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### ITALY

#### CANTINE SALVALAI spa

- PINOT GRIGIO, Veneto 2010 SCREWCAP!!** **\$ 13.95**  
 Our BEST seller. This vintage finds SALVALAI at the top of their game with a full flavoured, fruit first, juicy Pinot Grigio with a refreshing grapefruit tang on the finish. The fastest selling Grigio in Ontario!
- RIPASSO CLASSICO SUPERIORE, MONILE 2008** **\$ 19.95**  
 Shows intense raisin and smoke with a lovely round character. Wet earth and tobacco are matched with lingering fruit characters and soft tannins. A stellar wine from a superb vintage. Italy's answer to Shiraz and Zinfandel!!
- AMARONE 2007 (case of 6) (T)** **\$ 38.95**  
 Highly extracted. Reminiscent of plums, figs, almonds, black pepper, brown spice. Complex with flavours that all come together harmoniously. The ripe sweet fruit is beautiful on the palate, but finishes dry. Drinking well now, although with big tannins.
- AMARONE 375ML 2007 (case of 12) NEW!!** **\$ 24.95**  
 Finally our superb Amarone in a 375ML
- Le Riserve AMARONE "VEJO" 2005 (case of 6)** **\$ 56.00**  
 A single 5 hectares Vineyard. 4 years in French oak produced a full flavoured very inviting Amarone, full of spice, ripe cherry and chocolate. Only produced in exceptional years this is a wine of natural selection, quality over quantity (the drying process removes 40% of the grapes). Drinking now but could be cellared for 10 more years...
- PINOT NOIR 2010 First Time in Canada!!!** **\$ 14.95**  
 A surprisingly lush pinot noir from the Veneto region. Handpicked and deeply coloured, perfumed with shades of cherry fruit and a hint of forest

#### POGGERINO

- CHIANTI CLASSICO 2008 NEW!!** **\$ 25.95**  
 The winery's largest production (about 45,000 bottles per year). It is made from Sangiovese 100%. The wine spends one year in barriques before being aged in bottle. It's colour is light ruby, with aromas of blackberries, cherries and redcurrant, with a touch of licorice and vanilla spice. The tannins are sweet and persistent. Recommended with spicy-sauced pasta and mild-tasting red meats
- CHIANTI CLASSICO RISERVA "BUGIALLA" 2006 (case of 6) NEW!!** **\$ 46.00**  
 Produced only in the best vintages, from the best fruit from the "Bugialla" vineyard, a particularly auspicious vineyard whose soil, endowed with an important substratum of rock, makes for acute competition among the vines. As a result, yields are low and grapes particularly fine. It is aged in new barriques for 18 months than aged in bottle for at least 16 months. Average production is 8000 bottles. Dark ruby in color, and shows wild berries, raspberries, licorice and tobacco on the nose. Tannins are full and round, with substantial structure and ageing potential.  
*"Perfumed and floral, with subtle strawberry and light sugary spices. Full-bodied, with silky tannins, pretty texture and beautiful fruit. Balanced and refined."*  
*Score 92 Wine Spectator October 15, 2009*

#### ARBORETO

- MONTEPULCIANO D'ABRUZZO, 2010** **\$ 11.95**  
 Fine complexity, balance and length, leather, smoke, almond and cherry flavours. Drinks with ease - a great house wine!

#### FLAIO

- PRIMITIVO, 2010, Salento** **\$ 12.95**  
 Using state of the art vinification this wine is a superb example of Primitivo. Punctuated with a spicy earthiness and a lingering finish.

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## ITALY

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### TUSCANY

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**· CHIANTI ANTANE 2010** **\$ 14.50**

Baron Ricasoli would be very proud of this current incarnation of his famous blend. Invitingly lively with a subtle attack and soft lingering finish. Midweight with nice complexity at this price.

**· CHIANTI CLASSICO LAUDE 2007 (case of 6)** **\$ 22.95**

Beautiful aromas of sliced plums, with hints of tea. Medium bodied, with well integrated tannins and a long alluring finish. Harmonious. Possesses both early charm and stuffing but will reward cellaring for 3 to 8 years. Made by the Estate of E. Antinori.

### RIVETTO

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**· BARBARESCO CE VANIN DOCG 2007 (case of 6)** **\$ 37.95**

Almondine with black reflections and almondine rim. The bouquet is bright, with berry fruit supported by berry fruit acidity with underlying rosa canina and spice. Nice balance and fairly rich. On the palate it's bright, with lively berry fruit supported by brisk acidity and by smooth sweet youthful tannins that flow into a clean bright finish. It's very young, a toddler, but will drink well with succulent red meats, and has the wherewithal to age nicely for a decade or more. Very traditional but tempting already!

**· BARBERA D'ALBA NEMES 2009 (case of 6)** **\$ 24.95**

The Rivetto fanaticism for low yields and careful vinification have reaped a wonderful Barbara. Frequently used in the past to "correct" the colour of Nebbiolo, this Barbara revels in its dark colour and full body. /eight months in barrel with reigned in tannins and perfect acidity

**· BAROLO SERRALUNGA 2007 (case of 6)** **\$ 51.95**

Like its macerated black cherry and plum flavours, this is both sweet and intense, taking on a bittersweet chocolate richness as it powers its way to a long aftertaste. The ripeness is supported by a dense core of tannins. Long. Best from 2014 through 2035. 2006 vintage scored a 95 in the Wine Spectator.

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## NEW ZEALAND, FORREST ESTATE

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**· SAUVIGNON BLANC, Marlborough 2011 (T)** **\$ 19.50**

With more depth than most Marlborough Sauvignon Blancs, this amplifies its bright and zingy character with a panoply of passion fruit, guava, lime and mineral flavours, opening up beautifully on the long expressive finish. *WINE SPECTATOR 90 points May 2006*

**· PINOT NOIR, Marlborough 2010 (T)** **\$ 24.95**

A low cropping vintage yielded fruit of exceptional ripeness. 5 different pinot clones were used from various sites enhancing the complexity. Mouth filling cherry and dark strawberry flavours and a savoury almost gamey aroma with subtle spicy oak tremors on the palette.

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## SOUTH AFRICA, STELLENBOSCH

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### VILLIERA ESTATE

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**· SAUVIGNON BLANC 2010 SCREWCAP!!** **\$ 16.95**

Optimally ripe grapes were received at the cellar, 6 hours skin contact time before pressing. Cold fermentation. The wine is refreshing and elegant displaying intense varietal character including gooseberry and fig flavours.

**· DOWN TO EARTH RED 2010** **\$ 14.95**

An explosion of spice and dark berry flavours with gentle tannins caressing the palate. A modern wine utilizing constant vineyard quality and upgraded cellar facilities. Blend Shiraz 62% and Touriga Nacional 38%.

**· CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2008** **\$ 18.50**

Tossing cassis fruit, textured tannins and signature restraint this is Villiera's best Cabernet to date. Classic smoke and cigarbox 20% New French oak. Limited!

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## AUSTRALIA

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### DE BORTOLI

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· **CHARDONNAY, WILLOWGLEN Riverina 2011 (T)** \$ 12.95  
Open faced melon, butter and tropical fruit aromas. Soft and round on entry with peach and citrus rind on the finish. Oak subtly infused on background. Great buy for wine by the glass.

· **PINOT NOIR, WINDY PEAK Victoria 2009 SCREWCAP!!** \$ 18.95  
A lively full bodied example of the varietal from Australia's only dedicated Pinot Noir wine-maker. The palate is full and rich with strong strawberry/spice flavours and hints of maceration. Beautifully balanced by silky soft tannins.  
[*Wine-maker's comments*: A combination of wine-making techniques are used to produce a final blend with complexity and balance. These include cold maceration before fermentation, inclusion of stalks and whole bunches, hot fermentation (28-32° C) and barrel fermentation.]

· **SHIRAZ, WILLOWGLEN Riverina 2009 (T)** \$ 12.95  
Velvety smooth this well priced, exceptional quality Shiraz shows great varietal character. Great value by-the-glass OZ Shiraz!

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### PARACOMBE, Adelaide Hills

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· **REUBEN 2007** \$ 23.95  
Intense deep ruby color, poached rhubarb and plumb aromas together with hints of delicate oak, leatherwood and spicy licorice characters. The palate is finely structured with sweet fruit driven flavours of fresh loganberries and raspberries interspersed with savoury and spicy notes. A generous and lingering blend.

· **SHIRAZ 2007** \$ 23.95  
Quintessential Adelaide Hills Shiraz. Delicate yet full, balanced tannins and fruit. 20 months in French oak makes for an alluring unshy Shiraz but with many layers of flavours and aromas. White Pepper and plums...

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### STANLEY LAMBERT, Barossa Valley

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· **AUGUST SHIRAZ 2007 (T)** \$ 29.95  
Fully ripened Shiraz grapes were selected from some of the oldest vines in the Barossa and vintaged with prolonged skin contact prior to ageing for 15 months in American and French oak barrels. The resultant wine is in a big bold style, showing lovely rich berry fruit characters and firm tannins.

· **THOROUGHbred CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2007** \$ 28.95  
The first red wine made by Lindsay Stanley under his own label in 1991. This wine set a precedent by winning the Cuno Pacific Trophy at the Barossa Wine Show. This is a very elegant wine that offers restrained power. There are smoky oak and raspberry aromas on the nose, the palate has a tight structure with lashes of raspberry and blackberry flavour. Drinkable now, but with ageing potential.

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### GROWERS GATE, Longhorne Creek

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· **CHARDONNAY 2010 (case of 6)** \$ 14.50  
Perfectly ripened grapes deliver a well rounded Chardonnay of attractive stone fruit and citrus aromas. A touch of French oak add further complexity.

· **SHIRAZ 2010 (case of 6)** \$ 14.50  
Deep Red colour with a purple hue hints at the vibrant blackberry and liquorice aromas with ripe berry flavours and soft tannins. Growers Gate is owned by Grape growers who have a special pride in their vineyards.

· **CABERNET 2010 (case of 6) (T)** \$ 15.50  
Lifted mint and blackcurrant and ripe, dark berry flavours and supported by gentle acidity. Obvious care in all facets of the winemaking shows in this lovely wine profile. A well priced Cabernet from Australia!

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**CALIFORNIA**  
**BUTTERFIELD STATION**

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**.CALIFORNIA CHARDONNAY 2010** **\$ 12.95**

Fruit forward with crisp apple tones and soft peach, with a delicate taste of butter rum touched by mellow, vanilla-toasted oak. 70% barrel fermented including malolactic fermentation. Aged 5 months sur lie in American Oak.

**- CALIFORNIA MERLOT 2009** **\$ 12.95**

Ripe plum and cherry fruit with rich oak and corners of cedar. Grapes from Solano, Madera and Lodi appellations. In French Oak for 7 months and then blended with 5% Petit Sirah. Great mouthfeel.

**- CALIFORNIA CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2010** **\$ 12.95**

Lush blackberry with a hint of mint and a smattering of black pepper. After malolactic inoculation the wine spends 8 months in French and American oak. 8 per cent Syrah is added for body and spice.

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**BECKMEN VINEYARDS, Santa Barbara Ynez Valley. Biodynamic Vineyard practices**

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**- CUVÉE LE BEC 2009** **\$ 26.95**

A blend of 44% Grenache, 28% Syrah, 20% Mourvedre, and 8% Counoise, is one of the great Cotes du Rhone styles of the Central Coast. 13 months in a mix of new French and seasoned French and American barrels. This is the type of wine that California can do so well, but rarely does "This is a sexy, delicious concoction of red and black cherries, black currants, pepper, spice box, and fruitcake. Medium to full-bodied and pure with supple tannins and a fleshy, lush personality, it will provide immense pleasure over the next 3-4 years. This winery, which has extensive holdings on one of Santa Ynez's finest viticulture sites, Purisima Mountain, continues to build on an already impressive resume of wines. Kudos to Beckmen Vineyards for offering top-notch quality as well as plenty of enticing bargains. "90 Robert Parker, Wine Advocate".

**- ESTATE CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2010** **\$ 28.95**

Production 1200 cases. Barrel aged for 19 months in 50 % neutral and 50% new French And American Oak. A well balanced growing season allowed even ripening creating a lushly textured wine with classic Cabernet appeal. Spontaneous malolactic fermentation in barrel after 48 hour cold soaking. One of the best vintages Steve Beckmen has seen.

**- PURISMA MOUNTAIN GRENACHE ROSE 2010** **\$ 23.95**

Beautiful fresh wine made from special rose designated blocks at the fully Biodynamic Purisma Mountain Vineyard. 79% Grenache, 13% Syrah, and 8% Mouvedre. Some oak treatment (80%). Bright fruit with balanced acid and surprising structure. **NEW!!**  
*First time in Canada!!!*

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**BOGLE VINEYARDS, Clarksburg**

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**- CHENIN BLANC 2010** **\$ 16.95**

Abundant spring flowers and floral blossoms burst forth on the nose of this fresh white wine. Crisp and refreshing, this fruit basket boasts brilliant flavours of green apple and tropical touches of pineapple. Though crisp and bright, this wine does have a softer side: honeydew melons and apricots add a sweet lusciousness from mid-palate to the soft and silky finish.

**- CHARDONNAY 2010** **\$ 16.95**

Barrel Fermentation, sur-lie aging, and partial malolactic fermentation. These hand-crafted processes create a rich, elegant wine with layers of complexity. Fresh tropical fruits followed by a touch of lemon cream and shades of Butterscotch and caramel. Enjoy this wine with everything!

**- PINOT NOIR 2009** **\$ 19.95**

The 2009 Pinot Noir from Bogle represents some of the best varietal growing regions California has to offer. Fruit from the cool confines of the Russian River Valley, from the coastal hills of Monterey and from the unique Clarksburg Delta combine to create a garnet-coloured wine of complexity and finesse. The first impression recalls a sun-dappled forest clearing, scattered with sweet wild strawberries and rustic mint. These hints of pine, bright berry and fresh herbs follow on the well-balanced palate, surrounded by soft suggestions of tea leaves and violets. Toasty vanilla winds itself throughout, wrapping around the finish: long, silky and elegant. 12 months in French and American oak.

**- MERLOT 2009** **\$ 16.95**

2007 produced some of the best fruit Clarksburg has ever seen. Bursting ripeness and rich concentration. Balanced fruit and a complex finish, Silky yet firm tannins and spiced vanilla oak. 100% barrel aged in American oak.

**- PETITE SIRAH 2009** **\$ 18.95**

**6 out of 7 vintages earned "Best Buy" status in Wine Spectator.**

Amazingly inky, deep Petit Sirah is Bogle's flagship varietal. On the nose powerful boysenberry and blackberry scents with the trademark Bogle jamminess filling the mouth, a voluptuous finish lingers with toasty, vanilla oak and lush fruit. Firm tannins for aging but why wait!!

**- OLD VINE ZINFANDEL 2009** **\$ 19.95**

Dry-farmed and head trained vineyards reaping gnarly old vines (40 -80 years old). Seasoned with nuances of peppercorns, this full-bodied wine begins with startlingly rich raspberry fruit on the nose and palate. Soft oak nuances supported by firm and focused tannins. 10 months in American oak.

**- CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2008** **\$ 17.95**

Tight and intense, built around a core of cedary oak, dried currant, herb, mineral and tobacco that are chewy and rustic, with gutsy tannins. Wine Enthusiast Magazine 90 points. Here's a stellar example of how a really good Cabernet can be made without gouging the consumer. This is a dry, elegant and rich wine, with firm tannins housing flavours of blackberries, currants, herbs, spices and smoky cedar wood. It's a terrific value. **Best Buy.**

**- PHANTOM 2008** **\$ 26.95**

Three distinctive varietals combine lush berry and fierce spice into a wine characterized by its incandescence. Deeply luscious and succulent blackberries ignite this vintage of our rich ruby apparition. Aromas of anise and sweet fig are embraced by touches of black pepper. From the shadowed dark depths, subtle notes of cloves and vanilla emerge and compliment the concentrated fruit characters of this wine. Captured in 1, 2 and 3 year old American oak barrels for 24 months, this wine showcases the best these distinct varietals have to offer. 53%Petite Sirah 44 % Zinfandel, 3% Mourvedre

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## CALIFORNIA

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### LIOCO, Sonoma

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**· CHARDONNAY 2010** **\$ 26.95**

After four successive vintages with this wine, we are finally achieving what we set out to do. Omitting fruit sources that haven't performed and refining those that have, has left us with what may be the most "complete" So-Co to date. The 2009 is a blend of Stuhlmuller Vineyard (Alexander Valley), Mazzeria Vineyard (Dry Creek), Ricci Vineyard (Carneros), and Valentine Vineyard (Mendocino). The wine features a core of citrus (mostly lemons) and chalky minerality. Adding complexity are notes of orchard fruit and miso paste. This is drier and taughter wine that was the 2008.

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### OREGON, WINTER'S HILL VINEYARD, Dundee Hills

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**· PINOT NOIR 2006** **\$ 28.95**

The vineyard is certified by the LIVE (Low Input Viticulture and Enology Program), that seeks to promote sustainable agriculture while minimizing the use of agricultural chemicals and fertilizers and protecting the farmer, the environment, and society at large. Of the 21 acres planted to Pinot Noir in the estate vineyard between 1990 and 2000, only the Pommard clone is used in this bottling. Barrel aging is tailored to the tannin and fruit make-up of each lot of fermenting wine. Aged 18 months in barrel. Subdued but pleasing aromas of black cherries, earthy loam and forest floor. Fairly thick and imposing core of darker cherry and berry fruit with hints of mocha and marzipan. High brow with terrific harmony. Very smoothly textured with a fresh and lively finish.

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### CHILE, PORTA WINERY

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**· SAUVIGNON BLANC 2010 (T)** **\$ 12.95**

Fresh appealing, grapefruit, lemon. This Sauvignon Blanc will surprise with it's racy flavours and zippy acidity.

**· CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2010 RESERVE** **\$ 12.95**

Aged in French and American oak for 6 months. The nose has a beautiful balance of raspberry, blackberry and toasty notes. The upfront fruit is tinged with mint, typical of Aconcagua Cabernet. Great structure with flavours of coffee and vanilla.

**· MERLOT 2010 RESERVE** **\$ 12.95**

Hand-picked with stainless steel fermentation and a short maceration on the skins. Aged 6 months in French oak. Aromas of spices, blackberry and plum with a toasted vanilla and coffee finish.

**· PINOT NOIR 2008 Grand Reserve** **\$ 16.95**

Hand-picked early in the morning to assure optimum maturity and then hand sorted at the winery, this wine amplifies the passion and commitment of the winemaker. Bright Dark Cherry with licks of French oak creates a wine to be savoured. An elegant expression of the best Pinot Noir from the Bio Bio Valley

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### ARGENTINA: FINCA MARTHA, Mendoza

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**· MALBEC 2010** **\$ 14.95**

A high desert climate (3500 feet above sea level) resulting in intense sunshine but cooler temperatures gives Finca Martha's 100% Malbec physiologically ripe grapes vintage after vintage. Because soils are poor in organic materials the vines must develop deep roots, thus intensifying the spicy dark fruit of this Malbec. Fruit, complexity and concentration - welcome to Finca Martha.

**· CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2009** **\$ 14.95**

Our Finca Martha Cabernet Sauvignon has an intense colour, its aroma is spicy, in mouth it is delicate, balanced and with good intensity. Its contact with new French oak provides complexity and elegance. First time here!

**· GRAN MALBEC 2009** **\$ 17.95**

Intense colours of purple and red. Violets and plum jelly jump up with delicate hints of toasted coconut. Endless finish. 12 months in New French oak barrels.  
*First time in Canada!*

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### AUSTRIA: WACHAU, TEGERNSEERHOF

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**· GRUNER VELTLINER 2011 (T)** **\$ 19.95**

Crisp, clean with a blast of aromatic spice and then perfect exotic fruit/acidity balance. From the finest parcels of Wachau fruit Martin Mittelbach has crafted a peppery full throttle "Gru-ve" full of melon and mango...Another Abcon exclusive.

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**SPAIN**

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**PAGO DE CIRSUS DE INAKI NUNEZ NAVARRA**

**· CIRSUS VENDIMIA SELECCIONADA 2009 (T) \$ 18.95**

An alluring blend of Tempranillo/Merlot/Syrah ages for 12 months. Dark Garnate red colour with a nose of quality dark berry fruit (blueberry and Bing cherry) with shades of granite pencil and a whiff of grassy herbs. Polished tannins.

**BODEGA REJADORADA D.O.TORO**

**· NOVELLUM CRIANZA 2008 (T) \$ 23.95**

12 months in French and American oak. The bouquet emotes deep spicy aromas of Balsamic and bay leaf with dark fruit overtones. Lively with balanced aromas and a long persistent finish. 91 points from Robert Parker in 2010.

**VINA CARTIN**

**· ALBARINO 2010 \$ 17.75**

This 100% Albarino was slightly creamy with refreshing pear and melon on the nose and apple and lime peel on the palate. A gentle de-stemming process, hand-selection, and modern winery techniques lead to a very clean and crisp wine which would be refreshing either as an aperitif or as an accompaniment to pasta or seafood. The cool climate Salnes Valley is a subregion of Rias Baixas.

**ORO De CASTILLA Rueda**

**· VERDEJO 2010 \$ 15.95**

"An even better value is the 2010 Oro De Castilla 100% Verdejo that has fermented and aged in stainless steel. Nutmeg, almonds, mineral and peach aromas lead to a dry, lengthy, satisfying white with vibrant acidity and impeccable balance." 88 points Robert Parker

*New! First time in Ontario!*

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**FRANCE**

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**DOMAINE DU CARROU, LOIRE**

**· SANCERRE 2010 \$ 26.50**

Producing wine since the 17th century The Roger family utilizes the chalky-calcareous soils of the Oxfordian, with Terre blanches of sprinkled fossilized shells. A full range of fragrant nuances including lemon, grapefruit, white peach and acacia flower. Rounded mouthfeel, full but fresh with delightful elegance.

**DOMAINE FOURREY ET FILS**

**· CHABLIS 2010 \$ 22.95**

Wine with body and finesse, dry and mineral. Can be kept for 5 years. The wine-making combines the tradition chablisien with modern techniques of the Chardonnay grape. Luscious yet taut! Yield maximum 60 Hl/Ha.

**DOMAINE SAINT-ANTHELME**

**· COTES DU RHONE 2009 \$ 15.95**

Grenache (55%), Syrah (30%), Cinsault (5%), Carignan (10%). The colour is ruby red with purple glints edged with a violet disc. By the first nose you notice a mix of violet, cherry and white pepper aroma that characterizes the Syrah grape variety. After aeration, the red fruit aromas are revealed. The tannins are silky, the dominant aromas are fruity and peppery. The mouth freshness gives a good length.

**VIGNOBLES MAYARD**

**· CHATEAUNEUF DU PAPE 2006 (case of 6) NEW!! \$ 40.95**

Hand picked from 45 year old vines the grapes all destemmed and gently pressed using gravity and a pneumatic press. 18 months in Oak from a terrific vintage! 65% Grenache, 20% Syrah, and 15% Cinsault. Rich, spicy and full bodied the Cuve Du Pere Pape is the most important appellation of the Southern Rhone at its best!

*First time in Ontario!*

**PREMIERES COTES DE BLAYE**

**· CHATEAU LE MENAUDAT 2006 \$ 17.95**

Blend of Cabernet sauvignon (75%) and Merlot (25%). Chateau Le Menaudat is situated on clayey limestone soil on the hills of the Premieres Cotes de Blaye, opposite the famous vineyards in Pauillac. On the palate notes of red berries and currants. Very elegant wine. Although the wine was matured in oak barrels, wood is not overpowering.

**Please note:**

Wine may only be purchased in case lots of 12 bottles.

Prices are inclusive of all LCBO charges, and Agent's Handling Fee; exclusive of HST.

Prices are subject to change without notice and are available within 48 hours unless stated [T] for wines in transit.

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