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Cameron McPhee, Manager at Glengarry Westmere

As my Lincoln Town Car dropped me off at Westmere store on a clearly crisp Wednesday afternoon, I was nearly side-swiped by a twenty-something with a bottle of the good stuff and a cheese cutter to boot. Mercy? Westmere is getting hip, too, it would seem. Confirmed, says Cameron McPhee, store manager and local authority. While it's well funky at all hours up on Garnet Road, there is a predominance of young families too, says Cam, and everything between. 'What's cool is that no matter who they are, just about everyone who comes in is really interested in wine,' he tells me enthusiastically.

Well, he does everything enthusiastically this one, but a love of wine, more than anything else, seems to captivate his entire being, especially when he's talking about it. Before you throw your hands up in horror, this is no empty vat spouting the usual wine drivel: this young man has most definitely walked his talk.

On a snowboarding expedition in Queenstown he veered off the slopes into the vineyard and found himself doing a couple of months of good honest work at Gibbston Valley, and there was no turning back after that. I loved it. I actually got to plant Pinot Gris and other varieties, and really get stuck in; it was brilliant.'

Having completed winemaking studies at EIT, he worked his way through some of our stores, opening Remuera for us a year or two back, and taking on the scary mantle of organising the troops - and the massive winelist - at Dida's Wine Lounge. Oh, and he's managed the New Zealand Winemaker's Centre in Auckland's CBD as well.

Somewhere in the middle of all that, Cameron did a vintage at the much-lauded Kaiken Vineyard in Argentina, having driven from Mendoza in the south of the region right to the north, stopping in at a staggering 100-odd bodegas.

'It was so cool. Most of the winemakers spoke English and were really keen to show me what they were up to. And if they didn't, and my Spanish wasn't up to much, fermenters and vats and tanks are kinda the same in any language.' His stint at Kaiken landed him a job selling Argentinean wine in India (Mumbai to be exact), a territory not renowned for its viticultural culture. 'Plus, as soon as they found out I was from New Zealand they just wanted to talk about our wines, and they'd only heard about those through, like, Chris Cairns and the Black Caps. It was a crazy time.'

Fast forward and back here and, ultimately we've round-tripped to Westmere store. And he's, as the burger folk say, lovin' it. 'I have a great room set up upstairs where we do tastings; we've just done one looking at the various Stoneleigh wines, and we have a whole bunch of other things planned. Nice and casual, but informative, that's the aim.'

If you haven't schlepped around Westmere for a bit, it's definitely worth a gander with its ace food stores and cafes and whatnot. And the Glengarry store as well, of course.

**Jak Jakicevich** 

# Everyday Printing

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

#### Deen de Bortoli

Vat 8 Shiraz 2006

was \$19.90 now \$16.90 20903

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

Deen De Bortoli created his Vat Series with the idea of developing a range of delicious, full-flavoured wines at an affordable price. Deen personally selected the blends and chalked the numbers on the vats to identify them. With the grapes sourced from New South Wales' Riverina region and from Victoria, this is tidy stuff; cracked pepper and nutmeg smeared with jammy black fruits. Some sweet vanillin oak seeps in, as do some toasty notes. There's an intense fruitdriven mid palate, with the silky oak providing a lingering finish. Nice package, all up.

#### Montes

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VAT 8 SHIRAZ

Classic Series Malbec 2006

was \$19.90 now \$16.90 906
BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR \$15.90 A BOTTLE

Golly what a song and dance Phil Rowe made about this when it came through the Tasting Panel, so to speak (Phil is still carefully aging a case of 2002 Rongopai Sauvignon Blanc in his office, but believe me, he has a stunning palate). Hand-picked from 100year-old vines and artfully made by one of Chile's most reputable producers, you are delighted, but not surprised, at its glass-staining richness and its intense, ripe, flavoursome palate. Springy, spicy and sexy, it redefines the phrase 'outrageous value'.



### White Rock Infamous Goose Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc 2007

was \$21 now \$16.90 11235

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

A funky brand that sits beneath the Craggy Range umbrella, with the 'goose' referring to the typical Marlborough gooseberry characters that dominate the aromatics of this zippy little fella. Or it refers to the winegrower. Who could say? With 500 wineries around, I quess one needs to differentiate oneself somehow, and a long-necked bird is as a good a way as any. Neatly, the liquid within supports the flap without, this being a zesty, vibrant chick, a flood of lemon-lime, tangy tartness massaged into an overall broad and flowing landscape of herbaceous wonderment.

#### Te Awa windmill

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Hawke's Bay Chardonnay 2007

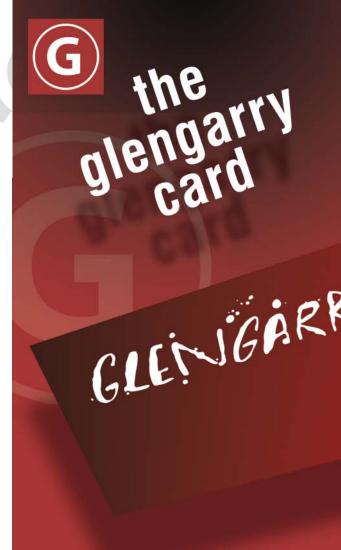
was \$23 now \$19.90 19

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

Having removed (but not sold) the farm from the label, Te Awa remind us, too, that they make single estate wines, an important differential in the current climate of regional cross-blending. Not better, just a different approach; but it does mean that you get a terroir-specific drop, and when your terroir is Gimblett Gravels, you want to keep the winemaking silent and let the Gravels speak volumes. It's made in a reductive style, the fruit coming through in that Chablis/restrained fashion, all lime and apples, while the oak supports discreetly.







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### South Australia

#### Kilikanoon The Lackey South Australia Shiraz 2006

was \$19.90 now \$16.90 22330

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According to Kilikanoon's Kevin Mitchell, a Lackey is a lowly-paid yet hardworking labourer; ergo, this is The Lackey because, for the quality, it's too lowly paid. Produced from selected parcels of Shiraz from various regions of South Australia, this is superbly crafted wine. The nose shows classic peppery plum and berry fruit aromas with a touch of charry oak. Complex, harmonious and generously flavoured, it has fine grainy tannins and a lingering aftertaste. It's a perfect match for winter fare, and great value.





was \$28 now \$22.90 21241/21245

#### BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR ONLY \$21.90 A BOTTLE

McLaren Vale's Chapel Hill is one of the region's most consistent producers; winemaker Michael Fragos was declared Winemaker of the Year at London's International Wine and Spirit Competition. This has already won a Trophy and been awarded three stars by Winestate Magazine. It is a deep, dark wine with a glossy sheen and an enticing bouquet of plum, nutmeg and vanilla. The palate has waves of delicious fruit characters, a smooth texture and sturdy tannins. Superb with roasted meats.



Coonawarra Cabernet Sauvignon 2004

was \$27 now \$23.90

#### BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR ONLY \$22.90 A BOTTLE

Geoff Merrill is one of the most colourful characters in the industry and is hugely respected. Since 1980, Geoff has won 27 Trophies and almost 1,700 medals, 143 of them Gold. Need we say more? His philosophy is to allow regional and varietal expression to come through and to produce wines that are balanced. This blend of Coonawarrra and McLaren Vale fruit is testament to that philosophy; the blackberry and plum aromas and flavours, oak and tannin are all in perfect harmony.



**©** Kaesler **Stonehorse** Barossa Valley Grenache Shiraz Mourvèdre 2006

was \$27 now \$24.90 22260

#### BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR ONLY \$23.90 A BOTTLE

Stonehorse GSM is a blend of 45% Grenache, 44% Shiraz and 11% Mourvèdre selected from estate vineyard ranging from 20 to 45 years of age. The varieties were separately vinified, the Grenache contributing soft aromatics, the Shiraz backbone and spice and the Mourvèdre breadth and depth. It makes an impressive entry with spicy, ripe berry aromas and toasty oak nuances. The palate is rich and smooth, the plum, berry and chocolate flavours enhanced by integrated oak and a lengthy, flavoursome aftertaste.





Hewitson Miss Harry Barossa Valley Grenache Shiraz Mourvèdre 2006

was \$27 now \$24.90 21787

#### BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR ONLY \$23.90 A BOTTLE

The 2006 Miss Harry continues the success of this beautifully crafted, fruit-concentrated red. As always, the Grenache, Shiraz and Mourvèdre were harvested from ancient bush-grown vines in the heart of the Barossa. Fermented separately and put through malolactic, the wine was aged in seasoned French barrels for ten months. The nose shows concentrated soft fruit aromas and understated oak, while the complex palate is richly flavoured and deliciously long at the finish.



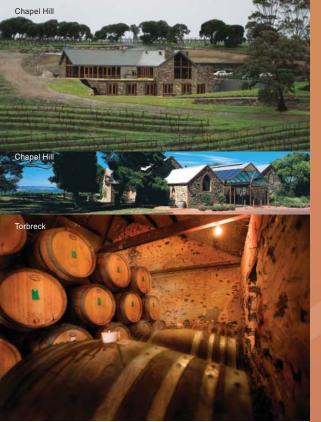
Torbreck Cuvée Juveniles Barossa Valley Grenache Shiraz Mourvèdre 2007

was \$35.90 now \$29.90 21018

#### BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR ONLY \$28.90 A BOTTLE

Torbeck's David Powell made this wine especially for Juveniles, the cult Parisian wine bar owned by Englishman Tim Johnston, a passionate admirer of Rhône wines. The blend of 60% Grenache. 20% Syrah and 20% Mourvèdre was harvested from vines that are up to 150 years old. Unoaked and unfiltered, it has a youthful appearance and a spicy, fruity nose exhibiting cherry and soft fruit aromas with just a trace of mineral. The fruit-forward palate has a fleshy character, a lovely round mouthfeel and a lingering, flavour-packed finish.





The Australian wine industry's power-house State is unquestionably South Australia; boasting 60% of total production, it is by far the largest producer and exporter of the country's wine.

There are a number of reasons for South Australia's dominant position; it is blessed with a diversity of regions enjoying different soil and climatic conditions. It has some of the oldest pre-phylloxera vines in the world, many over a century old. And it is home to an eclectic group of wineries including some of Australia's largest producers.

With over forty wineries within its borders, the Barossa Valley is Australia's best-known wine region. It enjoys a benign climate, with large plantings on the Valley floor of dry-grown (un-irrigated), bush-pruned Rhône varietals, Shiraz, Grenache and Mourvèdre. Riesling is grown with great success in the cooler eastern ranges around Eden Valley.

Directly south of Adelaide, McLaren Vale is the most important sub-region within the Fleurieu Peninsula. This narrow stretch of land has a complex range of soils and is strongly influenced by its maritime climate. It offers the legion of winemakers the potential to make a diverse range of wine styles, from Cabernet Sauvignon and Shiraz to Chardonnay and Semillon.

400 kilometres south-east of Adelaide on the Limestone Coast is Coonawarra. Just 60 kilometres from the sea, it is the State's coolest growing region, not unlike Bordeaux. Its famous terra rossa soils overlying limestone are responsible for producing Australia's finest, most elegant Cabernet Sauvignons. The conditions are also well-suited to quality Chardonnay, Riesling and Sauvignon Blanc.

South Australia's most important commercial region is Riverland, stretching along the Murray River. Producing over 50% of the State's wines, and almost a third of Australia's, many larger companies rely on it as a source of fruit for their entry-level bulk wines.

One of South Australia's most beautiful and unspoilt districts is the Clare Valley, north-west of the Barossa. It has a continental climate and a variety of soil types, with some vineyards located as high as 500 metres above sea level. Renowned for its outstanding Rieslings, the Clare also produces distinctive Cabernet and Shiraz.

# 1 HO POFF THE PLESS

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

#### Lake Chalice

AKE CHALICE

Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc 2008



Hot off the Press? This is blistering, babies. Not so long ago the very fruit that has been crushed, pressed and massaged gently to produce this outburst of flavoursome frivolity was still languishing on the vines in sunny Marlborough. keeping a wary eye out for Phil Binnie and his team of secateurs. With the 2007 going gold at the Top 100 and getting rave reviews in a whole heap of trusty organs, it's mighty gratifying to have this flooding into the store. At \$16.90, it'll float straight on out again, no doubt.

### Villa Maria Cellar Selection Marlborough Pinot Gris 2007

\$21.90

#### CASE OF 12 ONLY \$20.90 A BOTTLE

Villa have had much success with Pinot Gris across a range of sites and at all sorts of pricepoints. They also know how to get something of great interest out of a variety that can tend toward the dilute when mishandled. This offering brims with surprises and delights, with the fruit groomed to shine above all, in a spicy apple & pears kinda fashion. There's a baked bread character too, all very warm and inviting, with much mid-palate richness and a finish that is long and voluptuous.



#### Rockburn

ROCKBURN

Central Otago Chardonnay 2007

\$21.90 12338 CASE OF 12 ONLY \$20.90 A BOTTLE

> The fruit is off a couple of different blocks, the Parkburn fruit coming in almost a fortnight ahead of the Gibbston block, which just goes to show all this talk of microclimates and sub-regions in Central is no marketing mumbo-jumbo. Mostly stainless-steeled, a small portion saw barrel, so while there's a heady onslaught of crisp, clean fruit you also get some supporting weight and texture from the oak and the malo: 14% alcohol contributes to the sexy textural pleasure. There's a flavour boat of stonefruit sparked with citrus, a creamy fullness and a long, mineral-tinged finish.

### Millton Riverpoint Vineyard Gisborne Viognier 2007

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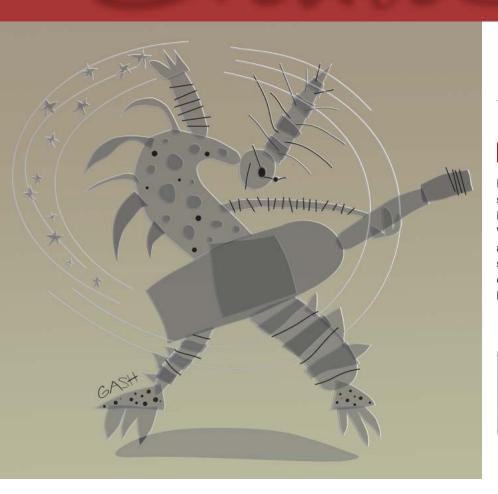
#### CASE OF 6 ONLY \$23.00 A BOTTLE

Millton had two of the top four Viognier in last year's Cuisine aromatics tasting, which is rather impressive, we think. As is this. While Viognier can be rather hard work in the vineyard, Millton have pursued its pleasures assiduously and the Riverpoint Vineyard on Gisborne's plains is ideal for the grape, situated as it is on the old Waipaoa riverbed. There is a delicious mineral thread to the flavours, which are typical lush apricots and heady blossom, while the palate is a mouthfilling, creamy journey of vibrant delight.





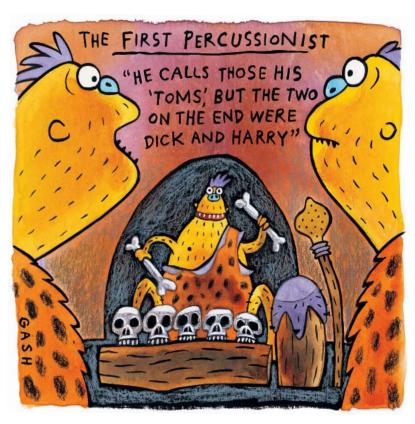
# GLENGARRY Selectes + Hts



A number of people have asked what exactly our criteria is when coming up with the two dozen vinos that make up the annual Greatest Hits feature. It takes some explaining, the whole getting the phases of the moon right, ensuring you have just the right amount of wholegrain mustard; and then there's tracking down Paula Abdul.

What we actually do is, well, um, actually we just look at the sales reports for the previous twelve months and see what went like rockets when placed gingerly upon the shops' floors. Clue: it wasn't that case of Manawatu Müller that someone earmarked for a special occasion. Clue: it is all the fave raves, big hitters and best of the best that you, our rogue wine enthusiasts, have shelled out for, de-shelved and devoured at remarkable rates. 'Give the people what they want!' cried our beloved leader. 'Yes,' we said cleverly. And they're discounted into the bargain, as it were.

So here you go.



## Nga Waka Three Paddles Martinborough Sauvignon Blanc 2007

\$15.90





Did we mention the November 2006 frosts in Martinborough? 'Disappointing,' says Nga Waka winemaker, Roger Parkinson, 'to have had such a small crop in a perfect ripening year.' Disappointing? A genteel understatement, shurely. What fruit was left was brilliant, providing great balance in the various wines, as shown in this 'it's too good to be true'-priced Sauvignon. Nga Waka consistently make some of NZ's best Sauvignons, irrespective of vintage or tier of label, and this bounces with passion/berries, zips with zest then delivers a heartfelt appeal to your mid-region as irresistible as it is weighty and rich.

#### Akarua

Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc 2007



was \$21.90 now \$16.90 10188

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

Akarua have, in a sense, taken the road less travelled in their grape production strategy. Whereas most wineries start with Sauvignon (the 'in-demand' variety and one that's relatively simple to produce) then move on to weightier types, Akarua open up, and clean up, with their Pinot Noir; and now, a few vintages in, they crack off a stunning Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc, filled with all the delights you'd expect. Whole bunch pressing thickens the wine nicely round the middle, while the eventually warm vintage delivers fully ripe fruit. All you have to do is unscrew.

#### Waipara Hills

Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc 2007

was \$20 now \$16.90 10915



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

Just to clarify any geographical muddying of the waters; Canterbury winery, Marlborough vineyards. There, that wasn't so hard, was it? This feels soft but is firmly acidic, an indication of balance and winemaking cleverness or summat. Those bits are the structure, while the pieces in the puzzle are gooseberry, tropical fruits and blackcurrant. Surprised? Quite common for Sauvignon, the blackcurrant flavours actually, Marvin. The del troppo fruits 'reside' with hints of green gooseberry, blackcurrant and fresh thyme. 'Tis true. Oh and for the trainspotters, 13.26% alc. Just roughly, of course.



#### Allan Scott

Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc 2008



\$17.90 <sub>17386</sub>

BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR ONLY \$16.90 A BOTTLE

There is something scintillating about tasting the first Sauvignon Blanc of a new vintage. The impressions from one heartfelt Friday afternoon swirl; it's somehow refreshing and spring-like, and perhaps replenishing and zing-like, in this case. Aromatically, I get bunches of bananas swapping skin with limes and gooseberries and a faint mineral/wet stone tang that keeps the interest levels up. She's a freshy, alright; obviously youthful, but there's an appealing softness and depth on the palate that tones down the acids and ensures it's an all-round mighty mouthful.

#### Wild South

Marlborough Chardonnay 2007

was \$18.90 now \$15.90 11181



#### BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR ONLY \$14.90 A BOTTLE

Let's not get ahead of ourselves. Wines like this are not meant to be dissected, drooled over, held to the light and gazed upon like some new star appearing in the cosmos. They're straight forward, straight down the red lane, straight to the heart wines. You enjoy them immensely and give everyone a silent nod for a job well done. This is not damning with faint praise, it's just saying this is great! You'll love it! Buy it by the case.





#### Brookfields Bergman

Barrel Fermented Chardonnay 2007



was \$19.90 now \$16.90

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

'A kiss is a lovely trick, designed by nature, to stop words when speech becomes unnecessary,' said Ingrid Bergman, of whom the roses in the vineyard, and hence the vineyard, are named. The same could be said of a bottle of crackingly good Chardonnay, therefore making my words redundant. We could weave a lexicon of stonefruit tipped with citrus, and of dreamy vanillin wafts from the partially American oak treatment. Or, as this is a 'Greatest Hits' we could all rest safe in the knowledge that loads of you buy loads of this because you know it's loaded with flavour and is heavingly good value.

#### Culley

Marlborough Chardonnay 2007





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

Without a shred of oak to confuse matters, the fruit speaks for itself and gets by with a little help from its winemaking friends, arriving all excited and ready to drink. Drenched in peachy flavours and lashed with apricots, this is a stonefruit fest of unmitigated deliciousness. With two different sites (Brancott, Raupara) delivering the most crucial facets to the wine - lush texture and head-spinning aromatics - the crew at Culley have achieved that wily objective of getting lots of flavour, texture and freshness all crammed in to one bottle without ever making it seem complicated or cloying. Genius.



#### Trinity Hill

Hawke's Bay Chardonnay 2007



was \$20.50 now \$16.90 19221

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

Cracking vintage in The Bay meant full ripeness and good acids to work with, so a minimal handling style Chardy such as this allows the great fruit to shine. A great vintage equals great fruit, so not much oak required. Hence only a smidgen of this baby went through French school, the rest hung out in the stainless tank, swapping stories. One third went through malo to give us a bit of fatty filler, and much lees stirring took place for further texture, weight and heady considerations of the highest level.

#### Wild South

Marlborough Pinot Gris 2007

\$15.90



#### BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR ONLY \$14.90 A BOTTLE

A white specialist whose Rieslings, in particular, have impressed as being true-to-variety yet fiercely individual, winemaker Christie Brown has taken a similar approach with her debut Pinot Gris and come up smiling. Bone dry, it has inspiring fresh-cut citrus characters, with a further layer of spice-tinged apples on a second go-round. These flavours, and a delicious hint of wild honey, are neatly tied to varietal pear characters, balanced beautifully by welldefined, but not overbearing acid.





### Gisselbrecht

Alsace Pinot Gris 2006



was \$29 now \$22.90 41246

#### BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR ONLY \$21.90 A BOTTLE

It is cruel and largely inaccurate to try and compare local Pinot Gris with the riches that flow from Alsace. You're just not comparing apples with apples. More like apples and tractors. But, Pinot Gris this most certainly is, and anyone (and isn't that everyone?) who is making PG should wrap their laughing gear around this if they want to set a worthy benchmark for themselves. Lusciously rich fruit cascades across the palate in a river of pear-like, floral fringed flavour, and there is a lick of citrus, a crunch of almonds and a splendid splattering of spice as well. Impossibly brilliant.

#### Kim Crawford

New Zealand Pinot Gris 2007

was \$21.90 now \$17.90 11707





#### BUY A CASE OF 6 FOR ONLY \$16.90 A BOTTLE

Crawf watches the canopies, half the fruit being shaded by foliage, the other laid bare to the hot Gisborne sun. The exposed lot bring weight and texture, the kept-in-the-dark ones, intense aromatics. You get varietal (Nashi) pear notes, warm, baked apple characters and then, zoom, zoom, as they say, you are raised deliciously by butterscotch and nutty oak-originating flavours and aromas. Brilliantly balanced, appealingly complex, it is a full-bodied style that is more than palatable on its own, but were you to slip a snapper or sole into a pan with a little butter, you'd be in harmonised culinary heaven.



### Saint-Meyland

Methode Traditionnelle Brut NV



was \$19.90 now \$16.90 43010

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

An extraordinary wine, this, delivering as it does so much flavour and finesse for such little outlay. Boutique production rather than bulk bottling (the fruit's all hand-picked) means oodles of character, while the winemaking attention to detail ensures precise and pure fruit flavours. These are bright fresh apples and crisp pears, underpinned by a creamy yeastiness which reflects the long lees time the wine undergoes. The middle is soft, round and mouthfilling, the finish an elegance dance of bubbles right to the last wee sip. Slightly chilled, 7 it's mighty rewarding. Bang a few cases away for Christmas.

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#### Cloudy Bay Pelorus Brut NV

was \$36 now \$29.90 12122



#### BUY A CASE OF 6 FOR ONLY \$28.90 A BOTTLE

The ripe citrus fruits fly a high flag that says 'large Chardonnay component' while the understated nature of said Chardonnay reflects its deepest roots; the clone used is from Montrachet, no less. Real apple and lemon bouquet, kinda ma's apple pie without the Deliverance soundtrack and Daisy's cut-off shorts, while the palate has that classic, hard-won and beautifully executed balance, between the fresh acid and the rich, creamy texture. The finish is more nutty than the notion of the Labour Government getting another turn, and about as smooth as John Key's lapels. Mucho class for minimo dolleros.



#### Drappier

Carte Blanche Brut NV



was \$55 now \$44.90 43500

#### BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR ONLY \$39.90 A BOTTLE

The House of Drappier gets an 'excellent, four stars' from Robert Parker in his latest Wine Buyer's Guide, while the esteemed Robert Joseph drops the full five stars on the house. As the 'house wine', the Non-Vintage is the best signifier of quality, and with this elegant and most satisfying Champagne, Drappier's reputation will remain well intact for many years to come. Predominantly Pinot Noir, which explains the wondrous structure and balance, there is a smooth richness that fills the mid-palate, and an aromatic wreath-full of gorgeous white flowers to fill your head and help you dream impossible things.

#### Moët & Chandon

Brut Impérial NV

was \$75 now \$64.90 47211





#### BUY A CASE OF 6 FOR ONLY \$59.90 A BOTTLE

According to a very reliable, highly-placed and discreet source (oh, alright, Wikipedia), Moët has six square kilometres of vineyards and produces about two million cases of Champagne annually. Golly! And if any one dares to comment that the brand may be fading on the hipness radar, clock the image of Madonna (Kebab) on the official site, sluggin' from a 750mL of Moët while she belts out another, er, memorable toon. 'You've really made a little go such a very long way,' the Pet Shop Boys once said of her, curiously. Flavoursome, finesse-laden, elegant, stylish and very satisfying. Bottoms up, Mrs Ritchie.



#### Pol Roger Brut Réserve NV

was \$89.90 now \$74.90 48210

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

A critical element of a good Champagne is the notion of balance. You should think of the perfect 'o' when a wine is in balance; no component dominating any of the others. Pol Roger is one of the best examples of a balanced wine you could possibly dip into. (Even the grape variety proportions are exactly one third Pinot Meunier, one third Chardonnay, one third Pinot Noir). So while there are myriad layers of fine florals and fruits, firmer toasty, bready textures, fresh lively acid and a rich, Pinot-driven structure, the wine itself is in utter equilibrium. How many angels on the head of a pin?

### **Boundary Vineyards**

Kings Road Waipara Pinot Noir 2007

was \$22.90 now \$19.90 18347



There is no lack of Pinot punch and power here. With two distinctively different Pinot clones lending the final blend a myriad of characteristics, this well-crafted and wondrously-priced offering has all the cherry/plum dark fruit one could hanker after, with further complexity coming in the form of a deep spice and earth note. Warm, generous and rewarding, it's a mouthfilling tide of tingly treats and dark delights.



#### Culley

Marlborough Pinot Noir 2007



was \$22.90 now \$19.90 12476

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

An attractive and vivacious aroma of brambly berry fruits is heightened and enhanced by some secondary spice characters that will surprise and delight in equal measure. What's astounding, and most gratifying, about a wine like this is that there is so much flavour and concentration for such a minimal outlay. If you think me extravagant, let's not forget we're talking Pinot here, the grape variety where we are often asked to suspend all logic when it comes to paying for it. Neill Culley is a master with this variety, and he's pulled off a silky, sexy expression without robbing you blind. Nice.

#### Martinborough Vineyard

Te Tera Martinborough Pinot Noir 2007

was \$29 now \$24.90 13745



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

This was of course the vintage of the November 9th frost, which was followed up by the coldest December in the region for sixty years. Hence the crop was miniscule, but the great weather from January to May meant it had forever to ripen beautifully. From little things, big things grow. Beautiful, haunting black fruit arrows straight down the aromatic centreline to seduce and beguile, brushed with spice and dusted with flowers. The palate is richly complex yet elegant, deliberately approachable with soft fruit, backseat tannins and an overall roundness that is a delight.





### Mt Difficulty Roaring Meg Central Otago Pinot Noir 2007

was \$28 now \$24.90 14935

BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR ONLY \$23.90 A BOTTLE

Your children will laugh at you and begin choosing your rest home when you tell them you could buy, back in 'your day' great Central Otago Pinot for less than \$25. Mt Difficulty are one of the region's finest producers, and this lovely mix of red and black berry fruits, complexed further from oak spice, is an absolute stunner. The tannins 'rise gracefully out of the mid-palate', but before they grab you, the wine's firm fruit and fresh acidity pulls them into line. The finish, which is long, is also fully flavoured.

#### Mount Hurtle

Grenache Shiraz Mourvèdre 2006

was \$16 now \$12.50 22138



#### BUY A CASE OF 6 FOR ONLY \$11.50 A BOTTLE

The Hurtle vineyards were first planted in 1897, and were joyously resurrected by Geoff 'Handlebar' Merrill only twenty years ago. A major tourist attraction they may be, but Merrill makes some outstanding wines there as well. And this, kids, has been one of them. Classic Barossa blend of Grenache, Shiraz, Mourvèdre, the pepper is sprinkled deftly across a palate of savoury, spice and sweet flavours, all concentrated and reflecting their old vine genesis. This'll go a treat with roast duck. Sorry Daff.



#### Brookfields ohiti Estate

Hawke's Bay Cabernet Sauvignon 2006

was \$19.90 now \$16.90 11254

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

Some of the best sites in Hawke's Bay are those that sit on the sinewy twists of old riverbeds. Given enough elevation (i.e. a helicopter or hiking boots), you can see where old rivers once ran and, shock, horror, bewilderment, the paths those rivers traced are now covered in vines. The Ohiti vineyard that produces this gem sits atop the old Ngaruroro riverbed, and the Cabernet vines just love that gravelly base. They work hard, dig deep and produce fruit of concentration and character, while the vineyard's location in a total heat trap ripens the fruit



#### Chalice Itake

Marlborough Merlot 2007

was \$19.90 now \$16.90 13570



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

There is a 15% Hawke's Bay fruit component in the mix, and it's no ordinary fruit, either, coming from the muchlauded Gimblett Gravels region, renowned for its bright, beautiful flavours. Aged in a mix of stainless steel and oak, the aim here is pure, vibrant, fruit expression, an objective wondrously achieved as every thimble of bright redness will tell you. Plums elbow for space with jammy redcurrants, while chocolate-warmed spice pumps from beneath. A bountiful, artful headrush of great-value red.



#### Château Nicot

Bordeaux 2005



was \$21.90 now \$16.90 41623

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

For anyone who has been put off by the austerity of young Bordeaux, let this well-made, inexpensive claret dissolve your doubts. This is exactly what good value petit château Bordeaux is all about. Varietal aromatics of dark berries and leather open up to a palate of eminent approachability. The tannins are finely woven rather than harsh, the texture soft, supple and succulent; there is a depth and purity to the fruit that further delights with each mouthful. It delivers individual character as well as a charming harmony of pure claret character, Brilliant,

# \$ Fearless Buys

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#### **Deakin Estate** Shiraz **2005**

was \$14.90 now \$9.90 20791

It's easy to homogenise Australian Shiraz, particularly at this rather delicious price. Sure, you're not going to find a great example of a winemaker's individual expression (you know, an aggressive, urgent style because his mum took his Tonka Toy off him when he was four) but believe us, they're not all the same. This bubbling beauty comes from North West Victoria where it's a tad chillier than, say, the desert bloomtown of Barossa. So? Sew your pants up. The fruit is refined, flavoursome and forward, the texture weighty without your sinking beneath it.

#### **Clifton Road**

Hawke's Bay Chardonnay 2007

was \$12.50 now \$9.90 18008



#### BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR ONLY \$9.50 A BOTTLE

Doing a little fearless market research, this is what I found I could buy for circa \$9.90:

On Ferrit, a green potty (empty)

Trade Me, a 'fuchsia pink cowl neck top' (no photo) On Amazon, '21 Number Ones' by Kenny Rogers (well it's US\$6.42 so that's close enough)

Or, you could take this home today; a mouthfilling, well-thrilling, flavoursome, peachy drop of excellently made Chardy that's ripe, rich and balanced, great with food, bonza without and guaranteed to give pleasure. No comparison, really, is there?



#### Taltarni

Brut Vintage 2006



was \$27 now \$19.90 27897



Don't just do something; sit there! Yep, those generation Xers or Wires or Z-Cars or whatever we're up to (and XYZ is about as much of the alphabet as they know how to use), this wine is for you. Why? Because it's the excellent and instant elixir of relaxation. In its own laid-back, charming fashion it gently commands you to sit down, feet up, glass raised just so... Creamy mousse, fine, persistent bubbles, much finesse of flavour, length of limb and swish of tail, and a price that belongs on something far less classy. Climb in, just, like, when you're ready and everything, dude...

# What's On

**JULY 2008** 

For details or bookings go to: glengarry.co.nz/wineroom or phone 0800 733 505

#### Wednesday 9th July

Irresistible Rieslings from New Zealand and Alsace 6:00pm Glengarry Thorndon 232 Thorndon Quay Cost: \$30 per person

#### Thursday 10th July

**Cable Bay Dinner - Wellington** with winemaker Neill Culley 6:30pm Vista, 106 Oriental Parade Cost: \$120 per person

#### Friday 11th July

FREE TASTING: a selection of the wines from Glengarry's Greatest Hits 3pm-7pm Glengarry Victoria Park 118 Wellesley St West

#### Friday 11th - Monday 14th July

We celebrate Bastille Day with instore discounts & tastings in all our Glengarry stores

Details on glengarry.co.nz from 11th July

#### Friday 18th July

FREE TASTING: a selection of the wines from Glengarry's Greatest Hits 3pm-7pm Glengarry Victoria Park 118 Wellesley St West

#### Tuesday 22nd July

Mr Popular, Pinot Gris: we look at the grape of the moment with expressions from New Zealand, Alsace & Italy 6:00pm Glengarry Courtenay Place Paramount Building, 27 Courtenay Place Cost: \$20 per person

#### Wednesday 23rd July

We examine some of NZ's top Syrahs 6:00pm Glengarry Thorndon 232 Thorndon Quay Cost: \$40 per person

#### Wednesday 30th July

Weird and Wonderful Aussie Reds 6:00pm Glengarry Kelburn Wine Club Caffe Mode, 86A Upland Road, Kelburn Cost: \$30 per person

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Mata

Manuka Ale 330mL

91302 **single** \$3.50

I opened up the Mata website and was confronted by a pretty chick in a diaphanous dress. Excellent beginning. Indeed, it is business time people, time to roll up your sleeves and slog back a good bevy. And, conveniently, here one is. As for the Mata Manuka, a gold medal at the New Zealand International Beer Awards and being named Class Winner as well would suggest that the critics took a shine to the lager. Take an opener to a bottle and you'll find a deliciously fresh, crisp brew with delightful honey-meetshoppy flavour characteristics and a good, sturdy, flavoursome finish. It tastes er, PURE, clean and bright. Could be the Certified organic Artesian Water that they truck to the brewery: as they point out, beer is 90% water. So are human beings. Take to the beery waters then. Fab.



Arguably the best known Champagne brand in the world (and with production of over two million cases annually, by far the largest), Moët & Chandon continue to impress with their class and consistency.

#### Moët & Chandon Nectar Impérial Demi-Sec Brut NV

was \$96 now \$74.90 47205

A much admired medium-dry Champagne built around a high percentage of Pinot Noir. Sensually rich, with a clean and crisp

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Villa Maria

**Riverstone Chardonnay 19608** 





#### **Crusher Road**

Marlborough Riesling 2006 13340



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#### **Paul Jaboulet**

Côtes du Rhône Selection 2006



Ciroc Snap Frost Vodka 750mL

\$88 92189

With the product fronted by no one less than Puff Diddy (does anyone else find that name even slightly ridiculous?), this is a serious brand being orbited into a pretty rare kind of atmosphere. Slinky, sexy stuff this; and before you think it's just more flim-flam and Judas, this is decidedly different. The spirit is distilled (five times) from white grapes from the Cognac and Gaillac regions of France, and it's cold macerated at that, ensuring aromatics unknown to vodka-ites are delivered, along with a very clean, pure flavour. While Diddy has endorsed it since 2006, the promo material features in a Kanye West track, while the vodka itself is well prominent in high rotate vids from Rick Ross and Usher. So hip it hurts? As the man from Dilmah (who, bless him, is so unhip it hurts) says, 'do try it'.



Ciroc.

# a taste of France

A monthly selection of affordable French wine from our extensive range

#### Arrogant Frog

Ribet Red Shiraz 2006

was \$19.90 now \$16.90 43962

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

The Arrogant Frog range has been well received here; beyond the cheeky labels, they represent very good value. This Vin du Pays Shiraz is one of the new wave French wines that is putting the Languedoc back into favour. The primary spicy aromas develop to exhibit blackcurrant, violet and toasty oak. Full bodied with ripe fruit flavours in the mid palate, it has velvety tannins, a mellow mouthfeel and a long, spicy finish.



#### Georges Duboeuf Beaujolais Villages **2007**

was \$19.90 now \$17.90 43895

#### BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR ONLY \$16.90 A BOTTLE

What distinguishes Beaujolais' red wines from those of the neighbouring Burgundy and Rhône regions is the Gamay grape variety and its vinification by carbonic maceration; whole bunches are fermented in a carbon dioxide atmosphere. The fermentation occurs inside the grape to produce wines that are fruity and low in tannin. A step up from your basic Beaujolais, this is an exuberant purple wine with a bouquet of cherry, raspberry and a hint of banana. The boisterously fruity palate has a lovely juicy character and a soft, easy finish.



Alsace Pinot Gris 2006

was \$31 now \$19.90 42400

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

There are any number of distinctive Pinot Gris made around the globe, but Alsace arguably produces the world's most memorable. The reason is climate and experience; Alsace enjoys dry autumns, which allow the grapes to be harvested late in prime condition, and the winemakers have been making Pinot Gris for generations. This wine is beautifully crafted to showcase an alluring, expressive bouquet of spicy, musky and nutty aromas and a lush palate of ripe, slightly honeyed fruit flavours balanced by a squeeze of citrus.



#### Brut de Charvis

Méthode Traditionnelle Brut **NV** 

was \$22.90 now \$19.90 43013

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

Brut de Charvis is a tasty drop, made in Burgundy via the Methode Traditionnelle and classified as 'Cremant de Bourgogne,' the generic term for all sparkling wine produced there. It starts out with a bright, fresh nose of stonefruit, citrus and yeasty dough. The palate is beautifully crisp, with intense peach flavours, mineral notes and a fine, clean finish. A well-made, unpretentious bubbly, it's a steal at this price, and excellent either as an aperitif or with food.



#### Château Mont-Redon Côtes du Rhône **2005**

was \$30 now \$22 41419

#### BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR ONLY \$21.00 A BOTTLE

Blended from Grenache, Cinsault and Syrah grown in Mont-Redon's Roquemaure vineyard, and naturally fermented and matured for six months in oak barrels. The wine is expressive of the terroir, with aromas of blackberry, plum and integrated spicy oak. It is already very approachable, with deep, clean, succulent fruit on the palate supported by hints of liquorice and oaky nuances. It has a chewy character with a firm tannin backbone, and at this price, you might want to buy a case to enjoy over the next four years.



### Champagne Drappier Carte d'Or Brut NV

was \$55 now \$44.90 43501

#### BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR ONLY \$43.90 A BOTTLE

Champagne can be enjoyed any time of the year, with or without food, or whenever the spirits need a lift; at this price, it's possible to enjoy it rather frequently. Decanter Magazine listed the Drappier in its Top 10 Non-Vintage champagnes out of the one hundred it tasted, and Robert Parker gave it high marks as well. The 90% Pinot Noir content provides weight and aroma, the Chardonnay gives freshness and the Pinot Meunier donates a fine, graceful aftertaste. With its steady mousse, hint of butteriness and lovely crisp finish, it's the complete wine.



# a taste of

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Le Collezioni Montepulciano d'Abruzzo 2006

\$10.90 62469

#### BUY A CASE OF 6 FOR ONLY \$10.67 A BOTTLE

A ten dollar bill and some loose change will hardly buy you enough gas for a round-trip from Devonport to the city in Auckland's notorious traffic. But for the same amount of money you can get a bottle of this great value wine and stay home to enjoy a platter of antipasto with friends. Produced from Montepulciano grapes grown in the Abruzzo region of central Italy, it is a deep ruby-coloured wine with a fine plum and cherry bouquet. Well structured and harmonious, it has strongly defined fruit, a smooth texture and a fine tannin finish.



Chianti DOCG 2006

was \$21.50 now \$16

#### BUY A CASE OF 6 FOR ONLY \$15.00 A BOTTLE

From one of Tuscany's most consistent producers comes this beautifully styled, immediately appealing Chianti. It is ripe and rich, with powerful raspberry notes framed by chocolate and understated spicy oak aromas that lead effortlessly through to a lithely structured palate. The wine displays a fine balance that focuses the cherry, violet and spice flavours. Wrapped in a blanket of firmish tannins, the wine has a long, flavoursome aftertaste. It delivers more than its price suggests and is particularly well-matched to grilled meats and roasts.





Valpolicella Classico DOC 2006

was \$18.90 now \$16.90 62563

#### BUY A CASE OF 6 FOR ONLY \$16.50 A BOTTLE

One of the charms of Valpolicella is its approachability, and at this price, it's worth grabbing by the case, too, for its versatility as a food wine. Bolla matured the wine for a short period in seasoned oak barrels, which has given the bouquet a nice hint of cedar. A fruit-driven wine with nutty, soft fruit aromas and flavours. The palate has a juicy, seductive quality enhanced by a rounded mouthfeel. The lengthy aftertaste is characterised by a slight amaro edge. Try it with pasta, beef or lamb dishes.



#### Cecilia Beretta

Grigio Luna Pinot Grigio 2007

#### BUY A CASE OF 6 FOR ONLY \$18.50 A BOTTLE

In the trattorias that abound in the Vento region, one of the most popular white wines is the locally grown Pinot Grigio. This light bodied wine is from the north-eastern district of the Veneto. The grapes were harvested by moonlight to maximise fruit freshness and balance. It is a greenish-yellow clean wine with a bouquet of spice-accented pear, some mineral notes and a hint of smoke in the background. The palate is characterised by fresh fruit flavours and a touch of almond balanced by a dash of citrus.

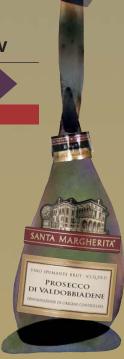
#### Santa Margherita

Prosecco di Valdobbiadene DOC Brut NV

was \$31 now \$22.90 62538

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

Prosecco is one of Italy's oldest grape varieties, grown in the northern Veneto region since before Roman times. The variety ripens late; originally, when the temperature dropped in late autumn the fermentation tended to stop, leaving some carbon dioxide and sugar that began to re-ferment in the spring, thus creating a spumante style. Today, prosecco spumantes are produced by the Charmat process, in which the wine undergoes the secondary fermentation in bulk tanks and is bottled under pressure. A delicious bubbly with a creamy mousse and apple-like aromas and flavours set against a background of almond.





#### Bolla

Amarone della Valpolicella DOC 2004



Amarone is Verona's most beloved wine, prized for

#### BUY A CASE OF 6 FOR ONLY \$53.50 A BOTTLE

its compelling combination of power and softness. Following harvest the grape bunches are allowed to dry over winter, thereby concentrating both colour and flavour. After fermentation the wine is aged for two years in oak barrels. This classic wine from Bolla Amarone is a deep, violet-edged garnet. On the nose, there's a la Valpolicell lovely whiff of spicy fruit cake-like aromas enhanced by some cedary oak nuances. Powerfully built, with an impressive depth of spicy fruit flavours supported BOLLA by a supple texture.





# a taste of Spain



Minotauro Azul 2004

was \$21 now \$18

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

New wave vinos like this have put Navarra firmly on the wine map. It was produced predominately from 60-year-old Garnacha vines blended with Tempranillo and some Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot. With a deluge of spicy fruit aromas supported by vanillin oak, it has good depth of fruit and a real freshness to the palate.

> Protos Roble **2006**

was \$24.90 now \$19.90 88072

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

Roble is a 100% Tempranillo from vineyards in the Ribera del Duero region of Old Castille. Fermented in stainless steel the wine was aged for four months in French barrels. It is a vivacious cherry coloured wine with a fruity bouquet. The palate has well defined black cherry flavours, subtle oak nuances and a fine finish. Ready to be enjoyed.



was \$24.90 now \$19.90 88060

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

La Vendimia (the harvest) is classified as a 'Joven' or young wine because it has had just four months of oak maturation. It is a blend of two of Spain's great red varieties, Garnacha and Tempranillo. The bouquet displays, plum, blackberry and herb aromas, while the medium-weighted palate is gracefully harmonious, the well defined fruit enhanced by a touch of

Marqués de Cáceres Crianza 2004

was \$27 now \$25 87999

#### BUY A CASE OF 12 FOR ONLY \$24.00 A BOTTLE

A classic Rioja blended from three indigenous Spanish varieties, Tempranillo, Garnacha and Graciano and matured in oak barrels for 12 months and then in bottle for another 14 months. The concentrated bouquet is alive with berry and vanillin oak aromas. Full bodied and beautifully structured it is packed with long lasting flavours and complemented by toasty oak nuances.



Fashioned from the late-ripening Nebbiolo grape, this aristocratic and much revered wine takes its name from the village of the same name a few kilometres south of the town of Alba, in the Piedmont winemaking region of north-west Italy. Arguably the greatest of Italy's wine regions, Barolo's long-standing place at the top of the area's viticultural tree has given it an allure, romanticism, and reputation that surpasses any other Italian wine.

Spoken of in the hushed tones reserved for great claret, Barolo has managed to maintain a superb reputation over the years. That said, twenty years ago some of the styles being produced (unapproachable in their youth, tannic, often oxidised) threatened to send Barolo into the grey wastelands of extinction, reputation notwithstanding.

A change in attitude from the growers (some of them started tasting wines from beyond their back yard), and the realisation that the wine-drinking world was swiftly passing them by, has led to significant shifts, and we, the wine drinking public, are the beneficiaries.

Barolo descriptions are usually characterised by words such as 'brawny', 'muscular', 'broad-shouldered' and so forth, and if that sounds like the Italian rugby team's front row, then you're about right. This has largely been due to the incredibly long fermentation times traditionally undertaken in the region, and these, coupled with similarly Methuselan periods in barrel, tended to produce wines unapproachable until many years after vintage.

Better vineyard management, shorter ferments, newer oak and a change in approach has started to see wines emerging in the last decade that are more immediate in their appeal, brimming with fruit rather than grimly tannic, while still retaining the wonderful natural characteristics of the variety. A delight to experience, they move from delicate perfumes of roses and liquorice through to violets, mint, cherries and game.

With the move to estate and single vineyard wine production, these natural characteristics are even more evident. Barolo is an experience simply not to be missed, and with the cold months and big, meaty dishes being our staple for the next short while, it is the perfect time to experience what is known as 'the wine of kings.'

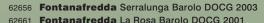
#### Fontanafredda

Riserva Barolo DOCG 2000

\$225 62714

The Fontanafredda estate was developed two hundred years ago, and has played a key role in the development of Barolo since its very beginnings. Considered by Robert Parker to be 'one of the great names of Piedmontese winemaking' (he rates the majority of their wines 90+ points), their experience and traditions coupled with a fiercely innovative approach to winemaking means their Barolo walks that perfect line of intensity and ageability coupled with immediate appeal and drinkability. Robustly structured to support the sheer weight of the palate, the brooding berries, licorice and roses for which the wine is renowned are all present here. One of the greatest expressions of one of the world's greatest wines, and you can't say much better than that. Exhilarating.





62662 Fontanafredda Paiagallo La Villa Barolo DOCG 2001

62663 Fontanafredda Lazzarito Vigna La Delizia Barolo DOCG 2001

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# 10 the Ellingarry 900 july

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

1 Nga Waka Martinborough Chardonnay **2007** 

was \$23.50 now \$19.90 15815

A rich and complex Chardonnay displaying ripe stonefruit aromas and flavours supported by subtle oak nuances and enhanced by a smooth texture. Excellent value, versatile food wine.



Pontanafredda
Barbera d'Alba 2005

was \$35 now \$21.90 62624

A deep ruby-coloured wine with a fruit-driven bouquet that spills through onto the palate. Velvety smooth and smartly structured, it finishes on a persistent, flavoursome note.



3 d'Arenberg The Hermit Crab McLaren Vale Viognier Marsanne 2006

was \$21 now \$17.90 20717

A delicious blend of two white Rhône varieties, this South Australian beauty is packed with tropical fruit aromas and flavours. The luscious mouthfeel is balanced by a dash of citrus.



Gladstone Vineyard 12,000 Miles
Wairarapa Pinot Noir 2006

was \$24 now \$20.90 15112

This Pinot Noir from Gladstone Vineyard in the Wairarapa is spicy and elegant, with great depth of ripe cherry-like aromas and flavours that linger on and on. Good Value.



5 Yalumba Patchwork Barossa Shiraz 2006

was \$23 now \$20 2095'

A great value, classic Australian Shiraz with a ripe, plush character. Wonderfully aromatic with spicy vanillin nuances on the nose, it has excellent depth and is elegantly structured.



6 Sacred Hill Wine Thief
Central Otago Pinot Noir 2006

was \$29.90 now \$24.90 180

A nicely weighted and structured Pinot Noir with a lovely fragrant soft fruit bouquet. The palate displays layers of subtle nuances wrapped around a velvety core.



7 Protos
Crianza 2004

was \$45 now \$38.90 88073

Made from 100% Tempranillo grapes and aged to perfection, this is a complex, well rounded wine with plum, cherry and toasty oak aromas and flavours that persist through to the finish.



Grasshopper Rock Earnscleugh Vineyard
Central Otago Pinot Noir 2006

was \$32 now \$29.90 12341

A supple and complex Pinot with distinctive spicy strawberry aromas. The deep-flavoured palate has a smooth, velvety mouthfeel and a fine finish. Delicious drinking.



9 Roccia
Waipara Valley Pinot Gris 2007

was \$33 now \$25.90 12259

A versatile food wine, particularly with seafood or poultry. Well weighted and slightly fleshy, it displays spicy pear and stonefruit aromas and flavours artfully balanced by a touch of citrus.



10 Les Vins de Vienne Côtes du Rhône 2005

was \$36 now \$24.90 41312

Textbook Côtes du Rhône from an excellent vintage, packed with ripe plum and berryfruit flavours enhanced by a lick of spicy pepper. Great with food and terrific value.





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