

MANGIA MANGIA[®]

pasta cafe

Red Wines by the Glass or Bottle

2004 Montepulciano D' Abruzzo, Citra, Italy.....	6.00	
	Three glass carafe....	15.00
2005 Chianti, D.O.C.G., Ruffino, Tuscany, Italy.....	6.50	
	Three glass carafe....	18.00
2005 Chianti Classico, Ruffino.....	8.50	34.00
2004 Nero D'Avola, Sedara, Donnafugata, Sicily.....	7.50	30.00
2004 Brancaia, TRE, Super Tuscan, Tuscany.....	15.00	45.00
Attractive blackberry & cherry aromas follow through to a medium bodied palate, fine tannins.		
2004 Sangiovese, 100% Toscana I Perazzi, La Mozza.....	8.50	34.00
2004 Cabernet Sauvignon, Third Century, Beringer.....	7.50	30.00
2003 Cabernet Sauvignon, Heron, California.....	8.50	34.00
2004 Merlot, Trincherro, Monterey County, California.....	7.50	30.00
2004 Malbec, Pascual Toso, Argentina.....	7.50	30.00
2005 Grenache Shiraz, Jacob's Creek, South Australia.....	6.50	24.00
2005 Grenache, Stump Jump, d'Arenberg, South Australia.....	9.50	38.00
2005 Zinfandel, GNARLY HEAD, Old Vine Zin, California.....	8.50	34.00
2005 Pinot Noir, Third Century, Beringer, Napa California.....	8.50	34.00
2005 Pinot Noir, Camelot, France.....	7.50	30.00
2004 Cotes Du Rhone, Vidal Fleury, France.....	7.50	30.00

1994-2007 Mangia Mangia is the proud recipient of
Wine Spectator's Award of Excellence

Our Reserve "by the glass" selections are preserved
in mint condition by the "Verre de Vin" method.

White Wines by the Glass or Bottle

2006 Pinot Grigio, Anterra , Italy.....	6.50	
Three glass carafe.....	16.00	
2004 Pinot Grigio,Fontana Candida Italy.....	7.50	30.00
2006 Sauvignon Blanc, OysterBay,Marlborough, New Zealand...	7.50	30.00
2004 Fume Blanc, Dry Creek Vineyard, Sonoma.....	7.50	30.00
2005 Chardonnay, Penfolds, Australia.....	6.50	24.00
2005 Chardonnay, Kendall-Jackson, Estate Grown.....	8.50	34.00
2005 UNOAKED, The Crossings, Marlborough, New Zealand.....	8.50	34.00
Lots of green apple & tangy fruit		
2005 Riesling, Qualitatswein, Dr. Loosen/Chateau St. Michelle...	9.50	35.00
2005 Grillo, Arancio, Sicilia.....	7.50	34.00
Great with pasta.		

Blush Wine

2005 White Zinfandel, Vendange, California.....	6.00	24.00
2005 Rose, Vidanueava, Spain.....	7.50	30.00
Refreshing and DRY blend has strawberry, cherry and pomegranate tones.		

Mango-lini Cocktail

This cocktail inspired by Ernest Hemingway is a tropical version from Harry's Bar in Venice, Italy. Valdo Prosecco. Sparkling Wine and Mango puree over ice.

8.00

Champagne for One

Perrier Jouet Grand Brut, France ...178 ML bottle.....12.00

Dessert Wines

2004 Zinfandel Amador ICE Wine, Renwood.....	15.00
Muscat Vin de Glaciere, Bonny Doon.....	15.00

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	Beer in the bottle	
3.50	5.00	7.50
O'douls	Peroni, Italy	Chimay (Red) 8% Premiere
Yuengling, Amber Lager	Kalik, Bahamas	11.2 oz
Budweiser/Light	Red Stripe, Jamaican	Chimay (Blue) 9% Grande Reserve
Michelob Ultra	Corona Extra	11.2 oz
	Amstel, Amsterdam	
	Heineken, Holland	
	Stella Artois Lager, Belgium	
	Tucher, Hefe Weizen, Germany	
	Newcastle Brown Ale, England	
	Strongbow Dry Cider, England	
	Labatt Blue, Pilsener, Canada	

Big Chimay 25 oz15.00

Trappist certifies that this ale was brewed within the walls of an existing trappist monastery under the control of the trappist community. A major part of the sales revenue used by the monks to support charitable works. The exceptional yeast isolated by Father Theodore, combined with the purity of the highly protected water of the abbey's wells, gives Chimay its unique richness. Since 1862, Chimay's secondary fermented ales have neither been pasteurized nor filtered and only natural ingredients are used.

Chimay Ale Cinq Cents 8%
Chimay Ale Premiere (RED) 7%

Reserve Champagne and Sparkling Wine

Duval LeRoy Brut Francaise, N.V.	45.00
Tattinger Brut Francaise, N.V.	70.00
Veuve Cliquot, Brut, N.V.	70.00
2004 Sofia Coppola Bland de Blancs.....	38.00
Perrier Jouet Grand Brut CHAMPAGNE FOR ONE.....	12.00
Perrier Jouet Grand Brut Francaise, N.V.	55.00
1999 Perrier Jouet Brut Blanc de Blancs Fleur de Champagne.....	250.00
Yogurt & bread dough aromas introduce this rich, muscular 1999. Fine density & a lovely	
1993 Dom Perignon.....WS(90).....	225.00
A delicious 1993, bursting with toast, coffee & hazelnut flavor on an elegant, focused frame. Good intensity & length make this stand out for the vintage.	
1996 Dom Perignon.....RP(98).....	350.00
The brilliant 1996 may be the finest young example I ever tasted. Notes of honeysuckle, lemon, orange & pear provide a stunning aromatic display as well as palate impression.	
1998 Dom Perignon.....WS(91).....	200.00
Exuding honey, vanilla & light coffee notes, this creamy Champagne straddles youth & maturity. Well-balanced, fine & vibrant.	
1999 Louis Roederer Cristal.....RP(98).....	350.00
One of the finest Champagnes I have ever brought to my lips, the 1999 Cristal bursts from the glass with fresh hazelnut & apple scents. Elegant, deep, & silky-textured, this medium to full-bodied beauty is immensely concentrated, pure, packed with apple flavors, astoundingly long in the finish.	

Domestic Monthly Specials
White

2005 Chardonnay, Woodbridge, Robert Mondavi.....	21.00
2005 Chardonnay, Diamond Oaks, California.....	22.00
2005 Chardonnay, Estancia, Monterey California.....	24.00
2004 Chardonnay, Geyser Peak, Sonoma.....	20.00
2003 White Zinfandel, Robert Mondavi.....	16.00
2005 Rose, Clos LaChance, California.....	28.00
Rose is a blend of Grenache & Syrah. Classic crisp, dry, Rhone-style Rose	
2005 Riesling, Pacific Rim, Donny Doon.....	24.00
2004 Chardonnay, Baron Herzog..... KOSHER.....	20.00

Red

2004 Cabernet Sauvignon, Herzog.....KOSHER.....	20.00
2004 Claret, Niebaum Coppola, North Coast.....	30.00
2003 Cabernet Sauvignon, Napa Ridge.....	25.00
2003 Cabernet Sauvignon, Columbia-Crest, Columbia Valley, WA.....	28.00
2004 Pinot Noir, Kendall-Jackson.....	28.00
2004 Pinot Noir, Carneros, Diamond Oaks, California.....	36.00

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Domestic Monthly Specials

2005 Pinot Noir, Harlow Ridge, Lodi, California.....	30.00
2005 Pinot Noir, FAT CAT, Napa, California.....	36.00
2004 Petite Sirah, Bogle.....	24.00
2004 Syrah-Shiraz, Francis Coppola.....	36.00
2003 Zinfandel Heritage, Rancho Zabaco, Sonoma.....	27.00
2003 Merlot, Columbia Crest, Columbia Valley, WA.....	25.00
2003 Barbera, IL Cuore, Mendocino County.....	30.00
2002 Barbera, Tamas, San Francisco Bay, Livermore Valley.....	30.00

International Wine Monthly Specials

International White

2004 Vernaccia di San Gimignano, Montauto.....	29.50
2005 Frascati Superiore, Fontana Candida.....	20.00
2005 Orvieto Classico, Antinori.....	20.00
2005 Gavi, Principessa Gavia.....	22.00
2005 Chardonnay, Trivento Select, Mendoza, Argentina.....	19.00
2005 Dry White Wine, Grunder Veltiner, Lagler, Austraiia.....	20.00

International Red

2005 Chianti, Strozzi.....	26.00
2002 Chianti Classico, Brolio.....	32.00
2003 Chianti Classico, D.O.C.G. Melini Classico.....	34.00
2003 Chianti Classico, D.O.C.G. il Molino di Grace.....	45.00
Well balanced with plum, black cherry, medium bodied palate and silky.	
2002 Chianti Classico Reserva, Banfi.....	36.00
2003 Chianti, Da Vinci Riserva.....	40.00
2003 Toscana, PrimaVoce, Arceno, SUPER TUSCAN.....	48.00
2003 Rivera Triusco Primitivo, Apulia, SW Italy.....	60.00
2004 Monte Antico, 100% Sangiovese.....	29.00

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International Red

2005 Toscana Rosso IGT, Tuttobene, Angelini.....	28.00
2001 Salice Salentino Riserva, Taurino.....	25.00
2002 Amarone, Capitel de'Roari.....	48.00
2001 Barolo, Beni di Bastasiolo, Piemonte.....	60.00
2000 Barbara d'alba Pozzo, Corino, Piemonte.....	62.00
2003 Barbera, Castelvevo, Piemonte.....	19.00
2003 Burgundy, Faiveley, Santenay, France.....	60.00
2002 Wolf Blass Gold Label, Coonawarra, .Australia.....	45.00

Supple & appealing for its gentle balance, with fine tannins surrounding ripe currant & dusky, earthy overtones, finishing with just a touch of sweet vanilla from oak.



**Discovering the best hand-harvested,
family-owned, earth-friendly Italian wine**

Why small? The people at “Small Vineyards™” believe, after tasting thousands of wines, that the best wines come from small estates. The following estates are among the smallest 10% in their regions. All the grapes are hand-picked so that only the ripest grapes get made into wine, and all the estates use sustainable growing methods that allow them to make earth-friendly wines. Equally, by importing wines from these beautiful family vineyards, a special way of life is being preserved and truly unique varietals and winemaking styles are protected that might otherwise get lost forever in a sea of corporate, internationalized wines. Lastly, because these estates are owned by families, they make wines that they themselves drink every day, and take great pride in. After all, it’s their name on the bottle...

Le Rote VERNACCIA, DOCG.....36.00

(vair-NAH-cha) 100% Vernaccia.

This white is a bright, exciting, floral delight with cleansing citrus and a lush body. Made by the Scotti family in Tuscany this is one of the best Vernaccias out there. Why? 35-year-old vines pack loads of Old-World minerality into every sip. Perfect with flaky fish and crisp salads. Vernaccia di San Gimignano has the honor of being Italy’s first ever white DOC wine, in 1993 promoted to DOCG. 1000 cases

Marchetti VERDICCHIO.....30.00

(vair-DEE-kee-oh) 100% Verdicchio.

It could be said that Verdicchio is a “thinking person’s Pinot Grigio”. Refreshing citrus fruits, playful acidity, complex minerality and made from 100% “free-run” juice (no pressing). With a cardiologist wife (who brings home the pancetta!) Maurizio Marchetti needn’t rely on wine to earn an income, so can afford to be as selective with his grapes as he likes. So selective that he sometimes produces as little as a half-bottle of wine per vine! The Marchetti family has been making Verdicchio for generations and it shows. 900 cases produced.

Bibbiani Poggio Vignoso CHIANTI.....36.00

(PO-jo veen-YO-zo) 75% Sangiovese, 25% Canaiolo & Malvasia.

A delightful food wine that can be enjoyed with virtually anything.

Admirably balanced, with intense dried cherries and floral notes. “Il Professore”, whose family has owned the estate for 150 years, along with ‘adopted son’ and expert winemaker Fulvio Galgagni make a delicious example of what is known as “the Wine of the People”.

2800 cases produced.

Tre Donne BARBERA D’ALBA.....40.00

(bar-BAY-rah DAHL-bah) 100% Barbera.

Ripe with berry-cherry and spices, this Barbera d’Alba is remarkably refreshing for a red wine. Because it naturally has very few tannins, Barbera has much of the crisp quaffability of light wines, but with the complexity of great reds. **This wine won first prize from the American Wine Institute for two different vintages.**

These 3 Winemaking sisters shocked their skeptical old-fashioned father, Alessandro Lequio, by winning more awards in their first year of production than he had in his entire career. He was so impressed he allowed them to change the name of the Lequio estate to “Tre Donne” (Three Women)! 2500 cases produced.

Barba Colle Morino MONTEPULCIANO.....32.00

(mon-tay-pool-CHA-noh) 100% Montepulciano d’Abruzzo.

A big, jammy, lovely wine that has toasty-oak notes of blackened fruit, sweet smoke and ripe plum, ample structure and a delightfully long finish that surprises.

With the Barba brothers (one of whom sleeps in the vineyards occasionally and reportedly talks to the grapes...) we get one of the best day-to-day wines in all of South Italy. 16000 cases produced.

Antonio Sanguineti Brunello DI Montalcino DOCG.....75.00

(broo-NAY-lo-dee-mohn-tahl-CHEE-no)100% Sangiovese Grosso
Powerful, decadent expression of marasca cherries, black tea, coffee & pomegranate. Tannins are smooth, silky, well-integrated. This wine will age for over 20 years. Nick-named “Maestro” by his colleagues, for Master & balanced wine.

Forte Canto Negroamaro SALENTO.....36.00
(NAY-groh-ah-MAH-roh) 100% Negro Amaro.

Negro Amaro is Puglia's most important varietal and characteristically the wine is dark and intense. Salento has terrific body weight while retaining great balance with ripe, steeped plum and coffee bean aromas. Perfect for those who want a big, powerful wine that is not your usual Cabernet. Made in Puglia by Massimiliano Apollonio, who despite having a name like an Emperor, is one of the humblest winemakers one can meet, despite making some of the best wines South of Rome. 1700 cases produced

Giuseppe Lonardi PRIVILEGIA.....75.00
(pree-vee-LAY-jah) 50% Corvina, 50% Cabernet Franc.

From the incomparable Giuseppe Lonardi comes this revolutionary blend of Corvina, the primary grape in Amarone, and Cabernet Franc. It is elegant, with a delightful combination of bold Mediterranean fruits and dusty potpourri finish. Matured for 22 months in Barrique, a classic Italian wine that will age for 15 years. **Recently recognized by the American Sommelier Association as the top wine in Italy.** Very limited production – 450 cases produced.

Giuseppe Lonardi AMARONE96.00
(ah-mah-ROH-nay) 70% Corvina, 30% Molinara & Rondinella.

Remarkably port-like with heady aromas of dried fruit, chocolate, cedar chest and exotic spice. The production is tiny and it shows - a monumental wine that will age for 30+ years. The wine is made at the Lonardi Estate in a tiny village not far from Verona, and Giuseppe is reputedly one of the best Amarone producers in Italy. 750 cases produced.

Il Paradiso di Frassina DO.....80.00
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From visionary Carlo Cignozzi, Il Paradiso di Frassina is the only estate in the world of its kind. Nestled among the vines, Cignozzi has placed large speakers which play symphonic music to his vines every day. Not only do the grapes closest to the speakers get the ripest, but the frequencies keep away the insects. "Do" is a remarkable blend of TWELVE different varietals (6 traditional Italian, 6 traditional French) and clones which vary slightly from year to year, to create the best "composition" this music has to offer. A huge cult wine in Europe. 550 cases produced.



Rosso & Bianco are like the wine Francis Coppola grew up with on the table. Wine made in the same spirit as the ones his grandfather, Agostino used to make in his New York basement with grapes shipped by train from California-s common practice during Prohibition when all the paisans would buy a portion, haul them home and make wine. According to Uncle Mickey, they weren't fancy wine, but pleasurable, everyday wine just like our Rosso & Bianco.

2005 Rosso Classic.....7.50 Glass or 24.00 Bottle
 Made with Zinfandel, Syrah & cabernet Sauvignon, it has a supple, rich palate with spice & vanilla tones highlighted with ripe strawberry flavors.

2005 Pinot Grigio, Bianco.....7.50 Glass or 24.00 Bottle
 Aromas of cool melon, tropical fruit, & a light perfume of flowers. Round in texture, yet light & crisp, this wine offers flavors of ripe pear, white peach, & summer citrus.

Diamond Collection

2004 Claret, Black Label.....32.00
 As its British derived name implies, is a Cabernet-based wine blended with small amounts of Merlot, Cabernet Franc, Malbec & Petit Verdot. Aromas of black currant, allspice & mocha aromas. On the palate succulent wild berry, plum & anise flavors with hints of spice & black pepper.

2004 Merlot, Blue Label32.00
 Aromas intense wild blueberries & raspberries. On the palate warm spice notes highlight succulent ripe berries & sweet vanilla surrounded by soft, smooth tannins.

2004 Zinfandel, Red Label.....32.00
 The color & a perfume of dark fruit, sweet spices,& toasty vanilla. Luscious flavors of black cherry, boysenberry, & cassis create a wine that is rich, round, & lasting on the finish.

2004 Syrah-Shiraz, Green Label.....32.00
 The Syrah grape is originally from France Rhone Valley & has also been extensively planted in Australia under the name of Shiraz. Our Diamond Collection Green Label offers deep spicy aromas of raspberries & oak & lively flavors of blackberries & currants.

2005 Pinot Noir, Silver Label.....32.00
 Fruit from Monterey. A pure expression of the cool-climate appellation. Aromas of enticing strawberry perfume with hints of cherries & lavender The palate has ripe strawberries with dried cranberry & spice.

2005 Malbec, Celestial Blue Label.....34.00
 Malbec is a Argentinean gem. Hand carried from France Two Centuries ago, Malbec thrives in Argentina's warm, dry climate. While our Celestial Blue Label Malbec is all California, we nod to our South American friends by featuring the vibrant blue of the Argentinean flag on its label. Ours is made with grapes grown in prime California wine regions. It's aromas hint at minerals, plums & dark fruits & its soft supple palate is framed by moderate tannins a telling character of Malbec along with brilliant violet hues & great acidity.

2005 Sauvignon Blanc, Yellow Label.....25.00
 Made from 100% Sauvignon Blanc grapes harvested entirely in Napa Valley. Aromas of bright notes of peaches, lemon zest & fig. On the palate honeydew melon, pink grapefruit, & juicy pear.

2005 Chardonnay, Gold Label.....25.00
 Made entirely from Monterey grapes-one of California's premier Chardonnay growing regions. Half barrel fermented, half stainless-steel fermented. Aromas of tropical fruit mingling with pears. On the palate cantaloupe, crisp apple, & oak with a subtle hint of vanilla & crème brulee on the finish.

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Francis Ford Coppola
Director's Cut

The story of Director's Cut where filmmaking and winemaking intersect.

In the world of filmmaking, the Director's Cut refers to that version of a movie which most closely expresses the director's vision for the film.

In the world of winemaking, the products carrying the Director's Cut label are those which best realize our goals for Sonoma wines. They reflect our view of varieties most suited to the region, areas where the best grapes are grown, and the blend of these juices that make our cut.

The graphic band which encircles the bottle was used in a 19th century invention called a zoetrope (Greek, zoe=life, trope=movement), which produces the illusion of moving pictures from static ones. Every bottle of Director's Cut pays homage to the history of filmmaking and to the relentlessly uncompromising standards which make it a true American art form.

2005 Sonoma Coast Pinot Noir.....42.00

Winemaker's notes

Once harvested, we crushed the grapes immediately and cold soaked the must for three days to stabilize the color. It was then fermented in open-top fermenters for nine days, with punch downs three times a day. The result is a silky, yet plush wine with crushed cranberry and allspice aromas hinting at clove and nutmeg. A great reflection of the Pinot Noir grape, it has beautiful flavors of cranberry, cherry, dried strawberry, and sweet moderate tannins. Barrel aged for 12 months in French oak, 69% new, 40% 1-2 years old; 100% Pinot Noir; 14.2% Alcohol

2005 Dry Creek Valley Zinfandel.....38.00

Winemaker's notes

We blended our Zinfandel with a small amount of Petite Sirah. Half the fruit was crushed whole berry and the must is fermented in open-top fermenters for eight days, with punch downs three times a day, to ensure maximum flavor and color extraction. After fermentation, the wine was aged in French oak adding a wonderful toasted spice and French vanilla essence to its heady aroma of rum raisin with hints of black currant and red cherry. Sweet raspberry jam with currant and red spice flavors are wrapped up in a soft and luxurious texture with moderate tannins. 12 months in French oak, 50% new, 50% 1-2 years old; 93% Zinfandel, 7% Petite Sirah, 14.8% Alcohol.

2005 Russian River Valley Chardonnay.....36.00

Winemaker's notes

We crushed our Chardonnay whole-cluster and then fermented it entirely in French oak barrels to achieve a seductive, round texture with quintessential Russian River Valley flavors of green apple, honeysuckle, and sweet vanilla with citrus notes. Its sweet perfume previews its palate with hints of honeysuckle, crisp apple, and orange blossoms. French oak barrel fermentation and aging, 50% new, 50% 1-2 year old; 100%Chardonnay,13.8% Alcohol

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Inspiration

Born from a celebration of love, Sofia is a gift from father to daughter that has evolved into a free-spirited, ebullient and energetic elixir with a touch of glamour. It is much more than a sparkling wine with youthful energy- it is a tribute to the spirit and life of women everywhere. Sofia is revolutionary, cool, poetic, romantic, petulant, fragrant and reactionary.

2004 Sofia, Blanc de Blancs, Monterey, California.....38.00

Sofia is a fruity, dry and delicious sparkling Blanc de Blancs, perfect for every celebration. A sophisticated thirst quencher, it is a blend of Pinot Blanc, Sauvignon Blanc and Muscat grapes grown in cool Monterey vineyards with refreshingly crisp apple and pear flavors highlighted by citrus and honey notes.

Rubicon

The flagship wine of the Niebaum-Coppola Estates, reflects the unique terrain of our world-renowned property. Using only 100% organically-farmed grapes sourced directly from Estate vineyards, Rubicon has become a role model for Rutherford Cabernet Sauvignon. Like other great clarets, Rubicon is blended primarily from Cabernet Sauvignon, which was first planted on our Estate between 1882 and 1885 by Inglenook founder Captain Gustave Niebaum. Recently, laboratory analysis verified that the vineyard clone selection propagated since the 1960s is indeed the same genetic material as the vines Niebaum clone- Clone #29 technically speaking- has been continuously planted here, it is one of California's most historic and important clones of Cabernet Sauvignon, and totally unique to the Niebaum Coppola Estate.

2003 Rubicon.....185.00

Winemaker notes

All Rubicon Estate vineyards are harvested by hand in the early morning. The grapes arrive at the winery in small bins and the fruit is hand-sorted before crushing. A second sorting of the must removes any remaining leaves or pieces of broken stems. The must is allowed to "cold soak" for three to five days prior to the onset of natural fermentation. Depending on the age of the vineyard and the quality of the tannins, macerations. This allows the new wine to stabilize color and increase the mouth feel of the new wine. Both traditional punch-downs(early stages of fermentation) and pump-overs are used, resulting in ultra-dense, coating and supple tannins.

Tasting notes

Rubicon is characterized by aromas of black sour cherries and violets. These flavors are confirmed on the palate with the addition of black currant, wild berries and sweet vanilla from aging in 100% new French oak barrels. There is an immediate sense of concentration on the mid palate with a luxurious and dense texture. While this wine is approachable now, it will develop further complexity with cellaring, easily fifteen to twenty-five years or more. This is one for the cellar.

Reserve White Wines

2000 Chardonnay, Cold Creek Vineyard, Chateau Ste. Michelle	32.00
Washington State	
2000 Chardonnay, St. Clement, Abbott's, Carneros...WS(90)	48.00
2001 Chardonnay, Grand Estates, Columbia Crest	30.00
2001 Chardonnay, Mer SoLeiL, California	40.00
Wonderful tropical fruit, honeysuckle & citrus flavors	
2003 Chardonnay, Kongsgaard, Napa...WS(97)	150.00
A fantastic, opulent mouthful of Chardonnay, with complex, concentrated layers of fig, cream, butterscotch & marshmallow, the flavors go on seemingly forever-at least until the next sip. Chardonnay in this style doesn't get much better & for richness & depth. #8 Top 100 2006	
2003 Chardonnay, Desino, Russian River Valley	50.00
Wine combines ripe, rich, creamy fig & apricot flavors with a touch of nutmeg-laced oak.	
2004 Chardonnay, Kendall Jackson Camelot Highlands...RP(91)	45.00
Tropical fruit character, primarily pineapple, along with hints of honeysuckle, vanilla beans & delicate touch of wood.	
2004 Chardonnay, Charles Krug, Napa Valley	35.00
Napa Valley's First Winery Est. 1861 Peter Mondavi Family	
2004 Chardonnay, Gary Farrell, Russian River Valley	48.00
2004 Chardonnay, Ferrari-Carano, Alexander Valley	48.00
2005 Chardonnay, La Crema, Sonoma Coast	35.00
2005 Chardonnay, Cakebread Cellars, Napa Valley	70.00
2005 Chardonnay, Beringer, Napa Valley	30.00
2004 Sauvignon Blanc, Matanzas Creek Winery, Sonoma California	34.00

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2005 Sauvignon Blanc, Charles Krug, Napa Valley	32.00
Napa Valley's first winery, Est. 1861 Peter Mondavi family	
2005 Sauvignon Blanc, Martinborough Te Muna Road, Craggy Range	31.00
Bright & lively, a juicy mouthful of lime, nectarine, hints of quince & mineral WS(90) New Zealand	
2006 Sauvignon Blanc, Kim Crawford, Marlborough New Zealand....WS(92).....	38.00
Concentrated & complex, with vivid passion fruit, grapefruit & tangy peach flavors. Vibrant & tangy lime juice acidity keep thumping through the finish. Wine Spectator Top 100 2006 #40	
2002 Viognier, Jaffurs, Santa Barbara County, California	29.00
2000 Viognier, Sierra Series, Renwood	38.00
2004 Viognier, Select Series, Renwood	35.00
Tangy citrus & floral notes are clean & refreshing, with a burst of tangerine on the finish.	
2005 Conundrum, California	45.00
2005 Riesling, Eroica, Washington	38.00
2005 Riesling, Stonehaven Wine Maker's Selection, South Australia..WS(86).....	34.00
Susanne Bell Wine Maker Fresh citrus aroma balanced on the palate with concentrated lime flavors.	
2004 Pinot Grigio, Luna Napa	32.00

Italian White Reserve

2003 Chardonnay, Jermanna.....	42.00
2003 Chardonnay, Le Bruniche, Nozzole, Bertani.....	40.00
2004 Teruzzi Puthod, Terre di Tuffi.....	28.00
2001 Chardonnay-Ansonica Blend, Chiaranda, Donnafugata, Sicily.....	60.00
The color & bouquet alone denote an elaborate winemaking style with generous vanilla, pineapple, peach & melted butter on the nose. It's fleshy & creamy in the mouth with satisfying length.	
2002 Chardonnay, Langhe, Rossj-Bass Gaja.....	60.00
Pleasant and rich white, with backed apple, lemon and mineral character. Lots of wood medium to full bodied vanilla aftertaste.	
2002 Friulian, Vespa Bianco, Bastianich.....	44.00
2004 Verdicchio dei Castelli di Jesi, Casal di Serra.....	30.00
2004 Sauvignon Blanc, Collio, Schiopetto.....	48.00
A delicate bouquet with characteristic almond & field flowers scents as well as pear accents. Dry, aromatic with an elegant almond background, good background & persistence.	
2004 Pinot Grigio, Movia, Slovenia...WS(93).....	51.00
Gold, with an amber edge. Aromas of pineapple, grapefruit & hints of minerals. Full bodied, with intense flavors of ripe fruit & a super fresh finish. Lasts for minutes on the palate. The greatest Pinot Grigio from Italy. 100% Italian grapes, but the wine is made just across the border in Slovenia.	
2005 Pinot Grigio, Santa Margherita.....	32.00
2005 Pinot Grigio, San Angelo, BANFI, Toscana.....	36.00
100% Tuscan Pinot Grigio Single Vineyard	
2004 Anthila, Donnafugata, Sicily.....	28.00
A true expression of the vintage with almonds & pistachio, full berry fruit & toasted notes, a long finish.	

Piedmont & Northern

1993 Rosso VDT, Gastaldi, (100% Naebbiolo)	85.00
1999 Sfursat 5 Stelle, Nino Negri, Valtellina, Lombardy...WS(91)	110.00
Fascinating aromas of fresh mushrooms and plums. Full Bodied, with soft tannins and a long, super ripe finish. A beauty.	
1994 Sfursat 5 Stelle, Nino Negri, Valtellina, Lombardy	120.00
Rich and concentrated. An Amarone style wine made with superior Nebbiolo grapes. Very rich and concentrated, this red displays prune, chocolate and walnut flavors accented by new oak.	
2000 Barbaresco Bricco, Pio Cesare...WS(94)	250.00
Ripe & rich Barbaresco with loads of velvety tannins, toasted oak & ripe fruit. Full-bodied, round & unctuous. Will age very well.	
2002 Barolo, Massolino	60.00
2001 Barolo, Serralunga d'Alba, Fontanafredda	65.00
2001 Barolo, Damilano...WS(92)	85.00
Voted #60 of top 100 wines. Intense aromas of plums, mushrooms & cedar follow through to a full-bodied palate, with big velvety tannins & ultra rich aftertaste. Blockbuster & excellent value.	
2002 Barolo, Damilano	60.00
Aromas of caramel & dried fruit follow through to a medium-bodied palate with soft tannins & a light finish	
2000 Barolo, Vigna Giachini, Corino...WS(92)	110.00
Very warm, almost exotic wine with leather, plum. Full bodied, with soft and caressing tannins and a long, ripe fruit and vanilla aftertaste.	
2000 Barolo, Prunotto...WS(90)	80.00
Extremely floral, with plenty of cherry & raspberry aromas. Full bodied, chewy & fruity. Good Structure.	
2001 Barolo, Marchesi di Barolo...WS(91)	75.00
Ripe fruit follow through to a full-bodied palate, with a peppery, light raisin flavor. Chewy yet ripe tannins. It goes on for a long time on the palate. Very well done for the vintage.	
2000 Barolo, Cannubi, Marchesi di Barolo...RP(90)	110.00
The nose, as always, is an exemplary expression of wild fennel, licorice, roses & light spice, the palate round & well sustained.	

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Piedmont & Northern

- 2000 Gattinara, Dessilara Luigi & Figlio Riserva...WS(90).....75.00**
Aromas of cherries, plums & blackberries wit hints of toasted oak. Full-bodied, with a lovely, focused fruit character, fine tannins, & a chewy finish. Delicious wine & excellent value.
- 1999 Barolo, Paolo ScavinoWS(90).....145.00**
Opulent & well done berry, flowers & forest floor. Full-bodied, with loads of fruit & chewy tannins and a finish that really kicks in. Ripe fruit, vanilla & spice, with a hint of coffee.
- 1998 Barolo, Bricco Luciani, Silvio Grasso....WS(91).....150.00**
Refined & balanced. Subtle, floral, spicy & fruit aromas. Medium-bodied, with fine tannins & a delicate finish. Powerful yet agile red.
- 2001 Barolo, Castiglione, Vietti...WS(92).....70.00**
Bright & plummy with strawberry & cherry character & hints of toasted oak & spices. Full-bodied, with velvety tannins.
- 2000 Langhe Costa Russi, GAJA...WS(100).....700.00**
Fabulous aromas of rose petals & cherries with hints of raspberries. Full-bodied, with ultra fine Tannins & an incredible finish. GREATEST COSTA!
- 2000 Langhe Sperss, GAJA...WS(95).....400.00**
Incredible fruit & character in this wine, with mint, mineral, blackberry plum aromas. Full-bodied, win an iron-cast core of fruit & velvety tannins & long, long finish.
- 2001 Langhe Conteisa, GAJA....WS(93).....375.00**
Plum, berry & dried flowers follow through to a full-bodied palate, with fine tannins & long, caressing finish. Lovely. This is subtle & refined with wonderful balance.
- 2001 Langhe Sori San Lorenzo, GAJA...WS(96).....670.00**
A very silky wine with berry, cedar & tobacco character. Full-bodied, with a fresh finish. Lovely. Seductive & racy. Very long indeed. Strength yet finesse.

Tuscany: Vino di Tavola

Also known as “Super Tuscans,” these designer show wines are being made by some of Italy’s most innovative growers. They can be 100% Sangiovese, 100% Cabernet, or a blend of the two. The wines are mostly aged in new French oak casks and frequently offer sensational aromatic dimension and remarkable breadth of flavor.

- 1993 Luce della Vite, Frescobaldi/Robert Mondavi...WS(90).....130.00**
Big and rich, concentrated & powerful, with masses of tobacco, berry & chocolate flavors. Full-bodied.
- 1994 Luce della Vite, Frescobaldi/Robert Mondavi.....100.00**
Deeply colored, emitting lovely blackberry, plum and spice aromas. Of medium body, very velvety, with lots of oak and a long delicious finish.
- 1997 Summus, Banfi....WS(90).....120.00**
A tight and extremely well made wine. Aromas of red licorice and blackberries, with hints of cloves. Full-body. Full tannins, yet polished and velvety.
- 1998 Ghiaie della Furba, Capezzana (tre bicchieri).....90.00**
- 2001 Toscana Giusto di Norti, Rosso Toscana, Tua Rita, Tuscany...RP(97).....250.00**
Complex aromas of berry, currant and toasty oak. Full-bodied, with a good backbone of tannins and chewy finish. Peppery aftertaste.
- 1998 Sassicaia, Bolgheri Sassicaia, Tenuta San Guido...WS(95).....400.00**
Lovely, subtle yet complex aromas of currants, sage and green olives lead to a full bodied red with a solid core of fruit and well intergraded tannins.
- 2002 Sassicaia, Bolgheri Sassicaia, Tenuta San Guido.....285.00**
Aromas of sweet tobacco and plum. Medium to full bodied, with sweet fruit and a silky texture.
- 2003 Sassicaia, Bolgheri Sassicaia, Tenuta San Guido...WS(92).....310.00**
Lots of raspberry and cherry on the nose. Full bodied & chunky with lots of fruit and a long, velvety finish.
- 2002 Toscana Rosso, IL Blu, Brancaia.....WS(96).....150.00**
Enticing aromas of smoky black fruit and spicy barbecue. Full bodied, with ultra fine, well integrated tannins & spicy, smoky, long finish. Goes on for minutes. Amazing quality for the vintage. #9 WS 2006
- 2002 Toscana, ATAISSON, Tenuta di Arceno...WN(90).....75.00**
100% Sangiovese scents of blackberry, licorice & smoke. Sweet chewy flavors of black current & oak.

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- 2003 Toscana, Oreno, Sette Ponti, Tuscany....WS(95).....250.00**
Breathtaking, dense and powerful, with grilling aromas and flavors. Full bodied, round & chewy, massive and exciting. #5 WS 2006
- 2003 Toscana Tignanello, Antinori....WS(91).....110.00**
Subtle and complex aromas of licorice, dried flowers and currant follow through to a full bodied palate with fine tannins.
- 2004 Toscana, Crognolo, Setti Ponti....WS(92).....75.00**
Bright and fruity aromas of plums, berries, currants and milk chocolate. Full bodied with soft tannins and long, caressing finish. Loads of fruit.
- 2001 Toscana, Cabreo IL Borgo, Tuscany.....WS(91).....85.00**
Plenty of blackberry and cherry character, with a hint of coffee. Medium to full bodied, chewy tannins and a rich finish. Well-done. Big, rich and racy.
- 2002 Toscana, La Massa, Panzana, Chianti...WS(90).....60.00**
Sangiovese, Merlot and Cabernet smoky black fruit, with mineral and black licorice notes. Full bodied with soft, well intergrated tannins and a long slightly jammy fruit finish.
- 2001 Chianti Classico, Giorgio Primo, Panzano, Chianti....WS(91).....85.00**
Could be sold as a Super Tuscan with Sangiouvese 85% and Merlot 15%. Velvety and rich, with plum, berry and coffee character. Full bodied with round tannins and long chocolate, vanilla and berry aftertaste. Tight and refined now, but show serious structure.

Amarone

1967 Amarone della Valpolicella ,Bertani.....500.00

The wine has a deep, dark garnet color. The classical cherry flavors of Amarone are immediately perceptible to the nose, with the preponderant notes of Marasca and sour cherry. The wine presents a great variety of characters, from fresh fruit to jam like tones, which offer a very harmonious aftertaste, alternating with spicy elements. The ample nose has a sweet impact and spreads in a continuous chain of sensations. The wine opens up in the mouth with aftertastes of all red-berry fruits, with hints of vanilla.

1968 Amarone della Valpolicella ,Bertani.....600.00

Full-bodied, dense velvety garnet color, aromas of fresh picked cherries mingled with notes of sour cherry. The wine has a deep, dark garnet color. The classical cherry flavors of Amarone are immediately perceptible to the nose, with the preponderant notes of Marasca and sour cherry. The wine presents a great variety of characters, from fresh fruit to jam like tones, which offer a very harmonious aftertaste, alternating with spicy elements. The ample nose has a sweet impact and spreads in a continuous chain of sensations. The wine opens up in the mouth with aftertastes of all red-berry fruits, with hints of vanilla.

1975 Amarone della Valpolicella ,Bertani.....400.00

The wine has a deep, dark garnet color. The classical flavors of Amarone are immediately perceptible to the nose, with preponderant notes of Marasca and sour cherry. The wine presents a great variety of characters, from fresh fruit to jam like tones, which offer a very harmonious aftertaste, alternating with spicy elements. The ample nose has a sweet impact and spreads in a continuous chain of sensations. The wine opens up in the mouth with aftertastes of all the red-berry fruits, besides vanilla on a soft, heavy-duty cloth.

1976 Amarone della Valpolicella ,Bertani.....400.00

The wine has a deep, dark garnet color. The classical flavors of Amarone are immediately perceptible to the nose, with preponderant notes of Marasca and sour cherry. The wine presents a great variety of characters, from fresh fruit to jam like tones, which offer a very harmonious aftertaste, alternating with spicy elements. The ample nose has a sweet impact and spreads in a continuous chain of sensations. The wine opens up in the mouth with aftertastes of all the red-berry fruits, with hints of vanilla.

1997 Amarone della Valpolicella Classico, Bertani.....200.00

A silky & refined red with lovely blackberry, cherry & cedar character. Full bodied, tannins, long finish.

1998 Amarone della Valpolicella, Bertani125.00

1999 Amarone della Valpolicella, MASI...WS(92).....130.00

Well balanced & integrated, with clean & spicy raisin fruit character. Full bodied & silky, long finish.

2001 Amarone della Valpolicella, MASI..... 75.00

Bright crushed berry on the nose, with hints of lemon grass & minerals. Full bodied & very juicy.

2001 Amarone della Valpolicella, Zenato90.00

Aromas of pressed dried flowers & fruit follow through to a full bodied palate, silky tannins. A beauty.

2001 Amarone della Valpolicella, Tommasi.....100.00

2001 Amarone della Valpolicella, Monte Cristi, Castellani...WS(90).....85.00

Juicy, with herbs & spicy oak on the nose & palate. Full bodied & silky, with fine, well integrated tannins & fresh spice finish.

Tuscany and Southern

- 1993 Castello di Querceto, La corte.....75.00**
- 2000 Nero d'Avola, Sicily, Abbazia Santa Anastasia.....72.00**
- 2003 Nero d'Avola, Sicily, Tancredi Donna Fugata...WE(91).....60.00**
Ruby colored & concentrated, this blend of Nero d'Avola 70% Cabernet Sauvignon sees 14 months of oak & is clean, refined & perfumed with berry fruit, earthy notes, smoke, vanilla, tobacco & tight tannins.
- 2000 Nero d'Avola, Sicily, Mille e Una Notte, Donna Fugata...WE(91).....110.00**
A true expression of the vintage with almonds & pistachio, full berry fruit & toasted notes, a long finish.
- 1993 Masseto, Tenuta dell' Ornellaia, Tuscany ...WS(91).....395.00**
The Le Pin of Italy. Super-riper berry, Merlot character, with aromas & flavors of violet, berry, cassis & a hint of dried herbs. Full bodied, with full tannins yet soft & velvety on the finish.
- 2000 Tenuta dell' Ornellaia, Bolgheri Superiore Ornellaia....WS(90).....300.00**
Lots of currant & spice, with hints of fresh herb. Medium-bodied, with fine tannins & pretty balance. Delicate finish. A slightly held –back style for Ornellaia. Cabernet sauvignon, Merlot & Cabernet Franc.
- 1997 Toscana Fontalloro, Fattoria di FelsinaWS(93).....220.00**
Tight & powerful. Aromas of dried cherries, berries & lilacs. Full bodied, silky tannins, long finish.
- 2000 Toscana Romitorio di Santedame, Ruffino, Tuscany...RP(95).....150.00**
A fantastic, honest Tuscan red. Excellent, with blackberry, mineral and licorice character. Full bodied, with integrated fruit and very polished tannins. Very long Colorino and Merlot.
- 2000 Toscana Luce, Mondavi & Frescobaldi.....WS(91).....150.00**
Really well-crafted. Gorgeous bright fruit, with perfume, berry & currant & hints of mineral. Full-bodied, with fine tannins & a medium finish.
- 2001 Serpico, Feudi di San Gregorio, Campania, Italy...RP(98).....250.00**
Impenetrable & inky, staggeringly rich in both aroma & flavor, offers ultra ripe but perfectly fresh berry fruit, cloves, cinnamon, & chocolate & mouth coating, deep pile tactile sensations which combine iron power & enveloping, voluptuous texture, infinitely deep & long.
- 2001 Montepergoli, Enrico Santini, Tuscany...RP(93).....90.00**
Smoky crème de cassis & plums is followed by rich, layered flavors of perfectly ripe berry fruit.
- 2001 Castello del Terriccio, Terriccio.....RP(95).....185.00**
Quite unusual wine , a blend of grapes planted initially on an experimental basis such as Syrah, Mourvedre, & Petit Verdot. Packed intense & superbly long, the wine offers a nose & palate of plums, raisins & truffles, powerfully concentrated but velvet-textured flavors, & a richness & breadth which virtually line & upholster the taste buds.
- 2002 Barrua, Isola Dei Nuraghi, Agricola Punica.....WS(91).....80.00**
Very pretty aromas of crushed berries, flowers & black licorice follow through to a full-bodied palate, with ultra. refined tannins & a long, long finish This is wonderfully crafted. This comes from the people who make Sassicaia
- 2004 Toscana, Guidalberto, Tenuta San Guido.....70.00**
aromas of dark cherries, light toasted oak , Medium-bodied
- 2003 Syrah, Il Bosco Cortuna, D'Alessandro, Tuscany...WS(94).....75.00**
Powerful aromas of crushed black fruits, pepper & wet earth. Full bodied, chewy & rich, with a long, long finish. This is a fantastic Syrah.
- 2005 Toscana IGT Tenuta de Ornell, Le Volte.....60.00**
Bottled by Ornellaia

Tuscany and Southern

- 1995 Brunello, di Montalcino, Montosoli, Altesino.....WS(96).....350.00**
Monster Brunello. Very dark in color, with super ripe aromas of black licorice, dried plum & mint. Full-bodied, with masses of velvety tannins & a long, long finish. Best version of this Tuscan red since the legendary 1990 Montosoli.#13 top 100 in 2000
- 1997 Brunello, di Montalcino, PoggioAntico...WS(95)..... 295.00**
Big, blockbuster of a wine, yet soft. Terrific aromas of violets, plums and jam. Full bodied and very rich, with masses of ripe fruit & round, velvety tannins. Lasts for minutes on the palate.
- 1997 Brunello, di Montalcino, Riserva La Magia...WS(92).....100.00**
A silky & refined red with lovely blackberry, cherry & cedar character. Full bodied, with fine tannins & a long finish.
- 1997 Brunello, di Montalcino, Poggi all'Oro Riserva, Castello Banfi...WS(96)...325.00**
Blockbuster, incredibly intense black cherry aromas, with hints of mint & red licorice. It soon turns to flowers. Full bodied & full throttled with masses of tannins & concentrated fruit.
- 1999 Brunello, di Montalcino, Poggi all'Oro Riserva, Castello Banfi...WS(96)...250.00**
Intense aromas of smoke & coffee open to layers of beautiful, pure fruit. Full bodied, with super silky tannins. Absolutely gorgeous.
- 2001 Brunello, di Montalcino, Banfi.....WS(93).....110.00**
Loads of blackberry, currant & toasted oak. Full-bodied, chewy & rich. Long finish. This is big & rich.
- 1999 Brunello, di Montalcino, Fuligni...WS(95).....285.00**
Very fresh aromas of pressed dried flowers with hints of plums & raspberries. Full bodied, with super well knit tannins & a long, long finish of ripe fruit & beautiful character. I love this better than 1997. Get it Fast.
- 1999 Brunello, di Montalcino, Rennina, GAJA.....175.00**
Aromas of sweet tobacco and plum. Medium to full bodied, with sweet fruit and a silky texture.
- 1999 Brunello, di Montalcino, Castelgiocondo, Frescobaldi....WS(95).....285.00**
- 1999 Brunello, di Montalcino Val di Suga, Tenimenti Angelini...WS(90).....80.00**
Lots of raspberry and cherry on the nose. Full bodied & chunky with lots of fruit and a long, velvety finish.
- 1999 Brunello, di Carpazo, Tuscany.....90.00**
- 2000 Brunello, di Montalcino, Col D'Orcia.....70.00**
100% Sangiovese scents of blackberry, licorice & smoke. Sweet chewy flavors of black current & oak.

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Tuscany and Southern

2000 Brunello, Solaria, Italy.....	85.00
2000 Brunello, Casanova di Neri Tenuta Nuova.....WS(93).....	150.00
Balanced & refined. Berry, tobacco & mineral aromas last for minutes on the palate. Full-bodied, with lots of silky tannins. A beauty.	
2001 Brunello, Casanova di Neri.....	120.00
2000 Brunello, Silvio Nardi	95.00
Very jammy with lots of berry & blackberry character. Full bodied with a long finish.	
2000 Brunello, Pian delle Vigne, Antinori	90.00
Aromas & flavors of blackberry, mineral & flowers follow through to a medium bodied palate, with fine tannins & a medium finish.	
2000 Brunello, Vigneto Manachiara, Silvio Nardi.....WS(88).....	125.00
Elegant aromas of flowers, berries & raspberries follow through to a medium-to full bodied palate, with a slightly hollow midpalate but good berry & toasty oak on the finish. 900 cases made.	
2003 Rosso Di Montalcino, Sassetti.....	80.00

Reserve California Cabernet and Blends

1987 The Hess Collection, Napa...WS(94)	300.00
1999 Howell Mountain Selection, La Jota	100.00
2001 La Jota Vineyard Co. Howell Mountain	80.00
1990 Ridge Montebello, Santa Cruz Mountains...WS(97)	350.00
An immense wine of uncommon, depth, richness, concentration & complexity. Beautifully structured, tightly focused, layers of currant, tar, earth, anise, mineral & sage, finishing in long, lingering aftertaste.	
1991 Ridge Montebello, Santa Cruz Mountains...WS(93)	270.00
Rich with currant, mineral, spice, sage, leather & black cherry. Supple in texture, graceful in style & long, persistent & focused to the finish. Tannins are fine-grained. Magnificent Montebello that defines the complexity, weight, style, flavor & nuance of this vineyard in its best year.	
1992 Ridge Montebello, Santa Cruz Mountains...WS(91)	220.00
Dark & tight, it's firmly tannic, but with enough black cherry, currant & smoky oak flavors.	
1998 Ridge Montebello, Santa Cruz Mountains	155.00
1999 Ridge Montebello, Santa Cruz Mountains	195.00
A wine of great balance, finesse and grace. Well focused, the ripe, tart rich blackberry and currant fruit is intense yet elegant, picking up earthy, mineral and sage notes, and finishing with fine, well integrated tannins. Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot.	
1980 Caymus Special Selection, Napa Valley...WS(96)	500.00
2004 Caymus Special Selection, Napa Valley...WS(93)	200.00
Rich yet sleek & concentrated with tiers of ripe plum, wild berry & black cherry. Shows a touch of spice, sandalwood & nutmeg. The long, detailed aftertaste that keeps introducing new flavors.	
2004 Cakebread Cellars, Napa Valley	100.00
2003 Destino, Napa Valley...WS(88)	65.00
Rich & generous black cherry & currant flavors are rich & complex, with chocolate & cassis flavors.	
2003 Sequoia Grove, Napa Valley	50.00
2002 Yalumba, The Signature, Australia.....RP(96)	95.00
The Signature 56% Cabernet Sauvignon & 44% smoky, blackberry, incense, charcoal, & floral characteristics along tremendous glycerin richness.	
2002 Henschke, Keyneton Estate, Australia.....RP(93)	70.00
A combination of 70% Shiraz, 20% Cabernet Sauvignon & 10% Merlot. Impressive intensity, richness concentration, & aromatics black currants, licorice, earthy spice, & a hint of wood. A beauty, with a Meatiness to its richness & intensity, should drink well for a decade or more.	

Vertical Silver Oak

1986 Silver Oak, Napa Valley...WS(92)	350.00
Lots of complex flavors, ranging from plum & black cherry to dill & spice. Finishes with smooth tannins.	
1992 Silver Oak, Napa Valley...WS(93)	300.00
Big, ripe & oaky in style, but has the flavors to match. This is loaded with currant, plum and wild berry flavors framed by smoky, toasty oak and finishes with a long, complex concentrated aftertaste. Tempting now, but worth cellaring, too.	
1993 Silver Oak, Napa Valley	260.00
1996 Silver Oak, Napa Valley	250.00
Smooth, ripe & supple, with complex plum, earth, currant, tar & cedar notes, finishing with round tannins & a touch of dill.	
1998 Silver Oak, Napa Valley	220.00
Creamy dill & lavender aromas lead to similar flavors, a core of rich, earthy currant, cedar, anise & sage.	
1999 Silver Oak, Napa Valley...WS(91)	225.00
Dill, lavender and mocha scents are followed by a trace of coconut & layers of spicy current, herb, sage and plum flavors. Very rich and concentrated. Impeccably balanced, with a long, persistent aftertaste that keeps echoing fruit and oak.	
2000 Silver Oak, Napa Valley	175.00
Starts out creamy, milk chocolaty oak leading to a core of currant, plum and black cherry fruit offering a richness, depth and complexity, finishing with a plush concentrated aftertaste.	
2002 Silver Oak, Napa Valley.....RP(91)	150.00
A blend of 83% Cabernet Sauvignon, 11% Merlot, & the rest Cabernet Franc, & a dollop of Petit Verdot. Aromas of olive-tinged, crème de cassis intermixed with sweet vanillin & smokey oak lead to a sweet, chunky, ripe, cedary wine with an attractive texture, an expansive, fruit-forward style, & a spicy finish.	
2001 Silver Oak, Alexander Valley	175.00
Notable for its smoky coconut, vanilla bean & wood aromas, the currant and herb notes work well with the wood on the palate.	
1986 Silver Oak, Alexander Valley...WS(92)	220.00
Smooth, supple & harmonious. Shows flavors of spicy mineral, currant, anise & cedar with a long aftertaste. Wonderful balance and finesse.	
2001 Silver Oak, Alexander Valley	120.00
Aromas of dill, macaroon, and coconut fold in nicely with a rich band of currant, plum and black cherry fruit. Excellent structure, depth and concentration, winding with affirm, chewy tannins.	
1999 Silver Oak, Alexander Valley	130.00
1998 Silver Oak, Alexander Valley	160.00

Reserve California Cabernet and Blends

1998 The Terraces, Napa (low production, Caymus styled Cab).....	95.00
2002 Two Vineyards Reserve, Red Mountain, Hedges, Washington	75.00
Grown, produced and bottled by Hedges. Cabernet Sauvignon 95%; Merlot 2%; Syrah 3%	
2003 Reserve, Robert Mondavi Winery, Napa Valley	150.00
2003 JORDAN, Alexander Valley	80.00
2002 Geyser Peak, Reserve Alexandre Meritage	80.00
2004 Diamond Creek, Gravelly Meadow, Napa WS(91)	350.00
Raspberry, mocha and chocolate aromas with a touch of anise meld seamlessly into the sweet entry. A burst of raspberry fruit cassis mocha coffee and coconut linger into mid-palate and a lingering finish of warm toasted oak.	
2004 Diamond Creek, Red Rock Terrace, Napa WS(91)	350.00
Bordeaux- like in its style, structure and range of flavors, with a mix of dried currant, fresh earth, mineral, tobacco and cedary oak. Gains complexity and nuance on the finish, which is long, sleek and complex. 476 cases made.	
2004 Diamond Creek, Volcanic Hill, Napa WS(94)	350.00
Firm, tight and concentrated, the earthy currant and wild berry flavors are hidden behind a wall of rich tannins, giving it excellent structure. Holds a tight focus on the finish.	
1988 Opus One Mondavi Rothschild, Napa	250.00
A very complete wine. Medium weight, with cherry, herb, tea & coffee notes, a mellow tannin finish.	
1995 Opus One, Mondavi Rothschild, Napa ... WS(95)	350.00
A shade more elegant and refined than the 94, yet sharing the delicious range of flavors, with bright black cherry, plum and floral notes. Turns smooth and polished.	
1998 Opus One, Mondavi Rothschild, Napa	275.00
Elegant, polished, supple and complex, with pretty currant, cedar, anise, sage and tar notes.	
2000 Opus One, Mondavi Rothschild, Napa WS(89)	250.00
Firm & structured, with spicy currant, herb, dill & berry, picking up a cedary edge. Finishes with firm, rich core of flavors & tight tannins. Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Cabernet Franc, Malbec & Petit Verdot	
2003 Opus One, Mondavi Rothschild, Napa	240.00
Intense & concentrated, with dried currant, wild berry & cedary oak flavors providing a dry, chewy aftertaste.	

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California Cabernet and Blends

1998 Lolonis, Petros, Redwood Valley.....	75.00
2001 Cardinale, Nappa...RP(93).....	180.00
Sweet nose of black fruits, espresso roast & toasty oak. Rich, full bodied, voluptuous finish that lasts	
2003 Thomas Halby, Napa Valley.....	55.00
2003 Claret, Steltzner, Napa Valley.....	35.00
Stags Leap District, a blend of traditional Bordeaux, Cabernet Sauvignon & Merlot. Lots of berry flavors.	
2000 Freemark Abbey Bosche, Napa Valley.....	140.00
2000 Frank Family, Napa Valley.....	70.00
An herbal, earthy style. The dusty berry, sage, anise & currant flavors. Sturdy, with chunky tannins.	
1987 Insignia, Joseph Phelps, Napa Valley...WS(96).....	420.00
Magnificent. Dark, ripe, dense, chewy & enormously concentrated, it's clearly one of the stars of the vintage. Packed with rich currant, mineral, earth, cedar, spice, anise & coffee notes. It turns plush and thick on the finish, where the flavors are young and vibrant.	
2002 Insignia, Joseph Phelps, Napa Valley...WS(96).....	750ml 400.00/1.5L 800.00
A rich, polished, seductive style with layers of complexity built around a dense, concentrated mix of currant, blackberry, plum & exotic mocha & cedar-scented oak. This mouth coating young wine is powerful, yet elegant & deftly balanced, finishing with a long, succulent aftertaste. Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Petit Verdot & Malbec. Tasted twice, with consistent notes. 2006 WINE OF THE YEAR!	
2001 Louis Martini, Sonoma Valley Monte Rosso.....	1.5L.... 120.00
2002 Generations, Family Reserve, Charles Krug, Napa Valley.....	65.00
Napa Valley's First Winery EST.1861 Peter Mondavi Family	
2003 Charles Krug, Napa Valley.....	36.00
Napa Valley's First Winery Est. 1861 Peter Mondavi Family	
2002 Geyser Peak, Reserve Alexandre Meritage.....	80.00
2004 Obsidian Ridge, Napa.....	40.00
Cabernet Sauvignon are grown in the Red hills of Lake County, mountainous region of north Napa Valley.	

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Merlot

2001 Luna, Napa...WS(91)	42.00
Rich, concentrated yet elegant style, with waves of ripe flavors, supple coffee, currant, black cherry and anise, finishing with dense tannins.	
2001 Canoe Ridge, Columbia Valley, Washington State	45.00
2001 Benziger, Sonoma County...WS(92)	55.00
This is a dark, plush, richly flavored wine, with layers of fruit concentration and complexity built around a core of ripe plum, currant and blackberry, pushing ripeness to the edge of jammy. Finishes with ripe, firm tannins and a touch of herb and fresh earth.	
2001 St. Francis, Behler Reserve, Sonoma Valley	65.00
Pushes ripe to the edge of jammy, high toned cherry& strawberry fruit that has a slight backed quality.	
2002 Clos Pegase, Estate Bottled, Unfiltered, Mitsuko's Vineyard, Napa Valley	30.00
2002 Northstar, Columbia Valley, Washington	62.00
Firm, with fine tannins around a core of berry and woody aromas and flavors.	
2002 Rodney Strong, Sonoma County	30.00
2002 Carneros, Diamond Oaks, Oakville California	36.00
2002 Rutherford Hill , Napa Valley WS(88)	40.00
Complex, with perfumed plum & black cherry fruit flavor that are supple & polished, with good intensity, depth & length. Fine-grained tannins show through on the finish,along with a touch of cedar & herb.	
2003 Clos Du Bois, Reserve Alexander Valley, California	37.00
2003 AHNFELDT, Napa Valley	67.00
Firm, marked by herbal, meaty Merlot flavors that are dense and chewy. Offers hints of currant and sage, and a dose of cedar oak. 240 cases made.	
2004 Coppola, Diamond Collection	36.00
2005 Domaine de Gournier, France	30.00

Syrah, Shiraz

- 1998 Shiraz, Penfolds Grange...WS(99).....400.00**
Powerful, aristocratic & impressive in the way it gathers up its flavors and lets them hang on and on. The range starts with black cherry, blackberry, exotic spice and mineral and moves on to dark licorice, pepper and subtle gamy notes. Then it all comes together and picks up speed on the lingering finish.
- 1999 Shiraz, Penfolds Grange.....WS(94).....300.00**
Smokey, earthy blackberry, plum and currant fruit that compete effectively against cedary oak on the long finish. The flavors gain with each sip, fanning out impressively.
- 2001 Shiraz, Penfolds Grange...RP(98).....350.00**
2001 is one of the top examples of this wine. Inky/blue/purple to the rim, with a stunning perfume of blueberries and blackberries.
- 2002 Shiraz Old Vine, The Octavius, Yalumba, Barossa Valley Australia.....200.00**
The Octavius(100% old vine Shiraz aged 22 months in both French & American wood.) Aromas of figs, chocolate, blackberry & cassis liqueur, roasted meats, & barbecue spice emerge from this hugely extracted, full-bodied monster. Reminiscent of some Grange Hermitage from the early seventies, it is a wine of supreme quality, with a singular personality as well. RP(96)
- 2003 Grenache, Yalumba, Tricentenary Vines, Barossa Valley Australia.....60.00**
Immensely appealing for its lively pomegranate, cherry & spice flavors, hinting at sage as the finish lingers. Signature single vineyard & hand picked from old bush vines that span three centuries. 300 cases imported. Australia's oldest family owned winery. WS(90)
- 2004 Shiraz, The Dead Arm d'Arenberg, McLaren Vale Australia.....100.00**
- 2004 Shiraz, Greg Norman Estates, Australia.....32.00**
- 2003 Syrah, Edna Valley Reva, California...WS(96).....250.00**
A rich, massive, densely flavored Syrah, packed with syrupy currant, wild berry & boysenberry fruit, with dashes of pepper, spice and a hint of cedar and earth. While the tannins are big and muscular, they have a gentleness that lets the flavors gain complexity on the finish.
- 2003 Syrah, Fess Parker, Santa Barbara County.....85.00**
- 2004 Syrah, Estancia, Vinted and Bottled, Central Coast of California.....34.00**
- 2002 Syrah/Petite, Relentless, Shafer, Napa Valley...WS(94).....125.00**
Tremendous wine, captivating aromas of rich currant, blackberry and wild berry. Tightly focused and impeccably balanced. Wonderful complexity and depth with a long, rich intense finish.
- 2002 Syrah, JC CELLARS, Fess Parker, Santa Barbara County...WS(92).....50.00**
Displays elegance with a peppery, wild berry side to the flavor.

Zinfandel

2004 Zinfandel, Cardinal ZIN, Bonny Doon.....	32.00
2004 Zinfandel, Red Label, Francis Coppola.....	38.00
2004 Zinfandel, Charles Krug, St. Helena-Napa Valley.....	38.00
2003 Zinfandel, Swingsville Zin, R&B Cellars, California.....	30.00
2002 Zinfandel, Old Vine, Renwood, Amador County.....	42.00
2002 Zinfandel, GRANDPERE, Renwood, Amador County.....	70.00
2003 Zinfandel, GRANDMERE, Renwood, Amador County.....	50.00
2002 Zinfandel, Roshambo, Dry Creek Valley.....	30.00
2004 Zinfandel, Hartford, Russian River Valley.....	60.00
2004 Zinfandel, Rodney Strong, Sonoma County.....	34.00

Pinot Noir

2002 Heron, California.....	34.00
Silky wine is rich with ripe red cherry aromas, soft spice & smooth vanilla finish.	
2004 Willamette Valley Vineyards, Oregon.....	40.00
1999 Argyle, Spirit House, Willamette Valley, Oregon.....WS(93).....	120.00
Soft, plush & round, with seductive, exotic spice notes weaving through rich plum, berry & sweet leather flavors, which echo & echo on the supple finish 800 cases made	
2003 Argyle, NUTHOUSE, Willamette Valley, Oregon...WS(93).....	80.00
Polished and rich in texture, a bit hot but expanding beautifully to show off its ripe cherry, blackberry & faint note of earth. 450 cases made	
2004 Argyle Reserve, Willamette Valley Oregon...WS(89).....	55.00
Light & tangy, brimming with red cherry, raspberry & sweet spice aromas & flavors, nicely framed with a light touch of oak.	
2005 Argyle, Willamette Valley, Oregon	45.00
2004 A to Z, Oregon.....	36.00
Dark garnet color with flashes of purple. Aromatics of ripe fruits, violets, earth, blueberries & blackberries are followed by more subtle notes of smoke, lavender & fresh spices with hints of oak.	
2004 Clos Du Bois, Sonoma County, California.....	36.00
2004 Foley, Santa Rita Hills.....	47.00
2005 La CREMA, Russian River Valley.....	48.00
2004 La CREMA, Los Carneros.....	52.00
2005 La CREMA, Sonoma Coast.....	42.00
2005 Cambria, Santa Maria Valley, California.....	32.00
Grown, produced and bottled by family owned Cambria estate. Flavors of cherry, blueberry and cranberry with a touch of cinnamon. The finish is well rounded and lingering.	
2005 Cambria, Santa Maria Valley, Bench Break Vineyard California.....	55.00
Rich, concentrated and perfumed with black cherry, violets, cedar and vanilla.	
2004 Wente, Reliz Creek Reserve, Monterey.....	68.00

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Pinot Noir

- 2004 Gary Farrell, Russian River Valley, California.....70.00**
- 2004 Artesa, Carneros Estate...WS(91).....65.00**
Impressive smooth rich, deep and complex with tiers of black cherry, wild berry, pomegranate and sour cherry. Estate Grown.
- 2005 Benton-Lane, Willamette Valley, Oregon.....38.00**
Dark ruby color& aromas of ripe black plums,dark berries,currants & cassis framed by sweet & spicy oak.
- 2005 SANFORD, Santa Barbara County.....50.00**
The movie Sideways put Sanford Pinot Noir on the map.
- 2005 Land's Edge Vineyards, Hartford, Sonoma Coast.....70.00**
- 2005 Arroyo Seco Seco Highlands, Kendall Jackson.....WS(87).....68.00**
A rustic style, with rich band of anise, wild berry & cherry fruit that's concentrated. 839 case made
- 2005 Coppola, Diamond Collection, Monterey County.....32.00**
- 2005 Nautilus, Marlborough New Zealand.....35.00**
Loads of cedary oak frame intense flavors of wild berry, fresh herbs & crushed stone. 800 cases imported
- 2006 Kim Crawford, Marlborough New Zealand.....30.00**
Bright cherry & plum nose with subtle hints of oak. The palate is filled with cherries & dark fruit.

International Wines

Spain

1996 Rioja, Tempranillo, Grand Reserva, Ramon Bibao...WS(90).....45.00

Black cherry and spice.

2001 Rioja, Baron de Chirel Reserva,WS(90).85.00

Lush yet well focused. Beautiful mineral, plum & cedar aromas follow through on the palate of this harmonious yet generous red. Structure & elegance resemble a classified Bordeaux growth.

2001 Corullon, J. Palacios, Bierzo,.....70.00

Colored deep ruby, complex with aromas of cherry, plum, earth, game and some vanilla. Full bodied.

2002 Rioja, Roda I Reserva.....RP(88).....95.00

100% Tempranillo Deep color & expressive aromatically with scents of earth, smoke, spice & blackberry.

2004 Rioja, Roda Cirsion.....RP(93).....400.00

The 2004 Cirsion is a different kettle of fish, as it should be given the price. It is becoming clear that 2004 Was a great vintage in Rioja & this wine is truly special. Dark ruby/purple in color, it exhibits a stunning nose of acacia flowers, black cherry, black currant, & spice box. This is followed by a rich, opulent, powerful wine which manages to retain a velvety palate-feel & superb elegance. There is a splendid integration of oak, tannin & acidity. Drink over next 12-15 years.

2004 Syrah, Nerola, Torres.....WS(88).....36.00

Alluring blackberry and damson plum flavors are framed by sweet vanilla oak notes in this plush, modern red. It's ripe yet refreshing, with good balance and a lively finish.

Argentina

2004 Malbec, Pasual Toso Reserve, Mendoza Argentina...WS(88).....35.00

Estate grown in Las Barrancas-Maipu, Mandoza. Hand harvested in small baskets. A deep red with tinges of violet, with intense notes of blueberries and prunes enhanced by vanilla and white chocolate from French oak barrels.

2004 Malbec, Achaval Ferrer, Mendoza, Argentina....WS(91).....70.00

A pair of Italians and two Argentineans founded this small winery. It is one of the area's top producers. Bold plum and blueberry aromas and flavors, plus notes of mineral and violets.

2004 Malbec, Gascon Mendoza Don Miquel, Argentina...WS(88).....30.00

2004 Malbec, Alamos, Argentina.....32.00

2004 Malbec, Catena, Maendoza...WS(90).....37.00

Great aromas of crushed blueberry and raspberry, with a juicy well integrated toast and mineral. Nice blast of pure fruit on the finish

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Argentina

2003 Malbec, Trivento, Golden Reserve, Mendoza...WS(89).....40.00

2003 Cabernet Sauvignon, Kaiken Ultra, Mendoza, Argentina.....35.00

Very nice deep ruby red color, the wine has a distinct Cabernet Sauvignon character, with deep and pleasant blackcurrant & cherry notes. A big wine, yet elegant, it has a full body and promising tannins. Long finish.

New Zealand

2005 Chardonnay UNOAKED, The Crossings, Marlborough.....35.00

2004 Sauvignon Blanc, Fernleaf,24.00

2004 Sauvignon Blanc, Cloudy Bay,40.00

2006 Sauvignon Blanc, Gieson, Marlborough,.....36.00

2003 Merlot, Craggy Range, New Zealand.....60.00

South Africa

2003 Syrah, Glen Carlou, South Africa...WS(90).....45.00

Dark plum, blackberry and cocoa flavors found in this well structured juicy red.

2005 Pinotage, Fleur du Cap, South Africa.....30.00

Estate Produced, Matured and Bottled

Chile

2005 Carmenere, Vina Chocalan, Maipo.....30.00

Plum fruit and herb notes are pushed by a healthy layer of dark toast.

2004 Cabernet Sauvignon, Concha y Toro, Maipo Valley Chile...WS(91).....32.00

100% cab. Sav. Flavors of blackberry and boysenberry, accented by vanilla, mineral and cocoa.

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Chile

2002 Cab Sav, Almavia, Conch y Toro/Baron Phillippe de Rothschild WS(93)...150.00

A powerhouse, especially for the vintage, with black currant, coffee, bittersweet cocoa and toast aromas and flavors that run along ripe tannins. Big, lush finish is filled with dark fruit and tar. Combines Maipo with a modern style.

2003 Escudo Rojo, Baron Phillippe De Rothschild, Chile.....32.00

Cabernet Sauvignon, Carmenere, Syrah and Cabernet Franc.

Number Seven, Caballo Loco, Valdivieso, Chile.....55.00

This limited release wine is made only with our best grapes, carefully selected by our winemaking team. A multi award winning wine.

2003 Cabernet Sauvignon, Alpha M, Montes Alpha, Chile...WS(94).....110.00

Gorgeous racy and pure, with black cherry, black tea, mineral, espresso and sanguine notes running along finely stitched tannins and fresh acidity. Long detailed finish echoes with cocoa, fruit & delivers alot.

2003 Cabernet Sauvignon, Montes, Apalta Valley, Chile.....30.00

A blend of 70% Cab Sav and 30% Carmenere. Aged in American oak and with one soft filtering. With beautiful and intense ruby red color, it has a very elegant aroma with notes of chocolate, coffee, butterscotch and vanilla.

2003 Cabernet Sauvignon, Root:1, Maipo Valley, Chile.....30.00

The Original Un-grafted European rootstocks that survive, unaffected by Phylloxera-the disease that forced grape growers worldwide to graft vines to generic rootstocks.

2004 Sauvignon Blanc, Casa Marin, San Antonio Valley, Chile.....52.00

Rich, with an intriguing mix of lemon zest, honeysuckle, gooseberry & chalk flavors. The nice, crisp, nearly bracing finish delivers another shot of citrus. Very Tasty.

2005 Sauvignon Blanc, Casillero del Diablo Reserve, Chili.....24.00

2003 Syrah, Montes Folly, Chile...WN(95).....100.00

An intense, purple to the rim hue. Uplifting aromas of plum, cherry, blueberry, sage and vanilla. Laden with black fruit flavors, rustic tannins and a distinct minerality throughout. Excellent length.

2003 Syrah, Montes Alpha, Chile...WS(91).....40.00

Aged in French oak and one soft filtering. Intense ruby red color, it has a great aroma with floral, tobacco and leathery notes. Strong and full bodied to the palate, with soft and mature tannins. Very long finish. Superb Syrah.

2003 Merlot, Errazuriz, Chile.....28.00

2004 Primus, Veramonte, Casablanca Valley, Chile...WS(89).....40.00

Carmenere 23%, Cab Sav 30%, Merlot 47%, Smokey & fleshy, plum & blackcherry & cocoa.

France

1997 Cote-Rotie, Rhone Valley, Rene Rostaing.....	75.00
1992 Pomerol Vieux, Chateau Certan.....	70.00
1992 Haut Medoc, Chateau La Lagune.....	60.00
1992 L'Eglise-Clinet, Pomerol.....	75.00
2003 Bordeaux, Pomerol, Chateau La Fleur-Petrus.....WS(92).....	160.00
Aromas of plums with flowers & berries follow through to a full-bodied palate, with round, velvety tannins & a long finish. Juicy wine. Sweet fruit.	
2003 Bordeaux, Chateau de Carles Fronsac.....	50.00
Fresh & plummy aromas with a medium body & a fresh finish	
2003 Bordeaux, Chateauneuf du Papes Clos des Papes.....WS(97).....	290.00
Lifting & perfumy with a grace that belies the vintage, this offers layer upon layer of raspberry, boysenberry, floral, mineral & mocha flavors that glide to a long, silky, refined finish. So seductive, you miss how powerful it is a masterful job of wine making. #2 Top Wine in 2005	
1989 Bordeaux, Pauillac, Chateau Lafite Rothschild.....WS(94).....	450.00
Wonderful berry & tobacco character, with chocolate & cedar. Full-bodied, yet elegant & silky.	
1996 Bordeaux, Pauillac, Chateau Lafite Rothschild.....RP(100).....	850.00
Impressively dark in color, with mineral, mint & black currant aromas that hint also of spices & cedar. Full-bodied, with very firm tannins & a silky texture, this top Bordeaux goes on & on in the palate. One of the most solid Lafites in recent history.	
1999 Bordeaux, Pauillac, Chateau Lafite Rothschild.....WS(95).....	425.00
Complex aromas of blackberries, tobacco, spice & black licorice are alluring in this full-bodied claret, with solid core of fruit & silky tannins. Long, caressing finish. Superfine, Well Structured.	
1998 Bordeaux, Grand Vin de Leoville Cases, Saint-Julien- Medoc.....	200.00
RP(93) The 1998 has turned out to be one of the vintage's superb Medocs. It boasts an opaque black/purple color as well as a classic Leoville Las Cases display of lead pencil, gorgeously pure black raspberries & cherries, smoke, & graphite. A broad yet focused entry on the palate reveals firm tannin, medium to full body, superb concentration & purity.	
2003 Bordeaux, Grand Vin de Leoville Cases, Saint-Julien- Medoc.....	400.00
WS(97) Incredible nose of crushed berry, licorice, violets & lightly toasted oak. Pure crème de cassis. Full-bodied, with big, velvety tannins & a long, long finish. Solid	
1998 Bordeaux, Saint-Emilion Grand Cru, Chateau Pavie.....WS(93).....	285.00
Very new-wave style. Wonderfully attractive. Dark color. Gorgeous aromas of berry, violet & toasted oak. Full-bodied, with velvety tannins & an intense fruity, chocolate aftertaste.	

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France

- 2000 Bordeaux, St. Julien, Chateau Leoville Barton.....WS(97).....375.00
Amazingly rich & silky. Lots of chocolate & blackberry aromas with hints of raspberries. Full-bodied, with silky, round tannins. Great concentration. Long, long finish. This is the Biggest, most powerful ever from Leoville Barton.
- 1998 Bordeaux, St. Julien, Chateau Leoville Barton.....WS(90).....160.00
Very fine indeed. Violet, mineral & hints of currant on the nose. Medium to full bodied, with fine, intergraded tannins & a long, silky finish. Very good vintage in the Medoc.
- 2003 Bordeaux, Chateau Leoville Poyferre.....WS(95).....200.00
Pure cassis on the nose. Impressive. Full-bodied, thick & powerful, with loads of fruit & big, velvety tannins. Goes on for minutes on the palate. Huge wine. Very, very impressive. This is one of the big surprises of the vintage.
- 2002 Bordeaux, Chateau Margaux.....WS(92).....370.00
Beautiful on the nose with current, berries & flowers. Full-bodied, with silky tannins & pretty fruit.
- 1998 Bordeaux, Chateau Margaux.....400.00
Gorgeous aromas of berry, current & exotic spices especially cinnamon. Medium-to full-bodied, with layers of silky tannins & ripe berry & raspberry on the palate. An outstanding Margaux.
- 1995 Bordeaux, Chateau Margaux.....WS(100).....950.00
Wine of the vintage & the greatest Chateau Margaux yet produced. A stunning red. The essence of raspberry, violet & berry, with hints of vanilla & toasted oak. Full-bodied & thick yet racy, with masses of tannins & a harmonious structure. Long, long finish. #2 Top 100 Wines 1998
- 1970 Bordeaux, Chateau Margaux.....850.00
Medium garnet-ruby, fragrant, ripe cassis & tar nose, with spicy accents, elegant, ripe cassis.
- 1961 Bordeaux, Chateau Margaux.....1600.00
Tasted from a magnum. Mature smooth & finely textured, showing a beautiful bottle bouquet, ample fruity, meaty flavors & firm but integrated tannins. Elegant compared to some of the vintage's blockbusters & a joy to drink. WS 93
- 2001 Bordeaux, Chateau Ducru-Beaucaillou, Saint Julien.....WS(92).....225.00
Loads of crushed berries on the nose, with hints of flowers & minerals. Very aromatic. Full-bodied, with fine tannins & a long, cappuccino & berry aftertaste. Really refined.
- 1955 Chateau Graudaud-Larose, A Saint-Julien(Haut Medoc).....1300.00
Medium ruby, with a garnet rim. Ripe, spicy nose, with cedary notes. Very concentrated, chewy texture, fleshy, toasty, nutty, more substantial than delicate.
- 1982 Chateau Lynch-Bages, Pauillac.....WS(96).....550.00
Extremely youthful ruby color, with a hint of garnet. Berry, currant & mint character, with an earth note. Full-bodied, extremely concentrated yet sweet & fruity, with fine tannins & a long, long finish
- 1982 Chateau Pichon-Longueville-Lalande, Pauillac.....WS(95).....550.00
A voluptuous red. Very dark ruby-garnet. Aromas of currant, meat & berries. Full-bodied & velvety, with lovely ripe berry & earth & long ripe finish.
- 1998 Chateau Cheval-Blanc, St. Emilion.....WS(98).....575.00
Subtle, complex & refined, with aromas of cherry, licorice, mineral, berry & other sweet, ripe fruit. Full-bodied & compacted, with masses of fine tannins.
- 1966 Chateau d'Yquem.....600.00

Chateau Palmer Vertical

1989 Chateau Palmer.....375.00

Palmer's 1989 is one of the vintage's great successes. The wine exhibits a dark ruby/purple color, a sweet, jammy nose of black fruits, intermingled with floral scents, licorice, and a touch of truffles. Full-bodied and supple, with low acidity, copious quantities of ripe fruit and glycerin, and a medium to full-bodied, concentrated, harmonious, seamless texture, this is a gorgeous Palmer. It may turn out similar to this estate's brilliant 1962 and 1953. Although approachable, it will improve for another decade, and last for 20-25 years. **95 RP**

1990 Chateau Palmer.....300.00

The 1990 Palmer has put on some weight since I first tasted it. Typical of Palmer in hot, dry vintages, the wine is disjointed and expansive, with sweet fruit, but lacking the focus and inner-core of extraction found in this estate's great vintages. The 1990 possesses low acidity and velvety tannin, but not the depth or the length of the 1989. It can be drunk now as well as over the next 15 years. **90 RP**

1995 Chateau Palmer.....250.00

This wine has evolved beautifully since last year. While it is no 1989 or 1983, it is a convincingly beautiful, dark purple-colored, elegant, medium to full-bodied Palmer. Loaded with sweet, ripe black fruits judiciously touch with spicy wood, this is a fleshy, medium bodied, moderately tannic wine that will age well for 20+ years. Anticipated maturity: 2002-2016. **92 RP**

1996 Chateau Palmer.....250.00

This wine, a blend of 55% Cabernet Sauvignon, 40% Merlot, & 5% Petit Verdot, is performing well after its July, 1998 bottling. It boasts an impressively saturated purple color, in addition to a backward yet intense nose of black plums, currants, licorice, and smoke, following terrific fruit on the attack. The wine requires 7-8 years of cellaring. Anticipated maturity: 2007-2028. **91 RP**

2000 Chateau Palmer.....475.00

This has turned out to be a prodigious Palmer. The saturated purple color offers up sexy, full-bodied, almost masculine notes of roasted meats, blackberries, and crème de cassis intermixed with notions of toast, smoke, and camphor. Only 50% of the production made it into the 2000, a blend of 53% Cabernet Sauvignon and 47% Merlot. The wine is opulent, rich, and full-bodied, with tannin that has become sweeter with age. Its best showing yet, most importantly, has been from bottle. This is a great Palmer that should rival the best of recent vintages, which have all been stunning, as this estate continues to go from strength to strength. Anticipated maturity: 2008-2030. **96 RP**

2001 Chateau Palmer.....275.00

A virile, muscular effort for this estate, the 2001 Palmer a blend of 51% Cabernet Sauvignon, 44% Merlot, and 5% Petit Verdo exhibits a saturated purple color to the rim. Although closed and backward, it is surprisingly powerful, layered, and formidably endowed, revealing hints of charcoal, black fruits, earth, and underbrush. There is a lot going on in this offering, but need 5-7 years of cellaring to resolve its high tannin. Anticipated maturity: 2010-2022. **92 RP**

Chateau Haute-Brion Vertical Collection

1982 Chateau Haut Brion Rouge.....750.00

This was one of the best showings yet for this wine, which, to my palate and mind, has never lived up to its early potential. In this tasting, the 1982 revealed a healthy dark ruby color with lightening at the edge. Intense, persistent aromas of saddle leather, roasted with herbs, scorched earth, and sweet black currant fruit were followed by complex flavors of minerals, spice box, and cedar. Although this medium-bodied, fleshy, ripe, concentrated wine is not a blockbuster, as it unfolds, it reveals layers of flavor in addition to this vineyard's tell-tale complexity. Anticipated maturity: 2002-2020. **94 RP**

1988 Chateau Haut Brion Rouge.....550.00

The 1988 Haut-Brion is built along the lines of the 1966, but it is more concentrated and powerful. The dense bouquet of tobacco, ripe, black fruits and spicy oak has just begun to develop. The wine is medium-bodied, rich, and tannic, with a good inner-core of fruit. Anticipated maturity: 2000-2025. **91 RP**

1990 Chateau Haut-Brion Rouge.....650.00

Haut-Brion has been the most consistent first-growth over the last decade, producing top-notch wines, even in such tough years as the 1987, 1993, and 1994. I have had a tendency to forget just how exceptional the 1990 Haut-Brion is because of the huge shadow cast by the 1989. However, in this blind tasting, the 1990 proved itself to be a great wine. Its price has not risen nearly as much as one might expect given its quality. The 1990 is decadently ripe wine with much more evolution to its fragrant cassis, mineral, smoked-herb, hot rocks, tobacco, sweet, tasty nose. Fat, rich, and medium to full-bodied, this superbly-concentrated, forward, awesomely-endowed wine requires 4-6 years of cellaring; it is capable of lasting for 20-30+years. It is unheralded, underrated 1990 that deserves more attention. **96 RP**

1998 Chateau Haut-Brion Rouge.....650.00

As reported over the last two years, this is a prodigious Haut-Brion. It exhibits a dense ruby/purple color in addition to a tight, but incredibly promising nose of smoke, earth, minerals, lead pencil, black currants, cherries, and spice. This full-bodied wine unfolds slowly, but convincingly on the palate, revealing a rich, multi-tiered, stunningly pure, symmetrical style with wonderful sweetness, ripe tannin, and a finish that lasts for nearly 45 seconds. It tastes like liquid nobility. Anticipated maturity: 2008-2035. **WS 97**

1999 Chateau Haut-Brion Rouge.....400.00

Deep plum, currant, and mineral notes emerge from concentrated, beautifully balanced, pure 1999 Haut Brion. It seems to be cut from the same mold as years such as 1979 and 1985. There is a hint of graphite in the abundant fruit. The wine is medium to full-bodied, nuanced, subtle, deep, and provocatively elegant. It is made in a style that only Haut Brion appears capable of achieving. The finish is extremely long, the tannins sweet, and the overall impression one of delicacy interwoven with power and ripeness. Anticipated maturity: 2007-2025. **93 RP**

2001 Chateau Haut-Brion Rouge.....375.00

Haut-Brion's 2001, which was bottled late (the end of September, 2003), possesses an unmistakable nobility as well as burgeoning complexity. Plum/purple to the rim, this blend of 52% Merlot, 36% Cabernet Sauvignon, and 12% Cabernet Franc is playing close to the vest, having closed down considerably after bottling. Nevertheless, it reveals pure notes of sweet and sour cherries, black currants, licorice, smoke, and crushed stones. Medium-bodied with excellent purity, firm tannin, and angular, structured finish, it requires 5-7 years of cellaring. Anticipated maturity: 2009-2020+. **95 WS**

Chateau Latour Vertical

2003 Chateau Latour.....1500.00

There are only 10,800 cases (rather than the normal 15,000-20,000) of the 2003 Latour, a blend of 81% Cabernet Sauvignon, 18% Merlot, and 1% Petit Verdot (13.3% finished alcohol). A prodigious effort, it boasts a saturated purple color as well as a gorgeous perfume of smoke, cedar, crème de cassis, flowers, crushed rocks, and blackberries. Massive and multi-layered, with huge richness and low acidity, it is about as unctuous as a young Latour can be. It could be compared to the 1982, but it may even be more pure, at least at this early stage, than that monumental wine. The level of intensity builds prodigiously in the mouth, and the finish lasts nearly a minute. Disarmingly accessible (although analytically the tannin level is high), I suspect it will ultimately shut down, but it was performing impeccably when I tasted it. Anticipated maturity: 2010-2040+. What can one say about proprietor Francois Pinault and his manager, Frederic Engerer? A strong argument can be made that in 2001, 2002, 2003, and 2004, Latour produced the wine of the vintage, although it has plenty of competition in the Northern Medoc in 2003. **100 RP**

2002 Chateau Latour.....900.00

The wine of the vintage? There are only 10,000 cases of this extraordinary rich, dense 2002 that is as powerful as the 2003 (even the alcohol levels are nearly the same, 12.85%). It is dark ruby/purple to the rim, with notes of English walnuts, crushed rocks, black currants, and forest floor, dense, full-bodied, and opulent, yet classic with spectacular aromatics, marvelous purity, and a full-bodied finish that lasts just over 50+seconds. Huge richness and the sweetness of the tannin are somewhat deceptive as the wine seems set for a long life. Administrator Frederic Engerer seems to be more pleased with what Latour 2002 than in any other vintage. Hats off to him for an extraordinary accomplishment in a vintage that wouldn't have been expected to produce the raw materials to achieve something at this level of quality. Anticipated maturity: 2012-2045. **96 RP**

2001 Chateau Latour.....800.00

A brilliant offering, which should be drinkable much earlier than the blockbuster 2000, the 2001 Latour boasts an inky/ruby/purple color to the rim as well as a glorious bouquet of black currants, crushed stones, vanilla, and hints of truffles and oak. A blend of 80% Cabernet Sauvignon and the balance primarily Merlot with a touch of Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot, it reveals a sweetness on the palate that is atypical for such a young Latour. The beautiful integration of tannin, acidity, and wood is stunning. The wine flows across the palate with fabulous texture, purity, and presence. This luscious, full-bodied Latour was surprisingly open-knit on the three occasions I tasted it from bottle. However, do not mistake its aging ability as this 2001, despite its precociousness, will last 20-25 years. Anticipated maturity: 2007-2025 **95 RP**

2000 Chateau Latour.....1100.00

There are only 14,000 cases (only 48% of the crop made it into the grand vin) of the 2000, which flirts with perfection. Truly great stuff, it reveals perfect equilibrium, great finesse, yet colossal size, with a thickness and density that rival the brilliant 1996. This saturated black ruby/purple colored wine seems almost discreet on first inspection, but with aeration, notes of vanilla, exceptionally pure, mineral-infused crème de cassis, and earth emerge. Latour's 2000 is hard to compare with previous vintages. It obviously does not have the opulence of the 1990 and 1982, yet there is an extraordinary purity, delineation, seamlessness, and freshness to this wine that sets it apart from previous vintages. In any event, it is prodigious, with at least five decades of evolution ahead of it. Anticipated maturity: 2005-2050. **98 RP**

1999 Les Forts De Latour.....250.00

Latour has long produced one of Bordeaux's greatest second wines. The beautiful, pure, deep purple-colored 1999 Forts de Latour reveals sweet, cedary, cassis scents, medium to full body, ripe tannin, and a long finish. It should drink well for 15+ years. **90 RP**

1998 Chateau Latour.....600.00

Not a blockbuster, the 1998 possesses a dark garnet/purple color in addition to a complex bouquet of underbrush, cedar, walnuts, and licorice-tinged black currents. Although medium to full-bodied and -moderately tannic, it lacks the expansiveness in the mid-palate necessary to be truly great. Moreover, the tannin is slightly aggressive, although that is hardly unusual in such a young Latour. Anticipated maturity: 2009-2030. **90 RP**

1986 Bordeaux, Chateau Latour....WS(90).....650.00

Outstanding. Dark red color. Complex aromas of blackberries, dark chocolate, tar & minerals. Medium-to-full-bodied & balanced, with fine tannins & a silky texture.

Chateau Mouton-Rothschild Vertical

2003 Chateau Mouton Rothschild..... 525.00

Blackberry, cherry & currant with just a hint of toasted oak. Full-bodied, with silky tannins & a lovely combination of ripe fruit & vanilla character. Goes on & on. Long & very stylish. **WS 94**

1999 Chateau Mouton-Rothschild, Pauillac.....400.00

This beautiful 1999 Mouton Rothschild may be a modern day clone of their 1962 or 1985. Its saturated ruby/purple color is followed by sumptuous aromas of cedar wood, crème de cassis, wood smoke, coffee, and dried herbs. The wine is forward, lush, full-bodied. It is already complex as well as succulent, fleshy, and long. Tannin in the finish suggests more nuances will emerge after 5 years. It is a complex, classic Mouton. Anticipated maturity: 2005-2030.**93 RP**

1998 Chateau Mouton-Rothschild, Pauillac.....575.00

Like many of its peers, the 1998 has filled out spectacularly. Now in the bottle this opaque black/purple-colored offering has increased in stature, richness, and size. A blend of 86% Cabernet Sauvignon, 12% Merlot, and 2% Cabernet Franc (57% of the production was utilized), it is an extremely powerful, super-concentrated wine offering notes of roasted espresso, crème de cassis, smoke, new saddle leather, graphite, and licorice. It is massive, with awesome concentration, mouth-searing tannin levels, and a saturated flavor profile that grips the mouth with considerable intensity. This is a 50 year Mouton, but patience will be required as it will not be close to drinkability for at least a decade. Anticipated maturity: 2012-2050.**96 RP**

1996 Chateau Mouton-Rothschild, Pauillac.....400.00

This estate's staff believes that the 1996 Mouton-Rothschild is very complex. I agree that among the first-growths, this wine is showing surprising forwardness and complexity in its aromatics. It possesses an exuberant, flamboyant bouquet of roasted coffee, cassis, smoky oak, and soy sauce. The impressive 1996 Mouton-Rothschild offers impressive aromas of black currants, framboise, coffee, and new saddle leather. This full-bodied, ripe, rich, concentrated, superbly balanced wine is paradoxical in the sense that the aromatics suggest a far more evolved wine than the flavors reveal. Anticipated maturity: 2007-2030. By the way, the 1996 blend consists of 72% Cabernet Sauvignon, 20% Merlot, and 8% Cabernet Franc.**92 RP**

1995 Chateau Mouton-Rothschild, Pauillac.....575.00

Bottled in June, 1997, this profound Mouton is more accessible than the more muscular 1996. A blend of 72% Cabernet Sauvignon, 9% Cabernet Franc, and 19% Merlot, it reveals an opaque purple color, and reluctant aromas of cassis, truffles, coffee, licorice, and spice. In the mouth, the wine is "great stuff," with superb density, a full-bodied personality, rich mid-palate, and a layered, profound finish that lasts for 40+ seconds. There is outstanding purity and high tannin, but my instincts suggest this wine is lower in acidity and slightly fleshier than the brawnier, bigger 1996. Both are great efforts from Mouton-Rothschild. Anticipated maturity: 2004-2030.**95 RP**

1988 Chateau Mouton-Rothschild, Pauillac.....500.00

The 1988 Mouton has an attractive aroma of exotic spices, minerals, coffee, black currants, and sweet oak. Much like the 1989, the bouquet is staggering, but the flavors are distinctly less profound. In the mouth, it is a much firmer, tougher, more obviously tannic wine than the 1989, with medium body and outstanding ripeness. A beautifully made 1988 that will last 20-30 years, its short finish keeps it from being sublime. The 1988 is somewhat reminiscent of the 1985, but with more tannin. Anticipated maturity: Now-2020.**WS 94**

1986 Chateau Mouton-Rothschild, Pauillac.....975.00

After stumbling over some wines I thought were high class Bordeaux, I nailed this wine in one of the blind tasting for this article. In most tasting where a great Bordeaux is inserted with California Cabernets, the Bordeaux comes across as drier, more austere, and not nearly as rich and concentrate (California wines are inevitably fruitier and more massive). To put it mildly, the 1986 Mouton-Rothschild held its own(and then some), in a flight that included the Caymus Special Selection, Stag's Leap Wine Cellars Cask 23, Dunn Howell Mountain, and Joseph Phelps Eisele Vineyard. Clearly the youngest looking, most opaque and concentrated wine of the group, it tastes as if it has not budged in development since I first tasted it out of barrel in March, 1987. An enormously concentrated, massive Mouton-Rothschild, comparable in quality, but not in style, to the 1982, 1959, and 1945, this impeccably made wine is still in its infancy. Interestingly, when I was in Bordeaux several years ago, I had this wine served to me blind from a magnum that had been opened and decanted 48 hours previously. Even then, it still tasted like a barrel sample! Given the outrageously high prices being fetched by so many of the great 1982s and 1990s(and lest I forget, the 1995 Bordeaux futures), it appears this wine might still be one of the "relative bargains" in the fine wine marketplace. I wonder how many readers will be in shape to drink it when it does reach full maturity? **100 RP**

1989 Chateau Mouton-Rothschild, Pauillac.....650.00

Considering the vintages and the estate, Mouton's performances in 1989 and 1990 are puzzling. I have tasted these wines multiple times since my last reviews appeared in print. The 1989 Mouton-Rothschild is the superior wine, but in no sense is this a compelling wine if compared to the Moutons produced in 1995, 1986, and 1982. The 1989 displays a dark ruby color that is already beginning to reveal significant lightening at the edge. The bouquet is surprisingly evolved, offering up scents of cedar, sweet black fruits, lead pencil, and toasty oak. This elegant, medium-bodied restrained wine is beautifully made, stylish, and not dissimilar to the 1985. It is an excellent to outstanding Mouton that should be close to full maturity in 4-5 years; it will drink well for 15-25 years. **WS 98**