

## BURGUNDY

**Joseph Drouhin** '06 "BOURGOGNE" Laforet, Chardonnay. Drouhin has been producing this entry level White Burgundy for over 20+ years. If you're looking for a "go to" house white for the summer, look no further! **9<sup>95</sup>**

**Vero** '05 "BOURGOGNE" Pinot Noir. Made by Joseph Drouhin. **A TERRIFIC VALUE** Red Burgundy! From Parker's *Wine Advocate*: "This wine is a victory for consumers and for Burgundy in its battle to capture or retain the hearts of American Pinotophiles." **16<sup>95</sup>**

**Domaine Chantal Lescure** '05 "COTE DE BEAUNE," UNDENIABLE VALUE HERE! The wine displays big, earthy, spicy bouquet, medium to full-bodied flavors with balanced acidity and tannin. **22<sup>95</sup>**

**Roland Thevenin** '06 "MERSAULT," A beautiful example of what Mersault is all about! Textbook flavors of almonds, apples and warm bread crust. **WONDERFUL!** **26<sup>95</sup>**

**Hubert Lamy** '04 "SAINT AUBIN" 1er Cru Clos de la Chataniere. A wonderful opportunity to purchase a world class White Burgundy from a fantastic vintage without a crazy price tag. This wine is showing beautiful depth & maturity. **LIMITED!** **35<sup>95</sup>**

**Domaine de La Vougeraie** '04 "GEVREY CHAMBERTIN" La Justice. While the '04 vintage was kind to White Burgundy's, the Reds were a different story. However, great producers can produce great wines in challenging vintages. **This is a perfect example!** **37<sup>95</sup>**

## AUSTRALIA

**D'ARENBERG** '05 "McLaren Vale" THE FOOTBOLT, Shiraz. Medium to full-bodied, on the palate spicy blueberry and licorice notes emerge. The wine has a very good depth, ripe tannin and a long finish. **13<sup>95</sup>**

**GLAETZER** '06 "Barossa Valley" WALLACE, Shiraz/Grenache. "91-94" Robert Parker, **AN EXCELLENT VALUE** that showcases lovely perfume of tobacco, black cherry & blueberry. A very well structured wine! **19<sup>95</sup>**

**GLAETZER** '06 "Barossa Valley" Shiraz/Cabernet, ANAPERENNA, "94-97" R. Parker, Opaque purple in color, it offers a sensational bouquet of pain grille & blueberry. **57<sup>95</sup>**

**HEARTLAND** '07 "Langhorne Creek" Stickleback Red, "90" Robert Parker, From Robert Parker's *Wine Advocate*, "...this Sensational Value totally over delivers. It will evolve for 1-2 years but there is no reason to defer gratification." **8<sup>95</sup>**

**RAZOR'S EDGE** '06 "South Eastern Australia" Shiraz/Grenache. You won't find this wine at this incredible price anywhere! The Shiraz contributes opulent fruit flavors while the Grenache provides spice. **6<sup>95</sup>**

**RAZOR'S EDGE** '06 "McLaren Vale" Cabernet Sauvignon. Another **GREAT BARGAIN** from this value oriented producer. Harmonious flavors including black currant, beetroot, cloves and roasted chestnut. **6<sup>95</sup>**

**ELBERTON** '04 "Barossa Valley" COMMAND, Shiraz, "98" Robert Parker, This full-bodied wine is **THICK, RICH AND TOTALLY HEDONISTIC!** **78<sup>95</sup>**

## ITALY

**Stefano Farina** '05 "SALENTO" Primitivo. A wonderful, ripe personality loaded with smoke, dark cherries, earthiness and leather. **TERRIFIC WINE!** **9<sup>95</sup>**

**Pasqua** '06 "VENEZIE" Merlot, A magnum (1.5 litre) of Merlot for under \$10?? Yes, and its pretty darn good! **Perfect for party's!** **9<sup>95</sup>**

**Le Rote** '06 "VERNACCIA DI SAN GIMIGNANO," A perfect hot weather white. Citrus fruits, mineral and a light anise note. Smooth and silky! **9<sup>95</sup>**

**Masi** '04 "AMARONE DELLA VALPOLICELLA CLASSICO" Costasera. Soft and dry on the palate with typical baked cherry flavors mixed with cocoa and cinnamon! **DELICIOUS!** **47<sup>95</sup>**

**Masi** '01 "AMARONE DELLA VALPOLICELLA CLASSICO" Vaio. If you are going to treat yourself to a great bottle of Amarone, look no further. Deep garnet red color. Big aromas on the nose, concentrated & very elegant at the same time. **66<sup>95</sup>**

**Guado al Tasso** '04 "BOLGHERI" "92" Robert Parker & "92" *Wine Spectator*, A super blend of Cab. Sauvignon, Merlot and Syrah. It offers plenty of sweet dark fruit, licorice, Tuscan herbs and chocolate. **79<sup>95</sup>**

## SPOTLIGHT: PIEMONTE

**Vietti** '06 "BARBERA D'ASTI" Tre Vigne, A phenomenal Piemonte producer brings us this tasty Barbera. Refreshing acidity, soft tannins, ripe red cherry flavors with hints of mineral & vanilla. **15<sup>95</sup>**

**Sori Boschetti** '03 "BAROLO," "92" *Wine Spectator*, Reviewed in the *W. Spec.* at "92" points at \$72 per bottle! **Save 60% with OUR RIDICULOUSLY LOW PRICE!** Limited!! **28<sup>95</sup>**

**Corino** '04 "BAROLO" Gianchini, "95" Robert Parker, From R. Parker's *Wine Advocate*: "Superb clarity and definition in its layered black cherry fruit, showing outstanding persistence on the palate." **59<sup>95</sup>**

**Vietti** '04 "BAROLO" Castiglione, "92" Robert Parker, From R. Parker's *Wine Advocate*: "Superb. With this effort, the Castiglione bottling takes an important step...to make this wine much closer in quality to his single vineyard offerings." **35<sup>95</sup>**

**Cavalotto** '04 "BAROLO" Bricco Boschis, "91-94" R. Parker, From R. Parker's *Wine Advocate*: "This fresh, perfumed Barolo blossoms with the essence of red raspberries, flowers and spices." **52<sup>95</sup>**

## STONE PADDOCK from New Zealand

**STONE PADDOCK** '06 "Hawkes Bay" Sauvignon Blanc. A crisp and refreshing Sauvignon with complexity & a long, elegant finish. Not pungent and herbaceous like most New Zealand Sauv. Blancs. **11<sup>95</sup>**

**STONE PADDOCK** '06 "Hawkes Bay" Syrah, Most N. Z. Syrah's have been underwhelming, then this bottling came around. It is **A STUNNER!** Cranberry & wild strawberry flavors are complemented by satin soft blackberry notes. **14<sup>95</sup>**

**STONE PADDOCK** '06 "Hawkes Bay" Pinot Noir. The Pinot Noir from N.Z are getting better and better, here is a great example! Sweet cherry and raspberry fruit on the palate. **17<sup>95</sup>**

**STONE PADDOCK** '06 "Hawkes Bay" Chardonnay. This delightfully complex wine has melon, papaya & delicate mineral aromas, while the palate combines tropical fruit characters with a hint of citrus. **12<sup>95</sup>**

### June Wine-of-the-Month

## SHANNON RIDGE

'06 "Lake County" **Wrangler Red**

A blend of Cabernet Sauvignon, Petite Sirah, Zinfandel, and Syrah. Here is the winery's interpretation of this tasty Red; **Aroma:** Grandma's homemade raspberry jelly on warm angel food cake. **Flavor:** Vanilla ice cream smothered in pomegranate and boysenberry reduction sauce. Sound good?

**9<sup>95</sup>**

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## FANTASTIC FRENCH

**Domaine Les Aphillanthes** '01 "COTES DU RHONE," Rosé, A dry Rosé with aromas of strawberry, raspberry, and cherry. Layers of flavor with a lengthy finish. **10<sup>95</sup>**

**Domaine Du Coulet** '06 "CORNAS," Brise Cailloux, A stunning Syrah that is **NOT TO BE MISSED!** Full-bodied, rich, with a nose of blackberry and licorice. Dense with sweet tannin. In a word, **AWESOME!** ~Matt's Top Pick~ **39<sup>95</sup>**

**Domaine De Aubuisieres** '01 "VOUNRAY," Les Girardieres, Demi-Sec A terrific Chenin Blanc producing luscious plum along with honey & almond flavors with a creamy, soothing finish. **13<sup>95</sup>**

**Dom. Du Vieux Lazaret** '05 "CHATEAUNEUF DU PAPE," Cuvee Exceptionelle, "94" Robert Parker, A finish of close to a minute! **35<sup>95</sup>**

## TASTE every wine in this flyer

marked with this "golf ball." Saturday May 31<sup>st</sup> and June 7<sup>th</sup> 10-4:30 pm JUST \$10<sup>00</sup>

**Taste Pinot Noirs from around the World** Saturday June 14<sup>th</sup> 10-4:30 pm JUST \$20<sup>00</sup> (www.sandiegowineco.com for details)

**Boutique Producers from Paso Robles Tasting** Benefiting Southern Care Givers, Thursday June 19<sup>th</sup> 5 pm -7 pm JUST \$25<sup>00</sup> Sommelier Aaron Warren will present Boutique producers from Paso Robles- Hors D'oeuvres by Metro Catering

**Australian and New Zealand Tasting** Saturday June 21<sup>st</sup> 10-4:30 pm JUST \$10<sup>00</sup> (www.sandiegowineco.com for details)

**Happy Father's Day to all the Dads out there!**

This past month, we lost an extraordinary leader in the world of wine, Mr. Robert Mondavi. We thank him for his enormous contributions.

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## NEW CAB & CAB BLENDS

### RUTHERFORD RANCH

'05 Napa Valley

#### Cabernet Sauvignon

Robert Parker called this, "one of the great values in California Cabernet Sauvignon." We Agree! The wine has rich, lush fruit with silky tannins making it a perfect wine for current consumption.

10<sup>95</sup>

**AMAVI** '05 "Walla Walla" Cabernet Sauvignon. Beautifully structured and complex yet softly layered and appealing throughout. Dark fruit and cassis flavors are followed by hints of dry herbs, chocolate and spice.

21<sup>95</sup>

**BRENNAN AVERY** '05 "Napa Valley" Cabernet Sauvignon.

Only 325 cases made of this 100% Napa Valley cab! Bright, cherry fruit with subtle chocolate notes, **A BIG BANG FOR THE BUCK WINNER!**

14<sup>95</sup>

**KEENAN** '04 "Napa Valley" Cabernet Sauvignon, "92" Robert Parker,

Rich, opulent and full-bodied, this Cabernet has black currant, cedar and a hint of spicy oak on the finish. Parker calls it, "A steal for the price."

35<sup>95</sup>

**RAMEY** '05 "Napa Valley" Cabernet Sauvignon, "91" Robert Parker,

From Parker: "The wine exhibits a dense ruby/purple color as well as sweet, tarry, black currant, chocolate and wood smoke-like flavors."

44<sup>95</sup>

**PAPILLON** '05 "Napa Valley" Red. This is Orin Swift's

(THE PRISONER) first release of a true Bordeaux style blend.

54<sup>95</sup>

## SPANISH SUPER STARS

**Celler de Capcanes** '05 "Tarragona" MAS DONIS, "91" Robert Parker,

85% Garnacha & 15% Syrah, The wine offers up an expressive note of slate, mineral, licorice, violets and blueberry. Layered, long and complex...**IT IS A GREAT VALUE!**

10<sup>95</sup>

**Pago de los Capellanes** '06 "Ribera del Duero" JOVEN, "90" Robert Parker,

A blend of Tempranillo, Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot. An elegant wine with complex flavors, fine depth and concentration with plenty of immediate appeal.

13<sup>95</sup>

**Las Rocas** '05 "Calatayud" GARNACHA, Vinas Viejas, "91" Robert Parker, The wine has a

splendid perfume of spice box, lavender kirsch & blueberry with a **BIG, LONG FINISH!** ~Dan's Top Pick~

13<sup>95</sup>

**Tinto Pesquera** '05 "RIBERA DEL DUERO," "92" Robert Parker, One of our favorites! **BACK IN STOCK! LIMITED!**

26<sup>95</sup>

## THREE NEW DOMESTIC REDS

**RUSINA** '06 "Alexander Valley" Petite Sirah, Dark, dense and

extracted with wild-berry and white pepper on the elegant finish.

23<sup>95</sup>

**HEARTHSTONE** '05 "Paso Robles" Profundo, This remarkable wine is reminiscent of the world class "Super

Tuscan" blends. Black cherry mineral & a touch of earthiness on the finish. **POWER & FINESSE.** ~Mark's Top Pick~

17<sup>95</sup>

**QUPE** '06 "Central Coast" Syrah, This is **ONE THE BEST BOTTLINGS** of

this wine! The cool vintage in '06 allowed for long hang time and great acidity.

12<sup>95</sup>

### CLEARWATER CREEK

'05 "Alexander Valley"

#### Meritage

The last few vintages of CLEARWATER CREEK Cabernet were extremely popular.

This Meritage may be their **BEST WINE EVER!** **Hurry before it disappears!**

12<sup>95</sup>

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## GREAT NEW CHARDONNAYS

**COLUMBIA CREST** '06 "Columbia Valley" Chardonnay.

"90" Wine Spectator, They have done it again! Another phenomenal bargain that packs quite a flavorful punch. **BUY IT BY THE CASE!**

6<sup>95</sup>

**ST. FRANCIS** '06 "Sonoma County" Chardonnay. By far their best

"Sonoma" bottling in the last couple of years! Trademark toasty, creamy, vanilla oak accompanied by spiced apple and pear flavors.

11<sup>95</sup>

**DOMAINE ALFRED** '06 "Edna Valley" Chardonnay. Showing the depth and complexity of all seven of their Chardonnay clones, this wine expresses flavors of Bosc pear, green apple and well integrated oak.

17<sup>95</sup>

**KEENAN** '06 "Napa Valley" Chardonnay. SPRING MOUNTAIN DISTRICT.

Ripe pear, white peach and a touch of oak on the finish. **BEAUTIFUL!**

22<sup>95</sup>

**MERRYVALE** '05 "Carneros" Chardonnay. Hints of tropical fruit along with baked apple and subtle toasty oak. Rich and dense with a long elegant finish.

22<sup>95</sup>

**RAMEY** '06 "Sonoma Coast" Chardonnay. Another beautiful effort from David Ramey. Aromas of pear, lemon, and honey with a juicy, clean finish.

32<sup>95</sup>

**WALTER HANSEL** '06 "Russian River" Chardonnay, "92" Robert Parker,

From Parker: "It offers more up front fruit and seems to be a quicker term drinker than any of the Chardonnays from the preceding vintage." **FLESHY, FRUIT DOMINATED BEAUTY!**

27<sup>95</sup>

**22 HUNDRED** '07 "Arroyo Seco" Chardonnay. Big, ripe, tropical fruit with a clean, pure finish.

13<sup>95</sup>

## THREE NEW RELEASES FROM FOUR VINES

**FOUR VINES** '06 "Amador County" MAVERICK, Zinfandel,

Chewy and spicy, rich with blackberry fruit and a hint of velvet vanilla oak.

17<sup>95</sup>

**FOUR VINES** '06 "Paso Robles" LOCO, A blend of Tempranillo, Syrah and Grenache. Spice and cola with huckleberry and cedary spice flavors.

29<sup>95</sup>

**FOUR VINES** '06 "Paso Robles" The Peasant, A blend of Mourvedre,

Syrah and Grenache. On the nose, smoky black fruit and spice, vanilla crème brûlée. On the palate, **BIG, BLACK, FRUITY SPICE** with a velvety finish.

29<sup>95</sup>

## NEW ZINFANDELS

### ROSENBLUM CELLARS

Vintners Cuvee XXX,

#### Zinfandel

A friendly, zesty, style Zin at a wonderful price. Black cherry, raspberry and vanilla flavors are balanced with enough acidity to make this wine food friendly.

8<sup>95</sup>

**EASTON** '06 "Amador County" Zinfandel, Full blackberry fruit aromas with a beautiful balance and a **BIG, SUMPTUOUS and JUICY FINISH!**

11<sup>95</sup>

**FOLIE A DEUX** '05 "Amador County" Zinfandel, Upon first taste, it is profoundly clear why after a century and a half, Zinfandel vineyards are still being planted in Amador County. A powerful, yet balanced mouth-feel gives way to a silky smooth finish of spicy oak and juicy black cherry.

12<sup>95</sup>

**ROSENBLUM CELLARS** '06 "Paso Robles" RICHARD SAURET, Zinfandel,

**THIS IS A FRUIT PACKED ZIN!** A bouquet of blackberry & cherry are followed by flavors of raspberry and a hint of pepper spice.

18<sup>95</sup>

**TRENTADUE** '04 "Sonoma" LA STORIA, Zinfandel, "91" Robert

Parker, From Parker: "A classic Zin with copious quantities of black cherries, raspberries and currants intermixed with hints of spicy wood."

22<sup>95</sup>

## NEW PINOT NOIRS

**WILLOW POND** '06 "Carneros" Pinot Noir, Full-bodied, velvety and lush, the palate delivers all the ripe fruit promised by the nose, with just a touch of toasty vanilla oak to complete the package.

17<sup>95</sup>

**WILLAKENZIE** '05 "Willamette" ALIETE VINEYARD, Pinot Noir, This vineyard designate wine is **A MUST TRY FOR OREGON PINOT LOVERS!** Complex in fruit, earth and floral notes.

38<sup>95</sup>

**HEARTHSTONE** '06 "Paso Robles" Pinot Noir, Bright berry fruit with unparalleled

structure & elegance. Only 122 cases of this "GEM" were made. ~Sharon's Top Pick~

21<sup>95</sup>

**WILLAKENZIE** '06 "Willamette" Pinot Noir, Lively aromas of raspberry,

cranberry and cherry are complemented by tones of dried rose petals, spice & cedar.

19<sup>95</sup>

## THREE IMPRESSIVE NEW MERLOTS

**GUENOC** '04 "California" Merlot, Fruit forward with ripe boysenberry, fresh herbs and a full-bodied finish. One of the **BEST VALUE MERLOTS** we have tasted in some time!

6<sup>95</sup>

**TRENTADUE** '05 "Alexander Valley" Merlot, You won't find a better Sonoma Valley Merlot for under \$10 than this bottling! Layers of cherries, plums, licorice & cedar fill the palate.

9<sup>95</sup>

**ST. FRANCIS** '05 "Sonoma County" Merlot, A varietal classic with distinctive Sonoma

County style-spicy herb & vanilla overtones, which give way to full, strong, black fruit on the palate.

14<sup>95</sup>