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### ITALY: CANTINE SALVALAI spa

**- PINOT GRIGIO, Veneto 2008 SCREWCAP!!** **\$ 14.95**

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 2007** **\$ 22.95**

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 2005 (case of 6)** **\$ 40.95**

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.

**- Le Riserve AMARONE "VEJO" 2004 (case of 6)** **\$ 60.45**

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...

### ITALY: POGGERINO

**- CHIANTI CLASSICO 2007 (T) 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 BUGLIA RISERVA 2006 (case of 6) NEW!!** **\$ 52.00**

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. The wine is dark ruby in color, and shows wild berries, raspberries, licorice and tobacco on the nose.

The tannins are full and round. It has 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*

### ITALY: ABRUZZO

**- MONTEPULCIANO D'ABRUZZO, ARBORETO 2008** **\$ 12.95**

Fine complexity, balance and length, leather, smoke, almond and cherry flavours. Drinks with ease - a great house wine!

### ITALY: FLAIO

**- PRIMITIVO, FLAIO 2008, Salento** **\$ 13.95**

Using state of the art vinification this wine is a superb example of Primitivo. Punctuated with a spicy earthiness and a lingering finish.

## ITALY: TUSCANY

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**- CHIANTI ANTANE 2007** **\$ 15.50**

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 2006 (case of 6)** **\$ 24.95**

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.

## ITALY: RIVETTO

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**- MOSCATO D'ASTI 2008 (case of 6)** **\$ 25.95** **NEW!!**

A classic and unusually refreshing expression of moscato dessert wine from Piedmont and more specifically Serralunga Alba. Heady perfumed nose with a delicate sweetness. Golden, straw colour with a fine unmistakable Moscato persistence. A perfect end to an evening!

**- BAROLO SERRALUNGA 2005 (case of 6)** **\$ 65.00**

The wine of kings, the king of wines, this latest incarnation sourced from 3 vineyards in Serralunga (San Bernardo, Serra and Manocino) delivers an intense, structured age worthy Barolo with much elegance and forward character. French oak subtly deployed with aromas of dried roses, plums and liquorices and with eyes closed perhaps a whiff of White Truffle? Not to be missed.

## SOUTH AFRICA: VILLIERA ESTATE, Stellenbosch

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**- SAUVIGNON BLANC 2009** **\$ 18.95**

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.

**- BUSH VINE SAUVIGNON BLANC 2009** **\$ 21.95**

The highly rated Villiera Bush Vine Sauvignon Blanc is a single vineyard wine made exclusively from older, low yielding untrallised vines. This form of training results in a different style of Sauvignon Blanc. The denser canopy provides more shade on the branches resulting in grassier, herbaceous flavours and the limited yield ensures greater intensity.

**- DOWN TO EARTH RED 2008** **\$ 15.95**

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%.

**- MONRO 2003 (case of 6)** **\$ 33.95**

This Monro 2003 is a blend of 65% Merlot and 35% Cabernet sauvignon. The wine has a deep red colour with rich red berry aromas and a good tannin structure with intense spicy undertones penetrated by hints of vanilla and tobacco.

## SOUTH AFRICA: JARDIN (Export Label For Jordan Winery), Stellenbosch

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**- CHARDONNAY 2008** **\$ 21.95**

Selected from mature vineyards (11-14 years old) of selected Davis and Burgundian clones. Cooler south and east facing slopes are unirrigated. 61% New and 39% second fill Nevers Oak. The wine was matured "sur lie" for 9 months with occasional batonage to accentuate the leesy character. Full creamy citrus flavours with an elegant, well balanced, rich finish.

**- SAUVIGNON BLANC 2008** **\$ 18.95**

Exhilarating with a rich fusion of figs and gooseberry. Braced by a distinct minerality and purity in its composition. The 2004 vintage scored a 91 in the Wine Spectator last year.

## AUSTRALIA: DE BORTOLI

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**- CHARDONNAY, WILLOWGLEN Riverina 2008** **\$ 13.95**  
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 2008 SCREWCAP!!** **\$ 20.50**  
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 2008** **\$ 13.95**  
Velvety smooth this well priced, exceptional quality Shiraz shows great varietal character.  
Great value by-the-glass OZ Shiraz!

## AUSTRALIA: PARACOMBE, Adelaide Hills

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**- REUBEN 2005** **\$ 22.95**  
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 2006** **\$ 23.75**  
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...

**- SAUVIGNON BLANC 2009 (T)** **\$ 23.75**  
Enticing lifted passion fruit and tropical aromas and zesty Gooseberry combines citrus and mineral notes finishing very clean!  
The 2008 vintage was low yielding but high quality fruit for Sauvignon Blanc. Hence a wine of engaging aromas and a strong flavour definition. A benchmark wine!! This Sauvignon Blanc has been included in The Adelaide Review Hot 100 South Australian wines.

## AUSTRALIA: STANLEY LAMBERT, Barossa Valley

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**- AUGUST SHIRAZ 2005** **\$ 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 2005** **\$ 27.95**  
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.

**- GSM - THREE'S COMPANY 2007** **\$ 21.95**  
Grenache/Shiraz/Mouvedre. The wine is soft and harmonious with a lovely vanillin character.  
The lightly scented characters of the Grenache grape when blended with the fruity Shiraz and the soft, plummy Mouvedre, create a medium bodied wine with a medley of flavours. Aged in oak for six months.

## CALIFORNIA: BUTTERFIELD STATION

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### **.CALIFORNIA CHARDONNAY 2008** **\$ 13.95**

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 2006** **\$ 13.95**

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 2008** **\$ 13.95**

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.

## CALIFORNIA: BOGLE VINEYARDS, Clarksburg

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### **- CHENIN BLANC 2008** **\$ 18.95**

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 2008** **\$ 18.95**

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 2007 (*Russian River*)** **\$ 24.95**

The cool confines of the Russian River Valley in Sonoma County provide a near perfect climate for the development of delicate Pinot Noir and flavors. Cloaked in morning fog with warm sunshine through the later day, these valley floor vineyards grow tiny, perfect clusters of deeply colored fruit. Soft suggestions of violets and rose petals couple with notes of wild cherries and cola. Subtle cocoa and toasty oak notes closely follow the lasting fruit flavors, creating an earthy finish of both structure and finesse.

### **- MERLOT 2007** **\$ 18.95**

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 2007** **\$ 19.95**

**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 2007** **\$ 21.50**

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 2007** **\$ 21.95**

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.**

## CALIFORNIA: LIOCO, Sonoma

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### **- SONOMA CHARDONNAY 2008** **\$ 29.95**

**NEW!**

The 2008 chardonnay was grown from the ground up. No purchased wine/juice was used. It was hand picked and sorted and naturally fermented in 100% stainless steel using a wild yeast, it underwent a natural malolactic fermentation and was bottled without fining or filtration.

## FRANCE: LOIRE

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### - DOMAINE DU CARROU SANCERRE 2008

**\$ 28.99**

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.

## FRANCE: CHABLIS

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### - DOMAINE FOURREY ET FILS CHABLIS 2008

**\$ 24.50**

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.

## FRANCE: COTES DU RHONE

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### - DOMAINE SAINT-ANTHELME 2007

**\$ 18.95**

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.

## FRANCE: PREMIERES COTES DE BLAYE

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### - CHATEAU LE MENAUDAT 2005

**\$ 18.95**

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 currantes. Very elegant wine. Although the wine was matured in oak barrels, wood is not overpowering.

## FRANCE: MARGAUX

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### - BOUQUET DE MONBRISON 2005 (T)

**\$ 40.95**

Second wine of Chateau Monbrison. Blend of Cabernet Sauvignon (50%), Merlot (30%), Cabernet Franc (15%) and Petit Verdot (5%). The wine has a good strength and elegance. Aromas of blackberries, blackcurrants, spice and notes mineral and oak. Matured for 12 months in french oak barrels (5% new barrels).

## SPAIN: PAGO DE CIRSUS DE INAKI NUNEZ NAVARRA

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### - CIRSUS VENDIMIA SELECCIONADA 2006

**NEW!**

**\$ 20.95**

An alluring blend of Tempranillo/Merlot/Cabernet Sauvignon 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. First time here!

## AUSTRIA: WACHAU, TEGERNSEERHOF

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### - GRUNER VELTLINER 2008

**NEW!!**

**\$ 22.95**

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. **First release in Canada!**

## CHILE: PORTA

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**- SAUVIGNON BLANC 2009** **\$ 13.95**

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

**- CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2008 RESERVE** **\$ 13.95**

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 2008 RESERVE** **\$ 13.95**

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 Winemakers 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

## MENDOZA: FINCA MARTHA

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**- MALBEC 2008 (T)** **NEW!!** **\$ 15.95**

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 deep roots, thus intensifying the spicy dark fruit of this Malbec. Fruit, complexity and concentration - welcome to Finca Martha.

**- CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2008** **NEW!!** **\$ 15.95**

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!

## NEW ZEALAND: FORREST ESTATE, Marlborough

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**- SAUVIGNON BLANC 2008** **\$ 20.50**

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 2008** **\$ 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.

**- NEWTON FORREST ESTATE CORNERSTONE 2005** **NEW!** **\$ 37.95**

The 2005 Cornerstone is a blend of Cabernet sauvignon, Merlot, Malbec and Cabernet Franc. This is a soft generous wine with vibrant blue/red colour, ripe cherry and blackberry fruit flavours, hints of violets and savoury spicy oak. Youthful, the palate is full, with excellent depth and richness, sweet chocolate mocha aromas intertwined with soft silky tannins. A wine that drinks well now, which, if like the previous 10 vintages of Cornerstone, should develop gracefully for many years in bottle. Aged in French (70%) and American (30%) oak barriques.

**- TATTY BOGLER OTAGO PINOT NOIR 2006** **NEW!** **\$ 32.95**

Dark, rich and sweet-fruited Otago Pinot Tatty Bogler abounds on the nose with the flavours of black cherry, brambles, black currants and wild thyme. On the palate it offers plummy and spice aromas, concentrated and complex with ripe tannins and seamless finely textured finish. A good example of Otago pinot noir, combining the sweet fruit of Bannockburn, with the textured earthy complexity of the Waitaki Valley.

**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 GST.

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