

LYRIC OPERA OF CHICAGO

WINE AUCTION
2015

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7

HONORED GUEST

M. DAVID LAUNAY

Château Gruard Larose

Ardis Krainik Theatre

Civic Opera House

Chicago, Illinois



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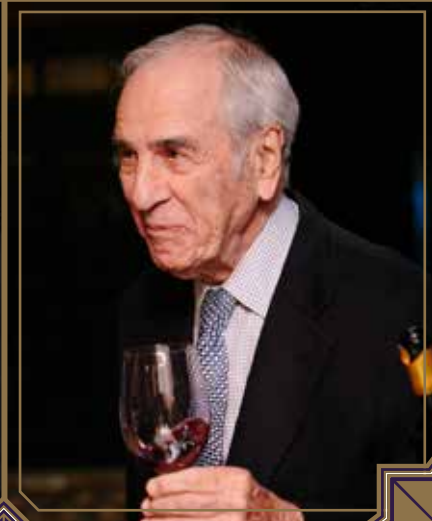
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GENERAL DIRECTOR

I experienced my first Wine Auction as General Director of Lyric Opera of Chicago in 2012, and I now know that words cannot do justice to this dazzling event. As with opera, Lyric's Wine Auction is a total experience—you have to be there in person to truly grasp its magnificence. Please allow me to give a brief overview of the delights in store for our guests on February 7, 2015.

Upon arriving at the Civic Opera House on the red carpet, guests enter the beautiful Nancy W. Knowles Lobby and Daniel F. and Ada L. Rice Grand Foyer. The first order of business is to secure your paddle in preparation for the evening's bidding. Once your lucky number is in hand, enjoy the Champagne Reception while perusing the more than 100 phenomenal lots on display. Bidding on Silent Auction items is made supremely easy through the use of convenient mobile bidding devices. Next is an unforgettable dinner in the Ardis Krainik Theatre, on the very stage where opera greats from Maria Callas and Tito Gobbi to Renée Fleming and Jonas Kaufmann have performed. As you look out across the Theatre's 3,563 seats, you will surely feel lifted to superstar status.

Following dinner is the Live Auction—heralded as “one of the Top 10 Wine Charities” by Wine Spectator. Auctioneers take guests on a bidding journey, offering some of the world's most spectacular wines and luxury experiences. Now is your chance to treat yourself while simultaneously providing critical support to Lyric Opera of Chicago.

Please allow me to offer our most heartfelt thanks to our Presenting Sponsor, Northern Trust, for making this evening possible. We also are most grateful to Guggenheim for their major support as our Onstage and Catalogue Sponsor.

The Lyric Wine Auction tradition, which began more than 25 years ago thanks to Lyric's innovative Women's Board, is the result of the commitment of this remarkable group of women. To Women's Board President Mimi Mitchell, I say thank you and congratulations on all that you accomplish in every endeavor your group takes on.

Many thanks as well to the Wine Auction Committee, led by Chairman Erica Sandner and Vice-Chairman Marilynn Thoma, for their efforts in creating this exquisite evening. They are truly skilled, and bring a level of unparalleled elegance to all they do. Included in this list of achievements is the naming of M. David Launay, from the historical Château Gruaud Larose, as Wine Auction 2015 Honored Guest. It is with great pleasure that we welcome him to Lyric, and thank him for the treasures he has brought to share with us.

Please join us on February 7, 2015 and enjoy the grandeur and spectacle of this amazing Wine Auction. It will be truly operatic.

Many thanks,

Anthony Freud
General Director



Wine pairs so well with many of life's greatest joys – travel, art, conversation, even cheese! But my personal favorite is wine and opera...a pairing for the ages. The perfection of this duo is evidenced by Lyric Opera of Chicago's long-standing tradition for excellence onstage and off with the renowned Lyric Opera Wine Auction.

As can be seen throughout this catalogue, the items brought to bidders during this Auction are some of the most sought-after bottles and experiences in the world. Like the stars who share this famous arena, the lots offered in Lyric Opera's Wine Auction 2015 are world-class, and I hope you are as excited as I am to have the opportunity to bid on these once-in-a-lifetime treasures.

Lyric Opera's Wine Auction has gained an international reputation as one of the premier charity auctions. One of the keys to this success is the commitment of the world's most prominent wine-industry professionals who agree to be the Auction's Honored Guests. This year, it is a privilege to welcome M. David Launay from Château Gruaud Larose as Wine Auction 2015's Honored Guest. What a thrill it is to showcase his beloved Bordeaux wine region through the **fabulous** lots he has **graciously** provided. Auctioning such an array of fine wines for which all proceeds go to support a treasure like Lyric Opera of Chicago is a true testament to the passion which grand opera elicits across the globe.

Were it not for generations of incredible Women's Board members, the Wine Auction would not be what it is. I thank all those who have played a role in the Wine Auction – from the founders of the first event in 1988 to today. This year the **dynamic** pair of Chairman Erica Sandner and Vice Chairman Marilyn Thoma are at the helm. They have been inspirational in their leadership of this herculean endeavor. I would like to thank the chairs of each committee, as well as the entire Women's Board for their dedication and effort.

None of this could get off the ground and onto this beautiful stage without our Wine Auction sponsors. Presenting Sponsor Northern Trust has played such a crucial role in the success of so many of these auctions, and we are truly grateful for their support once again. It makes me very proud to know that so many staunch supporters are willing to contribute to this worthy cause. Thank you to all of them, listed on [Page XX](#).

And of course, no auction would be complete without the bidders. I know you will get swept up in the evening, and I hope you find things which you simply cannot live without. I hope those items will echo the spirit of grand opera and be your perfect pairing to complement the joys in life. Thank you!

Mimi Mitchell

Mimi Mitchell
Women's Board President

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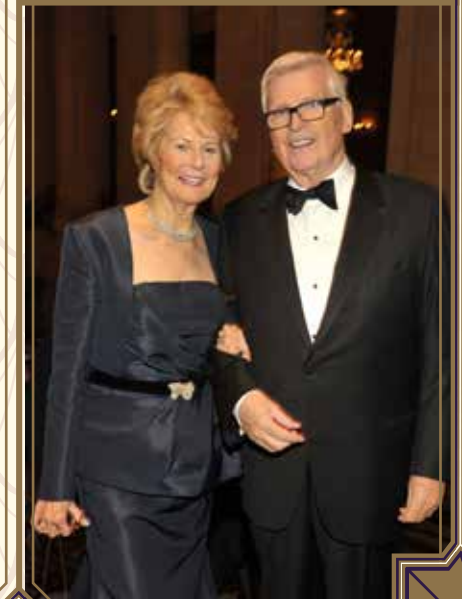
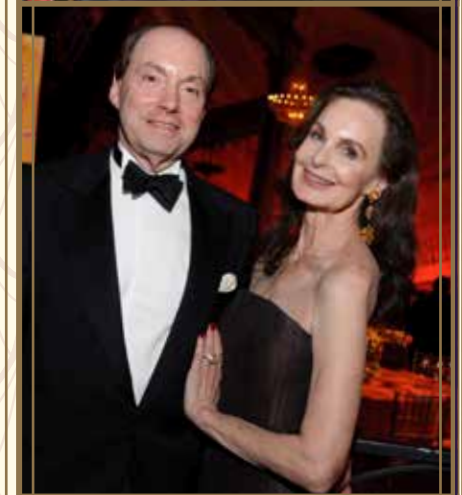
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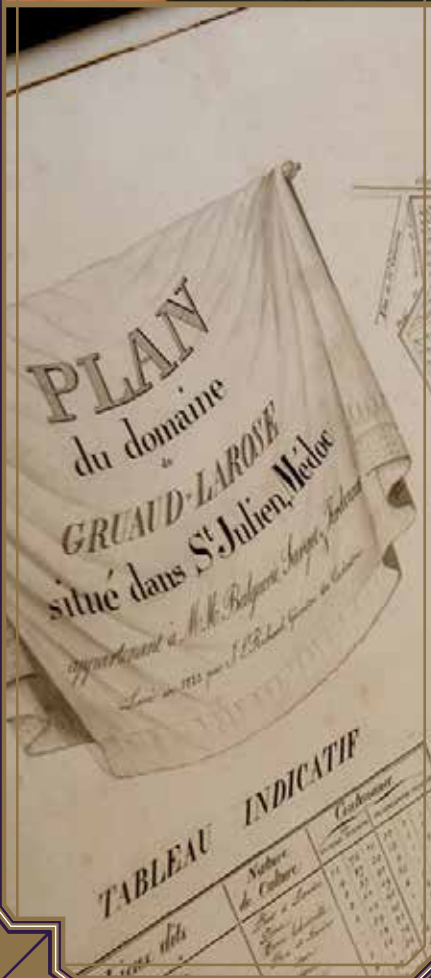
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DAVID LAUNAY

Château Gruard Larose

Lyric Opera of Chicago is pleased to welcome M. David Launay from the historical Château Gruaud Larose as Wine Auction 2015 Honored Guest. The previous two auctions celebrated the wines of Champagne and Burgundy; it's quite exciting to showcase the significant wine region of Bordeaux and all its glorious renown!

CHATEAU GRUAUD LAROSE

Château Gruaud Larose has the special distinction of being a single, contiguous vineyard whose boundaries have not changed since the 18th century. It is named after the two people who were responsible for creating the estate. In 1725, an abbot, Father Gruaud, bought 50 hectares of land and planted vines there. His nephew, Chevalier de Larose, inherited the property in 1781 and the vineyard grew to 80 hectares under his ownership. Seeing as he had no heirs, Gruaud Larose was jointly purchased by two families at an auction in 1812. However, their relations soured, and the vineyard was divided into two parts in 1865. In 1934, the Cordier family reunited the estate.

It has belonged to the Merlaut family since 1997. They have introduced sustainable development and organic farming methods in the vineyard. The land consists of rises of deep Garonne gravel from the Quaternary Period (about 700,000 years ago) where the Cabernet Sauvignon is the king – as befits a wine whose motto is “The Wine of Kings, The King of Wines”.

Château Gruaud Larose is one of the most historic estates in the Médoc region of France.

DAVID LAUNAY

Representing Château Gruaud Larose is David Launay. His global ambassadorship on behalf of Gruaud Larose is evident in his passion for the wines. He was born in Cholet in the Maine et Loire region of France, and holds a degree in Viticulture and Oenology (BTS). The early days of his career took him to Hong Kong where he worked as an importer and wine broker in the burgeoning Aisan market. Unable to resist the siren call of Bordeaux, he moved back to France, and became one of the leading voices in the promotion of Bordeaux wines, and most especially the fantastic wines of Gruaud Larose.

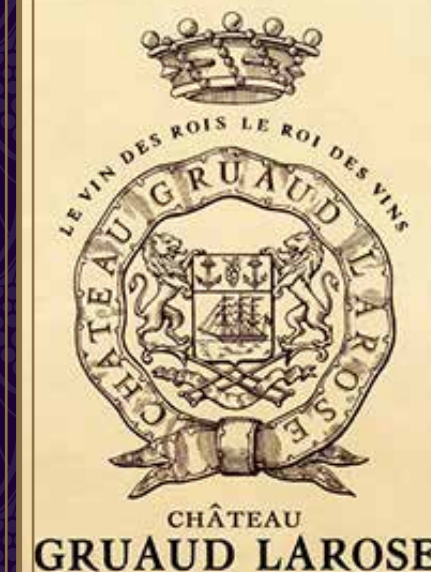
AUCTION LOTS

Lots featuring Château Gruaud Larose wines:

- LOT 4 Château Gruaud Larose 1961, 1982, 1983, 1986, 1989, 1990, 1995, 1996, 2000, 2003, 2005, 2009, 2010
- LOT 54 Château Gruaud Larose 2000
- LOT 62 A Jet-Setter's French Delight
- LOT 73 Honored Guest Collection
- LOT 75 Château Gruaud Larose 1988
- Bidder's Prize Château Gruaud Larose 2005
- LOT 171 Château Gruaud Larose 1962, 1986, 1988
- LOT 172 Château Gruaud Larose 1966
- LOT 173 Château Gruaud Larose 2000
- LOT 174 Château Gruaud Larose 2003



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5:30 PM

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DINNER

7:00 PM

Guest Chef Thomas Lents

Executive Chef, Sixteen

Main Stage

Ardis Krainik Theatre

LIVE AUCTION

8:30 PM

Lead Auctioneer Michael Davis

Vice Chairman Hart Davis Hart Wine Co.

Main Stage

Ardis Krainik Theatre



EXECUTIVE CHEF



THOMAS LENTS

Thomas Lents was appointed **executive chef of Sixteen** in January 2012. At the Michelin two-star, five-diamond restaurant at Trump International Hotel & Tower Chicago, Chef Lents presents modern, French-inspired American cuisine that marries the details and qualities of traditional fine dining with modern style and culinary perspective.

Chef Lents began his career at Chicago's Everest, under Chefs Jean Joho and Thierry Tritsch, followed by a sous chef position at the Thornton Restaurant inside the Fitzwilliam Hotel in Dublin, Ireland. Thomas' career progressed to serve as the chef de cuisine at the Michelin-rated Quince Restaurant in San Francisco and then as the first American to serve as chef de cuisine of the Michelin three star-rated Joel Rubuchon at The Mansion inside Las Vegas' MGM Grand.

the DINNER WINES



SILENT AUCTION & RECEPTION

Pol Roger Brut Champagne

2006 Sarget de Gruaud Larose, Saint-Julien

2013 Guy Saget "Domaine de la Perriere" Sancerre



DINNER

2011 Olivier Leflaive, Puligny Montrachet

*2005 Château Gruaud Larose,
2eme Cru Classe, Saint-Julien*

*2011 Domaine Bouchard Père et Fils,
Volnay 1er Cru Les Caillerets,
Ancienne Cuvee Carnot*



I extend my deepest appreciation and congratulations to each member of this extraordinary Women's Board.

KENNETH G. PIGOTT

PRESIDENT AND
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

What a thrill is it to be part of The Women's Board of Lyric Opera's 11th Wine Auction. The legacy of this event is one of greatness, with the previous ten Wine Auctions raising more than \$6 million in support of Lyric. By wisely pairing their love for grand opera with some of the world's finest wine, this dedicated Women's Board has set themselves apart through their unmatched efforts put forth into this spectacular event.

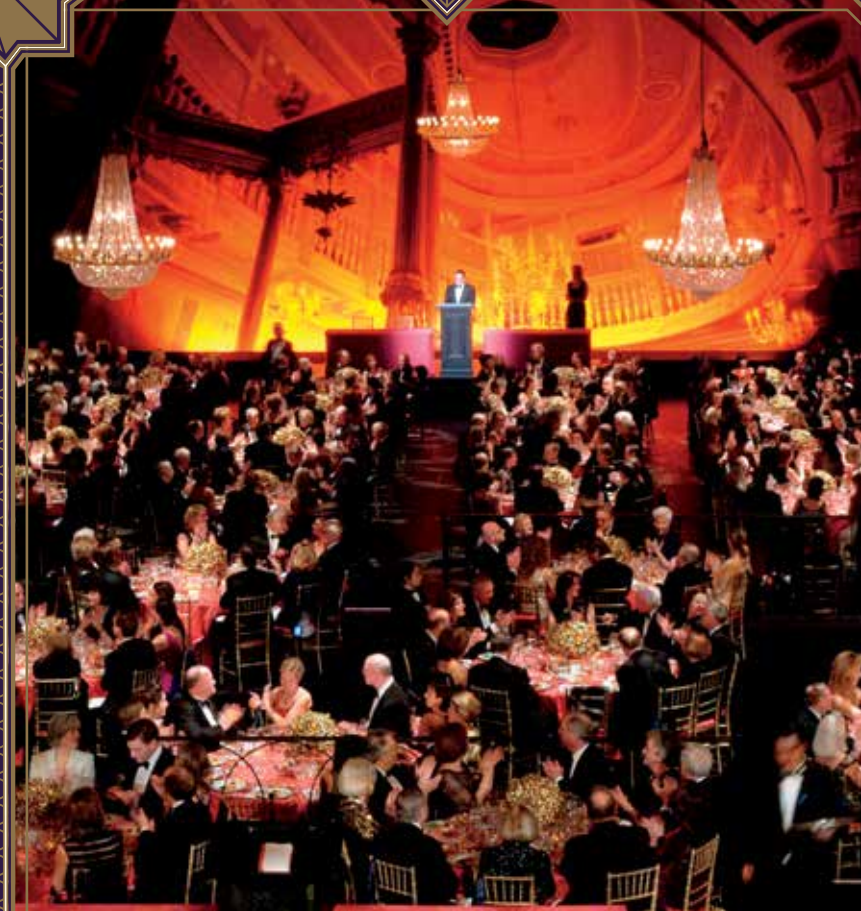
I extend my deepest appreciation and congratulations to each member of this extraordinary Women's Board. Special recognition and thanks goes to Wine Auction Chairman Erica Sandner and Vice-Chairman Marilyn Thoma. They, along with the entire Wine Auction 2015 Committee, are the forces that drive the evening to the success it undoubtedly will be. On behalf of Lyric Opera, I thank each one of them for their leadership and foresight in support of this company.

Enduring partnerships allow an event like Wine Auction to thrive, and I could not be more grateful for the one we have with Wine Auction 2015 Presenting Sponsor Northern Trust. Their continued commitment to this auction is deeply appreciated, and I would like to say thank you to them and to all the distinguished sponsors who make the Wine Auction possible. They are all listed on pages 18 & 19.

The diligent effort that is put into every single aspect of the Wine Auction comes to fruition onstage on February 7, 2015. The dedication of all of our supporters shines when each paddle is raised and each lot is "sold!" to the highest bidder. Please, join me in being one of those bidders and help make Wine Auction 2015 one of historical support for our beloved opera company, Lyric Opera of Chicago.

Thank you and happy bidding!

Kenneth G. Pigott
President and Chief Executive Officer





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1934-2014

Lyric Opera of Chicago's Wine Auction, like all philanthropic efforts, accomplishes success through the commitment of extraordinary individuals who champion the cause. On the occasion of this 11th Wine Auction, we remember the legacy of the indefatigable Deborah Jannotta, a woman whose leadership, dedication, and undeniable charm provided so much to this entire organization. A perennial member of the Wine Solicitation Committee, Mrs. Jannotta embodied the mission of the event, and drove all those around her to match her unbridled enthusiasm. We say "thank you" to this civic pillar of Chicago; Debby Jannotta will be dearly missed.



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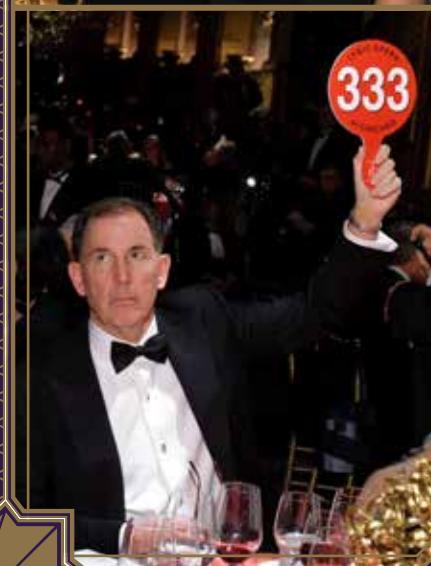




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Marilynn Thoma
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Wine Auction Advisors are crucial to Lyric's Wine Auction, assisting in many aspects with the fine wines attained on behalf of the auction. The Women's Board extends a special acknowledgement with gratitude to those who have served in this important role, bringing their knowledge forth to assist with Wine Auction 2015.

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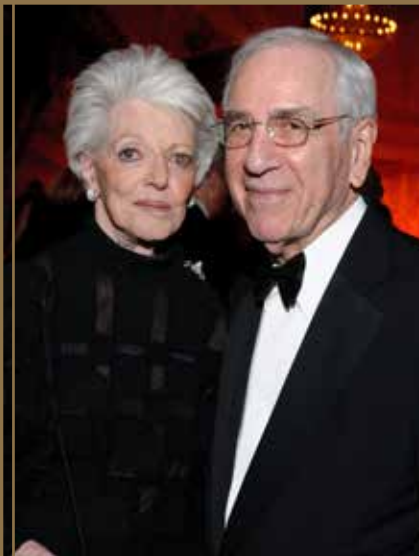
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The late Robert Mondavi was considered the dean of California winemakers. Since the 1940s he had been responsible for many aspects of the California wine industry's development. He established the Robert Mondavi Winery, which continues to produce some of California's most acclaimed fine wines, and was also involved in such projects as the joint venture with the late Baron Philippe de Rothschild of Château Mouton-Rothschild to produce the famed Opus One.

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HONORED GUEST OF WINE AUCTION 1990

COMTE ALEXANDRE DE LUR SALUCES

*Previously Château d'Yquem,
currently Château de Fargues Sauternes, France*

Comte Alexandre de Lur Saluces is a direct descendant of the illustrious Lur Saluces and Sauvage families which previously owned two of the most important properties in the Sauternes-producing region of France, Château de Fargues and the legendary Château d'Yquem. Château d'Yquem, in a class by itself, is considered one of the finest, rarest and most exclusive of wines.

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**MONSIEUR ET MADAME
JEAN-CLAUDE ROUZAUD**

*House of Champagne Louis Roederer
Reims, France*

Monsieur et Madame Rouzaud are descendants of M. Louis Roederer, founder of Champagne Louis Roederer. Rouzaud serves as Chairman and CEO of Roederer, one of Champagne's oldest and most respected family-run houses. Perhaps best known for "Cristal," the exclusive Champagne originally commissioned by Tsar Alexander II for his court, Roederer maintains its preeminence through its extensive, varied vineyard holdings which provide almost all of its grape needs. This makes Roederer almost a "single property" Champagne, and unique in that respect.

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JEAN-MICHEL CAZES**

*Château Lynch-Bages
Pauillac, France*

Monsieur et Madame Cazes are part of the Cazes family, owners of Château Lynch-Bages since 1937. Many call Jean-Michel Cazes "Mr. Bordeaux," some refer to him as "The Baron of Bordeaux" and he has even been crowned "King Cazes of Bordeaux." As these unusual titles indicate, Jean-Michel Cazes is esteemed throughout Bordeaux. Under his stewardship, Château Lynch-Bages was named Wine of the Year by The Wine Spectator in 1988.

**CO-CHAIRMEN: MRS. LESTER CROWN,
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MARZOTTO

Santa Margherita S.P.A.
Bolzano, Italy

Count Gaetano Marzotto purchased the Santa Margherita Estate in 1935 and his fourth son, Paolo Marzotto, continued his father's vision of experimentation and creativity, elevating Santa Margherita to one of the most highly-esteemed wineries in Italy. Using innovative techniques, Santa Margherita drew upon its creative resources to formulate its famous Pinot Grigio, now recognized as a classic among white wines. Three other great vineyards, two in the Tuscan Chianti Classico area and one in Lombardy, are also under the capable direction of Count and Countess Marzotto.

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MADAME MAY ELIANE DE LENCQUESAING

Château Pichon Longueville Comtesse de Lalande France

May-Eliane de Lencquesaing became the owner and administrator of Château Pichon Longueville Comtesse de Lalande in 1978 and oversaw the management of the family domain. Under her leadership, the Château flourished, balancing technology and tradition, yet always respecting the spirit that created and guided the domain in the past.

MS. ZELMA LONG

Long Vineyards California

Zelma Long has charted a new direction for her winemaking career in the new millennium! In 1977 and 1998, she and her viticulturist husband, Dr. Phillip Freese, initiated two winegrowing joint ventures under the "umbrella" of Zelphi wines. In addition to Zelphi Wines, Ms. Long maintains cooperative management of, and structures the winemaking for, Vilaforte.

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Cantine Lungarotti

Umbria, Italy

The Lungarotti Winery has built its reputation on a legacy of "firsts," beginning with the creation of the Lungarotti Winery in 1962. Lungarotti's Torgiano Rosso and Torgiano Bianco wines became the first in Umbria to achieve DOC status and were also one of the first DOCs to be granted in Italy. Today, she directs the production and communication sectors of the Lungarotti Winery, introducing dynamic innovations while remaining faithful to old traditions.

CHAIRMAN: MRS. JAMES J. O'CONNOR



HONORED GUEST OF WINE AUCTION 2003
MARCHESE PIERO ANTINORI

Marchesi Antinori S.r.l.

Marchese Piero Antinori descends from a winemaking tradition that dates back to 1385. Today the Antinori name encompasses a large variety of estates, mostly concentrated in Tuscany and Umbria. The Marchese is among the visionaries credited with revitalizing Tuscan winemaking, helping to initiate an oenological revolution by coloring outside the regulatory lines set by the Chianti DOC. Sangiovese, the indigenous Tuscan grape, was blended with cabernet sauvignon to produce “Tignanello,” and thus one of the first “Super Tuscans” was born. His zeal for experimentation has brought international recognition to the Italian wine industry.

**CO-CHAIRMAN: MRS. JAMES C. PRITCHARD,
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HONORED GUEST OF WINE AUCTION 2006
PRINCE AND PRINCESS ROBERT OF LUXEMBOURG

Châteaux Haut-Brion and La Mission Haut-Brion

His Royal Highness Prince Robert of Luxembourg and his family own two of the great red wine estates in Bordeaux, Château Haut-Brion and La Mission Haut-Brion. Their two limited-production white wines of Haut-Brion Blanc and Laville Haut-Brion are highly sought-out by connoisseurs worldwide. His Royal Highness Prince Robert of Luxembourg is a direct descendent of Henry IV. Today, his title at Domaine Clarence Dillon is Vice President and Managing Director.

CHAIRMAN: MRS. CHRISTOPHER C. MILLIKEN





HONORED GUEST OF WINE AUCTION 2009

PIERRE-HENRY GAGEY

President Maison Louis Jadot

Founded in 1859 by Louis Henry Denis Jadot, Maison Louis Jadot ranks among the premier producers and negociants of the Burgundy wine variety. In 1962 the Jadot family placed operations under the management of André Gagey who became a world-renowned master oenologist credited with a gift for selecting grapes and nurturing young wines. Exposed as a youth to the tradition and culture associated with the vine, Pierre-Henry Gagey joined his father in 1985 as Assistant Managing Director, and ultimately assumed the role of President in 1992 upon his father retiring.

**CO-CHAIRMEN: MRS. WILLIAM A. OSBORN,
NANCY S. SEARLE**

HONORED GUEST OF WINE AUCTION 2012

RICHARD GEOFFROY

Dom Pérignon Chef de Cave

Richard Geoffroy, the scion of a long line of Côte des Blanc winegrowers, was born in the heart of Champagne country in 1954, in the town of Vertus, set amid the Chardonnay vineyards. Going against what might have seemed to be a predestined career in the world of wine, he took up medicine and received his doctorate in 1982. He then went back to his roots and enrolled in the École Nationale d’OEnologie in Reims. Today, he never wonders why he gave up medicine but why he didn’t respond to the call of the vine in the first place. This detour, however, only made the return to the source more rewarding.

Geoffroy began his second career in wine in the Napa Valley, an experience that taught him the basics of the business. He became the technical adviser for Domaine Chandon, acting as a link between Champagne and the New World vineyards. This was a second detour in his career: he learned his trade on foreign soil before fully exercising it in Champagne.

CHAIRMAN: MRS. SUSAN B. NOYES



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LEAD AUCTIONEER

MICHAEL DAVIS

Vice-Chairman, Hart Davis Hart Wine Co.

Michael Davis is the most experienced wine auctioneer in America. Hired by Christie's in New York shortly after he graduated from college, he worked in a client services position with the hope of eventually

landing in the Photography Department. A trip to Napa Valley to assist Michael Broadbent at the first Napa Valley Wine Auction changed everything. Within a few years he headed the Wine Department for the firm when all its wine operations were based in Chicago.

Michael, along with his colleague Paul Hart, founded Davis & Company in 1993, which grew to be a leading auction house specializing in rare wines. In October 1998 Davis & Company was acquired by Sotheby's, and they were appointed Senior Vice Presidents and Co-Directors of the North American Wine Department, overseeing wine auctions in Chicago, Los Angeles, and New York.

After honoring their contract with Sotheby's, Michael and Paul joined up with their good friend John Hart, a prominent rare wine merchant, to form Hart Davis Hart Wine Company in January 2005. With their combined experience of nearly 100 years in the rare wine business, Hart Davis Hart quickly emerged as both a dynamic retailer and internationally important wine auction house. Serving collectors in all corners of North and South America, Asia, and Europe, the firm is considered to be the most trusted source of rare wine in America. In 2008 Hart Davis Hart conducted seven auctions in Chicago which tallied over \$32 million, a 20% increase over the prior year. The firm achieved by far the highest sell-through rate in the industry at 99.8%, with only 17 of the 8,257 lots offered failing to find a buyer. The highlight of 2008 was The Fox Cellar, which was the largest and most successful wine auction worldwide during the year.

Over the course of his career, Michael has worked with many prominent collectors and numerous records have been set under his gavel. His insight on the market is highly sought by television, radio, and print media. He has been interviewed by CNN, and NPR, virtually all wine consumer publications, as well as *Forbes*, *Time*, *Town & Country*, *Robb Report*, *W*, and most leading newspapers across the country.

Michael regularly donates his time and services to various charity auctions across the U.S. and Canada, and he is honored to be involved once again with the Lyric Opera Wine Auction.



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CATHERINE DE ORIO

Chef, Speaker and Media Personality

Catherine DeOrio is a formally trained chef, lifestyle expert, media spokesperson, journalist, web editor, public speaker and is currently taping her second season as the host of Chicago's Emmy Award-winning show "Check, Please!", which airs on WTTW-TV.

Catherine travels the country to appear on behalf of her own company and various corporations to discuss trends, demonstrate a recipe or give tips for organizing a successful event. Via her company, Culinary Curator, she writes articles relating to food, travel and lifestyle for various publications; develops recipes; consults on events and speaks at various engagements around the country. Zagat named Catherine one of the "10 Chicago power players you need to know now" and New City included her in the 'Big Heat' List of Chicago's most influential culinary figures.

Catherine has done nearly 1000 television appearances on every major network including NBC, CBS, ABC, FOX, CW and WGN with recurring spots on The Today Show, Better TV, The Rachael Ray Show, Good Day LA, Bringing it Home and Cooking Channel. She has also been a guest on over 250 radio shows including What's Cooking? and Martha Stewart Radio and has been a spokesperson for major corporations and brands including Sara Lee Corporation, Godiva Coffee, Disney and Crate & Barrel, among others.

Catherine served as Editor-at-large for In Touch Weekly magazine and has written for both local and prominent national publications including the Chicago Tribune, Crain's Business Chicago, Time Out Chicago, Huffington Post and US Weekly, often cited as a food and dining expert.

Catherine has hosted various food and wine festivals across the country, appearing on everything from the Rachael Ray Show to interviewing Andoni Luis Aduriz, chef/owner of Mugaritz, the number four best restaurant in the world.

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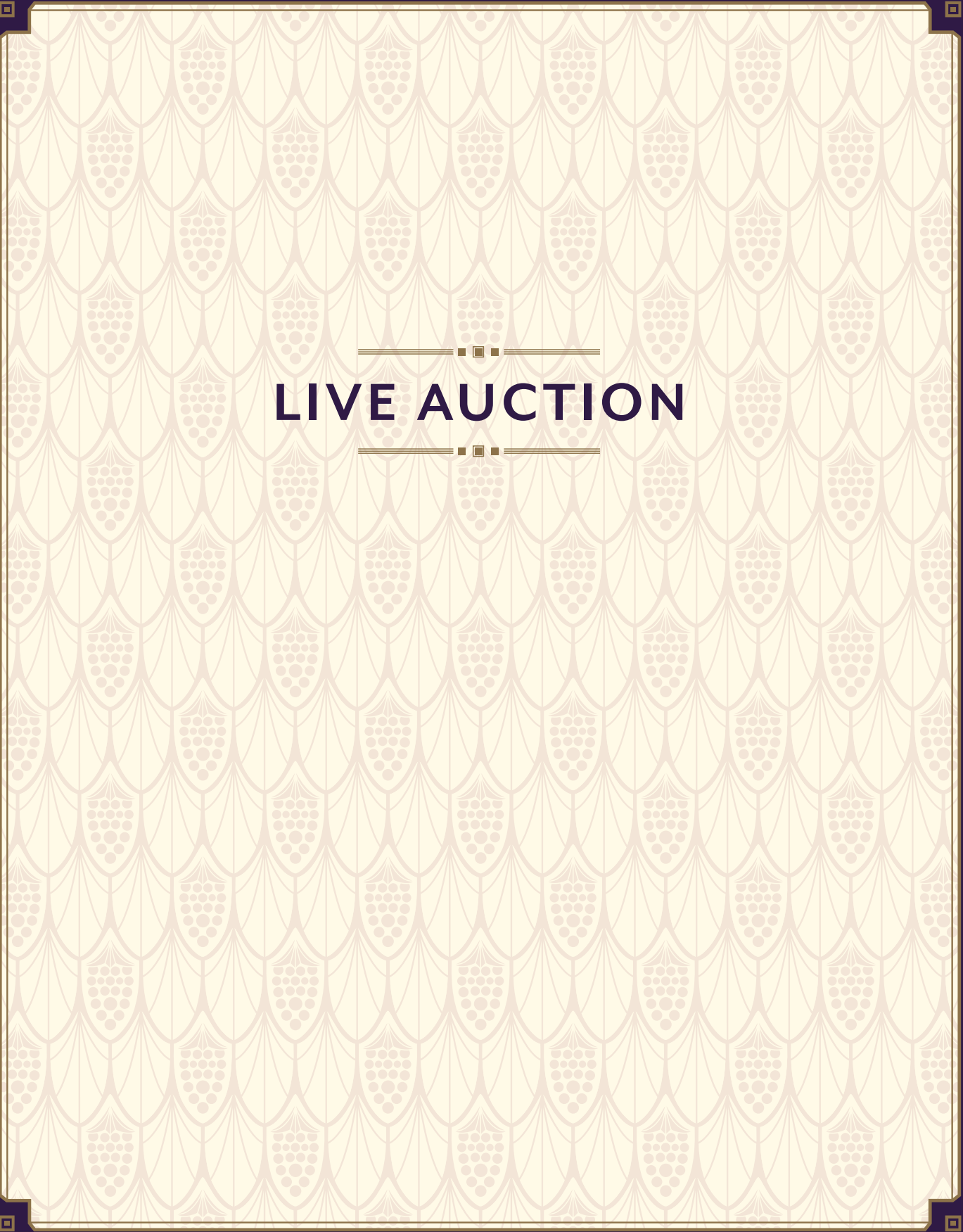


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**A MONUMENTAL START TO A MONUMENTAL
EVENT. LET THE BIDDING BEGIN!**

This is clearly one of the iconic wines of the last century and should be celebrated. It retains all its glossy, rich, flamboyant cassis fruit, with a hint of chocolate, berry jam-like notes, and plenty of earthy flavors. It is incredibly well-balanced and pure, scoring a perfect 100 ranking from Robert Parker.

The history of this property is rich and wild, and its prosperity can be traced to a storied Grande Dame—the original Countess de Lalande whose name still rests on this wine. Her leadership, and that of the indomitable May Eliane de Lencquesaing, previous Lyric Opera Wine Auction Honored Guest, illuminate the centrality of Grand Dames to the world of wine.

This lot is offered in **tribute to all the Grand Dames at Lyric Opera**—Carol Fox and Ardis Krainik, past and present members of the eponymous Lyric Opera Women’s Board, and divas from the fabulous Maria Callas to the graceful and dynamic Renée Fleming. We raise a glass to each of you!

LOT 1

**Château Pichon Longueville
Comtesse de Lalande 1982**

PAUILLAC, BORDEAUX
6 bottles

*Generously contributed by
Patrick G. and Shirley Ryan*

ESTIMATED VALUE \$4,800

LOT 2

Château Mouton Rothschild 1982

PAUILLAC, BORDEAUX
3 bottles

Generously contributed by
Mrs. Lisbeth Stiffel

ESTIMATED VALUE \$4,800

1982 MOUTON ROTHSCHILD IS ANOTHER OF THE LEGENDS OF BORDEAUX.

Amazingly youthful, pure and vibrant. **1982 Mouton Rothschild** is another of the legends of Bordeaux. It has moved beyond its youthful style that existed during its first 25 years of life, which yielded to a bouquet of secondary nuances as cedar and spice box. The creme de cassis, underlying floral note, full-bodied power, extraordinary purity, multilayered texture, and finish of over a minute showcase what this Château accomplished in 1982.

Robert Parker suggests Parker suggests that it is certainly capable of remaining fruity and vibrant in until 2082. This is a great wine, filled with complexity and brilliance.

Note: Two bottles are base neck level. One bottle is very high shoulder level.



JOHN HUSTON

LOT 3

Château Lafite Rothschild 1961

Château Latour 1961

Château Margaux 1961

Château Mouton Rothschild 1961

PAUILLAC, BORDEAUX
4 bottles, one of each

Generously contributed by
Mr. and Mrs. John H. Bryan

ESTIMATED VALUE \$11,800

MYTHICAL AND SUPERIOR ARE TWO WORDS THAT DESCRIBE BOTH THE DONOR'S CELLAR AND THE VINTAGE ITSELF.

Is 1961 the greatest vintage of the 20th century? Some say it is. There's composure and elegance throughout these wines, and even at this point in time—54 years old!—they show their deep berry fruit with layers of earth, mushroom and roses. In particular, **Château Latour** offers a regal perfume of tobacco leaf, cassis, iron, cedar, spice, truffle and forest floor notes. Powerful, full bodied, intense and deep, this concentrated wine takes over your palate with multiple layers of rich, ripe, spicy black fruits that fill your mouth and coat your palate. Latour 1961 personifies the term “iron fist in a velvet glove.” This is elegance meshed with power.

This is an exceptional opportunity to acquire all four of the First Growths in Pauillac, with perfect provenance.



LOT 4

A SINGULAR LOT
OF SIGNIFICANCE

Château Gruaud Larose 1961
(6 bottles)

Château Gruaud Larose 1982, 1983,
1986, 1989, 1990, 1995, 1996,
2000, 2003, 2005, 2009, 2010
(1 bottle each)

SAINT-JULIEN, BORDEAUX
18 bottles

Generously contributed by
Northern Trust and
Château Gruaud Larose

ESTIMATED VALUE \$6,000

“Can we photoshop 2002 to be one of the vintages actually offered? Either 2000 or 2003, 2005, 2009.”

ML - Certainly, if I am provided the label I can retouch the label onto the bottle utilizing the below photos as the “base”.



PRESENTING SPONSOR NORTHERN TRUST
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Northern Trust offers six bottles of the extraordinary 1961 Château Gruaud Larose, as homage to our Honored Guest. With such an impressive line-up in this auction, these bottles can be singled out as the greatest mature wines of Gruaud Larose. They have power, richness and dense concentration. It's a vigorous wine and remains fresh and young despite its age, with dark garnet color with some amber. The accolades continue for its wonderfully fragrant quality, a viscous texture, sensational depth of fruit and a fabulous, lengthy finish.

With its slogan ‘the wine of kings, the king of wines’, **Château Gruaud Larose revels in its celebrated Second Growth status** in the compact, cru classé-concentrated appellation of Saint-Julien, the smallest of the Médoc's famous regions. Gruaud Larose's 82 hectares of vines add up to almost 10% of all Saint-Julien's vineyards. Starting with the 1982, a wine that shows impressive concentration with polish and pure expressions of liquorice, cassis and plum, the following vintages in this **extraordinary vertical shine as well, with unparalleled provenance.**



LYNCH BAGES AND OJAI

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**AN UNOPENED CRATE OF FANTASTIC BORDEAUX,
AND A PLACE TO CELEBRATE ONE'S GOOD
FORTUNE IN LANDING IT AT AUCTION!**

This staggering **Château Lynch-Bages 2005** is a fantastic reminder of former Honored Guest and Lyric Opera friend Jean-Michel Cazes. He's still omnipresent at Lynch-Bages, the estate which overlooks the Gironde estuary at the entrance to Pauillac. As one could guess, there's still tannic structure in this dense purple-hued 2005, with beautiful ripeness, full-bodied mouthfeel and an undeniable brightness. It is potentially one of the longest lived Lynch-Bages since the remarkable 1989 and 2000.

Luxury awaits you in the majestic surroundings of Southern California's rural paradise, Ojai Valley Inn & Spa. Kick back, relax, and immerse yourself in the unsurpassed beauty of Ojai!

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Note: Expires February 7, 2016. Must be used midweek, Sunday through Thursday on a space-available basis. Excludes holidays, holiday weekends and black-out dates.

LOT 5

Château Lynch-Bages 2005

PAUILLAC, BORDEAUX
12 bottles in original wooden case
AND

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AT OJAI VALLEY INN & SPA**

4 days/3 nights

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ESTIMATED VALUE \$5,800

LOT 6

Heitz Wine Cellars Martha's Vineyard 1997

NAPA VALLEY
6 magnums, signed

Direct from the Library of Heitz Wine Cellars and signed by Kathleen Heitz Myers. Remarkable!

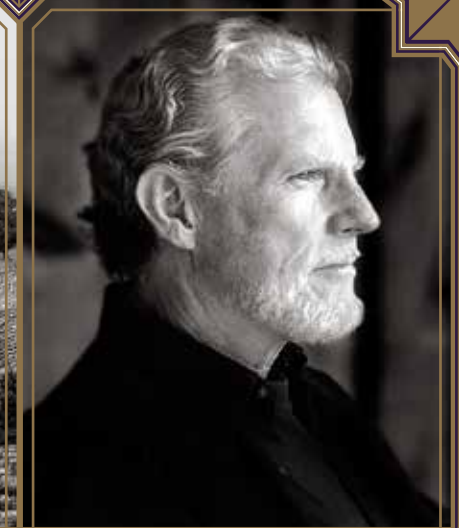
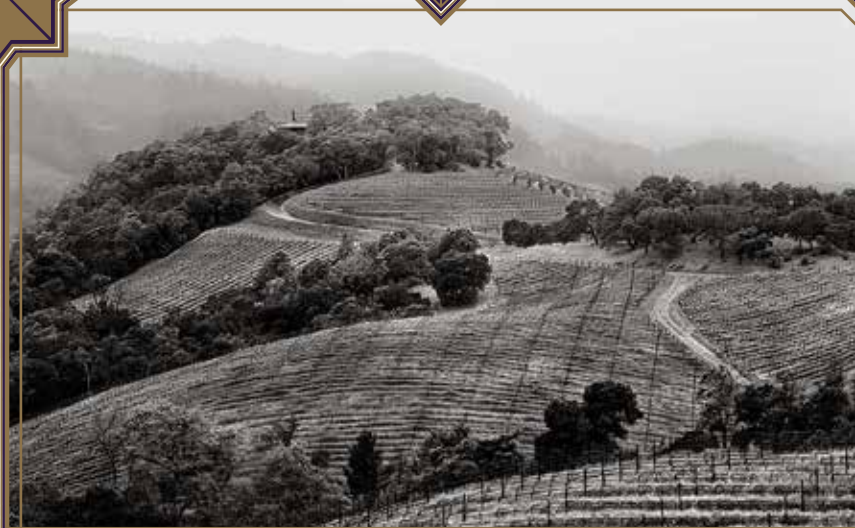
Wine Spectator underscored this wine's legendary status by selecting **Heitz Wine Cellars Martha's Vineyard Cabernet** as one of the Top 12 wines of the 20th Century. The **1997** vintage is a stunning example of copious black currant fruit intermixed with soil and mild pleasant undertones of licorice. The wine is medium to full-bodied, pure, ripe, and nicely-textured with a lengthy finish. In the mouth, the Cabernet fruit is wonderfully balanced with firm tannins, and the richness of layers adds to the complexity and intrigue.

"Heitz Wine Cellars has followed their impressive 1996 with these equally splendid cuvee honoring the late Joe Heitz."—Robert Parker.

These vintage 1997 magnums, direct from the winery, are a rare offering with perfect provenance.

Generously contributed by
Heitz Wine Cellars

ESTIMATED VALUE \$3,500



LOT 7

NAPA'S "FIRST GROWTH"

Harlan Estate 1997

NAPA VALLEY
6 bottles in original wooden case

"THE 1997 HARLAN ESTATE IS ONE OF THE GREATEST CABERNET SAUVIGNON BASED WINES I HAVE EVER TASTED."—ROBERT PARKER.

When Bill Harlan purchased 230 acres in Napa Valley in 1984, he clearly expressed his ambition to "create a first growth wine." Only 38 acres are cultivated with grape varieties Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot. Limited production, consistent acclaim from *Wine Spectator* and Robert Parker—including four scores of 100!—have cemented the wine's "Cult" status. **Bidders take note: This is not an easy wine to get your hands on.**

A blend of 80% Cabernet Sauvignon, with the rest Merlot and Cabernet Franc, 1997 Harlan is enormously-endowed and profoundly rich. Opaque purple in color, its soaring aromatics of vanilla, minerals, coffee, blackberries, licorice, and cassis are down right exuberant. In the mouth, layer after layer unfold powerfully yet gently with the acidity, tannin, and alcohol in harmonious balance. 100 points hardly seem adequate. The elongated finish goes on and on and the aging potential is unparalleled, making this drinkable far into the 2030's.

Generously contributed by
Guggenheim

ESTIMATED VALUE \$7,500

LOT 8

Next of Kyn Cumulus Vineyard
2009 Syrah
(3 bottles)

Next of Kyn Cumulus Vineyard
2009 Syrah
(1 magnum)

Sine Qua Non This is not an Exit
2009 Estate Syrah
(1 magnum)

Sine Qua Non Esto No Es Una Salida
2009 Estate Grenache
(1 magnum)

CENTRAL COAST CALIFORNIA
3 bottles and 3 magnums in original
wooden cases

Generously contributed by
Bain & Company

ESTIMATED VALUE \$5,000

SOME CALL MASTERMIND GENIUS MANFRED
KRANKL THE MAD SCIENTIST OF SINE QUA NON.
THE WINE AND THE BOTTLES ARE WORKS OF ART.

The Next of Kyn Cumulus Vineyard Syrah is an extremely expressive wine, deep in color with sweet notes of cassis, acacia flowers, licorice and a hint of pepper. **It's wildly intense with a full-bodied texture that is sure to please.** The immense purity of the fruit gives the 2009 tons of elegance and character and at the same time, big, rich, silky tannins. This blend of 80% Syrah, 14% Grenache and 6% Roussanne is shaping up to show its expressiveness and pedigree.

This is not an Exit Estate Syrah is a similar blend, with fruit from his **Santa Rita Hills Eleven Confessions Vineyard** plus a classic 1% dose of Viognier. The fruit bursts with rich kirsch, flower oil, smoked meats, licorice and graphite. It then hits the palate with intense richness, depth and loads of fruit with a blockbuster finish. **Sine Qua Non Esto No Es Una Salida Estate Grenache** benefits from a short half hour of decanting to allow the deep ruby colored concentrated wine to breathe. You'll maximize the aromas of black currant and cassis, and the lively flavors of blackberry and raisin.

Three magnums, three bottles, mad scientist winemaker? Your personal science experiment beckons.



LOT 9

Domaine G. Roumier, Ruchottes-
Chambertin Grand Cru 1989
(2 bottles)

Domaine Armand Rousseau,
Gevrey-Chambertin 1er Cru Clos
St Jacques 1993 (2 bottles)

E. Guigal, Côte-Rôtie La Landonne
1994 (2 bottles)

Domaine Jean-Jacques Confuron,
Romanée Saint-Vivant Grand Cru
1995 (2 bottles)

Domaine G. Roumier, Ruchottes-
Chambertin Grand Cru 1995
(2 bottles)

Château Rayas, Châteauneuf-Du-
Pape Reserve Grenache 1996
(2 bottles)

Domaine Jean-Louis Chave,
Hermitage 1997 (1 magnum)

Domaine Ponsot, Clos de la Roche
Grand Cru 1997 (2 bottles)

Marc Colin, Puligny- Montrachet 1er
Cru La Garrenne 2004 (2 bottles)

Château Pontet-Canet, Pauillac
2005 (2 bottles)

Château Léoville Poyferré, Saint
Julien 2005 (2 bottles)

Bruno Colin, Puligny- Montrachet
1er Cru La Truffiere 2006 (2 bottles)

CÔTE DE BEAUNE, CÔTE DE NUITS,
BURGUNDY
CÔTE-RÔTIE, HERMITAGE,
RHÔNE VALLEY
PAUILLAC, SAINT-JULIEN, BORDEAUX
22 bottles and 1 magnum

Generously contributed by
Guild of Sommeliers

ESTIMATED VALUE \$8,800

COLLECTORS, TAKE NOTE: THESE WINES SIMPLY
CAN'T BE FOUND ANYWHERE.

The cellar of the Guild of Sommeliers is a magical spot, sort of a Room of Requirement for wine lovers everywhere. Need some of **Marc Colin's Montrachet**? Think hard and it is yours. Having a 2005 Bordeaux emergency? *Voilà!* The **Pontet-Canet** or **Léoville Poyferré** appear. We've yet to meet a real life Harry Potter, but the Guild of Sommeliers has indeed offered an otherworldly lot in his absence.

The lot itself is breathtaking, spanning vintages and regions, true. The producers are world-class, A-list, and all that. What is even more remarkable—if that's possible—is how each wine elevates the other selections in the lot. Much like a well-spoken sommelier can decode the mysteries within the glass and bottle, unveiling the life and breath of the wine, these wines become almost supernatural in the context of each other.

This lot has been personally curated by the ultimate wine insiders, and the connoisseurship of their intentional selections is inspiring.

The purchaser of these items must exhibit sincere *need* in order to take home these enchanted items from our magical donors. Commence enthusiastic bidding!

LOT 10

50 SHADES

Ermitage Blanc, Chapoutier,
De l'Orée, 1994 (1 bottle)

Ermitage Blanc, Chapoutier,
De l'Orée, 1995 (1 bottle)

Ermitage Blanc, Chapoutier,
Le Méal, 1997 (1 bottle)

Ermitage Blanc, Chapoutier,
Le Méal, 1998 (1 bottle)

Ermitage Blanc, Chapoutier,
Le Méal, 1999 (1 bottle)

Ermitage Blanc, Chapoutier,
l'Ermité, 2001 (1 bottle)

Ermitage Blanc, Chapoutier,
De l'Orée, 2001 (1 bottle)

Ermitage Blanc, Chapoutier,
Le Méal, 2003 (2 bottles)

Ermitage Blanc, Chapoutier,
Le Méal, 2003 (1 magnum)

Ermitage Blanc, Chapoutier,
De l'Orée, 2003 (1 bottle)

Ermitage Rouge, Chapoutier,
l'Ermité, 2005 (2 magnums)

Ermitage Rouge, Chapoutier,
Le Méal, 2005 (2 magnums)

Ermitage Rouge, Chapoutier,
Le Pavillon, 2000 (6 bottles)

NORTHERN RHÔNE VALLEY
16 bottles and 5 magnums

Generously contributed by
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ESTIMATED VALUE \$5,800

Not sure you'll find any Grey in this lot, but you'll find every other shade here. This outstanding lot shows inky black to ruby to brilliant golden.

Michel Chapoutier is one of the most highly regarded winemakers in the world. Since taking over his family firm in 1990 at age 26, he has transformed the winery into the leading Rhône Valley producer. Chapoutier's family dates back to 1808, and their wines benefit from their deep knowledge of the land.

The **De l'Orée 1994**—an impressive 99 point wine—is intense golden yellow in color with a nose that can give fruity lemon with floral overtones of acacia and hawthorn. It has a well-rounded, full bodied mouthfeel. Robert Parker notes that in **1997**, Michel Chapoutier introduced a luxury cuvee of white Hermitage called **Le Méal**. It displays, in addition to cherry notes, an orange Grand Marnier characteristic to its fruit. It is an immense, full-bodied, fabulously powerful and concentrated dry white with a steely finish. There are only 300 or so cases of this wine produced annually.

In the 2001 **l'Ermité** you will find the Ermitage's oldest vines put to great use. Limpid straw yellow in color, this very round, rich wine will bring an elegant balance with just a light bitterness at the finish.



The dance of the white wines ends in 2003 for our two vineyards. The magnum of **2003 Le Méal** is extremely rare in format and a wonderful effort to be savored. The **2003 De l'Orée** shines brightly. The full-bodied white wine has a most beautiful bouquet of liquid minerals, citrus, honeysuckle and a tropical hint.

A quick word about our red wines in this lot. Two Syrah— **Le Pavillon** and **l'Ermité Syrah**— typify the absolute best of the region. The **2005 l'Ermité** is so full and round that it's expected to keep its fruit for up to 60 years, full of dark red fruit, a hint of white pepper and ethereal minerality. The black/blue-colored **2000 Ermitage Le Pavillon** is brilliant out of bottle. Notes of graphite, ink, licorice, creme de cassis, and minerals jump from the glass of this syrup of Hermitage. Full-bodied, unctuously-textured, gorgeously rich, spectacularly concentrated and long, it is a *tour de force* in winemaking.

Note: Ermitage Blanc, Le Méal 1998 has a torn label and 4 bottles of Ermitage Rouge, Le Pavillon 2000 have slightly torn labels.

Blue, black, yellow, red. Still no Gray, but this is an impressive 50 Shades of the wine-kind.





LOT 11

**Domaine Jean-Louis Chave
Hermitage 1988**

(2 bottles)

**Domaine Jean-Louis Chave
Hermitage 1989**

(2 bottles)

**Domaine Jean-Louis Chave
Hermitage 1990**

(2 bottles)

HERMITAGE, RHÔNE VALLEY

6 bottles

*Generously contributed by
Carl Stern and Holly Hayes*

ESTIMATED VALUE \$3,000

THE RARITY OF THESE RHÔNE BEAUTIES IN THIS SHORT VERTICAL SHOULD BE PRIZED.

Those who cherish the power and perfume of classic Hermitage know that the some of the greatest examples come from the Jean-Louis Chave family cellars. The family dates back to 1481 in the Northern Rhône region of Hermitage, continuing a five-century dynasty of extraordinarily high quality and pure expression of the region.

The beauty and complexity found in JL Chave Hermitage is in their masterful blending. The only grape used in their red wine is Syrah, but the wine is produced from a melange of the top sources in the appellation. Many Syrah add up to be greater than the sum of their individual parts.

The wines show a nice nose of black tea, black olive tapenade, smoky meat and earth notes. **They are certainly wine of great depth and structure, drinking very nicely right now but will benefit even more from another decade.** The 1990 is the bigger wine in the group, with huge and explosive flavors on the palate yet amazing polish and even more balance than the earlier vintages.

LOT 11_A

DINNER WITH RENÉE FLEMING, LYRIC'S MERRY WIDOW

Dinner and Wine for 10

Guests in your Home with special guest Renée Fleming

On November 21, 2016

Château d'Yquem VINTAGE TBD

(3 half bottles)

Dom Pérignon Brut Champagne 2002

(2 bottles)

Château Haut-Brion 2002

(2 bottles)

Château Latour 2003

(2 bottles)

Louis Jadot Les Demoiselles Chevalier-Montrachet Grand Cru 2010

(12 bottles in 2 original wooden cases)

PAUILLAC, PESSAC-LÉOGNAN,
SAUTERNES, BORDEAUX

CÔTE DE BEAUNE, BURGUNDY
ÉPERNAY

18 bottles and 3 half bottles

Special thanks to Renée Fleming

*Wines generously contributed by
Mr. and Mrs. Todd D. Mitchell,
Mr. and Mrs. James L. Sandner and
Mr. and Mrs. Carl D. Thoma*

*Catering generously provided by
Calihan Catering*

ESTIMATED VALUE \$9,500

An intimate evening with Renée Fleming, “the people’s diva”, could be yours! Gather a few of your closest friends and spend the evening, in the comfort of your home, chatting with Renée and enjoying the delectable food served by Calihan Catering. This once in a lifetime opportunity allows you to host an opera legend for a night. In addition, you will have a wonderful selection of wine including some of Renée’s favorite white burgundy. The 2010 **Les Demoiselles** impresses for its verticality, fabulous overall balance and completeness. It is a joy to taste! So start the evening by popping some bubbly **Dom Pérignon**. The 2002 vintage is the perfect way to begin a celebratory evening of old and new friends. Add some 2002 **Haut-Brion** which is suave and light on its feet, with excellent integrated acidity framing and extending the flavors. It’s been called a “classy and classic” wine, finishing with ripe, building tannins. Then, incorporate a Bordeaux legend with **Château Latour**. In a class of its own, Château Latour has been an incredibly consistent First Growth of the Medoc for over 100 years. And, some of the best wines from this storied history have come from the last twenty years. Regal, full bodied and powerful, the 2003 Latour is no exception to the greatness of this château. It boasts a dark color and a nose of licorice, espresso, blackberry, jam, earth, plums and spice. This wine lives up to the 100 point hype! Finally, top the evening off with the masterful wines of **Château d’Yquem**, and you are set for a perfectly paired evening of dinner, wine and Renée.

Note: Must take place in the purchaser’s home with a maximum of 10 people, including Renée.



EVEREST, THE PINNACLE OF CHICAGO'S FINE-DINING SCENE.

World-renowned **Chef Jean Joho** invites your party of six to marvel at the breathtaking views of Chicago as you take in an evening of exquisite wine and cuisine prepared by the master chef himself. Also enjoy the grand cru classé among the world's finest Bordeaux, and **Dom Pérignon's unbeatable Brut Champagne**. This luxurious lot has it all! Go ahead, spoil yourself!

With dinner, the **1990 Troplong Mondot** is a beautiful wine with a deep, rich, ruby-purple color, and an intense and complex bouquet of black fruit, spices and mineral notes. This wine has concentration and a mix of power, finesse and grace, with enough tannins and backbone to ensure great aging potential. And, the **fabulous 1994 Côte Rôtie La Landonne** has a dense dark purple color, with aromas of olive iron and black fruit.

The **1945 Graham Vintage Port** is a rare, rare treat. As Richard Mayson, the Decanter World Wine Awards Regional Chair for Port, notes, it is "among the finest vintage Ports declared this [20th] century". Decanter's veteran columnist Michael Broadbent declared in 1989 that it was 'outstandingly the loveliest' of the 1945 vintage Ports. A spectacular finish, indeed.

Note: Must be a mutually agreed upon date, Tuesday through Friday. Expires August 30, 2015. Wine will be taken home by the purchaser tonight; it is the responsibility of the purchaser to bring the wines to dinner.

LOT 12

CHEF JOHO DINNER AT EVEREST

Dinner and wine for 6 guests

Dom Pérignon 2000
(2 bottles in original case)

E. Guigal, Côte-Rôtie La Landonne 1994
(2 bottles)

Château Troplong Mondot 1990
(1 bottle)

Graham Vintage Port 1945
(1 bottle)

ÉPERNAY
CÔTE-RÔTIE, RHÔNE VALLEY
SAINT-ÉMILION, BORDEAUX
PORTUGAL
6 bottles

*Generously contributed by
Mr. and Mrs. James J. O'Connor,
Mr. and Mrs. John Bryan,
Chef Joho and Everest*

ESTIMATED VALUE \$4,200

LOT 13

TRIP FOR TWO TO PARIS AND BORDEAUX

6 days/5 nights

\$7,500 travel credit
redeemable on American Airlines
(See travel notes p. XX)

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PREMIER PARIS & THE BEST OF BORDEAUX

PREPARE YOURSELF TO INDULGE IN THE CITY OF LIGHTS AND THE BEST OF BORDEAUX.

Your time in Paris is luxuriously your own. On the other hand, Bordeaux is a whirlwind of fabulous visits with the creme de la creme, including tonight's Honored Guest!

INCLUDES, FOR TWO GUESTS

- 3-night stay in a **ROOM TYPE TO COME** at **Park Hyatt Paris Vendôme**, located in the heart of Paris and overlooking the fashionable Rue de la Paix
- Breakfast each morning
- Dinner at Park Hyatt's Michelin-starred restaurant, **Pur'**
- 2-night stay at **Golf du Médoc Resort and Spa**, located just outside Bordeaux and classed among the top 15 golf courses in continental Europe
- Greens fees and the opportunity to play golf with tonight's Honored Guest, David Launay of Château Gruaud Larose
- Lunch, private tour, and tasting at **Château Gruaud Larose** with David Launay
- Lunch, private tour, and tasting at the historic **Château Palmer**
- Two additional visits at **first growth Châteaux of the Medoc**: either **Château Lafite Rothschild, Château Mouton Rothschild, Château Margaux, or Château Latour** (choosing just two will be hard, but we know you can do it!)

*Note: Accommodations must be scheduled generously in advance.
Golf with M. Launay must be scheduled as his availability permits.*

BLISSFUL TIME IN PARIS PAIRED WITH WORLD-CLASS GOLF AND VISITS TO THE FINEST CHATEAUX OF BORDEAUX.

Generously contributed by
Park Hyatt Paris Vendôme, Golf du
Médoc Resort and Spa, David Launay
and Château Gruaud Larose, Château
Palmer, OTHERS, and American
Airlines

ESTIMATED VALUE
\$7500+4500+WHAT?





LOT 14

LES NOMADES & CHÂTEAU PALMER

Dinner and wine for 6-8 guests

Château Palmer 2005

MARGAUX, BORDEAUX
6 bottles

*Generously contributed by
Les Nomades and Château Palmer*

ESTIMATED VALUE \$3,200

LES NOMADES, ONE OF CHICAGO'S MOST CHERISHED MAINSTAYS, IS DISTINGUISHED FOR ITS BEAUTIFUL EXPRESSION OF FRENCH CUISINE.

This package champions classic French dining, with a memorable six course dinner for 6-8 guests. Special guest **Jean-Louis Carbonnier, Château Palmer's Director of the Americas**, will attend and curate a wonderful evening with Château Palmer 2005. Roland Liccioni, the chef at Les Nomades, under the lovely eye of owner Mary Beth Liccioni, will feature a sublime menu to compliment Ch. Palmer's spectacular offering.

A few words about **Château Palmer 2005**: Its aromas of incense, burning embers, black currants, plums, licorice and flowers are followed by a full-bodied wine with more weight and power than its nearby first-growth rival, Château Margaux. The abundant acidity and tannins are beautifully coated by the wine's exceptional fruit extract and overall harmony and richness." (97 points) - Wine Advocate #176, April 2008

Note: Date must be mutually agreed upon and excludes weekends. Expires February 7, 2016. Does not include gratuity or tax. Wine will be taken home by the purchaser tonight; it is the responsibility of the purchaser to bring the wines to dinner.

SIR ANDREW'S FAVORITE RISOTTO

Chicago's authority on Tuscan dining, Coco Pazzo, invites you to dinner for six with Lyric's authority on opera, Sir Andrew Davis! Since its 1992 opening, the praise continues to roll in from critics and longtime guests of this renowned restaurant, whose seasonal cuisine conjures up the most vivid pictures of life and cuisine in Italy. The classic beauty and impeccable service create a lovely setting for the rare opportunity to share memorable stories with Lyric Opera's magnetic **Music Director Sir Andrew Davis**. Not coincidentally, Coco Pazzo is Sir Andrew's absolute favorite restaurant!

Executive Chef Federico Comacchio's menu will be matched with wines from Italy's best producers, in great vintages. All are drinking beautifully, and camaraderie shared over this once-in-a-lifetime meal will be one for the books. Now that's Italian!

Also enjoy a magnum of super Tuscan **Sassacaia** from Tenuta San Guido, a 7,500-acre estate located on the western coastal outskirts of Tuscany. This mature Italian wine sings in the glass!

Note: Server gratuity is not included. Date to be mutually agreed upon by Coco Pazzo and Sir Andrew Davis, and expires May 1, 2016.



LOT 15

COCO PAZZO

*Dinner and wine for 6 guests with
Sir Andrew Davis*

Ca' del Bosco Franciacorta Brut Millesimato NV (1 magnum)

Gaja Gaia & Rey Chardonnay 2011 (1 bottle)

Marchesi Antinori Pian delle Vigne 2008 (1 bottle)

Marchesi Antinori Tenuta Guado Al Tasso 2009 (1 bottle)

Gaja Barbaresco 2010 (1 bottle)

Felsina Berardenga Vin Santo Chianti Classico 2004 (1 bottle)

Wine to take home with you tonight:

Tenuta San Guido Sassacaia 1990 (1 magnum)

LOMBARDY, PIEDMONT,
TUSCANY, ITALY
6 bottles and 1 magnum

*Generously contributed by
Coco Pazzo and Sir Andrew Davis*

ESTIMATED VALUE \$9,200

LOT 16

TRIP FOR TWO TO TUSCANY AT THE PRIVATE ESTATES OF ITALIAN ROYALTY

4 days/3 nights

Masseto 2008

(1 imperial)

Lungarotti Rubesco Vigna Monticchio, Torgiano Rosso Riserva DOCG 2007

(1 magnum)

TUSCANY, UMBRIA, ITALY

Generously contributed by Marchesi Antinori, Cary and Tara Kochman, the Masseto Estate, Johnson Ho and Pantheon Wine Shoppe, LUNGAROTTI Winery, Torgiano

ESTIMATED VALUE \$18,500

ITALIAN LEGENDS UP CLOSE AND PERSONAL

VISIT THE PRIVATE ESTATES OF LEGENDARY ITALIAN WINEMAKING FAMILIES AND MEET THE MODERN DAY MASTERS OF ITALIAN WINE.

Tonight, take home an **Imperial of Tenuta dell'Ornellaia Masseto 2008**. This wine is everything that Italian wine lovers crave. **James Suckling ranked this wine "#1 in Top Dozen Bottles Tasted in 2011**. Opulent and complex, with dark fruits such as plums and blackberries. Milk chocolate. Dried herbs too. Black olives. Stunning nose. Full bodied, with firm and chewy tannins, but a very creamy texture, and lots of milk chocolate, berry and mineral character. It goes on for minutes. Clear and powerful. Savory and salty. **One of the best Massetos ever."**

TRIP FOR TWO INCLUDES

- 1 night at the **Frescobaldi** family's **Masseto estate**, one of the most prestigious wine estates in the world — often referred to as the Château Pétrus of Italy
- Personal vineyard tour with Masseto's CEO, **Giovanni Geddes** and Winemaker, **Axel Heinz**
- Private luncheon and tasting with Masseto's executive management team with a very rare historical tasting of Masseto's top vintages stretching back to the legendary 1997 and 2001 masterpieces
- Wine and dinner at the Michelin-starred **La Pineta**, which overlooks the beach of **Marina di Castagneto**, where the fresh catch of day turns into stunning dishes; featuring wines from **Tenuta dell Ornellai**
- Breakfast the following morning

- 2 nights at the Antinori's Villa Tignanello, located in the heartland of Chianti Classico, and known as the Antinori's private country-house
- Tour of **Tignanello Vineyards and Cellars**, whose wines have been lauded by the international press as "amongst the most influential wines in the viticulture history of Italy"
- Wine tasting and lunch at **Villa Tignanello**
- Dinner at **Osteria di Passignano**, Antinori's outstanding Michelin-starred restaurant
- Private visit to **Antinori nel Chianti Classico cellar**, which will wind you through six centuries of history of the Antinori family and their passion for producing wine
- Tasting and lunch at **Rinuccio 1180**, situated on the rooftop of the cellars and boasting a stunning view of the surrounding landscape
- Visit to **Badia a Passignano Estate**, an abbey which plays a vital role in the story of Chianti Classico
- Guided tour and tasting at the renowned **Lungarotti Winery** situated in the green heart of Umbria
- Admission and audio guide at **MUVIT, Wine Museum of Torgiano**

Note: Antinori visits expire December 2016. Voucher must be sent at least two months before date of arrival. Reservation based on availability. Masseto visits expire February 2017. Scheduling subject to mutual convenience and requires significant advance notice. Blackout dates for Lungarotti tours include Saturday afternoons and Sundays, and April 6, May 1, June 2, December 8, and December 24 to 27, all in 2015. Advance reservation required.

THIS DECADENT ITALIAN TOUR LEAVES NO GREAT SENSATION OVERLOOKED!



LOT 17

FINE FOOD, WINE, ART,
SPA AND MUSEUMS

4 days/3 nights
Trip for four guests

Generously contributed by
Tom and Kathy Futey, Caritas Financial,
Chef Jonathon Sawyer, Restaurant
Trentina and The Greenhouse Tavern,
and Walden Inn and Spa. All dinner
wines donated by Caritas Financial.

ESTIMATED VALUE \$15,000

DESTINATION CLEVELAND

Be among insiders who know this foodie paradise intimately, and have included the cult wines to prove it! Cleveland has culture in spades. From the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame to privately guided tours at each of Cleveland's most important art museums and galleries—this is Cleveland as you've never experienced it before.

INCLUDES

- 3-night stay at **Walden Inn**, one of the country's five-star inns, includes 1 lunch and 2 brunches (numbers to be confirmed)
- Dine at Walden Inn's signature gourmet dining room, **The Barn**, for an unforgettable meal in a unique setting. The meal will feature sensational California wines from **Futo, Ovid, Shafer Vineyards, Scarecrow, Bond, and Kapcsandy**.
- **Spa Walden** includes treatments, and lunch at Walden Inn
- The chef's table is all yours at **The Greenhouse Tavern** with wines from **Sine Qua Non** and **Saxum**. Meet **Chef Jonathon Sawyer** after enjoying his local interpretation of French farmhouse cuisine.
- VIP tour of the **Rock and Roll Hall of Fame** to experience the story of one of the world's most powerful art forms
- Private guided tours at the **Cleveland Museum of Art, Museum of Contemporary Art Cleveland, and Cleveland Clinic Art Gallery**
- Savor the signature tasting menu, Menu Bianco, at Chef Jonathon Sawyer's Northern Italian inspired **Trentina**. The menu will also highlight a selection of beverage tastings and **First Growth Bordeaux**
- **Car and driver** provided for guests for two days

Note: Must book early for dates during wedding season (May-September) or enjoy the city during the height of the cultural season (September 1-November 30). Expires May 31, 2016. Must take place during mutually agreeable dates with participating chefs.

DEPART CLEVELAND WITH NEWFOUND APPRECIATION OF THE OUTSTANDING CULTURE—FOOD AND WINE, MUSIC AND MUSEUMS—OF THIS FABULOUS MIDWESTERN CITY!



LOT 18

AFRICAN SAFARI FOR TWO, ACCOMPANIED BY WILDLIFE PHOTOGRAPHER SUE FLOOD

8 days/7 nights at the Bushcamp Company Mfuwe Lodge in South Luangwa National Park

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bushcampcompany.com

ZAMBIA SAFARI OF A LIFETIME

Sue Flood, award-winning wildlife photographer, filmmaker and author, accompanies you on this luxury safari of a lifetime.

INCLUDES

- 7-night stay for 2 guests at the award-winning **Mfuwe Lodge** in South Luangwa National Park where you can lounge on the open deck, take a dip in the swimming pool, or pamper yourself in the luxurious sanctuary of the **Bush-Spa**
- A once-in-a-lifetime personalized vacation photobook documented and compiled by world-renowned wildlife photographer **Sue Flood**, whose clients include BBC, Discovery Channel, and Animal Planet
- Game drives (day and night), birdwatching, guided walking safaris, foow

Note: Valid through February 29, 2016. Does not include park fees/conservation levies, visa fees, bar charges. Photographer arrangements should be scheduled generously in advance.

AN UNRIVALLED WILDLIFE EXPERIENCE IN ONE OF THE LAST UNSPOILED WILDERNESS REGIONS OF AFRICA. GIRAFFE, BUFFALO, ANTELOPE, CROCODILE, ELEPHANTS – MARVEL AT THEIR MAJESTY AS YOU ENCOUNTER THEM IN THE WILD, AND THEN REMINISCE FOR A LIFETIME TO COME THROUGH THE BEAUTY OF YOUR MESMERIZING PHOTOGRAPHS. AWAY YOU GO!

Generously contributed by Ms. Sue Flood and The Bushcamp Company

ESTIMATED VALUE \$13,000



LOT 19

TRIP FOR TWO TO BUENOS AIRES AND PATAGONIA

7 days/6 nights

\$7,500 travel credit
redeemable on American Airlines
(See travel notes p. XX)

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Generously contributed by
BOP – Best of South America and
American Airlines

ESTIMATED VALUE \$17,500

PENGUINS AND THE BEST OF PATAGONIA

From the colorful cosmopolitan energy of Buenos Aires to the breathtaking glaciers of Patagonia, explore the staggering beauty of our neighboring continent with this whirlwind adventure.

INCLUDES

- All private transfers from airports to destinations during the entirety of the trip to ensure consistent comfort.
- All in-country flights.

In Buenos Aires:

- 2-night stay at the **Alvear Art Hotel** in Buenos Aires' historic district, steps from San Martin Plaza
- Lunch at **Contraluz**, the hotel's stylish modern restaurant
- Private half-day Buenos Aires Highlights Tour, visiting the hubs of the **Main Square, San Telmo, La Boca** and **Puerto Madero**
- Dinner and tango show at **Esquina Carlos Gardel**

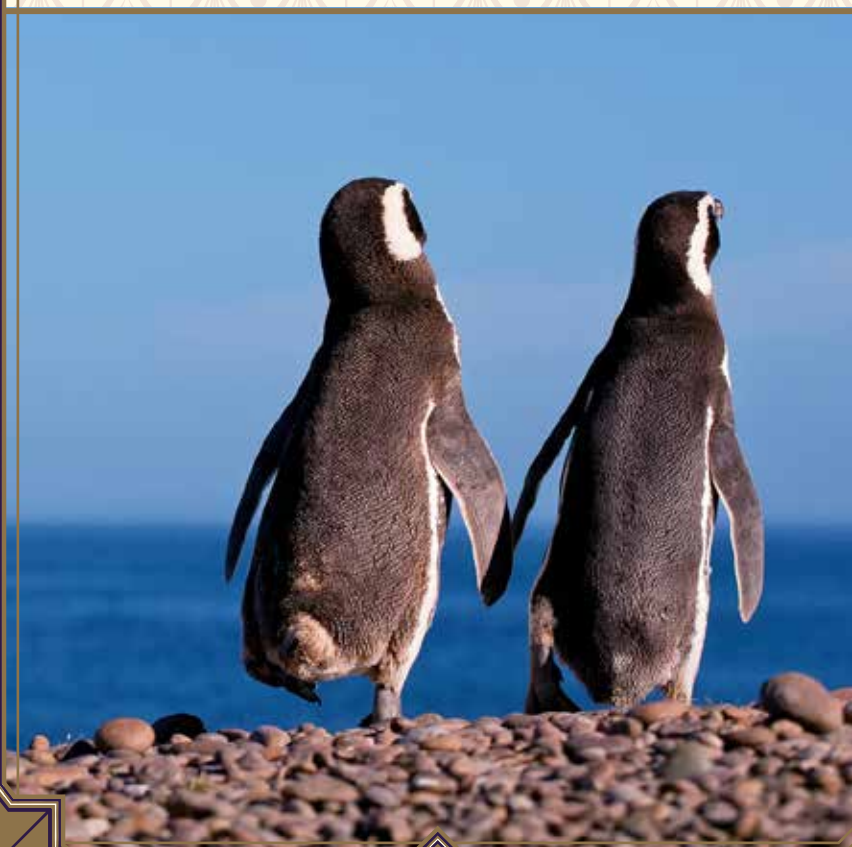
In Patagonia:

- 2-night stay at **EOLO – Patagonia's Spirit**, a magnificent country lodge located in a vast landscape of pure and unspoiled Patagonian beauty
- Includes breakfast, lunch, tea, and dinner with non-alcoholic drinks
- Trekking and mountain biking through Mount Frias and in La Anita Valley assisted by bilingual guides
- Your choice of either a private full-day guided excursion to one of the most important Patagonian destinations, **Perito Moreno Glacier**, or a trip with shared navigation on **Lake Argentino**, Argentina's largest fresh-water lake where you will enjoy a gourmet lunch aboard

- 2-night stay at the breathtaking **Los Cauquenes Resort** in Ushuaia, the southernmost city in the world
- Includes breakfast each morning, and shuttle service between hotel and Ushuaia city center if desired
- Unforgettable canoe excursion to **Gable Island** and a nearby **penguin colony**

Note: Expires February 2016. Subject to availability in each destination, to be used during low season. [CAN WE PURCHASE THIS IN HIGH SEASON](#) Not valid for Easter Holidays, Christmas, New Year or any other national holiday.

LIKE THE WATER YOU'LL SEE MELTING OFF THE GLACIERS YOU VISIT, THIS TOUR OF PATAGONIA WONDERMENT IS A PURE EXPRESSION OF LUXURY SERVICE IN EXCLUSIVE TRAVEL.



LOT 20

SPOT FOR TWO ON THE ARCTIC KINGDOM'S POLAR BEAR MIGRATION FLY-IN SAFARI

5 days/4 nights
October 18-22, 2015

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WALK WITH THE POLAR BEARS

Need something new on your bucket list? How about a safari in the Arctic?

Watch in awe as one of the world's most magnificent predator species, the polar bear, engage in their natural habitat. Based in the remote Arctic tundra, 140 kilometers north of Churchill, Manitoba, Arctic Kingdom's one-of-a-kind polar bear safari adventure is designed to get you as close to these fascinating creatures as possible so that you can quite literally walk with them in their natural environment.

INCLUDES

- Airport pick-up and drop-off in Churchill, Manitoba
- 40-50 minute flight aboard a private, turbo otter aircraft from Churchill north along the west coast of the Hudson Bay to the base just south of Arviat, Nunavut.
- 4-night stay for 2 guests in rustic, yet comfortable **Polar Bear Cabins**, equipped with full power and heat and surrounded by an electric fence to ensure safety from polar bears who may venture close by. All meals included.
- Full service of Inuit guides and Arctic Kingdom Staff who are specially trained to maximize polar bear photography opportunities without endangering you or the bears. You may be able to view mothers with cubs, polar bears sparring and playing, foraging for food, or doing a little "bear yoga".

Note: Safari begins in Churchill, Manitoba. Tips, gratuities, and personal expenses not included. Travel, medical and evacuation insurance coverage not included. Departure transfer not included. Additional costs associated with weather/flight delays and/or layovers beyond Day 2 in Churchill, Polar Bear Cabins, and Winnipeg including flight changes, additional hotels and meals not included.

CHECK "WALK WITH THE BEARS DOWN POLAR BEAR ALLEY" OFF YOUR BUCKET LIST!

Generously contributed by
Arctic Kingdom

ESTIMATED VALUE \$14,0000



LOT 21

ANA MARÍA MARTÍNEZ IN-HOME RECITAL

*In-home catering generously contributed
by Park Hyatt NoMI Kitchen*

ESTIMATED VALUE PRICELESS



Charismatic. Elegant. Vibrant. Dazzling. These are just a few words often used to describe the talents of one of opera's reigning sopranos, Ana María Martínez. Fresh from successes on stage at Lyric in the Diamond Anniversary Gala and season-opener *Don Giovanni*, this gracious star is offering an **intimate recital in your home**. Welcome this world-renowned artist into your residence for a private performance of art songs personally selected by Ms. Martínez. She frequently performs in recital with collaborator Plácido Domingo, as she will at Lyric next winter, but for this lot she'll have a partner of a different sort: **NoMI Kitchen** will provide best of Chicago dining in the comfort of your own home. NoMI will work with you with you to create a menu highlighting the best products from local farmers, cheese makers, ranchers, bakers and artisans.

With Ms. Martinez joining you for dinner, and NoMI in the kitchen you will undoubtedly be calling for an encore, and waking up the next morning wondering if it was all perhaps just a dream!

Note: Catering for up to ten guests. Purchaser may pay NoMI Kitchen directly for any additional guests. Mutually agreeable date. Ms. Martinez availability must be planned generously in advance.

This is such a rare and generous offer. Yes, this is the only case of Port in the Live Auction. **And, at the time of writing, this is the only original wooden case available in the entire United States.**

Taylor holds a prime position, often described it as the Latour of port, implying strength of character, sturdiness and the great capacity for long life. Of all the vintage ports, these need the longest time to mature and even when fully mature seem to have an inner strength and firmness that keep them going for decades. The **1963 Taylor** is quite fabulous yet still seemingly capable of developing for another decade or more.

Our lovely donors held this case from its release until now. Wow, and thank you.

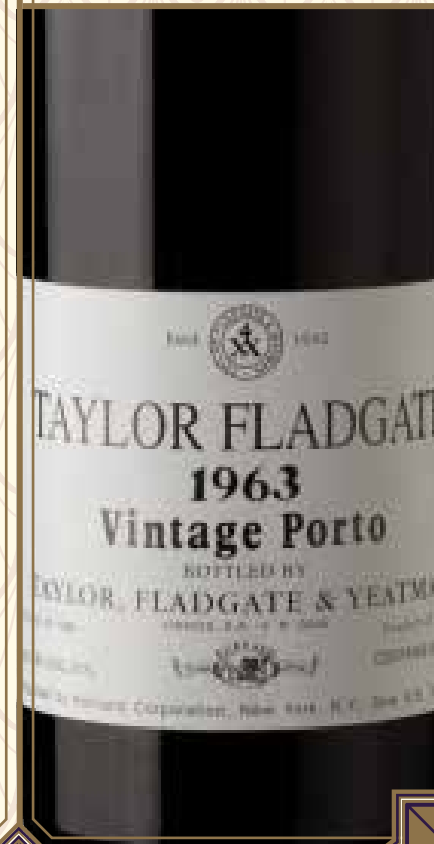
LOT 22

Taylor Fladgate Vintage Port 1963

DOURO VALLEY, PORTUGAL
12 bottles in original wooden case

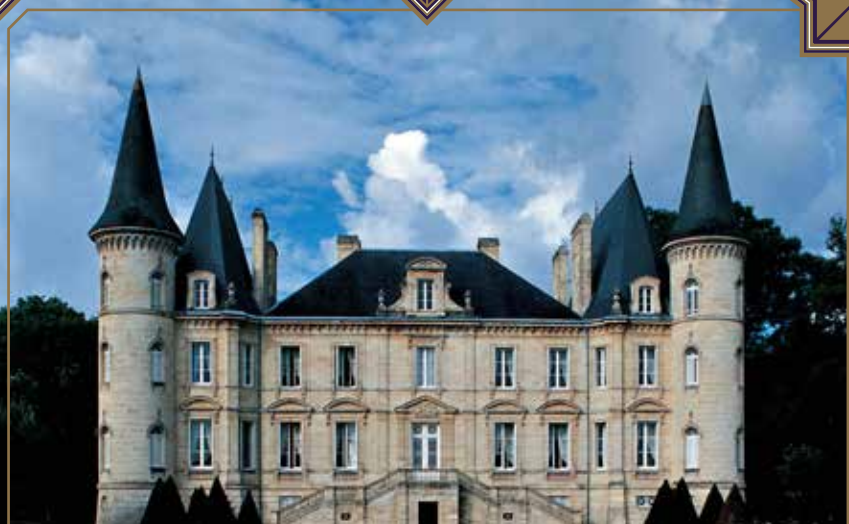
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by Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Weiss*

ESTIMATED VALUE \$4,500





APPELLATION PAUILLAC CONTRÔLÉE
MIS EN BOUTEILLES AU CHATEAU



LOT 23

Château Pichon Longueville Baron
2000

PAUILLAC, BORDEAUX
12 bottles in original wooden case

Generously contributed by
Ann and Gregory K. Jones

ESTIMATED VALUE \$2,800

THE BARON IS CALLING YOUR NAME!

In Bordeaux, the summer of 2000 was essentially perfect. In 2003, when this wine was first released, critics were falling all over themselves talking about this first vintage of the 21st century. Some of those millennium memories have faded, but this wine has most definitely not. Robert Parker says this is a candidate for one of the “wines of the vintage, and most definitely one of the finest wines made at the estate.” 2000 Château Pichon Baron possesses an opaque black/ruby/purple color with absolutely alluring, almost sexy, flamboyant aromatics of black fruits, toast and cedar. It’s a full-bodied gem, exquisite on the palate, with many layers of flavors.

Will you answer the baron’s call?



LOT 24

Château Mouton Rothschild 1985

PAUILLAC, BORDEAUX
12 bottles in original wooden case

Generously contributed by
Stephen A. Kaplan and Alice K. Sigler

ESTIMATED VALUE \$5,000

30TH ANNIVERSARY MOUTON “OWC”

The 1985 vintage celebrates the 30th anniversary of this excellent wine. **This case was bought on release and stored at optimum conditions since that time.** This Château Mouton Rothschild, owned by (the late) Baroness Philippine de Rothschild and her children, is regarded as one of the world’s greatest wines. It wasn’t until 1973 that the Baron obtained the revision of the 1855 classification so Mouton would be officially recognized as a First Growth. In celebration of the liberation of France, the label started off with a V for Victory and since has had an ever changing label for each vintage, each created by a famous painter. The blend for this vintage: 10% Cabernet Franc, 75% Cabernet Sauvignon, 12% Merlot, 3% Petit Verdot. **This supple, velvety-textured, rich, forward, long and sexy Mouton is clearly one of the finest Medoc first-growth in 1985.**

LOT 25

Château Haut-Brion 1995

PESSAC-LÉOGNAN, BORDEAUX

12 bottles

Generously contributed by
Harris Family Foundation

ESTIMATED VALUE \$6,000

HONEY, IS THIS THE '82 OR THE '95?

Château Haut-Brion wines have an unmistakable nobility and a burgeoning complexity. This 1995 is majestic and still drinking young with a harmony between the very soft and very fine structure. Wine Journal with Neal Martin likens it to the “lovely 1982.” One can enjoy it now but there are still mostly primary flavours here with only hints of cigar, leather and sweet spices that dominate Haut-Brion’s mature wines. Tannins are velvety and supple with flavours that linger for a long time on the finish. It has great charm, and Robert Parker praises the brilliant wine maker Jean-Bernard Delmas for his handling of the vintage. Drink one now, and for every year for the next 11 years. Sounds like a good plan to us, but we’re not sure we could be that patient.



CHATEAU
LA MISSION HAUT-BRION



2009

MIS EN BOUTEILLE AU CHATEAU

DOMAINE CLARENCE DILLON
PROPRIETAIRE

LOT 26

Château La Mission Haut-Brion 2009

PESSAC-LÉOGNAN, BORDEAUX

1 imperial

YOUR MISSION, SHOULD YOU CHOOSE TO BID NOW, WOULD BE A 100-POINT WINE OF INTENSITY, RICHNESS, OPULENCE AND CHARM.

There’s a total of 26 hectare under vine on the property with a *terroir* composed of deep gravel over clay and sand in the soil for red grapes. The vines are settled in, averaging 27 years of age, with a mix of 46% planted to Cabernet Sauvignon, 44% to Merlot and 10% to Cabernet Franc. “The wine is full-bodied, concentrated and requires several years to develop. The perfume offers smoke, tobacco, earth, truffle, spice and cassis scents. It’s got dense flesh and great drive on the finish, which has serious grip.” -*Wine Spectator*, March 2012

Our advice? Accept this Mission with alacrity!

Generously contributed by
Carl and Marilyn Thoma

ESTIMATED VALUE \$7,200

LOT 27

Château Haut-Brion 2009

PESSAC-LÉOGNAN, BORDEAUX
1 imperial

Generously contributed by
Carl and Marilyn Thoma

ESTIMATED VALUE \$9,000

Full-bodied, with incredible structure this wine is so powerful in tannins, yet so polished. The extraordinary nose of plum, blueberry, raspberry, crushed rock, and that intriguing floral from the Graves shouts out distinct *terroir*. There's a vibrancy and precision to this wine that is unprecedented, and Robert Parker agreed by awarding 100 points; one of the most structured Haut-Brions, and has 15% Cabernet Franc, a bit more than is typical. It's clearly made to age for decades to come so don't be in a hurry to open this. It'll benefit from laying this down a bit longer, or at least until 2021.

This imperial presentation will tempt even the most civilized among us, but we would not recommend shaking, nor stirring.



WE THINK OF THIS
AS THE JAMES BOND
OF WINES. "BRION.
HAUT BRION."

THE AMBASSADOR'S FAVORITES

PLACEHOLDER These eleven bottles are a decadent tour of Bordeaux's best properties in mature vintages. 1981 Margaux was given 95 points by Wine Spectator, and stands the test of time for elegance and longevity. These eleven bottles are a decadent tour of Bordeaux's best properties in mature vintages. 1981 Margaux was given 95 points by Wine Spectator, and stands the test of time for elegance and longevity. These eleven bottles are a decadent tour of Bordeaux's best properties in mature vintages. 1981 Margaux was given 95 points by Wine Spectator, and stands the test of time for elegance and longevity. These eleven bottles are a decadent tour of Bordeaux's best properties in mature vintages. 1981 Margaux was given 95 points by Wine Spectator, and stands the test of time for elegance and longevity.

LOT 28

Château Margaux 1981
(1 bottle)

Château Pichon Longueville
Comtesse de Lalande 1982
(1 bottle)

Château Léoville-Las-Cases 1985
(1 bottle)

Château Margaux 1990
(1 bottle)

Château Beycheville 1995
(1 bottle)

Château Lafite Rothschild 1995
(1 bottle)

Château Latour 1995
(1 bottle)

Château La Mission Haut-Brion
1995 (1 bottle)

Château Mouton Rothschild 1995
(1 bottle)

Château Cos d'Estournel 2004
(2 bottles)

MARGAUX, PESSAC-LÉOGNAN,
PAUILLAC, SAINT-ESTÈPHE,
SAINT-JULIEN, BORDEAUX
11 bottles

Generously contributed by
Ambassador Louis Susman

ESTIMATED VALUE \$5,200



LOT 29

Château Latour 2005
PAUILLAC, BORDEAUX
6 magnums

Latour 2005. If ever a wine should speak for itself, this one does. Feel good about bidding and taking home these 99-point magnums. They are the future holy grail of wine collection, and the measure by which future cellars will be valued.

*Generously contributed by
Sue and Steve Sutton*

ESTIMATED VALUE \$15,000



LOT 30

**Domaine de la Romanée-Conti
Grand Échézeaux 1988**
(1 bottle)
**Domaine de la Romanée-Conti
Romanée-Saint-Vivant 1989**
(1 bottle)
**Domaine de la Romanée-Conti
Grand Échézeaux 1995**
(2 bottles)
CÔTE DE NUITS, BURGUNDY
4 bottles

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LOCK UP**

Domaine de la Romanée-Conti (DRC) is widely considered among the world's greatest wine producers, and these bottles are among the world's most expensive. It takes its name from the domaine's most famous vineyard, Romanée-Conti situated in the Vosne-Romanée appellation of Burgundy. Its a treasure to come across these rare vintages that are even unusually seen at auction. The 1988 is decadently rich and spicy with an extraordinary perfume of violets, gamey, plum-like fruit, and toasty new oak. The finish is impossibly long, lasting seemingly for several minutes. A few years later, the 1995 is a more austere and masculine wine with a certain density that is remarkable. It offers superb black fruit flavors and a firm tannic backbone. You will have delusions or visions of grandeur as you sip these wines since they might be the most regal of all of Burgundy.

*Generously contributed by
Mayer Brown LLP*

ESTIMATED VALUE \$5,000

LOT 31

Louis Jadot Les Demoiselles
Chevalier-Montrachet Grand Cru
2010

CÔTE DE BEAUNE, BURGUNDY
12 bottles

Generously contributed by
Jim and Sara TenBroek

ESTIMATED VALUE \$5,000

AHHHHH, BURGUNDY. A LITTLE GEOGRAPHY.

Chevalier-Montrachet Les Demoiselles is located to the south of the Côte de Beaune, at the summit of the slope where the world-renowned villages of Puligny-Montrachet and Chassagne-Montrachet converge, but on the Puligny commune, just above Le Montrachet. It's *un acre petit*, measuring in at only 1.28 acre, but we are in Burgundy after all. The chalky subsoil here drains perfectly, producing some of the loveliest Chardonnay grapes anywhere.

Lovers of white burgundy, this is your time to bid. This Grand Cru wine is aged 15-18 months in oak barrels before bottling. Former Honored Guest Pierre Henri Gagey says that this vinification highlights the unique qualities inherent in the fruit of this great vineyard. Its bright, golden colour and penetrating fragrance of toast and honey predict the rich, mellow fruit flavours, velvety elegance and intense finish of this exceptional wine, which overflows with grace and elegance.



LOT 32

Marcassin Estate Chardonnay 2008

SONOMA COAST
8 bottles

Generously contributed by
Baker Tilly Virchow Krause LLP

ESTIMATED VALUE \$4,000

AHHH, SONOMA. TIME FOR GEOGRAPHY LESSON NUMBER TWO.

The Sonoma Coast AVA is remarkable territory which reveals a dramatic influence on this perfect scoring Chardonnay. It runs along the coastline of Sonoma County, but its boundaries veer sharply inland just east of Bodega Bay, and then spread southwards and eastwards into the Petaluma Watershed. The land has but 2% planted to grapes and the plots are widely dispersed across the more than 500,000 acres that make up the region.

Marcassin and phenomenal winemaker Helen Turley absolutely shine year in and year out. **The 2008 is deemed one of the two or three most profound Chardonnays made in California, ever.** This 100-point wine would stand proudly at any tasting of white Burgundies. It's unquestionably the Chardonnay of the Vintage boasting great acid, phenomenal concentration and staggering length. Drink it now or lay it down until 2026. You won't forget this one.



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EFFECTIVE DPI: 122

LOT 33

PRIVATE TOUR AND TASTING OF HALL WINES' NEW ST. HELENA TASTING CAMPUS

2012 SONG Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon

1 imperial, etched and hand-painted

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SONG™ generously sponsored by Abbott
Private tour and tasting generously provided by HALL Wines

ESTIMATED VALUE \$6,200

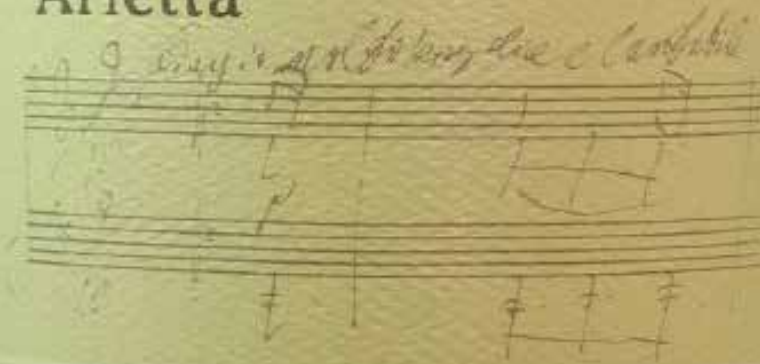
Commissioned by the Women's Board of Lyric Opera of Chicago, SONG is intended to evoke the elegance of opera and the ethereal nature of the voice producing beautiful sound. Capturing the voice of the wine itself, this exquisite HALL blend fits the bill to a tee. Fruit from HALL Wines' exalted Sacrashe Vineyard and historic Bergfeld Vineyard were blended to produce a wine with velvety tannins and fresh acidity. Rich in dark berry and cassis flavors and borne on an opulent structure, SONG will gracefully age for 15 to 20 years.

HALL makes great wine, and we are so proud to partner with them for the 2012 SONG. HALL wines has previously been named Winery of the Year, and Robert Parker reviews of the 2012 HALL portfolio of wines placed them solidly in the 96-97-98+ range. SONG reflects that same exacting standard of excellence. We are so very pleased.

Kathryn Hall was raised on her family's Mendocino County vineyard, and went on to serve as U.S. Ambassador to Austria.

HALL Wines is known to collectors for consistent winemaker excellence, hospitality, and contemporary art. Vintners Craig and Kathryn Walt Hall and Winemaker Steve Leveque will welcome you for a **private tour and tasting in HALL Wines' new St. Helena tasting campus.**

Arietta



NAPA VALLEY - VINTAGE 2003



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EFFECTIVE DPI: 218

LOT 34

Terlato Family Vineyards, Episode 2002

(6 bottles in original wooden case)

Arietta Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley 2003

(12 bottles)

Arietta Red Wine, H Block Hudson Vineyards 2005

(6 bottles)

NAPA VALLEY
24 bottles

Generously contributed by
Paula and Jim Crown

ESTIMATED VALUE \$3,400

MORE CONTEMPORARY AND FABULOUS AMERICAN WINE!

Episode is the pinnacle wine for the renowned Terlato Family Vineyards, and can easily stand shoulder to shoulder with the best Bordeaux of the world. This 74% Cabernet Sauvignon, 24% Merlot, 2% Malbec blend is an elegant wine and an instant classic. The mild summer of 2002, with warm days and cool nights, led to the lovely 2002 vintage here. Enjoy its smooth texture with intense blackberry, mulberry and chocolate covered cherry flavors in this nicely layered Napa Valley star.

Arietta, an ultra-premium Napa winery specializing in limited production Bordeaux-style blends, takes its name from Beethoven's Arietta movement of his final Piano Sonata. The label is musical, as are the wines within. The 2003 Cabernet Sauvignon was the widely praised debut wine for the label which is owned by Fritz and Caron Hatton. Arietta Red Wine H Block Hudson Vineyards is a blend of Cabernet Franc and Merlot. The Cabernet Franc is solely from the 2.3 acre Hudson Vineyards H Block, a shy-bearing, volcanic, southwest facing slope, which naturally yields just three tons per acre. Beautiful wines from Napa Valley, this Arietta assortment will be music to your taste buds!

LOT 35

CULT. NAPA. ENJOY.

Harlan Estate 2000
(2 bottles)

Grace Family Vineyard 2001
(2 bottles)

Scarecrow 2007
(2 bottles)

Hundred Acre ARK Vineyard 2009
(1 bottle)

**Hundred Acre Kayli Morgan
Vineyard 2009**
(1 bottle)

NAPA VALLEY
8 bottles

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J. Christopher and Anne N. Reyes

ESTIMATED VALUE \$4,500

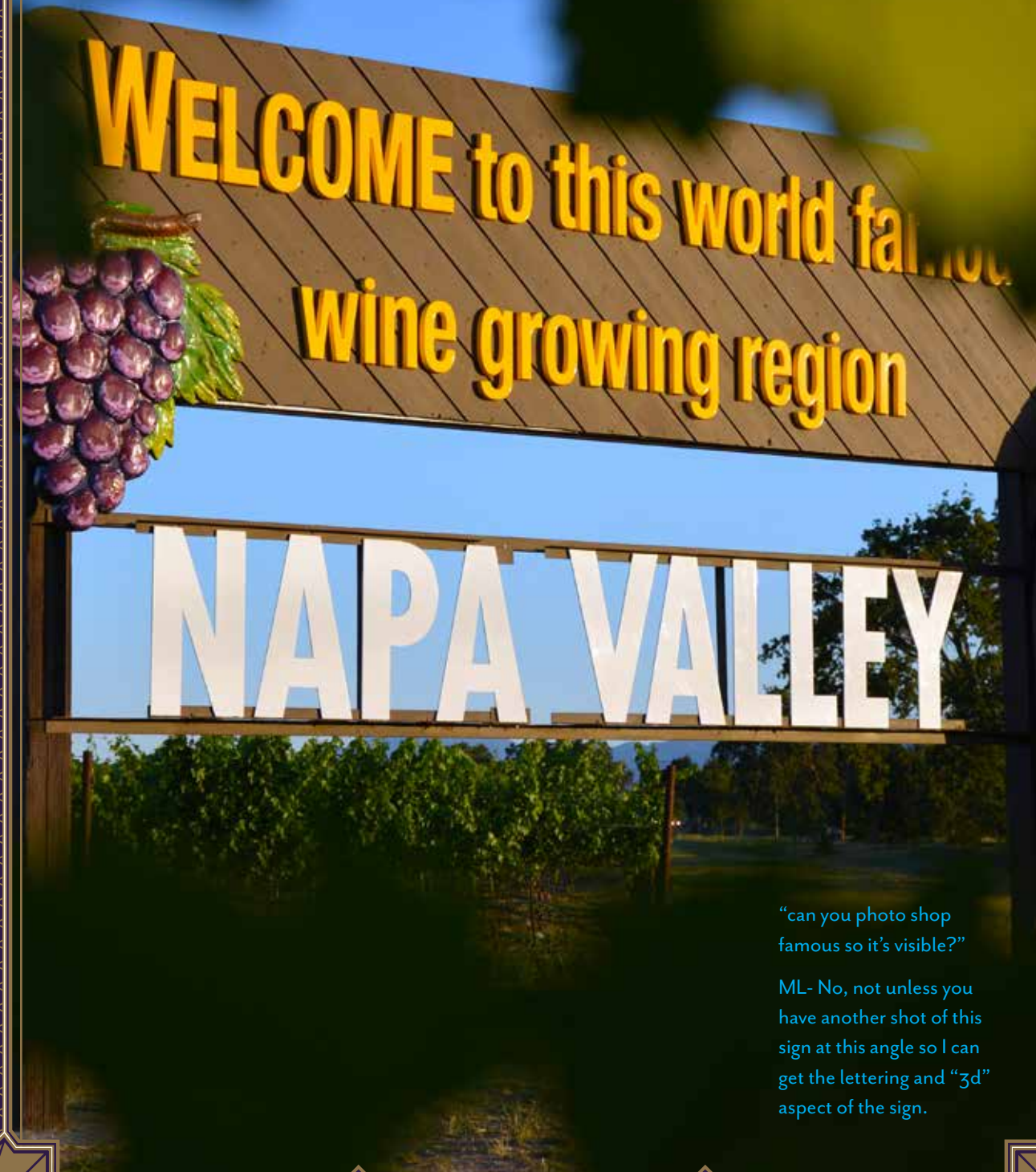
DID NAPA VALLEY DEFINE CULT? WE THINK SO.

Harlan Estate is a property that covers fewer than 30 acres, split over 24 small blocks located on slopes with various exposures in the western side of Oakville. Harlan 2000 is “a stupendous wine that epitomizes the Harlan style of grace and power,” raves *Wine Enthusiast*. **Hundred Acre** wines are made by sorting the fruit berry by berry, fermented in small French oak fermenters, and long aging in the finest barriques. The vineyard is located at the base of Howell Mountain in the stunning St. Helena, land that is composed of volcanic soil strata that benefits from a 180 degree arc of the sun. The 100% Cabernet Sauvignon **Kayli Morgan 2009** is a great showing. This wine is generous and textured with layers of dark red fruit, espresso, new leather and spices. High-toner floral notes and the silkiest of tannins frame the striking finish. The **ARK 2009** is a huge win: dense and rich but dry, with highly concentrated, complex flavors of plum, chocolate, tobacco and woodsmoke. An intense deep wine with dark red fruit, flowers, mint, licorice and exotic spices are some of the many notes that flow from this fabulously textured Cabernet Sauvignon.

The nose of **2001 Grace Family Vineyard** is explosive, big, spicy, black currant. It’s got great balance and very good medium weighted mouthfeel. Sweet intense flavors of black currants and dark plums make this a substantial wine, delicious and also with remarkable structure.

Round this off with the 100-point perfect scoring **2007 Scarecrow**, with huge aromas of ripe currant, plum and blackberry, with a dash of mocha-laced oak. This massive-bodied dark beauty gives off lovely floral scents, has the most elegant structure then finishes firmly with length. Its perfect balance suggests it can be drunk at a relatively young age, but it should easily evolve over 30-35 years.

Massive and intense, sublime and delicious. And definitely worthy of obsession.



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HOW DID CHATEAU MONTROSE GET ITS NAME?

According to local legend, when the heather was in flower, the hillsides turned pink. Keep in mind, pink is rose in French. In time, sailors on the river referred to the area as Mont Rose. Due to that local strain of dialect, the owner, the Dumoulin family eventually followed along with the sailors and began calling their Left Bank estate, Chateau Montrose.

At the beginning of the eighteenth century, Château Latour started to be highly recognized around the world, thanks to the reconquest of the British market and the development of the wine business in Northern Europe. The aristocracy and other wealthy groups of consumers became very enthusiastic about a few great estates, of which Latour was one. And that was how Thomas Jefferson, ambassador of the United States in France, and future President, discovered this wine in 1787. At that time, a cask of Château Latour was already worth twenty times as much as one of ordinary Bordeaux wine.

Château Lafite Rothschild dates back to at least the 13th century and is one of the most famous and collected wines in the world. The vineyard's 112 hectares consists of well-drained and well-exposed soil made up of fine, deep gravel of aeolian sand and tertiary limestone.

Château Haut-Brion has one of the longest and most interesting histories of any Bordeaux wine Château. The property derives its name from an ancient Celtic term "Briga," which loosely translates to a rise or mount in the land. This unique *terroir* was prized for growing grapes as far back as 600 years ago. Official records for the 1660 and 1661 wine cellar ledgers of English King Charles II show that at least 169 bottles of the wine of *Hobriano* were poured for royal guests. The first reference to the wine of "Haut Brion" proper is now considered the first official review of any wine, ever. On April 10, 1663 Samuel Pepys (the Robert Parker of his day) made a note after drinking Haut-Brion at London's Royal Oak Tavern: "There I drank a sort of French wine called Ho-Bryan that hath a good and most particular taste I never met with." A good and most particular taste sounds great to us.

A narrow suburban street divides two ancient properties located within the city limits of Bordeaux. Château Haut-Brion's former rival, La Mission Haut-Brion has actually shared ownership with its neighbor since 1983, but La Mission's wines maintain their distinctive wilder identity: more powerful and more tannic, often displaying a meaty, truffle character with extended time in bottle.

CALIFORNIA ROYALTY WITH CHICAGO ROOTS.

John Shafer is the patriarch of Napa Valley. Revered for his work in the vineyards as well as for his commitment to philanthropic causes, he has championed the wines of Shafer Vineyards since the early days of Napa, when he moved his family there from Chicago in 1972.

Hillside Select is one of the world-class wines of Napa. The estate keeps this cuvee 32 months in 100% new French oak and each of the bottles here show amazing finesse. This signature wine of Shafer Vineyards is sourced from the slopes of an amphitheater-like structure of rock, where the volcanic soil sits atop weathered bedrock. This unique landscape contributes to the hill's quick runoff and forces the vines to work ever so hard to produce clusters of grapes with small, intensely flavored berries. Thanks to this diligent effort, the Hillside Select truly is a "wine of a place", and reflects the heart of Stag's Leap District.

The 2007 has fantastic aging potential, especially in this Imperial bottling, and it scores a very high 98 points. It takes concentration, graciousness and complexity to its highest level in Napa Valley. An inky/blue/purple color is followed by sweet aromas of blueberries, blackberries, charcoal and subtle toast. The wine possesses fabulous concentration, a seamless/flawless personality, a textbook integration of alcohol, wood, tannin and acidity, an almost endless finish and a voluptuous texture.

We are so deeply honored that Shafer Vineyards has donated to each and every Lyric Opera Wine Auction, since our very first auction in 1988. Thank you, so much, to this wonderful partner in our efforts.

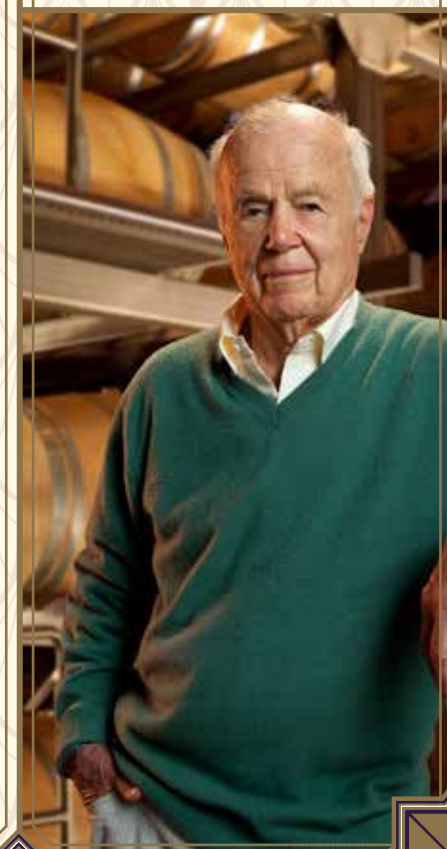
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Shafer Vineyards Hillside Select 2007

NAPA VALLEY
1 imperial

Generously contributed by
Shafer Vineyards

ESTIMATED VALUE \$3,000



LOT 37

SLOAN ESTATE 2000

(3 bottles in original wooden case)

Favia Cerro Sur 2011

(6 bottles)

Favia La Magdalena 2011

(6 bottles)

Favia Cabernet Sauvignon 2011

(6 bottles)

NAPA VALLEY

21 bottles

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Mr. and Mrs. Charles Huebner

ESTIMATED VALUE \$3,800

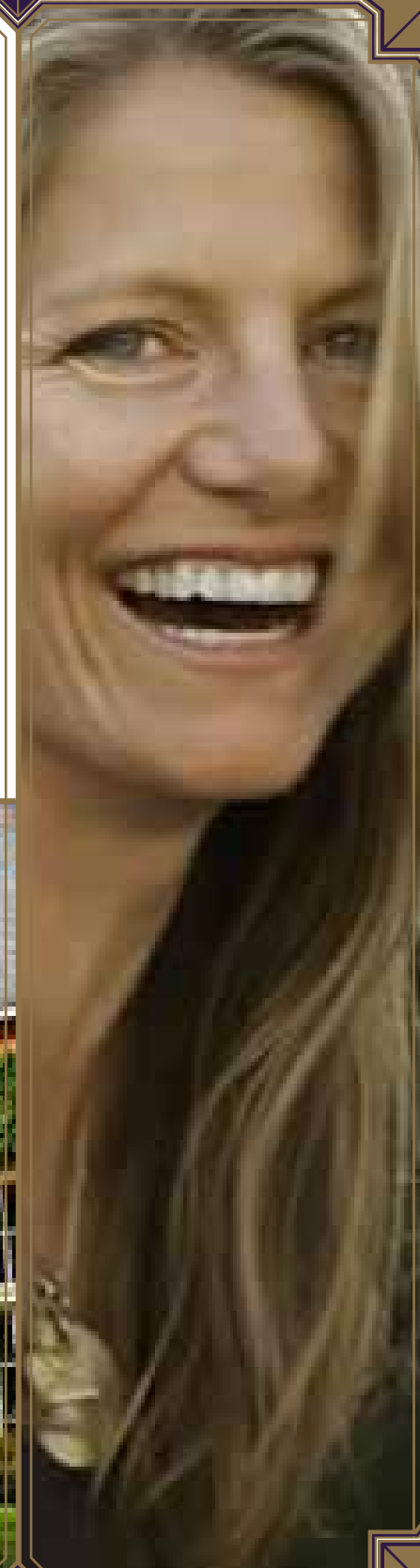
FAVIA IS FABULOUS AND SLOAN IS TOO!

Vineyard specialist Annie Favia, who herself spent a decade working with David Abreu, convinced her husband Andy Erickson (winemaker for Dalla Valle, Ovid, Dancing Hares and Arietta with past stints at Screaming Eagle, Staglin, and Harlan—for some serious name-dropping!) to set up shop in Coombsville.

Tucked behind neighborhoods on Napa's east side, Coombsville begins where the city ends, far south of the more famous "up-valley" destinations. Marine incursion layers that snake into the Napa Valley from the San Pablo Bay arrive here first and leave here last, resulting in one of the valley's longest growing seasons. Coombsville is likely the coolest cab-producing region in the Napa Valley which results in extraordinary balance and lower alcohol levels in the best cases.

So how is it working out in Coombsville? Well, the **2011 Cerro Sur** shows silky layers of dark red berries, dried flowers, sage and exotic spices, all in a rich, voluptuous style that is impossible to resist. There is plenty of underlying tension and minerality to balance the fruit in this compelling wine. Moving into the **La Magdalena**, it has a distinct personality with its 50/50 blend of Cabernet Franc and Cabernet Sauvignon. Bright ruby-red in color, it boasts vibrant aromas of red currant, cherry, licorice and violet. The **Cabernet**, which is 50% made of Oakville fruit, still has the mark of this stellar winemaking team, but the warmer climate grapes giving it a fuller body and mildly longer finish. Altogether, this Favia Collection offers endless "Coombsvillian" pleasure.

And then there's **SLOAN**. **2000 is the inaugural vintage**, and only 310 cases were produced this year. It's insanely dense, powerful, and typical of the Napa style Cabernet produced. Generally considered one of the most exclusive and guarded wines in California, here's an **exceedingly rare opportunity to own three bottles—one for you, your sister, and the friend who always opens the wine you bring to dinner!**



LOT 38

DEL FRISCO'S + BLACKBIRD

4-course dinner for 8 guests in the Oak Room at Del Frisco's Double Eagle Steak House

Blackbird Vineyards Bespoke Collection Portfolio Road Show with a Winery Principal

Wine to be taken home tonight:

Blackbird Vineyards, Illustration 2012
Blackbird Vineyards, Paramour 2012
Blackbird Vineyards, Contrarian 2012

NAPA VALLEY
3 hand-etched magnums, one of each

*Generously contributed by
Del Frisco's and Blackbird Vineyards*

ESTIMATED VALUE \$4,000

BLACKBIRD LANDS AT DEL FRISCO'S

There is nothing better than pairing an incredible Chicago steakhouse with a world-class wine portfolio. **Enjoy a fabulous meal for 8 guests at Chicago's Del Frisco's restaurant,** located in the historic Esquire Theater. Its lavish interior—including a show-stopping, three-story wine tower—was designed to preserve the landmark theater's original architectural elements while creating a convivial dining environment. **A representative from Blackbird Vineyards will attend.** You and your guests will enjoy limited-production varietals from **Blackbird Vineyards, Ma(i)sonry Napa Valley and Recuerdo Wines**—a perfect complement to Del Frisco's celebrated steakhouse fare! To sweeten the lot, enjoy three of **Blackbird's 10th anniversary** wines: the Pomerol-inspired Merlot **Illustration**, the irresistible blend of Cabernet Franc and Merlot in **Paramour**, and the aromatic blend of Cabernet Franc, Merlot, and Cabernet Sauvignon of **Contrarian**.

Note: Must be a mutually agreeable date. Expires February 1, 2016.



LOT 38^A

BE ONSTAGE DURING AN ENTIRE OPERA AS PART OF THE CAST

THIS IS YOUR MOMENT.

Make your childhood dream come true with this once in a lifetime opportunity to be part of the cast of ROMEO & JULIET? NABUCCO? during the 2015-2016 season. Wear a costume, be given stage directions. You'll have an onstage partner to make sure you know when to enter and exit, where to go, and what to do. No singing required. **THERE WILL BE MORE COPY. NOT SURE WHAT IT MIGHT SAY, BUT AT LEAST THIS IS AN OK PLACEHOLDER.**

*Generously offered by
Anthony Freud, General Director of
Lyric Opera of Chicago, and Lyric
Opera of Chicago*

ESTIMATED VALUE: PRICELESS

LOT 39

TWO COUPLES OR ONE
FAMILY WITH SKI-AGE
CHILDREN

7 days/6 nights at the private
ski lodge home of Ross and Billie
McKnight

\$5,000 travel credit
redeemable on American Airlines
(See travel notes p. XX)

MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN LODGE

Set in one of Beaver Creek's most impressive ski lodge residences, this family trip — or couples getaway! — will entice the most dedicated of mountain flyers. Available in prime ski season (with a few exceptions), make this your home away from home. Located in Strawberry Park, you won't ever want to leave this gorgeous 11,000 square foot, three-story retreat, fully appointed in Western Log Cabin Deluxe. Multi-media room, exercise room, and four master suites all have exceptional views of the breathtaking mountains.

INCLUDES

- Ski in, ski out access from runs off the Strawberry Park Express Lift and Elk Horn Ski Run.
- Dinner for four at **Splendido**, an elegant and rustic American dining experience
- Lunch or dinner for four at **Beaver Creek Chophouse**, located right next to the Beaver Creek Lift Area
- Enjoy a romantic sleigh ride and dinner for four at **Beano's Cabin**, nestled high on Beaver Creek Ski Mountain

Note: Available November-April during the rest of the 2015 or 2015-2016 ski seasons at mutually acceptable times. Black-out dates: December 20-January 5, Texas Spring Break (typically March 6-March 15).

**ADRENALINE AND LUXURY RARELY COMBINE
SO PERFECTLY. RECKLESS ABANDON ON THE
SLOPES? BRING IT WITH YOUR BID TONIGHT!**

Generously contributed by
Ross and Billie McKnight

ESTIMATED VALUE \$24,500



LOT 40

STARS OF THE STAGE GRACE + HARLAN

Private dinner for 8 at Grace, featuring Harlan Estate wines paired specifically for the determined menu by Harlan Estate's Director, Don Weaver.

Wine to take home with you tonight:

Harlan Estate 2010

NAPA VALLEY
1 double magnum

*Generously contributed by
Grace Restaurant and Harlan Estate*

ESTIMATED VALUE \$10,000

It doesn't get brighter! This package will find you at **Grace** restaurant, just awarded three perfect, shining stars by the esteemed 2015 Michelin Guide. One of just twelve restaurants in the United States with this rare distinction, Grace teams up with Napa Valley juggernaut **Harlan Estate** to present a culinary adventure for eight. Chef Curtis Duffy and his culinary team will develop a customized, 10-course menu featuring the micro-seasonal fare for which Grace is famed – served in the restaurant's modern **private dining room**. Harlan Estate's Director Don Weaver will also attend, closely collaborating with Chef Duffy to pair wines best suited to the evening's journey. Don't be afraid to brag – this experience will be the envy of all who appreciate fine dining and California wines. *Nothing* compares to a gastronomic experience of this kind!

Note: The certificate is valid through February 7, 2016, and must be scheduled on a mutually agreeable date generously in advance. Dinner wines will be shipped directly to the restaurant, or the Harlan principal attending the dinner will deliver the wine personally.



LOT 41

COLGIN CELLARS VISIT
AND LUNCHEON FOR UP
TO EIGHT

AND
MEADOWOOD RESORT
AND SPA STAY FOR TWO*

3 days/2 nights

\$5,000 travel credit
redeemable on American Airlines
(See travel notes p. XX)

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Colgin Cellars, Meadowood Napa
Valley and American Airlines

ESTIMATED VALUE \$10,000

COVETING COLGIN?

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“I had been looking for a great piece of untouched hillside property for many many years,” says Ann Colgin. This lot is an unparalleled opportunity to tour, taste, and touch Colgin’s domain high on Pritchard Hill in Napa. Viticulture defined, IX ESTATE’s masterful winemaking will be fully on display as you dine luxuriously with the wines of Colgin and your ever elegant host.

INCLUDES

- **Colgin Cellars**, located at IX ESTATE high above Lake Hennessey on a secluded mountaintop in the Pritchard Hill area of St. Helena, invites you to their private, state-of-the-art facility offering majestic views and exquisite wines which create a lasting impression.
- Enjoy lunch for **eight guests with a special guest chef** as well as a **tour of Ann Colgin’s exceptional art collection**. These superb works of art are displayed throughout the Estate and are a reflection of Ann’s background in the arts and the winery’s celebrated aesthetic. Marvel at masterworks from the 13th century to Andy Warhol to Ellsworth Kelly.
- Your host for this Colgin experience will be **Paul Roberts, Master Sommelier and Chief Operating Officer**. Paul will provide your party of eight with a unique and invaluable perspective of Colgin Cellars.
- 2-night stay at **Meadowood Napa Valley**, a stunning retreat with breakfast included each morning at **The Grill**. Internationally known as *the* place to stay in Napa, Meadowood is in the heart of all that Napa has to offer.

*Note: Colgin experience must be scheduled generously in advance for a weekday date of mutual agreement, and expires 8/17/2016. Meadowood lodging available Sunday-Thursday during months of November-July and does not expire. *Additional rooms may be purchased directly from Meadowood.*

IMMERSE YOURSELF IN THE GLORY OF NAPA VALLEY WITH THIS INCREDIBLE OFFERING FROM MEADOWOOD AND COLGIN!



LOT 42

BIRD HUNTING ADVENTURE FOR FOUR IN ENTRE RIOS ARGENTINA

7 days/6 nights

\$7,500 travel credit
redeemable on American Airlines
(See travel notes p. XX)

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Los Ombues Hunting Lodge/
Carlos Sanchez and Palacio Duhau -
Park Hyatt Buenos Aires and
American Airlines

ESTIMATED VALUE \$23,700

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COMBINE YOUR PASSION FOR WORLD-TRAVEL AND WINE WITH THE SKILL OF THE HUNT.

Two couples? Four guys on a City Slicker adventure?
All it takes is four adventure loving hunters to take aim!

OR..... MAYBE IT IS SHOOT AND SHOP!

Shoot and Shop? Sure! Four couples buy in and The Hunters
head to Los Ombues, and The Shoppers (which is really
hunting of another kind!) head to Buenos Aires. Each group has
a fantastic four-day/three night excursion!

INCLUDES

- Private transfers will take you to and from your destinations to ensure consistent comfort. To get to Los Ombues, you may select either private air transportation or car service.

At Los Ombues:

- 3-night stay for 4 guests with full board included at **Los Ombues**, Argentina's finest bird hunting lodge, and the only one in the country to boast an Orvis endorsement
- 3 full days of dove shooting within walking distance from the house
- Every guest is assisted by a bird-boy who picks up and counts shot doves, and over fifty brand shotguns are available to rent on the premises
- Tasting of the top Argentine Malbecs provided by lodge owner Carlos Sanchez, including **I THINK WE HAVE THEM**

Note: Only dove shooting, not mixed bag. Accommodations must be September-April. Shells, tips, hunting/gun licenses and clearance, and international airfare not included.

In Buenos Aires:

- 3-night stay for 4 guests (two rooms) at **Palacio Duhau - Park Hyatt Buenos Aires**, located in the heart of the French heritage district of Recoleta
- Private, curated Buenos Aires highlights tour, discovering characteristic neighborhoods and eclectic architecture, sweeping avenues, tree-lined boulevards and narrow streets, domes, ornamented façades and parks with handsome monuments

NOW THAT'S A BULLSEYE!





LOT 43

MK + SPOTTSWOODE ESTATE

Dinner for 8 at MK featuring wines from Spottswode Estate

Spottswode Family Estate Grown Cabernet Sauvignon 2009
(1 magnum)

Spottswode Family Estate Grown Cabernet Sauvignon 2010
(1 magnum)

Spottswode Family Estate Grown Cabernet Sauvignon 2010
(6 bottles)

Spottswode Family Estate Grown Cabernet Sauvignon 2011
(1 magnum)

Spottswode Family Estate Grown Cabernet Sauvignon 2012
(1 magnum)

NAPA VALLEY
6 bottles and 4 magnums

*Generously contributed by
MK the Restaurant and Spottswode
Estate Vineyard and Winery*

ESTIMATED VALUE \$4,000

One of Chicago's favorite fine dining destinations, **mk The Restaurant** has partnered with **Spottswode Estate Vineyard and Winery** to present the epicurean experience you've been dreaming of. Featuring the award winning fare that has captivated the hearts (and stomachs) of thousands over the past 16 years, experience New American cuisine at its finest as James Beard Award-nominated Chef/Owner Michael Kornick and Executive Chef Erick Williams guide the evening's menu in the restaurant's contemporary, lofted space. Their creations will be beautifully paired with the vertical collection of **Spottswode's 2009-2012 Cabernet Sauvignon**, whose fruit characteristics are dynamic, vivacious and layered with minerality, florals, spices and herbs. Spottswode's President and CEO **Beth Novak Milliken** will also attend, personally collaborating with **Chef Kornick** throughout the evening and sharing unforgettable stories. It promises to be an evening for the senses!

And it doesn't end there! Take home six bottles tonight to begin the celebration: "The brilliant **2010 Cabernet Sauvignon** boasts an inky/purple color as well as glorious aromas of spring flowers, lead pencil shavings, licorice and a multitude of wild mountain fruits, in particular black raspberry, blackberry and cassis reminiscent of a French Pauillac ...With a flawless integration of tannin, wood and acidity, it comes across like a liquid version of haute couture from the house of Chanel. It should drink well young yet age for 25 years." (100-points) -Robert Parker's Wine Advocate #209, October 2013

Note: Available Sunday through Thursday (no holidays), or at 6:00pm on Friday or Saturday. Guests pay the sales tax and appropriate gratuity.



BANDON DUNES GOLF GETAWAY

T rue links courses are rare. How incredible, then, to have so many of the best in the world at one resort? Such is the case in the visually stunning sand dunes near Bandon, Oregon, where Michael Keiser fulfilled his dream of creating a true links experience where any golfer could play. Bandon Dunes opened in 1999 to unprecedented reviews and remains one of the finest links courses in the nation.

INCLUDES

- **Private airfare** in Gulfstream 200 jet with Bandon Dunes' owner Michael Keiser
- If desired, before reaching Bandon Dunes, the jet will touch down for a round to remember at **Sand Hills Golf Club** in Nebraska, one of the most exclusive golf courses in the world.
- **4 days of unlimited golf for 4 people** on four of the world's finest courses: Bandon Dunes, Pacific Dunes, Bandon Trails, Old Macdonald, and Sand Hills Course in Nebraska. The Bandon Dunes Golf Resort courses were designed in the spirit of the famously windswept greens of Scotland and achieve their naturally varied designs from their stunning location 100 feet above the Pacific Ocean on 23 miles of bluff and undisturbed shoreline.
- **3 nights of luxury accommodations** in private rooms at the lodge at **Bandon Dunes Golf Resort**

Note: Dates of play by mutual consent with donor, and should be scheduled generously in advance.

THIS IS GOLF AT ITS PUREST AND FINEST, ON THE BEST COURSES IN THE NATION, WITH LUXURY PRIVATE AIR TRANSPORTATION AND A GRACIOUS HOST. OTHER THAN TO STAY IN THE FAIRWAY, WHAT MORE COULD YOU WANT?

LOT 44

TRIP FOR FOUR BY PRIVATE AIRCRAFT TO BANDON DUNES RESORT IN OREGON

Generously contributed by Mike and Lindy Keiser

ESTIMATED VALUE \$45,000

ON A BLANK PAGE... WE NOW BEGIN THE RUNNING OF BORDEAUX. 15 WINE LOTS OF OUTSTANDING PROVENANCE AND CHARACTER.

ONLY ROYALTY COULD OFFER THIS LOT DEEP IN WINE RICHES.

We all remember fondly when Prince Robert and Princess Julie of Luxembourg were Honored Guests of Wine Auction 2006. They offer this lot in celebration of that storied time together! This collection of five magnums is mightily impressive, coming straight from Domaine Clarence Dillon, and hand selected by Prince Robert.

Robert Parker said in May 2014: "The unbelievably superb **2011 Haut-Brion** exhibits a classic nose of subtle smoldering embers, warm rocks, black currants, new saddle leather, spice box and high quality, unsmoked cigar tobacco. The color is a dense ruby/purple to the edge, and the wine cuts a serious as well as broad swath across the palate. The most amazing aspect of this terroir is that the wine, despite all its power and richness, literally dances on the palate, as if it were a 90 pound ballerina. This brilliant 2011 should evolve quickly, hitting its prime in 7-8 years, and drink beautifully for 20-25 years." Parker was a fan of **La Mission Haut Brion 2011**, too: "Deep ruby in color, the wine offers tobacco, earth, smoke, cassis and coffee with ripe tannins and a classic, bright, fresh and pure crème de cassis finish. This is classic Pessac Leognan."

Domaine Clarence Dillon purchased another estate and christened it Chateau Quintus. This wine is taking its natural place within the Domaine Clarence Dillon family, as an equal alongside the red and white wines of Chateaux Haut-Brion and La Mission Haut-Brion, thereby becoming the fifth child in this illustrious family. This lot contains one magnum each of **Ch. Quintus 2011** and **Le Dragon de Quintus 2011**. Both garnered much acclaim, and this was the first vintage that was under the full control of Jean-Phillipe Delmas, the iconic winemaker known for his work at Haut-Brion and La Mission. You will cherish the fact that you own these two magnums.

WHAT IS THE FIFTH WINE. MORE TO COME MORE TO COME MORE TO COME.

LOT 44^A

Château Haut-Brion 2011
Château La Mission Haut-Brion 2011
La Clarté de Haut-Brion 2011
Château Quintus 2011
Le Dragon de Quintus 2011

PESSAC-LÉOGNAN, SAINT-ÉMILION, BORDEAUX
5 magnums, one of each

Generously contributed by
H.R.H. Prince Robert of Luxembourg
on behalf of Domaine Clarence Dillon

ESTIMATED VALUE \$2,500

LOT 45

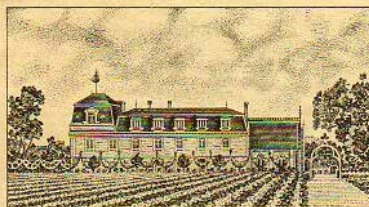
Château La Mission Haut-Brion 1975

PESSAC-LÉOGNAN, BORDEAUX
3 bottles

Generously contributed by
Mr. and Mrs. William A. Osborn

ESTIMATED VALUE \$3,500

CHATEAU
LA MISSION HAUT BRION
GRAVES
APPELLATION GRAVES CONTRÔLÉE
Cru classé



1975

SOCIÉTÉ CIVILE DES DOMAINES WOLTNER
PROPRIÉTAIRE À TALENCE (GIRONDE) FRANCE

TURNING 40 CAN BE TRAUMATIC, BUT 1975 LA MISSION IS BREEZING ALONG.

Parker calls this “undisputably **THE** wine of the vintage.” Though 1975 isn’t particularly exalted, this La Mission 1975 is peerless among the best of Bordeaux. It consistently received perfect scores in its first thirty years of life, and remains a vibrant, vital wine. It comes from a cool year with a tiny crop, yet is still nicely balanced with tannins and density.

That summer, La Mission’s extraordinary *terroir*, with its well-drained, gravelly soils fared unbelievably well. Even while much of the fat has faded away, the wine still possesses a vitality and vigor that belies age. The color is a dark garnet with just a touch of lightning at the rim. This all-star wine is very concentrated, dense and remarkably youthful, likely drinking gorgeously for many decades. May we all be so lucky.

Note: Bottles are one top shoulder level and two high shoulder level with two labels slightly bin soiled.

LOT 46

Château Haut-Brion 2003

PESSAC-LÉOGNAN, BORDEAUX
6 bottles

Generously contributed by
Underwriters Laboratories

ESTIMATED VALUE \$2,800



“UTTERLY DELICIOUS, TASTY AND SUBTLY DISCREET.”—JEAN-MARC QUARIN, WINE CRITIC.

This highly sought 2003 possesses extremely high tannin, but it happens to be well-concealed by a cascade of mulberry, blackberry, cherry, and plum-like fruit. A delicious hint of figs also shows up under a broad spectrum of blue and red fruit. While this vintage is ripe with a sweet, glycerol mouthfeel, it also possesses a long, powerful, persistent finish. Elegant and noble, it’s a wine of both power and finesse that is nearing peak maturity.

LOT 47

Château Mouton Rothschild 1996

(1 double magnum)

Château Mouton Rothschild 2006

(1 magnum)

PAUILLAC, BORDEAUX

1 double magnum and 1 magnum

*Generously contributed by
Blythe McGarvie*

ESTIMATED VALUE \$3,800

MORE MOUTON? YES PLEASE!

The large format bottles of this first growth make for an astounding tasting opportunity as the aging process is far more graceful than in the classic 750 ml. The **1996** shines with its intensely dark hue and an ample nose of extraordinary substance, bringing to mind spiced prune, caramel, hazelnut and espresso. The palate, with its multiple dimension, boasts of toasted vanilla, jammy dark plum and black currants. The tannins are compact and integrated promising to age for quite some time. The **2006** presents more powerfully with deep flavors of roasted coffee, cassis, smoky oak, and soy sauce. It's ripe and rich with a lovely full-body that also can lay down for a decade or two.



Dessin inédit de

Lucian Freud



LOT 48

Château Margaux 2004

MARGAUX, BORDEAUX

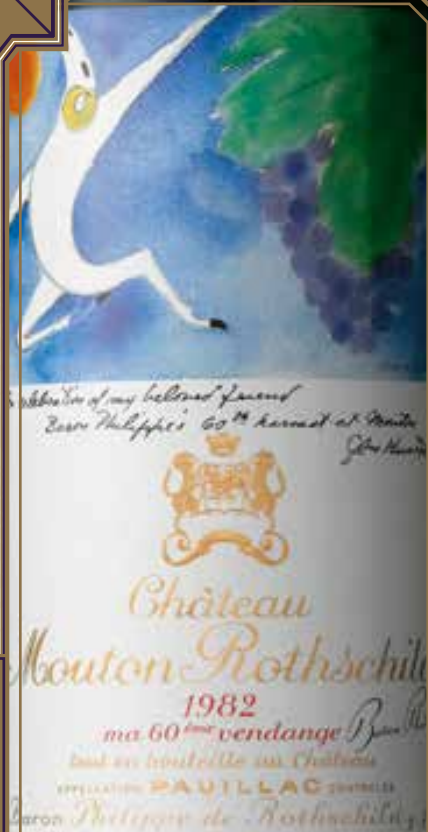
3 magnums

UNFURLING LAYERS OF VIBRANT FRUIT.

These large format 2004's show superbly blue and purple tones allowing your first sense to prepare your others for a delightful experience. Aromas of blueberries, licorice and creme de cassis abound. Gorgeous taste with notes of vanilla and smoke. There's extraordinary complexity and intensity on this world-class First Growth, with silky tannins and a lengthy finish. It could last for two decades in your cellar, or two hours in your glass. Just make sure it's your cellar it goes home to tonight!

*Generously contributed by
Donna Van Ekeren Foundation*

ESTIMATED VALUE \$3,000



un bois réalisée en Haïti par Bernardini

LOT 49

Château Mouton Rothschild 1982

(1 bottle)

Château Mouton Rothschild 1986

(3 bottles)

PAUILLAC, BORDEAUX

4 bottles

*Generously contributed by
Mr. and Mrs. Ronald J. Gidwitz*

ESTIMATED VALUE \$4,500

THESE MOUTON, WITH THEIR IMPRESSIVE COMPLEXITY AND BRILLIANCE, ILLUMINATE BORDEAUX AT ITS FINEST.

These esteemed **Château Mouton-Rothschild** wines remain **legends of Bordeaux**. The creme de cassis and underlying floral notes in the **1982 (an impressive 100-pointer)** brightens all the senses, then the full-bodied power, extraordinary purity and multilayered texture further the wow with each sip. Of course the finish, which easily lasts over a minute, makes this wine a true showcase for what this Château accomplished in this vintage. The 1986 isn't far behind, still amazingly youthful, vibrant, and pure. It embodies everything a great mature claret should be, with aromas of tobacco and black olives, sumptuous texture, and a haunting aftertaste.

Note: Vintage 1986 bottles are all top shoulder level.

LATOUR 2003 IS A 100-POINT MIND-BLOWING EFFORT.

The saturated purple color hits you first, followed by the gorgeous perfume of smoke, cedar, creme de cassis, flowers, crushed rocks, and blackberries. It has the glory of multiple layers of richness and low acidity, making it about as unctuous as a Latour can be. The blackberry, licorice, currant and mineral aromas build in the mouth and the finish lasts nearly a minute or more. It's disarmingly accessible, true grace in a glass.

LOT 50

Château Latour 2003

PAUILLAC, BORDEAUX

4 bottles

*Generously contributed by
Richard P. and Susan Kíphart*

ESTIMATED VALUE \$5,000



LOT 51

Château Lafite Rothschild 2000,
2001, 2002, 2003

PAUILLAC, BORDEAUX
4 bottles, one of each vintage

THIS VERTICAL OF LAFITE IS THE TASTING
EXPERIENCE OF A LIFETIME.

2000 is fresh, bright, and dense with aromas of violets, minerals, spices, cool stones, mint, dark fruits, and plum skins. It's a beauty to be sure although very much still a baby and in need of at least another decade (or two) of time. **Lafite 2000 is a 100-point wine for the next generation according to Robert Parker.**

Finesse and elegance best describe the **2001**. This is truly a wine that makes you contemplate life. **2002** bubbles over with crushed berries, currants and spices, along with alluring tobacco notes.

And finally, the Parker 100-point 2003 is beautifully full-bodied, showing gorgeously velvety tannins and a long finish of pretty fruit. **This vertical is a stunner.**

Generously contributed by
Kenneth Porrello and Sherry McFall

ESTIMATED VALUE \$5,000



LOT 52

Château Lafite Rothschild 2000

PAUILLAC, BORDEAUX
6 bottles

Generously contributed by
Anne and Don Edwards

ESTIMATED VALUE \$12,000

A WINE OF BIBLICAL PROPORTION?
YOU DECIDE.

An outstanding year in Bordeaux, **2000 Lafite** is very intensely dark colored with hues of purple to pique your intrigue. The aromas are sumptuous and captivating while the wine is powerful and extremely delicate on the palate, with remarkable tannic structure and length. And while flavors and weight of new wood may be present, it's only in a most pleasing and well-integrated manner since this gem of a bottle still shows impressive restraint. Actually, you have six sparkling 100-point Parker gems in this lot! Each glass drinks beautifully right now, and yet, its true nature may not be revealed for years to come. Who knows? Well, YOU, if you're lucky enough to take this lot home with you tonight!



LOT 53

Château Cos d'Estournel 2000
(3 bottles)

Château Figeac 2000
(3 bottles)

Château Pichon-Lalande 2000
(3 bottles)

Château Troplong Mondot 2000
(3 bottles)

PAUILLAC, SAINT-ÉMILION,
SAINT-ESTÈPHE, BORDEAUX
12 bottles

THIS PERSONALLY SELECTED MAGNIFICENT MIXED CASE OF 2000 GRAND-CRU BORDEAUX WILL SET WINE-LOVERS HEARTS AFLUTTER.

Château **Pichon Lalande** is among the best examples of Bordeaux wine from Pauillac. Often characterized by its sensuous textures, deep concentrated layers of ripe fruit and a perfume filled with earth, tobacco and cassis are what you'll find in this 2000 Pichon Lalande.

Château **Figeac**, the largest Saint-Émilion vineyard, takes a savoir-faire approach to wine-growing, developed from a mix of tradition and innovation. The characteristic freshness of Figeac 2000 is accompanied by great length of flavor, and its long aging potential allows the wine to go on in time to reveal hints of forest floor, leather, cigar-box and liquorice—always with its hallmark elegance.

Château **Troplong Mondot** sits on the top of a hill, dominating the surrounding Saint-Émilion countryside. The vineyard, planted on a plateau of optimal sunlight and perfect natural drainage possesses a secret alchemy which lends itself to the superior quality of its *terroir*. Powerful, well-structured with pronounced complex tannins, 2000 Troplong Mondot offers deep aromas of truffles and blackberry fruit.

Cos d'Estournel has become the archetype of a certain style of masculine elegance in which immense power is combined with grace and smoothness. A deep color with hints of violet, the spicy nose with notes of orange peel and black currant leaves lead to a gentle attack on the palate with a tightly woven, very smooth texture. This delicious, elegant, clean, and superbly balanced wine brings a long finish, and can be enjoyed now to 2025.

*Generously contributed by
Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Wood II*

ESTIMATED VALUE \$3,000

THIS LOVELY LOT OF FAVORITE WINES IS OFFERED BY FOUR MEMBERS OF THE LYRIC WOMEN'S BOARD!

Château **Gruaud Larose** dates back to 1725, this winery is among the most renowned of Bordeaux. That's why we invited David Launay to be our Honored Guest! This 82-hectare vineyard sits atop Garonne gravel, which settled more than 600,000 years ago. In the **2000** vintage, you'll find notes of new saddle leather, cedar wood, black currants, cherries, licorice, and Provençal herbs. A fantastic effort which is beautiful in the glass and on the palate.

Located in the North Western area of Saint-Émilion, on the edge of Pomerol, **Château Cheval Blanc** is distinguished by a rocky and sandy ground situated on a fertile terrace, instead of a limestone hill. This **1986** double magnum carries a complex nose, marked by the finesses of Cabernet franc. Notes of ink, fruit, mint leaf, and tobacco bring out a supple mouthfeel with fresh tannins. Aging has benefitted this wine, and will continue to do so.

LOT 54

Château Gruaud Larose 2000
(12 bottles)

Château Cheval Blanc 1986
(1 double magnum in original wooden case)

SAINT-ÉMILION, SAINT-JULIEN,
BORDEAUX
12 bottles and 1 double magnum in
original wooden case

*Generously contributed by
Mrs. Richard W. Durkes,
Mrs. Christopher C. Milliken,
Mrs. James C. Pritchard and
Mrs. Theodore D. Ticken*

ESTIMATED VALUE: \$3,500

LOT 55

Vieux Château Certan 2009

(6 bottles in original wooden case)

Château Clinet 2009

(6 bottles in original wooden case)

POMEROL, BORDEAUX

12 bottles in original wooden case

EXPLORE THE FINEST OF 2009 POMEROL, BORDEAUX.

This beautiful effort from **Vieux Château Certan** represents this fine estate's care to the art of winemaking. One of the oldest vineyards in the region, Vieux Château Certan has been recognized as among the great growths of Pomerol. With a viscous texture as well as a freshness and vibrancy, **the 2009 is one of the finest Vieux Château Certans has made, scoring either 99 or 100 points depending on who you ask.** It is full-bodied and rich with ripe blackberry, plum, floral, chocolate and spice aromas. The texture can be pure silk and velvet, and while effortless to drink, it is still complex.

The prestigious **Château Clinet** is situated in the heart of the best parcels on the well-known gravel terraces of Gunz. Emphasized by flavors of red fruit, leaving no doubt that it is a Pomerol, the elegance of these **2009** bottles respects the uniqueness of its *terroir*. It is a big Pomerol, boasting opaque purple color to accompany the perfume of blueberry pie, incense, truffles, black raspberries, licorice and wood smoke. **This wine is undoubtedly deserving of the 100-point score bestowed upon it by Robert Parker.** You can look forward to this Château Clinet aging very well, while developing sensuous textures and aromatic complexities.

Generously contributed by
R. Robert & Sally D. Funderburg
Charitable Trust

ESTIMATED VALUE \$4,200

THE IMMORTAL HAUT BRION.

1989 Haut Brion is an immortal wine and one of the greatest young Bordeaux wines of the last half-century. Routinely awarded 100 points in blind tastings, the 1989 is a seamless, majestic classic, and a tribute to this phenomenal *terroir* and its singular characteristics.

Don't overlook its 98-point younger brother. **2000 Haut Brion** was lauded by critics, with its compelling nose of roasted herbs, sweet blueberries, plums, black currants, and a hint of graphite. It's deep, layered, sumptuously textured and full-bodied with extraordinary complexity.

LOT 56

Château Haut-Brion 1989

(1 bottle)

Château Haut-Brion 2000

(2 bottles)

PESSAC-LÉOGNAN, BORDEAUX

3 bottles

Generously contributed by
James N. and Laurie V. Bay

ESTIMATED VALUE: \$3,500





LOT 57

Château Haut-Brion 1990
PESSAC-LÉOGNAN, BORDEAUX
4 bottles

THIS IS ONE OF THE GREATEST WINES OF THE LAST 25 YEARS PRODUCED BY HAUT BRION.

This irish twin to the 1989 Haut Brion vintage sometimes gets overlooked in the sibling shadow of the uber present older brother. Make no mistake, **1990 Haut Brion** is a profound wine, and as it edges towards its 25th birthday, the wine is clearly expressive. It regularly scores in the 98 point range, and forest floor, cassis and blackberry, with hints of dried cherry make up the nose. Sweet, soft and velvety, the wine personifies grace, elegance and sophistication.

*Generously contributed by
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ESTIMATED VALUE \$3,200

LOT 58

Château Montrose 1990
SAINT-ESTÈPHE, BORDEAUX
5 bottles

1990 MONTROSE IS SO DENSE YOU COULD CUT WITH A KNIFE, AND THE 100-POINT PARKER SCORE IS DESERVED.

A wine as unique as the pink heather-covered hills which surround the Château, the deep inky and ruby purple color are just a hint of the stunning concentration and amazing texture of this 1990 Montrose. It has an abundance of sweet black fruits intermixed with pleasant and subtle wisps of earth and spice. It is a fleshy, full-bodied St.-Estephe wine with atypically high amounts of fatness and fruit extract. For the most drinking pleasure, you have to have long-term cellar vision. The wine is 25 years old and its just past its adolescence! There's so much more to come with this Montrose.

*Generously contributed by
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ESTIMATED VALUE \$3,500



LOT 59

Château Mouton Rothschild 1996

(2 bottles)

Château Mouton Rothschild 2002

(2 bottles)

Château Mouton Rothschild 2006

(2 bottles)

PAUILLAC, BORDEAUX
6 bottles

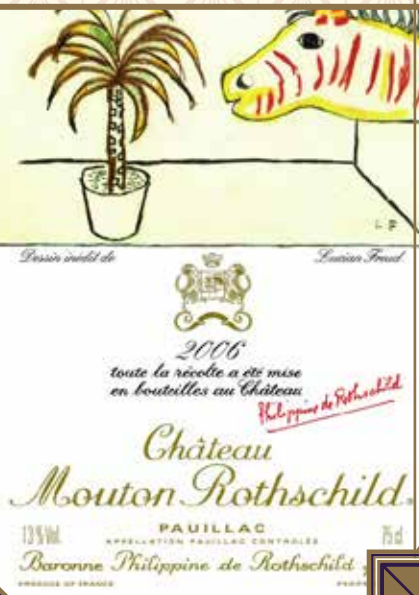
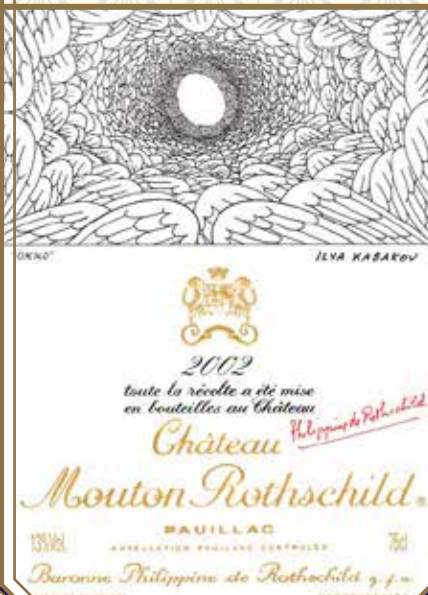
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Mr. and Mrs. Lester Knight III

ESTIMATED VALUE \$3,500

CHÂTEAU MOUTON-ROTHSCHILD SPEAKS IN THREE FANTASTIC VINTAGES.

May we suggest that you consider starting with the **1996**? It came through as an ultra-ripe vintage, and is drinking beautifully now. Its super full-body is enticing with subtlety and complexity, but it's revealed mostly through its long caressing finish. **2002** is especially outstanding, offering a complex nose of ripe blackcurrant and licorice mingled together with spicy notes of gingerbread and mild sweet caramel, mocha and candied peel. The velvety tannins are supremely integrated. It's a tough find in the market but a great catch for a lucky buyer here. **2006** was a classic year for Mouton. Perfumed with crème de cassis, flowers, and blueberries, and only a hint of oak, it is noted for its extraordinary purity and clarity.

Ultra-ripe. Complex. Classic. Any of these bottles calling your name?



A MARGAUX VERTICAL THAT BEGINS AND ENDS WITH 99-POINT WINES.

Journey through these astounding years of Château Margaux.

The amazing vintage of 1982 heralded the new golden age of Bordeaux, marking both the beginning of a run of truly extraordinary vintages and the nascent opening of the Classified-Growth market to international acquisition on a massive scale. The **1982** wine itself is powerful and fleshy, with a rich dense bouquet of roasted black currants, sweet truffles and blooming violets. The **1986**, by comparison might be juicier and more brooding, yet almost as elegant in the mid-palate and upon the finish. The 1990s were blessed with several remarkable vintages, with **1994** and **1998** being two of them that stood out for excellent structure and finesse. But the **2003** stands out among the group, with a 99 from Parker and density that's unparalleled by any recent Margaux vintage. The tightly knit tannic structure gives this wine a silken quality that creates an irresistible allure. **This is an excellent selection of some of the finest first-growth Bordeaux that can be found, anywhere.**

Note: Top shoulder level for vintages 1982, 1986 and 1994.

LOT 60

Château Margaux 1982

(1 bottle)

Château Margaux 1986

(1 bottle)

Château Margaux 1994

(2 bottles)

Château Margaux 1998

(1 bottle)

Château Margaux 2003

(2 bottles)

MARGAUX, BORDEAUX
7 bottles

Generously contributed by
Anonymous Women's Board Member

ESTIMATED VALUE \$4,800



LOT 61

Château La Mission Haut-Brion 1985

(1 bottle)

Château La Mission Haut-Brion 1986

(2 bottles)

Château La Mission Haut-Brion 1995

(1 bottle)

Château La Mission Haut-Brion 1998

(1 bottle)

Château La Mission Haut-Brion 1999

(2 bottles)

Château La Mission Haut-Brion 2000

(2 bottles)

Château La Mission Haut-Brion 2001

(2 bottles)

PESSAC-LÉOGNAN, BORDEAUX

11 bottles

Generously contributed by
Anonymous

ESTIMATED VALUE \$4,000

11 BOTTLES OF LA MISSION HAUT BRION IN HONOR OF THE WOMEN'S BOARD'S ELEVENTH WINE AUCTION!

All the wines in this vertical are intense, with undeniable richness, opulence and charm. The wine is full-bodied, concentrated and requires several years to develop with perfume of smoke, tobacco, earth, truffle, spice and cassis scents. This lot that spans of some of the finest vintages in Bordeaux is a study of the region. While the 1985 and 1986 were considered several of the finest vintages, the wine has changed in style to the point that the 2000 and 2001 might be tasting bolder now, with deeper notes of red fruits and velvety tannins.

Note: Torn capsule on one of the 1986 vintage bottles.



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LOT 62

TRIP FOR TWO TO PARIS

6 days/5 nights

\$7,500 travel credit
redeemable on American Airlines
(See travel notes p. XX)

Dom Pérignon Brut Champagne 2002

ÉPERNAY
6 bottles

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Domaine de Chantilly & Auberge du
Jeu de Paume; Hôtel Le Bristol Paris;
Restaurant Le Grand Véfour;
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and American Airlines

ESTIMATED VALUE \$19,600

FRENCH OPULENCE AT ITS FINEST

Prepare for royal treatment. **Domaine de Chantilly** is famous for everything from Chantilly Cream to world-class museums. To stay there, and have all-access VIP tours provided to its exquisite collections and attractions is astonishing. **Three Michelin stars adorn Epicure. And, in Paris proper, your palatial accommodations at Le Bristol are fit for the aristocracy.**

INCLUDES

- VIP tours of the exceptionally unique **Domaine de Chantilly**:
- The Condé Museum—the #1 museum of pre-1850 ancient paintings in France after the Louvre
- The Library and Archives—a bibliophile's dream—brimming with centuries of royal books and documents
- The Gardens and the Park—115 acres divided into three historically-styled gardens
- The Horse Museum of The Grand Stables—home to elaborately-produced classic equestrian show
- 1-night stay at the **Auberge du Jeu de Paume, Relais & Châteaux**, located inside **Domaine de Chantilly**, a place that exemplifies the inimitable French *art de vivre*
- Dinner at Chef Arnaud Faye's 2-Michelin star **La Table du Connétable**, whose windows directly overlook the exquisite Château Gardens
- 4-night stay in a junior suite at the Oetker Collection's **Hôtel Le Bristol Paris**, known for its unrivalled elegance and exemplary service, located on the prestigious rue du Faubourg Saint-Honoré at the heart of Paris' fashion and arts district
- Two dinners for two at Chef Eric Frechon's 3-Michelin star **Epicure**, recently awarded "Best Hotel Restaurant in the World" at the annual Culinary Travel Awards

- Lunch at Chef Guy Martin's gastronomical masterpiece, **Le Grand Véfour**, the 18th century Parisian jewel once frequented by the likes of Hugo and Sartre, served with **Ch. Gruaud Larose 2004**
- 2 special entry passes to the world-class collection at **Musée d'Orsay**

Note: Must check availability in advance. Le Bristol accommodations expire 2/24/2016.

WITH UNRIVALLED ELEGANCE AT EVERY TURN, WE INVITE YOU TO STEP INTO THE SOPHISTICATION OF FINE FRENCH LIVING. C'EST SI BON!



LOT 63

SONOMA TRIP FOR FOUR
WITH PRIVATE LODGING
AT THE HOME OF BOB
AND KERRY SWEENEY,
INCREDIBLE DINING AND
EXTENSIVE WINERY TOURS

4 days/3 nights

\$5,000 travel credit
redeemable on American Airlines
(See travel notes p. XX)

AND THESE GREAT WINES!

Failla **Need V&V** (# magnums)

Freeman **Need V&V** (2 magnums)

Hirsch Vineyards San Andreas Fault
Pinot Noir 2012 (2 magnums)

Kistler Magnum pending

Kosta Browne Pinot Noir **Need V**
(1 double magnum)

Littorai **Need V&V** (# magnums)

Martinelli Winery Zio Tony Ranch
2010 (1 double magnum signed by
winemakers)

Peay Vineyards Estate Chardonnay
2012 (1 magnum)

Peay Vineyards Pomarium Estate
Pinot Noir 2012 (1 magnum)

Red Car **Need V&V** (2 magnums)

Generously contributed by
Bob and Kerry Sweeney, Andy Peay
and Peay Vineyards, Failla Wines,
Freeman Winery, Hanzell Vineyards,
Hirsch Vineyards, Kistler Vineyards,
Kosta Browne Winery, Littorai Wines,
Martinelli Winery, Red Car Wine Co.
and American Airlines

ESTIMATED VALUE \$13,150

SONOMA'S BOUNTY

Sonoma shines on this tour filled with abundant access to A-list wineries and their principals, mailing list allocations, and Michelin-starred dining. The practicalities are more than adequate; private lodging in a gracious and light-filled Sonoma home, and car service to navigate the details of the days. **Irresistible!**

INCLUDES

- 3-night stay for two couples at the charming and gorgeous private home of Bob and Kerry Sweeney
- Three days of car service after arrival at the Sweeney residence.
- Lunch and VIP tasting and tour at **Peay Vineyards**, exploring their beautiful library of Pinot Noir, Syrah, and Chardonnay.
- VIP tasting and tour at **Hirsch Vineyards** which provides fruit to many of California's most storied wineries, including Williams Selyem, Kistler and Littorai, as well as producing their own estate wines.
- Dinner at Michelin starred restaurant **Farmhouse Inn**
- Visit the caves at **Freeman Winery** for a barrel tasting of their sought after Pinot Noir and Chardonnay
- Private tour, tasting and lunch at **Kosta Browne Winery**, where each couple will be **guaranteed a coveted spot on the highly-exclusive introductory Kosta Browne Spring and Fall allocations**
- Enjoy classic traditional Italian fare with dinner at **Della Santina's Trattoria**
- VIP tasting and tour at **Kistler's Trenton Roadhouse** with cult winemaker Steve Kistler
- Personalized tour, tasting and lunch at **Martinelli Winery**, also **gain access to their elusive mailing list**
- Tour and tasting at **Hanzell Vineyards and Littorai Vineyards**



Note: Expires May 2016. Home stay must take place on a mutually acceptable date. Airport transfers to and from Sonoma residence not included.

VISITING A WINE REGION ALLOWS YOU TO TRULY APPRECIATE THE SUBTLITIES EXPRESSED IN THE INDIVIDUAL WINES. THIS IMMERSION EXPERIENCE WILL LEAVE YOU A TRUE SONOMA EXPERT, WITH THE MAILING LIST ALLOCATIONS IN YOUR CELLAR TO PROVE IT!

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LOT 64

ART AND WINE TRIP FOR TWO TO ARGENTINA AND CHILE

8 days/7 nights

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SOUTH AMERICAN SPLENDOUR

Wine lovers should not miss this unbelievable opportunity to visit Mendoza wine country in the foothills of the Andes while soaking up the charm of Buenos Aires and Santiago!

INCLUDES

- All private transfers from airports to destinations during the entirety of the trip to ensure consistent comfort.
- All internal flights between destination cities

In Buenos Aires:

- 2-night stay at the **Alvear Palace Hotel** where you'll delight in the fresh flowers and fruit delivered to your room each day as well as dinner and fine Argentine wine each night at **La Bourgogne Restaurant**
- Private half-day **Buenos Aires Highlights City Tour** followed by dinner and tango show at **Esquina Carlos Gardel**

In Mendoza:

- 3-night stay at **The Vines Resort & Spa** in Mendoza, includes breakfast each morning as well as personalized concierge service
- Tour and wine tasting at **The Vines Winery**
- Private **Uco Valley Wine Tour**, visiting **Salentein Winery, Killka Art Collection, and Andeluna Cellar**
- Lunch at **Andeluna's Restaurant**
- Tour and premium wine tasting at **O'Fournier Winery**

In Santiago:

- 2-night stay at **The Singular Santiago** in the heart of Santiago's arts and culture district. Your stay also includes breakfast.
- Private guided **Santiago Highlights City Tour and Archaeological Museum** tour

Note: Expires February 1, 2016. Subject to availability in each destination. Not valid for Easter, Christmas, New Year or any other national holiday. The Vines Resort & Spa not valid from February 25 - April 8, 2015 and December 20, 2015 - January 5, 2016. The Singular Santiago not available March, April, October, and November 2015.

TIME TO PACK YOUR BAGS FOR THIS REMARKABLE TRIP TO EMBRACE THE NATURAL SPLENDOR AND LUXURY ARGENTINA AND CHILE HAVE TO OFFER!



LOT 65

AUCTION NAPA VALLEY
2016

June 2-5, 2016

NAPA PASSPORT STAMPED APPROVED

It's ok – you've caught the Wine Auction bug! Now is your chance to experience one of the most spectacular multi-day auctions in the entire world from the cat-bird seat... as personal guests of the chair of Auction Napa Valley 2016.

INCLUDES

- Invitation to the Top Bidders' Dinner at the home of Auction Napa Valley 2016 chair
- 4-day VIP passport to all event of Auction Napa Valley 2016
- Don't miss the Barrel Auction where you'll sample local vintner's wine straight from the barrel and join in the bidding to win a case of these one-of-a kind wines.
- Vintner Dinner where you'll join master vintners in their homes and wineries. You'll receive VIP priority to select the Vintner Dinner of your choice.
- For the Live Auction, you will have the best seat in the house at your host's table
- 3-night stay for 2 guests at the esteemed **Meadowood Resort** in St. Helena

Note: Auction Napa Valley is June 2-5, 2016. Airfare not included.

**LOOKS LIKE YOUR SUMMER GETAWAY FOR 2016
HAS BEEN PLANNED FOR YOU. YOU'RE WELCOME.**

Generously contributed by Auction
Napa Valley

ESTIMATED VALUE \$15,000

KISTLER VINEYARDS GOES TO ASPEN

A spectacular Aspen home is the perfect setting for a memorable wine pairing dinner featuring the exquisite cuisine of The Little Nell and the outstanding wines of Kistler Vineyards.

INCLUDES

- Menu created and prepared by **Executive Chef Bryan Moscatello** of **The Little Nell**, Aspen's five star, five diamond luxury property
- **Kistler Wines** offers a full suite of outstanding and highly-coveted Pinot Noir and Chardonnay directly from the Kistler Wines Library [CAN WE HAVE SOME VINTAGES AND WINES HERE](#) to accompany the dinner. **Master of Wine Geoff Labitzke** will attend and offer wine service.
- Hosts Anne and Chris Reyes will greet guests for cocktails.
- To whet your palate, take home two elegant magnums from Kistler Vineyards tonight, **Sonoma Coast Pinot Noir 2001** and **Kistler Trenton Roadhouse Chardonnay 2011 or 2012**. This mature pinot and young chardonnay will only make you happier you bought this lot!

Note: Due to scheduling constraints of all parties, the dinner must take place June 22-25, 2015. CONFIRM WHICH DATE.

LOT 66

KISTLER VINEYARDS
WINE DINNER FOR 8 WITH
LITTLE NELL EXECUTIVE
CHEF BRYAN MOSCATELLO
IN THE PRIVATE HOME
OF MR. AND MRS. J.
CHRISTOPHER REYES

June 22, 23, 24, or 25, 2015

Wine to take home with you tonight:

Kistler Sonoma Coast Pinot Noir 2001
(1 magnum)

**Kistler Trenton Roadhouse
Chardonnay 2011 or 2012**
(1 magnum)

Generously contributed by
Mr. and Mrs. J. Christopher Reyes
and Kistler Vineyards

ESTIMATED VALUE \$5,000

LOT 66^A

TRIP FOR TWO TO IRELAND AND LONDON

5 days/4 nights

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IRISH DELIGHTS AND LONDON NIGHTS

London is calling and Ireland echoes its warm invitation! Set foot into the idyllic countryside of Ireland with a glorious stay at Ballyfin, long admired as the most lavish Regency mansion in the country. After you are done delighting in your private scenic retreat, indulge in the timeless luxury of a stay at Claridge's in London, followed by a whirlwind tour of the finest art and culture the city has to offer.

TRIP FOR TWO INCLUDES

- 2-night stay at **Ballyfin**, Ireland's 5-star luxury country house hotel
- 2-night stay in a deluxe king bedroom at **Claridge's**, one of London's most iconic five-star hotels; English breakfast included both mornings
- Private viewing of the **Tate Britain's J.M.W. Turner Collection** where no glass will stand between you and this special collection of watercolors, drawings, and more, ranging in date from 1802-1850; tea in the **private Members' Room** will follow
- Visit to the personal studio of London-based multidisciplinary artist **Teresa Albor** most recently known for her "100 Paintings in 24 Hours" performance piece
- Private tour of the **Crown Jewels** situated in the **Tower of London** as well as a 'Secrets Tour' with an iconic **Yeoman Warder of the Tower**, including places that are not open to the public

Note: Auction Napa Valley is June 2-5, 2016. Airfare not included.

LOOKS LIKE YOUR SUMMER GETAWAY FOR 2016 HAS BEEN PLANNED FOR YOU. YOU'RE WELCOME.

Generously contributed by
Ballyfin, Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Krehbiel,
Claridge's, Teresa Albor, Susie Worthy
and Noteworthy Travel

ESTIMATED VALUE \$ 5,100

+ BALLYFIN FMV?

LOT 67

DINNER FOR SIX AT
SIXTEEN WITH
DOM PÉRIGNON AND
A ROLLS-ROYCE

Dom Pérignon Vintage 2004

Dom Pérignon Rosé Vintage 2003

Dom Pérignon P2 Vintage 1998

Generously contributed by
Sixteen, Dom Pérignon and
Perillo Gold Coast

ESTIMATED VALUE \$7,200

IT'S ALL ABOUT THE ROYAL TREATMENT
DURING THIS NIGHT OUT IN CHICAGO!

Featuring the modern American cuisine of Executive Chef Thomas Lents, **Sixteen** is located on the 16th floor of the luxurious Trump International Hotel & Tower Chicago. Prepare for an exceptional evening at the two-star Michelin restaurant, whose private dining room resembles a jewel box – with resplendent vistas of Lake Michigan, the Chicago River and the Wrigley Clock Tower from 30-foot floor to ceiling windows. You and five guests will be treated to a 9-course meal personally prepared by Chef Lents, the guest chef of the gourmet auction dinner for Wine Auction 2015. Nothing but the best will do on this special evening, which is precisely why your meal will be expertly paired with Champagne from **Dom Pérignon**. Former Honored Guest Richard Geoffrey selected these amazing and exclusive wines! Punctuating the VIP treatment from start to finish, kick back in your **chauffeured Rolls-Royce** for the evening. Just look out for the paparazzi!

Note: Dinner cannot take place on a Friday or Saturday night.

LEGEND HAS IT THAT A CERTAIN SOMEONE'S
FUTURE HUSBAND FILLED A BATHTUB WITH ICE
AND DOM PÉRIGNON ON HER WEDDING DAY.

1996 is highly regarded as one of the finest and greatest vintages ever for Champagne. **Dom Pérignon Oenothèque** is only created under extremely special circumstances, and it protects that star status with astronomically exacting requirements for the crafting of this wine. **The 1996 Oenothèque has been rated 99 points, and stands proudly at the top of the celebrated wines of that vintage.**

There is a certain timeless elegance about celebrating with **Dom Pérignon**, and **2002 expresses this magnificence brilliantly**. Minerality essence, citrus, tropical fruit, floral, honeysuckle and toast aromas prepare you for the complex, concentrated, sweet yellow fruit and stone filled palate. Creamy, but not flashy. It's a perfectly poignant moment in every buoyant glass.

That same someone says these are her favorites wines—we believe her!

LOT 68

Dom Pérignon Oenothèque 1996

(6 bottles in original wooden case)

Dom Pérignon Brut Champagne 2002

(6 bottles, each signed by Richard Geoffrey)

ÉPERNAY

12 bottles

Generously contributed by
Susan and Nicholas Noyes and
Make It Better Media

ESTIMATED VALUE \$3,200



THESE THREE LOTS ARE
OFFERED IN CELEBRATION AND MEMORY
OF WOMEN'S BOARD MEMBER

DEBBY
JANNOTTA

by her
FAMILY AND FRIENDS

LOT 69

Château Pavie 2003

(12 bottles in original wooden case)

Château Léoville-Las-Cases 2010

(12 bottles in original wooden case)

SAINT-ÉMILION, SAINT-JULIEN,
BORDEAUX

24 bottles in 2 original wooden cases

“WHO WOULD SAY NO TO THIS?”

— DEBBY JANNOTTA

These bottles of **Château Pavie 2003** are a deep crimson color which borders on black. The nose reflects the hot vintage, with a very concentrated bouquet of blackberry, juicy cherries, jam, and a touch of understated toasty aromas that frame the ripe fruit. It's a powerful and rich beauty, with a suave texture with a certain overripe quality giving an impression of sweetness in an otherwise dry wine. Parker found it to be youthful and rich with terrific purity and texture as well as a striking opulence, hence the almost perfect score of 99 points. The lively acidity also adds to the depth while excellent, firm tannins underpin the concentration and richness. This Pavie will benefit greatly from decanting ahead of time to allow it to unveil its many charms.

One of the oldest Médoc wine estates, Château Léoville-Las-Cases's *terroir* has been at the heart of their exquisite wines since the 17th century. A wine prepared for serious aging, the **2010 Château Léoville-Las-Cases is a full-bodied classic Bordeaux.** Opaque purple in color, this big, concentrated, thick wine is stuffed with ripe cassis and fresh blackberries. Powerful, tannic, ripe, fresh and dense, this masculine wine requires serious cellar time to become civilized. **If its 100-point ranking from *Wine Enthusiast* is any indication, the cellar time will be worth it.**

Generously contributed by
Edgar D. Jannotta and Katie and
John Palmer

ESTIMATED VALUE \$8,500

LOT 70

Château Margaux 1995

(1 bottle)

Château d'Yquem 2001

(1 bottle)

Hundred Acre Kayli Morgan 2002

(1 bottle)

Joseph Phelps Insignia 2002

(1 bottle)

Quilceda Creek 2005

(1 bottle)

Colgin IX Proprietary Red 2006

(1 bottle)

Kapcsándy Family Winery State Lane Vineyard Grand Vin Cabernet Sauvignon 2007

(1 magnum)

Château Ducru-Beaucaillou 2009

(1 bottle)

MARGAUX, SAINT-JULIEN,
SAUTERNES, BORDEAUX

NAPA VALLEY

COLUMBIA VALLEY
7 bottles and 1 magnum

Generously contributed by
Geoffrey Luce in honor of
Debby Jannotta

ESTIMATED VALUE \$4,800

HOW RARE TO FIND A GROUPING OF THESE ILLUSTRIOUS PERFECT 100-POINT WINES. WHAT A BETTER OPPORTUNITY TO TASTE THROUGH THESE TOP WINES OF NOTABLE VINTAGES THAT SPAN THE GLOBE.

From the fantastic structure of the highly regarded, rich and opulent 1995 Château Margaux to the elegant and floral Saint-Julien stunner Ducru-Beaucaillou, these are wines that will dazzle your palate. Save the spectacular sweet Château D'Yquem for just the right foie gras dish or as dessert on its own, and take note of the lovely honeyed hints of candied apricots in this late-harvest Sauterne wine.

The history and success story of the Kapcsandy family along and their rise to 100-point wines is yet another big draw for this group. The Colgin IX, a blend of Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot, is distinguished by complex fruit. The blend has extraordinary intensity and a purity of flavor along with a remarkably long finish. From the eastern hillsides of northern Napa Valley the highly-acclaimed Hundred Acre has astonishing texture, a full-body and extraordinary richness. It brings opulence to this group. This Insignia, *Wine Spectator's* #1 Wine of the Year in 2005, boasts an amazing Bordeaux blend of grapes primarily from estate-owned vineyards in Stag's Leap and Rutherford. Last but clearly not least, the Quilceda Creek puts Washington Cabernet on the map and this 2005 was an outstanding vintage. There's only 3% Merlot in this beauty, which is aged for 22 months in new French oak. Perfumed with violets, truffles and black cherries. It rounds off this heavenly lot—may the best bidder float away with this bounty.



LOT 71

Château Margaux 2011

(12 bottles in original wooden case)

Château Pichon Longueville Comtesse de Lalande 2003

(12 bottles in original wooden case)

MARGAUX, PAUILLAC, BORDEAUX
24 bottles in 2 original wooden cases

Generously contributed by
Katie and John Palmer and Edgar D.
Jannotta

ESTIMATED VALUE \$8,500

OUTSTANDING WINES FOR AN OUTSTANDING WOMAN.

This is one of the best wines of its vintage. **Margaux 2011** boasts enticing aromas of plum, cassis, dark cherries and minerals with silky flavors of sweet spices, herbs, smoke and blackcurrant. The wine is firmly built and very pure with smooth, ripe tannins and outstanding length. This vintage blends 86% Cabernet Sauvignon and 10% Merlot, along with equal parts Petit Verdot and Cabernet Franc, giving the wine its deep ruby color. For the finale, the wine finishes long and smooth, lingering as one would hope. Still an infant in age, drinking it now will delight both old- and new-world wine fans, as will laying it down some 20-40 years.

Château Pichon Longueville Comtesse de Lalande has an exceptional personality compared with the other crus of the Pauillac appellation. Complexity, elegance and longevity are the hallmarks of this estate, are those characteristics are found in every single vintage. Remember our earlier reference to it as a Grande Dame? The very grand **2003 Lalande** is big and dense, displaying a beautiful combination of wood, acidity, tannin, and alcohol. Enjoy now or cellar for 20 years to come.

LOT 72

Château Lafite Rothschild 1989

(2 bottles)

Château Lafite Rothschild 2000

(1 bottle)

PAUILLAC, BORDEAUX

3 bottles

*Generously contributed by
Mr. and Mrs. Todd D. Mitchell*

ESTIMATED VALUE \$3,800



AN EXTRAORDINARY PAIRING.

Pairing these two vintages is extraordinary, being that they were both excellent years for the world-class Lafite Rothschild to fully express itself. The blend in 2000 was 93% Cabernet Sauvignon and 7% Merlot, creating both extreme power and delicacy on the palate with waves of black currant, mulberry, caramel and violets. The tannic structure is firm and the finish elegantly lengthy. Robert Parker felt the wine had extraordinary aromatic expression of liquid minerals/stones in the mouth, yet was remarkably light on its feet. He awarded the **2000 Lafite 100 points**. The '89, bursting with dark deep ruby color and more of a forward approach, has a tad more alcohol revealing the warmer vintage. It's rich in deep fruit, considerable elegance and has a sweet tannic finish.

Another pairing we like? Grand opera and fine wine.



LOT 73

HONORED GUEST COLLECTION

Château Gruaud Larose 1962

(1 bottle)

Château d'Yquem 1983

(3 bottles)

Château Gruaud Larose 1986

(2 bottles)

Dom Pérignon Moët & Chandon

Rosé 1988 (1 bottle)

Château Gruaud Larose 1988

(1 bottle)

Robert Mondavi Reserve 1988

(1 imperial)

Château Haut-Brion 1994 (1 bottle)

Château Pichon Longueville

Comtesse de Lalande 1995 (3 bottles)

Château Lynch-Bages 2000 (12 bottles)

Louis Roederer Cristal 2006 (1 bottle)

Marchesi Antinori Tignanello 2007

(5 bottles)

Louis Jadot Chappelle-Chambertin

2008 (6 magnums)

PAUILLAC, PESSAC-LÉOGNAN
SAUTERNES, AND SAINT JULIEN
BORDEAUX

CÔTE DE NUITS, BURGUNDY

TUSCANY, ITALY

NAPA VALLEY
31 bottles, 6 magnums and 1 imperial

*Generously contributed by
Mr. and Mrs. James L. Sandner*

ESTIMATED VALUE \$11,000

THIS HONORED GUEST COLLECTION IS THE GRANDEST LOT OF ALL WITH TOP WINES OF THE WORLD FROM THE GREATEST REGIONS KNOWN TO MAN. EACH OF THESE WINES REPRESENT THE LYRIC OPERA'S HONORED GUESTS OVER THE YEARS.

Saint-Julien's **Château Gruaud Larose** is offered to commemorate the debut of the Lyric Wine Auction in that year. **1988** is a powerful red, with wonderful fruit concentration. With the **1986**, look for tremendous structure that will benefit from an hour or two of decanting, but seems to be quite near immortal. The **1962** brings a luscious, satin finish. All of these bottles are a testament to a fine Bordeaux's ability to age.

Robert Mondavi was himself here in **1988**, and this imperial of his wine from that vintage fittingly celebrates that time. Savor the more wines of Bordeaux, too. Included is a full case of Jean-Michel Cazes outstanding **Lynch Bages 2000**. May Eliane de Lencquesaing shines with the epic **1995 Pichon Lalande**, and Prince Robert of Luxembourg is remembered by the **1994 Haut Brion** which is an unmistakably spicy, full-bodied, powerful wine with extraordinary balance. It's a pure wine with a notably fine integration of new oak, acidity, and tannin.

Mind-blowingly beautiful Champagne is here, too. **Cristal** and **Dom Pérignon Rosé**. Both are meant for special celebrations. Remember our good friend from Burgundy's Louis Jadot? Savor Pierre Henri Gagey's **Chappelle Chambertin 2008**. Finish—or begin!—with **1983 Château d'Yquem**.

Note: One Château d'Yquem bottle is top shoulder level and the Mondavi imperial is base neck level.

Truly, a grand lot in support of grand opera.

LOT 74

LEGENDARY COLLECTOR
JOHN H. BRYAN OFFERS
WINE OF UNPARALLELED
PROVENANCE

Château Haut-Brion 1982
Château Lafite Rothschild 1982
Château Latour 1982
Château Margaux 1982
Château Mouton Rothschild 1982

MÉDOC AND GRAVES,
BORDEAUX
5 bottles, one of each

Generously contributed by
Mr. and Mrs. John H. Bryan

ESTIMATED VALUE \$10,000



1982 MEANT FOR YOU.

Want to be taken seriously as a wine collector? Well, you best not miss this opportunity to acquire this astounding horizontal. Some have been lucky enough to try one of these in a lifetime, but having the full five in your collection? Well, shut the cellar door!

1982 was the first true vintage of the modern age, ushering in a new style of Bordeaux wine, in no small part influenced by the masterful cabernet production in Napa Valley in the late 60s and 70s. The charmed year opened with a gentle winter moved into a stormy summer then finished with a dry, hot autumn. **Three of these beauties; the Lafite Rothschild, the Latour and the Mouton Rothschild, have all earned the illustrious "100" from Robert Parker while the Haut-Brion and the Margaux were just 1 point away from perfect.** Some 30 years after the vintage, the wines from Medoc will continue to age gracefully for another several decades, and the Haut-Brion which is from Graves? It's drinking beautifully. Maybe the buyer will open it tonight?

OUR FINAL LOT OF THE EVENING TAKES US BACK TO THE BEGINNING.

1988. The year that *Phantom of the Opera* opened on Broadway, the year the *Chicago Cubs* got permission to install lights and play a few night games, and the year of the inaugural *Lyric Opera Wine Auction*. We've come a long way, baby!

1988 Latour is classified as First Growth, and this vintage is first rate. It shows off its bouquet of plums, black currants, cedar, and underbrush with gusto then follows that with a sweet entry, a full body, excellent ripeness, and mature integrated tannin. This truly is a classic, elegant Latour which will please even the most discriminating palate, with more meaty, vegetable-like flavors than are found in a riper year.

1988 Gruaud Larose is another elite powerful red, with wonderful fruit concentration. It presents classic Saint-Julien notes of blackcurrant, cedar, lead pencil and superb concentration and length. The top-notch Second Growth of Château Gruaud Larose ensures quality and a wine that will not disappoint.

Note: One base neck and one top shoulder level Château Gruaud Larose bottles.

Phantom went on to more than 4,000 performances. The Cubs are renovating Wrigley for a reinvigorated team! And the Women's Board's Lyric Opera Wine Auction? Well, mark this 11th one down in the record books. Thank you so much for your support!



LOT 75

Château Gruaud Larose 1988
(12 bottles)

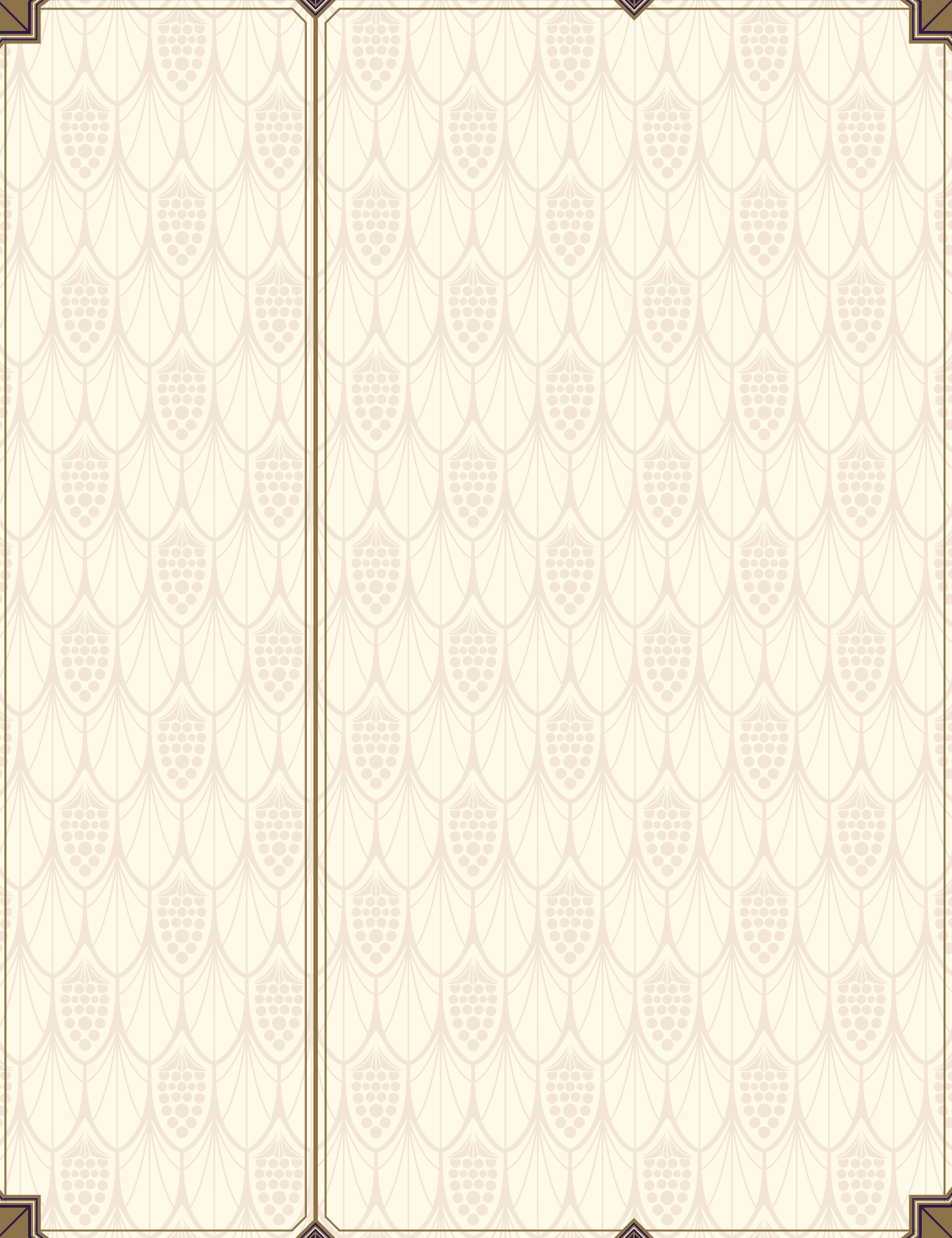
Château Latour 1988
(12 bottles in original wooden case)

PAUILLAC AND SAINT-JULIEN,
BORDEAUX
24 bottles, one original wooden case

Generously contributed by
Northern Trust

ESTIMATED VALUE 8,500





SILENT AUCTION

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BIDDER'S PRIZE

After the official closure of the Silent Auction, one lot number will be chosen from all lot numbers starting with 100 in the Silent Auction. The successful bidder of that lot will win the prize described below. This winner will be announced during dinner.

**Taxes in respect to the Bidder's Prize are the sole responsibility of the winner.*

Château Gruaud Larose 2005

SAINT-JULIEN, BORDEAUX

1 imperial

This evening's dinner wine from 2005 boasts a fabulous rich nose followed by a structured palate with lovely hints of ripe, creamy raspberry and loganberry fruit with liquorice and toast on the finish. The fruit quality is outstanding, with superb energy and freshness. With the delayed harvest this year, the blend was Cabernet Sauvignon (60%) and Merlot (30%), each of which were able to really blossom. It earned 91 points by *Wine Spectator* (2008) which remarked on the amazing aromas, full-bodied, velvety tannins and rich finish.

*Generously contributed by
Château Gruaud Larose*

ESTIMATED VALUE \$800

LOT 101

32 Winds Maestro Anderson Valley Pinot Noir 2009

ANDERSON VALLEY
1 magnum

New copy needed. 32 Winds' Hirsch Vineyard is located on a rugged ridge close to the Pacific Ocean at an elevation of 1,500 feet, in a zone above the marine fog. Their Pinot Noir breathes quality and value—the wine is rich in flavor, full in texture, and offers a lovely underlying minerality and excellent natural acidity. The flavors of black cherries, black raspberries, and freshly grated nutmeg jump out of the glass. On the mid-palate one will experience a great mouth feel of more cola and a bit of plum. The wine finishes like a great burgundy with subtle touches of vanilla.

Generously contributed by
32 winds

ESTIMATED VALUE \$150

LOT 102

Anderson's Conn Valley Vineyards Estate Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon 2010

NAPA VALLEY
1 magnum

Anderson's Conn Valley Vineyards of Napa Valley is known for their Estate Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon. This structured, tannic wine is built to last, with a Bordeaux-like texture and flavor profile.

Generously contributed by
Anderson's Conn Valley Vineyards

ESTIMATED VALUE \$150

LOT 103

Araujo Estate Eisele Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon 2010

NAPA VALLEY
2 bottles

In vineyard and winery alike, the team at Araujo Estate spare no effort to achieve the most exacting quality while extending and building upon the legacies of the past. And those legacies are long-lived, with the Eisele Vineyards getting their start more than 125 years ago in Napa Valley. To produce the estate's flagship wine, three quarters of the 38-acre Eisele Vineyard is dedicated to Cabernet Sauvignon and its companion varieties, Cabernet Franc, Petit Verdot and Merlot. The resulting wine is an intense expression of the Eisele Vineyard proprietary clone and *terroir*, exhibiting characteristic flavors of cassis, blackberry, cedar and chocolate, with a lingering mineral finish. These Cabernets are highly regarded for their complexity, concentration, weight without heaviness, silky texture and ability to age for decades.

Generously contributed by
Carole and Gordon Segal

ESTIMATED VALUE \$850

LOT 104

Arietta H Block Hudson Vineyards Proprietary Blend 2003

NAPA VALLEY
2 bottles

Arietta Vineyards is owned by wine specialist and auctioneer Fritz Hatton and his wife Caren. Founded in 1996 in partnership with winemaker John Kongsgaard and his wife Maggy, Arietta was born into this partnership from the Hatton's and Kongsgaard's shared passion for fine wine and classical music. One of America's most celebrated winemakers, Andy Erickson, crafts the Arietta wines from carefully chosen blocks in the cooler climates of Napa Valley. The vinous inspiration for Arietta was an extraordinary 2.3 acre block of Cabernet Franc on the Hudson Ranch in Napa/Carneros. The fruit from this block of Cabernet Franc serves as the core of the Arietta Red Wine H Block Hudson Vineyards. With just 400 cases produced in 2005, the wine is truly sensational, the product of the greatest vintage for Cabernet Franc in Arietta's ten-year history. 2005's blend of 80% Cabernet Franc and 20% Merlot harks back to the other "high Franc" vintage for Arietta, the superb 1997. One hundred percent co-fermented, the Arietta H Block Hudson Vineyards 2005 displays great balance, tactility, and persistence.

Generously contributed by
Mr. and Mrs. Rodney L. Goldstein

ESTIMATED VALUE \$200

LOT 105

Barnett Vineyards Rattlesnake 2012

NAPA VALLEY
1 magnum

Located at the top of Spring Mountain, Barnett Vineyards reach an elevation of 2,000 feet, and are planted on steep terraces that follow the contour of the land. In some places, the grade averages in excess of 35%, making this mountainside farming quite challenging. Nonetheless, this winery continues to excel in what it sought to do at its creation in 1983 – to produce exceptional hand-crafted Cabernet Sauvignon. The 2012 Rattlesnake Cabernet is intensely purple, with aromatics leaping out of the glass. Full, pure blackberry and raspberry pie dominate the initial aromas, while layers of dark chocolate, anise, coffee and volcanic earth begin to emerge. Of all the vintages of Rattlesnake, this would be the most approachable after 7-8 years, however it will age beautifully over the next 15-16 years (2029-2030).

Generously contributed by
Barnett Vineyards

ESTIMATED VALUE \$850

LOT 106

Beaulieu Vineyards (B.V.) Private Reserve 1994

Chateau Montelena Estate 1999

NAPA VALLEY
2 magnums, one of each

Mature California wines at their peak. For more than 100 years, **Beaulieu Vineyard** has been dedicated to traditional handcrafting and state-of-the-art innovation for bold, classic wines that honor their exceptional *terroir*. The winery crafted Napa Valley's first "cult" Cabernet, bringing a unique history to this esteemed vineyard. The youthful ruby color of the 1994 Private Reserve has a focused gingery-earthy Rutherford nose, with elegant new oak-vanilla adding a fine degree of opulence. New French and American oak support the deep flavors the vintage provides. The world-class Napa Valley winery **Chateau Montelena** is famed for putting California on the wine-making map when their Chardonnay reigned at the 1976 Paris Tasting. Today, they produce some of the finest wines in the world. The 1999 Estate Cabernet Sauvignon has an inky deep color with great ripeness and density. The tell-tale Montelena *terroir* is evidenced by warm gravel, moist earth, a hint of mint from the volcanic hillsides and loads of ripe black fruits.

Generously contributed by
AVAILABLE FOR ASSIGNMENT

ESTIMATED VALUE \$500

LOT 107

Bell Wine Cellars Clone 6 2010

NAPA VALLEY
1 magnum

The 2010 Bell Cabernet Sauvignon, Clone 6 is the 20th anniversary release of the vineyard's signature wine. From aromas of cassis and dark fruit with an undertone of blueberry, to the concentrated flavors, abundant fruit, and a long, persistent finish, this wine is very finely balanced.

Generously contributed by
Anthony Bell, Bell Wine Cellars

ESTIMATED VALUE \$200

LOT 108

Cade Estate Howell Mountain 2008

NAPA VALLEY
1 magnum

The relative newcomer to the crowd, this deep purple Cade, located above the fog line on the dramatic slopes of Howell Mountain, has a glorious nose of blueberries, black raspberries, plums, graphite and crushed rocks. At 98 points, it's some of the best of the remarkable Howell Mountain fruit and is about as good as it gets from these higher elevations.

Generously contributed by
AVAILABLE FOR ASSIGNMENT

ESTIMATED VALUE \$500

LOT 109

Cakebread Cellars Pinot Noir Two Creeks Vineyard 2012

ANDERSON VALLEY
6 bottles, Signed by winemaker

Including American Harvest Cookbook, Cakebread Cellars logo apron and signed Landscape Poster

Cakebread Cellars brings an enduring commitment to quality winemaking, and the belief that life's occasions are elevated by good people, good food, and good wine. Their Two Creeks Pinot Noir boasts fragrant red and black cherry, red raspberry, strawberry and rose petal aromas. It has a smooth, mouth-coating texture, velvety tannins and delightfully silky red raspberry, cherry and strawberry flavors that take on a spicy tone in the long, juicy finish. Delicious now, it will age well in the bottle for at least five years. Enjoy the Cakebread tenet of good people, good food, and good wine while choosing a recipe or two from the American Harvest Cookbook while modeling the Cakebread Cellars apron. Any night can be an occasion to celebrate with wines as great as this!

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ESTIMATED VALUE \$350

LOT 110

Carpe Diem 2008

NAPA VALLEY
12 bottles

Carpe Diem's philosophy is to offer the best of two worlds: the richness of California fruit and the elegance of a French wine. Carpe Diem Cabernet is made in a classic winemaking style and embodies the essence of Napa Valley classic Cabernet Sauvignon, respecting the characteristics of the grape. The high quality harvest of 2008 is ultimately characterized by evenly ripened grapes with pure flavors and soft tannins, and the outcome in the wine is fruity, elegant, and exhibits soft tannins, making it pleasant to drink in its youth. Oak is used sparingly to keep Carpe Diem fresh and vibrant.

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ESTIMATED VALUE \$350

LOT 111

Cayuse Vineyards Bionic Frog 2005

WALLA WALLA VALLEY
3 bottle

This 99-point wine is described as “the kinkiest of syrahs” by Wine Advocate, Cayuse Vineyards’ Bionic Frog has a seductive purple/black color, with a perfume of earth notes, mineral, spice box, and blueberry. Enjoy this wild wine from Cayuse Vineyards, the Walla Walla Valley domain that has made it their mission to craft food-friendly wines of incredible depth, individuality and character.

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ESTIMATED VALUE \$1,200

LOT 112

Concannon Central Coast Petite Syrah Limited Release 2003

CENTRAL COAST
1 double magnum, signed bottle

Anderson’s Conn Valley Vineyards of Napa Valley is known for their Estate Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon. This structured, tannic wine is built to last, with a Bordeaux-like texture and flavor profile.

Generously contributed by
Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Weiss

ESTIMATED VALUE \$100

LOT 113

Diamond Creek Vineyards Lake Vineyard 2010

NAPA VALLEY
1 bottle

This is extremely special. The tiny ¾ acre vineyard of Diamond Creek’s Lake Vineyard is nestled in one of their coolest microclimates thanks to the cool Pacific breezes that travel down the Russian River corridor each afternoon. Lake Vineyard does not produce every year, only when it is deemed worthy, so rest assured that this 2010 vintage is something special.

Generously contributed by
Boots Brounstein, Diamond Creek Vineyards

ESTIMATED VALUE \$450

LOT 114

Dominus Estate 1991

NAPA VALLEY
1 magnum

The 1991 Dominus from this Napa Valley winery is the most harmonious and elegant wine to be released by the vineyard in its first decade of existence. All Dominus wines to date, including the 1991, originate solely from the Bordeaux varieties grown at Napanook Vineyard. The 1991 is composed of 80% Cabernet Sauvignon, complemented by 19% Cabernet Franc and a small amount of Petit Verdot. You’ll find a beautiful, deep ruby color in this bottle, with extraordinary intensity and balance, as well as phenomenal richness and fruit. The wine exhibits silky tannins with a full-bodied palate and an elegant, long finish.

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ESTIMATED VALUE \$700

LOT 115

Dominus Estate 1991

NAPA VALLEY
3 bottles

A producer of beautiful California Bordeaux-blends, Dominus Estate takes meticulous efforts throughout the seasons to produce grapes of the highest quality. This vintage is a dense wine with substantial but supple tannins, scoring 98 points from Robert Parker.

Generously contributed by
Carl Stern and Holly Hayes

ESTIMATED VALUE \$1,000

LOT 116

Dominus Estate 1994

NAPA VALLEY
3 bottles

One of the most respected wine producers in the world, Christian Moueix of Dominus Estate is on a personal quest for perfection in grapegrowing and winemaking. He has instilled his philosophy and inspired his team at Dominus to share his values. The estate’s wine is known for its complexity and balance, and demonstrates the potential of a wine produced on exceptional *terroir*. The 1994 is a deeply colored, dense wine with substantial but supple tannins. You will find it luscious to drink now, yet its concentration suggests a long future.

Generously contributed by
Carl Stern and Holly Hayes

ESTIMATED VALUE \$1,000

LOT 117

Dominus Estate 2005 (2 magnums)

Dominus Estate 2006 (2 magnums)

NAPA VALLEY

4 magnums

Centuries-old traditions of grape-growing and winemaking are combined with innovative practices to transform the highest quality grapes into fine wines that carry a great potential for aging in all of the Napa Valley's Dominus Estate wines. With Dominus, their complex and balanced Cabernet Sauvignon, the potential of fine wine produced from exceptional *terroir* shines through. With ideal weather and budbreak in 2005, quality grapes were harvested contributing to the vintage's tremendous outcome. The 2006 vintage epitomizes the best qualities of Cabernet Sauvignon, displaying tremendous power at first, then surprising by the purity of the fruit and lingering finesse.

Generously contributed by
Dominus Estate

ESTIMATED VALUE \$700

LOT 118

Doubleback Cabernet Sauvignon 2011

WALLA WALLA VALLEY

1 magnum, signed

Enjoy Doubleback's 2011 Cabernet Sauvignon from this beautiful bottle, autographed by proprietor Drew Bledsoe and consulting winemaker, Chris Figgins. 2011 was the coolest vintage since '93 and a true vintage to separate the men from the boys in the vineyard. In a year when "generous" and "voluptuous" will apply to very few wines produced in the greater Columbia Valley, the 2011 Doubleback is a rare exception. The color is saturated and gorgeous. The nose explodes with crushed and sautéed bramble fruit, crème brulee, and a dusting of allspice. Its vibrant acid backbone cuts through its richness ending with a generously long finish.

Generously contributed by
Drew and Maura Bledsoe, Doubleback

ESTIMATED VALUE \$500

LOT 119

Duckhorn Vineyards Three Palms Merlot 2006, 2007, 2008

NAPA VALLEY

3 double magnums, one of each

Dan Duckhorn, co-founder of Duckhorn Vineyards, became enchanted with Merlot thanks to its "seductiveness, softness, and color." In its more than 30 years of operation, Duckhorn Vineyards has proven the love for this wine by focusing on perfecting a Merlot, which is abundantly evident in this vertical assortment! Now recognized as one of North America's premier producers of Bordeaux varietal wines, Duckhorn's Three Palms Merlot was their inaugural 1978 vintage, beginning over a quarter century of tradition crafting full-bodied wines that reflect the unique *terroir* of this site. A warm site with free-draining soils, Three Palms consistently delivers focused red-fruit flavors balanced by signature minerality. A classic expression of Three Palms, this wine begins with enticing aromas of chocolate-covered cherries, earth, ginger spice and graham cracker pie crust before revealing a core of red-fruit dominated flavors highlighting red currant and sweet cherry. Supported by a broad, rich entry, this powerful Merlot has firm, robust tannins and will benefit from decanting or additional aging. To compare these three vintages will be a treat for the senses!

Generously contributed by
Duckhorn Vineyards

ESTIMATED VALUE \$1,500

LOT 120

Gemstone Estate Cabernet Sauvignon 2011

NAPA VALLEY

1 double magnum

Gemstone Vineyard is a small, family-owned producer of estate wines whose focus is on crafting richly textured red wines from Bordeaux varietals grown on their 16-acre hillside property in the Yountville appellation of Napa Valley. Esteemed winemaker Philippe Melka created the very first edition of **SONG: A Lyric Opera Commemorative Wine** for Wine Auction 2012. This 2011 Gemstone Estate Cabernet Sauvignon is a blend of 86% Cabernet Sauvignon and 14% Petit Verdot, creating a wine that has great depth and contains a firm, structured finish.

Generously contributed by
Gemstone Vineyard

ESTIMATED VALUE \$1,100

LOT 121

HALL "Exzellenz" 2010

NAPA VALLEY
1 bottle

The 2010 HALL "Exzellenz" from Sacrashe Vineyard is deep, dark purple in color with a heady perfume of dark wild berry, dark cherry, espresso, fresh herbs, tilled earth, and dark chocolate. This wine is both massive and eloquent on the palate with rich, lengthy tannins that frame a graceful core of deep dark fruit and toasted spice flavors.

Generously contributed by
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ESTIMATED VALUE \$350

LOT 122

HALL Vineyard "Kathryn Hall" 2008

NAPA VALLEY
1 magnum

In Rutherford sits the acclaimed HALL Vineyard, with this extremely limited 2008 "Kathryn Hall" Cabernet. It wasn't just the 96 point score that set it on fire but also the #2 ranking in the 2011 *Wine Spectator* "Wine of the World" that brought the most attention, justifiably so. The wine's rich, savory and full-bodied, with direct, potent young fruit flavors anchored on blackberry and dark berry fruit, with a touch of spice and black licorice.

Generously contributed by
Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Weiss

ESTIMATED VALUE \$500

LOT 123

Harlan Estate 2001

NAPA VALLEY
1 bottle

Wow! Harlan Estate's unique location rests in a transition zone between the wild terrain of the forest and the open plain of the valley. Much of the character of their sought-after wine comes from the fact that the vineyards are carved from—and next to—wild lands, forest, and woodlands. This 2001 Bordeaux blend received 100 points from Robert Parker and has quite possibly received more perfect scores than any other Napa Cabernet Sauvignon. According to Mr. Parker, "the wine has a remarkable purity, concentration and intensity that should carry it for another 30+ years."

Generously contributed by
Jane & Tom O'Neil

ESTIMATED VALUE \$1,100

LOT 124

Jones Family Vineyards Estate Cabernet Sauvignon 2005, 2006, 2007

NAPA VALLEY
3 bottles, one of each

The Jones Family Vineyards are located on a south facing hillside between St. Helena and Calistoga in the Northern Napa Valley. This prime location provides the ideal combination of soil and climate for the development of their outstanding Cabernet Sauvignons. To begin this vertical lot, drink in the deep ruby in color of the 2005 with fully ripe fruit aromas of plum jam, black cherry, and cassis. The 2006 Estate Cabernet is one of the top tastings in the vintage and a truly remarkable Jones that will reward time in the cellar. Finally, the 2007 drinks better younger than some previous Jones vintages, but will also respond well to time in the cellar. Complemented by a maple syrup, caramelized brown sugar goodness, this wine is representative of the vineyard's southern Calistoga hillside location.

Generously contributed by
Jones Family Vineyards

ESTIMATED VALUE \$450

LOT 125

Joseph Phelps Freestone Vineyards 2012

SONOMA
1 magnum

100% estate-grown Pinot Noir from Joseph Phelps' Freestone Vineyards (60% Quarter Moon Vineyard and 40% Pastorale Vineyard), this Sonoma Coast wine has a bright bouquet of red cherries and summer berries, black pepper, cassis, and sweet vanilla. This is an exceptionally fruit expressive wine with a core of black cherries and blackberries, lingering Freestone spice and notes of forest floor and tangerine peel. A creamy mouthfeel and silky texture paired with balanced tannins and acidity lead to a long, pleasing finish.

Generously contributed by
Joseph Phelps Vineyards

ESTIMATED VALUE \$100

LOT 126

Kistler McCrea Vineyard Chardonnay 2008 (3 bottles)

Kistler Kistler Vineyard Chardonnay 2010 (3 bottles)

Kistler McCrea Vineyard Chardonnay 2010 (4 bottles)

Kistler Hyde Vineyards Chardonnay 2010 (2 bottles)

SONOMA
12 bottles

This beautiful array of Chardonnays from one of Sonoma's finest wineries showcases four of Kistler's ten vineyards designated to Chardonnay. They are marked first and foremost by regional characteristics. Beyond that lies the personality of each of the vineyards from which they hail. All of the sites are planted to the same clone, a California heritage selection that we have been using for close to thirty years. Each wine is produced in the same fashion, with the focus being on the traditional techniques that elicit the earth driven, complex noble sulfides and resulting minerality inherent in the fruit from each site. The **Kistler Vineyard Chardonnay** comes with an intense sense of the mountain heritage of the delicate stone fruit that is lifted, with a strong core and layers of richness. The **McCrea Vineyard** produces one of Kistler's more elegant wines, Chablis-like in its markings of white flowers and lime blossom with a chalk driven subtle, ethereal core of fruit. **Hyde Vineyards' Chardonnay** is a wine of weight, without being heavy that is consistently supported by a strong acid profile and a steely like sulfide character.

Generously contributed by
Lynne and David B. Weinberg

ESTIMATED VALUE \$1,200

LOT 127

Kosta Browne Sonoma Coast Pinot Noir 2009 (1 bottle)

Kosta Browne Russian River Pinot Noir 2010 (4 bottles)

SONOMA
5 bottles

Kosta Browne's single vineyard wines are blended to express the specific qualities and consistencies of their pedigreed vineyards, and Pinot Noir is the perfect palate to define the *terroir* of those plantings. The **2010 Russian River Valley Pinot Noir** is a blend of eleven vineyards which lie in cool areas throughout the Russian River Valley. This beautifully complex wine is pure, balanced, lush and focused. Rich chocolate covered cherries come to the front, while fresh ripe raspberries, pomegranate and cola develop throughout the palate, all resting generously on the top of the tongue. With the **2009 Sonoma Coast Pinot Noir** you will find cherry and ripe cranberry aromas that envelop the glass, followed by intense black plum, sage, and Herbs de Provence. Focused acidity and supportive tannins carry the rich dark fruit character towards the mid-palate, followed by creamy black cherry and cranberry. The intense start is followed by a slow release of complex flavors and textures which lead to a long and lingering finish.

Generously contributed by
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ESTIMATED VALUE \$1,250

LOT 128

Lokoya Winery Mt. Veeder 2009

NAPA VALLEY
1 magnum signed by winemaker,
Chris Carpenter

Specializing in premium small lot wines, Lokoya Winery gets its name from the Native American tribe that inhabited what is now known as Mt. Veeder in the Mayacamas Mountains on the western side of Napa Valley. This 2009 Mt. Veeder Cabernet Sauvignon has layers of dark, mineral-infused fruit. Graphite, cassis, blackberries, spices and new leather can be found in this approachable glass.

Generously contributed by
Lokoya Winery

ESTIMATED VALUE \$650

LOT 129

- Chateau Montelena Estate Zinfandel 1977 (1 bottle)
- Ravenswood Winery Zinfandel Sonoma County 1986 (1 bottle)
- L'Aventure Zinfandel Paso Robles 1998 (3 bottles)
- Storybook Mountain Vineyards Estate Reserve Napa Valley 2000 Zinfandel (1 bottle)

NAPA VALLEY, SONOMA, CENTRAL COAST
6 bottles

Chateau Montelena's Master Winemaker Bo Barrett believes "The most important thing in winemaking is balance; from the technical aspect it is the strength of the triangle: balance of art, farming and science to make consistently great wines." How true this philosophy is in this **1977 Zinfandel**. This wine's very intense, spicy, briary characters are balanced by the berry aroma and flavor of fruit from Paso Robles. Although bone dry, the richly complex flavors leave a distinctly sweet impression followed by the assurance of enough tannin to help preserve the wine. With a motto of "No Wimpy Wines", **Ravenswood Winery** has a no-holds-barred pursuit of full-throttle, full-flavored wines. Their focus on Zinfandel comes from the notion that Zin is like a "tough old bird" that, if treated with respect, will soar. And soar it does, with this 1986 vintage being a stellar example. In 1996, Stephan Asseo, owner and winemaker of **L'Aventure Winery**, began a quest for a perfect *terroir*, where he could pursue his ideals as a winemaker. After searching for over a year among the world's great wine fields, ranging from South Africa to Lebanon, Argentina to Napa, Stephan found Paso Robles and immediately fell in love with the unique landscape of west side Paso Robles. His 1998 L'Aventure Zinfandel displays a beautiful deep ruby color, and on the nose you will come across smoked and mineral aromas. Ripe fruit and spicy notes become evident with aeration, and this rich and elegant wine should age very well. The Zinfandel tradition began at **Storybook Mountain** in the early 1880s when its red clay hillsides in the Mayacamas Range were first planted to this varietal. Here, an ideal match of *terroir* and grape allows their Zinfandel to show its true potential. A fairytale indeed, this classic zin is dark in color and succulent and intriguing.

Generously contributed by
Tamra & Jack Weiss

ESTIMATED VALUE \$200

LOT 130

Morningside Mountain Octagon Blend 2010

SONOMA
24 bottles

This exclusive lot of Morningside Mountain Vineyard's Octagon Blend is a very rare find! From winemaker Don VanStaaveren, this blend of 65% Merlot and 35% Cabernet Franc is not sold commercially. Don't miss your chance to secure this masterpiece offered to Lyric by the Winery Owners and Lyric Opera fans!

Generously contributed by
Donna & Les Pinsof

ESTIMATED VALUE \$1,200

LOT 131

- Northstar Premier 2009
- Northstar Walla Walla Merlot 2009
- Northstar Columbia Valley Merlot 2009

WALLA WALLA VALLEY, COLUMBIA VALLEY
3 magnums, one of each

Just as the North Star has been used through the ages as a directional guide, Northstar Winery was established in the early 1990s to guide the creation of world-class Merlot-based wines that demonstrate the potential of the variety in Washington State. The region has been recognized as one of the world's most exciting and acclaimed for Merlot. Holding the same latitude as the Bordeaux region in France, Washington has the additional benefit of a longer growing season and cooler nighttime temperatures. These characteristics aid in the even ripening of grapes and the locking in of acidity, resulting in full-bodied yet balanced Merlots. The **Northstar Premier's** extremely limited production is sourced from the best vineyards in the region. The **Walla Walla Merlot** embodies the very best of the Walla Walla Valley, providing densely layered notes of spice, raspberry, blackberry, and coconut. Epitomizing Northstar's power and finesses, the **Columbia Valley Merlot** has rich and concentrated aromas of vanilla, blackberry, and maple which lead to boysenberry, blueberry, and chocolate. Each of these bottles can be enjoyed now but will age gracefully for years to come.

Generously contributed by
Northstar

ESTIMATED VALUE \$400

LOT 132

Paul Hobbs Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon 2001

NAPA VALLEY
6 bottles

According to Paul Hobbs, "The wines we are currently producing are the result of years of perseverance, patience and experimentation in our continuing adventure with wine." This is thanks to the wineries meticulous vineyard management and techniques. In his standard Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon, Hobbs creates a blend of diverse Napa Valley vineyards that embody depth, complexity and concentration. Aromas of black currant and mocha come forward, with dense layers of cassis, blackberry, and graphite with supple tannins. This vintage is beautifully balanced, with a very long finish.

Generously contributed by
Paula and Jim Crown

ESTIMATED VALUE \$550

LOT 133

Quilceda Creek 2005, 2007

COLUMBIA VALLEY
2 bottles, one of each

Quilceda Creek is dedicated exclusively to the production of world-class Washington State Cabernet Sauvignon. Founded in 1979, this winery has had an unbroken string of highly-rated vintages that has led Robert Parker to name it Washington State's premier Cabernet Sauvignon producer. Both these vintages received 100 point scores from Robert Parker. 2005 in particular was an exceptional year for the vineyard. Summer temperatures were quite warm resulting in extremely small berry size, and then the heat backed off just enough in September to ripen the grapes without rushing physiological maturity. The results are deeply colored, beautifully balanced wines with tremendously dense, ripe aromas and flavors. This vintage (97% Cabernet Sauvignon, 3% Merlot) is loaded with blackberry, blueberry, plum and cassis with nuances of dark chocolate and violets. Classically structured, this complex wine has remarkable elegance and persistence on the long, pure finish. The 2005 Cabernet Sauvignon is easily one of the best wines the estate has ever produced. The Quilceda Creek 2007 Cabernet Sauvignon Columbia Valley is a very dense and opulent wine that has amazing concentration and a liqueur-like texture. Classic aromas and flavors of violets, plum, cassis, blackberry and Asian spice cascade over the palate in a delineated fashion, ending in a finish that lasts over a minute.

Generously contributed by
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ESTIMATED VALUE \$600

LOT 134

Quilceda Creek 2007

COLUMBIA VALLEY
1 magnum

This is a very special domestic lot that exemplifies the best of Washington. This family-owned and operated winery consistently amazes, earning an unprecedented fourth 100 point score. As Robert Parker says; "Quilceda Creek remains Washington's benchmark for world-class Cabernet Sauvignon." Magnums are a rarity so be sure to take this rare gem home!

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ESTIMATED VALUE \$500

LOT 135

Ramey Wine Cellars Hudson Vineyard 2011

Ramey Wine Cellars Hyde Vineyard 2011

Ramey Wine Cellars Platt Vineyard 2011

Ramey Wine Cellars Ritchie Vineyard 2011

NAPA VALLEY, SONOMA
4 magnums, one of each

The vineyards of Ramey Wine Cellars work to perfect handcrafted harmony, producing critically acclaimed, award-winning wines since they were founded in 1996. This collection of their 2011 Chardonnays shows their attention to detail and their philosophy rooted in traditional methods mixed with an eagerness to explore innovation. The **2011 Hudson Vineyard Chardonnay** is succulent, bringing butter, almonds and hazelnuts to the complexity of this show-off Chardonnay. With the **Hyde Vineyard Chardonnay** comes a green-tinged yellow. Orange peel, pear and chalky minerals linger on the incisive nose, with complicating hints of white flowers and iodine. The **2011 Platt Vineyard Chardonnay** is direct and focused in style. Butter, pastry, citrus and sweet spices are some of the nuances that are alive in the glass, and there is a lot to look forward to in the years to come. The **Ritchie Valley Chardonnay** is a vivid gold wine that is sappy and expansive on the palate, offering lively orchard and citrus fruit flavors and a bracing jolt of gingery spices.

Generously contributed by
Ramey Wine Cellars

ESTIMATED VALUE \$500

LOT 136

Rhys Vineyards Alpine Vineyard 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010

Rhys Vineyards Horseshoe Vineyard 2011

CENTRAL COAST
5 bottles, one of each

From its steep and rocky perch, **Alpine Vineyard** gazes at the Pacific Ocean ten miles in the distance. The chalky Purisima Formation soils are shallow and rocky while the slopes can range up to 40%. The altitude and proximity to the ocean contribute to a very cool climate, but unlike most of California's cool and foggy sites Alpine has little wind. This unique combination of climate and soil produces wines that do not taste like any other Pinot Noir in the world. This vertical lot offered here showcases the beauty of these unique Pinot Noir's, with charming intense fruit that are nicely youthful now, but will benefit from more cellar time. The 2010, for example, shows the powerful side of Alpine, with a primary and intense ripe black fruit that is currently hiding the complexity that will emerge with bottle age. Equally impressive, the wines produced at **Rhys Vineyards' Horseshoe** are uniquely mineral, precise and focused. They offer an almost palpable tension that greatly rewards aging. The 2011 Pinot Noir is described as beautiful and exotic with intoxicating scents and flavors accompanying the weightless black fruit.

Generously contributed by
Danny O'Shaughnessy

ESTIMATED VALUE \$400

LOT 137

Robert Foley Vineyards 2010

NAPA VALLEY
1 magnum

Cabernet Sauvignon at its finest, 100% varietal Robert Foley 2010 Cabernet Sauvignon combines the firm character of mountain-grown fruit with the more lush and supple fruit grown in warmer conditions at lower elevations. Flavors of ripe cherry, loganberry and vanilla flood the palate and offer a note of sophistication that's seductive and captivating. It's big, rich, and chewy on the palate with a long and graceful finish.

Generously contributed by
Robert Foley Vineyards

ESTIMATED VALUE \$200

LOT 138

Robert Mondavi Reserve 1979

NAPA VALLEY
1 magnum in original wooden case

The products of Robert Mondavi Winery are a realization of Mondavi's vision to create a collection of Napa Valley wines that would stand in the company of the world's finest. Today, the winery strives to emulate Mr. Mondavi's tireless winemaking innovation, uncompromising eye for quality, and unshakable faith in California's vineyards. The Robert Mondavi Reserve is the ultimate expression of *terroir*, with hand-selected fruit from the finest blocks of the vineyards and handled with the greatest care in the dedicated reserve fermentation cellar. This wine combines elegant complexity with density and structure, and demonstrate the "art" of winemaking. The 1979 Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon is complex and supple, with cherry, currant, mint and coffee notes. There is great finesse on the finish, a true testament to the quality of this wine.

Generously contributed by
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ESTIMATED VALUE \$200

LOT 139

Robert Mondavi Cabernet Sauvignon Reserve 1987 (1 bottle etched for the 50th Anniversary)

Dunn Cabernet Sauvignon 1988 (4 bottles)

Robert Mondavi Cabernet Sauvignon Reserve 1991 (1 bottle)

NAPA VALLEY
6 bottles

From a family who fell in love with Napa Valley more than 30 years ago, this **Dunn Vineyards Cabernet Sauvignon** epitomizes the greatness of California reds. These bottles represent Dunn's style, with remarkable color and richness paired with strong tannic structures. Robert Mondavi's legend lives on through these two bottles of Cabernet. In the **1991 Reserve**, a deep, garnet color shines through. Earthy notes combine with pencil lead and Indian spices to create a bottle that will be enjoyable throughout the next ten years certainly. In honor of Mondavi's 50th Harvest, this **1987 Anniversary Cabernet** showcased the triumphs of this vineyard. Decadently rich, Robert Parker declared this vintage "A potential legend in the making!"

Generously contributed by
Tamra & Jack Weiss

ESTIMATED VALUE \$400

LOT 140

Robert Mondavi Reserve 1998

NAPA VALLEY
12 bottles in two original wooden cases

Rich layers of cassis, boysenberry and black cherry slowly unfold in this Robert Mondavi 1998 Cabernet Sauvignon Reserve. Intriguing nuances of spice, cedar forest and licorice heighten the wine's complexity. The excellent structure, with broad, muscular tannins and a long, velvety finish, promises even greater development with bottle aging for several years to come. Extended maceration, a long malolactic fermentation and aging in new French oak barrels, captured and enhanced the wine's expression of the iconic vineyard's *terroir*.

Generously contributed by
Mrs. William B. Graham

ESTIMATED VALUE \$850

LOT 141

Robert Mondavi Reserve 1998

NAPA VALLEY
4 bottles

In Napa Valley, as throughout California, 1998 was an unusual year for weather. El Niño brought a growing season punctuated with extremes, twice the normal rainfall, 18 days of frost, cold weather at bloom and record heat spells. Yields for some varieties were down because of the wet weather during bloom and berry set, and spell of excessive summer heat caused sunburn in some cases. But then the weather improved and brought near perfect mild, sunny days for ripening. Sufficient time on the vines led to vibrant flavors and natural balance in the wines. The 1998 harvest, one of the latest of the decade, turned out to be of excellent quality. Robert Mondavi's 1998 Cabernet Sauvignon Reserve captures the personality of Napa Valley's celebrated Oakville District with beautifully articulated flavors of berries, cassis and spice. Against all odds, this wine is close to perfect!

Generously contributed by
Mrs. William B. Graham

ESTIMATED VALUE \$250

LOT 142

Rochioli Little Hill Pinot Noir 2009

SONOMA
1 magnum

Rochioli Vineyards, a third-generation winery, created a bold and powerful Pinot Noir with their 2009 vintage. Considered "highly recommended" by *Wine Spectator*, its pure richness with blackberry, boysenberry, floral, and spice notes will thrill those who enjoy bold Pinots.

Generously contributed by
Rochioli Winery

ESTIMATED VALUE \$200

LOT 143

Saxum Vineyards Bone Rock James Berry Vineyard Blend 2006

CENTRAL COAST
6 bottles

Saxum Vineyards is focused on producing Grenache, Syrah, and Mourvedre-based blends from the Templeton Gap/Willow Creek area of Paso Robles. Their James Berry Vineyard is an estate vineyard consisting of a series of slopes with shallow clay loam topsoil covering an ancient seabed, complete with fossilized shells and sharks teeth. The cuvee is a red fruit driven, Grenache-based blend, with a large portion of Mourvedre for texture, and Syrah as spicy support. Raspberries and blackberries lead the way followed by Provincial herbs and smooth dense tannins. *Note: One bottle has chipped wax.*

Generously contributed by
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ESTIMATED VALUE \$900

LOT 144

Schramsberg Blanc de Blancs 1990

NAPA VALLEY
1 double magnum in original wooden case

One of the great American wineries, Schramsberg is home to the oldest hillside vineyards in Napa. Their Blanc de Blancs also holds a place in American history, as it was used for President Nixon's 1972 "Toast to Peace" with China's Premier Zhou Enlai. The winery's sparkling wines have been served at official State functions by every U.S. Presidential administration since! The Blanc de Blanc was the first wine produced by Schramsberg, and is traditionally dry and crisp. With its vibrant, fruitful and crisp nature, this sparkling wine will maintain its freshness, structure and refined finish for many years, even decades following its initial release.

Generously Contributed by
Mrs. Paul W. Oliver, Jr.

ESTIMATED VALUE \$200

LOT 145

Schramsberg Vineyards J. Davies Diamond Mountain Cabernet Sauvignon 2010

NAPA VALLEY
1 magnum in original wooden case,
signed by winemaker

The J. Davies Diamond Mountain Cabernet Sauvignon is a juicy, well-balanced wine. Rich blackberry, floral scents, mineral and graphite combine harmoniously in this winemaker-signed bottle.

Generously contributed by
Schramsberg & J. Davies Vineyards

ESTIMATED VALUE \$200

LOT 146

Screaming Eagle Second Flight 2007

NAPA VALLEY
1 magnum in original wooden case

Screaming Eagle Winery and Vineyards produces limited amounts of varietal wine. Thanks to their small quantities produced, high prices are typically commanded, leading to their success as a cult winery. Second Flight is their Cabernet Sauvignon-based wine, with Merlot taking a more powerful role. The essence of the vintage comes through loud and clear in the 2007. A true gem of a wine, you will find raspberry jam, freshly cut flowers and licorice flowing through to a deep, enveloping finish. This is a beautiful contribution from Screaming Eagle.

Generously contributed by
Screaming Eagle

ESTIMATED VALUE \$1,150

LOT 147

Shafer Vineyards Hillside Select 2002

NAPA VALLEY
3 bottles

Hillside Select is one of the world-class wines of Napa. The estate keeps this cuvee 32 months in 100% new French oak and each of the bottles here show amazing finesse. This signature wine of Shafer Vineyards is sourced from volcanic soil atop weathered bedrock.

Robert Parker declared the **2002** a “candidate for one of the top wines of the vintage,” and awarded it 100 points. It supplies aromas of grilled meats, herbs, blackberry, and cassis fruit, licorice and charcoal.

Generously contributed by
Shafer Vineyards

ESTIMATED VALUE \$1,550

LOT 148

Shafer Vineyards Hillside Select 2004

NAPA VALLEY
3 bottles

Hillside Select shows off the heart of Stags Leap. The 2004 vintage earned 100 point score from *Wine Enthusiast*. This 100% Cabernet is rich in black currant, cassis, and a touch of mocha flavors. This gorgeous wine is ready to drink now or will age well in a cellar for the next 20 years.

Generously contributed by
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ESTIMATED VALUE \$850

LOT 149

Silver Oak Alexander Valley Cabernet Sauvignon 2010

NAPA VALLEY
1 double magnum in original wooden case

The wines of Silver Oak Cellars have been produced for over 40 years, and are routinely exceptional, food-friendly Cabernets that are extensively aged to be drinkable upon release. Perfect for big dinners or impromptu celebrations, this wine is as distinctive as it is delicious.

Generously contributed by
Silver Oak Cellars

ESTIMATED VALUE \$350

LOT 150

Sine Qua Non Poker Face Syrah 2004

CENTRAL COAST
1 bottle

Wines born of pure passion and a wishful dream are at the heart and soul of Sine Qua Non vineyards, as they strive to make distinctive and delicious wines, indispensable to wine lovers the world over. With classic Syrah characteristics of blackberry, crème de cassis, charcoal, acacia flower, and subtle background toasty oak notes, this wine comes with richness and purity. Do try to keep your poker face in order to secure this hard-to-get, multi-dimensional bottle. You won't be disappointed!

Generously contributed by
AVAILABLE FOR ASSIGNMENT

ESTIMATED VALUE \$850

LOT 151

Skipstone Oliver's Blend 2006 (3 bottles in original wood case)

Skipstone Oliver's Blend 2007 (1 magnum)

Skipstone Oliver's Blend 2010 (1 bottle)

SONOMA
4 bottles and 1 magnum

Skipstone is tucked between two stunning hillsides in the mountains above Alexander Valley. The winemakers aspire to perfection in every aspect of winegrowing and estate farming, drawing inspiration from the unparalleled potential and promise of the earth. The concept with Oliver's Blend is that each year the varietal composition changes, highlighting the best possible blend to showcase the dynamic vineyard. Winemaker Philippe Melka combines a multitude of individual Cabernet lots to create the foundation of the blend, then looks to the other varietals grown to embellish the core wine. These beautiful wines are enjoyable now, but will continue to blossom in the cellar.

Generously contributed by
Carl and Marilyn Thoma

ESTIMATED VALUE \$600

LOT 152

SLOAN ESTATE Asterisk 2009
SLOAN ESTATE Sloan 2010

NAPA VALLEY
2 magnums, one of each

An appealing wine comprised of Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, and Cabernet Franc, **Sloan Estate's 2009 Asterisk** is full of finesse and balance. There is wonderful integration of fruit, concentrated flavors, and silky tannins, and while quite drinkable now, it promises future enjoyment as well. This Rutherford, California vineyard's **Sloan 2010** Bordeaux blend is a real tour-de-force that will continue to age beautifully. Flawless integration of acidity, tannin, alcohol, and wood, prepare your senses for this masterful blend.

Generously contributed by
Jenny Pan, SLOAN ESTATE

ESTIMATED VALUE \$2,000

LOT 153

Spottswoode Family Estate Grown
Cabernet Sauvignon 1991

NAPA VALLEY
6 bottles

Spottswoode is a family-owned historic vineyard and winery renowned for its exceptional Cabernet Sauvignon. Established in 1882 by George Schonewald, the estate is distinguished by the pre-prohibition Victorian home depicted on the wine label. The 1991 Cabernet Sauvignon has a delicious medley of aromas and flavors. Asian spice, crushed raspberries, rose petals, and a wonderful peach note are swirled with mocha, black pepper, ash, and cedar. This wine has and will continue to hold up admirably. Note: Two base neck level.

Generously contributed by
AVAILABLE FOR ASSIGNMENT

ESTIMATED VALUE \$800

LOT 154

Spottswoode Family Estate Grown
Cabernet Sauvignon 1995

NAPA VALLEY
6 bottles

A quintessential aged Spottswoode, the 1995 is ready to drink now, with a warmth, dimension, and attractive characters suggesting dried rose, anise, cherry tobacco, soy, a hint of tar and ash, Asian five-spice, cheese-rind, orange zest, sage, and sandalwood.

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ESTIMATED VALUE \$900

FEATURED

LOT 155

Spottswoode Family Estate Grown
Cabernet Sauvignon 2010

NAPA VALLEY
6 bottles

Situated on the western edge of Napa Valley's St. Helena at the foot of the Mayacamas Mountains, the *terroir* of Spottswoode is ideal for growing fine wine grapes. The alluvial clay loam from the Sulphur Creek fan provides superb drainage while cool maritime breezes passing through the gap between Spring Mountain and the Mayacamas range allow berries to ripen slowly. This vintage is classic Spottswoode, boasting an inky/purple color. With a wonderful balance of tanning, wood and acidity, "it comes across like a liquid version of haute couture from the house of Chanel," according to Robert Parker's Wine Advocate, who awarded the bottle 100 points.

Generously contributed by
AVAILABLE FOR ASSIGNMENT

ESTIMATED VALUE \$1,850

LOT 156

Stag's Leap Wine Cellars Fay Vineyard Estate Cabernet Sauvignon 2006

NAPA VALLEY
1 double magnum

At Stag's Leap in Napa Valley, winemaking is traditional, focused on a pure expression of the land. Everything is well-informed by experience and classic winemaking technique, but nothing is rote or formulaic. Decisions are made based on the fruit itself, and the conditions of each and every harvest. Their wines are consistently well made, showing finesse and integrity. The 2006 Fay Vineyard Estate Cabernet Sauvignon opens with the scent of sweet spices. Anise, nutmeg and allspice are framed around red cherry aromas, and flavors of dark plum and cherry broaden across the back-palate to an expansive density of fruit. It is fitting that the Fay Vineyard is the land where the story of Stag's Leap Wine Cellars began back in 1969! This wine pays lovely tribute to that history.

Generously contributed by
Robert L. Hull

ESTIMATED VALUE \$500

LOT 157

Stag's Leap Wine Cellars CASK 23 Estate Cabernet Sauvignon 2009

Stag's Leap Wine Cellars S.L.V. Estate Cabernet Sauvignon 2009

Stag's Leap Wine Cellars FAY Estate Cabernet Sauvignon 2009

Judgment of Paris by George Taber

NAPA VALLEY

3 magnums, one of each

This impressive group of wines from one of California's earliest estates will undoubtedly leave you wanting more. Stag's Leap is home to a unique *terroir* and ideal microclimate which support a classical standard of viticulture, land use, and winemaking. Their renowned reputation of creating elegant wines of finesses and intensity is well-warranted, as evidenced in this formidable collection. Their fine Cabernet Sauvignon's are of consistent, well-made quality with velvet intensities; the **CASK** is a wine of impressive elegance, the **S.L.V.** is complex and persistent, the **FAY** ripe and supple. *The Judgment of Paris* tells the story of this legendary winery and others who brought fame to California's impressive wine region during the legendary Paris Tasting of 1976.

Generously contributed by
Stag's Leap Wine Cellars

ESTIMATED VALUE \$1,050

LOT 158

Chateau Ste. Michelle Artist Series
Meritage 2009

COLUMBIA VALLEY

1 double magnum

The Artist Series from this venerable Washington-state vineyard aims to show the similarities and inspiration that can come between winemakers and artists. Chateau Ste. Michelle is renowned for bringing acclaim to the wonderful wine-making region of Washington, and their exceptionally crafted blends are showcased beautifully in this 2009 bottle. A perfect blend of elegance, mixing five of the Bordeaux grapes, from Canoe Ridge Estate vineyard and the power of Cold Creek vineyard results in this complex, harmonious wine. Enjoy dark flavors of black cherry and cassis combined with ripe, firm tannins. Plus, drink in this effortless pairing of wine and art with the stunning "Chaos" label.

Generously contributed by
Chateau Ste. Michelle

ESTIMATED VALUE \$300

LOT 159

Williams Selyem Winery Calegari Vineyard 2012

Williams Selyem Winery Eastside Road Neighbors 2012

Williams Selyem Winery Foss Vineyard 2012

SONOMA

3 magnums, one of each

Williams Selyem Winery is well-known for setting a new standard for Pinot Noir winemaking in the United States through the raising of Sonoma County's Russian River Valley to among the best winegrowing regions in the world. These three wines not only come from an extraordinary winery, but from an exceptional wine year. A signature of bright red fruit and floral qualities, the **Calegari Vineyard's Pinot Noir** exemplifies true Russian River Valley style. The second vintage from the Calegari Vineyard, 2012, offers an array of red cherry, cranberry and red raspberry aromas, while red rose, saffras and cinnamon burst from the glass. Blended from unique sites along the Eastside Road ridgeline above the Russian River, the **2012 Eastside Road Neighbors** offers an explosion of fruit on the nose and palate. This vintage, full of blackberry, black cherry, mulberry and dried rose petals, can be enjoyed in its youth because of its lively nature but will age well and develop even more secondary aromas and flavors in years to come. While plush and round on the palate, the fresh acidity of the **2012 Foss Vineyard Pinot Noir** carries on through the mid-palate and gives length to the wine's chocolaty tannins. Vanilla and baking spices complete the profile of this wonderfully rich wine.

Generously contributed by
Williams Selyem

ESTIMATED VALUE \$300

LOT 160

Château Beychevelle 1990

SAINT-JULIEN, BORDEAUX
12 bottles in original wooden case

Known as the Bordeaux version of Versailles thanks to the estate's impressive, regal buildings and grounds, Château Beychevelle is a Saint-Julien mainstay, creating impressive wines vintage after vintage. Château Beychevelle is a traditionally made and traditionally styled Bordeaux wine full of cassis, earth, spice and tobacco notes that ages very well. The 1990 is ready to drink now, displaying a medium body and soft texture. The wine ends with a light, black plum and cranberry finish.

Generously contributed by
Mrs. William B. Graham

ESTIMATED VALUE \$1450

LOT 161

Château Beychevelle 1995

SAINT-JULIEN, BORDEAUX
12 bottles in original wooden case

The prestigious Grand Cru Classé Château Beychevelle carries an elegance through the entire experience, from the beautiful architecture and gardens of the estate to the prolific wines they produce. Beychevelle, always known as a very smooth and delicate wine, is uncommonly supple and drinkable. With lovely soft, plummy, gentle flavors, its savory fruit palate is supported by fruity tannins. This wine is ready to enjoy now.

Generously contributed by
Mrs. William B. Graham

ESTIMATED VALUE \$1,300

LOT 162

Château Beychevelle 1995

SAINT-JULIEN, BORDEAUX
12 bottles in original wooden case

An exclusive second chance to enjoy Château Beychevelle 1995, available in the original wooden case. This truly stunning classic Médoc Bordeaux is complete with rustic complexity. Traditionally made and traditionally styled, you will be treated to the complete Bordeaux experience with this Château Beychevelle, full of cassis, earth, spice and tobacco notes. It has benefitted from time in the cellar, and is perfectly enjoyable now!

Generously contributed by
Mrs. William B. Graham

ESTIMATED VALUE \$1,300

LOT 163

Château Canon 2000

SAINT-ÉMILION, BORDEAUX
12 bottles in original wooden case

Château Canon has asserted its quality as a great wine that is recognized, reputed and distinguished as a Premier Grand Cru Classé. Its velvety, silky style is the magical result of the way its grape varieties benefit from its soil. With limestone containing fossilized starfish, the wines that grow in it end up fresh, subtle and elegant, with a remarkable capacity for aging. In this 2000 vintage, the bottles offer a deep ruby/purple color and lend copious aromas of black cherries, crushed rocks and earthy undertones. Now is the perfect time to add these to your collection, as this medium/full bodied wine has started to come around, yet still carried the ability to age and improve. Enjoy this fresh and delicate vintage now, or let it continue to improve for an even more interesting palate in years to come.

Generously contributed by
Paula and Jim Crown

ESTIMATED VALUE \$1,500

LOT 164

Clos Dubreuil 2010

SAINT-ÉMILION, BORDEAUX
12 bottles in 2 original wooden cases

A small property on the lime plateau of Saint-Émilion, Clos Dubreuil's vines are subject to the greatest care. All operations are performed to the utmost degree in order to obtain high-quality grapes with optimum maturity. The 2010 vintage carries an intense, deep black color with a nose of aromatic explosion with surprising black fruits, including blueberries and blackcurrants. This impressive wine brings great concentration and power, with very smooth tannins.

Generously contributed by
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ESTIMATED VALUE \$1,500

LOT 165

Château Clos Fourtet 2009

SAINT-ÉMILION, BORDEAUX
3 bottles

Don't miss the opportunity to enjoy this 100-point wine from this Saint-Émilion Premier Grand Cru Classé. Its deep, dark, purple color is suave on the nose, laden with ripe fruit aromas of black currant and blackberry. There is a wonderfully full and complex palate with tight-knit tannins. Described by Robert Parker as "the finest Clos Fourtet ever produced," and a wine that "transcends even its premier grand cru classé terroir." A true temptation!

Generously contributed by
AVAILABLE FOR ASSIGNMENT

ESTIMATED VALUE \$950

LOT 166

Château Cos d'Estournel 1989

SAINT-ESTÈPHE, BORDEAUX
5 bottles

Château Cos d'Estournel is situated in the northern-most of the Médoc communes, Saint-Estèphe, a region which is quickly becoming one of the favorite areas for both high quality and great value Bordeaux reds. This 1989 vintage of their strong Bordeaux blend drinks rich, dense, and youthful. You will find cassis, black cherry, and bitter chocolate flavors. Look forward to a very sweet, long, and vibrant finish. Note: Three slightly damp stained labels and one slightly nicked capsule.

Generously contributed by
Mrs. William B. Graham

ESTIMATED VALUE \$950

LOT 167

Château Cos d'Estournel 1994

SAINT-ESTÈPHE, BORDEAUX
12 bottles in original wooden case

The incredible vineyard, Château Cos d'Estournel, continues to produce wines that are of first-growth potential. The 1994 vintage has an opaque blue/black/purple color, with full-bodied, sweet opulent fruit. Impressive when young for the intensity of its structure and explosive fruit, Cos d'Estournel evolves slowly to arrive. This wine has become, in the eyes of lovers of fine wines, the archetype of masculine elegance in which immense power is combined with grace and smoothness.

Generously contributed by
Mrs. William B. Graham

ESTIMATED VALUE \$1,200

LOT 168

Château Cos d'Estournel 1990

(2 bottles)

Château Cos d'Estournel 1994

(1 bottle)

SAINT-ESTÈPHE, BORDEAUX
3 bottles

It is a house rule of this estate, planted with 60% Cabernet and 40% Merlot, that only vines more than twenty years old make it into this flagship wine. Dark in color, the 1990 Cos d'Estournel carries aromas of spice and sandalwood, structured to age beautifully. Look for aromas of tobacco, berry and cedar, with a wonderfully long, flavorful finish in the 1994.

Generously contributed by
Mrs. William B. Graham

ESTIMATED VALUE \$500

LOT 169

Château Cos d'Estournel 2000

(1 bottle)

Château Ducru-Beaucaillou 2000

(1 bottle)

SAINT-JULIEN AND SAINT-ESTÈPHE, BORDEAUX
2 bottles

Château Cos d'Estournel is a beautiful estate in the Saint-Estèphe appellation of Bordeaux. This **2000 Cos d'Estournel** is the essence of class and refinement, with a density from exotic fruit and floral notes on the nose. From a leading second-growth vineyard, **Château Ducru-Beaucaillou's 2000** Bordeaux consists of 30% Merlot and 70% Cabernet Sauvignon. The very concentrated purple-violet color houses an impressive nose with charming notes of black currant, red fruits, with a slight touch of vanilla and flowers. This wine is racy and elegant, full-bodied and complex.

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ESTIMATED VALUE \$500

LOT 170

Château Ducru-Beaucaillou 1995

(1 double magnum)

Château Talbot 2000

(1 double magnum)

SAINT-JULIEN AND MÉDOC, BORDEAUX
2 double magnums

Named after the beautiful, large stones found in its unique wine-growing *terroir*, **Château Ducru-Beaucaillou** boasts an exceptional ecosystem to produce fine, elegant wines with a long finish – archetypal Saint-Julien wines. One of their great vintages, 1995 displays a black/purple color that is deep and extremely youthful. A nose of red fruits, with hints of chocolate and black fruits leads to a sumptuous mouth that is full-bodied and dense with a rich structure. This wine is well-balanced and very expressive, a mythic bottle of claret! Undeniably, Talbot is one of the most famous Médoc wines. This fine reputation is likely due to a combination of factors, including the size of its vineyard—nearly one hundred hectares—and the regularity of its wine. The **2000 Château Talbot** is a racy wine, with complex marks of Havana and licorice, classically delicious without ever the slightest hint of austerity.

Generously contributed by
Robert L. Hull

ESTIMATED VALUE \$1,300

LOT 171

Château Gruaud Larose 1962

(1 bottle)

Château Gruaud Larose 1986

(2 bottles)

Château Gruaud Larose 1988

(1 bottle)

SAINT-JULIEN, BORDEAUX
4 bottles

The reputable vineyards of Saint-Julien's Château Gruaud Larose are composed of the noble Bordeaux varieties, dominated by Cabernet Sauvignon (60%), Merlot (30%), Cabernet Franc (7%) and Petit Verdot (3%). The 1962 brings a luscious, satin finish. All of these bottles are a testament to a fine Bordeaux's ability to age. With the 1986, look for tremendous structure that will benefit from an hour or two of decanting, but seems to be quite near immortal. In this bottle of 1988 you will find a powerful red, with wonderful fruit concentration. Note: Vintages 1962 and 1986 have high neck fill.

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ESTIMATED VALUE \$1,450

LOT 172

Château Gruaud Larose 1966

SAINT-JULIEN, BORDEAUX
1 double magnum

This unforgettable Bordeaux from the Médoc's supreme Château Gruaud Larose has a fine earthy sweetness, with hints of fudge and more truffle notes, and a very firm core of acid and spicy tannin. Its deep concentrated richness will please discerning palates, and this rare double magnum showcases its fine aging potential.

*Generously contributed by
Mrs. Paul W. Oliver, Jr.*

*In honor of the Wine Auction Chairs,
past & present*

ESTIMATED VALUE \$900

LOT 173

Château Gruaud Larose 2000

SAINT-JULIEN, BORDEAUX
6 bottles

Château Gruaud Larose is on the cutting edge of vineyard management, with almost sci-fi style procedures caring for their vines. The vineyard is one of the few Bordeaux estates to maintain a hail reduction canon that operates by radar. It's simple: when the radar detects hail, the canon fires, sending out shockwaves which help break the oncoming hail stones into smaller pieces. And voilà, the vines are protected! Structured to age for decades, the 2000 is ripe, concentrated and refined. Chocolate, cassis, earth, tobacco and cedar wood are combined in this vintage, which is wonderful now but will continue to age very gracefully.

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ESTIMATED VALUE \$900

LOT 174

Château Gruaud Larose 2003

SAINT-JULIEN, BORDEAUX
12 bottles

This nicely-textured Saint-Julien stunner has a dark plum color, and displays sweet tannin, nice concentration, and earthy characteristics. There is a nice balance of spice, hinting at exotic Asian aromas and flavors. Expect a huge flavor from these bottles.

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ESTIMATED VALUE \$900

FEATURED

LOT 175

Château Haut-Brion 1970

PESSAC-LÉOGNAN, BORDEAUX
2 bottles

Château Haut-Brion is a benchmark for First Growth classification, and this 1970 vintage shows why, with an earthy, cigar box and smoky nose.

*Generously contributed by
Mrs. William B. Graham*

ESTIMATED VALUE \$600

LOT 176

Château Haut-Brion 1993

PESSAC-LÉOGNAN, BORDEAUX
2 bottles

Château Haut-Brion boasts one of the longest and most interesting histories of any Bordeaux wine chateau. The property derives its name from an ancient Celtic term "Briga," which, loosely translated, means a rise or mount in the land. The estate's unique *terroir* was prized for growing grapes to produce Bordeaux wine 600 years ago, and still today. Ready to drink now, the 1993 Haut-Brion packs a tobacco, leaf, smoke, herb and cassis scented perfume and is medium bodied, with a light, red fruit accented finish. Note: One nicked label and one US fraud warning label adhered

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ESTIMATED VALUE \$800

LOT 177

Château Haut-Brion 2001

PESSAC-LÉOGNAN, BORDEAUX
1 bottle

The 2001 reveals pure notes of sweet and sour cherries, black currants, licorice, smoke, and crushed stones. It's more of a medium-bodied wine with excellent purity, firm tannin, and an angular, structured finish.

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ESTIMATED VALUE \$450

LOT 178

Château La Conseillante 2000

POMEROL, BORDEAUX
3 bottles

Located in the heart of Pomerol on an outstanding *terroir*, Château La Conseillante is one of the most emblematic properties in the Bordeaux winegrowing area. 80% of their vines, where the soils are predominantly made up of clay, are of the Merlot variety, which makes their wines round, deep and smooth. The remaining 20% that grow in gravel soils are Cabernet Franc, which contribute structure and freshness to the blend. An exceptional vintage, this 2000 Bordeaux displays an opaque purple color, but begins to show slightly evolved tinge. The nose, which surprises with its concentration and purity, is distinguished by aromas of ripe fruit, liquorice and toast. Fairly tannic, the palate nevertheless is highly smooth with cherry and liquorice notes, and unrivalled length.

Generously contributed by
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ESTIMATED VALUE \$800

LOT 179

Château Lafite Rothschild 1973

PAUILLAC, BORDEAUX
2 bottles

Rarely do First Growth bottles in unusual vintages come to auction, but when they do it is cause of consideration. Celebrating a 50th birthday in 2012? Think ahead and celebrate with this special bottle.

Generously contributed by
Mrs. William B. Graham

ESTIMATED VALUE \$1,000

LOT 180

Château Lafite Rothschild 1998

PAUILLAC, BORDEAUX
1 bottle

Want to add Lafite in a nice vintage to your cellar? Now's your chance! The 1998, 81% Cabernet Sauvignon and 19% Merlot, can be kept for a long time. This vintage reflects the strength of the *terroir*, with its dark, deep color and a woody, fruity, spicy attack. It is a rich, full-bodied wine with a very long, silky finish.

Generously contributed by
Mr. and Mrs. Rodney L. Goldstein

ESTIMATED VALUE \$750

LOT 181

Château Latour 1966

PAUILLAC, BORDEAUX
1 bottle

An iconic wine from one of the world's most iconic vineyards. And what's more, 1966 was a great year for winemaking. Boasting a deep, rich nose of cedar, plum, leather and spices, this bottle's palate is solid, robust, and well-structured. There is plenty of substance and an intense finish – a legend in a bottle! Note: Mid-shoulder level and small leakage.

Generously contributed by
Paul and Mary Anderson

ESTIMATED VALUE \$750

LOT 182

Château Le Dôme 2010

SAINT-ÉMILION, BORDEAUX
5 bottles

This Right Bank Saint-Émilion vineyard has a reputation of high quality, yet hard to find wines thanks to their unique character brought out by the high portion of Cabernet Franc used in the blend. As a vineyard in this key wine town, Château Le Dôme keeps with the Saint-Émilion tradition of importance for both its quantity and quality of superior wines. With a *terroir* of sand over layers of iron in the soil, the bottles produced by Château Le Dôme offered here reached the ultimate accolade of being named 100-point wines by Robert Parker. Extremely full-bodied, without being overly aggressive, Château Le Dôme has perfected a provocative bouquet of camphor, blueberry jam, violets, new saddle leather, white chocolate and spice.

Generously contributed by
AVAILABLE FOR ASSIGNMENT

ESTIMATED VALUE \$1,500

LOT 183

Château Léoville Barton 1985

SAINT-JULIEN, BORDEAUX
6 bottles

Château Léoville Barton occupies a space in the heart of the Saint-Julien appellation, generally regarded as one of the best wine regions in the world. Their wines are typical of the area, creating well balanced wines with subtle bouquets and flavors. The 1985 vintage is comprised of medium-bodied excellence, with notes of plum, currant, black currants, and vanilla. Note: Two base neck and three top shoulder level.

Generously contributed by
AVAILABLE FOR ASSIGNMENT

ESTIMATED VALUE \$1,000

LOT 184

Château Léoville Poyferré 1982

SAINT-JULIEN, BORDEAUX
2 bottles

The vineyard of Château Léoville Poyferré is planted on thin, gravelly soil that provides a good supply of nutrients for vine plants. This foundation allows Château Léoville Poyferré to produce elegant, refined, complex and well-balanced wines known for their intense color and velvety texture. Soft, silky, and refined, the 1982 vintage combines wonderful texture with complex aromas and a lush finish. Enjoy this fully mature Bordeaux treat.

Generously contributed by
Mr. and Mrs. Rodney L. Goldstein

ESTIMATED VALUE \$500

LOT 185

Château Léoville Poyferré 2009

(2 bottles)

Château Pape Clément 2010

(2 bottles)

SAINT-JULIEN AND PESSAC-
LÉOGNAN, BORDEAUX
2 bottles

Both 100-point wines, designated by Robert Parker! Holding rank among the greatest Médoc wineries, Château Léoville Poyferré is blessed with wonderful, historic *terroir*. This estate produces elegant, refined, complex and well-balanced wines known for their intense color and velvety texture. In the 2009, you will find lavish amounts of fruit and a bouquet of crème de cassis, charcoal, graphite and spring flowers. Having produced wine from the same vineyards for more than seven centuries, Château Pape Clément knows a thing or two about great *terroir*. Their techniques are exquisite, repeatedly crafting some of the finest wines in the world. The 2010 Château Pape Clément is sublime, with notes of smoke, lead pencil shavings, black currants, charcoal, camphor, blueberry and cassis fruit. This wine will continue to age very well.

Generously contributed by
Mr. and Mrs. Rodney L. Goldstein

ESTIMATED VALUE \$1,000

LOT 186

Château Lynch-Bages 1982

Château Montrose 1982

Château Léoville-Las-Cases 1986

PAUILLAC, SAINT-ESTÈPHE,
SAINT-JULIEN, BORDEAUX
3 bottles, one of each

The power and stature of Bordeaux. Well, you already know from reading this book that 1982 was a pretty big deal in Bordeaux, maybe even the biggest deal, ever. Montrose and Lynch-Bages have been praised for their longevity. The Montrose is close to full maturity and even still has some dried cherry fruit on it with mature notes of leather, dried spices and earth. There's always an occasion to celebrate a 1982 Bordeaux so why not make it here and now. In addition to the legendary 1982 vintages in this lot, there is also a 100 point 1986 Château Léoville-Las-Cases. This will hold its own against the wines of 1982 and provide a compelling reason to take a serious look at the top Cabernet Sauvignon-based Médocs of 1986.

Generously contributed by
Roger and Pam Phillips Weston

ESTIMATED VALUE \$1,000

LOT 187

Château Lynch-Bages 1990

PAUILLAC, BORDEAUX
1 bottle

The best of 1990 is featured in this beautiful bottle of Château Lynch-Bages. A rich, full-bodied wine, the explosive nose of black currants, cedarwood, herbs and spice join classic Bordeaux traits. Poised to age immensely well, enjoy this legendary vineyard's jewel when you are ready!

Generously contributed by
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ESTIMATED VALUE \$400

LOT 188

Château Margaux 1966

MARGAUX, BORDEAUX
2 bottles

Château Margaux, with its recognition of creating some of the world's finest wines, has the reputation of crafting wines with finesse, elegance, complexity, density, intensity, length and freshness. The 1966 vintage is a rich wine with a very fine tannic structure. Mature Margaux makes for a fine drinking experience.

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Mrs. William B. Graham

ESTIMATED VALUE \$1,100

LOT 189

Château Margaux 1976

MARGAUX, BORDEAUX
1 bottle

As it approaches its 40th Birthday in 2016, think ahead about celebrating a special occasion of your own with this Margaux. It is a supple, almost smooth wine with a fine, distinguished and mature nose. Enjoy!

Generously contributed by
Mrs. William B. Graham

ESTIMATED VALUE \$400

LOT 190

Château Monbousquet 2005

SAINT-ÉMILION, BORDEAUX
12 bottles in original wooden case

To have twelve bottles of this exquisite Bordeaux, in the original case, is quite a coup! This Grand Cru Classé winery produces remarkable product, which Robert Parker has described as "...the most exotic and most sensual wine in Saint-Émilion, if not in all of Bordeaux." The red wines produced on this exceptional *terroir* of the 33-hectare estate are rich, with great complexity and aromas of ripe fruit. The 2005 in particular has deep violet highlights which complement the wine's brilliant, black appearance. An exuberant finish and great length are some trademarks of this wine, which will be coming to its peak shortly as it reaches the end of its first decade.

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ESTIMATED VALUE \$1,200

LOT 191

Château Pichon Longueville Comtesse de Lalande 1994

(7 bottles)

Château Pichon Longueville Comtesse de Lalande 1995

(3 bottles)

PAUILLAC, BORDEAUX
10 bottles

Both 100-point wines, designated by Robert Parker! Holding rank among the greatest Médoc wineries, Château Léoville Poyferré is blessed with wonderful, historic *terroir*. This estate produces elegant, refined, complex and well-balanced wines known for their intense color and velvety texture. In the 2009, you will find lavish amounts of fruit and a bouquet of crème de cassis, charcoal, graphite and spring flowers. Having produced wine from the same vineyards for more than seven centuries, Château Pape Clément knows a thing or two about great *terroir*. Their techniques are exquisite, repeatedly crafting some of the finest wines in the world. The 2010 Château Pape Clément is sublime, with notes of smoke, lead pencil shavings, black currants, charcoal, camphor, blueberry and cassis fruit. This wine will continue to age very well.

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ESTIMATED VALUE \$1,700

LOT 192

Château Pichon Longueville Comtesse de Lalande 1994

PAUILLAC, BORDEAUX
12 bottles in original wooden case

Château Pichon Longueville Comtesse de Lalande is a second growth standout. Their wine is known for its complexity, elegance, and those qualities are found within each of their vintages. These wines age very well, and the 1994 is a full-bodied, rich and spicy red wine.

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ESTIMATED VALUE \$1,600

LOT 193

Château Pontet-Canet 2003

(6 bottles)

Château Pontet-Canet 2004

(3 bottles)

Château Pontet-Canet 2006

(2 bottles in original wooden case)

PAUILLAC, BORDEAUX
11 bottles

A beautiful collection from the famed vineyard of Château Pontet-Canet, located in the heart of the Pauillac appellation. Their legendary Médoc's bring a deep ruby-red, crimson, and sometimes almost black color with characteristics of bouquets of black fruit, liquorice, and prune. Combining power and elegance, these clearly classical wines have excellent aging potential. Rivaling its neighbor Mouton Rothschild in excellence, enjoy all of these wines for the next one or two decades easily.

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Alfred Tesseron

ESTIMATED VALUE \$1,500

LOT 194

Château Rouget 2010

POMEROL, BORDEAUX
12 bottles in original wooden case

2010 is an outstanding vintage for Château Rouget, comparable to the memorable 1961 and 1947. With its nice garnet color, Château Rouget exhibits a nose that is open and elegant altogether. This elegance is confirmed on the palate. The wine has a great body and refined tannins, with a long lingering aftertaste. A beautiful expression of a grand Pomerol, combining concentration and silky tannins.

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LOT 195

Château Smith Haut Lafitte Blanc 2005

PESSAC-LÉOGNAN, BORDEAUX
6 bottles

With 90% Sauvignon Blanc, 5% Semillon, and a secret weapon of 5% Sauvignon Gris, Château Smith Haut Lafitte's Blanc is a special style. Their wines of 2005 are extremely well-balanced, with the relationship between acidity and alcohol accounting for powerful wine with lots of volume. There is a terrific balance and a long, fresh aftertaste. You'll find plenty of citrus oil, honeysuckle, and grapefruit in this dry, crisp bottle

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ESTIMATED VALUE \$600

LOT 196

**Bouchard Pere et Fils Corton
Charlemagne Grand Cru 2005**

CÔTE DE BEAUNE, BURGUNDY
3 bottles

Home to Burgundy fine wines since 1731, Bouchard Pere et Fils applies the “precision of a goldsmith” to each stage of winemaking. Their wines are the result of a subtle balance between nature and craftsmanship, of a winemaking process that is progressive and slow, and always carried out with the utmost attention to detail. The 2005 vintage has been described as blessed by the gods, and the ideal maturity of the white wines that year brought rich aromas of very sugary white flesh fruit, and a mouth with volume and power. Remarkably balanced, this Corton Charlemagne Grand Cru will bring you toasty aromas blended with the mineral notes typical of this appellation.

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ESTIMATED VALUE \$500

LOT 197

**Domaine Blain-Gagnard Morgeot Chassagne-Montrachet Premier Cru 1986
Domaine Leflaive Chevalier-Montrachet 1986
Domaine Bonneau du Martray Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru 1992**

CÔTE DE BEAUNE, BURGUNDY
3 bottles, one of each

The elegance of Burgundy is palpable in this lot. 1986 Burgundys were blessed with a perfect vintage yielding wines with some of the greatest aging potential in the decade. Domaine Blain-Gagnard, a small, quality producer based in Chassagne, produces predominantly white wines with finesse and elegance. This 1986 Morgeot Chassagne-Montrachet Premier Cru is a lovely Chardonnay, capturing white mushrooms and truffle on the nose along with dried apricots, minerals, toast and preserved lemon. Rich and full in the mouth, the finish brings good detail and cut. The 1986 Chevalier-Montrachet from Domaine Leflaive provides a very charming first impression. It is fruity, perfectly balanced and rich, with tremendous aging potential. The 1992 Domaine Bonneau du Martray Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru is one of the fine wines of Burgundy, and has remained impossibly youthful. Creamy, nutty, and perfect levels of acidity, you will be blown away by this Burgundian beauty.

*Generously contributed by
Roger and Pam Phillips Weston*

ESTIMATED VALUE \$2,450

LOT 198

**Hospices de Beaune Mazis-
Chambertin Grand Cru Cuvee
Madeleine Collignon 2004**

CÔTE DE NUITS, BURGUNDY
12 bottles

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Allan E. Bulley, Jr.*

ESTIMATED VALUE \$2,400

LOT 199

**Hospices de Beaune Santenots
Cuvee Gauvain, Volnay Premier
Cru**

CÔTE DE BEAUNE, BURGUNDY
6 magnums

COPY NEEDED

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Allan E. Bulley, Jr.*

ESTIMATED VALUE \$1,200

LOT 200

**Louis Jadot Chambolle-Musigny
Les Fuees Premier Cru 2004**

(6 bottles)

**Louis Jadot Gevrey-Chambertin
Clos-Saint-Jacques Premier
Cru 2004**

(6 bottles)

CÔTE DE NUITS, BURGUNDY
12 bottles

COPY NEEDED

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ESTIMATED VALUE \$850

LOT 201

Louis Jadot Charmes-Chambertin Grand Cru 2006

CÔTE DE NUITS, BURGUNDY
6 bottles in original wooden case

Louis Jadot Charmes-Chambertin has a deep color and possesses an intense aromatic bouquet reminiscent of black currants and the berries of other small red and black fruits. When the wine has matured, its nose suggests musk and fur, and often liquorice. This wine will certainly improve up to 20 to 25 years, or even more if it is well stored.

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ESTIMATED VALUE \$700

LOT 202

Louis Jadot Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru 1999

CÔTE DE BEAUNE, BURGUNDY
12 bottles in 2 original wooden cases

We were so pleased to feature the standout wine house Maison Louis Jadot with honored guest Pierre-Henry Gagey during our 2009 Auction. The estate's 1999 Corton-Charlemagne is powerful, rich, and mineral with an intense flavor of fruits and flowers and spicy aromas of pepper and cinnamon. Recommended to age for ten to twenty years, look forward to this wine continue to thrive in the years to come.

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ESTIMATED VALUE: \$1,600

LOT 203

Louis Jadot Meursault Les Charmes Premier Cru 1996

(12 bottles in original case)

Louis Jadot Les Santenots Volnay Premier Cru 1999

(12 bottles)

CÔTE DE BEAUNE, BURGUNDY
24 bottles

Structured and round in the mouth with elegant tannins, the Louis Jadot Volnay-Santenots is a charming wine developing red berries and spice aromas that evolve to truffles, undergrowth, and animal notes. As luck may have it, 1999 was a great classical vintage for these wines. Very silky in the mouth, this wine will age well in good conditions. Meursault-Charmes is above all a seductive, approachable wine; round, lush and ample in the palate. It is a quintessential wine with full, ripe fruit flavors, a fat, velvety texture and a bouquet redolent of peaches and apricots.

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ESTIMATED VALUE \$900

LOT 204

Louis Jadot Romanée-Saint-Vivant Grand Cru 1996

CÔTE DE NUITS, BURGUNDY
5 bottles

This full-bodied and well-balanced Romanée from the legendary Louis Jadot has a strong violet and cherry nose. With its ruby color, it is a mild and very delicate wine, bringing forth intricate details have surely benefited from cellaring, and will be truly enjoyable now. The effort Louis Jadot puts forth in order to express the true nature of Burgundy through their wines is evident in these bottles, which hail from a *terroir* that can be both proud of its past and optimistic about its future.

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ESTIMATED VALUE \$1,250

LOT 205

Nuits-Saint-Georges Roncières Antonin Rodet 1993

CÔTE DE NUITS, BURGUNDY
3 bottles

Anne-Laure Hernette, Antonin Rodet's winemaker, carefully monitors the vineyard's wide range of wines. Her involvement from the vineyard to bottling ensures high quality wines which have built the House's reputation. The style of Antonin Rodet wines combines finesse and elegance and respects the characteristics of each wine. With easily discernible red wines thanks to their consistent structure and strong aromatic potential, you will find these bottles to have a nice, clear ruby red color with a light, silky mouthfeel. This is a very enjoyable wine.

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ESTIMATED VALUE \$135

LOT 206

Domaine Simon Bize et Fils Latricières-Chambertin 1999 (1 bottle)

Louis Latour Corton-Charlemagne 2001 (1 bottle)

CÔTE DE NUITS AND CÔTE DE BEAUNE, BURGUNDY
2 bottles

Since its beginning in 1880, Domaine Simon Bize et Fils' priority has always been placed on wine quality, with the utmost care and attention focuses on vineyard work and winemaking. The Latricières-Chambertin affirms itself as relatively powerful, but its richness harmonizes nicely with the finesse and elegance of the wine. While delicious now, it would benefit from a few more years' wait while this grand cru reaches its potential in the cellar. After the ravages of the phylloxera epidemic at the end of the 19th century the Latour family took the then unusual decision to tear up the dead Aligoté and Pinot Noir vines and replace them with Chardonnay. This decision led them to create one of Burgundy's most celebrated white whites. The Corton-Charlemagne 2001 is a dazzling gold. It boasts a nose loaded with intense aromas including candied bananas and subtle oak and a palate full of youthful exuberance and notes of almonds, vanilla, oak and minerals. This is a huge, powerful, round Grand Cru that lingers deliciously.

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James M. Trapp*

ESTIMATED VALUE \$250

LOT 207

**Vosne-Romanée, Les Hautes
Maizières, Robert Arnoux 1999**

CÔTE DE NUITS, BURGUNDY
11 bottles

"There is no magic formula. All you need is fine grapes, the rest is almost secondary," says Pascal Lachaux, of Domaine Robert Arnoux. The winery is in the constant quest of purity and balance in their wines, located in the heart of the vineyards of Burgundy, halfway between Beaune and Dijon. Their lovely Pinot Noir, Vosne-Romanée, Les Hautes Maizières, has a stunning dark ruby-color and a gorgeous raspberry, violet, cherry, perfume, and rose-scented nose. Medium-bodied, this is a tangy, sweet, red berry-flavored wine with great depth of fruit and a long, supple finish.

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ESTIMATED VALUE \$550

LOT 208

Dom Pérignon Brut Champagne 2000

ÉPERNAY
6 bottles

It can be said best in French; this 2000 Dom Pérignon embodies je ne sais quoi! Fresh, crystalline, and sharp, at first the nose brings an unusual dimension with secret touches of white pepper and gardenia. The wine then unfolds into airy, gentle richness before exhaling peaty scents. On the palate, the attack bursts forth, and matures into a sensual fullness that winds around itself, like a tendril of foliage. Notes of aniseed and dried ginger linger on the skin of fruit (pear and mango), more textured than ripe. The finish gradually unfurls and then settles, smooth, mellow, all-encompassing. Charm abounds!

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LOT 209

**Dom Pérignon Brut Champagne
2002**

ÉPERNAY
2 bottles in original box

Often described as hedonistic, Dom Pérignon's 2000 Brut Chamapagne boasts soft aromas of cream, brioche and oak. A truly lovely palate, you will enjoy an explosion of ripe peaches, with real weight and wonderful roundness. Enjoy this vintage now through 2019. The 2002 vintage of this Brut power-player will gladly be enjoyed today, but will continue to mature beautifully, likely through 2032. This vintage is ripe and at first intensely floral, according to Robert Parker. Time in the glass brings about a richness that can tend toward tropical.

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ESTIMATED VALUE \$400

LOT 210

Krug Grande Cuvée Savoir-Faire NV

CHAMPAGNE
6 bottles in original wooden case

Krug Grande Cuvée is the ultimate in Champagne experiences, following the labels philosophy of craftsmanship of savoir faire. Here you will find a blend of around 20 wines from ten or more different vintages, some of which may reach 15 years of age. Blending of this level gives Krug Grande Cuvée its unique fullness of flavors and aromas, its incredible generosity and its absolute elegance—something impossible to express with the wines of just a single year. Its finesse is the result of a stay of at least another six years in the cellars. Over twenty years are needed to craft each bottle of Krug Grande Cuvée: the first prestige cuvée re-created each year, beyond the very notion of vintage. Exceptional freshness in the mouth, and rich tangy flavors of lemon and grapefruit are enhanced by the subtlety of its elegant bubbles.

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LOT 211

Laurent-Perrier Brut LP NV

(1 bottle)

Pol Roger Brut 1975

(1 bottle)

CHAMPAGNE
2 bottles

Freshness, lightness, and elegance are the signature descriptors for Laurent-Perrier's Brut. With its composition marked by a high percentage of Chardonnay, this Champagne is the House's signature style, consistently showcasing the essential qualities sought by Laurent-Perrier. The citrus and stone fruit notes of bush peaches, together with its own remarkable balance sustained by a subtle bead, allow this wine to pair effortlessly with the most delicate foods. Based around Epernay in France's Champagne region, Pol Roger is a beautifully golden, straw yellow hue, with fine bubbles and a bouquet of floral and fruity aromas, ripe and thirst-quenching on the palate. You can't go wrong with this Pol Roger Brut, the preferred Champagne of Winston Churchill!

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ESTIMATED VALUE \$250

LOT 212

Louis Roederer Cristal 2005

CHAMPAGNE
1 magnum

This iconic Louis Roederer Cristal comes alive with uninterrupted bubbles and a steady creamy flow. You'll enjoy this intensely elegant, rich, ripe bouquet featuring a succession of white fruits, ripe and juicier yellow fruits and slightly sour citrus fruits. The striking bouquet has great aromatic freshness and this 2005 vintage sets itself apart from other Cristal vintages due to its aromatic openness and typical Chardonnay character. Its long lasting quality will serve this wine – and you – well.

Generously contributed by
Rouzaud Frédéric

ESTIMATED VALUE \$450

LOT 213

Taittinger Artist Series 1985

Taittinger NV Brut

CHAMPAGNE
2 bottles in original boxes

Roy Lichtenstein (1923–1997) is a beloved New York artist best known for his vibrant Pop Art paintings and prints. His iconic imagery is featured on this alluring 1985 Taittinger Artist Series bottle. As a point of note, these special Taittinger collection series are released only in great vintages from a selection of the year's finest cuvées. The 1985 vintage is a classic Champagne, with 40% Chardonnay grapes and 60% Pinot Noir, beautifully combining both black and white grapes. Taittinger Brut is a blend of Chardonnay, Pinot Noir and Pinot Meunier wines from at least 35 villages. The high proportion of Chardonnay (40%) is unique among fine non-vintage Champagnes. The aging of Brut La Française on the lees for almost 4 years more than doubles the legal minimum of 15 months. This extra time in the cellars allows the wine to reach the peak of aromatic maturity, and the result is a delicately balanced Champagne, known for its consistently excellent quality. This wine has a subtle, pale gold color with fine, persistent bubbles.

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ESTIMATED VALUE \$350

LOT 214

Château D'Esclans Garrus Rosé 2012

PROVENCE
1 double magnum

Château D'Esclans' Garrus Rose is an exquisite example of this blend of Grenache and Rolle. It is distinctive, laced with mango, nectarine, and orange zest. This wood-aged bottle is ready to enjoy now, if you so desire!

Generously contributed by
Château D'Esclans

ESTIMATED VALUE \$500

LOT 215

Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Château de Beaucastel 1992

RHÔNE VALLEY
3 bottles

Château de Beaucastel fully believes that respecting the *terroir* means enhancing the soil characteristics and the environment, while also highlighting the history of the place. In their search for authenticity, they seek uniqueness while revealing all the treasures of Château de Beaucastel. Long regarded as one of the great wines of France, this vineyard is notorious for its elegance, balance and aging potential. The 1992 Châteauneuf-du-Pape has a beautifully tinted red color, with a discreet nose of bay leaves, caramel and leather. A full-bodied wine that is accompanied by an elegant mouth and dense texture. These bottles are ready to drink.

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ESTIMATED VALUE \$200

LOT 216

Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Clos Saint-Jean, Deus-Ex Machina 2010

RHÔNE VALLEY
4 bottles

Clos Saint-Jean is a large family estate that was one of the first to sell its wine in bottles. Now under the leadership of two brothers, Pascal and Vincent Maurel, and with the guidance of winemaker Philippe Cambie, the vineyard has transformed its production in recent years. These wines age well, but are rare in that they can also be appreciated early to take full advantage of their generosity and their aromatic exuberance. The Deux Ex-Machina has a dense purple color, and exhibits notes of blueberries, blackberries, licorice, incense, camphor, vanillin and chocolate-covered espresso beans. And the best part of this spectacular wine? Robert Parker's Wine Advocate named it "a perfect wine." Is there any better endorsement?

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ESTIMATED VALUE \$1,500

LOT 217

Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Paul Avril, Clos des Papes 2006

RHÔNE VALLEY
2 magnums

The beautiful vineyard of Châteauneuf-du-Pape in southeastern France dates back to the 17th century. Their Clos des Papes is a traditional wine, which itself dates to 1896. It is a goal of Clos des Papes to always include a large portion of Mourvedre in the blend whenever possible for its spicy qualities and structural backbone. The 2006 Clos des Papes is noted as full-bodied and multidimensional, with purity, length, and intensity. Be prepared for an extraordinary bouquet of melted licorice, spring flowers, raspberries, black currants, spice box, and earth.

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ESTIMATED VALUE \$450

LOT 218

Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Perrin et Fils, Les Sinards 2009

RHÔNE VALLEY
4 bottles

Composed of 70% Grenach and the rest Syrah, Mourvedre, and Counoise, this wine from Perrin et Fils and the vines of Rhone's legendary Châteauneuf-du-Pape boasts a deep ruby/purple color. There is an abundance of kirsch, raspberry, roasted herb and underbrush notes. The les Sinards Perrin et Fils is medium to full body with silky tannins and a rich finish, and can be enjoyed for the next 10-12 years easily.

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ESTIMATED VALUE \$150

LOT 219

Hermitage, Paul Jaboulet Aine, La Chapelle 2010

RHÔNE VALLEY
4 bottles

The name "La Chapelle" is derived from the little chapel of Saint-Christophe overlooking the terraced vineyards along the Rhône. Jaboulet has been the sole owner of these vineyards since 1919, and has found the diverse *terroir* to give their wines identities of their own, thanks to the blending of grapes from different plots. The Syrah vines are planted in rich and varied soils, and it is from this richness that La Chapelle gains its complexity. An intense ruby red, limpid and bright wine, there is a highly complex bouquet and distinguished nose, revealing the Syrah's great finesse. With a full and generous palate, you will taste black fruits, sweet spices and, ultimately, a fine wood.

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ESTIMATED VALUE \$900

LOT 220

Hermitage, Vin de Paille, Chapoutier 1996

RHÔNE VALLEY
3 half-bottles

This lovely deep golden yellow wine has a nose of candied fruits and honey, and you will find outstanding balance, with a concentrated and substantial length. Easily kept for more than 50 years, the Vin de Paille is more a dessert in itself than a wine to accompany desserts. That's not to say it wouldn't be well-matched with a delicious apricot or citrus fruit pie...

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ESTIMATED VALUE \$350

LOT 221

Bodegas Caro 2010 (2 bottles)

Catena Zapata Adrianna Vineyard Malbec 2008 (1 bottle)

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Colomé Reserva Malbec 2009 (2 bottles)

Familia Zuccardi Aluvional La Consulta 2010 (2 bottles)

Proemio Icono Barrel Selection 2009 (2 bottles)

Viña Cobos Bramare Malbec Marchiori Vineyard 2011 (2 bottles)

ARGENTINA
12 bottles

Celebrate the beautiful wines of Argentina through this comprehensive assortment. **Bodegas Caro** was born of an alliance between two wine cultures, (French and Argentine), two noble grape varieties, (Cabernet Sauvignon and Malbec), and two renowned wine families, (Domaines Barons de Rothschild (Lafite) and Nicolas Catena. Deep knowledge of Mendoza's high altitude *terroir* and the art of winemaking create this unique wine. The Caro is deep, aromatic and complex with very appealing intense fruit. The symbol of pioneering viticulture, **Catena Zapata's Adrianna Vineyard** is located at an elevation of 4,757', the highest Malbec vineyard in all of Mendoza. **Catena Zapata Adrianna Vineyard** Malbec is made from a meticulous vine selection in the best, historic rows of the wine's namesake vineyard. These vintages offer aromas of ripe red fruits, lavender, violets, coconut and tobacco with liquor notes, remarkable concentration, and structured tannins. An iconic wine, **Colomé** Reserva is produced from the wineries oldest Malbec vines. Aged for 24 months in new French oak, and for a further year in the bottle, the Reserva Malbec is a powerful yet refined wine with deep colors and concentration, displaying layers of flavor and complexity. Complexity and elegance characterize **Zuccardi's Aluvional La Consulta**. It expresses the *terroir* of **La Consulta** through aromas of herbs, fruit, and mineral tones with subtle notes of spices. In the mouth it is voluminous with a fresh acidity and a long finish. Outstanding vineyards, passionate people, experience and friendship come together in the creation of **Proemio's** wines. Aging is carried out in the finest French oak accompanied by a long bottling period. Totally opaque, dark violet with hints of crimson on the edge. **Bramare's 2011 Marchiori Vineyard** Malbec has a deep and dusty nose, with brooding dark chocolate and cassis notes. The rich soils of the **Marchiori Vineyard** produce a round, muscular malbec with silky tannins and creamy mouth feel. The palate explodes with raspberry, black cherry, milk chocolate, black pepper and graphite that carry through the minute-plus finish.

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ESTIMATED VALUE \$1,000

LOT 222

Chakana Ayni Malbec 2003

MENDOZA
12 bottles presented in 6-bottle
wooden cases

Originating from the gravely limestone soils of Altamira, this Ayni Malbec is Chakana's icon wine. Aged in French oak barrels for 18 months, this is a powerful yet fresh and lively 100% Malbec. A result of Chakana Wines' permanent quest for the best Malbec *terroirs* that Mendoza can offer, Ayni is suave, rich, and well-spiced, offering dark plum, currant, and dried blackberry flavors.

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Chakana Wines - Argentina

ESTIMATED VALUE \$420

LOT 223

Chris Ringland Shiraz 2001

Chris Ringland Shiraz 2002

AUSTRALIA
2 bottles, one of each

Chris Ringland's winery in the Barossa region thrives on "old vines". These roots have survived in the same environment for so many seasons, becoming harmonious with their surroundings and strongly resilient to the swings of seasonal change. The 2001 Shiraz carries extraordinary scents of flowers, blackberries, blueberries, and cassis, as well as hints of espresso roast, truffles, roasted meats, and incense. With the 2002 Shiraz, you will find a lovely perfume of Asian spices, game, bacon, lavender, and blueberry compote. These wines are both plush, succulent and powerful and will age effortlessly... and both scored 100 points by Robert Parker.

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ESTIMATED VALUE \$1,500

LOT 224

Clarendon Hills Astralis 2002

Clarendon Hills Astralis 2003

AUSTRALIA
2 bottles, one of each

Highly regarded for its stunning Syrah Astralis, Clarendon Hills considers itself varietal expressionists striving for purity and perfection. They are dedicated to single vineyard *terroir* wines that rival the best in the world. Both of these vintages scored 99 points from Robert Parker, with the 2002 vintage showcasing a lovely perfume of flowers, crème de cassis, blackberries, roasted meat, new saddle leather, and earth. Striving to match its previous vintage, the 2003 did so, and proved its own. There is a riveting richness and purity, which shows off beautifully the masterful winemaking of Clarendon Hills.

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ESTIMATED VALUE \$400

LOT 225

Gaja Darmagi Rosso Langhe 2001

PIEDMONT, ITALY
6 bottles in original wooden case

Darmagi translates to “what a pity!” which is what Angelo Gaja’s father declared upon learning that his son had planted Cabernet Sauvignon in vineyards previously devoted to Piedmont’s famous Nebbiolo grape. It turned out to be a good move for the wine maker, as this Darmagi is a favorite among the world’s collectors. An intense, almost black color creates a beautiful glass with strong cassis flavors and impressive power on the palate. Enjoy this long finish with persistent soft tannins, and know that these bottles come with great aging potential.

*Generously contributed by
Beth & Bruce White*

ESTIMATED VALUE \$1,150

LOT 226

Gaja Sperss Barolo Langhe 2001

PIEDMONT, ITALY
6 bottles in original wooden case

This Italian winery, founded in 1859, sits in the Piedmont region in the district of Langhe. Gaja’s Sperss Barolo is so named from the Piedmontese word for “nostalgia”, indicating a longing to return to the making of Barolo after several years of absence by the vineyard, and a triumphant return it was. This Barolo’s grape variety distribution is 40% Nebbiolo and 60% Barbera, aging for 12 months in barriques followed by 12 months in large oak casks. Many consider this wine to be one of the greatest expressions of a Barolo, and its ruby color accompanies a dark, pure and very focused fruit nose and a deep structure with many ripe tannins.

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ESTIMATED VALUE \$1,300

LOT 227

Penfolds Grange Hermitage 1982

AUSTRALIA
3 bottles

The reputation, history and development of Penfolds wines is interwoven with the quality and individual character of company-owned and independently grown vineyards. At the very heart of Penfolds’ winemaking philosophy is the requirement of the ‘right fruit.’ Their Grange Hermitage is arguably Australia’s most celebrated wine and is officially listed as a Heritage Icon of South Australia. Grange boasts an unbroken line of vintages from the experimental 1951 and clearly demonstrates the synergy between Shiraz and the soils and climates of South Australia. The 1982 vintage boasts a very deep, rich brick red color, with ripe, sweet plum jam aromas and masses of delicious super-fleshy fruit throughout. This full-bodied wine is sure to bring you an undeniable supple elegance.

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ESTIMATED VALUE \$1,750

LOT 228

Torbreck Run Rig 2004

Mollydooker Velvet Glove 2006

Glaetzer Amon Ra 2007

AUSTRALIA
3 bottles, one of each

Paying homage to the vineyards of the Barossa Valley, Torbreck Vintners is proud of their vines, some of the oldest on the planet. Their 2004 Shiraz gives an exquisite salute to this hard-working value, being full-bodied and voluptuous in the mouth. Enjoy this nose of fresh asphalt, pencil lead, smoke, pepper, game, blueberry and black raspberry. Situated in Australia’s gorgeous McLaren Valley is Mollydooker Vineyards. Their Velvet Glove has a phenomenal 95%+ Fruit Weight. Carrying an explosion of flavors, this wine has a rich, opulent, silky mouth feel and a length that seems to never end. The 2006 is the first vintage ever made! Glaetzer Wines pay tribute to Egyptian mythology with their Amon-Ra Shiraz, taking the namesake from the king of all gods. The temple of Amon-Ra was believed to be the first to ever plant a monoculture vineyard to produce wine for the citizens of the temple. The eye on the wine’s label is that of Horus or wedjat (“whole one”)—a powerful Egyptian symbol of protection. Represented as a figure with six parts, it corresponds to what Egyptians regarded as the six senses; touch, taste, hearing, sight, smell and thought. Amon-Ra Shiraz was created to appeal to all these six senses. This bottle will age well, drinkable anytime between 2015-2035.

*Generously contributed by
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ESTIMATED VALUE \$600

LOT 229

Concha y Toro Don Melchor Cabernet Sauvignon 2001

CHILE
6 bottles in original wooden case

This contemporary classic is a hearty assemblage of Cabernet Sauvignons originating from distinct, yet contiguous subdivided blocks at the foot of the Andes Mountains. After spending fifteen months in French oak, the 2001 vintage developed an intense ruby red color. An impressive bouquet of ripe black fruit, blackcurrant, blackberries and berries becomes aromatically integrated, making for an elegant, complex nose. The taste of this multi-layered wine brings a concentrated and balanced feel, and a long and pleasant finish.

*Generously contributed by
Mrs. William B. Graham*

ESTIMATED VALUE \$400

LOT 230

L'Ermita Alvaro Palacios 2005

SPAIN
1 bottle

If anyone embodies the promise and spirit of "The New Spain," it's Alvaro Palacios. His L'Ermita Grenache is widely considered to be among the most important Spanish wine of the modern era. His winery produces a remarkable range of wines from the spectacular Catalan region. L'Ermita is elaborate, with more than 80 year-old Grenache vines contributing to the bottle. An intense and explosive nose, this very limited production wine has a wonderful ability to age.

*Generously contributed by
Neal Ball*

ESTIMATED VALUE \$700

LOT 231

Cockburn Vintage Port 1963

4 bottles

Cockburn's Vintage Port is laden with opulent wild blackberries, fragrance of violets, scents of flowers and wild herbs, rockrose, mint, hints of spice, all bottled in their time capsule and left to mull over for years. The finish is long and persistent. Very concentrated and beautifully balanced, the 1963 Cockburn Vintage Port is delightfully exotic and lively. Note: One label has separated completely from bottle.

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ESTIMATED VALUE \$400

LOT 232

Dow's Vintage Port 1977 (2 bottles)

Smith Woodhouse Vintage Port 1977 (2 bottles)

4 bottles

With over two centuries of the finest quality Port, Dow's Vintage Port holds the characteristic rich, luscious style of this wine, as well as considerable aging potential. This Vintage Port is classified as an outstanding wine of an outstanding year. Typically only three times in a decade is the weather suitable for the declaration of a Vintage year and only a small handful of vineyards in the Alto Douro produce wines of the potential to become Vintage Port. The wine is aged for two to two and a half years in wood before being bottled, unfiltered. The pride of every shipper, Vintage Port can be purchased at once and allowed to mature and develop a unique character, completely different from all-wood-aged Port. With these characteristics, how could these bottles be anything but exceptional!? Smith Woodhouse Port comes from the Upper Douro in the Rio Torto district. The majority of their Port is still produced using the ancient tradition of treading the grapes by foot in stone lagares. This Vintage Port shows a characteristic opulent rich style, balanced by firm hard tannins. Ageing gives these wines an unmatched elegance, with lovely fruit and good grip.

*Generously contributed by
Tamra & Jack Weiss*

ESTIMATED VALUE \$400

LOT 233

Taylor Fladgate Port 1970

1 bottle

A deep garnet core with a faded brick rim, Taylor Fladgate's 1970 Port is of exceptional quality, and has an effortless nature. The nose is still tight, youthful with notes of liquorice, raisin, boot-polish and a little lemongrass. The palate is full-bodied with firm tannins, and has a very cohesive superb ripeness. Ends with an incredibly long, persistent finish.

*Generously contributed by
Mr. and Mrs. Rodney L. Goldstein*

ESTIMATED VALUE \$200

LOT 234

Grand Armagnac Dupeyron 1963

1 bottle

From one of the oldest Armagnac houses, this beautiful 1963 Dupeyron Grand Armagnac carries aromas of apricot that will open nicely in your snifter. Superb complexity, with a nose of candied fruit and spices.

Generously contributed by
Lili Gaubin

ESTIMATED VALUE \$200

LOT 235

The Macallan 25-year Scotch

1 bottle in original wooden case

A flavor explosion of fruit, vanilla, and wood smoke, this whisky will be the star of your Scotch collection. With a pleasingly bright amber color, the nose of this fine scotch is rich and robust with a hint of peach, blood orange and wood spice. A superb finish with a lingering hint of sherry, orange and spice make this bottle magical. The Macallan mystique comes partly from their curiously small spirit stills. Their unique size and shape give the spirit maximum contact with the copper, helping to concentrate the 'new make' spirit and provide the viscosity and rich, fruity, full-bodied flavors so characteristic of The Macallan. However, it might just be in their exceptional oak casks where the magic is truly made. The Macallan's oak casks are considered the single greatest contributor to the outstanding quality, natural colors, and distinctive aromas and flavors synonymous with these whiskies, among the world's greatest.

Generously contributed by
Proven Business Systems

ESTIMATED VALUE \$1,200

LOT 301

ALPHA OMEGA VINEYARD TASTING AND TOUR FOR SIX

Alpha Omega, Beckstoffer To Kalon Cabernet Sauvignon 2011

NAPA VALLEY

1 magnum

Alpha Omega's extraordinary winemakers, along with historic vineyards, combine to create wines that express the essence of this famous wine region. Talented winemaker Jean Hoefliger has teamed up with one of the world's finest palates, Michel Rolland, to create wines that express their passion for excellence as well as the unique *terroir* that is Napa Valley. Hoefliger and Rolland's combined award-winning winemaking techniques create elegant, approachable and perfectly balanced wines of the highest quality through blending the best of Old World and New World wine styles. Enjoy a single-vineyard **tasting and tour of the winery for six guests** and take home a bottle of their **2011 Cabernet Sauvignon** which possesses a soft, round flavor and sweet tannins which will age beautifully over the next decade.

Generously contributed by
Alpha Omega Winery

ESTIMATED VALUE \$1,000

LOT 302

BEAUNE

Five-Night Stay for Two Couples in Private Beaune Home of Denis and Susan Toner

Beaune, Burgundy. There are perhaps no sweeter words to a wine-lovers' ears. This incredible opportunity for up to **two couples** to stay in a beautiful private home in the capital of one of the world's finest wine regions will give you an inside glimpse into its distinct joie de vivre. Wine is, of course, at the heart and soul of the town, but there are a plethora of discoveries to be made during your stay. If desired, take the time to explore the glory of Burgundy with **daily customized private tours** by Denis Toner, Nantucket Wine Festival founder and owner of your private Beaune home. One night will even include a **special dinner with a winemaker and accompanying wines**. This trip will provide a window into the hidden beauty of this magical region, featuring visits to great restaurants, the best domaines and estates, and up-close-and-personal encounters with some of Burgundy's finest winemakers. Imagine the adventures to be had during this excursion in wine paradise!

Notes: Limited to two couples (two bedrooms). Stay must be scheduled generously in advance and by mutual availability with Mr. Toner. Does not include travel or meals. If Mr. Toner is to be present at restaurants, winner must cover expenses of his meals. Valid through 2017.

*Generously contributed by
Denis and Susan Toner*

ESTIMATED VALUE \$4,000

LOT 303

BOCA GRANDE GETAWAY

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*Generously contributed by
Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Noyes*

ESTIMATED VALUE **\$NEED**

LOT 304

GEMSTONE VINEYARD TASTING AND LUNCH FOR FOUR

Gemstone Estate Cabernet Sauvignon

NAPA VALLEY
1 double magnum

Gemstone Vineyard is a small, family-owned producer of estate wines. Focused on crafting richly textured red wines from Bordeaux varietals grown on their 16-acre hillside property in the Yountville appellation of Napa Valley, the art of Gemstone is masterfully executed by Philippe Melka, one of the most sought-after winemakers and viticulturalists in California. Enjoy a **tasting and lunch for four** at Gemstone and you will see and taste first-hand the quality of this Napa Valley treasure. To take home you will be treated with a **double magnum of Gemstone's 2011 Estate Cabernet Sauvignon**, celebrated for its depth and textural volume.

Note: Tasting and lunch must take place on a mutually agreeable date.

*Generously contributed by
Gemstone Vineyard*

ESTIMATED VALUE \$1,600

LOT 305

LONDON EXCURSION FOR TWO

Claridge's, one of London's most iconic five-star hotels, will be the hub for your **two-night stay for two** in this incredible city. Enjoy the unsurpassed comfort of their **deluxe king bedroom**, complete with **English Breakfast** both mornings. You likely won't want to step out of the timeless glamour of this art deco jewel, but the one event that could possibly entice you will be the **private viewing of the Tate Britain's J.M.W. Turner Collection**. Here you will enjoy the vantage point of the viewing room where the Tate's staff show you a special collection of watercolors, drawings, and more, ranging in date from 1802-1850. This extremely special experience allows you to see incredible artwork up close, with no glass between you and the fine pieces. After you're done marveling at these masterpieces, enjoy **tea in the private Members' Room**, situated on a balcony elevated near the main dome of the oldest part of the museum. If you find yourself thirsting for even more art, enjoy a visit to the personal studio of London-based multidisciplinary artist Teresa Albor most recently known for her "100 Paintings in 24 Hours" performance piece. Next on your to-do list is the **Crown Jewels situated in the Tower of London**, perhaps the envy of the world. Take a **private tour of the collection, as well as a 'Secrets Tour' with an iconic Yeoman Warder of the Tower**, including places that are not open to the public. Finally, be sure to pack your fascinators for a night at the opera, with **tickets to the legendary Royal Opera House**. Cheerio!

Note: Claridge's lodging subject to availability and excludes June and July. Crown Jewels tour will take place early morning or evening and is available for up to twelve persons.

Generously contributed by Claridge's, Teresa Albor, Noteworthy Travel (donation needs to be confirmed), Royal Opera House (include? - will we purchase or will they donate these?)

ESTIMATED VALUE \$5,100 + NOTEWORTHY FMV?

LOT 306

OREGON DELIGHT

Two-Night Stay at Domaine Serene's Winery Hill House for Two Couples

A to Z Wineworks Pinot Noir 2012 (1 double magnum)

Elk Cove Vineyard Roosevelt Pinot Noir 2011 (1 magnum)

WILLAMETTE VALLEY

This getaway to Oregon wine country includes an exclusive **two-night stay for two couples** at Domaine Serene's Winery Hill House. Winery Hill Estate is situated on an 80-acre hilltop in the Red Hills. Built into the West side, the winery is home to twenty acres of Dijon clone Pinot Noir planted on gentle, South and West-facing slopes along the driveway with elevations of 800 to 850 feet. Let their ultra-premium, outstanding wines highlight your stay, in addition to the samples from around the region which showcase the wines of Oregon – **A to Z Wineworks' vibrant and succulent 2012 Pinot Noir, and Elk Cove Vineyard's delicately beautiful 2011 Roosevelt.**

Generously contributed by
Domaine Serene, A to Z Wineworks, Elk Cove Vineyard

ESTIMATED VALUE \$2,850

LOT 307

VINTNER'S COLLECTIVE PRIVATE TASTING FOR SIX

The unique operation known as Vintner's Collective is the first of its kind in Napa Valley: a winery tasting room where 18 of the most celebrated boutique producers making phenomenal, sought-after wines, are all available to taste under one roof. Housed in a historic 1875 Italianate former saloon and brothel, **a private tasting for six served with charcuterie and cheese** awaits you at Vintner's Collective. True Napa advocates, the Vintner's Collective staff serves as friends, guides, and aficionados to open the doors of Napa and build your cellar with a custom selection of phenomenal wines. Allow yourself to delight in the joys of Napa. You won't want to go home empty-handed!

Note: Expires February 7, 2016.

Generously contributed by
Vintner's Collective

ESTIMATED VALUE \$400

LOT 401

ADA STREET DINNER WITH AU BON CLIMAT OWNER AND WINEMAKER, JIM CLENDENEN

Six-course Dinner for 8 guests

Ada Street, located just off of Chicago's Clybourn corridor, is one of the most pioneering dining venues in Chicago. Chef Zoë Schor, with the oversight of Partner Michael Kornick, blends classical and contemporary cooking methods, passionately celebrating the bounty of each season through globally inspired American cuisine. Ada Street's intimate private dining room, swathed in candlelight and filled with vintage charm, is the ideal place for your party of eight. You and your guests will be treated to a personally crafted six-course meal with curated pairings selected by Jim Clendenen himself from the **Clendenen Family Label** as well as **Au Bon Climat**. He has quite a large library of past vintages so you and your guests will be treated to internationally recognized wines, with a Burgundian-focus of balance and intrigue. The perfect complement to this wonderful evening!

Expires 2/17/2016. Dinner will take place on a mutually agreeable date for restaurant and Mr. Clendenen. Additional gratuity and beverages not included in progressive dinner.

(Bridget emailed Ada Street and ABC 11/21 to confirm copy)

*Generously contributed by
Ada Street and Au Bon Climat*

ESTIMATED VALUE \$NEED

LOT 402

BOKA RESTAURANT GROUP PROGRESSIVE DINNER

4 guests

An irresistible culinary adventure with the lauded Boka Restaurant Group! This fabulous night begins at the impossible-to-get-into **Girl & the Goat**, whose chef, Stephanie Izard, has taken home the title of Bravo's Top Chef and won a coveted James Beard Foundation Award. She'll whet your appetite with four delectable starters for the table. From there, the progressive dinner continues with four entrées of your choosing at the restaurant *Travel + Leisure* named "One of the Best Seafood Restaurants in America," Giuseppe Tentori's **GT Fish & Oyster**. The third stop on your journey brings you to **Balena**, where you'll delight in four dishes of your choosing from Chef Chris Pandel's honest Italian menu. The night ends on a high note at the four-time Michelin starred **Boka**. There you will experience four culinary creations from Chef Lee Wolen, a veteran of Eleven Madison Park. Expect top VIP treatment all evening long, including a complimentary wine pairing at each location.

Notes: Expires February 17, 2016. Additional gratuity and beverages not included in progressive dinner.

*Generously contributed by
Boka Restaurant Group*

ESTIMATED VALUE \$2,000

LOT 403

THE BOARDING HOUSE PRIVATE DINNER WITH ALPANA SINGH & FRIENDS

Lyric to provide wines

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LOT 404

THREE-COURSE DINNER FOR TWO AT CAFÉ DES ARCHITECTES

Be transported to France with an impeccable three-course dinner for two at Café des Architectes. Executive Chef Greg Biggers presents contemporary French cuisine in an internationally inspired setting that leaves Chicago far behind, if only for a few hours. His menu is both locally and globally inspired, featuring fresh produce from Chicago's Green City Market alongside exotic fish from Japan and fine cheeses from France. Your palate will say thank you. *Bon voyage!*

Generously contributed by
Sofitel Chicago Water Tower

ESTIMATED VALUE \$125

LOT 405

WINE & DINE WITH CAFÉ BA-BA-REEBA!

Four \$50 Gift Certificates to Café Ba-Ba-Reeba!

SPANISH WINE TO GO (6 BOTTLES)

Casa Castillo "Las Gravas", Jumilla 2006 (1 bottle)

Gancedo "Xestal" Crianza, Bierzo 2006 (1 bottle)

Orben, Rioja 2007 (1 bottle)

Remelluri, Rioja 2008 (1 bottle)

Muga Reserva, Rioja 2010 (1 bottle)

Scala dei Prior, Priorat 2012 (1 bottle)

Experience a taste of Spain with these gift cards at Chicago's Premier Spanish tapas restaurant, Café Ba-Ba-Reeba! Enjoy authentic Spanish cuisine in a warm, hip setting enhanced by lively music while enjoying award-winning sangria, tapas, pintxos, paella and mini-desserts. With a wide variety of menu items – offering savory and colorful combinations of vegetables, cheeses, meats and seafood – there's something for everyone. At Café Ba-Ba-Reeba, we're the perfect spot to catch-up with your friends!

Note: Gift certificates are only valid for food and beverage. Gratuity and tax not included. Not redeemable for cash or refund of any kind. Not valid toward LEYE Frequent Diner Club Points.

Generously contributed by Café Ba-Ba-Reeba, A Lettuce Entertain You Restaurant

ESTIMATED VALUE \$400

LOT 406

CUSTOM CITY WINERY CHICAGO TOUR AND WINE TASTING

4 guests

The ultimate in urban winemaking, City Winery is designed to integrate the winemaking process with consumption and enjoyment of wine. During your exclusive customized tour and wine tasting, journey from the Winery into the Barrel Room tasting bar and restaurant, where you will try house wines served fresh on tap, straight from the cellar. Your tour will include a wine flight of three specially selected City Winery wines paired perfectly with three of the restaurant's flavorful crostini.

Note: Gratuity not included. Expires February 7, 2016.

Generously contributed by
City Winery Chicago

ESTIMATED VALUE \$250

LOT 407

WINE & DINE WITH MON AMI GABI

Four \$50 Gift Certificates to Mon Ami Gabi

FRENCH WINE TO GO (6 BOTTLES)

Chateau St. Georges, St. Emilion 2009 (1 bottle)

Albert Bichot, Volnay 2009 (1 bottle)

Chateau Rocher-Bonregard Pomerol 2010 (1 bottle)

Château De La Gardine, Châteauneuf Du Pape 2011 (1 bottle)

Domaine Raspail-Ay, Gigondas 2011 (1 bottle)

Joseph Drouhin, Brouilly 2011 (1 bottle)

Head over to French bistro Mon Ami Gabi where you will find all French classic favorites like Steak Frites, Onion Soup Au Gratin, Trout Amandine and Escargots de Bourgogne. To complement your dinner, an extensive selection of more than 80 boutique French wine varietals, handpicked by renowned chef and owner Gabino Sotelino, are served by the glass or bottle from the signature rolling wine cart. This charming Lincoln Park restaurant will be sure to make you feel like a Parisian.

Note: Gift certificates are only valid for food and beverage. Gratuity and tax not included. Not redeemable for cash or refund of any kind. Not valid toward LEYE Frequent Diner Club Points.

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Mon Ami Gabi, A Lettuce Entertain You Restaurant

ESTIMATED VALUE \$400

LOT 408

PICNIC FOR TWO

Pastoral Artisan Cheese, Bread and
Wine \$50 Gift Certificate

Château Clément-Pichon 1985

(1 bottle)

HAUT-MÉDOC, BORDEAUX

Channeling summertime! Plan ahead for your first picnic of the warm weather season, which would be incomplete without fine wine and delectable cheese.

With **Château Clément-Pichon 1985**, your picnic just went to a whole new level. This wine is refined, subtle, and silky, with fine tannins. The nose is marked by black fruits, associated with delicate toasted notes. Pair this excellent vintage with artisan cheeses from around the world and freshly baked breads from none other than **Pastoral Artisan Cheese, Bread & Wine**. The leading artisan shop has all the fixings for an idyllic afternoon, including charcuterie, olives, tapenades, honeys, jams, olive oils and artisan sweets. Summer never sounded better.

Note: Gift certificate expires 9/23/19.

Generously contributed by
Mrs. William B. Graham, Pastoral
Artisan Cheese, Bread & Wine

ESTIMATED VALUE \$100

LOT 409

WINE & DINE WITH STELLA BARRA PIZZERIA

Four \$50 Gift Certificates to Stella Barra Pizzeria

ITALIAN WINE TO GO (6 BOTTLES)

Barolo, Marchesi di Barolo, Piedmont 2008 (1 bottle)

Brunello di Montalcino, Fattoria Dei Barbi, Tuscany 2008 (1 bottle)

Valpolicella Ripasso, Marchesi di Biscardo, Veneto 2010 (1 bottle)

Poggio Al Tesoro, "Sondraia" Tuscany 2011 (1 bottle)

Renato Ratti, Nebbiolo, "Ochetti" Piedmont 2011 (1 bottle)

Uccelliera, Rosso di Montalcino, Tuscany 2011 (1 bottle)

Located in the heart of Lincoln Park, Stella Barra is an artisanal pizzeria offering a select menu of 12-13-inch Neapolitan-style pizzas. In addition to signature pizzas the menu boasts of small plates, house salads and sandwiches, as well as a daily Chef's Plates. Exposed brick and dark tones plus a centrally-located bar lend a "Downtown" feel and the hidden all-season patio with a cozy six-foot fireplace offers an unforgettable escape year-round. Open for dinner daily as well as brunch on Saturdays and Sundays – enjoy this experience with these gift certificates at Stella Barra Pizzeria.

Note: Gift certificates are only valid for food and beverage. Gratuity and tax not included. Not redeemable for cash or refund of any kind. Not valid toward LEYE Frequent Diner Club Points.

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Stella Barra Pizzeria, A Lettuce Entertain You Restaurant

ESTIMATED VALUE \$400

LOT 410

WINE & DINE WITH SUMMER HOUSE

Four \$50 Gift Certificates to Summer House

CALIFORNIA PINOT NOIR TO GO (6 BOTTLES)

Pisoni, Santa Lucia Highlands, 2010

Belle Glos, "Clark & Telephone" Santa Maria Valley 2011

Hirsch, "San Andreas Fault" Sonoma Coast, 2011

Au Bon Climat, Santa Barbara County, 2012

Baker Lane, Sonoma Coast, 2012

Brewer Clifton, "Machado" Sta. Rita Hills, 2012

Located in the heart of Lincoln Park, Summer House is a California-influenced, American restaurant featuring a wood-fire grill as its centerpiece and ever-changing menu that spotlights locally-sourced produce and ingredients whenever possible. Seeking to make you feel at-home, the atmosphere of a summer beach house with whitewashed woods, warm tones and a large glass ceiling positioned directly over the dining room brings the outside in no matter what the season.

Note: Gift certificates are only valid for food and beverage. Gratuity and tax not included. Not redeemable for cash or refund of any kind. Not valid toward LEYE Frequent Diner Club Points.

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Summer House, A Lettuce Entertain You Restaurant*

ESTIMATED VALUE \$500

LOT 411

TORTOISE CLUB

Dinner for 4 Guests

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