



ANDRE CLOUET CHAMPAPNE NV GRAND CRU 1911

Full bodied , yet extraordinarily smooth & elegant. We have a new release of one of our favorite Champagnes.

100% Pinot Noir and only 1911 bottles are produced each cuvee from Grand Cru vineyards. The cuvee is a blend of older vintages from the 90's and a solera of reserve wines from the 2002 Vintage. Packed in straw with a booklet indicating the disgorgement date and the bottle number; this is one of the finest Champagnes we have tasted at this price, but unfortunately only a few bottles were released into Virginia. \$104.95

LARGE FORMAT

Wine in a large format bottle makes a great presentation at the Christmas dinner table and an impressive gift. Here are a few suggestions; most come packed in a presentation box.

3.0 liter 2010 Ken Wright, Freedom Hill Pinot Noir, Willamette, Or. \$249.95: "Soft, ripe & generous, showing a lovely transparency to the cherry, spice & delicate licorice flavors." WS 7/31/13)

3.0 liter 2004 Cantina del Pino Barbaresco "Ovello" Piedmont It.- \$264.95: "It is an exceptional wine that expresses the pedigree of the vintage in its sweet, expansive personality." (WA #179)

3.0 liter 2009 Prima, Toro Spain - \$99.95: "Toast, tobacco & forest floor notes give this red a dark allure, firm but well-integrated tannins support plum & blackberry flavors. Sleek & racy." (WS 9/30/11)

1.5 liter 2011 Giacomo Conterno Barbera d'Alba, Italy- \$112.95: "The power and intensity of the bouquet is especially attractive and bold. The wine's dark concentration and thick layers are so beautifully uplifted by those ethereal and almost feminine aromas." (WA #207)

1.5 liter 2000 Clos Erasmus Priorat, Spain - \$499.95: "The blockbuster 2000 Clos Erasmus exhibits a saturated ruby/purple color as well as a gorgeous nose of jammy black fruits inter-mixed with a liquid minerality, and hints of vanilla as well as spice." (WA #145)

Additional suggestions:

1.5 liter 2008 Vietti Barolo Castiglione - \$143.95

1.5 liter 2010 Poggio Scalette " Il Carbonaione", Tuscany, Italy - \$158.95

3.0 liter 2005 Duckhorn Merlot, Napa, Ca. - \$299.95

Bodegas y Vinedos Vega Sicilia

An icon of Spanish wine & very difficult to find Valbuena and Unico, only produced in top vintages, exist as a perfect marriage between Mediterranean opulence and Bordeaux austerity but, unlike in Bordeaux, where there are several candidates for the greatest wine, in Ribera del Duero there is only one. **2008 Valbuena : \$224.95 2003 Unico \$499.95**

Older Vintages

We stock older vintages from the 70's and 80's; while not inexpensive a wine from a birth year or anniversary year makes a great present. Ask a wine associate about specific older vintages when you visit the store.



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2013 HOLIDAY NEWSLETTER

Happy Holidays to all of our Customers and Friends.

Please note that we will be open on Sundays from 12 noon to 6 pm to accommodate your Holiday shopping needs.

This is the time of year to offer better wines to your friends and families and this newsletter has wonderful suggestion for Holidays wine gifts as well as wines perfect, for the Christmas dinner table. Emerson's is always 63° and wines are stored on their side with indirect incandescent lighting so you can purchase with confidence. Please remember that we offer gift wrapping with a wide variety of bags and boxes for one to six bottles as well as local delivery to selected Richmond zip codes. Thank you for shopping with us and Merry Christmas! *J. Emerson, Inc.*

Holiday Gift Baskets

Here is a wonderful and thoughtful gift for friends customers and family. **Choose your favorite wines and the basket, a box of Emerson chocolates, wrapping, and bow are an additional: \$9.95 for two bottles, \$11.95 for three bottles and \$13.95 for four bottles.** We would be happy to consult with you on additional accessories to add to your basket. Plus - we can deliver to Richmond and west end addresses for an additional \$10.

PORT

We are pleased to see a growing new interest in these fortified wines from Portugal. The different styles and types may be endless and confusing but you will never go wrong purchasing either vintage or aged tawny. Here are a few, one of a kind, Port gift ideas:



Taylor Fladgate - A Century of Port
- aged in larger oak casks these blended tawny ports are rich and mellow, 4 - 1/2 bottles (375ml) each of 10/20/30 and 40 year tawny in a wood presentation case. What a wonderful gift . \$285.95

THE CLASSIC PORT COLLECTION



A bottle (750ml) each of the 1985, the perfect 1994 and the 2003 vintage attractively packaged in a wood case. **\$499.95**

Vintage Port

If port sets are not on your list we carry several ,slightly older, reasonably priced vintage Ports. **2004 Quinta Infantado \$51.95 • 2000 Grahams \$89.95 • 2000 Taylor Fladgate - \$89.95**





1968 Quinta do Noval Colheita Port

An Extraordinary gift

Colheita ports are aged tawnies of a single vintage, matured in cask for at least seven years and bottled on demand. Rich and honeyed, they combine finesse and elegance with creamy nutty characteristics and are the supreme expression of old Tawny Ports. Like a Vintage Port they take on the specific characteristics of the year of harvest. An ultimate gift at \$299.95

BORDEAUX

*To some, the king of French wines; Cabernet, Merlot et al blends ,
perfect for Tenderloin and a perfect gift*

1998 and 2009 Chateau La Croix Du Casse Pomerol. Here is an intriguing gift combination from Bordeaux: one bottle of each vintage. Both were great years in Pomerol and a dinner could be crafted around sampling 2 vintages of this great Chateau, 11 years apart. The 1998 is \$59.95 and the 2009 is \$49.95. Buy them both and we'll throw in a basic two bottle gift bag. Perfect. Gift buying done.

Sometimes we drink wines a bit too young. Here are a few, slightly older Bordeaux's, ready to drink at Christmas dinner or as a perfect gift for a wine lover.

1975 Ch. Palmer, Margaux \$349.95- "... full-bodied, rich, concentrated wine with the vintage's toughness and high tannin well-displayed. Yet I believe it possesses enough sweet fruit and extract to stand up to the tannin. It has another 20+ years of evolution. Drink: 01-16"

1996 Ch. Pape Clement, Pessac-Leognan \$199.95 - "The tannin is sweet and the wine full-bodied, with tremendous richness and length. Anticipated maturity: 2005-2020." (RP 02)

2006 Ch. Prieure-Lichine, Margaux \$66.95- "an outstanding wine, with complex notes of spring flowers, forest floor, sweet black currants, and earth. Medium to full-bodied, flavorful, without a trace of astringency or hardness, this is a succulent, fleshy wine" WA #181

And from the spectacular '05 vintage that is just coming around now:

2005 Chateau Rollan de By, Medoc \$33.95 - "beautifully pure effort displaying notes of un-smoked cigar tobacco interwoven with cedar, black currant, white chocolate, and a hint of new saddle leather." (WP #176)

2005 Ch. Brown, Pessac-Leognan \$37.95- "Full-bodied, with velvety tannins and a long, flavorful finish. The best in a long time from this estate. Best after 2012." (WS 3/31/08) **\$37.95**

2005 Ch. Clos du Marquis, Saint Julian \$92.95 - "Dense, chewy, fleshy, and full-bodied, this beauty will be drinkable in 3-4 years, and should keep for 15-20." (WA #176)

2005 Ch Certan, Pomerol \$142.95 - "Blackberry and green tobacco aromas, with hints of coffee bean, follow through to a full body, with big, velvety tannins and a complex finish of dark chocolate & berry. Chewy and muscular, yet caressing & pretty. Best after 2015" (WS 6/30/06)



**For the discerning wine lover, the Ultimate Gift;
their favorite wine packed in a presentation case.**

Individual bottle price is shown. - Buy the 6 (or 3)bottle case and save 10%.

2010 Ovid Proprietary red wine (Bordeaux blend), Napa California. - \$249.95- Sweet dark cherries and plums are some of the notes that explode from the 2010 Ovid. An utterly vivid, breathtaking wine, the 2010 impresses for its incredible balance and overall sense of harmony." (WA # 204) (Comes in a 3 bottle presentation case.)

2006 Ch.Lynch- Bages, Pauillac, Bordeaux Fr.- \$ 199.95 "This may turn out to be the finest Lynch Bages made since the 2000. (It) reveals a classic nose of creme de cassis, roasted meats as well as herbs, licorice, and toasty oak. Fleshy, full-bodied, opulent, and well-endowed." (WA #170)

2003, 04, 05 vertical- -Anakota Cabernet Sauvignon Helena Montana Vineyard Knights Valley, CA - 2 bottles each - SOLD AS A CASE ONLY FOR \$399.95 - "Anakota produces small quantities (about 500 cases of each wine) of outstanding Cabernets intended to showcase the potential of these vineyards on Mount St. Helena in Knight's Valley." (WA#180)

2010 Dominus Proprietary Red Wine, Napa, Ca - \$199.95 "The stunning, full-bodied 2010 Dominus boasts an exceptional perfume of hoisin sauce, licorice, underbrush, forest floor, plums, black currants and jammy cherries intertwined with hints of cedar, baking spices and oak." (WA#209) Considered a "perfect" wine by Wine Advocate.

2010 Goulee Medoc, Bordeaux, Fr. \$42.95 - "from Michel Reybier, the proprietor of Cos d'Estournel. Goulee's 2010 is another sleeper of the vintage A blend of 80% Cabernet Sauvignon and 20% Merlot; the wine is round, full-bodied and luscious" (WA#205)

2010 Continuum- Proprietary Red wine, Napa, Ca. \$179.95- "blend of 71% Cabernet Sauvignon, 14% Cabernet Franc, 11% Petit Verdot and 4% Merlot. ...has a stunning texture, sweet tannin, a full-bodied mouthfeel, and undeniable elegance and finesse, this complex beauty cascades over the palate without a hard edge to be found." (WA#209)

Robert Foley Claret 2004 and 2005

Signed by Bob Foley during a visit to the store this mini-vertical would make a nice gift.

2004 Robert Foley Vineyards Claret, Napa, Ca.- "...gorgeous aromas of creme de cassis, blackberries, smoke, licorice, espresso roast, and spring flowers. With sensational concentration, "full body, a voluptuous mouthfeel, decent acidity, and sweet tannin..." (WA#168)

2005 Robert Foley Vineyards Claret, Napa, Ca.- "...voluptuously-textured with superb depth and purity in addition to a savory mouthfeel, and a surprisingly fleshy, forward personality, it should last for 10-15 years, but who will be able to resist it for that long?" (WA #174)

Both Vinatges are \$134.95/ btl. Buy the "mini Vertical and save 10%.

