate inform us, and certainly all three are in abundance in this delicious rosé. The distinctive hue of a blushing ingénue, the aromas are all gushing, gambolling summer fruits, while the palate delivers these with a cheeky grin of acid and charm, and more firmness and weight than you may expect. As they also tell us, 'it will brighten up your table, even in the winter season!'



Marqués de Cáceres
Crianza 2005

was \$27.00 now **\$19.90** 87990

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$19.40 A BOTTLE

From the winery that changed Rioja

Back under the marquee and we've got ourselves a more traditional style Rioja, Crianza by law requiring a couple of years' aging prior to release. This has had a full Gregorian calendar in oak and then 14 months in bottle, so was actually only released a couple of years back. Hence its fully wild vibrancy which, paired with its almost un-plumbable depths, make it a prospect of some profundity while still providing wide-eyed enjoyment.

Solar Viejo
Cosecha 2008

was \$20.00 now **\$16.90** 88012

CASE OF 6 ONLY \$16.40 A BOTTLE

Great value Rioja

'Cosecha' means harvest, nothing more, while being Rioja, the fruit is 100% Tempranillo. Fruit, fruit, fruit is the key, then, with every colour of every berry, plum and cherry variety and derivative being present and accounted for on both the vibrant nose and the flavour-drenched palate. Liquorice, tar and tea shape the jamminess just so, the overwhelming and lasting impression one of fruit and spice richness, depth and warmth, framed by ripe tannins, touched with acid.



Palacios Remondo
La Montesa Rioja 2006

was \$36.90 now **\$24.90** 88054

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$24.40 A BOTTLE

Spicy fragrance from top producer

Mainly Garnacha and Tempranillo, this has more than a hint of the hillsides from whence the fruit is plucked. There is an untameable rusticity here, with wild herbs, brambly berries and briar characters scratching their way into your psyche before sweet spice and fragrant flowers embrace you like a needy child. A good dash of spice opens up the possibilities further, while smoke (but no mirrors) keeps you guessing until the end. A great, mysterious wine from a masterful producer.



Palacios Remondo
La Vendimia Rioja 2008

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

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$19.40 A BOTTLE

Soft & round Grenache-Tempranillo

Before you lift the lid, how are the crazy eyes on the label? Man, it's like the Midwich Cuckoos. Oh, it's a tree. Sorry. Made by the maverick Alvaro Palacios and fashioned in a deliberately youthful style, it's all about the fruit, too, and as long a dusty bus ride from those oaken, unbending, old-style Rioja wines as you could get without going to Mars. Fresh and lively, it kicks up its heels and demands you do the same.



Allende
Rioja 2004

was \$55.00 now **\$39.90** 87800

CASE OF 12 ONLY \$39.40 A BOTTLE

Limited stocks left of the stunning '04

Another pioneering producer who has revived supposedly moribund vineyards with startling results, the exquisitely named Miguel Angel Gregorio calls this his most complete expression of Tempranillo. It certainly has all the authentic varietal hallmarks: exotic spices, ethereal floral characters and a core of generous dark red and black fruits that seems to ooze more flavour the further you get into it. Fine tannins provide support; you bring the olive tapenade and lamb shanks.



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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 Church Road Cuve Hawke's Bay Pinot Gris 2008

was \$28.00 now **\$24.90** 15195

CASE OF 6 \$24.40 A BOTTLE

An appealing, off-dry Pinot Gris with ripe, spicy pear aromas on the nose and concentrated fruit on the palate that is neatly balanced by a dash of citrus at the finish.



2 Gros Frère & Soeur 2007 Hautes Côtes de Nuits Bourgogne

was \$56.00 now **\$39.90** 43141

CASE OF 12 \$39.40 A BOTTLE

Excellent French Pinot Noir with an appealing nose of black fruit supported by spicy notes. Medium bodied and elegantly structured, with understated oak and velvety tannins. Class.



3 F Pato Ensaio Tinto 2008

was \$29.90 now **\$24.90** 79110

CASE OF 12 \$24.40 A BOTTLE

A well integrated blend of indigenous varieties out of Portugal's Bairrada DO. It is a medium weighted red wine with aromas and flavours of violet that linger at the finish.



4 Crossroads Hawke's Bay Syrah 2008

was \$22.50 now **\$16.90** 12402

CASE OF 12 \$16.40 A BOTTLE

A single estate Syrah off the Gimblett Gravels displaying distinctive varietal characters. Plum, black olives, pepper and oak are well integrated and enhanced by a supple tannin structure.



5 Matua Valley Reserve Release Gisborne Chardonnay 2008

was \$26.90 now **\$19.90** 13904

CASE OF 6 \$19.40 A BOTTLE

A lovely, pale yellow Chardonnay with stonefruit aromas embellished by citrus notes and nutty nuances. Refreshingly lively and tasty, it is well balanced and finishes on a clean, crisp note.



6 Yealands Estate Marlborough Pinot Noir 2009

was \$29.90 now **\$24.90** 10049

CASE OF 6 \$24.40 A BOTTLE

Derived from the Wairau Valley, this inviting Pinot shows classic soft summer fruit aromas and flavours, hints of spice and integrated oak. Elegantly structured, ready to be enjoyed.



7 Akarua Gullies Central Otago Pinot Noir 2007

was \$35.90 now **\$29.90** 10198

CASE OF 12 \$29.40 A BOTTLE

From Bannockburn, this is a complex Pinot with classic Morello cherry and plum characters supported by mushroom and spice nuances wound around a supple core of tannins.



8 Lake Chalice Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc 2010

was \$19.90 now **\$16.90** 13543

CASE OF 12 \$16.40 A BOTTLE

A classically-styled Marlborough Sauvignon alive with fragrant gooseberry and mineral notes on the nose. Mouthwateringly fresh and perfect with seafood dishes.



9 Peregrine Central Otago Chardonnay 2009

was \$27.00 now **\$24.90** 17123

CASE OF 12 \$24.40 A BOTTLE

A barrel fermented Chardonnay from low-yield vines in the Cromwell basin, displaying ripe stonefruit aromas supported by toasty oak. Full bodied, balanced, crisp and lingering.



10 Thornbury Hawke's Bay Merlot 2008

was \$21.90 now **\$14.90** 19170

CASE OF 12 \$14.40 A BOTTLE

Jammy fruit, blackberries mainly, with some chocolate notes and a warmth and richness that no one deserves at this price. Tight, controlled, delivering much and promising more.





South America

In recent years Chile and Argentina have been swept by similar revolutions in a winemaking sense, with a core of hardy souls willing to punt their pesos away from the productive plains and valleys of their respective lands and head for the hills.

Here on slopes so steep that a flying fox makes more sense than a tractor, varieties such as Malbec, Merlot and Cabernet have shown remarkable resilience and produced some stunning, world-beating wines, while, particularly in Chile, some scintillating Chardonnay and Sauvignon Blanc are also to be had.

You can pay \$100 or \$10 for the progressive produce of these Latino legends, and you are guaranteed a well-made, competitively priced drop. With the South American wave seemingly engulfing the wine-drinking world, you can also count yourself as someone on the leading edge of global grape trends. Have a look; some of these expressions are as good as it gets.

CHAKANA ARGENTINA

90141 ESTATE MALBEC 2009
WAS \$17.90 **NOW \$14.90**

90140 ESTATE CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2009
WAS \$17.90 **NOW \$14.90**

90142 ESTATE SYRAH 2009
WAS \$17.90 **NOW \$14.90**

90144 RESERVE CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2008
WAS \$22.90 **NOW \$19.90**

90145 RESERVE MALBEC 2008
WAS \$22.90 **NOW \$19.90**

KAIKEN ARGENTINA

90611 MALBEC 2008
WAS \$19.90 **NOW \$12.90**

90612 CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2007
WAS \$23.00 **NOW \$12.90**

CATENA ZAPATA ARGENTINA

90681 MALBEC 2008
WAS \$28.90 **NOW \$23.90**

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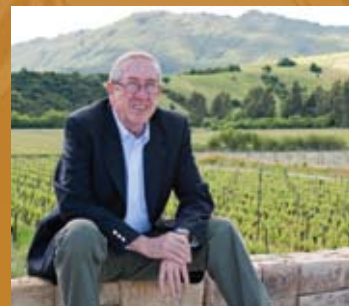
90524 CLASSIC MALBEC 2008
WAS \$20.00 **NOW \$16.90**

90534 CLASSIC CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2008
WAS \$20.00 **NOW \$16.90**

90531 CLASSIC MERLOT 2008
WAS \$20.00 **NOW \$16.90**

90551 CLASSIC SAUVIGNON BLANC 2009
WAS \$20.00 **NOW \$15.90**

90521 LIMITED SELECTION
CABERNET CARMENÈRE 2008
WAS \$22.00 **NOW \$16.90**



Founding partner of Montes, Douglas Murray, a man as obsessed with angels as he was brilliant with people, has attached his own wings and headed heavenwards, as of June 30th. Anyone who met him, and he was here only recently, was charmed, impressed and left better for it, such was his personality. The Chilean wine industry is years ahead of where it might have been because of his input. Simple. With the angels, and likely supping a Malbec. Bless.