

The Grape Tray Wine Guide

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on Saturday, 11/28.**

The Grape Tray Holiday Wine Tasting Thursday, November 19th

We will taste wines from Merus, Caymus, Lewis, Belle Glos, Frank Family, Duckhorn, Miner, Dutton Goldfield and Mer Soleil. Seating is limited to 40 people, so please call early for reservations. The price for this tasting is \$40 and \$15 will be refunded if you purchase a case of wine (not limited to wines served at the tasting). The last page of this newsletter has a detailed listing of the wines that will be served.

2006 Trivium Les Ivrettes Vineyard St. Helena Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon

The wine itself is brilliant deep ruby, with pungent ripe berry fruit aromas, rich espresso crema, hints of roasted chestnuts, Les Ivrettes typical stony terroir and grace notes of nutmeg and cinnamon, bayleaf and thyme. In your mouth the wine is dense but balanced, with firm structure disguised by suppleness and an edge to hold it all together. The finish is long and chocolatey, with a refreshing snap. The 2006 Trivium will grow nicely in the bottle for years.
~~\$60~~

Wine Spectator 95

Cavus Cabernet Sauvignon Stags Leap District 2005

Combines bold, ripe, rich and supple currant and blackberry fruit with shades of anise, mineral, black licorice, mocha and graphite. Picks up a complex earthiness, ending with a long, focused finish and fine-grained tannins. Drink now through 2017. *From California.*—J.L. 330 cases made. ~~\$80~~ **\$78.99**

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 JaM Napa Cabernet

Tasting Notes: JaM is a luscious fruit forward Napa Valley Cabernet with aromas of ripe plum and cherry with a hint of chocolate. The palate is velvety with ripe black cherry and wild berry fruit finishing with supple spicy plum. 98 % Cabernet Sauvignon, 2% Petite Verdot. Retail \$20

New Arrivals
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2006 Cuvee L Napa Valley

Pull the cork on our 2006 Cuvee L and the tachometer needle instantly hits the red zone. A full tank of explosive aromas, super-saturated fruit and showy oak spices feeds this blend of 98% Cabernet Sauvignon and 2% Cabernet Franc aged in 100% new French oak barrels. The wine is dark and deeply extracted, with layers of black fruit, and chocolate espresso flavors guaranteed to race your motor. On the track, a broad band of thickly textured tannins brings solid grip through the turns keeping everything on course for mile after mile. 225 cases produced. Retail \$225

2007 Chappellet Mountain Cuvee Cabernet

This is the wine to choose when you're looking for vivid, mouth-filling fruit flavors. Our Mountain Cuvee is a winemaker's blend that beautifully expresses the distinctive qualities of the traditional Bordeaux varietals, and is crafted for early consumption. Each component making up the cuvee contributes nuances that mingle with and complement each other. The result is a complex array of aromas and flavors that deliver pure pleasure in a glass. ~~\$29~~ **\$26.19**

2007 Chappellet Signature Cabernet Sauvignon

The Signature Cabernet Sauvignon has been our flagship wine for more than three decades. It is a benchmark for the long-lived hillside wines of the Napa Valley; full of structure and ageing potential, yet seductively forward in its concentrated varietal character. The dry, rocky soils of Pritchard Hill produce small, intensely flavorful grapes. Crop thinning allows for full, even ripening and elevates flavor complexity. ~~\$42~~ **\$37.99**

2007 Lewis Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley

The flagship of our Fall release wines from an exceptional vintage, our 2007 Cabernet is crafted from a collection of small hillside vineyards in Calistoga, Oak Knoll and Pritchard Hill. With precise handling and a high compression ratio this wine is tuned for the track. Packed with lavish oak, cloves, toffee and spicy blue-black fruits, the broad power band palate is matched with fine, grippy tannins bringing focus and length to this endurance racer. 2,000 cases produced. ~~\$85~~ **\$79.99**

Wine Spectator 93 STEPHANIE Napa Valley Red 2005

Exhibits ripe, vivid blackberry, wild plum and black cherry fruit that's well-proportioned, focused, long and persistent, with appropriate tannins and acidity, ending with a complex aftertaste and a touch of mocha. Cabernet Sauvignon, Petit Verdot, Cabernet Franc, Merlot and Malbec. Drink now through 2016. 940 cases made. -JL ~~\$60~~ **\$46.99**

Wine Spectator 90 Columbia Crest

Cabernet Sauvignon Horse Heaven Hills H3 2007

Polished and silky, with ripe blackberry, currant and mint flavors that keep sailing through the long, expressive finish. The tannins are beautifully integrated. Best from 2011 through 2017.—H.S.30,000 cases. ~~\$15~~ **\$11.99**

2007 Forefront Cabernet

Sauvignon Voluptuous aromas of blueberry, red cherry and raspberry are accented by darker notes of coffee bean, spicy bramble and hints of caramel. The palate is equally intriguing, opening with fresh, sweet dark berry and baked cherry fruit with firm tannins supporting the long and delicious finish. ~~\$24~~ **\$17.99**

2008 Pra Soave Classico Parker 87

The 2008 Soave Classico opens with a beguiling, sweet bouquet that leads to an expressive core of perfumed fruit. It is a very pretty, entry-level Soave with excellent balance and a harmonious, polished finish. Anticipated maturity: 2009-2012. ~~\$16~~ **\$12.99**

Cabernet

Angeline Stag's Leap 06	18.99
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
Beringer Knights Valley 06	16.99
Blankiet PH 03	178.99
Bookwalter Foreshadow CV 06	33.99
Broadside 07	17.99
BV Napa 05	12.69
Carter Revilo Cab05	84.99
Cass Estate Paso 06	31.99
Castle Rock Reserve 07	13.49
Cavus Stag's Leap 05	78.99
Caymus Napa 06	64.99
Caymus Napa 06 mag	149.99
Caymus Napa 07	64.99
Caymus Napa 07, mag	149.99
Caymus Special Selection 07	104.99
Cenay RB90 Rutherford 05	45.99
Chappellet Mt Cuvee 07	26.19
Chappellet Pritchard Hill 06	117.99
Chappellet Sig Napa 07	37.99
Clark Claudon 05	65.99
Columbia Crest Horse Heaven 07	11.99
Columbia Crest Res Cab 06	23.99
Continuum Napa 06	129.99
Cosentino The Cab 06	12.69
Destino Napa 04	41.99
DR Stephens Napa 05	124.99
Dreyer Sonoma 06	11.39
Duckhorn Napa Cab 05, 1.5ltr	131.99
Edna Valley 06	10.99
Etude Napa 04, mag	174.99
Etude Oakville 05	99.99
Far Niente Oakville 06	99.99
Flora Springs Holy Smoke 05	71.99
Flora Springs Napa 05	25.99
Flora Springs Rennie Reserve05	84.39
Forefathers AV 03	26.99
Forefathers Lone Tree AV 06	37.99
Forefront Cabernet 07	17.99
Fortis Napa Cab 04	119.99
Frank Family Napa 06	39.99
Gallo Frei Ranch 04	32.99
Ghost Block Single Vineyard 06	99.99
Girard Artistry 06	32.99
Groth Oakville 06	42.99
Groth Reserve 05	129.99

Cabernet Continued...

Hahn Cabernet 06	7.99
Hess 06	12.39
Hollywood and Vine 2480 05	74.99
Januik Columbia Valley 06	25.99
Janzen Napa 05	62.99
Jericho Canyon Vineyard 05	79.99
Joel Gott 815 Cab 07	13.99
John Anthony Napa 06	54.99
Jordan 05	44.99
Justin Isosceles 06, mag	119.99
Justin Isosceles 06, 6.0ltr	679
Keever Napa 05	64.99
Kunde Sonoma 06	12.29
Lancaster Nicole's Vineyard 04	87.99
Lander Jenkins 07	9.49
Lewis Cuvee L 06	223.99
Lewis Cuvee L 06, mag	447.99
Lewis Hillstone Cab 07	124.99
Lewis Napa Cab 06	79.99
Lewis Napa Cab 07	79.99
Lonen Napa 07	16.99
Luke Donald Napa 05	35.99
Mauritson Sonoma 04	24.99
Meander Napa 05	64.99
Melka CJ 06	49.99
Meyer Napa 05	37.99
Moody Press 06	16.49
Niner Paso 05	22.99
O' Neill V Petite Batard 05	31.99
Orin Swift Papillon 06	54.99
Pavi Fisticuffs 06	25.99
Peter Michael Les Pavot 05	194.99
Phelps Insignia 04	199.99
Pietra Santa Signature 05	39.99
Pine Ridge Napa 06	44.69
Raymond Napa Reserve 06	25.99
Rodney Strong Rockaway 05	63.99
Roy Estate Proprietary Red 06	94.99
Sebastiani Sonoma 05	13.69
Silver Oak Alexander 05	62.99
Silver Oak Alexander 05, mag	135.99
Silver Oak Napa 04	89.99
Snowden The Ranch 06	36.29
Steltzner Barrel Select 04	58.99
Stratton Lummis Napa 05	22.99
Tin Barn Napa 04	20.99
Trivium Les Ivrettes 06	58.99
Two Wives Red 05	20.99
Vineyard 29 Napa 05	224.99
Von Strasser Post Vineyard 04	59.99
Whitehall Lane Napa 06	34.99
Wolf Family Estate 05	74.99

**Wine Spectator 95
CONTINUUM Oakville
2006**

Shows rich dark chocolate, mocha and espresso, along with a wealth of ripe, currant-laced Cabernet fruit. Focused, tight, elegant and stylish, with a persistent finish that keeps unfolding to reveal hidden nuances. Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot. Best from 2010 through 2017. 1,750 cases made. -JL ~~\$140~~ **\$129.99**

**Wine Spectator 92
CAYMUS Cabernet**

Sauvignon Napa Valley 2007
Ripe and fleshy, with rich plum, wild berry, spice and savory herb notes that are complex, full-bodied and expansive on the palate, ending with firm tannins and a dash of espresso. Drink now through 2016. 37,800 cases made. -JL ~~\$70~~ **\$64.99**

Wine Spectator 92

ALTUS Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley 2005

This is bold, plush, ripe and concentrated, with potent currant, blackberry, black cherry and wild berry flavors that show a touch of heat. Ends with firm, mineral tannins. Best from 2009 through 2016. 1,600 cases made. -JL \$85 **\$62.99 Back in Stock**

Wine Spectator 90

**CASA LAPOSTOLLE Cabernet Sauvignon Colchagua
Valley Cuvée Alexandre Apalta Vineyard 2006**

Really juicy and ripe, with fleshy layers of sweet raspberry and boysenberry fruit riding along red licorice, fruitcake and a nicely embedded vanilla streak. Long, polished finish. Very tasty. Drink now through 2010. 19,653 cases made. -JM ~~\$25~~ **\$16.99**

**Wine Spectator 92
JOHN ANTHONY**

**Cabernet Sauvignon Napa
Valley 2006**

Bold, rich and extracted, with dense, concentrated cherry, currant, fresh earth, mineral and sage. Full-blown and well-structured, ending with chewy tannins. Best from 2010 through 2016. 2,062 cases made. -JL \$55

**Wine Spectator 96
Chappellet Cabernet
Sauvignon Napa Valley
Pritchard Hill Estate
Vineyard 2006**

Firm and concentrated, with taut, vibrant mineral, blackberry, wild berry and black cherry fruit that gives this a rich core of flavors. Deep and concentrated, ending with a long, persistent finish. 3,100 cases made. Best from 2011 through 2017.—J.L. ~~\$135~~ **\$117.99**

Other Red Wine

Big Basin Mandala 05	syrah	42.99
Bogle Petite Sirah 07	petite sirah	8.99
BR Cohn NC Petite Sirah04	petite sirah	26.99
Castle Rock Columbia V 06	syrah	6.39
Copain L'Hiver 06	syrah	13.99
DuMol Russian River 06	syrah	53.99
Fresno State CA 06	syrah	8.59
Girard Petite Sirah 07	petite sirah	22.99
Hahn 07	syrah	10.29
Harrison Clarke 05	syrah	30.39
Jaffurs Santa Barbara 07	grenach	30.39
Jaffurs Santa Barbara 08	syrah	24.99
Jaffurs Thompson 07	petite sirah	28.99
JC CellarsRockpileHRes Sy03,M	syrah	92.99
Jellyroll Syrah 07	syrah	32.99
Justin Justification 07	cab/ cabfranc	35.99
Justin Savant 07	syrah, cab,	36.69
Lewis Hudson Syrah 06	syrah	54.99
Lewis Hudson Syrah 07	syrah	54.99
Lewis Napa Syrah 06	syrah	63.99
Martin & Weyrich Sangiovese 05	sangiovese	12.49
Meyer Family Syrah 03	syrah	28.99
Michael & David Lodi Red	red	7.99
Pax Alder Springs 06	syrah	87.99
Pietra Santa 06	sangiovese	12.99
Qupe Central Coast 07	syrah	13.99
Ramey Rodger's Creek 05	syrah	65.99
Ridge Lytton West 05	syrah	29.99
Samsara Ampelos Syrah 05	syrah	39.99
Seghesio Barbera 07	barbera	23.99
Shafer Relentless 04	syrah	64.99
Stephen Vincent Crimson 07	syrah/cab	9.99
Tablas Cotes de Tablas	cab	19.99
Tensley Colson CanyonGrenach07	grenache	29.99
Tensley Tierra Alta 07	Syrah	33.99
Terlato Dry Creek 05	syrah	22.99
Tolosa 05	syrah	13.99
Tyrus Evan Walla Walla 05	syrah	33.59
Young's Vineyard 06	sangiovese	21.99

2008 Bitch Grenache

Tasting Notes: Brick red, with pink hues. Sweet, boiled lollies, confectionary nose, some cinnamon spice. This follows onto the palate, with some juby, creamy, confectionary flavors. Good weight and length on finish. ~~\$10~~ **8.49**

**Wine Enthusiast 93
Girard 2007 Petite Sirah**

"This is a big, potent, Incredible Hunk of a wine. It's gigantic in wild, exotic blackberry, blueberry, mulberry, pomegranate, licorice, pepper and dark chocolate flavors, wrapped into firm tannins. Continues a near-perfect streak of age-worthy, dry Petite Sirahs from Girard." ~~\$27~~ **\$22.99**

**Wine Spectator 92
Owen Roe Syrah Columbia Valley
Ex Umbris 2007**

Velvety, offering a plush mouthful of spicy cherry and red berry flavors, playing against plush tannins and hints of milk chocolate on the long, vivid finish. Syrah. Drink now through 2014.—*H.S. 3000 cases made.* ~~\$24~~ **\$20.99**

**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 (arriving 11/3/09)**

**2006 CASTLE ROCK WINERY Syrah Columbia Valley
Connoisseurs' Guide to California Wine 88 Points**

The folks at Castle Rock have done it again in providing a deep and impressively filled wine at an altogether extraordinary price, and, if a touch quiet in terms of varietal spice, its combination of continuous berry-like fruit, sweet oak and real palatal polish makes it a remarkable value that should not be missed. Its easy manner invites drinking now, yet it will not be harmed in the least by a bit of age should you choose to buy it by case. GOOD VALUE ~~\$10.00~~ **Our Price \$6.99**
(Back in stock)

**Wine Spectator 90
Château de St.-Cosme Côtes du Rhône
Les Deux Albion 2007**

Polished, with a nice beam of raspberry ganache laying over dark coffee and graphite notes. Dash of roasted sage on the fleshy, racy finish. Co-fermented Syrah, Grenache, Carignan, 3,330 cases made. ~~\$23~~ **\$20.99** (arriving 11/4/09)

**Wine Spectator 95
PAUL AUTARD Châteauneuf-
du-Pape
Cuvée La Côte Ronde 2007**

A stunner, combining the rich currant, fig and boysenberry fruit of the vintage with the region's characteristic charred apple wood, graphite, aged tobacco and black tea notes. The long, invigorating finish is supported by riveting acidity and well-embedded grip. When power and finesse work together, it's a beautiful thing. Drink now through 2025. 400 cases imported. —JM ~~\$65~~ \$48.99 Limited

**Parker 93
2007 Jelly-Roll Syrah**

An equal part blend of two great Central Coast vineyards, Larner and Stolpman, the 2007 Syrah reveals a dense plum/purple color, a big, rich bouquet of black fruits (plums and cherries), black olives, pepper, and bouquet garni, luscious fruit, velvety tannins, and a medium to full-bodied, plush finish. Enjoy it over the next 4-5 years.

The goal of this small artisanal project of winemaker Sashi Moorman and proprietor Jim Knight is to produce consumer-friendly, but seriously made Syrahs meant to be consumed during their first 5-6 years of life. ~~\$36~~ **\$32.99**

**Wine Spectator 93
Château de St.-Cosme
Gigondas 2007**

Ripe and very suave, with gorgeous toast and Black Forest cake aromas leading the way for mulled fig, boysenberry and kirsch flavors. The long, rich finish is well-detailed, with blazing minerality stretching it out. Drink now through 2020.—J.M. ~~3,330 cases \$39~~ **\$35.99** Limited

**Los Angeles Times Wine
of the Week
2007 Domaine des Es-
caravailles Cotes du
Rhône 'Les Sablières'**

Domaine des Escaravailles is known for its fine Rasteau. But Gilles Ferran, grandson of founder Jean-Louis Ferran, also makes a terrific Côtes du Rhône called "Les Sablières," which is mostly Grenache blended with 20% Syrah and 10% Carignan.

Dark ruby with glints of violet, the 2007 is pure fruit, tasting of raspberries and earth. It's delightful drinking, not too complex, with the weight of a Beaujolais. A wine to break out for any occasion, great with a burger, a hearty soup, something braised or grilled, a platter of roasted root vegetables. In warm weather, serve it ever so slightly chilled. ~~\$15~~ **\$12.99**

**Parker 93
2007 Jaffurs Petite Sirah Thompson Vineyard**

A wine that needs to be forgotten for 5-6 years, but is amazing from a level of richness and power, is the 2007 Petite Sirah Thompson Vineyard. This black/purple-tinged cuvee possesses off the chart levels of extract in addition to a big, sweet nose of blueberries, blackberries, crushed rocks, violets, and graphite. Kudos to Craig Jaffurs! It should be at its finest between 2015-2025+. ~~\$34~~ **\$28.99**

Parker 90**2007 Henry's Drive Pillar
Box Red Padthaway**

*The 2007 Pillar Box Red, a blend of 65% Shiraz, 25% Cabernet Sauvignon, and 10% Merlot. Purple-colored, it exhibits an expressive nose of spice box, earth notes, blueberry, and black currant. Ripe, sweet, and layered, this nicely rendered red has exceptional balance and length for its humble price. ~~\$12~~ **\$9.99***

Parker 93**2007 Pierre Usseglio
Chateauneuf du Pape**

The 4,400-case blend of 80% Grenache and the rest Syrah, Mourvedre, and Cinsault, the 2007 Chateauneuf du Pape boasts a dense plum/purple color as well as a wonderfully sweet nose of fresh black truffles, incense, blue and black fruits, roasted herbs, and earth. The wine is full-bodied and pure with fresh acids, silky tannins, and a voluptuous mouthfeel. Drink this beauty over the next 10-12 years. ~~\$59~~ **\$45.99**

Connoisseurs' Guide 96**THE OJAI VINEYARD
Syrah California Roll Ranch
Vineyard 2005**

A perennial CGCW favorite when it comes to top-flight Syrah, Ojai Vineyard grabs the gold ring once again in 2005. The latest Roll Ranch bottling is a dense, compellingly fruited effort whose classic mix of blackberries, dark earth, white pepper, sweet oak and game tags it as this Issue's most exciting. It is at once both supple and sturdy with lots of heft on the palate, and, while its ample tannins are impossible to miss, they never threaten its keen, long-lasting fruit. As plain as the wine's many virtues may be, this is not one for drinking anytime soon, and those who are able to store a few bottles in the cellar will certainly want to exercise at least five years of patience. ~~\$40~~ **\$34.99**

2007 Carlisle Bennett Valley "Cardiac Hill" Syrah

This year's Cardiac Hill is a blend of four syrah clones from Bennett Valley with the majority of fruit coming from a steep, rocky north-facing hillside. Yields were a modest 3 tons to the acre. Fermented indigenously with 33% whole clusters to increase structure and aromatic lift. Aged in 28% new oak and bottled unfiltered and unfiltered.

Tasting Note: Dark ruby-purple. Nearly opaque. A perfumed nose of blackberry, violets, black olive, and pepper. Full-bodied but not heavy thanks to refreshing acidity and invigorating tannins. While obviously Californian, something very Northern Rhone-like about this wine. Cornas perhaps? Enjoy from release through 2020. (MRO – 07/17/09) Cases Produced: 520 \$43 (arrival 11/12/09)

Rioja Vega Crianza 2005

Made from Tempranillo, Mazuelo and Garnacha grapes. Picked at their optimal ripeness. Careful ageing for twelve months in oak casks, followed by at least a further six months in the bottle. The result is a complex wine, rich in aromas and flavours. Clean, bright ruby red with aromas of vanilla, toast and spices. Well-structured, meaty and balanced in the mouth. ~~\$12~~ **\$10.19**

**2006 Columbia Crest
Grand Estates Merlot**

Tasting Notes: "Classic Merlot aromas of spice, blackberry and cocoa carry through the palate of this complex artisanally crafted wine. The balance of oak and black fruits creates a velvety, seductive finish." ~~\$N~~ **\$8.99**

Merlot

Blankiet 03	121.99
Coho Michael Black 05	49.99
Duckhorn Napa 06	49.99
Hahn 05	8.99
Kathryn Kennedy Lateral 06	25.99
Keenan Napa 04	29.99
Leonetti 06	79.99
Lewis Napa 05	70.99
Merryvale Napa 05	25.99
Pedestal 06	48.99
St Clement Napa 04	16.99
Teatown Napa 05	19.99
Terlato Angels Peak 03	40.59
Turnbull Oakville 06	28.99
Twomey Napa 05	59.99
Verite La Muse 01	99.99
Verite La Muse 99	99.99

New Arrival Alerts

If you would like to receive notification when new wines arrive or information about a wine sale please register your name and email address at www.grapetray.com

2007 WesMar Sonoma Coast**P i n o t N o i r**

Nose offers a mélange of dark fruits, dark tea and spices. This weighty wine shows flavors of mixed fruits comprised of black cherries, black plums complimented with coffee, and spices. Like the Balletto, the fruit tannins are forthright and complimentary within the richness of its framework. This wine is a blend of Hellenthal and Balletto vineyards + a 316 cases \$42

Wine Spectator 92**ROESSLER Pinot Noir****Sonoma Coast La Brisa 2007**

Tightly structured, firm and concentrated, with a trim beam of spice, earthen floor, dried currant and cranberry fruit that holds onto its earthy tannins through the long finish. Drink now through 2013. 1,137 cases made. -JL ~~\$30~~ **\$24.99**

AP Vin Kanzler Pinot Noir Vital Facts:

- **Vineyard:** Kanzler Vineyard
 - **Clone:** 667 (10% whole cluster), Pomard
 - **Appellation:** Sonoma Coast, Sonoma County, California
 - **Barrel Aging:** 11 months French Oak – 50% New
 - **Harvested:** September 30th & October 15th, 2008
 - **Style:** Unfined and Unfiltered
 - **Closure:** Stelvin screw cap
 - **Bottled:** August 2009
 - **Production:** 250 cases
- Alcohol:** 15.2%

Pinot Noir

AP Vin Clos Pepe 08	47.99
AP Vin Kanzler 08	47.99
Belle Glos Clark&Telephone 07	37.99
Castle Rock Monterey 07/08	10.59
Coho Stanly Ranch 06	30.99
Costa de Oro Santa Barbara 07	21.49
David Bruce Russian River 06	31.99
David Bruce Sonoma Coast 06	28.99
Dehlinger Estate 06	47.99
Dierberg Santa Maria 06	37.99
Dom Alfred Chamisal Califa 07	50.99
Domaine Alfred Goss Creek 07	11.99
DuMOL Ryan 07	86.99
Hirsch Sonoma Coast 06	59.99
Hirsch Sonoma Coast M 06	49.99
J Vineyard & Winery RR 06	26.99
J. Lynne Russian River 06	23.99
Ketcham Estate Russian River06	37.99
Landmark Kanzler 07	64.99
Londer Anderson Valley 06	29.99
Loring Rancho La Vina 07	39.99
Loring Russell 07	39.99
Mac Murray Sonoma Coast 07	14.99
Mark West 08	9.49
Merryvale Carneros Pinot 07	26.59
Morgan SLH Rosellas 06	51.99
Papapietro Perry RR Peters 07	45.59
Paradise Ridge Russian River07	25.99
Patz&Hall Sonoma Coast 07	35.99
Red Car Box Car RR Pinot06	26.99
Roessler La Brisa 07	24.99
Roessler Santa Rita ClosPepe06	41.99
Russian Hill Russian River 06	25.39
Saintsbury Carneros 06	28.99
Saintsbury Stanly 07	32.99
Saxon Brown Durell Hayfield 06	44.99
Sebastiani Sonoma Coast 07	14.99
Tolosa Edna Valley 06	17.99
Valli Central Otago Gibbston06	41.99
WesMar Balletto 07	47.99
WesMar Sonoma Coast 07	41.79
Wither Hills New Zealand 05	21.99
ZD Carneros 07	28.69

2007 Belle Glos Clark and Telephone Pinot

Established in 1972, the Clark & Telephone Vineyard was planted “own root” to the Martini clone. This heirloom clone of Pinot Noir, one of the first to grace the California coastlands, has become something of a lost treasure.

2007 Vintage Tasting Notes: Rich scarlet color, with aromas of brown spice, caramel and soft tea. The velvety palate offers flavors of bright red fruit, warm spices and sweet oak, supported by firm acidity and refined tannins. ~~\$50~~ **\$37.99**

Parker 90**Pelissero Dolcetto d’Alba**

2007 The 2007 Dolcetto d’Alba Munfrina is a vibrant, pure wine. It offers notable complexity in its dark fruit, spices and menthol, with tons of complexity. A long, resonating finish caps off this incredibly delicious Dolcetto. Anticipated maturity: 2008-2011. ~~\$22~~ **\$14.99**

**Wine Spectator 97
LA MASSA Toscana
Giorgio Primo 2007**

Dark and brooding, with intense aromas of lead pencil, blackberry, black cherry and licorice. Full-bodied, with velvety, polished tannins, followed by vanilla, berry and currant on the finish. Powerful and complex. Built like a brick house. Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon and Petit Verdot. Best after 2013. 1,750 cases made. -JS. ~~\$65~~ (arrival mid-Nov

Arancio Pinot Noir 2007**Wine Enthusiast Review**

Pinot Noir from Sicily might seem like a crazy enological experimentation but Feudo Arancio manages to pull together a correct, if somewhat quirky, ensemble. You’ll get floral notes of violets and forest berry and the mouth-feel is crisp and lean. ~~\$9~~ **\$7.29**

Wine Spectator 93
Seghesio Zinfandel Alexander
Valley Home Ranch 2007

Rich and powerful yet supple, ripe but still balanced. Though jammed with personality, this is focused and complex, approachable now, but better in a few years. Shows aromas of black cherry and licorice, with dense plum, cracked pepper and espresso flavors that finish with ripe tannins. Drink now through 2015. 2,400 cases made.—T.F. ~~\$36~~ **\$30.39**

Wine Spectator 92
GREEN & RED Zinfandel Napa
Valley Chiles Canyon
Vineyards 2007

Ripe yet sleek and briary—just about everything you want in a Zinfandel. Offers aromas of cherry and smoky sage, with flavors of wild blackberry, loam and licorice that finish with lively tannins. Drink now through 2015. 1,800 cases made. -T.F. ~~\$21~~ **\$19.69**

Wine Spectator 91
FOUR VINES Zinfandel Paso
Robles Biker 2007

Ripe and gutsy, but there's enough finesse and personality to make it a complete package. Aromas of wild berry and white pepper lead to briary but complex plum, anise and toasty sage flavors that finish with fine, loamy tannins. Best from 2011 through 2015. 4,091 cases made. - T.F. ~~\$25~~ **\$19.99**

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Connoisseurs' Guide to
California Wine 91
2007 RIDGE
VINEYARDS Geyserville
Sonoma County

58% Zinfandel; 22% Carignane; 18% Petite Sirah; 2% Mataro. An intriguing note of cranberry-like fruit sets this offering off on a track of its own while complexing elements of sweet oak, anise, dark chocolate and tar contribute further distinction. Somewhat tighter than most past Geyserville bottlings, it is a solidly structured effort whose ample richness is met by lots of vitality, and, if a bit angular at this point, it promises to blossom with a few years of age and reward those with patience. ~~\$35.00~~ **\$29.99**

2007 Carlisle Russian River Valley
"Papera Ranch" Zinfandel

95% Zinfandel, 5% Mixed Black Varieties (Alicante Bouschet, Petite Sirah) Previously designated as "Carlo's Ranch", the new owner of this vineyard was able to secure the trademark to the original name of the property, "Papera Ranch". Planted in 1934 by Charley Papera, yields in 2007 were a respectable 2.0 tons to the acre. Picked on October 8th, the must was cold soaked for 5 days before an indigenous fermentation began. After a total of 18 days on the skins, it was pressed to all French oak, 28% new. Bottled unfiltered and unfiltered.

Tasting Note: Dark ruby-purple, nearly opaque. A compelling, exotic nose of raspberry liqueur, briar, pepper, and incense. Not as floral as Carlisle Vineyard but it's obvious this comes from the same 'hood. On the palate, full-bodied with explosive flavors of kirsch and black raspberry leading to a long and persistent finish. A wine that manages to be both powerful and graceful at the same time. Easily our best Papera Ranch Zinfandel to date. Enjoy this age-worthy zinfandel from mid-2010 through 2018. (MRO – 07/17/09) 651 cases. \$40 (arrival 11/12/09)

Champalou Vouvray
"La Cuvee Des Fondraux"
2007

The fruit comes from some of Champalou's best parcels right above the Loire River with a flinty, silex-dominated soil. Fondraux is raised in medium-sized casks. The style is almost demi-sec in character, although the intense minerality balances the hint of sweetness. ~~\$18~~
\$15.99

Wine Spectator 90
ALEXANA Pinot Gris
Dundee Hills Revana
Vineyard 2006

This feels refreshing but has a little extra depth going for it, with peach, melon and vague hints of mint and cream lurking behind the fruit. Remains expressive on the deftly balanced finish. Drink now through 2010. ~~142 cases made. -HS \$30~~
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Wine Spectator 92
Yalumba Viognier
Eden Valley 2008

Smooth and creamy, the polished texture supporting an explosive range of lemon meringue, pear, pineapple and spice flavors that ease into the long, vivid finish. Drink now through 2012.—H.S.
~~\$19~~ **\$15.19**

Chardonnay

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Wine Spectator 90
Delamotte Non-Vintage
Brut Le Mesnil-sur-Oger

"Light-weight and detailed, offering apple, peach, lanolin and mineral notes. Well-structured and intense, with a long, mineral aftertaste." ~~\$45~~
\$36.99

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- '07 Belle Glos Clark & Telephone Pinot \$45
- '07 Mer Soleil SLH Chard \$35
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**Wine Spectator 94
VITICCIO Toscana
Monile 2006**

Offers currant, berries, light toasty oak and light coffee. Full-bodied, with ripe fruit, soft, silky tannins and a rich finish. Ripe and beautiful, with a lovely texture. Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot. Best after 2012. 555 cases made. -JS \$55 **\$48.99**

**Wine Spectator 90
VITICCIO Chianti
Classico 2006**

Exhibits lots of blackberry and vanilla character on the nose, with hints of flowers. Medium- to full-bodied, with fine tannins and a long, crisp finish. A beautiful wine. Best after 2011. 12,500 cases made. -JS ~~\$21~~ **\$17.99**

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