

# The Grape Tray Wine Guide

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## Plumpjack Wine Dinner The Manhattan

February 24th 6:30 PM

The Manhattan will prepare a four course steak dinner to compliment the wines from Plumpjack. The menu will be sent to email subscribers on February 4th. We will taste the '07 Plumpjack Estate Cab, '07 Cade Napa Cab, '06 Cade Napa Cab, '07 Plumpjack Estate Syrah and '08 Plumpjack Reserve Chard.

The cost of this wine dinner is \$85/person. Please call to reserve your seat. We will not be able to offer refunds for this event.

## Silver Oak Wine Tasting At The Grape Tray Tuesday, February 16th 4:45PM

Ms. Nanette Tempest, Regional Sales Manager will present the new releases from Silver Oak Cellars. We will taste the following wines:

2005 Silver Oak Napa Cab  
2005 Silver Oak AV Cab  
2005 Twomey Merlot  
2008 Twomey Sauvignon Blanc

The cost for this tasting is \$10 and seating will be limited to 20 people, so please call early for reservations

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## Wine Spectator 93

### BRANCAIA Toscana Tre 2007

There's wonderful intensity of fruit in this wine, with crushed raspberry and blackberry and hints of coffee and fresh flowers. Full-bodied, with velvety tannins and a long, soft-textured finish that shows loads of fruit. Sangiovese, Merlot and Cabernet Sauvignon. Best after 2010. 25,000 cases made. -JS \$20 Limited

## Wine Spectator 91 BRANCAIA Chianti Classico 2006

Shows plenty of crushed blackberry and cherry, with hints of flowers. Full-bodied, with a solid core of fruit and silky tannins that turn to vanilla and raspberry on the finish. Drink now through 2014. 5,900 cases made. -JS ~~\$38~~ **\$29.99**

## Wine Spectator 92

### TENUTA LUISA Pinot Grigio Isonzo del Friuli 2008

*"Aromas of apple pie, with just a hint of cream caramel. Full body, with loads of rich fruit and a pie crust and light toffee aftertaste. Great finish. All there. Drink now. - James Suckling - ~~\$18~~ Our Price \$14.99*

## Wine Sale 2/3-2/12/10

### Chardonnay sold at COST

(excludes special orders, promotional items and new arrivals. Shop early for best selection). **A list of sale wines will be emailed to email subscribers.**

2008 Montaribaldi Righey  
Moscato  
D' Asti \$12.69

## Parker 87

### 2006 Castello di Selvole Sangiovese

The 2006 Sangiovese is a fragrant, juicy red perfect for near-term drinking. The wine offers lovely balance in a plump, generous style, and is an excellent value. Anticipated maturity: 2009-2011 **\$13.99**

**Cabernet**

Araujo Eisele 05	295.99
Arietta Claret 05	80.99
Artesa Napa/Sonoma 04	18.99
Atlas Peak Spring Mt. 03	69.99
Avalon California 07	7.99
Avalon Napa 07	12.69
Barbour Napa 05	149.99
Bell Clone 6 Rutherford 05	75.99
Blankiet PH 03	178.99
Broadside 07	17.99
Buccella Napa 06	124.99
BV Napa 05	12.69
Carter Revilo Cab05	84.99
Castle Rock Napa 07	9.39
Caymus Napa 07	64.99
Caymus Special Sel 07, mag	299.99
Caymus Special Selection 07	104.99
Cenay RB90 Rutherford 05	45.99
Ch Montelena Napa 06	42.99
Chalk Hill 05	41.99
Chappellet Mt Cuvee 07	21.99
Chappellet Pritchard Hill 06	117.99
Col Solare Meritage 06	63.29
Columbia Crest Horse Heaven 07	11.99
Darioush Caravan 06	35.99
Desert Wind Ruah 07	16.49
Destino Napa 04	41.99
DR Stephens Napa 05	124.99
Duckhorn Napa Cab 05, 1.5ltr	131.99
Dyer Diamond Mt 03	57.99
Edge Napa 07	17.69
Erna Schein Blender Boy 07	49.99
Erna Schein Cemetery 06	79.99
Far Niente Oakville 06	99.99
Fisher Coach Insignia 05	61.99
Flora Springs Napa 05	25.99
Forefathers AV 03	26.99
Forefront Cabernet 07	17.99
Fortis Napa Cab 04	119.99
Gallo Frei Ranch 04	32.99
Ghost Block Single Vineyard 06	99.99
Girard Artistry 06	32.99
Groth Reserve 05, 1.5ltr	189.99
Hahn Cabernet 07	9.69
Hess Allomi Cab 06	21.99
Hollywood and Vine 2480 05	74.99
Janzen Napa 05	62.99
Jericho Canyon Vineyard 05	79.99
Jordan 05	44.99
Justin Isosceles 06, mag	101.99
Justin Isosceles06,6.0ltr	679
Justin Res Cab 07	42.99

**2007 Chappellet Mt Cuvee Cabernet**

Tasting Notes: Crafted around a core of Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot, the 2007 Mountain Cuvee is sure to be a crowd pleaser. Aromas of plum, fig, and cherry-cola lead to similar flavors that coat the palate. A full, round, and juicy mouth-feel give the wine a seamless quality. With tannins tucked into the body of the wine, a strawberry essence lingers on the finish. ~~\$29~~ **\$21.99**

**2007 Rutherford Ranch Napa Cabernet**

*Blackberry, black currant, plum meld with layers of cinnamon & vanilla / Ripe black cherry & raspberry with undertones of vanilla* Serve: *Herb roasted leg of lamb, grilled steaks, prime rib, marinated tri-tip or pork.* ~~\$16~~ **\$13.49**

**Wine Spectator 93 Lewis Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley 2007**

Offers wonderful complexity, richness, depth and finesse. Fullbodied, with creamy, mocha-laced oak, currant, mineral, tobacco and plum flavors that are bold yet elegant, focused and polished, ending with a long, lingering finish. 2,000 cases made Drink now through 2018.—J.L. ~~\$85~~ **\$79.99**

**Wine Spectator 92 GIRARD Artistry Napa Valley 2006**

Sharply focused, tight and richly flavored, yet trim and balanced, offering a beam of currant, black cherry, herb and olive. Gains depth and nuance on the long, integrated finish. Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, Petit Verdot, Malbec and Merlot. Drink now through 2017. 2,800 cases made. —JL ~~\$42~~ **\$32.99**

**2007 Liberty School Cabernet Sauvignon**

Winery Tasting Notes: The Cabernet Sauvignon fruit that composes this bottling comes from not only Paso Robles, but from other appellations in California as well. This wine has very engaging aromas of blackberry brambles, layered with dark cherry, chocolate and cassis. On the palate, initial softness amplifies in to a warm, supple firmness. ~~\$15~~ **\$11.49**

**Wine Spectator 90 CHALK HILL Cabernet Sauvignon Chalk Hill 2005**

*Rich, powerful and full-bodied, this is marked by thick Syrah-like road tar, graphite, dried currant, sage and herbal flavors that are concentrated and reflective of a cool climate for Cabernet.* Drink now through 2016. 7,132 cases made. —JL ~~\$65~~ **\$41.99**

### 2005 Waterstone Napa Cabernet

Well-established hillside vineyards are the foundation of this wine, giving the finished blend its intense inner core of fruit. The complexity and balance of the 2005 vintage was achieved through diverse sourcing; while a majority of grapes were sourced from Oakville (**Harlan Estate**) and Rutherford, vineyards from Coombsville to Diamond Mountain contributed to the final blend.

This supple and well balanced wine is loaded with black pepper and licorice

throughout the tasting experience. The wine has black cherry and anise on the nose and is filled with black cherry, currant and olive flavors leading to a long and lingering finish. This Cabernet will pair excellently with a pepperoni pizza, chili, and other unctuous beef creations. ~~\$26~~ **\$21.49 (Additional cases arriving 2/4/10)**

### 2007 Castle Rock Napa Cabernet

Winery Tasting Note: Our 2007 Castle Rock Cabernet Sauvignon is made from grapes grown in the Napa Valley, one of California's most prestigious appellations, where the climate and soil conditions are perfect for this important varietal. This elegant fullbodied wine has a deep ruby color, has aromas of dark cherry and molasses, and is loaded with nuance and flavor. On the palate it gives flavors of black cherry, ripe plum and spice with hints of light oak. These flavors unite to form a long, smooth and harmonious finish. This wine makes an excellent companion to beef, lamb, venison, pasta dishes and most cheeses. ~~\$13~~ Our Price **\$9.39**

### Parker 95 2005 Altamura Cabernet Sauvignon

The 2005 Cabernet Sauvignon is a big, well-balanced red boasting a dense ruby/purple color as well as aromas of roasted herbs, creosote, licorice, black currants, cedar, and loamy soil. Dense and full-bodied with superb richness and power, and sweet tannins, it should drink well for two decades. ~~\$75~~ **\$63.99**

### 2007 Caymus Special Selection Cabernet

Tasting Notes: The rich, deep ruby color reflects the magnificent depth this wine has to offer. Lush aromas of ripe black currant, black cherry and cedary oak add luxurious notes to the intense core flavors of fully ripe cassis, wild red berry, mocha and light vanilla. Polished tannins, a full-bodied mouthfeel and velvety texture weave seamlessly to support these vivid fruit impressions to the end. Chuck Wagner ~~\$135~~ \$104.99 Mags \$299.99

### Parker 92

#### 2005 Stewart Napa Cabernet

The dark ruby/purple-tinged 2005 Cabernet Sauvignon reveals sweet creme de cassis notes interwoven with notions of smoke, toast, licorice, and loamy soil. In the mouth, the wine is full-bodied, with pure fruit, a multilayered mouthfeel, and an elegant, velvety finish. It should drink well for 10-15 years. This high-class operation boasts Paul Hobbs as its consulting winemaker. The Cabernet Sauvignon comes primarily from the Stagecoach Vineyard in the eastern hills of Oakville, just below the famed Pritchard Hill. ~~\$75~~ **\$46.99**

### 2006 Whitehall Lane Napa Cabernet Sauvignon

Winery Tasting Notes: The 2006 Cabernet Sauvignon displays graceful aromas of cherry, plum and vanilla. This stylish wine is captivating and delicious from the enticing aromas to the long, smooth finish. It's a blend of lush fruit with aromas of deep blackberry, currant and toasted oak. With ample fruit, good weight in the mid-palate and velvety tannins, this beautifully balanced wine is ready to enjoy now, but worthy of aging for five to seven years. ~~\$40~~ **\$34.99**

### 2008 Yali Winemakers Selection Cabernet/ Carmenere

Intense ruby colors with cassis and cherry flavors coming from the Cabernet and soft spice notes coming from the Carmenere. Hints of vanilla and chocolate with soft round tannins that balance the fruit on the finish. **\$9 \$6.39**

**Cabernet Continued...**

Karl Lawrence Napa 06	59.99
Keever Napa 05	64.99
Kobalt 06	109.99
Kunde Sonoma 06	12.29
Lancaster Nicole's Vineyard 04	87.99
Lewis Cuvee L 06	223.99
Lewis Cuvee L 06, mag	447.99
Lewis Napa Cab 07	79.99
Liberty School 07	11.49
Luke Donald Napa 05	35.99
Mauritson Sonoma 04	24.99
McManis Cab 08	8.99
Meander Napa 05	64.99
Melka CJ 06	49.99
Moody Press 06	11.99
Most Wanted Cabernet 07	29.99
Nickel & Nickel Copper-Streak06	70.99
Nickel & Nickel State Ln 06	70.99
Nickel & Nickel Sullenger 06	70.99
Nickel & Nickel Tench 06	70.99
Nickel & Nickel Vogt 06	70.99
Niner Paso 05	22.99
Oberon Napa 06	15.99
Opus One 06	159.99
Orin Swift Papillon 06	54.99
Pavi Fisticuffs 06	25.99
Phelps Insignia 04	199.99
Phelps Napa 06	43.99
Pietra Santa Signature 05	39.99
Rodney Strong Rockaway 05	63.99
Roy Estate Proprietary Red 06	94.99
Rutherford Ranch Cab 07	13.49
Sebastiani Sonoma 06	14.59
Shelter 27-29 Cab 06	44.99
Shelter Headwater Napa 06	59.99
Showket Oakville 06	59.99
Silver Oak Alexander 05	62.99
Silver Oak Alexander 05, mag	135.99
Silver Oak Napa 04	89.99
Stewart Napa 05	46.99
Turnbull Napa Cab05, mags	81.99
Vineyard 29 Napa 05	224.99
Von Strasser Post Vineyard 04	59.99
Waterstone Napa Cab 05	21.49
Whitehall Lane Napa 06	34.99
Wolf Family Estate 05	74.99

### 2005 Silver Oak Napa Cabernet Sauvignon

Winemaker's Tasting Notes: The 2005 Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon is a nuanced wine that illustrates the results of cool, gradual ripening and a deft balance of varietal components. It has a dark garnet color and a complex nose of boysenberry, truffles, wild game, soy, and black pepper. On the palate, the wine has a silky mouthfeel and an elegant, long finish with a slight tannic grip. With proper cellaring it should give drinking pleasure through 2032. ~~\$100~~

### 2006 Kathryn Kennedy

**Lateral** This St. Emilion style blend of Merlot, Cab Franc, Cab Sauvignon and Petite Verdot is a medium bodied, elegant wine that outperforms at this price point... the nose has pencil lead, wet stones, leather, violets, tobacco, anise, cedar and vanilla... the flavors include raspberry, black cherry, black tea and chocolate... a nice contrast between earthy and ethereal, although the finish has some astringency and a clipped quality... enjoyable both with food and on its own and a good value at this price. ~~\$30~~ **\$25.99**

### Gold at San Diego National Wine Competition & Dallas Morning News Wine Competition 2006 Sebastiani Sonoma Cabernet

This well structured and masculine-yet-complex Cabernet opens with black cherry and black olive aromas alongside vanilla oak. The richly textured body delivers chocolate covered raspberries and closes with mint and mocha. ~~\$18~~ **\$14.59**

### Parker 95

### 2007 Plumpjack Cabernet Sauvignon Estate

The 2007 Cabernet Sauvignon Estate is a 100% Cabernet Sauvignon cuvee from Plumpjack's Oakville ranch, where Nils Venge once made the famed Cabernet Sauvignons under the Villa Mt. Eden label. (The 1974s and 1978s are still going strong.) Floral notes intermixed with creme de cassis, white chocolate, plum, and licorice characteristics are followed by a wine with supple tannins, fabulous concentration, a multilayered mouthfeel, and a finish that lasts 40+ seconds. This incredible Cabernet can be drunk now or cellared for 20-25 years. \$78

### Wine Spectator 90

### Desert Wind Ruah Desert Wind Vineyard Wahluke Slope 2007

Firm in structure, with refined tannins around a sweet, generous core of currant and blackberry fruit, lingering on the long, expressive finish. Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon and Cabernet Franc. Best from 2011 through 2015.—H.S. 6,875 cases made ~~\$20~~ **\$16.49**

**Chardonnay**

Antica Napa 07	31.69
Bacchant Luli 07	17.99
Bogle 08	7.99
BR Cohn Sonoma 07	15.99
Cakebread Napa 08	34.99
Cambria Katherine's 06	16.99
Castle Rock Central Coast 07	7.29
Ch Julien BS 07	9.49
Ch Montelena Napa 07	42.99
Ch St Jean Sonoma 08	10.59
Ch Ste Michelle CV 08	9.49
Chalk Hill Estate 07	32.99
Chalone Estate 07	20.99
Chappellet Napa 07	25.79
Columbia Crest H3 Chard 08	11.99
Costa de Oro Gold Coast 06	19.99
Dom Alfred Stainless 08	13.99
Edna Valley 08	8.99
Etude Carneros Chard 07	18.99
Frank Family Napa 07	27.99
Gloria Ferrer Carneros 06	14.99
Grgich Hills 07	34.99
Groth Napa 07	22.99
Heitz Cellars Napa 07	16.99
Hess Su'skol Vineyard 07	18.49
Hestan Napa 06	59.99
Hirsch Sonoma Coast 06	49.99
Hollywood & Vine Napa 06	44.99
Husch 07	11.49
J. Lohr Riverstone 08	10.19
Lava Cap Reserve 08	12.79
Lincourt Santa Rita 07	17.49
Lolonis Chardonnay 06	13.99
MacRostie Carneros 07	17.69
MacRostie Wildcat Mountain 06	33.99
McManis Chard 08	7.99
Merryvale Starmont 07	14.59
Miner Wild Yeast 07	44.99
Moody Press 07	14.69
Napa Cellars 08	12.69
Neyers Carneros 08	26.59
O'Reilly's Chardonnay 08	10.99
Ortman Edna Valley 07	22.99
Patz & Hall Napa 07	31.99
Pavilion Oakville 07	11.59
Ravenswood Vintners Blend 06	5.69
Rochioli RR 07	48.99
Rodney Strong Russian RivRes07	22.99
Rombauer Carneros 08	28.99
Saintsbury Carneros 07	17.99
Santa Barbara Winery 07	11.99
Sbragia Home Ranch DC 07	21.99
Scott Family Dijon Clone 08	15.39

**Wine Spectator 90**  
**Chateau Ste. Michelle**  
**Chardonnay**  
**Columbia Valley 2008**  
 Bright and jazzy, with pretty pineapple, grapefruit, elderflower and spice flavors that linger on the finish without excess weight. This just floats on for a while. Drink now through 2012.—H.S. ~~\$13~~  
**\$9.49**

**Wine Spectator 93**  
**Chalk Hill**  
**Chardonnay Chalk Hill 2007**  
 Bold, rich and full-bodied, with succulent fig, apricot, smoky oak and roasted marshmallow flavors that are complex and distinctive, finishing with a long, intricate finish and subtle flavor notes. 13,837 cases made Drink now through 2015.—J.L. ~~\$48~~  
**\$32.99**

**Chardonnay Continued...**

Shafer Red Shoulder Ranch 07	44.99
Solitude Carneros 08	25.39
Sterling Vintner's 08	8.99
Talbott Sleepy Hollow 06	29.99
Taz Santa Barbara 07	13.99
Terlato 06	18.99
Tobin James Radiance 07	11.99
Tolosa Edna Valley 06	15.99
Walter Hansel Cahill Lane 07	35.99
Wente Morning Fog 08	10.49
Wente Riva 08	16.69
Whitehall Lane Napa 06	24.99

**Wine Spectator 90**  
**O'Reilly's Chardonnay**  
**Yakima Valley 2008**  
 A refreshingly zesty style that brims with green apple, lime, like flower and wet stone aromas and flavors that persist into the lively finish. ~~\$12~~  
**\$10.99**

**Gold Medal, SF International Wine Competition**  
**2008 Lander Jenkins Chardonnay**  
 Produced from carefully selected vineyards, cooler sites give us a wine with crisp acidity and bright fruit. Fragrant aromas of pineapple, lemon zest, orange zest, dried apricot, and vanilla. A rich, luscious mouth feel with flavors of Bosc pear, apricot, peach, French vanilla, and a long creamy finish. ~~\$15~~  
**\$9.49**

**2008 Bacchant Luli Chardonnay**  
 Master Sommelier Sara Floyd and the Pisoni Family are both very passionate about wine. They have each been involved in the wine industry for almost thirty years. After 10 years of being friends, they finally decided to form a partnership and produce wines together. Under Bacchant Wines, they produce beautiful, balanced, and enjoyable wines from unique parts of California. Bright gold/green in color, the 2008 Luli has a very sexy and exotic nose of stone fruits, mango and candied lemon. The texture broadens out and displays a mineral core, followed by mouth-watering acidity that evolves into a long finish. ~~\$20~~ (Arriving 2/5/10)

**SILVER MEDAL****2009 Dallas Morning News Wine Competition****Sextant 2007 'Holystone' Zinfandel**

Winery Tasting Notes: The 2007 Sextant "Holystone" Zinfandel is intense, the nose captures your attention and sets the stage for what is exemplified on the palate. In the deep ruby complexion you sniff cherries, black currants, and violets. As you allow it to flow over your palate, the supple tannins cling just a bit, but not too much to claw. The flavors are big with a sense of ripeness as the raspberries and pomegranate chime in, along with the slight sweetness. Flavors roll back and forth on your tongue like a pendulum of mouthfeel. The balance of alcohol and acid, along with its fruit-forwardness make it very approachable. Composition: 75% Zinfandel (UCD 06, Uberoth, Old Clone), 19% Syrah (ENTAV 877), 6% Petite Sirah (UCD 03) ~~\$27~~ **\$21.99**

**Zinfandel**

Bogle Old Vine 07	8.99
Bogle Phantom 06	15.19
Brown Napa 08	30.99
Buehler Napa Zin 08	16.59
Castle Rock Dry Creek 07	9.19
Christian Lazo 06	17.49
D Cubed Napa 05	22.79
Dashe Dry Creek 07	17.79
Frogs Leap 06	22.79
Karly Bucks Ten Point 06	17.69
Karly Pokerville 07	10.19
Layer Cake Primitivo 07	13.49
Moody Press 06	15.59
Mueller Russian River OV 05	34.99
Oak Ridge Winery OZV 05	10.99
Opolo Summit Creek 07	15.69
Orin Swift Prisoner 08 Mags	79.99
Orin Swift The Prisoner 08	34.99
Outpost Howell Mt 06	45.99
Ramos Lodi 06	19.99
Ridge Geyserville 07	29.99
Ridge Lytton Springs 07	29.99
Ridge Paso 07	23.99
Rombauer Napa 07	23.99
Rosenblum Harris Kratka 06	15.99
Seghesio Sonoma 08	18.99
Sextant Holystone 07	21.99
Sextant Wheelhouse 07	15.39
Shenandoah Special Reserve 07	7.59
Titus Napa 07	23.69
Tobin James Ballistic 07	13.39

**Wine Spectator 90****SEXTANT****Zinfandel Paso****Robles****Wheelhouse 2007**

Ripe and jammy, showing huckleberry and licoice aromas, with zesty black cherry and toasty pepper flavors that take on depth and briary tannins on the finish. Drink now through 2014. 3,300 cases made. -TF. ~~\$20~~ **\$15.39**

**Wine Spectator 92****2007 Titus Zinfandel****N a p a V a l l e y**

Titus, a small vineyard and winery near St. Helena in California's Napa Valley, has a good reputation for Cabernet Sauvignon. When I saw its Zinfandel for \$45 on the wine list at Pizzeria Bianco, Chris Bianco's insanely popular spot in Phoenix, the red looked like the perfect choice for out fare. And it was. The blueberry, plum and tomato leaf aromas and flavors had me on first sniff and sip. The sleek, supple texture was polished to a gleam. The wine, which contains 15 percent Petite Sirah, had richness without excess weight, power without the fangs of excess tannins or alcohol. Just what Zin should be. ~~\$29~~ **\$23.69**

**Wine Spectator 92****Adelaida Zinfandel Paso****Robles Michael's Estate****Vineyard 2007**

This briary red is nicely focused and structured, exhibiting aromas of loamy clay and smoky berry that lead to gutsy wild blackberry, cracked pepper and licorice notes on the palate. Finishes with ripe tannins. Drink now through 2015.—T.F. ~~\$28~~ **\$23.99** (Arriving 2/4/10)

**2007 Bogle Old Vine Zinfandel**

Head-trained, dry farmed old vines continue to be the source for Bogle's Old Vine Zinfandel. These gnarly old vines produce concentrated fruit of unsurpassed quality and intensity. This supple and full-bodied vintage begins with brambleberries and raspberry jam. Summertime ripeness and richness integrate with hints of black pepper and a touch of dark chocolate. The finish of toasty oak, tobacco and spicy cloves creates a wine of both structure and sumptuousness. ~~\$12~~ **\$8.99**

## 2008 Buehler Napa Zinfandel

Our Zinfandel is aged for 11 months in a combination of French and American oak barrels, 20% of which are new. At this level of "new wood", the up-front endearing quality of Zinfandel can assert itself. Aromas of a briar patch on a hot summer day carry over to the palate and are carried in a mouth-filling, flavorful, juicy **p a c k a g e**. The wine is crafted for immediate enjoyment but for those who enjoy a more complex wine displaying some bottle-aged character, aging for another two to three years is a good option. ~~\$20~~ **\$16.59**

## Sauvignon Blanc

Cakebread Napa 08	24.99
Caymus Conundrum 07	19.99
Charles Krug 08	14.79
Christian Lazo 07	11.39
Cliff Lede 08	20.29
Crocker & Starr Napa 06	27.99
Ehlers Estate Sauv Blanc 07	24.99
Elizabeth Rose 07	13.99
Ferrari Carano Fume 08	12.69
Forefathers 08	11.99
Frogs Leap 07	14.99
Groth Napa 08	15.49
Handley Dry Creek 07	11.99
Hartwell Estate 06	29.99
Kunde Magnolia Lane 07	13.49
Lewis Napa 08	33.99
Morgan 07	11.49
Mud House Marlborough 09	13.99
Nobilo Icon 08	17.99
Plumpjack Cade 06	25.99
Pomelo 08	8.39
Provenance 07	15.99
Rochioli 07	35.99
Snowden 07	16.99
Sonoma Vineyards 07	9.69
Stoneleigh Marlborough08	8.99
Trinitas Napa 07	13.99
Voss 07	14.99

## Parker 90 2007 Snowden Sauvignon Blanc

There are 600 cases of the 2007 Sauvignon Blanc, a flinty, steely white made in a Loire Valley style. It reveals plenty of melon and honeyed citrus characteristics along with medium body, a surprisingly captivating texture, and good length. Aging on its less has provided additional texture and body, but it is a crisp, pure Sauvignon to enjoy over the next 1-2 years. ~~\$20~~ **\$16.99**

## 2008 Castle Rock Monterey Pinot

Our Pinot Noir is elegant and medium-bodied, offering aromas of cherry, tea and herbal spice. On the palate, the wine gives flavors of black cherry, plum and spice. It is smooth with a silky texture and mild tannins. This versatile food wine pairs well with lamb, chicken, veal, salmon and light pasta dishes. ~~\$12~~ **\$9.99**

## Wine Spectator 91 DE PONTE Pinot Noir Dundee Hills 2006

Focused, velvety and distinctive for its currant, plum and red cherry fruit, beautifully balanced and harmonious as the flavors sail through the polished finish, picking up hints of mineral and pepper as this lingers. Drink now through 2014. 2,400 cases made. -HS ~~\$38~~ **\$31.99**

## Pinot Noir

AP Vin Clos Pepe 08	47.99
AP Vin Kanzler 08	47.99
Belle Glos Clark&Telephone 07	37.99
Bogle Russian River 07	11.49
Castle Rock Monterey 08	10.59
Costa de Oro Santa Barbara 07	21.49
David Bruce Russian River 06	31.99
David Bruce Sonoma Coast 06	28.99
Dierberg Santa Maria 06	37.99
Dutton GoldfieldDevil'sGulch06	46.99
Foley Santa Rita Hills 07	29.99
Hirsch Sonoma Coast 06	59.99
Hirsch Sonoma Coast M 06	49.99
Hitching Post Cork Dancer 07	23.99
J Vineyard & Winery RR 06	26.99
Laetitia Estate Pinot 07	21.79
Lincourt Santa Barbara 07	19.99
Londer Anderson Valley 06	29.99
Mac Murray Sonoma Coast 07	14.99
Mark West 08	9.49
Merryvale Carneros Pinot 07	26.59
Migration Anderson Valley 07	33.99
Morgan 12 Clones 07	22.29
Morgan SLH DoubleL 07	37.99
Red Car Box Car RR Pinot06	26.99
Roessler Santa Rita ClosPepe06	41.99
Row Eleven Santa Maria 06	23.69
Row Eleven Vinas 3 2007	16.99
Russian Hill Russian River 06	25.39
Saintsbury Carneros 06	28.99
Saxon Brown Durell Hayfield 06	44.99
Sebastiani Sonoma Coast 07	14.99
Smoking Loon Pinot 07	7.99
St. Innocent Shea 07	32.99
Tolosa Edna Valley 06	13.99
Valli Central Otago Gibbston06	41.99
Walter Hansel Cahill LnPinot07	35.99
WesMar Balletto 07	47.99
WesMar Sonoma Coast 07	41.79

## Wine Spectator 93 DONUM Pinot Noir Carneros 2006

Compact, but wonderfully ripe, juicy and pure, with an explosion of pomegranate, cherry, currant and raspberry flavors, which are accented with sage, cedar, spice and tea. Drink now through 2014. 888 cases made. -MW ~~\$65~~ **\$37.99**

## 2008 SINEANN Pinot Noir Oregon

The single vineyard Pinots are specific barrels or specific batches put together to be wonderful, distinctive Pinot Noirs. Most of the rest of the Pinot is blended into the Oregon. When it turns out as good as this year's Oregon Pinot, we are very happy. The grapes for this Pinot Noir came off several vineyards: Resonance, Able, Yates Conwill, Covey Ridge, Lachini and Schindler. Yes, a very nice set of sources! These are some of our favorite vineyards. We chose to blend strengths together and offer a less expensive, high quality wine. The wine is dark, aromatic and has great natural acidity. At this stage of development, most of its character is in a long, long finish - a good sign for the future of the wine! 2008 was a vintage that featured ripe grapes at somewhat lower alcohol levels. Cool, dry weather went on and on deep into October - the sort of year that produces our best Pinot Noirs. The wine should age for a very long time. At this point, bottles we open improve for weeks. ~~\$30~~

### Parker 90 2006 Jim Barry Cabernet Sauvignon The Cover Drive

The 2006 The Cover Drive Cabernet Sauvignon was aged for 12 months in seasoned French and American oak. Purple-colored, it offers up aromas of cedar, tobacco, and black currants. Ripe and easy-going on the palate, it has excellent depth of flavor, good concentration, and a fruit-filled finish. It will evolve for 2-3 years but can be enjoyed now. ~~\$17~~ **\$13.99**

### Wine Spectator 94 TWO HANDS Shiraz Barossa Valley Bella's Garden 2007

Ripe, fleshy and generous, but not nearly over the top, with gorgeous cherry, pomegranate, black olive and bay leaf flavors arching beautifully and swirling through the long, supple finish. Best from 2010 through 2017. 6,500 cases made. ~~HS \$60~~ **\$43.99**

### Parker 91 2007 Domaine Grand Veneur Cotes du Rhone Villages les Champavins

The top Cotes du Rhone, the 2007 Cotes du Rhone-Villages Les Champavins, is a serious effort that could easily be mistaken for a Chateauneuf du Pape. Sweet black cherry fruit, seaweed wrapper, licorice, pepper, and spice aromas are followed by a wine with a broad, savory mouthfeel, sweet tannin, and a long finish. It should drink well for 4-5 years. **\$16.99** (Back in Stock)

### Wine Spectator 90 DR. HEYDEN Riesling Kabinett Rheinhessen Oppenheimer 2007

An enticing mix of mineral, pineapple, peach and citrus aromas and flavors mark this fleshy, bright kabinett. There's lovely balance and length. Drink now through 2020. 800 cases made. ~~BS \$14~~ **\$11.59** (Arriving 2/5/10)

### Wine Spectator 90 BOLLIG-LEHNERT Riesling Kabinett Mosel Trittenheimer Apotheke 2007

Apple, lime and slate aromas and flavors percolate through the rich texture, with everything supported by a vibrant structure. Very harmonious and long, with a mouthwatering impression. Drink now through 2022. 325 cases made. ~~BS \$18~~ **\$18** (Arriving 2/5/10)

### Wine Spectator 91 SCHLOSS SCHÖNBORN Riesling Kabinett Rheingau Erbacher Marcobrunn 2007

Beautifully displayed apricot, orange cream and stone notes mesh seamlessly with the rich texture and lively structure. Really juicy on the finish, with a long aftertaste. Drink now through 2022. 500 cases made. ~~BS \$21~~ **\$21** (Arriving 2/5/10)

### The Crusher 2007 Petite Sirah

The nose of this inky purple colored wine is rich and complex with aromas of blueberry and cassis with a hint of spearmint. The palate is supple and tannic with lip-smacking caramel and French vanilla sappiness followed by a ripe cassis finish. The wine has balanced acidity and firm tannins and worth aging for a few years.

This Petite Sirah is perfect as an evening sipper. Try it with thin crust pizzettas topped with shaved Asiago cheese and wild mushrooms or Margarita with sun-dried and fresh tomatoes with Opal basil. Enjoying it with good sirloin burger served with white cheddar, smoked bacon and grilled onions is always a sure bet. ~~\$15~~ **\$11.99**

### Wine Spectator 89 SURVIVANT Syrah Santa Barbara County

**2008** Offers an appealing mix of ripe cherry, pomegranate and boysenberry fruit that's firm, spicy and full-bodied, ending with tannins that give the flavors traction. Drink now through 2015. 250 cases made. —J.L.

~~\$25~~ **\$16.99**

#### Other Red Wines

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Big Basin Mandala 05	37.99
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Denner Paso Syrah 07	39.99
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Hahn 07	10.29
Harrison Clarke 05	30.39
Jaffurs Larner 07	34.19
Jaffurs Santa Barbara 08	24.99
JC CellarsRockpileHRes Sy03,M	92.99
Justin Savant 07	36.69
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Lewis Hudson Syrah 07	54.99
Lewis Napa Syrah 06	63.99
Martin & Weyrich Sangiovese 05	12.49
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Michael & David Lodi Red	7.99
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Pax Alder Springs 06	87.99
Private Label Mulholland 08	16.99
Qupe Central Coast 07	13.99
Ramey Rodger's Creek 05	65.99
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Rosenblum Pickett Road 06	19.99
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SBC Survivant Syrah 08	16.99
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Terlato Dry Creek 05	22.99
Tyrus Evan Walla Walla 05	33.59
Waterbrook Melange 06	13.99
William Harrison 05	31.99

### Wine Spectator 92 JAFFURS Syrah Santa Barbara County 2008

*Offers an amazing mix of ripe, pure blackberry, wild berry and huckleberry fruit that's fresh, rich, vibrant, full-bodied and complex, keeping a tight focus on the youthful fruit vitality and ending with a long, persistent finish. Drink now through 2017. 1,166 cases made. —JL* **\$24.99**

### New Arrivals: [www.grapetray.com](http://www.grapetray.com)

### Parker 92+ 2007 Jaffurs Syrah Larner Vineyard

The 2007 Syrah Larner Vineyard, which comes from sandy, limestone soils, is somewhat Hermitage-like, offering graphite, roasted meat, pepper, licorice, and road tar characteristics. Full-bodied and powerful with abundant amounts of black fruits, it is potentially the most backward wine of this group. Forget it for 2-3 years, and consume it over the following 10-15+ years. ~~\$40~~ **\$34.19**

### Wine Spectator 93 MCPRICE MYERS Beautiful Earth Paso Robles 2007

Bold, rich and fleshy, with generous ripe plum, black cherry and berry fruit that's complex and layered, full-bodied and juicy, gaining depth and richness on the finish, which is long and persistent. Syrah, Grenache and Mourvèdre. Drink now through 2016. 425 cases made. —J.L. ~~\$36~~ **\$34.99**

## Layer Cake 2007 Primitivo IGT Puglia, Italy (Parker 89)

The most rustic of these three wines, with lots of pepper, roasted herbs, meat juices, charcoal, and scorched earth, this spicy wine has an inky ruby/purple color and lots of body. It comes across like a rustic Zinfandel, but with loads of character and personality, displaying an almost savage intensity to its flavors. This is a wild, adventuresome wine that should drink nicely for several years. Bring on the pizza! ~~\$15~~ **\$13.49**

### Wine Spectator 91 **BODEGA CATENA** **ZAPATA Malbec** **Mendoza 2007**

A sleek, polished style, with alluring mocha and raspberry ganache notes leading the way, backed by dark plum, hoisin sauce and graphite flavors that push through the finish. This has serious weight, but stays focused and driven. Drink now through 2011. 60,000 cases imported. -JM ~~\$22~~ **\$18.99**

### Parker 95

#### 2006 Buccella Cabernet Sauvignon

The 2006 Cabernet Sauvignon, a candidate for Cabernet of the vintage, reveals a gorgeous perfume of chocolate, black raspberries, flowers, ink, and graphite, followed by a full-bodied, textured, superbly concentrated wine with terrific purity as well as density. Drink this outstanding 2006 over the next 15-20 years.

#### 2007 Castle Rock Dry Creek Zinfandel

This supple Zinfandel boasts an invitingly rich ruby hue and bursts with red fruit aromas. The concentrated core of blackberry and ripe cherry flavors is round and lush with a hint of pepper and light vanilla oak. All of these complex flavors unfold into a long and beautifully balanced finish. The wine makes an excellent accompaniment to grilled meat, pasta dishes and an assortment of cheeses. \$12 **\$9.19**

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- '07 Catena Zapata Malbec \$18.99
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- '05 Chalk Hill Cab \$41.99
- '08 Tenuta Luisa Pinot Grigio \$14.99
- '07 Plumpjack Estate Cab \$78
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- '08 Yali Winemaker's Reserve Cab \$6.39
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- '07 Castle Rock Napa Cab \$9.39
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- '07 Sextant Holystone Zin \$21.99
- '08 Lander Jenkins Chard \$9.49