

# Post script

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## Wines of the Month

Our first Wine of the Month for June is the **2007 Michael Pozzan Knights Valley Cabernet**. Founded in 1991 by owners Michael and Mary Ann Pozzan, this winery is based in Oakville in the heart of Napa. The fruit for the 2007 Cabernet Sauvignon was sourced in Knights Valley, not far from the winery. Because of its volcanic soil and outstanding drainage this is an exceptional location for producing Cabernet Sauvignon grape. Our Wine of the Month is produced from 95% Knights Valley Cabernet and 5% Napa Syrah. The wine has a great nose that seems to jump out at you. Enjoy the lingering aromas of sage and bay leaf along with currant and blackberry aromas. Smooth and rich, Pozzan Knights Valley Cabernet slowly comes into focus on the finish with a rustic, earthy, quality. A bit tight (nothing that 30 minutes of airing won't cure), but will develop nicely over time. **On sale for only \$12.98.**



Next up is the **2008 Ken Forrester Petit Chenin**. Lively flavors of melon and green apple are the signature tastes of this great white wine value. Made from 100% Chenin Blanc grapes culled

from vineyards in South Africa's Stellenbosch region, this fresh and quaffable white is the perfect summertime sipper. Forrester is expert at getting the max out of the "Steen" grape, which is known everywhere outside of South

Africa as Chenin Blanc. His 'Petit Chenin' is made in an off-dry style; not as full-fruited as California versions and without the rounded sweetness often found in Vouvray wines. We are pleased to offer this driest of Forrester's Chenin Blanc wines at the very **down-to-earth price of \$7.98.**

Our third Wine of the Month for June is the **2008 Domaine La Manarine Cotes du Rhone Blanc**. In early summer, our attention usually turns to the classic Loire Valley wines like Muscadet, Vouvray and Sancerre. However, this flavorful



blend of four grape varieties has shifted our focus to the Rhone Valley.

Crafted at a small estate in the village of Travaillan, the 2008 'La Manarine' Cotes du Rhone Blanc is appealing because of its ripe fruit flavors, presented in a medium-dry style. The wine has a soft texture and is marked by a characteristic stony element on the palate.

Full of ripe pear, red apple and soft citrus flavors. This terrific white wine arrived in our stores courtesy of importer Neal Rosenthal, a master at delivering unique offerings from small estates. **Net priced at \$12.98.**

## Sale Continues on Rose Wines; New Releases Keep Arriving

Purchase just **three** or more bottles of these specially selected wines and take 20% off the bottle price.

**Mas de la Dame, Les Baux de Provence (2008)**—Wonderful flavors of strawberry and pecan fruits along with intense minerality that gives a silky texture and wonderful balance. **\$14.99.**

**Commanderie de Peyrassol 'Cotes de Provence' (2008)**—Pale pink color, fresh and lively on the palate with lovely strawberry and cherry fruit flavors. **\$19.99.**

**Domaine Houchart Rose de Provence (2008)**—Crisp, clean and dry on the finish. **\$10.99.**

**A to Z Sangiovese Rose, Oregon**—This Sangiovese Rose has tart cherry notes laced with peppery spice and a delicate herbal nuance. **\$12.99.**

**Pares Balto 2008, Penedes, Spain**—Possesses a deep color and a ripe and expressive flavor profile with strawberry, dark plum and cherry notes...all contributing to the taste of this zesty organic rose. **\$11.99.**

## JUNE SPECIALS

# Super Reds and Italian Wines for Our Summer Stock-Up Sale

As part of our Summer Stock-Up Sale—20% off six bottles or more of any red wine and all Italian wines (red *and* white)—try these wonderful selections described below.

### Rivetti-La Spinetta Barbera d'Asti "Ca d'Pian" (2006)

The Rivetti brothers are something like rock stars in the Piedmont region. They are on the cutting edge of winemaking, not afraid to buck tradition and push the envelope with their wines. The Barbera d'Asti is a great spring/summer red because of its bright, zippy acid that leads to a playful finish. Ca d'Pian is quite ripe with violet and strawberry flavors throughout the middle palate. \$29.99.



### Borgo Scopeto Chianti Classico (2005)

Borgo Scopeto comes from the same clone of Sangiovese (Sangiovese Grasso) that produces the great Brunello. The reason: The same person who owns the prestigious Caparzo winery in Montalcino also owns Borgo Scopeto. This is a ripe, deep and multi-dimensional Chianti. \$18.99.

### Poliziano Rosso di Montepulciano (2006)

The 2006 vintage in southern Tuscany was superb. It produced full-bodied, intense (but not hard) red wines like Poliziano Rosso that are absolutely delicious. This wine was produced by simply downgrading grapes classified as *Vino Nobile*. Aged in oak casks, this medium-bodied powerful wine has a zesty finish with lingering flavors of spice and pepper. \$19.99.

### Corte Rugolin Valpolicella Classico, Veneto (2007)

For quite a while now, we've been saying that the wine world needs more full-flavored *and* affordable red wines from northern Italy. Thankfully, that's now happening. Whether your preference is for a Nebbiolo- or Barbera-based wine, we are your destination for finding the best bargains available from quality producers in that part of the country. Corte Rugolin Valpolicella Classico is a great example. Youthful and harmonious with aromatic hints of maraschino cherries. This wonderful Valpolicella has flavors of crushed raspberries and red cherries. Also, note the distinctive nutty



undertone. \$15.99.

### Tenuta di Biserno Insoglio del Cinghiale, Tuscany (2006)

Tenuta di Biserno is an exciting new property headed by brothers Lodovico and Piero Antinori. Lodovico purchased this estate after selling his famous Ornellaia property. Helena Lindberg oversees the winemaking activities at Tenuta di Biserno while Michel Rolland lends his consulting expertise. They are producing absolutely beautiful wines. Their Insoglio del Cinghiale has aromas of earth and black pepper. On the

palate, this easy-to-drink red is full and complex with smooth black fruit flavors and a long spicy finish. \$32.99.

### Santi Pinot Grigio 'Sortesele' (2007)

In the Trentino dialect "sortesele" means "small part of the vineyard"—which happens to be the best part of the vineyard. Pinot Grigio thrives in Santi's Sortesele vineyard, which is situated along the Adige valley where the cooler climate produces the best conditions for this grape. This wine has full and complex aromas of pears and exotic fruits. On the palate, enjoy the generous, soft but lively fruit with firm flavors. Good acidity and a long finish. Now is the time to try Santi Pinot Grigio at \$11.99.

### Il Palagetto Vernaccia di San Gimignano, Tuscany (2008)

What better time than June to feature this classic dry white Tuscan wine made from the Vernaccia grape? Vernaccia wines possess that clarity and crispness you look for in light-bodied wines that go well with various appetizers and warm weather meals featuring chicken and seafood. The 'Il Palagetto' has a fresh floral aroma and subtle scents of almonds. On the palate the wine shows bright and clean flavors. Well balanced with a nice edge of acidity that enhances the freshness. The wine finishes long with lingering honey-tinged fruit. \$13.99.

### Melini Chianti Classico 'Isassi' (2006)

Melini is an impressive winery that lies in the heart of Tuscany's Chianti Classico area. Made from 100% Sangiovese and then aged for one year in Limousin oak, Melini's "Isassi" Chianti is a bright ruby-red color with a bouquet of violets and hints of vanilla. On the palate the taste is dry, full, pleasantly fruity with an elegant aftertaste of raspberries and almonds. \$17.99.

# 2008 Bordeaux Futures Available; Surprisingly Strong Selection

The 2008 Bordeaux vintage came on strong in the last few months before the grapes were harvested. Dry weather, cool and sunny conditions, low yields and a very late harvest turned a mediocre vintage into a strong one comparable to the 2000, 2003 and 2005. According to Robert Parker in the *Wine Advocate*: "The 2008s possess a purity and freshness that are admirable. Because the tannins are so sweet, and there is so much fruit in the wines, they should be approachable young, but the freshness and high level of extract and tannins will allow them to age for 20-30+ years."

Listed below is our first offering of Bordeaux futures from the 2008 vintage. All ratings are from Robert Parker except those indicated "WS" (Wine Spectator). Full-payment is required on all orders. All prices shown are "net," no further discounts apply. Contact Bill McDermott at (508-358-4300) or check our website for up-to-date additions at [www.thepostscript.com](http://www.thepostscript.com).

Chateau	Price	Parker
Bellevue (St. Emilion)	\$49.99	91-93
Brane Cantenac (Margaux)	44.99	90-93
Brondeau (Bordeaux Sup.)	10.99	--
Clos Rene (Pomerol)	26.99	88-90
Gloria (St. Julien)	33.99	90-93
Lascombes (Margaux)	59.99	91-94
Leoville Barton (St. Julien)	79.99	92-94
Leoville Poyferre (St. Julien)	54.99	92-94 (WS: 90-93)
Les Omes de Pez (St. Estephe)	26.99	89-91
Lynch Bages (Pauillac)	64.99	91-93+ (WS: 89-92)
Montrose (Pauillac)	86.99	95-97
Pipeau (St. Emilion)	19.99	89-91
Pavillion Rouge (Margaux)	54.99	90-92
Pichon Lalande (Pauillac)	79.99	94-96
Pontet Canet (Pauillac)	94.99	96-98+
Reignac (Bordeaux Superior)	21.99	90-93

We felt the above wines were the best bargains in the 2008 Bordeaux Future market.

## POSTSCRIPT SPOTLIGHT

### THREE 'RECESSION BUSTERS'

**Havens Merlot Napa Valley (2005):** Havens Merlot is a must buy at its new low price of \$12.98. (Last year this wine sold for \$29.99!) This is as impressive a Merlot as you'll find anywhere—mouthfilling texture with very ripe flavors of plum and dark raspberry fruit. Havens bears no relation to those wimpy wines that have depressed Merlot sales for the past five years. This is a big, rich wine that seems to expand in the mouth, producing a broad finish that is both elegant and balanced. **Now on sale for \$12.98!**

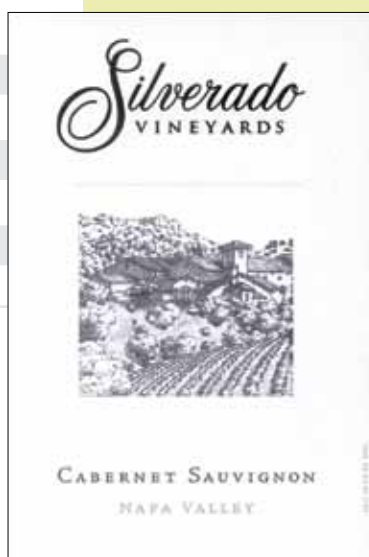
**William Fevre Champs Royaux Chablis (2007):** Now that Henriot owns William Fevre, the quality of this Chablis is better than ever. According to Robert Parker, "The wines are now every bit as impressive as the estate's vast and superbly situated acreage, not to mention uncannily consistent in quality." Fevre's 2007 Chablis shows off the complex blend of gunflint minerality, rich fruit, and steely acidity that makes Chablis such a special wine. Though it's made from 100 % Chardonnay, the wine's vibrant acidity results in a bone-dry finish with a lemony aftertaste. Melon and lime flavors combine with a creamy texture in this great summer sipper. **On sale for only \$15.98. (Was \$28.99). Another "Recession Buster!"**



**Silverado Cabernet, Napa (2005):**

Located in the heart of the Stag's Leap district of Napa Valley, Silverado has firmly

established itself as one of the most elite and sought-after Cabernet producers in the U.S. The 2005 release continues Silverado's string of superb Cabernets. Says Robert Parker in the *Wine Advocate*: "The elegant 2005 Cabernet Sauvignon (87% Cabernet Sauvignon and the rest Merlot, Petit Verdot, and Cabernet Franc) reveals notions of lead pencil shavings intermixed with black cherries, black currants, toast, and damp earth. It is a mid-weight, flavorful red with good acidity as well as a moderately long finish. It should keep for 7-10 years." **Recession-buster priced at only \$32.98. (Down from \$49.99.)**



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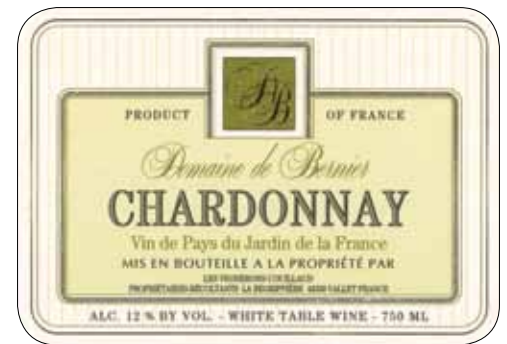
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**P.S.** Our "P.S. Special" this month is the **2007 Domaine de Bernier Chardonnay**, an estate-bottled wine made from grapes grown on vineyards just outside of the Muscadet appellation. (In fact, the two growing areas are separated only by a small path.) Yet while the soil is almost identical to that of Muscadet, the Domaine de Bernier estate produces a wine that tastes more like a good Chablis.

Domaine de Bernier Chardonnay has crisp flavors of vanilla and green apples. Fresh, clean on the finish accompanied by lively acidity with a touch of citrus. **A great summer sipper at \$9.98!**



## Summer Stock-Up Sale! 20% off All Reds and All Italians

Here's your last chance to stock up on red wines for the summer at 20% off. Our stores have a super selection of American Cabernets, Merlots, Zinfandels, and Pinot Noirs. Plus, we have a wide choice of outstanding Bordeaux, Rhone, Shiraz and Syrah from around the world. In addition to the red wines, *all* of our Italian wines (red and white) are on sale during June. Mix and match six bottles of all red wines and all Italian red and white wines and receive a 20% discount. (Sale applies to 750 ml. bottles. Red stickered "net-priced" items not included in the sale.)

# June Sale!