

EXCITING NEW ITALIAN WINES

Montericci '05 "CHIANTI," This 2005 Chianti is a fruity, plump effort that offers juicy dark fruit with a soft, tasty finish. **GREAT VALUE!** 7⁹⁵

Valle Real '05 "MONTEPULCIANO D'ABRUZZO," Ripe juicy berries, licorice, and a good dose of toasty oak show why Montepulciano D'Abruzzo consistently makes our list of **BEST GLOBAL VALUES!** 13⁹⁵

Pelissero '05 "LANGHE NEBBIOLO," This region surrounding Barolo produces fine quality wines at a fraction of the cost. Dark, extracted with firm tannins. 22⁹⁵

Tornesi '05 "ROSSO DI MONTALCINO," Declassified casks from this top producer's Brunello comprise this lovely Rosso. Pure and fresh with cherries and rose petals, excellent balance & length. 21⁹⁵

Marotti Campi '06 "VERDICCHIO DI CASTELLI DI JESI," A tasty, crisp, dry white from Italy. A medium-bodied wine offering a fragrant nose of tropical fruits, flowers, and a hint of almonds. 9⁹⁵

Rosa del Golfo '05 "Salento" PRIMITIVO, It isn't often that we come across a Primitivo with this much depth, complexity, or sheer pleasure. Notes of sweet berries, sour cherries, and loamy mineral on a suave, sophisticated frame...who says Primitivo has to be rustic? 12⁹⁵

Barberani '06 "Orvieto Classico Superiore" CASTIAGNOLD, Looking for a zesty alternative to Pinot Grigio? A blend of the five traditional Orvieto grapes-Procanico (Trebbiano), Verdello, Malvasia, Grechetto and Drupeggio (Canaio bianco) plus a dash of Chardonnay, this is **BURSTING** with aromas of ripe melon, white flowers and honey, with a refreshing, lip-smacking acidity. 10⁹⁵

BURGUNDY

Demessey '04 "Macon Cruzille," LES AVOUERIES, Filled with lemons, marzipan and stony minerality, this presents good weight and length with precision and dexterity. Excellent as an early to mid-term drinker, and at a price that won't make you think twice. 20⁹⁵

Demessey '05 GEVREY-CHAMBERTIN, A sweet-fruited nose and plush entry give way to a chiseled structure and fairly heavy tannin-the tell tale marks of the '05 vintage. This offers the frame and stuffing of an age-worthy wine... with quality like this, it's hard to believe it's "only" a village wine. 44⁹⁵

Dom. Sequinot-Bordet '05 "Fourchaume" CHABLIS 1ER CRU, The wines of Chablis continue to be under priced in comparison to the rest of White Burgundy. Case in point: a 1er Cru vineyard that flanks the big name Grand Cru vineyards, a fastidious winemaker, and a deep, lengthy, sophisticated wine. 21⁹⁵

Dom. Mazilly Pere et Fils '05 "Vignes Franches" BEAUNE 1ER CRU, Exceptional quality to price ratio here! A lot of stuffing! 26⁹⁵

TERRIFIC VALUES FROM ARGENTINA

Correntina '06 "Mendoza" MALBEC, **QUITE A BARGAIN!**

The wine possesses a soft, charming personality with berry and raspberry notes in the nose to go along with allspice and cherry pie scents. 4⁹⁵

Crios de Susana Balbo '06 "Mendoza" MALBEC, "90" Robert Parker, A layered spicy wine with excellent depth & concentration, very good balance, ready to go now! **Limited!** 10⁹⁵

Catena '04 "Mendoza" CABERNET SAUVIGNON, "91" Robert Parker, A medium to full-bodied, elegantly styled Cabernet with nicely layered black fruits and hints of eucalyptus as well as espresso in the background. 15⁹⁵

Bodegas Caro '06 "Mendoza" AMANCAYA, "91" Robert Parker, This mix of 1/2 Cab. and 1/2 Malbec is a joint project of Domaines Baron de Rothschild (Lafite) and Nicolas Catena. Ripe fruits are balanced with cedar, tobacco and a touch of earth. 15⁹⁵

Trapiche '06 "Mendoza" TORRONTES, More elegant than most Torrontes, the wine is dry, nicely balanced with good acidity & a fruit-filled finish. 5⁹⁵

Zolo '01 "Mendoza" VIOGNIER, Grown in high elevation, this white is well balanced with peach, floral & exotic spice. 8⁹⁵

NEW FRENCH

La Berberine '06 "COTES DU RHONE," Red berries accented by an assortment of mineral notes. Yes, we know the dollar is as weak as ever...but we're still finding screaming deals in French wine! 4⁹⁵

Saint Cosme '06 "COTES DU RHONE," A full throttle Cotes du Rhone from Louis Barruol, one of the shining young stars of the Rhone. Blackberry, garrigue, stony mineral and a dose of bacon fat—a lot of wine without spending a lot of \$\$ 12⁹⁵

Eric Louis '06 "SANCERRE," Eric Louis' family has tended this land for several generations and it shows. Green apple gives way to ripe red apple followed by the chalk and smoke that inflect this textbook Sancerre. 17⁹⁵

Paul Autard '05 "CHATEAUNEUF DU PAPE," "90" Robert Parker, Dark black currant, cherry and white pepper on the supple finish. A surprisingly approachable 2005 that will continue to improve over the next 10+ years. —Dan's Top Pick— 29⁹⁵

La Bastide '05 "CHATEAUNEUF DU PAPE," Sweet fruit and mineral notes linger on a long finish. One of the best under \$30 Chateaufeuf we have tasted in some time. 25⁹⁵

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NEW FROM AUSTRALIA

R WINES '05 "South Australia" Boarding Pass, Shiraz, "92" Robert Parker, Layered & supple-textured, this crowd pleasing wine offers a remarkably long finish for its humble price. 13⁹⁵

TERLATO & CHAPOUTIER '06 "Victoria" Shiraz/Viognier, This bottling reminds us of the very successful BLACK CHOOK bottling we sold a few months ago that was the same blend. Exotic, fleshy, plump & seductive. 12⁹⁵

CHARLES CIMICKY '05 "Barossa Valley" The Autograph, Shiraz, "93" Robert Parker, Room filling aromas of mocha & cocoa. An **OPULENT** wine with layers of ripe black and blue fruits. 35⁹⁵

MR. RIGGS '06 "McLaren Vale" Shiraz, "93" Robert Parker, A bouquet of spice box and blackberry liqueur leading to an intense savory Shiraz. 42⁹⁵

February Wine-of-the-Month

WATER WHEEL

'06 "Bendigo"
Memsie

"90" Robert Parker, A blend of 87% Shiraz, 71% Cab. Sauv. and 6% Malbec. Aromas of cinnamon, allspice, & black currant lead to a full-bodied wine with a lush texture.

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TWO SOUTH AFRICAN GEMS FROM GOATS DO ROAM WINE CO.

GOATS DO ROAM '06 "South Africa" White Blend,

This refreshing blend of Chenin Blanc, Crouchen Blanc, Semillon, Viognier, and Clairette Blanche comes across like a Rhone white, with flavors of ripe stone fruit, lemons, and a smooth nutty finish. A lovely alternative to the Chardonnay/Sauvignon Blanc routine. 6⁹⁵

GOAT-ROTI '05 "South Africa" Shiraz/ Viognier, "90" Wine Spectator, A co-fermentation of Shiraz and Viognier ala Cote Rotie, this offers intense and focused flavors of blackberry compote and licorice, with a chunky mineral finish. This is a serious wine with a very silly label. 13⁹⁵

TASTE every wine in this flyer marked with these champagne glasses.

Saturday's February 2nd & 9th 10-4:30 pm JUST \$7⁰⁰

NEW Zinfandel Tasting

(taste all 8 Zins. listed in our Zinfandel box)

Saturday February 16th 10-4:30 pm JUST \$10⁰⁰

Taste wines from Italy and Argentina

(check our website for details the week of Feb. 16th)

Saturday February 23rd 10-4:30 pm JUST \$10⁰⁰

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FIVE NEW PINOT NOIRS

McKINLAY '06 "Willamette Valley," Pinot Noir. This vintage shows focused cranberry, raspberry and cherry fruit with the desired supporting earth and spice notes. **13⁹⁵**

WESTREY '06 "Willamette Valley," Pinot Noir. Scents of creamy cinnamon, red cherry & earthy forest floor. Beautifully complex with layers of flavors at a reasonable price. **16⁹⁵**

CLOS PEPE ESTATE '05 "Santa Rita Hills," Pinot Noir. From one of the jewels of the Santa Rita Hills and a likely contender for the top tier of California Pinot Noir vineyards. Black cherry, cranberry, and strawberry on a firm structure with food-friendly acidity and a finish of sweet loamy mineral. This is **BIG and RIPE** but also subtle and delicate—**POWER AND FINESSE, THE CLASSIC PINOT DICHOTOMY. ~Toby's Top Pick~** **49⁹⁵**

STEPHEN ROSS '06 "Edna Valley," Pinot Noir. Dark and intense with a core of cherry, mineral and earth. Bold, elegant and well balanced. **~Mark's Top Pick~** **22⁹⁵**

CL '06 "Sonoma Coast," Pinot Noir. Classic nose of wild cherry, roses, espresso and black olive. This is a complex and food friendly wine that is **A STEAL AT THIS PRICE!** **14⁹⁵**

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8 TASTY NEW ZINFANDEL ARRIVALS

(Taste all of these wines Saturday February 10th for just \$10! See the taste box for details.)

SCOTT HARVEY '04 "Amador County," Mountain Selection, Zinfandel. Lots of ripeness and extraction here, as you'd expect from Amador County. Zinberry and hints of raisin with a long, layered finish. **11⁹⁵**

TOBIN JAMES '06 "Paso Robles," Ballistic, Zinfandel. **ANOTHER WINNER AGAIN THIS YEAR!!** Layers and layers of juicy Zin flavors. **12⁹⁵**

HULLABALOO '05 "Napa Valley," Zinfandel. Flavors of black currant & raspberry with well integrated oak. Walks a tightrope between muscularity and elegance. **14⁹⁵**

ST. FRANCIS '05 "Sonoma County" Old Vine, Zinfandel. This is a plump, layered Zin with complex black cherry, raspberry, and black pepper flavors that unfold on the palate. **15⁹⁵**

LA CAPILLA VINEYARDS '06 "Lodi," Old Vine Zinfandel. Rich, smooth and luscious, this offers up intense flavors of toffee and raisins, without tasting dried out. **19⁹⁵**

RAVENSWOOD '05 "Dry Creek Valley," Teldeschi Vnyd. Zinfandel. '95' Connoisseur's Guide, Flavors of black pepper, vanilla, hints of smoke & tar intermingled with ripe fruit flavors. **Oh ...and we have the lowest price in the country!! Get it while you can!** **17⁹⁵**

PETER FRANUS '05 "Napa Valley," Zinfandel. Sweet zinberry mixed with red and black currant berries, this is boisterous, exuberant, and charming. It practically screams, **"DRINK ME!"** **17⁹⁵**

FRITZ '05 "Dry Creek Valley," Zinfandel. Another fantastic offering from FRITZ' historic Dry Creek property, this exciting Zin bursts with juicy red berries over a lush, layered structure, finishing with just a hint of pepper. **11⁹⁵**

NEW FROM CHAPPELLET

CHAPPELLET '05 "Napa Valley"

Cabernet Sauvignon. A long, cool growing season allowed for even ripeness and flavor complexity for the hillside vines in this flagship wine. Ripe, black fruits are beautifully balanced with a velvet texture creating a layered wine. **39⁹⁵**

CHAPPELLET '05 "Napa Valley"

Mountain Cuvée, the Mountain Cuvée is the winemakers red blend of traditional Bordeaux varietals. This wine is balanced and approachable now. **21⁹⁵**

CHAPPELLET '05 "Napa Valley"

Chardonnay. Product from fruit grown in the coolest area of Napa, these grapes show firm structure and a refreshing finish. Hints of creaminess blend nicely with notes of clove and nutmeg, producing a wine with layers of complexity. **23⁹⁵**

NEW CHARDONAYS

HILL FAMILY '06 "Napa Valley"

Carly's Cuvée. Hillside vineyards provide acidity and structure while valley floor vineyards provide lushness and richness; baked apple, tropical fruit, light oak & the faintest whiff of lemons. **14⁹⁵**

NEWTON '05 "Napa Valley"

Unfiltered, "96" Robert Parker. "One of California's most glorious Chardonnays...Full-bodied, fleshy and rich, this is a gorgeous Chardonnay that should drink nicely for 7-10 years." **39⁹⁵**

STEPHEN ROSS '06

"Edna Valley" Aromas of apple, allspice and acacia honey are well accented with spice from the oak barrels. A great wine with light appetizers or paired with some salmon, chicken or duck. **17⁹⁵**

TANGLEY OAKS

'05 "Napa Valley"
Cabernet Sauvignon

The wine exhibits blackberry and currant flavors along with notes of dark chocolate and cassis. The wine will pair well with grilled or braised meats. **15⁹⁵**

EN TIEMPO

'05 "Central Coast"
Cabernet Sauvignon

Another **BUDGET-BEATER!** Aromas of simmered plums, toasty oak, with a fresh and juicy mouthfeel. **5⁹⁵**

CHAMPAGNES & SPARKLERS FOR VALENTINE'S DAY

VEUVE CLICQUOT **34⁹⁵**

PIPER HEIDSECK BRUT **19⁹⁵**

PIPER HEIDSECK EXTRA DRY **19⁹⁵**

ROEDERER BRUT "Alexander Valley" **16⁹⁵**

GLORIA FERRER BRUT **10⁹⁵**

DOM PERIGNON '99 **119⁹⁵**

NICOLAS FEUILLATTE BRUT ROSE **32⁹⁵**

TWO DELICIOUS REDS FROM PORTUGAL

Quinta do Crasto

'06
"Douro"

Made from a blend of Douro grapes, mainly Tinta Roriz and Touriga Nacional. Fresh and vibrant with soft tannins. **11⁹⁵**

Casal Mendes

NV "Portugal"
TINTO

A recession proof red from Portugal. To say we were skeptical when we tasted this wine would be an enormous understatement. Wait till you see the odd packaging for this inexpensive red. All we have to say is keep an open mind! **4⁹⁵**

BERINGER

'06 "Knights Valley"
Alluvium Blanc

"92" Wine Spectator

A blend of Semillon, Chardonnay, Sauvignon Blanc, and Viognier. Wonderful purity of fruit with a rich, vibrant beam of tangerine, nectarine and subtle pear shadings. **12⁹⁵**

LUNA

'05 "Napa Valley"

Sangiovese "90" Robert Parker

From Robert Parker: "With everyone ripping out Sangiovese because it was largely a failure, it is good to see LUNA turn out a sexy, medium-ruby colored 2005 Sangiovese with the complexity and personality of top notch Pinot Noir." **~Matt's Top Pick~** **15⁹⁵**

MOUNT EDEN

'04 "Santa Cruz Mtn."

Saratoga Cuvée, Cabernet Sauvignon

Sourced from vineyards at the foothill of the Mt. Eden estate, this offers up black currant and red berry on a firm, finely layered structure framed by ripe tannin and fresh (natural) acidity. **19⁹⁵**

MARIETTA

"California"

Old Vine Red, Lot Number 45

A crowd pleaser that's back and as pleasing as ever. Ripe red berries and raspberry jam on a plush generous frame—pure, unadulterated, hedonistic fun! **9⁹⁵**

FOUR GREAT SPANISH VALUES

Rioja Vega '06 "RIOJA," This tasty, dark ruby colored wine has plenty of spicy cherry and currant aromas and flavors. An excellent value to drink over the next two years. **6⁹⁵**

Bodegas Piqueras '05 "Almansa" Valcanto, SYRAH, Sensational ripe red fruit nose beautifully blended with spices & a toastiness from the oak. **7⁹⁵**

Razon '05 "Spain" Old Vine GRENACHE, These old vines produce a wonderful Spanish value. Full-bodied with loads of ripe fruit, finishing very smooth & wonderfully long on the palate. **7⁹⁵**

Torremoron '06 "RIBERA DEL DUERO," "90" Robert Parker, Another **REDICULOUS VALUE FROM SPAIN!** Ripe plums and juicy cherries accented by loamy minerality and the tang of wet river rocks. **8⁹⁵**