

## NEW FRENCH ARRIVALS

**Les Deux Rives** '06 "CORBIERES" ROUGE. A blend of Grenache, Syrah and Mourvedre from vineyards stretching along the beautiful Mediterranean Coast of France. Infectious fruit with lots of floral and sweet berry flavors that fill the palate. **7<sup>95</sup>**

**Ferraton Pere & Fils** '05 "COTES DU RHONE" BLANC. This property has partnered up with Michel Chapoutier enabling the quality of wine to increase dramatically. Mostly Grenache Blanc, it displays plenty of citrus and hints of peach in a tasty, fresh, and lively style. **8<sup>95</sup>**

**D'Esclans** '06 "COTES DE PROVENCE" ROSÉ. This winery in Provence has set its sights on producing the **BEST ROSÉ'S IN THE WORLD** (See Wine Spect.'s feature this month). Don't miss this textbook, gorgeous dry Rosé! **★15<sup>95</sup>**

**Domaine Les Pallieres** '05 "GIGONDAS." The partnership of Daniel Brunier (Vieux Telegraphe) and importer Kermit Lynch have produced one of their finest bottling's to date! Mostly Grenache, its' rich cherry fruit and truffle like flavors are *not to be missed!* **31<sup>95</sup>**

**Domaine De La Rossignole** '06 "SANCERRE" VIELLES VIGNES. Spot on with its floral notes and beautiful orange and grapefruit aromas. The palate is rich with ripe citrus fruit & characteristic minerality. **17<sup>95</sup>**

## 3 TERRIFIC BURGUNDY

**Domaine des Vercheres** '06 "MACON-VILLAGES" A family domaine in the Northern most part of the Macon region. A generous Chardonnay with distinct minerality make for an **OUTSTANDING BURGUNDIAN CHARDONNAY VALUE!** **8<sup>95</sup>**

**Domaine Vriognaud** '06 "CHABLIS PREMIER CRU" Fourchaume This comes from a quality conscious family estate in Chablis that makes fabulous wine but simply doesn't have the marketing budget to shout its' message from the rooftops. The palate is lively and refreshing with rich grapefruit flavors & a mineral crispness on the finish. **22<sup>95</sup>**

**Roland Thevenin & Fils** '05 "BEAUNE 1<sup>ER</sup> CRU" Les Cent Vignes. A great example of what made 2005 Beaune Premier Cru's such a spectacular vintage! This tasty Red shows flavors of cherries & cassis with smokiness. **28<sup>95</sup>**

## 3 FROM OREGON

**PONZI** '07 "Willamette" Pinot Gris. Recognized as one of Oregon's most consistent Pinot Gris producers for nearly 25 years, PONZI remains a leader of this varietal with initial plantings in 1977. Terrific flavors of honey dew melon, fresh quince & sweet lemon. **12<sup>95</sup>**

**EYRIE VINEYARDS** '06 "Dundee Hills" Pinot Noir. The EYRIE VINEYARDS in Oregon is known as one of the most elegant & understated producers in the state. Taste why many believe this property's \$26 bottle can rival many French Burgundy's at twice the price! **26<sup>95</sup>**

**BRANDBORG** '06 "Umpqua Valley" BENCH LANDS, Pinot Noir. The bouquet is filled with toast and spice, showing nutmeg, cinnamon, cloves, pomegranate and dark cherries abound! **15<sup>95</sup>**

## SOUTH AMERICAN GEMS

**Lucao** '07 "Casablanca Valley" CHARDONNAY. **AN IMPRESSIVE VALUE FROM CHILE!** Raised in a combination of tank and barrel, the wine shows flavors of pineapple slices blended with white peaches and notes of toast on the aromatic palate. **5<sup>95</sup>**

**Viña Cobos** '06 "Mendoza" Benteveo, CHARDONNAY. **MADE BY PAUL HOBBS**, this wine was originally slated to be blended into a much pricier bottling called BRAMARE. The BRAMARE retails for \$60, but the project was canceled and became Benteveo. This is the **first and last time you will find this kind of quality at this low price!** **13<sup>95</sup>**

**Luigi Bosca** '05 "Luján de Cuyo" MALBEC, D.O.C. This single vineyard expression of Malbec exhibits cherry, blackberry and mocha. Tightly wound and well structured, this wine will age for 3-5 years. **21<sup>95</sup>**

**Pascual Toso** '06 "Mendoza" SYRAH. **~Matt's Top Pick~** **WOW!** Talk about a surprise! **THIS IS AN ABSOLUTE STUNNER!** Rich in blueberry & blackberry liqueur flavors. Smooth & opulent! **NOT TO BE MISSED!** **23<sup>95</sup>**

**Santa Ema** '05 "Cachapoal Valley" AMPLUS, CABERNET SAUVIGNON. Thick and rich with blackberry, toasty oak and ripe tannins. **15<sup>95</sup>**

## MORE FROM GERMANY

**Side Yard** '06 "Rheinhessen" RIESLING. **A serious German Riesling Value!** A delicious summer white that is off dry. The perfect picnic wine! **6<sup>95</sup>**

**Franz Kunstler** '07 "Rheingau" HOCHHEIMER, RIESLING SPATLESE. Subtly creamy and palate saturating flavors of pineapple, ripe pear and honey. A gorgeous wine that will evolve over the next 10 years. **39<sup>95</sup>**

**Franz Kunstler** '07 "Rheingau" HOCHHEIMER, RIESLING KABINETT. Delicate on the palate, offering pear, nectar & lightly toasted almond flavors. **24<sup>95</sup>**

**Schloss Lieser** '07 "Mosel-Saar Ruwer" Brauneberger Juffer, RIESLING KABINETT. Thomas Haag rescued this property 10 yrs. ago. High quality, good vintages & the praise of critics has put this winery back on the map. **21<sup>95</sup>**

**Monchhof** '07 "Mosel" RIESLING SPATLESE. Generously packed with ripe citrus fruit, creamy & light on the palate with a suitable sweetness. **19<sup>95</sup>**

**Karthausenhof** '07 "Mosel-Saar Ruwer" RIESLING KABINETT. Mouthwatering citrus, lime & wet stone flavors coat the palate. **Very versatile!** **25<sup>95</sup>**

### BROADBENT

NV "Portugal" Vinho Verde

We found another tasty, refreshing Vinho Verde for you! Get this ice cold, sit poolside, sit back & relax! It's all good!

**6<sup>95</sup>**

### PROTOCOLO

'06 "Spain" Tempranillo

**UNDENIABLE VALUE HERE!** Notions of roasted herbs, peppers and black cherries jump from the glass of this well made dry Red!

**★5<sup>95</sup>**

## THREE FROM AUSTRALIA

**MARQUIS PHILIPS** '06 "S. East Australia" Sarah's Blend. "91" Robert Parker, A blend of Shiraz, Cab Sauv. and Merlot that is full bodied and intensely flavored. Quite frankly, we were not crazy about this wine when first released, but with 11+ months of bottle age it is now showing very, very well! **11<sup>95</sup>**

**EARTHWORKS** '07 "Barossa Valley" Cabernet Sauvignon. EARTHWORKS continues their dedication to premium wines at affordable prices from the Barossa Valley with this 100% Cab! Abundant with rich fruit silky tannins, and a long, delicious finish. **10<sup>95</sup>**

**42°s** '05 "Tasmania" Pinot Noir. Lively red berries, juicy plum and subtle aromas of toasty oak. This "Down Under" Pinot Noir is quite awesome mate! **~Thomas' Top Pick~** **12<sup>95</sup>**

## August Wine-of-the-Month

### BERNARDUS

'05 "Monterey County" Chardonnay

It's been some time since we have featured a Chardonnay for our Wine of the Month. However, this tasty Chardonnay got our attention given its relative value. Intense and focused with complex flavors of ripe pineapple, mineral notes and crème brûlée on the long creamy finish. Oh, and one more thing, we are giving it to you for a price that can't be beat by anyone!

**★12<sup>95</sup>**

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## ETUDE

'06 "Carneros" Pinot Noir

100% Estate fruit grown on soils composed of clay and volcanic origins with densely spaced vines to ensure fully concentrated fruit.

**33<sup>95</sup>**

### MATUA

'07 "Marlborough" Sauvignon Blanc

A bright, fresh and vibrant Marlborough Sauv. Blanc exhibiting generous gooseberry and herb flavors with a touch of lime. **8<sup>95</sup>**

## TRES SABORES

'06 "Napa Valley" ¿Porqué No? RED

A blend of tres; Zinfandel, Petite Sirah and Cabernet. The winery calls it their "Best of the Rest of the Cellar" estate wine. Perfect for pizza, picnics or B-B-Q.

**Porqué No!** Why not try it? **14<sup>95</sup>**

**TASTE** every wine in this flyer marked with this "sea star."

Saturday August 2<sup>nd</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> 10-4:30 pm JUST \$10<sup>00</sup>

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**Taste German Rieslings**

with Guest Host Allie Mitchell from Rudi Wiest Imports Saturday August 23<sup>rd</sup> 10-4:30 pm JUST \$10<sup>00</sup> (www.sandiegowineco.com for details)

**CAYMUS** '06 Cab & **SILVER OAK** '04 Alexander Valley Cab... **Now in stock!!**

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## SIX NEW CHARDONNAYS

### BISHOP'S PEAK

'06 "Central Coast"  
Chardonnay

This is TALLEY VINEYARD'S second label and it's a **WINNER!** If you liked the recent vintage of Edna Valley Vnyds. we offered, don't miss this **great value Chard!** Bright tropical fruits with minimal oak. **★ 9<sup>95</sup>**

### THE CONSULTANT

'05 "California" Chardonnay. A negociant made

Chard. that was supposed to retail for \$12/bottle. At \$12/bottle it's a decent Chard, but for under \$6 it's a **TOP NOTCH VALUE!** San Diego Wine Co Find! **5<sup>92</sup>**

### CHATEAU ST. JEAN

'05 "Sonoma" RESERVE Chardonnay. "92" Wine Spectator,

From the Wine Spectator: Honey, fig, butterscotch and melon get a nice, smoky, toasty edge. Exotic and elegant! **26<sup>95</sup>**

### MARKHAM

'06 "Napa Valley" Chardonnay. This Chard is barrel fermented

to allow a delicious balance of vanilla and baked apple spice. Juicy, tropical fruit & bright lemon offset the wines rich, butter pecan & nutmeg finish. **13<sup>95</sup>**

### MALDONADO

'06 "Sonoma County" PARR VINEYARD, Chardonnay. Maybe one of the **FINEST CHARDS**

we have tasted all year in this price category! Elegant, rich and silky, coating the palate. **33<sup>95</sup>**

### FOLEY

'06 "Santa Rita Hills"  
Chardonnay

A customer favorite year in and year out! The wine has a lovely bouquet of tangerine, pink grapefruit with mineral notes. The creamy texture is off-set with bright acidity! **22<sup>95</sup>**

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## NEW FROM ITALY

### Feudo Arancio

'06 "Sicily" PINOT NOIR. "88" Wine Spectator, There simply may not be a better **PINOT NOIR VALUE ON THE PLANET!** Delicate aromas of flowers & plums with a hint of strawberry. Don't hesitate, buy it by the case! **★ 6<sup>92</sup>**

**Altesino** '06 "ROSSO DI ALTESINO." Made from 80% Sangiovese with the balance being Merlot and Cab Sauv. This Rosso has a vibrant ruby color and a fresh bouquet with scents of ripe forest fruits. A great choice for pasta, white meats and semi-soft cheese. **13<sup>95</sup>**

**La Spinetta** '06 "Il Nero di Casanova" SANGIOVESE. We tasted this wine nearly 4 months ago when the distributor was offering a pre-sale. It was definitely worth the wait! The wine is seamless with scents of ripe berries, vanilla and coffee. It is full bodied, has sweet tannins and impeccably balanced fruit. Our pre-sale buy means **YOU SAVE!** **★ 16<sup>95</sup>**

**Villa Borghetti** '04 "AMARONE DELLA VALPOLICELLA CLASSICO." It's difficult finding a good Amarone to endorse for under \$30. This producer passed the test with this vibrant and fresh offering. Packed with sweet cocoa, blackberries, roasted coffee beans and licorice. **26<sup>95</sup>**

**Burlotto** '06 "Barbera D'Alba." A lovely effort bursting with fresh, vibrant fruit and perfumed aromatics. **12<sup>95</sup>**

**Monchiero Carbone** '06 "ROERO ARNEIS." Recit. This young and charming white wine has fresh flavors and vibrant acidity that make it a perfect match for appetizers & fish dishes. **15<sup>95</sup>**

**Stefano Farina** '04 "BAROLO" "91" Wine Spectator, We found another **STELLAR** Barolo for under \$30 from the fantastic 2004 vintage. From the Wine Spectator: Full bodied with round, velvety tannins and a long, caressing finish that shows coffee and dark chocolate undertones. **26<sup>95</sup>**

**Baglio Fici** '06 "NERO D' AVOLA." Silky and full bodied with lots of chocolate-coated cherry character on the nose and palate. Full and intense with a long, chewy texture. **9<sup>95</sup>**

## FIVE NEW CABERNETS

### ST. FRANCIS

'04 "Sonoma County"

Cabernet Sauvignon

Yes, this wine is very well distributed. However, if the flavor profile and overall value match up, we are not going to pass it by! We have the **LOWEST PRICE ANYWHERE.** Great Bang for the Buck! **14<sup>95</sup>**

### SILVERADO

'05 "Napa Valley" Cabernet Sauvignon.

Silverado Vineyards has certainly had its ups and downs over the years like many winery's with substantial distribution. This '05 vintage represents a significant "up" year with its full bodied, cherry, raspberry and mineral flavors. **REALLY IMPRESSIVE!** **34<sup>95</sup>**

### STEPHANIE

'05 "Napa Valley" Cabernet Sauvignon. A rich, complex and

layered wine with black currant, cedar and decadent dark chocolate. **39<sup>95</sup>**

### RELATIVITY

'05 "Napa Valley" Cabernet Sauvignon.

We can't name the winemaker who makes this RELATIVITY Cab. from fruit sourced from the same vineyard to create his own \$100/bottle Cabernet Sauvignon. We can tell you that this is one **HECHUVA NAPA VALLEY CABERNET BARGAIN NOT TO BE MISSED!** **16<sup>95</sup>**

## NEW FROM X WINERY

X WINERY '06 "Los Carneros" Chardonnay.

Sourced from two of Los Carneros' best vineyards-SANGIACOMO and TRUCHARD Vineyards. This is a well balanced wine with rich mouth feel, good acidity & flavors of caramel apple, vanilla and butterscotch. **YUM!** **11<sup>95</sup>**

X WINERY '05 "Napa Valley" Cabernet Sauvignon.

This winery's goal is to create wines that have an **OUTSTANDING VALUE** proposition for wine consumers. You will quickly find out after tasting this Napa Cab., **GOAL ACCOMPLISHED!** **15<sup>95</sup>**

## NEW FROM MCKENZIE MUELLER

MCKENZIE MUELLER '06 "Los Carneros/Napa" Chardonnay.

This small production winery has always been known more for its Reds. That will change after you taste this great little Chard. A nose of honeyed citrus with great fruit purity, richness and a zesty underlying acidity. **19<sup>95</sup>**

MCKENZIE MUELLER '04 "Napa Valley" Cab Franc.

Typically used as a blending grape, we rarely see it shine on its own in California. This is **IMPRESSIVE** with its' signature earthy bouquet and flavors of blackberry, blueberries & a touch of leather. **24<sup>95</sup>**

## NEW ZINS

SREW KAPPA NAPA '06 "Napa Valley" Zinfandel.

Believe us, we take a hard look at these popular wines with their gimmicky names. However, we are not going to pass up a **great tasting value!** Notes of blackberry, white pepper and violets. **GIVE IT A SHOT!** **8<sup>92</sup>**

MAC LEOD '06 "Sonoma Valley" INDIAN SPRINGS RANCH, Zinfandel.

Only 206 cases produced of this **TERRIFIC SINGLE VINEYARD ZIN!** Intense aromas of raspberry and ripe blackberry with notes of white pepper, clove and nutmeg. **19<sup>95</sup>**

TAFT STREET '05 "Russian River" COBBLESTONE VNYD, Zinfandel.

Grapes were selected from the 100+ old Cobblestone Vnyd. Easy to drink, easy to afford & easy to enjoy Old Vine Zin. **★ 15<sup>95</sup>**

## NEW SYRAH'S

PARAISO '04 "Santa Lucia Highlands" Syrah.

This cool climate Syrah has notes of wild berry, game and spice. The finish is long & persistent. ~Sharon's Top Pick~ **★ 10<sup>95</sup>**

WCP CELLARS '04 "Paso Robles" Syrah.

Rich, bold and expressive with blackberry and a hint of mineral on the long and smooth finish. **DELICIOUS!!** **13<sup>95</sup>**

## BRANDER

'07 "Santa Barbara"  
CUVEE NATALIE

### Sauvignon Blanc

An eclectic and aromatic Sauvignon based off-dry wine blended with Riesling, Pinot Gris and Pinot Blanc. **★ 13<sup>95</sup>**

## McMANIS

'06 "California"

### Petite Sirah

Here we go again with another **TERRIFIC VALUE** from McManis! The wine is soft and round on the palate and is full of big, juicy, dark berry fruit flavors. **8<sup>92</sup>**

## WATERBROOK

'05 "Columbia Valley" RESERVE

### Merlot

"90" Wine Spectator From the Wine Spectator: This is appealing for its gentleness; offering raspberry, red cherry and soft tobacco flavors that linger on the polished finish. **15<sup>95</sup>**

## LAIRD

'05 "Napa Valley"  
JILLIAN'S BLEND

### Red Wine

Named for Rebecca Laird's daughter, this 55% Cab and 45% Syrah has concentrated blackberry and cherry flavors with hints of exotic spice. **23<sup>95</sup>**

## WHITE KNIGHT

'06 "Clarksburg"

### Viognier

Concentrated flavors of mango, white peach and Tahitian vanilla on the lingering finish. **★ 9<sup>95</sup>**

## MINER

'07 "Mendocino"

### Rosato

A truly dry Rosé of 100% Sangiovese. Medium-bodied with a crisp, clean finish, soft cherry aromas and hints of summer fruit. Delightful with a citrus salad! **11<sup>95</sup>**