

# Postscript

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## Wines of the Month

Cabernet Sauvignon is our favorite red wine to serve to when we want guests to feel really welcome in our home. It's also clearly the best red for hearty meals like grilled tenderloin or rack of lamb. And so, our never-ending search for terrific Cabernet Sauvignons goes on...and these days we are obsessed with finding the best tasting and affordable Cabs.



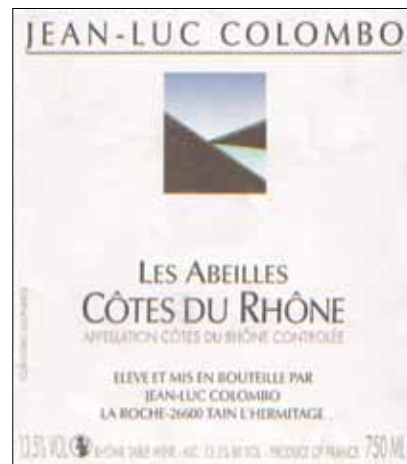
First up is the **2006 Marques de Casa Concha Cabernet Sauvignon** from Chile. The vineyards in this country have always had great potential to produce outstanding quality Cabernet Sauvignon. The beautifully ripe and flavorful grapes are harvested at Concha y Toro's Puente Alto vineyards. This is the same vineyard that produces the famous Vina Almaviva Cabernet Sauvignon, a joint venture between Baron Philippe de Rothschild and Eduardo Guisilasti.

This 2006 from Marques de Casa Concha possesses all of the attributes we look for in a solid Cabernet value. Deep color, rich and layered fruit at mid palate, concentrated black-currant and fig flavors supported by supple

tannins...and a very bold and long finish. Wine Spectator rating of 90 points. **On sale this month for \$14.98.**

Our second wine of the month is **Jean-Luc Colombo 'Les Abeilles' Cotes du Rhone (2006)**. We are pleased to highlight this sensational red wine value from France's Rhone Valley. Jean-Luc Colombo is an innovative winemaker who is always striving to make the wines of southern France more appealing through the use of modern viticultural practices in his vineyards. His emphasis on creating a sleek, fruit-forward style of Rhone wine has garnered many international awards as well as recognition from peers within France.

The 2006 'Les Abeilles' displays a bright and effusive aroma of crushed red fruits. It dazzles the palate with ripe raspberry and cherry-cola flavors. Medium-bodied in weight, this Cotes du Rhone is less rustic than many traditional southern Rhones. A great food wine, especially suited for your everyday meals. Wine Spectator Review—"Attractive aromas of cherries with hints of cocoa and cinnamon, give way to similar flavors couched in supple tannins. It's not a rustic powerhouse, but a surprisingly silky blend of 50% Grenache, 30% Syrah, and 20% Mourvedre." **On sale for \$9.98.**



**Sitos de Bodega Con Class (2007)** comes from Rueda, of the top regions for white wines in Spain. The 2007 Con Class is made principally from Verdejo grapes grown on vines that are 70 to 100 years old. (Verdejo is the same grape that produces the famous Sherries of Spain.) By harvesting at night, keeping skin contact to a minimum, and periodically stirring

the fine lees, winemaker Ricardo Sanz keeps the Verdejo grape from oxidizing, a technique that produces a luxurious dry white wine. Presenting aromas of grapefruit and gooseberries, this wine is clean, complex and easy to drink. Con Class reminds me of a Loire wine with flavors of grapefruit, citrus, and melon. But at the same time it offers hints of spice and lemon, giving it great complexity. Stephen Tanzer of the International Wine Cellar gives it 91 points. **Only \$9.98.**



SPANISH WINE  
OF THE MONTH

EVODIA GARNACHA  
2007

Importer Eric Soloman represents some of the finest producers of the Grenache (Garnacha in Spanish) grape in the world. This includes Domaine de la Janesse, Chateaufort du Pape, and Clos Erasmus as well as top properties in Priorat, Spain. The 2007 Evodia Garnacha is his latest project. This exciting wine is produced in high-altitude vineyards in the mountainous village of Atea, Spain. The fruit comes from 100% old-vine Garnacha planted as far back as 100 years ago.

Evodia Garnacha has fresh aromas of raspberry and blackberry. It's a juicy wine with spicy red and dark berry fruit flavors. The absence of discernable tannins makes this wine easy to drink with no hard edges. And the intriguing finish will make you come back for more. A great value at \$9.98.

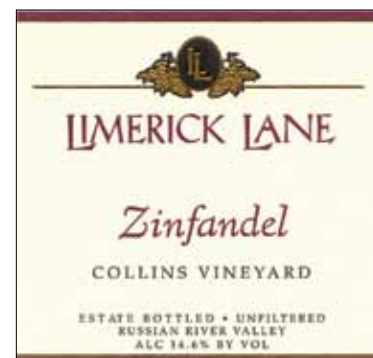


APRIL SPECIALS

## Special 'Net' Price Savings on 10 Wines for Easter

Finding the perfect wines for the delicious food you'll be enjoying during the Easter holiday has never been easier. We've specially selected these ten wines to complement your great meals. Whether you're serving the traditional ham, or something a little more extravagant like lamb or even vegetarian lasagna, we have the perfect wines for you. Plus they're all offered at low "net" prices. (No further discounts apply.) Cheers and Bon Appetit!

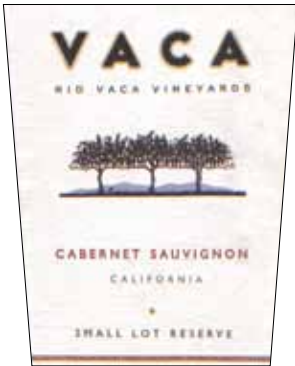
- 1 Matua Pinot Noir (2008):** This New Zealand Pinot Noir offers the nice balance of fresh ripe raspberry and cherry fruit that you would expect in a top California Pinot. Plus, it has the dry lingering finish of a Burgundy. So you get the best of both worlds! \$11.98
- 2 Castello Monaci Primitivo (2007):** Primitivo is the Italian version of Zinfandel. Concentrated fruit flavors of blackberry, fig and a hint of raisin with a soft, lingering finish. \$11.98.
- 3 Louis Latour Marsannay (2006):** Light and fresh, this Pinot Noir has ripe delicious raspberry and strawberry fruit, and a dry delicate finish. A perfect pairing with ham, no matter how you prepare it. \$15.98.
- 4 Avignonesi Rosso di Montalcino (2007):** A tasty match for that holiday lamb. "Aromas of berries, chocolate and mild spices follow through to a medium-bodied palate, with a creamy spice character." —Wine Spectator. \$13.98.
- 5 Napa Cellars Chardonnay (2007):** This California Chardonnay is rich, with spicy, vibrant ripe apple and pear flavors. Soft, subtle oak on the finish. A great Chardonnay that everyone will enjoy. \$15.98.
- 6 Montinore Almost Dry Riesling (2008):** This certified "Biodynamic" Riesling offers a beautiful aroma of lime, fresh flowers and tangerine. It is elegant, almost silky, with grapefruit and mandarin. A refreshing finish with accents of citrus and mineral flavors. \$12.98.
- 7 Limerick Lane Zinfandel Collins Vineyard (2005):** Truffle-like aromas waft from your glass on this medium-to full-bodied Zinfandel. Plush muscular texture, with soft subtle spices and chewy jammy fruit, and an elegant finish. A perfect complement to any heartier holiday meal. \$24.98.
- 8 Domaine Brusset Cotes du Ventoux (2008):** This Rhone blend is very fruit forward in style, yet still maintains a firm structure and a lingering finish. \$8.98.
- 9 Caligiore Malbec (2006):** I consider Malbec the perfect match for a spiral glazed ham with all the fixings. The Caligiore Malbec is medium bodied, with unique flavors of licorice, spice and terroir. \$10.98.
- 10 Bodegas Lurton Pinot Gris (2008):** Light in body, yet full of melon and herbal notes and a slight hint of almond on the finish. Perfect with any vegetarian dishes, including lasagna. \$7.98.



*This special Easter section was written by Tim Naughton, assistant manager at Post Road Liquors.*

# New Releases from California Part of 'All American' Sale

Listed below are new wines and new releases from California that have arrived just in time for our "All American" Wine Sale this month. Get these great wines at 20% off when you purchase six or more bottles.



**Vaca Cabernet Sauvignon Rio Vaca Vineyards (2006):** The Rio Vaca estate vineyard is found 10 miles east of the Napa Valley. The property's 25-year-old vines were planted in ancient volcanic and alluvial soils, which yields fruit with complex and concentrated flavors. This Cab is blended with a small amount of Syrah, producing a dark wine, ruby in color with ripe blackberry and plum flavors. Nice velvety tannins, with a long and enduring finish. \$14.99.

**Josh Cellars Santa Cruz Pinot Noir (2007):** Joseph Carr has an unmatched ability to find small lots of great grapes and make them into wines of rare value. Carr has created another gem from a highly regarded California appellation called Josh Cellars Santa Cruz Pinot Noir. The Santa Cruz Mountains offer a unique microclimate suited to the delicate Pinot Noir grape. The rugged terrain allows sufficient vine stress to produce a grape of concentration and quality. This wine begins bright and pleasing on the palate, and opens up with ripe cherry and strawberry notes...with soft tannins lingering just long enough. A great Pinot at \$19.99!

**J. Lohr Tower Road Vineyard Petite Sirah (2006):** Produced in J. Lohr's Paso Robles Tower Road Vineyard, this Petite Sirah is a concentrated and flavorful wine that's great with grilled meats or game. The blend of Sirah and Cabernet Sauvignon produce aromas of boysenberries and blackberries along with great color and richness. The wine has great dark fruits with huge berry fruit flavors. If you enjoy big reds, this is the wine for you. \$22.99.

**Beringer Napa Pinot Noir (2005):** Beringer's '05 Pinot Noir has a dark ruby color that leads to fruit aromas of roses, cherries, and spice. On the palate look for flavors of sweet cherries, raspberries and spice. Excellent backbone with silky tannins and a lush, supple finish. \$22.99.

**Dan Aykroyd Discovery Series Chardonnay (2007):** Yes, that Dan Aykroyd. With the launch of his "Discovery Series" Chardonnay, the famous actor and comedian is now also a wine producer. Made from a blend of grapes from seven vineyards in Sonoma County, this Sonoma-style wine has a Burgundian likeness to it. \$19.99.

**Beringer Napa Valley Sauvignon Blanc (2006):** Beringer Napa Sauvignon Blanc is a delicious wine that can accompany many different foods such as oysters, Thai and Indian food as well as vegetarian meals. Aromas of melon and grapefruit are followed by flavors of citrus and melon. Wonderful backbone of acidity that leads to a clean, crisp finish. \$13.99.

## POSTSCRIPT SPOTLIGHT

### WELCOME IN THE SPRING WITH ROSE WINES AT 20% OFF

Roses are becoming more popular than ever as witnessed by the big increase in sales they enjoyed last year. And our customers are responding. This time of year there's something special about fresh, zesty newly arrived dry Rose wines. Purchase just three or more bottles of these specially selected Roses and take 20% off the bottle price. Or buy a Rose sampler--one bottle each of the Roses listed for only \$75! (That's a savings of \$23.93.)

**Commanderie de Peyrassol 'Cotes de Provence' (2008):** Our best selling Rose from Provence. A blend of Cinsault, Grenache, and Syrah. Pale pink color, fresh and lively on the palate with lovely strawberry and cherry fruit flavors. \$19.99.

**Mas de la Dame, Les Baux de Provence (2008):** This delightful Rose is made from Grenache, Syrah and Cinsault. Wonderful flavors of Strawberry and pecan fruits along with intense minerality that gives this wine a silky texture and wonderful balance. \$14.99.

**Domaine Houchart Rose de Provence (2008):** A wonderful dry Rose from the Aix-en-Provence area. A blend of Cinsault, Grenache, Syrah and Mourvedre. Fresh and fruity aromas. Medium bodied with a generous helping of ripe fruit. Crisp, clean and dry on the finish. \$10.99.

**A to Z Sangiovese Rose, Oregon (2008):** Bright, salmon hue in color, this Rose of Sangiovese has tart cherry notes laced with peppery spice and a delicate herbal nuance. Medium-bodied, nice acidity, with a dry, crisp finish. \$12.99.

**Triennes Rose, Provence (2008):** Produced by two of Burgundy's big names—Jacques Seysses, founder of Domaine Dujac, and Aubert de Villaine, co-owner of Domaine de la Romanee-Conti. Triennes Rose is pale in color because of the predominant Cinsault grape, which is low in color and tannins. Light, with intense minerality. \$15.99.

**Las Rocas Rosado, Spain (2008):** A medium-bodied wine with flavors of cherry, cranberry and a touch of spice. Very versatile with food. And wonderful by itself. Parker rating of 90 points. \$10.99.

**Mulderbosch Rose South Africa (2008):** Here is one of the few Roses produced entirely with the Cabernet Sauvignon grape. The color of freshly cut watermelon. Flavors of pomegranate, pink grapefruit and spice all mingle on the finish. \$12.99.

*Buy a Rose sampler of one each of the wines listed above for only \$75!*

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**P.S.** Every so often we're able to obtain a limited release of a Girardin wine like the 2007 Vincent Girardin Macon-Fuisse, our "P.S. Special" this month. These wines are always welcome additions to our White Burgundy selections. For the Macon-Fuisse, Girardin purchased old-vine grapes from three growers located in Macon from the terroirs of Fuisse, Pouilly-Soultre and Vergisson. The wine was produced with minimal oak, accenting the pure, elegant and delicious fruit while minimizing any richness or heaviness. The 2007 Girardin Macon-Fuisse has a wonderful palate impression with lots of golden delicious apples and minerals. Quite silky with vanilla bean and white licorice flavors. A nice balance of acidity on the finish, along with smoky white peach. Enjoy this classically rendered and signature styled wine from a top producer while we have it in stock and on sale. \$14.98.



## 'All American' Wine Sale in April

All during April take advantage of our storewide sale on red and white wines made in the USA. Buy six or more American-made wines and get 20% off the total price. Choose from a huge selection of California Merlots, Cabs, and Chardonnays. Stock up on those delicious Pinot Noirs and Pinot Gris from Oregon and Washington State. (Sale applies to 750 ml. bottles. Net-priced wines with a red price sticker not included.)

# April Sale!