

The Village Café & WINE BAR

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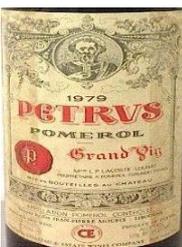
BORDEAUX



1979 Chateau Margaux (1st Growth, Margaux)

\$3,500

John Gilmore : "minty, cassis, tobacco, herb tones, minerals, violets, coffee, and toasty new oak. Full-bodied and quite powerful on the palate. Moderate tannins and fine acidity on the finish promise a super drink ten years down the road. With further cellaring, it will be on of the spectacular success stories of 1979. A very fine Margaux that is developing at a snail's pace, especially for a 1979. 2002- 2040. "



1979 Chateau Petrus (Pomerol)

\$8,000

Château Petrus is one of the world's most distinguished and prized wines. The winery is located in the highest point of Pomerol on iron-rich clay soil, resulting in fruit with excellent mineral balance and aging potential. It is 100% Merlot, with two years' aging in new oak barrels. Only 2,500 cases are produced in each vintage.

Wine Spectator : "A rather hard wine, with a firm backbone of silky tannins and sweet black olive, vanilla and berry aromas and flavors ". Needs at least two hours breathing.



1981 Chateau La Mission Haut Brion

\$6,000

John Gilman : "The 1981 La Mission is a very strong example of the vintage and the wine is drinking at its apogee at age thirty-five. The bouquet offers up a fine, complex blend of cassis, dark berries, cigar ash, a touch of new leather, a fine base of dark soil tones and a touch of La Mission's medicinal overtones. On the palate the wine is deep, full-bodied and quite powerful in personality for an '81, with broad shoulders, a superb core, fine soil signature and a long, still modestly chewy and tangy finish. It has depth and stuffing and delivers plenty of enjoyment .

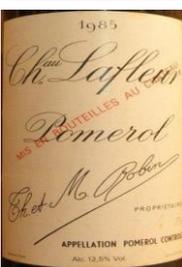
Rating : 96 Points



1985 Chateau Cheval Blanc (1er Grand Cru, St. Emilion)

\$8,000

eRobert Parker : "This has always been one of the best Cheval Blancs and here it simply hypnotized the audience of diners at The Square. A slight tawny rim. The nose is nothing less than captivating with touches of wild strawberry, espresso, Morello and mint that is just so seamless. The palate is brilliantly balanced with that natural sense of beauty that is so intoxicating. Fabulous. **Rating : 98 Points** "



1985 Chateau Lafleur (Pomerol, Bordeaux)

\$4,500

Eric Genau (USA) Oct 2012 : "Owned by, and located next to the legendary Chateau Petrus, this small estate clearly deserves to be mentioned as one of the world's greatest wines. The stars are Petrus, Le Pin...and yes, Lafleur, all ranking with the world's best. This is an absolutely beautiful, powerful wine, still showing a deep garnet color. It exhibited aromas of figs, blackberries, licorice and leather. After a few minutes in the glass, a dark cherry and mineral character took over. On the palate, it showed tremendous lift for a wine with this much weight. Layers of black and red fruit, figs, licorice and plum all follow through to an extremely long finish. Outstanding - drink to 2035 ".



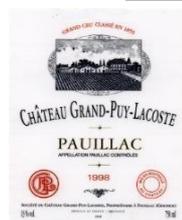
1986 Chateau Haut Brion (Graves, Bordeaux)

\$4,000

Jancis Robinson MW (April 2014) : " Superb wine at the round, sweet peak of its powers. So sweet that I would never have guessed it was a 1986 and would probably have taken it for a Pomerol. Gorgeous stuff" Drink to 2030.

Chateau Haut Brion is one of the five First Growth wines of Bordeaux and has 51 hectares of mostly red varietals (Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot). It is the oldest wine estate in Bordeaux and was, for example, served to Charles II. The estate is now owned by the royal family of Luxembourg.

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1998 Chateau Grand Puy Lacoste (Pauillac, Bordeaux)

\$850

Robert Parker (April 2001) : "The 1998 reveals a classic creme de cassis-scented nose along with powerful, tight, firmly-structured flavors. While moderate tannin is present, there is more than enough extract and depth behind the tannin to support the enthusiastic rating. However, this wine needs 3-4 more years of cellaring, and should keep for 16-18 years. This is a top-flight claret" . **90 Points**

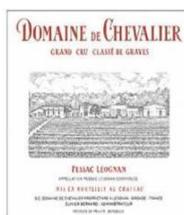
Grand Puy Lacoste modified their blend slightly in '98 to 70% cabernet sauvignon and 30% merlot (no Cab Franc). Owners are the Borie family, who also have Ducru Beaucaillou and Haut Batailley.



2000 Chateau Armens (St Emilion Grand Cru)

\$250

Decanter magazine : "Deep, bright colour. Well-handled, aromatic fruit – cherry/raspberry with a note of vanilla and spice. Smooth texture, again the flavour of dark fruits and spice on the palate, firm assertive finish . "



2001 Domaine de Chevalier (Grand Cru Classe de Graves) Pessac Leognan

\$800

Robert Parker: "Deep ruby/purple-colored with classic aromas of smoke, earth, black cherries, and creme de cassis, this elegant, layered 2001 possesses outstanding depth and richness as well as impeccable finesse, well-integrated wood, and a long, concentrated finish" . **90 Points**



2001 Chateau Monbrison (Cru Bourgeois, Margaux, Bordeaux)

\$195

Roger Voss, WineEnthusiast : "One of the stars of Margaux, Monbrison 2001 is packed with rich, powerful black fruits, with open, generous fruit flavors and great new-wood flavors. This is an impressive, modern wine, powered with dense fruit, as well as some elegance and style . **Rating : 91 Points** "



2005 Chateau Batailley (Pauillac, 5th Growth)

\$650

Wine Society (UK) : "2005 is a brilliant and exciting vintage for Bordeaux... Batailley delivers full-bodied, well-structured flavour with an extra dimension of finesse and elegance in this vintage. Probably the best wine ever made here "



2005 Chateau Caronne Ste. Gemme (Cru Bourgeois, Haut Medoc)

\$160

Fine Wine magazine (UK) : "Château Caronne-Sainte-Gemme has a dark almost opaque colour with luscious blackberries and black currants on the nose. Very smooth attack, highlighted by fine tannins which are not astringent. Lovely wine which will age gracefully with all the characteristics of its strong Cabernet Sauvignon base . "



2005 Château Chasse-Spleen (Cru Bourgeois, Moulis-en-Médoc)

\$180

Robert Parker : "A blend of 55% Cabernet Sauvignon, 40% Merlot and 5% Petit Verdot, this is a relatively big 2005 and somewhat larger than usual for Chasse-Spleen. The wine offers fairly high tannin but ripe, concentrated fruit. Dense, youthful ruby/garnet in color, with notes of cassis, saddle leather and spice, this wine could use another several years of cellaring and should keep 15+ years . **Rating : 90 Points** "

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2005 Château Gaudin (Pauillac, Bordeaux)

\$160

Alison Lowson : " One of only four independent chateaux left in Pauillac. Madame Linette Capdeville took over the seven ha. of vineyard from her grandfather and her husband is the grower. Pauillac is on the left bank of the Gironde and the wines here are cabernet sauvignon dominated. This is a powerful, dry wine with blackcurrant and ripe fruit aromas, the wine is oak barrel aged (30% new) and this comes through on the palate. Stylish, balanced Bordeaux with perfect blackberry ripeness nicely framed by oak. The tannins are strong which suggests good ageing potential ."



2005 Château Marquis D'Alesme (3rd Cru Classe, Margaux, Bordeaux)

\$195

Wine Spectator : "A soft, fruity wine, with blackberry, coffee and light vanilla on the nose and palate. Full, with very velvety tannins and a long, flavorful finish. This is right on the mark now. Best after 2010." **91 Points**



2005 Château Peyrabon (Cru Bourgeois, Haut Medoc)

\$140

Robert Parker, Wine Advocate, 2015 : "After tasting nearly 200 wines, only a handful made the cut. One of the top examples was this 10+ year-old surprise from one of Bordeaux's all-time vintages. A seductive style of wine, this Peyrabon has a deep ruby/purple color and round, juicy blackcurrant and black cherry fruit along with some licorice and floral notes. It is medium-bodied, surprisingly silky and concentrated. Drink this sleeper of the vintage over the next 5-7 years. "

"2009 will go down in history as the greatest Bordeaux vintage of all time."

Stephen Tanzer, International Wine Cellar



2009 Château Lanessan (Cru Bourgeois, Haut Medoc)

\$145

Robert Parker : "Ripe black currant fruit with some cedar wood, licorice and wood spice are all present in this generously endowed, concentrated, low-acid Lanessan. The tannins are silky, and the overall impression is one of elegance, plumpness and beautiful intensity. This is a sleeper of the vintage. It should keep for up to two decades." **92 Points**

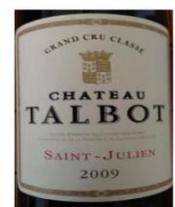
(Lanessan belongs to the Bouteiller family and was run for 30 years by Hubert Bouteiller, brother of Bertrand who also manages Château Palmer)



2009 Château Senejac (Cru Bourgeois, Haut-Medoc)

\$140

Robert Parker : "This is a major sleeper of the vintage and the finest Senejac I have tasted. The team from Pontet Canet, who have done such a phenomenal job at that estate, were in charge of making this Senejac, and the result, not surprisingly, is a sensational wine that consumers need to buy by the case. Dense purple, with notes of creme de cassis, incense, licorice and forest floor, this wine is delicious and full-bodied, with sweet tannins, low acidity, copious fruit and exceptional concentration. Everything is in balance, and the wine is capable of lasting 10 or more years . **Rating - 93 Points**"



2009 Château Talbot (St Julian, 4th Growth)

\$320

Robert Parker : "Extremely sexy, soft, supple and opulent, with notes of cedar, herbs, incense and black currant fruit, this is a full-bodied, generously endowed but silky Talbot to drink now and over the next 20+ years. By any standard of measurement, this is irresistible ." **91 Points**



2009 Chapelle de Potensac (Medoc, Bordeaux) : 2nd wine of Ch. Potensac (Delon)

\$140

Andrew Caillard, MW : "Chapelle de Potensac, second wine of Château Potensac was created in 2002 by Jean-Hubert Delon, who also owns the famous Leovill las Cases property in St Julian. This elegant, traditionally made second wine possesses beautiful balance founded on smoothness and freshness. Its terroir of fine gravel and clay sands can be found in various parts of Potensac's historical terroir, on the edge of the village which is located in the north Medoc. "

Another second label wine from a superb vintage - great value for a Bordeaux red with a bit of age

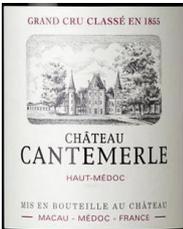
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2010 Chateau Bel Air (Cru Bourgeois, Haut Medoc, Bordeaux)

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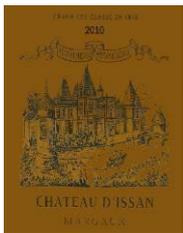
Gil Lempert-Schwarz (USA, June 2013) : "Hailing from one of the greatest vintages in the history of Bordeaux it is from the Haut-Medoc region, and is a classic blend of cabernet sauvignon and merlot. Deep crimson, it shows aromas of black fruits, creme brulee, with meaty undertones and exotic spices. On the palate it is supple and elegantly balanced, with soft fruit overlaid with mocha and crème de cassis leading to a long, dry and nicely soft finish. It is a complete overachiever in this vintage".



2010 Chateau Cantemerle (5me cru classe, Haut Medoc, Bordeaux)

\$175

Robert Parker : " This is the finest Cantemerle I have encountered dating back 34 years. Stunningly deep ruby/purple, with a beautiful nose of spring flowers intermixed with perfumed raspberry and blueberry notes, it exhibits a sort of cool-climate character. Broad, rich and intense on the palate, the wine has plenty of tannins, but they are sweet and well-integrated. Everything is delicately entwined into this beautiful, medium to full-bodied, dense purple wine, which shows stunning character and a prodigious potential for development. With its 2010, this classified growth may well have made a modern-day version of their legendary 1949 . **Rating : 94 Points**"



2010 Chateau D'Issan (3me cru classe, Cantenac-Margaux, Bordeaux)

\$240

Jancis Robertson : "Fresh-fruited dusty fragrance. Exhales class. This is the stuff. Finesse all the way through, with the finest of dry tannins "

Robert Parker : "A complete, medium to full-bodied, exquisite Margaux from this medieval, moat-encircled, compellingly beautiful estate in the southern Medoc. is a dense, purple-colored wine with beautiful aromatics of spring flowers, blueberries and black raspberries as well as hints of cassis, tar and charcoal. The wine is gorgeously pure, well-balanced, and soft enough to be approached in 4-5 years or cellared for 25-30. **Rating - 95 Points**



2010 Chateau Haut-Bages-Liberal (5me cru classe, Pauillac, Bordeaux)

\$320

Stephen Tanzer : "Fruity, bright aromas of red cherry, red berries and flowers, complicated by cedar and graphite. Then light and lively in the mouth, with strawberry, raspberry and smoky dark cherry flavors complicated by hints of white pepper and gunflint. The finish features a lingering floral note and chewy tannins that will need some time to resolve but seem polished enough to guarantee a bright future. This is an excellent, classically styled Haut-Bages Liberal, just a step below the first growths . **Rating - 94 Points**



2010 Chateau Lanessan (Cru Bourgeois, Haut Medoc, Bordeaux)

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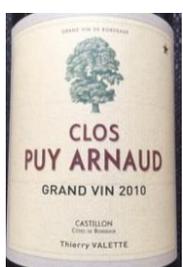
James Suckling : 2009 was for many the best vintage ever produced by this estate, then along came 2010 ! "Aromas of currants, plums, and minerals follow through full body, with chewy tannins and a chewy finish. Quite firm, smoky cassis fruit, fine middle depth and elegant structure. Serious depth to this wine. Drink 2014-20 **Rating : 92 Points** "



2010 Chateau Larose-Trintaudon (Cru Bourgeois, Haut Medoc, Bordeaux)

\$120

Wine Advocate (Neil Martin) Feb 2017 : " It has a gorgeous bouquet of blackberry, bilberry and cedar, very well defined but perhaps needing another couple of years in bottle to develop more secondary aromas. The palate is medium-bodied with crisp acidity, excellent balance and weight, leading towards a competent, harmonious finish with abundant black fruit mixed with black pepper and tobacco. What a fantastic Cru Bourgeois. "



2010 Clos Puy Arnaud (Cotes de Castillon)

\$160

Robert Parker : "Always one of my favorite Cotes de Castillons, this 35 acre vineyard is planted primarily on limestone soils. A blend of 70% Merlot, 25% Cabernet Sauvignon and 5% Cabernet Sauvignon, the 2010 was cropped at 24 hectoliters per hectare, and attained 14.5% natural alcohol. Abundant Rhone-like notes of black raspberry, licorice, garrigue and lavender emerge in the aromatics, but in the mouth, the wine is pure Bordeaux in its rich black currant and black raspberry-like fruit intermixed with subtle oak in the background. This impressively full, rich effort is capable of lasting 7-10 years . **Rating : 92 Points** "



Seppelt Show Reserve DP63 Muscat (Rutherglen)

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