

## GREAT ITALIANS

Strozzi

'07 "CHIANTI"

If you were sitting in a trattoria in Italy and they served this by the glass, you would wonder why you can't find this quality back home at your local eatery. Look no further, **A GREAT ITALIAN BARGAIN!**

Italo Cescon

'08 "VENETO" Pinot Grigio

Many people admit before they were "regulars" that the look of the label often dictated their purchase. This wine could win anyone over with its attractive presentation. Most importantly, it's a winner inside and out!

**Rocca delle Macie** '06 "CHIANTI CLASSICO"

Rich and well balanced with ripe berry fruit flavors, well suited to a wide range of Italian entrees.

**Terre** '07 "SICILIA" Nero d'Avola, Referred to as the

"Prince" of Sicilian varietals. This 100% Nero d'Avola shows blueberry, plum and spice on the long, smooth finish.

**Capezzana** '06 "BARCO REALEDI CARMIGNANO" D.O.C.

This "SUPER TUSCAN" is a blend of 70% Sangiovese, 20% Cabernet, and 10% Canaiolo. Earthy with dark red cherries & hints of tobacco.

**Moncaro** '08 "CASTELLI DI JESI" Verdicchio, A mouthwatering crisp white from Italy.

Almond and citrus flavors on the palate, pairs great with chicken, salad and pasta dishes.

**Vietti** '05 "LANGHE" Nebbiolo Perbacco, "90" Wine Spec, "90" R. Parker,

Basically, de-classified Barolo from one of the areas best producers.

From Parker: "...one of the great values in wine today." ~Kevin's Top Pick~

**Banfi** '04 "BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO" "93" Wine

Spectator, From Wine Spec: "...full bodied with wonderfully integrated tannins, fresh mushrooms and milk chocolate."

**Sassicaia** '06 "TUSCANY" "97" Robert Parker, From Wine Advocate:

"The 2006 Sassicaia may very well go down as one of the great recent vintages for the Tuscan thoroughbred. The wine is simply glorious, that's all there is to it!"

## NEW FRENCH

Moulin de Ferrand

'06

"BORDEAUX"

For all you Bordeaux lovers, this amazing value's classic scents of black currant, cedar and clove make this another one to buy by the case!

**Moulin de la Gardette** '05 "GIGONDAS" La Cuvée Tradition,

"90" Wine Spectator, High toned but good Sappy intensity to the plum and red cherry notes. Grenache, Mourvedre and Cinsault.

**Clos du Mont Olivet** '07 "CHATEAUNEUF DU PAPE"

"90-93" Robert Parker, From Parker: "...this dense wine exhibits superb purity."

**Chateau Plaisance** '05 "COTES DE BORDEAUX" Cuvée Alix, "90" Robert Parker,

Just over a month ago we were selling this terrific Bordeaux for \$25 a bottle. A new price reduction was offered & we are passing the savings to you. Robert Parker calls it the "finest Plaisance ever made."

Chateau  
Morgues du  
Gres

'08 "COSTIERES DE NIMES"

Les Galets Dorés

BLANC

A blend of Grenache Blanc and Roussanne. A fresh, floral wine with a crisp finish.

## THREE FROM AUSTRALIA

**GREEN POINT** '05 "Victoria" Chardonnay,

Reviewed at \$17 retail and given a "93" from James Halliday, Australia's most noteworthy wine critic, this is a **CRAZY BARGAIN**. It's an '05 but it has plenty of life left in it. At 60% off, it's worth a try!

**PENFOLDS** '05 "South Australia" Bin 2, Shiraz/Mourvedre,

**AN ABSOLUTE STEAL!** Well balanced and complex flavors of blackberry, earth, mocha and vanilla bean.

**MOLLYDOOKER** '08 "South Australia" Shiraz, The Boxer,

"91" Wine Spectator, "Bright and jazzy offering an effusive mouthfeel of cherry pomegranate and spice flavors that are as aromatic as they are long and vivid."

## QUPE

'07 "Central Coast"

Syrah

Consistently one of the **BEST VALUE** Syrahs available. QUPE has done it again! Overflowing with brambly black raspberry, blueberry and sage notes. **HUGE!**

## DON PASCUAL

'07 "Uruguay"

Tannat

Originally from South-west France, the Tannat grape takes on a more plump, velvety texture in Uruguay. This version is delicious with round black cherry and cocoa flavors accented by hints of cinnamon spice.

## October Wine-of-the-Month

### RENWOOD

'06 "Shenandoah Valley" VEAUTA VNYD.

Barbera

This wine was originally meant for RENWOOD Wine Club members only and the price tag was \$25 per bottle. With a recession in full swing, wineries have seen Club memberships fall at an alarming rate. The winery sent some samples to their distribution company hoping they could help move a couple of hundred cases. First stop was at our shop and here we are! Once we tasted it, it was a **NO BRAINER** choice at this price point. A smooth core of dark fruit with a crisp acidity. **OUTSTANDING VALUE!**

9.95

## SOUTH AFRICA

**Excelsior** '07 "South Africa" Cabernet Sauvignon, Perfect

for parties and for everyday sipping. This **TASTY BARGAIN** is a home run with grilled meats, pizza and hearty pasta dishes.

**Indaba** '08 "South Africa" Sauvignon Blanc, Crackling acidity with a grassy character and hints of lime with a tropical fruit dimension.

**Brampton** '07 "South Africa" Shiraz, This Savory, Rhone inspired

Shiraz is enhanced by the addition of small amounts of Viognier and Mourvedre. Juicy flavors of wild berry, black cherry & brambly fruit.

**Rustenberg** '05 "Stellenbosch" John X Merriman, This is a dead ringer for a

Bordeaux! A blend of Cabernet, Merlot & Cab Franc, it leads with an earthy, mineral driven nose and on the palate. It is both juicy & restrained. ~Thomas' Top Pick~

## NEW FROM SPAIN

**Protocolo** '07 "CASTILLA" Tempranillo, Last year's version was a

**HUGE HIT** and this one is **EVEN BETTER!** Juicy black cherries and spice make this versatile red a perfect match to meat or chicken dishes.

**Borsao** '08 "CAMPO DE BORJA" Garnacha/Tempranillo, The best value

from one of Spain's **TOP VALUE PRODUCERS!** Warm, rich & red cherry and strawberry fruit with notes of mocha & spice.

**Marqués de Lagarda** '04 "RIOJA ALTA" Crianza, A

beautiful, traditional Rioja comprised of 95% Old Vine Tempranillo and 5% Graciano and Mazuelo. Velvety red fruit with intense structure and rich minerality on the long, elegant finish.

**Parés Balta** '06 "PENEDÉS" Mas Petit, This blend of 81% Cab

and 19% Grenache is 100% **CERTIFIED ORGANIC!** Vibrant!

## CLOUDY BAY

'08 "Marlborough"

Sauvignon Blanc

"91" Wine Spectator

The Sauvignon Blanc that put New Zealand on the map and at this **outrageously low price!** Come give the original a try!

## Nicole Chanrion

'07 "COTE DE BROUILLY"

Beaujolais

"90" Robert Parker

From the Wine Advocate: "There is a lovely textural polish and brightness to a finish of fruit and mineral." Imported by Kermit Lynch.

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# NEW CHARDONNAY



## FOXGLOVE

'08 "San Luis Obispo"  
**Chardonnay**

"91" Robert Parker

From Parker: "The Sensational 2008 Chardonnay Central Coast, which is fermented and aged completely in stainless steel with no malolactic fermentation, is a 30,000 case cuvee of fabulous Chardonnay."



10<sup>95</sup>

## WINDBREAK

'05 "Santa Lucia Highlands" Samento Vineyard, Chardonnay. This single vineyard Chardonnay offers ripe fig, melon and toasty cedary oak on the marshmallow finish. Only 250 cases made.



14<sup>95</sup>

## TRINITAS

'08 "Carneros" Chardonnay. The 2007 version of this wine was a HUGE SUCCESS and we feel the 2008 will be equally, if not more, successful. 100% barrel fermented, 100% malolactic fermentation give this wine its rich, deep, and creamy crème brulee flavors. Hurry in, this Chardonnay is gaining "cult-like" status.

18<sup>95</sup>

## LA CREMA

'07 "Sonoma Coast" Chardonnay, "90" Robert Parker, Full bodied, rich flavors and a subtle note of oak. Always a crowd pleaser!

14<sup>95</sup>

## MELVILLE

'07 "Santa Rita Hills" ESTATE  
**Chardonnay**

"91" Robert Parker

Zesty, caramelized orange rind notes intermixed with lemon grass and a steely minerality.

18<sup>95</sup>

## RIDGE

'07 "California"  
**Lytton Springs**

Classic Lytton Springs with its beautiful balance of richness and elegant texture. Drink now or hold for up to 10 years. A blend of 71% Zin, 22% Petite Sirah and 7% Carignane.

28<sup>95</sup>



## LES PAGODES DE COS

'03  
**"St. Estephe"**

The second label of the fantastic Cos d'Estournel. Deeper, richer and fleshier but still retaining some of its bigger sibling's nobility and elegance.

26<sup>95</sup>

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# NEW CABERNET SAUVIGNON

**FOREFRONT** BY PINE RIDGE '07 "Napa/El Dorado/San Luis Obispo" Cabernet Sauvignon, Exceptionally polished, combining aromas of cassis, plum and cocoa with a plush texture and long finish. 15<sup>95</sup>

**FISTICUFFS** '06 "Napa Valley" Cabernet Sauvignon, From the owners of GHOST BLOCK and HOURGLASS. Ripe, refined tannins provide a full bodied, lush mid-palate texture and a lingering finish. 23<sup>95</sup>

**DE SANTE** '05 "Oakville" Cabernet Sauvignon, Here we go again! It's 45% off its original retail price of \$55. Mark thinks this is even better than the CONN CREEK and SERDONIS deal we featured recently. That says a lot because those were incredible offers! ~Mark's Top Pick~ 29<sup>95</sup>

**SAN SIMEON** '05 "Paso Robles" Cabernet Sauvignon, Ripe flavors of spicy plum and currant are complemented by cocoa and cedar on the textured finish. 13<sup>95</sup>

**HARTWELL** '05 "Napa Valley" Stag's Leap District, MISTE HILL, Cabernet Sauvignon, "93" Wine Spectator, Super rich, broad and expansive with layers of ripe currants, blackberry and black cherry notes. 49<sup>95</sup>

**STANTON** '06 "Oakville" Cabernet Sauvignon, "93" Wine Spectator, Rich, full bodied and harmonious with dark berry and currant, finishing with hints of cedar and mineral. Made by Dave Phinney (Papillon, Prisoner.) 59<sup>95</sup>

**BRENNAN AVERY** '07 "Napa Valley" Cabernet Sauvignon, This negociant was able to secure some terrific Cabernet from a big time, big ticket Cabernet Producer. We can't tell you who, but we will give you a hint... they are very "PROUD" of this their wines. 14<sup>95</sup>

**RIDGE** '06 Montebello \$105 **INSIGNIA** '06 \$149<sup>95</sup> **OPUS ONE** '06 \$149<sup>95</sup>



# NEW PINOT NOIR

## FORIS

'07 "Rogue Valley"  
**Pinot Noir**

Brimming with wild cherry, raspberry and Asian spice. This incredibly well balanced Pinot is value priced! ~Sharon's Top Pick~



14<sup>95</sup>

## LULI

'08 "Santa Lucia Highlands"  
**Pinot Noir**

Master Sommelier Sara Floyd and the PISONI Family unite to make this terrific value Pinot Noir. Loads of bright cherry and strawberry flavors fill the palate. 16<sup>95</sup>

**MELVILLE** '08 "Santa Barbara" VERNAS, Pinot Noir, Always a customer favorite. Refreshing layers of pomegranate, red cherry and spice box on a sleekly elegant frame. 19<sup>95</sup>

**LONGORIA** '06 "Santa Barbara County" Pinot Noir, Bold flavors of cranberry, dark cherry and hints of spice on the well integrated finish. Only 257 cases produced so hurry in as this is limited! 23<sup>95</sup>

**FOLEY** '07 "Santa Rita Hills, Pinot Noir, The former winemaker at SEA SMOKE, Kris Curran, is now making wine at FOLEY VINEYARDS. If you like the rich, lush style of SEA SMOKE, then you will want to give this a try! 29<sup>95</sup>

# NEW ZINFANDEL

**FOXGLOVE** '07 "Central Coast" Zinfandel, "90" Robert Parker, From Parker: "The outstanding 2007 Zinfandel is another winner and phenomenal bargain. The wine is pure, full bodied, ripe with not a hard edge to be found." 10<sup>95</sup>



**FRITZ** '05 "Dry Creek Valley" Zinfandel, Grown on the valley floor of the winery property, this unique site produces a wine that presents aromas of blackberry, cherry with hints of violets. 11<sup>95</sup>

**7 DEADLY ZINS** '07 "Lodi" Zinfandel, "90" Robert Parker, From Parker: "...a knockout bargain." 12<sup>95</sup>

**BALLENTINE** '06 "Napa Valley" OLD VINE, Zinfandel, A more restrained, elegantly styled Zin full of finesse. Well defined flavors of wild raspberry, cedar, sage and cocoa. 14<sup>95</sup>

**SEGHESSIO** '08 "Sonoma County" Zinfandel, The 2007 version of this bottling finished in Wine Spectator's TOP TEN wines in the world (2008). This 2008 version is ANOTHER WINNER and all of us agree the quality is equal to the heralded 2007 bottling. Loads of berry with licorice & spice aromas. THIS WILL SELL OUT! 18<sup>95</sup>

**GAMBA** '07 "Russian River" Zinfandel, In a word, AWESOME! The effusive fruit profile bursts forth, framed with a fine balance of acidity while showing layers of spiciness. ~Matt's Top Pick~ 24<sup>95</sup>

**OPOLO** '07 "Paso Robles" MTN. Zinfandel, Always a customer favorite, loaded with gobs & gobs of fruit. 16<sup>95</sup>

## HILL FAMILY

'06 "Napa Valley"  
**The Barrel Blend**

A blend of Cabernet, Merlot and a small amount of Syrah. Another winery adapting to today's economy by putting together a GREAT VALUE RED!

12<sup>95</sup>

## OPOLO

'05 "Paso Robles"  
**Sangiovese**

A food friendly wine that will go great with tomato based sauces, sausage, pizza and hearty enough to pair with lamb or braised beef.

15<sup>95</sup>

## STELTZNER

'06 "Napa Valley"  
**Claret**

A core of black cherry, plum and cola framed by hints of light oak. Supple and well balanced.

13<sup>95</sup>

## OJAI

'05 "Santa Barbara County"  
THOMPSON VNYD.  
**Syrah**

"93" Robert Parker Powerfully concentrated with intense blackberry, smoke and tobacco on the never ending finish.

29<sup>95</sup>

## WINDMILL

'06 "Lodi"  
**Syrah**

A bright and fruity wine with strong notes of raspberry and blueberry complimented by a soft medium body.



7<sup>95</sup>

## SACRED STONE

NV "California"  
**Master's Red Blend**  
**Cask #004**

Ripe, juicy and expressive with cherry and plum on the lush finish. Great for everyday or grilled cuisine.

6<sup>95</sup>

## THORN-CLARKE

'08 "Barossa Valley"  
**Shotfire-Ridge**  
**Shiraz**

Seems to over-deliver year in and year out at this price point! Big, rich, ripe fruit. It's hard not to like!

15<sup>95</sup>