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We were delighted to learn that Melba Brajkovich was recognised in this year's Queen's Birthday Honours, made a member of the New Zealand Order of Merit for her services to New Zealand wine and to the community. It is richly deserved, and it is timely to reflect on the contribution that has been made to our national legacy by pioneering enterprises like the Brajkovich family's Kumeu River winery.

Melba has been at the heart of Kumeu River's ascendancy for more than fifty years, initially with her husband, the late Maté Brajkovich, pioneer and visionary, awarded an OBE in 1985 and renowned for his legendary hospitality and his ceaseless promotion of the New Zealand wine industry.

After Maté's passing in 1992, Melba took over as Managing Director, and Kumeu River continues to be very much a family business, with Maté and Melba's four children, Michael, Milan, Paul and Marijana all involved. Winemaker Michael Brajkovich graduated top of his class at Roseworthy College, and in 1989 became New Zealand's first Master of Wine. Milan is the vineyard director, while Paul and Marijana look after sales and marketing.

This quote from wine writer Neil Martin, following a tasting for eRobert Parker, sums up the international regard for the Brajkovich family's output: 'If you have never tried these wines, then it's time to see for yourself what New Zealand is capable of.' Absolutely.

Join Melba Brajkovich & family as they conduct a tasting of their Kumeu River wines at Glengarry Victoria Park on Wednesday 23rd July at 7pm. Details at www.glengarry.co.nz



### KUMEU RIVER KUMEU VILLAGE CHARDONNAY 2011

Jak Jakicevich

\$14.99 18204

### **CASE OF 12 \$13.99 A BOTTLE**

Tips its hat to Burgundy and the style of Chardonnay that inspired Michael Brajkovich, with an undeniable minerality, balance and winemaking prowess. While this is Kumeu River's first rung on the quality ladder, there is very little that's 'entry level' about it.

### KUMEU RIVER **ESTATE CHARDONNAY 2011**

\$26.99 18200

### **CASE OF 12 \$25.99 A BOTTLE**

The Kings of Kumeu know their Chardonnay. There is a touch of minerality to the creamy peach and butterscotch characters. Wonderfully aromatic, layered, rich and elegant, it will keep on giving, but is delivering right now. Robert Parker gives it 91/100.

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## Fearles Bins

A MONTHLY SELECTION OF DELICIOUS, DEPENDABLE REDS AND WHITES WHERE THE PALATE, NOT THE PRICE TAG, PACKS A PUNCH

ROOK'S LANE VICTORIA SHIRAZ 2012

\$9.99 20406

### Bargain-price Australian Shiraz

Sourced from the Red Cliffs region of Victoria, the Rook's Lane nose is all ripe berries, black cherries, vanilla and spice. The sweet fruit flavours are rich and juicy, with blueberry and cherry characters and a deft touch of oak, signed off by a nice savoury aftertaste.

Barrel fermented in French barriques on indigenous yeasts, the Hugo is clear of eye and bright as a tack. Peach and nectarine characters take a stroll whistling a spicy tune from their time spent in oak. Opulent, layered, textural and devilishly



### FLAGSTONE POETRY SOUTH AFRICA CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2012

\$9.99 50101

Smart South African Cabernet

### **DUSKY SOUNDS**

WAIPARA VALLEY CHARDONNAY 2013

\$9.99 19360

Creamy textures, clean, fresh finish

### DR RENWICK

MARLBOROUGH PINOT NOIR 2012

\$14.99

CASE OF 6 \$13.99 A BOTTLE

Soft, supple & savoury. Great value



### SAINT-MEYLAND

MÉTHODE TRADITIONNELLE NV



\$16.99 43010



French finesse without the \$ outlay



### **BROOKFIELDS** BURNFOOT HAWKES BAY MERLOT 2013



\$17.99 11403

**CASE OF 12 \$16.99 A BOTTLE** 

Consistently satisfying, bargain price



### MILLS REEF RESERVE HAWKES BAY CHARDONNAY 2013



**CASE OF 12 \$18.99 A BOTTLE** 



Smooth, tropical, textural & toasty



### SPY VALLEY

MARLBOROUGH PINOT NOIR ROSÉ 2013

\$19.99 <sub>18332</sub>

**CASE OF 12 \$18.99 A BOTTLE** A blushing crush of lush luxuriance



FAIRHALL DOWNS HUGO BARREL FERMENTED SAUVIGNON BLANC 2010 \$14.99 16321 **CASE OF 12 \$13.99 A BOTTLE** Pure Gold, Air NZ Wine Awards appealing.

MATAWHERO CHURCH HOUSE GISBORNE CHARDONNAY MUSQUE 2011

\$16.99

### CASE OF 6 \$15.99 A BOTTLE

Gisborne Chard with a difference

The Musque Chardonnay clone is more often used as a blending component in premium white Burgundies, but here it has been isolated in all its glory, the ripe, sun-laden Gisborne fruit delivering perfumed muscat-like aromas and floral notes to provide the intrigue, and lovely lime characters on a fresh, crisp palate of musky, spice-edged tropical fruit flavours.

### TITANS OF THEIR TERROIR



Marlborough's te Pa (our place, our home) is owned and operated by the MacDonald family, who can trace their family's occupation of land at the historically important Wairau Bar to the earliest known settlement by Maori, 800 hundred years ago. Translation: the terroir is well and truly in their blood. Formed where the Wairau River meets the Pacific Ocean, the Wairau Bar combines rich topsoil with free-flowing alluvial deposits, allowing winemaker Liam McElhinney to produce his outstanding single vineyard

The MacDonalds established the home vineyard in 2003 and released their debut 2011 Sauvignon Blanc to immediate success; Cuisine magazine awarded it 5 Stars and labelled it the top New Zealand Sauvignon Blanc; the wine was also selected for the Top 100 at Sydney's International Wine Competition. Te Pa's owner, Haysley MacDonald, describes the winery's critically acclaimed wines thus: 'A taste from home. Our home. The land that has been the backbone of our family for 800 years.'

TE PA MARLBOROUGH ROSÉ 2013

expressions.

TE PA

MARLBOROUGH SAUVIGNON BLANC 2014

\$17.99 13107

### CASE OF 6 \$16.99 A BOTTLE

Follows on in fine style from the much-lauded 2011 Sauvignon Blanc. Notes of grapefruit and lime beguile the nose, while the lively palate is a treasure trove of intense, concentrated flavours woven together by complex mineral characters. Signs off with a satisfyingly long and juicy finish.







MARLBOROUGH PINOT GRIS 2013

\$17.99 13088

### CASE OF 6 \$16.99 A BOTTLE

A complex and beautifully crafted single vineyard wine, fermented on Alsatian yeast cultures, with tiers of peach, pear and honeyed notes nuanced by almonds and spices on the nose and palate. The fresh and vibrant styling is given an additional boost by a creamy, textural mouthfeel.

TE PA

Valley. An aromatic introduction of floral-infused dark cherries, red fruits, earth and spices heralds a complex, layered palate of cherry and brambly berryfruit flavours, supported by some alluring savoury characters and a silky mouthfeel.







Three decades of experience with Marlborough's unique soils and growing conditions has enabled Nautilus to establish an enviable reputation as one of New Zealand's most consistent producers of the premium stuff. Head winemaker Clive Jones and his team know their turf well, as this outstanding collection will confirm, should you be tempted to try them. And you should.

### NAUTILUS MARLBOROUGH

15509 SAUVIGNON BLANC 2013	\$19.99
15458 CHARDONNAY 2013	\$29.99
15470 CUVÉE MARLBOROUGH BRUT NV	\$34.99
15466 PINOT GRIS 2013	\$24.99







Not much left to say about The Cloudys, these days. They are in possession of consumate skills and we all know it. This globestraddling New Zealand winery shows them off yet again via the poised and polished collection of Pinots featured here.

### **CLOUDY BAY**

\$42.99
\$49.99
\$69.99



Residing contentedly within their Onetangi Valley paradise, the Dunleavy family were Waiheke pioneers, beginning their vinous activities on the now famous island around 25 years ago. Established originally as a single Waiheke red offering, we're liking their new direction and their range of wines. What hasn't changed is the low cropping, hand harvesting, gentle of complex wines, from those perfect now to those for the cellar.

### TE MOTU ONETANGI BAY

19134 KOKORO MERLOT BLEND 2012	\$66.00
19133 CABERNET MERLOT FRANC 2006	\$89.00
19135 TIPUA SYRAH 2008	\$96.00



The damnable French and their wine: you'd think they invented the stuff. In the end, though, it's a fait accompli; for sheer class in the glass, intrigue and an x-factor they'd call 'je ne sais quoi' they are the vinous benchmark by which we all measure ourselves.

## BUNGU

The wines produced from this stretch of vinous real estate are among the world's greatest. The only simple thing about Burgundy is that if it's red it's Pinot Noir and if it's white it's Chardonnay (more or less), and from there on it gets trickier. Inheritance laws have seen the vineyards divided into ever smaller family parcels, and within a sea of petite producers, it is not uncommon for a single vineyard to have numerous owners. Hundreds of growers accessing tiny plots of land in a place where terroir is the best predictor of quality means knowing your vineyard and knowing your producer will stand you in good stead. Happily, we do.



**BOURGOGNE CUVÉE LES DEUX PAPIS 2011** 

\$32.99

### **CASE OF 12 \$31.99 A BOTTLE**

This American has done what many only aspire to: embedding himself within the Burgundian culture, he has even managed to end up owning land there. Along the way, his wines have gone from strength to strength. The fruit punches forcefully, the tannins gracefully surround them, and the palate is a river of succulent delight.





BEAUJOLAIS-VILLAGES 2011

\$16.99

### **CASE OF 6 \$15.99 A BOTTLE**

With fruit sourced from vineyards across the appellation, don't be fooled into thinking this is generic and dull. It is vivacious, sexy stuff, and far removed from the frothing frivolity that is Beaujolais Nouveau. Meaty, fragrant, inordinately rewarding, it's at its best when slightly chilled, or at room temperature.



**BONNEAU DU MARTRAY** CORTON-CHARLEMAGNE GRAND CRU 2011

\$165.00<sub>40735</sub>

### **CASE OF 12 \$164.00 A BOTTLE**

Burgundian Chardonnay at its best. A subtle influence of wood lies beneath the restrained nose of fresh, spice caressed pears and apples, while the delicate, mineral infused flavours slide in leisurely fashion across a silken palate. Long, refined, beautifully balanced, cellar it.



**DOMAINE DE BELLENE** BEAUNE PERTUISOTS 1ER CRU 2009 42829 **DOMAINE DE BELLENE** NUITS-SAINT-GEORGES 2009 42825 DOMAINE DE BELLENE VOLNAY LES GRANDS POISOTS 2009 \$59.99

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Reinforced by its imposing châteaux, the aristocratic Bordeaux holds court at the centre of France's vinous universe. It is indeed the largest AOC area in France, with a staggering 86,000ha of vineyard plantings and around 60 million cases produced annually. When combined with the peerless pedigree of the world famous reds, the whites of Graves and stickily seductive Sauternes make this a region you cannot ignore. We have a longstanding rep for the fastidiousness of our transporting processes. Thanks to our temperature-controlled container shipping and careful cellaring, you can be confident that the Bordeaux you're drinking is as fresh and authentic as if you'd just opened it back in its home region.

### CHÂTEAU HAUT-DOMINGUE

BORDEAUX 2010

\$14.99 <sub>41132</sub>

### **CASE OF 12 \$12.99 A BOTTLE**

When you get a great vintage like the 2010, the quality extends itself at both ends of the price scale. This is a good entry-level Bordeaux, a Merlot dominant blend with 40% Cabernet Sauvignon and 10% Cabernet Franc. An abundance of black fruits, a hint of cloves and a density that sees wines twice the price left wanting. Great value.

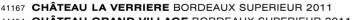




\$29.99

### **CASE OF 12 \$28.99 A BOTTLE**

The second wine of the 1er Cru Sauternes estate, Château Coutet. Our GM was recently in Bordeaux and spotted this 500ml gem from 2006, priced like a 375ml without any aging. A bargain, then. The wine itself is sublime; an opulent, unctuous Sauvignon Semillon with loads of golden, botrytised goodness. Not a lot to go around, but we do have the 375ml from the current 2011 vintage as well.



44454 **CHÂTEAU GRAND VILLAGE** BORDEAUX SUPERIEUR 2011

41002 CHÂTEAU DUBOURG SAINT-EMILION 2011

44420 CASTELNAU DE SUDUIRAUT SAUTERNES 2009 375ML

44204 CHÂTEAU PUY BLANQUET 2008

41918 CHÂTEAU PLINCE POMEROL 2010



\$69.99



The spiritual home of the aromatic expression, this battle-scarred region of overwhelming beauty is responsible for some of France's most profound wines. While nowadays in French hands, the region's German bloodlines still flex their muscle. Within its long and narrow confines, a host of geological combinations produce the most stunning array of flavours, fragrances and textures you'll encounter anywhere. Contrary to standard Gallic procedure, labelling is clear and concise, consisting of the grape variety (the five grown here are Pinot Gris, Riesling, Gewürztraminer, Pinot Blanc and Muscat) and the producer, with classification restricted to either a simple AOC (Appellation d'Origine Contrôlée) or the name of one of the 51 permitted Grands Crus vineyards.



\$18.99

### **CASE OF 12 \$17.99 A BOTTLE**

Pinot Blanc blends the crispness of Riesling with the texture of Chardonnay and the fruity approach of a Pinot Gris. Clean apple aromas lead into a great texture that's deliciously weighty, yet taut and tart. There's a slight hint of sweetness to the pear and apple characters, some intriguing spice and mineral notes, but really, it's all about the texture.



SSELBRECHT

\$69.00 <sub>46527</sub>

### **CASE OF 12 \$68.00 A BOTTLE**

Josmeyer is the jewel in our Alsatian range, biodynamic producers operating at the highest level, producing dazzling aromatic wines with a purity others can only aspire to. Their Grand Crus are sensational. The Hengst is musky, mineral, exotic, powerful; its already considerable breadth would really flower with time in the cellar.



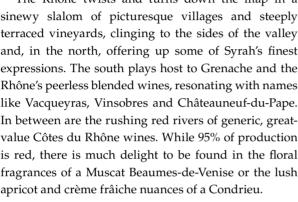


47018 **GISSELBRECHT** PINOT GRIS 2012 47029 **GISSELBRECHT** GEWÜRZTRAMINER 2012 \$19.99 \$24.99

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# Revallen

The Rhône twists and turns down the map in a sinewy slalom of picturesque villages and steeply terraced vineyards, clinging to the sides of the valley and, in the north, offering up some of Syrah's finest expressions. The south plays host to Grenache and the Rhône's peerless blended wines, resonating with names like Vacqueyras, Vinsobres and Châteauneuf-du-Pape. In between are the rushing red rivers of generic, greatvalue Côtes du Rhône wines. While 95% of production is red, there is much delight to be found in the floral fragrances of a Muscat Beaumes-de-Venise or the lush apricot and crème frâiche nuances of a Condrieu.



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**JICOLAS BOIRON** 



CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE 2011

\$44.99

### **CASE OF 12 \$43.99 A BOTTLE**

Châteauneuf-du-Pape is Blending Central in the Rhone, and Bosquet des Papes has long been one of the top properties there. Their recent releases are some of the best yet, with Nicolas Boiron the 5th generation of his family to helm this esteemed property. Here, 45 to 50-year-old vines deliver a blend of 75% Grenache, 11% Mourvèdre, 11% Syrah and 3% Cinsault. A treasure-trove of spices, hints of clove and liquorice and a gorgeous texture, all in an immaculate state of balance.

DOMAINE NICOLAS BOIRON CÔTES DU RHÔNE 2011

\$21.99 <sub>41306</sub>

### **CASE OF 12 \$20.99 A BOTTLE**

The Boiron family are the owners of noted Châteauneuf producer, Bosquet des Papes, and Nicolas is well-schooled in the art of blending. Spicy and silky, this generic Côtes du Rhône is dominated by Grenache, with a decent proportion of Syrah adding depth and flavour.



DOMAINE NICOLAS BOIRON CÔTES DU RHÔNE

\$16.99 <sub>45398</sub>

### **CASE OF 12 \$15.99 A BOTTLE**

An iconic name in the Rhône's northern reaches, recently given a restorative shot in the arm via its new owners. Made only in small quantities and exclusive to Glengarry, the Secret is a delightful blend of Grenache with a little Syrah. With deep, dark aromas and flavours of plums, berryfruit and spice, this is good drinking.



45420 JABOULET CÔTES DU RHÔNE PARALLÈLE 45 2011 \$16.99 44977 E. GUIGAL CÔTES DU RHÔNE 2010 \$19.99 41371 **MONT-REDON** CÔTES DU RHÔNE RÉSERVE 2012 \$21.99 41400 MONT-REDON CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE ROUGE 2010 \$43.99

## Revalley

The Loire Valley redefines the meaning of diverse. With its 80-plus appellations it is a treasure trove of vinous expressions, from the Sauvignon-derived, smoky, mineral-tinged Sancerre and aromatic, steely-flavoured Pouilly-Fumé to the equally eminent wines of Vouvray, fashioned from Chenin Blanc and ranging from austere to opulent. The Loire offers a quality/bargain metric that, quite frankly, nowhere else in France can match. The best expressions taste like a million bucks, and cost a fraction of that.

PASCAL JOLIVET

POUILLY-FUMÉ 2011

\$36.99

### **CASE OF 12 \$35.99 A BOTTLE**

Fumé is français for smoke, referencing here the fog that habitually settles on the area of Pouilly. Vibrantly clean, the dynamic Pascal Jolivet's lean Sauvignon Blanc styling is an elegant delight, the exquisite mineral characters the region is famed for nudging it towards sublimity.

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DAGUENEAU PUR SANG 2010

\$89.99

### CASE OF 6 \$88.99 A BOTTLE

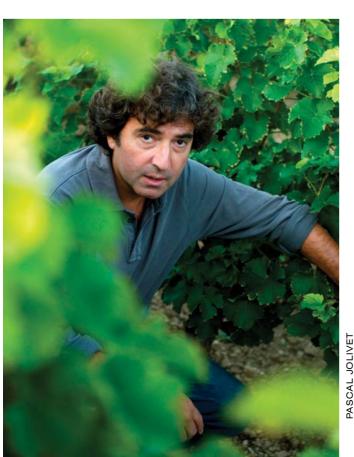
The Sauvignon Blanc wines of the Loire's risktaking perfectionist, the late Didier Dagueneau, are legendary, his legacy continued on with great panache by his son, Louis-Benjamin. The Pur Sang may be Sauvignon fruit, but it is nothing like our own expressions. Beneath the powerful perfume of vanilla-touched exotic aromas, the palate is a concentrated explosion of flavour and vibrant minerality. The pinnacle of the Loire pecking order.

40977 BOURILLON-DORLÉANS VOUVRAY SEC 2013

40925 PASCAL JOLIVET SANCERRE 2012

\$24.99 \$24.99 \$34.99





CNABUS

In the 1980s rivers of inauthentic white averageness from all over the globe were labelled Chablis, some without ever having seen a Chardonnay grape, let alone a lifetime growing up in Kimmidgerian soil. Not these days. The oyster-shelled terroir that is one of the key components in Chablis' unique profile is now protected by law, as enshrined and important to the wines as the marginal and northerly aspect of Chablis' location. Only one variety counts here, and that is Chardonnay, which thrives in the same chalk soils that run through Champagne. Chablis is Chardonnay in one of its purest expressions. If you are an exponent of big, buttery versions, then Burgundy will be more your thing than the pure, deliciously lean styles to be found here.

### SÉGUINOT-BORDET

PETIT CHABLIS 2013

\$24.99 40466

### **CASE OF 12 \$23.99 A BOTTLE**

There is currently great demand for the wines of Jean-Francois Bordet, the 13th-generation winemaker behind this highly regarded domaine. The first cab off their rank, the Petit Chablis is fresh, vibrant and richly flavoured, the refined palate distinguished by crisp apple flavours and fresh, tingling mineral notes.

LAROCHE CHABLIS 2012

\$29.99 <sub>48753</sub>

### **CASE OF 6 \$28.99 A BOTTLE**

Every time we crack a bottle of Chablis, we find ourselves wondering why we don't do it more often. No oak here, just pure Chardonnay, further concentrated by the lack of quantity in the 2012 vintage. After an almost perfect vintage in 2011, 2012 is also excellent, but there's less of it, a poor fruit set resulting in tight, intensely flavoured bunches. Steely, pure and precise.



40477 SÉGUINOT-BORDET CHABLIS 2012

48752 **DOMAINE LAROCHE** CHABLIS SAINT MARTIN 2012

43765 DAUVISSAT CHABLIS PREMIER CRU LA FOREST 2011

\$26.99 \$34.99 \$89.99

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# South of france Ecôtes De Provenic

France's southern coast produces its most diverse collection of styles. To the west are the rich, robust reds of Madiran and Banylus, while to the east, the sun-drenched rosés from the Côtes de Provence immerse you in their vibrant, aromatic delights. At Béziers, Laroche display their southern expressions, a smart array of wines that bend the knee to no one when it comes to quality, Sitting comfortably alongside are Domaine Paul Mas, savvy producers of the dynamic Arrogant Frog label, with their excellent range of Vin de Pays expressions.



LAROCHE DE LA CHEVALIÈRE **BEZIERS SYRAH GRENACHE 2012** 

### **CASE OF 6 \$14.99 A BOTTLE**

For the 2012 model, Laroche have added a touch of Grenache to their South of France Syrah. Having loved this wine for many a year we were, at first, a little apprehensive, but quickly discovered how brilliant these two varieties can be when coaxed by the southern French sun. Intense, full bodied, rich and velvety, elegant at the finish.

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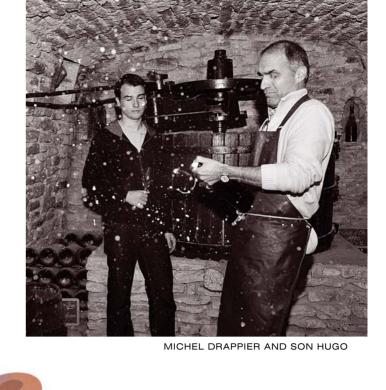
CABERNET SAUVIGNO

PAUL MAS LA FORGE **CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2011** 

\$16.99 <sub>43986</sub>

### **CASE OF 12 \$15.99 A BOTTLE**

Located on the southern coast of France, the Cabernet fruit here is superbly ripe and drenched in sunshine. Very concentrated flavours, then, with their juicy intensity let loose on a palate of soft, rounded fullness. Rich, ripe and ready to go, and like a number of Jean-Claude's products, at its best when purchased by the case.



CHÂTEAU RIOTOR CÔTES DE PROVENCE ROSÉ 2013

\$19.99

### **CASE OF 12 \$18.99 A BOTTLE**

Down here, where the English summer and the French flee, you will find, arguably, the world's greatest rosé wines. No frivolous approach here. At Riotor they make rosé and nothing else. The pale colour belies the wine's weighty presence, its plump richness and fleshy juiciness tempered by fresh acid and a tiny spray of tingling citrus. Easily our top-selling rosé.



43988	PAUL MAS NICOLE VINEYARD CHARDONNAY 2013	\$16.99
46494	ROUTAS WILD BOAR WHITE 2011	\$16.99
43115	<b>GROS-TOLLOT</b> LA 50/50 2011	\$24.99
43110	<b>GROS-TOLLOT</b> MINERVOIS LES FONTANILLES 2008	\$28.99
43114	<b>GROS-TOLLOT</b> MINERVOIS LES CARRETALS 2009	\$42.99

### Chantagne

Champagne; a wine that as you hold the cool, heavy glass in one hand and gently untwist the cage seems to offer more promise than any other. Romantic? Indeed. But Champagne is a region too, a clearly defined appellation made under strictly legislated processes from particular grapes. Doesn't all that red tape suck the soul out of the final wine? Quite the opposite. From the mighty Grand Marques dispensing millions of bottles to the boutique producers with their thousand-case lots, the rules, the grapes and the methods are the same. The differentials are terroir and the personality of the producer, for champagne clearly displays its pedigree and quality in every exotic and evocatively foaming glass.

### CHARLES COURBET

CHAMPAGNE BRUT NV

\$29.99 41526

### **CASE OF 6 \$28.99 A BOTTLE**

Charles Courbet hasn't graced our shelves for some time, but we welcome such a value-driven champagne back with open arms. The initially restrained bouquet opens up to reveal fresh, attractive, biscuity aromas. Light and creamy on the palate, nicely balanced, lovely crisp finish.





\$39.99

### **CASE OF 12 \$38.99 A BOTTLE**

The Drappier house is wonderous value, its sheer quality flying somewhat under the radar. A rich and toasty nose emanates from the fresh, creamy palate, in a style that is finely wrought, precisely tuned yet overflowing with flavour and charm. Very low use of sulphur, and the low dosage makes it one of the drier champagnes.



\$49.99 <sub>48118</sub>

Piper's non-vintage model bursts with citrus and orange juiciness, surges forth on a wave of grilled toast and marzipan then soars to an apogee of excitement. With its modern, vibrant style and the lightness, delicacy and balance of a French ballerina, it's the perfect party wine.

DRAPPIER

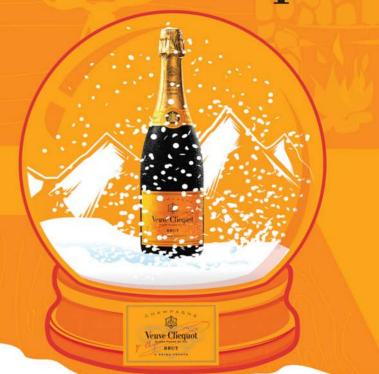


### 43501 **DRAPPIER** CARTE D'OR BRUT NV 46415 **LAURENT-PERRIER** BRUT NV 49511 **TAITTINGER** BRUT RÉSERVE NV

41522 **CHARLES HEIDSIECK** BRUT RÉSERVE NV

\$43.99 \$69.99 \$69.99 \$89.99

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### VEUVE CLICQUOT

49810 BRUT NV **\$69.99** 49806 ROSÉ NV **\$89.99** 



### AMERICAN CRAFT FRENCH SPIRITS

### ROGINE

American Independence Day has just come and gone, but we say why stop the party now? The US is a hotbed of underground craft beer producers, of all sizes and persuasions, and Roque is right up there, with impeccable credentials for their handcrafted ales, porters, stouts and lagers. They are uncompromising when it comes to quality, right down to having their own farms and growing their own hops. Founded in 1988 in Ashland, Oregon, they operate brewpubs in Oregon, Washington and California. Living by the motto that 'variety is the spice of life' Rogue have produced more than 60 different ales using a non-pasteurized process with no preservatives, all natural ingredients and a special proprietary yeast known as Pacman.



ROGUE BREWMASTER, JOHN MAIER

**ROGUE DEAD GUY ALE 650ML** 

SINGLE \$9.99 91526

Rogue put it thus: Buttery peanut brittle and orange blossom tea aromas follow through to a rich, chewy and fruity full body, with nice notes of caramel, drizzled dried apricot and roasted grains and spice. Finishes with a long, tangy, grilled grapefruit and chocolate fade.





**ROGUE BRUTAL IPA 650ML** 

SINGLE \$9.99 91488

Imperial Bitter with exotic malts, citrus-infused, hoppy flavours and a huge aromatic presence. Rogue's brewmaster, John Maier, describes his Brutal IPA as a cross between a Very Extra Special Bitter and an Indian Pale Ale.

RICARD 45 PASTÍS 700ML

**92965** \$52.99

Following the ban on absinthe, pastis was produced to satisfy the thirst for anise-flavoured aperitifs, minus the wormwood and the skyscraping alcohol levels. Dilute with cold spring water.

PERNOD LIQUEUR 700ML

92965 \$46.99

Popular in southern Europe for its thirst-quenching abilities, Pernod is another variation on pastis, a blend of star-anise essences and aromatic herbs. Mix it with water, soda or fruit juice.

DOLIN **VERMOUTH BLANC 750ML** 

**\$24.99** 

A tiny, family-owned firm who still harvest by hand all the necessary ingredients to make this wondrous aperitif. And there are a few. Great for a Martini, but also on its own or with a dash of soda.

**DROUIN** SÉLECTION **CALVADOS 750ML** 

92088 \$59.99

There are 200 apple varieties identified in Calvados for use in their apple brandy. First fermented into a dry cider, then distilled into an eau de vie, the category that includes Cognac and Armagnac.

DARROZE 8 YEAR OLD **BAS-ARMAGNAC 700ML** 

92206 \$89.99

This select blend of Armagnacs (the youngest being 8 years old) is a great introduction to the talents of master bottlers Darroze. Vibrant fruit and floral characters, wonderful balance and length.

ST-RÉMY **BRANDY VSOP 1LITRE** 

91996 \$39.99

A smooth, distinctive, ambercoloured VSOP French brandy boasting aromatic notes of cherry, raspberry, vanilla and oak, and a suave and balanced palate.

**RÉMY MARTIN COGNAC VSOP 700ML** 

92363 \$99.99

Opulent and elegant; probably the best use of Ugni Blanc grapes in Europe. Cognac by law must be double-distilled in copper pot stills then aged in barrels, the VSOP for a minimum of four years.





### A TASTE OF *Winter warmers*







### MESTA **UCLÉS TEMPRANILLO 2013**

\$16.99 89811

### CASE OF 6 \$15.99 A BOTTLE

The DO is Ucles, located in Castilla la Mancha at the centre of Spain. Plenty of sun here, and Tempranillo loves it. Easy, approachable, fruit driven. One sniff and you'll be off to the kitchen for a plate of tapas.



### **EMILIO MORO**

RIBERA DEL DUERO FINCA RESALSO 2012

\$18.99 87754



### **CASE OF 12 \$17.99 A BOTTLE**

Tempranillo fruit from Emilio's Resalso vineyard; a nose of cherry and berryfruit, a nice whiff of vanilla in the background. Polished, elegant, rounded and smoothly approachable with a bright fruit presence.



### PALACIOS REMONDO

**RIOJA LA VENDIMIA 2012** 

\$19.99

### **CASE OF 12 \$18.99 A BOTTLE**

From the Rioja Baja sub-region, where the sun beats down and the Tempranillo fruit in this gets seriously ripe. One of our biggest-selling Spanish wines, spicy, juicy and abundantly charming.



### PALACIOS REMONDO

**RIOJA LA MONTESA 2011** 

\$24.99 88054

### **CASE OF 12 \$23.99 A BOTTLE**

Esoteric rusticity, with hillside herbs, wild berries and an earthy sensuality. The ripe palate spreads its generous warmth with thick, chewy fruit entwined with splashes of exotic spice. Immensely popular.



### IAN

**RIOJA RESERVA 2007** 

\$24.99 77201

### CASE OF 6 \$23.99 A BOTTLE

Gallic flair in the heart of Rioja, Tempranillo based, and from the impeccable 2007 vintage. It will reward those with the patience to cellar it, or failing that, purchase a Riedel decanter and give it plenty of air.



### UMANI RONCHI PODERE MONTEPULCIANO D'ABRUZZO 2012

\$12.99 68412

Softly fresh and rather charming, this is a young, drink-now red sporting delicate aromas of cherry and plum. Rich and full-bodied in the mouth, with ripe tannins and a dry, flavoursome finish.



### PASQUA 1.5L

LE COLLEZIONI SANGIOVESE 2012

\$16.99 66104

### **CASE OF 6 \$15.99 A 1-5L BOTTLE**

While Sangiovese finds its most serious expression in Tuscany as Chianti's mainstay, here it softens, becoming engagingly fruity and velvety, developing delicious hints of dark cherry. Rich and supple.



### CECCHI VERNACCIA DI SAN GIMIGNANO DOCG 2012

\$14.99 62380

### CASE OF 6 \$13.99 A BOTTLE

San Gimignano is a picturesque town in the heart of Tuscany, this Vernaccia from vineyards around the hill it stands on. A crisp white wine with a delightfully delicate nose and a lively, flavoursome palate.



### CECCHI

CHIANTI DOCG 2012

\$15.99 62429

### CASE OF 6 \$14.99 A BOTTLE

Chianti is Italy's most famous red, and this wine is up there with the best. Medium bodied, full of juicy, plummy fruit aromas and flavours supported by earthy notes and backed by supple tannins.



### CECCHI

CHIANTI CLASSICO DOCG 2011

\$24.99 62413

### CASE OF 6 \$23.99 A BOTTLE

From the historic heartland of the Chianti Classico zone, classified as top-tier DOCG. Lively cherries, violets and spicy oak beguile the nose, while the intense, fruity palate is decidedly velvety and long.



# A TASTE OF A VISTAGIA

### CHAPEL HILL

McLaren Vale Magic



Chapel Hill takes its name from the historic ironstone chapel built on the property in 1865. The winery owns 44 hectares of vineyard in McLaren Vale and sources additional fruit from outside its boundaries. The winemaking team is led by the talented Michael Fragos, Winemaker Of The Year for Winestate in 2003 and for London's International Wine & Spirit Competition in 2007. Excellent terroir combines here with clever winemaking to produce some of McLaren Vale's finest expressions, along with a cupboard out the back overflowing with awards and accolades.



WINEMAKER MICHAEL FRAGOS

CHAPEL HILL CLARE VALLEY PARSON'S NOSE SHIRAZ 2012

\$16.99

### CASE OF 6 \$15.99 A BOTTLE

Michael Fragos has crafted (as he always does) a superbly made and brilliantly priced wine. The Parson's Nose exudes a perfumed cloud of blueberries dusted with Indian spices that envelops the richly flavoured palate of aniseed and plum, chocolate and liquorice, augmented by gently textured oak and finely focused tannins.









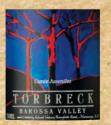












### MR MICK CLARE VALLEY CABERNET MERLOT 2009

\$14.99 23404

### CASE OF 6 \$13.99 A BOTTLE

Named for Australian winemaking legend Mr Mick and made by his final apprentice, Tim Adams. The plum and blackberry flavours are framed by supple tannins, the Merlot fruit adding mid-palate texture and softening the Cabernet's intense tendencies.

### D'ARENBERG MOLAREN VALE THE STUMP JUMP GSM 2011

\$11.99 20757

### CASE OF 12 \$10.99 A BOTTLE

Made by the very talented and wonderfully idiosyncratic Osborns, the ever-popular Stump Jumps are invariably superb value, and this is no exception. The rich and silky blend of classic Rhône varieties is lifted by a savoury edge and delicate tannins.

### LEASINGHAM CLARE VALLEY **BIN 56 CABERNET MALBEC 2012**

\$19.99 23001

### CASE OF 6 \$18.99 A BOTTLE

From premium Clare Valley pioneers Leasingham, a Cabernet-dominant blend with a dash of Malbec in tow. Aromas of blackberry, blueberry, cassis and spicy oak hit the nose, while the rich blackcurrant fruit flavours exude a touch of vanillan oak.

WOLF BLASS BAROSSA GOLD LABEL SHIRAZ 2012

\$20.99

### CASE OF 6 \$19.99 A BOTTLE

A blend of bright, fragrant fruit from Barossa and Eden Valley, each parcel separately vinified and aged in oak for eighteen months. A refined, textural wine with intense aromas of blueberry and plum enfolding a rich and silky palate. Seamless.

TORBRECK BAROSSA VALLEY CUVÉE JUVENILES 2012

\$29.99 21026

### **CASE OF 12 \$28.99 A BOTTLE**

An extraordinary wine, from the 150-year-old vines to the evocatively painted label; fragrant, intense and concentrated, with dark fruit, spice and earth notes dominating the lissom palate. It surges to a lingering finish, with not a beam of oak in sight.

## GLENGARRY

EACH MONTH, FROM THE HUNDREDS OF WINES SUBMITTED TO US, THE GLENGARRY TASTING PANEL SELECTS OUR TOP TEN WINES

Church Road McDONALD HAWKES BAY Syrah 2011

\$25.99 15254

### CASE OF 6 \$24.99 A BOTTLE

The Bay is where it's at for NZ Syrah. This is great value, a rich core of plum and berryfruit enhanced by spicy, peppery notes and well integrated oak. Supple tannins and a lingering finish complete the picture.



Brookfields ohiti estate HAWKES BAY Cabernet Sauvignon 2013

\$17.99

### **CASE OF 12 \$16.99 A BOTTLE**

One of the few 100% New Zealand Cabernets around. It languidly exudes a smoky, dark berryish fragrance. Hints of cassis and liquorice are deftly underpinned by spritely acidity and gentle but persistent tannins.



Soho CARTER WAIHEKE ISLAND Chardonnay 2013

\$29.99

### **CASE OF 12 \$28.99 A BOTTLE**

A poised and elegant Waiheke wine with aromatic notes of citrus and stonefruit embellished by oaky nuances. Generous fruit flavours ride atop a creamy, textural mouthfeel, climaxing in a long, fresh finish.



Peregrine **CENTRAL OTAGO Pinot Gris 2013** 

\$23.99 17112

### **CASE OF 12 \$22.99 A BOTTLE**

Stonefruit and pear aromas are edged with mineral notes, while the off-dry palate explodes with tropical flavours tarted up with grapefruit and quietened slightly by firm acid. Appealingly sensuous.



Matua Valley LANDS & LEGENDS MARLBOROUGH Sauvignon Blanc 2013

\$19.99

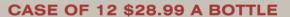
A gold medal wine from the Awatere Valley. Replete with herbaceous notes and bracing tropical fruits, it's ripe, vibrant and mouthfilling, with a crisp acidity,

an appealing minerality and a fresh, lively finish.



Chard Farm RIVER RUN CENTRAL OTAGO Pinot Noir 2012

\$29.99



A classic, early drinking Central Otago-styled Pinot with the emphasis on ripe fruit flavours and supple tannins. Spiced cherry and plum notes on the nose accompany a sensual silkiness in the mouth.



Trinity Hill TRINITY
HAWKES BAY Merlot Blend 2012

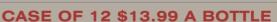
\$18.99

A Merlot predominant blend, mixed with separately fermented Cabernets Sauvignon and Franc. Opulent plum and red currant characters, notes of spice and soft, ripe tannins wrapped in an assured structure.

**CASE OF 12 \$17.99 A BOTTLE** 



Montes classic COLCHGUA VALLEY Malbec 2012



Fashioned from the darkly robust Malbec, the upfront aromatics surprise with their pungent headrush of berries and dust. Deliciously opulent and savoury, superbly balanced and beautifully integrated.





Pasqua passimento VENETO IGT **2011** 

\$17.99 66080



Esk Valley HAWKES BAY Ćhardonnay 2013

\$16.99 12819

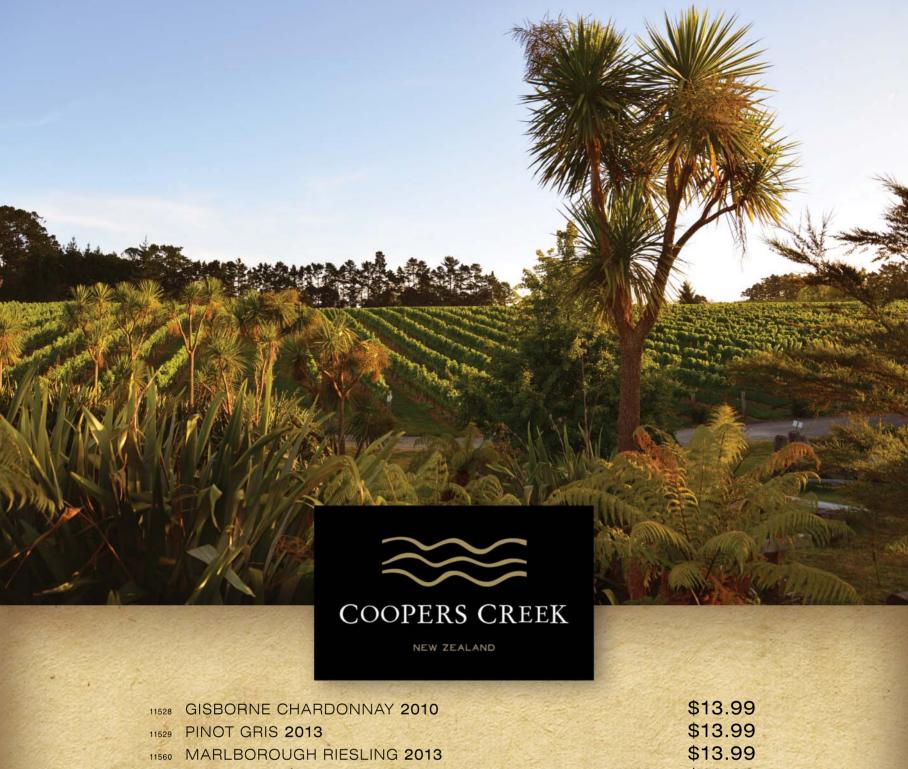
### CASE OF 12 \$15.99 A BOTTLE

Grapes from Esk Valley's more northerly vineyards at Bay View introduce the tropics, while the fruit off the terraces at Puketapu add a flintier citrus note. Quality drinking from this hands-on winemaking outfit.



### CASE OF 6 \$16.99 A BOTTLE

Traditional Verona varieties are augmented by rich, plump Merlot, with the wine passed over the partially dried grapes to create a style similar to Amarone. Hints of spice, velvet tannins, a round, mellow finish.



11528	GISBORNE CHARDONNAY 2010	\$13.99
11529	PINOT GRIS 2013	\$13.99
11560	MARLBOROUGH RIESLING 2013	\$13.99
11531	HUAPAI ROSÉ 2013	\$13.99
11532	HAWKES BAY PINOT NOIR 2012	\$13.99
11534	HAWKES BAY SYRAH 2012	\$19.99
11533	MARLBOROUGH PINOT NOIR 2011	\$19.99
11535	HAWKES BAY MERLOT 2012	\$19.99
11536	DILLONS POINT MARLBOROUGH SAUVIGNON BLANC 2013	\$19.99
11562	RAZORBACK CENTRAL OTAGO PINOT NOIR 2012	\$26.99
11548	SWAMP RESERVE HAWKES BAY CHARDONNAY 2013	\$32.99
11547	RESERVE HAWKES BAY SYRAH 2010	\$49.99

