

LOT 388
1975 CHÂTEAU TAILLEFER
One 730 ml bottle

This property was the first vineyard of the Moueix family, and is still owned by the descendants. Located on 12 hectares at the edge of the Pomerol plateau, next to Cheval-Blanc, its iron-rich sandy gravel produces 75% Merlot and 25% Cabernet Franc. With a complex structure and elegant bouquet, and tannins from the firm 1975 vintage, this wine is mature.

Donated by: Robert Rothwell **Value: \$125**

LOT 389
1977 SANDEMAN'S VINTAGE PORT
One 750 ml bottle

Superb vintage! This is a rare and hard to get classic Port. It is ready now but can be aged for decades to come. The 1977 vintage was rated 97 points – rivalling the classic 1963s and 1970s. This wine is built to age, and is beautiful now.

Donated by: Jonathon Fenton **Value: \$240**

LOT 390
1983 ROYAL OPORTO VINTAGE PORT
One 750 ml bottle

Fully matured Vintage Port from the Douro Valley of Portugal. Classically served with Stilton cheese, but is delicious with most hard or full-fat cheeses. Many feel that the best pairing is chocolate of 70% or higher cacao content. As Vintage Port throws sediment, it must be decanted carefully.

Donated by: Ed Chiasson **Value: \$245**

WINE CELLAR - SCENE 1

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LOT 301
BRANCOTT RESERVE PINOT NOIR & SAUVIGNON BLANC

Two 3 litre etched bottles, one each of 2003 Pinot Noir and 2005 Sauvignon Blanc

These two wines from Brancott Vineyards in New Zealand's Marlborough region are excellent examples of some of the best wines offered in the region. These are super-premium wines, crafted using traditional winemaking techniques. The Sauvignon Blanc shows fresh, distinctive gooseberry flavours that are enhanced with rich, lush tropical fruit, while the Pinot Noir is a rich, expressive wine that displays fragrant strawberry and cherry aromas with cedar and spice. An excellent pair of double magnums!

Donated by: Friend of the Festival **Value: \$800**

LOT 302
PHILIP SHAW-HIGH ALTITUDE CELLAR COLLECTION

Twenty-eight 750 ml bottles, two each of 2006 Philip Shaw No. 19 Sauvignon Blanc, 2005 No.11 Chardonnay, 2004 No. 17 Merlot-Cabernet Franc-Cabernet Sauvignon, 2004 No. 89 Shiraz-Viognier, 2006 "Climbing" Pinot Gris, 2006 Chardonnay, 2005 Merlot, 2005 Shiraz, 2005 Cabernet Sauvignon, 2006 "Rolling" Sauvignon Blanc-Semillon, 2006 Chardonnay, 2004 Cabernet-Merlot, 2005 Shiraz, and 2006 "Pink Belly" Rosé

This Cellar Collection is made by world-famous winemaker Philip Shaw, of whom Dan Berger wrote in *Vintage Experiences* in January 2006: "The estimable Shaw, one of the greatest wine makers in the world, is an unsung hero of the Australian wine industry, a quiet, white-haired man with a shy bearing who nonetheless is a giant in the area of wine style. Shaw, a superstar among the stars." Shaw is the only man to have won the London International Wine and Spirit Competition's Winemaker of the Year Award twice, and is a pioneer in the high altitude winegrowing region of Orange, NSW, Australia. Orange is a cool-climate viticultural region, with altitudes between 600-1000 metres and long sunlight hours during the ripening season. The region is producing wines of intense varietal flavour, with elegant structure and attractive vibrant colours. Philip Shaw is producing the best in the region and this collection contains two bottles of each of his exciting wines.

Donated by: Cumulus Wines **Value: \$750**

LOT 303
2003 JACK LONDON CABERNET SAUVIGNON
One 3 litre bottle

Since 1976, Kenwood has been the exclusive producer of wines from Jack London's historic vineyard in Glen Ellen. This unique red lava soil vineyard on the western slope of Sonoma Valley was first planted in the late 1800s. Complex and full-bodied, this Cabernet serves up luscious blackberry, chocolate and earth flavours that come together in a powerful and elegant finish.

Donated by: Kenwood Vineyards **Value: \$750**

LOT 304
1999, 2001, 2003 AND 2004 VIU ONE VERTICAL
Six 750 ml bottles, two each of 1999 and 2001, one each of 2003 and 2004

Viu One is the result of man's work and nature's wisdom, which wilfully blesses some of its cycles with exceptional conditions. This unique wine is produced only in these outstanding years, using a rigorous selection of premium Malbec and Cabernet Sauvignon grapes. Well-endowed, this opaque wine oozes blackberry, spice, dark chocolate and sage flavours, with a grip-filled finish carried by ripe acidity.

Donated by: Viu Manent **Value: \$720**

LOT 305
2000 HAAN WINES MERLOT PRESTIGE
One 3 litre bottle

According to the *Australian Wine Companion* 2007 Edition, Hans and Fransien Haan established their business in 1993 when they acquired a 16-hectare vineyard near Tanunda (since extended to 19 ha). The primary focus was on Merlot, and in particular on the luxury Merlot Prestige, supported by Semillon, Viognier and Shiraz. Haan Wines was named Australian Producer of the Year at the 2005 International Wine and Spirit Competition.

Donated by: Haan Wines **Value: \$400**

LOT 306
"WINERY OF THE YEAR" COMMEMORATIVE CRATE
Twelve 750 ml bottles in wooden case, one each of 1999 Platinum Pinot Noir, 2001 Platinum Reserve Merlot, Platinum Reserve Meritage and Platinum Reserve Chardonnay, 2002 Estate Select Pinot Noir and Estate Select Pinot Blanc, 2003 Estate Select Pinot Noir, Estate Select Pinot Gris, Estate Select Pinot Blanc and 2003 Estate Select Chardonnay, 2004 Estate Select Pinot Gris and 2004 Estate Select Chardonnay

CedarCreek Estate Winery has been *three times* named Winery of the Year at the Canadian Wine Awards, in 2002, 2005 and 2006. This highly sought-after limited-edition commemorative wood crate includes 12 library vintages. Life's too short. Choose great wine!

Donated by: CedarCreek Estate Winery **Value: \$500**

LOT 384
ROLLINGDALE WINERY ICEWINE DUO
Two 200 ml bottles of 2005 Kerner Icewine, and two 375 ml bottles of 2004 Pinot Gris Icewine

Rollingdale is a new family-owned and operated Okanagan winery producing a range of wines using almost entirely organic grapes. Their first crush was 2004; the icewines offered here are excellent examples of their "Sweet Tooth" selections.

Donated by: Rollingdale Winery **Value: \$135**

LOT 385
2004 CUSUMANO NOÀ
Six 750 ml bottles

The Cusumano brothers, Diego and Alberto, have developed a high reputation with their recently founded winery. The *Gambero Rosso Italian Wine Guide* describes their wines as, "the real gems of the new Sicilian wine scene." Starting at the top, the Noà, a blend of Nero d'Avola, Merlot and Cabernet Sauvignon, shows all the characteristics that brought the wine fame: an opaque ruby colour; an intense nose with a fascinating kaleidoscope of aromas from berry fruit, spices and liquorice to pencil lead; and a powerful palate of great structure and length, with tight but rounded tannins.

Donated by: Cusumano **Value: \$325**

LOT 386
1995 CHÂTEAU FRANC-MAYNE
One 750 ml bottle

Grand Cru Classe from St.-Emilion, the wines of this Château, which also operates a classic 16th-century French hotel on the premises, are aged in 4th-century limestone caves. Crafted from 70% Merlot, the wines have been steadily improving since the late 1980s. The 1995 is ready to drink, but would cellar for five years longer

Donated by: Doug Gartland **Value: \$150**

LOT 387
GEHRINGER BROTHERS DESSERT WINES
Twelve bottles of 375 ml, four each of Signature Riesling Ice Wine, Minus Nine Ehrenfelser Ice Wine and Signature Cabernet Franc Ice Wine

The Gehringer Brothers founded their German varietal focused winery on the "Golden Mile" south of Oliver in 1981, and first crush was 1985. Both Walter and Gordon trained in oenology in Germany, and have successfully produced a range of dry and off-dry vintages. These icewines are a testament to the winemaker's nerve, patience and skill, and are ready to enjoy with, after, or instead of dessert.

Donated by: Gehringer Estate Winery **Value: \$550**

LOT 381
2005 PISANO ETXE ONEKO (1 OF 2)
Six 500 ml bottles

This winery from Uruguay is located in Progreso, about 40 minutes outside Montevideo. With some 70 acres of vineyards located about 15 miles north of Montevideo, the Pisano family makes a broad range of wines. The Etxe Oneko Tannat fortified sweet red wine combines ancient and traditional vinification techniques used for Port, Recioto and Amarone. This wine is intense and black-purple in colour with a complex and concentrated tannic aroma, resembling wild fruits from the forest, blackberries, black pepper, smokey chocolate, very ripe dark plum and spiced wood. It has the taste and robust texture of the best fortified sweet reds, married to the smoky, plummy flavours characteristic of the Tannat variety. The finish is long and generous with very present but ripe tannins.

Donated by: Pisano **Value: \$300**

LOT 382
2003 BERNKASTELER DOCTORBERG RIESLING AUSLESE (1 OF 2)
Six 750 ml bottles

The Bernkasteler Alte Badstube am Doctorberg, is a monopole vineyard, owned exclusively by Dr. Pauly-Bergweiler. It is a great site, nestling just to the east of the Bernkastel's most famous vineyard, the Doctor. Dr. Pauly's pride and joy, this 4.6 acre vineyard faces directly south and yields some of the greatest wine from the Moselle valley, year after year. It is only planted with Riesling vines which are more than 35 years old. The Bernkasteler Alte Badstube am Doctorberg is a full-bodied wine, rich, complex, with great depth and charm as it ages. These wines have always had a very long potential and mature even better as their age increases. *Wine Spectator* – 93 points.

Donated by: Dr. Pauly-Bergweiler **Value: \$450**

LOT 383
2004 MUENSTERER DAUTENPFLÄNZER RIESLING AUSLESE
Six 375 ml bottles

The 2004 Muensterer Dautenpflaenzer Riesling Auslese is produced by Kruger-Rumpf on the Lower Nahe. It is a superb wine, either as an aperitif, as a dessert wine, or by itself.

Donated by: German Estate Wines **Value: \$250**

LOT 307
2003 BONTERRA CABERNET SAUVIGNON
Two 3 litre bottles

Bonterra developed out of Fetzer when the parent winery focused on organic viticulture, and their vineyards are a wonder of thorough ecological planning, with both certified organic and biodynamic viticulture. The wine is fruity and complex in style, with black cherry, tobacco and oak aromas/flavours. It is medium full-bodied, concentrated, lightly oaky and a bit tannic on the finish. Quite drinkable now, the double magnum format will benefit from 2-5 years aging.

Donated by: Bonterra **Value: \$450**

LOT 308
2003 LES DOMAINES PAUL MAS MARSELLAN ALICANTE (1 OF 2)
One 3 litre in a wooden case

Les Domaines Paul Mas is a group of four family estates covering 81 hectares (200 acres) of vineyard on the hills bordering the Hérault Valley, Languedoc, in the south of France. They are near the Mediterranean sea, close to the small town of Pézenas, which inspired the famous playwright Molière, and not far from the Canal du Midi and Valmagne Abbey. Considered to be "good value" by British wine writers, Paul Mas is a pioneer in the new-style wines from the Côtes du Languedoc. Only 50 of these 3-litre bottles were made for the 50th Anniversary of the Château de Conas ownership.

Donated by: Les Domaines Paul Mas **Value: \$500**

LOT 309
2000 HENRI BOURGEOIS SELECTION OF SANCERRE
Six 750 ml bottles

Check bid sheet for further information.

Donated by: Henri Bourgeois/Clos Henri **Value: \$500**

LOT 310
1988 JIM BARRY THE ARMAGH
One 750 ml bottle

From the library of Jim Barry Wines comes the 1988 Armagh, coveted by collectors and much awarded in Australia. Described as a big, powerful yet velvety wine, there are flavours of dark plum, cherry, licorice and white pepper. This is a mature wine, stored at the winery until presented to the Bacchanalia Gala Auction.

Donated by: Jim Barry Wines **Value: \$400**

LOT 311

SIMONSIG MERINDOL VERTICAL

Six 750 ml bottles, one each of 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001 and 2002

Simonsig is situated northwest of Stellenbosch, the acknowledged prime wine growing area of South Africa. Ideal maritime conditions and cooling breezes from the Atlantic Ocean create conditions perfect for the cultivation of grapes. In the hands of the dedicated Malan brothers, the grapes are turned into Simonsig Estate wines, each reflecting the family tradition of excellence in winemaking. Merindol Syrah is Simonsig's flagship wine and the 2001 was awarded Double Gold at the 2003 Michelangelo Wine Awards.

Donated by: Simonsig Wine Estate

Value: \$1000

LOT 312

2005 MICHAEL DAVID VINEYARDS 7 DEADLY ZINS

One 3 litre bottle

Seven of Lodi's best growers gave their souls and the first-fruits of their old vine vineyards to contribute to the layered complexity of this fanciful blend. Soft, supple pepper and licorice-clove notes merge into a sinful marriage of deep, brambly blackberries and lustful cherries. The finish is clean on the palate with hints of rich vanilla, cocoa and mild tannins.

Donated by: Michael David Vineyards

Value: \$700

LOT 313

ROSEMOUNT ESTATE FLAGSHIP COLLECTION

Twelve 750 ml bottles, including three 1999 Mountain Blue Shiraz Cabernet, three 2000 Mountain Blue Shiraz Cabernet, four 2001 Balmoral Syrah, and one each of 1998 and 1999 Balmoral Syrah

In a little over 30 years, Rosemount Estate has established itself as one of Australia's leading wineries, producing a selection of fine wines that reflect the riches of the Australian climate and an unswerving dedication to winemaking quality, innovation and style. Although much has changed over the years at Rosemount Estate, the commitment to quality that defined the original vision for Rosemount Estate's humble beginnings in the Hunter Valley has remained intact. This vision has remained pivotal to the progress and success of the now world-famous winery that is Rosemount Estate. Rosemount Estate's three flagship wines – Rosemount Estate Roxburgh Chardonnay, Rosemount Estate Mountain Blue Shiraz Cabernet Sauvignon, and Rosemount Estate Balmoral Syrah – are all sourced from some of the oldest vines in their region to deliver the richness and intensity of flavour. Each have inspired their own devoted following and are regarded as modern day Australian classics.

Donated by: Rosemount Estate

Value: \$750

LOT 378

SEE YA LATER RANCH MIXED LIBRARY

Twelve 750 ml bottles, two each of 2004 Ping and Pinot Noir, 2005 Chardonnay and Pinot 3 and SYL Brut, and one each of 2005 Pinot Gris and Jimmy My Pal

See Ya Later Ranch wines were created in honour of Hawthorne Mountain Vineyards' heritage and one of the vineyard site's first inhabitants, Major Hugh Fraser. The wines from this mixed library were unveiled in celebration of the Major's pioneering life in the Okanagan. The Ping is a blend of 80% Merlot, 16% Cabernet Sauvignon and 4% Cabernet Franc and shows intoxicating aromas of cherries, leather and vanilla. The Pinot Noir features fresh ripe strawberry, cherry and vanilla overtones on the nose rounded out by a fairly full-bodied strawberry dominated palate with a velvety finish. The 2005 Chardonnay is fully barrel fermented and offers seductive delicate toastiness, rich butterscotch and light citrus in the nose with an elegant, creamy entry. Winemaker Dave Carson says this is the best Chardonnay he has ever made! The Pinot Gris has a captivating nose filled with peaches, apricots and a fresh bread component. The palate showcases generous orchard and tropical fruit with well integrated sweet oak and a mouth-watering supple finish. Pinot 3 displays aromas of apple, melon and crisp citrus. Perfect with our British Columbia shellfish. Jimmy My Pal, named after Major Fraser's favorite dog Jimmy is a delicious blend, 50% Chardonnay and 50% Pinot Gris, and shows clean apple and citrus on the nose with a round, supple, mildly toasty palate. The SYL Brut is made traditionally through secondary fermentation in the bottle and offers drinkers fresh honeydew melon and orchard fruit bouquet.

Donated by: See Ya Later Ranch

Value: \$250

LOT 379

1998 SKILLOGALEE SHIRAZ (1 OF 3)

One 1.5 litre bottle

1998 was a fabulous year in Clare, and indeed in South Australia generally, for reds and whites. *Wine Spectator* gave this Shiraz 93 points, with the following description: "Rich, glassy-smooth and elegant, a plush mouthful of spicy berry, cherry and vague hints of mint, which linger effortlessly on the round, plump finish. A complete, harmonious wine that can only get deeper with cellaring. Drink now through 2015."

Donated by: Skillogalee

Value: \$150

LOT 380

2000 CHÂTEAU BEL-ORME MAGNUM (1 OF 3)

One 1.5 litre bottle

In terrific years such as 2000, Bel-Orme is known for producing wines that are dense ruby-purple, with an earthy bouquet of incense, sweet currants, cedar, leather, and spice box. This medium-bodied, ripe, dense 2000 should be consumed over the next decade. Enjoy with grilled lamb or roast beef au jus. 87 points – Robert Parker.

Donated by: Veyret-Latour

Value: \$125

LOT 374

2004 WITHER HILLS MARLBOROUGH CHARDONNAY (1 OF 4)

Three 1.5 litre bottles

This Marlborough Reserve Style Chardonnay balances intense spicy fruit aromas with a fresh integrated bouquet. The palate is elegant, with the richness of fruit enhanced by sweet melon flavours. Further harmonization is achieved through a combination of traditional barrel fermentation, lees stirring and extended oak maturation to produce a rich and complex wine. This Chardonnay will drink well on release, and with cellaring will generously reward the patience of serious wine lovers.

Donated by: Wither Hills

Value: \$250

LOT 375

LANSON BLACK LABEL BRUT CHAMPAGNE DUO (1 OF 3)

Two bottles, one 750 ml and one 1.5 litre

If there is one non-vintage Brut Champagne that is universally appreciated, it is surely Lanson Black Label Brut, a great classic that embodies the ideas and the character of a great House. "The Lanson Taste" expressed in the Black Label Brut is the result of a specifically formulated blend perpetuated year after year.

Donated by: Lanson

Value: \$160

LOT 376

LANSON BLACK LABEL BRUT CHAMPAGNE TRIAD (1 OF 2)

Three 750 ml bottles

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Donated by: Lanson

Value: \$150

LOT 377

LANSON BLACK LABEL BRUT CHAMPAGNE PAIR

Two 750 ml bottles

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Donated by: Lanson

Value: \$100

LOT 314

1998, 1999 WYNNS COONAWARRA ESTATE

Six 750 ml bottles, three 1998 Michael Shiraz, two 1999 John Riddoch and one 1998 John Riddoch

Wynns produces two flagship wines, John Riddoch Cabernet Sauvignon and Michael Shiraz. Both wines are produced in exceptional vintages only using the top 1% of available Coonawarra Cabernet and Shiraz grapes. The John Riddoch Cabernet Sauvignon is matured in French oak for up to 26 months and in its youth is intense, almost black in colour. Rich, ripe and complex, the bouquet is a voluptuous infusion of red berry, chocolate, mint, mushroom and cassis-like Cabernet aromas merging with lifted, spicy new oak. It is full-bodied with persistent and mouth-filling ripe berry flavour and excellent structure. This immensely powerful Cabernet requires long-term cellaring of 10-20 years to fully appreciate its complexity. Michael Shiraz is fermented and then matured in new American oak for up to 18 months. It is deep red in colour with strong mulberry, peppery Shiraz berry aromas enriched with coffee bean American oak character in the nose. The palate is rich and full-bodied with sweet ripe fruit contained within a firm, superbly balanced tannin structure that will grow in complexity with 10-15 years of bottle age.

Donated by: Wynns Coonawarra Estate

Value: \$600

LOT 315

DE BERTOLI SAUTERNES AND NOBLE ONE SEMILLON

Five 750 ml bottles, one each 1984 and 1986 Sauternes and one each of 1984, 1986 and 1991 Noble One, signed by winemaker Darren De Bortoli

Darren De Bortoli, freshly graduated from Roseworthy, developed Noble One during the 1980s with the 1982 Botrytis Semillon Sauternes being the first successful vintage. It created an immediate sensation in the wine world, winning a swag of trophies and medals both in Australia and overseas. Since 1990, when a bilateral trade agreement between European Economic Community countries and Australia resulted in the latter agreeing to phase out the use of geographic regions and expressions on wine labels, the wine has been designated Noble One and has become Australia's benchmark dessert wine. Noble One Botrytis Semillon is one of the world's most awarded wines accumulating over 320 gold medals and 98 trophies. The 1984 has soft, complex botrytis and stone fruit aromas with a touch of butterscotch leading into a lightly structured, sweet-honeyed palate with a creamy mouthfeel. The 1986 has complex citrus and mandarin aroma, with a slight nuttiness. Beautifully structured, the palate is light and lusciously sweet-viscous, complexed and filled out by oak with fresh citrus acidity preventing the sweetness from cloying the finish. Long and luscious and perfect to drink now. The 1991 Noble One Botrytis Semillon is very rare and none are available for retail.

Donated by: De Bortoli Wines

Value: \$500

LOT 316
1976 MOSELLAND RIESLING TRIO
Three 750 ml bottles

A selection of three of the finest matured Rieslings from the exceptional 1976 Riesling vintage in the Mosel region. This triple pack includes one bottle each of Piesporter Goldtröpfchen Riesling Auslese, Brauneberger Juffer Riesling Auslese, and Wehlener Sonnenuhr Riesling Auslese. These Auslese level wines come from some of the best sites of the Middle Mosel. All matured in perfect storage conditions at the Moselland winery, these three bottles are a perfect example of the magnificence of Riesling.

Donated by: Moselland **Value: \$675**

LOT 317
2004 WIRRA WIRRA VINEYARDS CHURCH BLOCK BLEND
Two 3 litre bottles

This is a stunning Cabernet Sauvignon, Shiraz, Merlot blend from this renowned McLaren Vale winery. Deep, dark, blackish-purple hues put you on notice of the intensity of the fruit in this wine. Intoxicatingly seductive aromas of rich luscious blackberry, classic blackcurrant and stewed plums emanate and are delivered with elegance. Fresh and uplifting purity of fruit ensues, with spiciness, a deep earthiness and cedar oak notes. Succulent, pure dark berry fruit with a strong backbone. Will support cellaring for 8-10 years plus.

Donated by: Wirra Wirra Vineyards **Value: \$500**

LOT 318
2003 MAJELLA CABERNET (1 OF 2)
Twelve 750 ml bottles

Robert Parker described Majella as probably "Coonawarra's best winery," and the winery has rapidly risen in the Australian wine industry to become the benchmark for Cabernet producers. The Majella Cabernets have won more than 50 gold medals over the last 9 years. The 2003 is no exception, having won five gold medals and the prestigious award for the best Cabernet at the Adelaide Wine Show. The wine has a zippy nose of mint and blackcurrant fruit. The palate is mid-weight with fresh ripe tannins. This wine will cellar well for at least 10 years.

Donated by: Majella Wines **Value: \$300**

LOT 371
1983 CHÂTEAU MARGAUX (1 OF 2)
One 750 ml bottle

First Growth Château Margaux is one of the most famous wines of Bordeaux. Typically rich and opulent in style over the past 25 years, the wines offer a deep, multi-dimensional bouquet with a fragrance of ripe black fruit and great complexity. Robert Parker calls the 1983 Margaux, "a breathtaking wine" and rates it 96 points. This is a rich, concentrated and atypically powerful and tannic Margaux. Showing dark colours, the aromas exude ripe cassis fruit, violets and oak, while the flavours are deep and long on the palate. A great wine, and the "Wine of the Vintage!"

Donated by: Bob Charlton & Claire-Marie Jadot **Value: \$1425**

LOT 372
2004 QUINTA DO VALE DONA MARIA DOURO RED
Three 1.5 litre bottles

Quinta do Crasto was awarded the "2002 Portuguese Winery of the Year" at the International Wine Challenge and is recognized internationally as the premium producer of table wines and dated Ports. It is one of the most spectacularly situated of all properties in the Douro Valley, and is officially classified as a one hundred percent "A" grade vineyard property. All the wines are still foot-trodden in traditional stone tanks and are bottled unfiltered. Quinta do Vale Dona Maria 2004 displays an open, pure, aromatic nose, showing sweet red and black fruits. The palate is concentrated with supple, sweet fruit. "Good definition here, a modern style but not overdone. Attractive, soft and forward." 92 points – Robert Parker.

Donated by: Quinta do Crasto **Value: \$300**

LOT 373
DELICATO FAMILY VINEYARDS DOUBLE MAGNUS
Two 3 litre bottles, one each of the 2005 Delicato Family Vineyards Shiraz and 2002 Irony Cabernet Sauvignon

A celebrated team of highly experienced winemakers has brought decades of expertise to bear on these remarkable grapes, to create Delicato wines of distinctive character, memorable quality and exceptional value. The 2005 Delicato Family Vineyards Shiraz has seductive raspberry aromas, earth and spice notes, and is richly textured. The lush flavours of plums and blueberries are balanced nicely with hints of toasty vanillin. The 2002 Irony Cabernet Sauvignon has aromas of ripe raspberries, black cherries and succulent blackberries.

Donated by: Delicato Family Vineyards **Value: \$700**

LOT 367
2002 REDBANK ESTATE THE ANVIL (1 OF 2)
Six 750 ml bottles

The 2002 Redbank The Anvil Shiraz is bright, lively, juicy and tremendously appealing for its pure blueberry, plum and licorice flavours, rolling happily atop zingy acidity. Well-modulated through the finish with well-structured tannins. Best from 2007 through 2014.

Donated by: Redbank Estate **Value: \$800**

LOT 368
2003 HATTENHEIMER NUSSBRUNNEN RIESLING TROCKENBEERENAUSLELE
One 375 ml bottle

Schloss Reinhartshausen in the Rheingau began making wine in the 13th century and today is considered one of the oldest wine estates in Germany. Only 53 (750mL equivalent) bottles were produced of the 2003 Hattenheimer Nussbrunnen Riesling TBA. This exceptional and unique signature dessert wine of Germany has high levels of sweetness, supported by a marvelous level of acidity. Look for intense and exotic fruits with a long and unforgettable finish. Cellar this wine for at least another decade – or longer.

Donated by: Schloss Reinhartshausen **Value: \$550**

LOT 369
2001 SANTA RITA CASA REAL CABERNET (1OF2)
Three 1.5 litre bottles

Casa Real Cabernet Sauvignon is made only in the finest vintages and the 2001 is very dense, with espresso, bittersweet dark chocolate, dark currant and tar flavours buttressed by thick, loamy tannins. Notes of tobacco and mineral flash on the finish, which is muscular but supported by ample acidity. Best from 2006 through 2011, this wine was awarded 92 points by *Wine Spectator*.

Donated by: Santa Rita **Value: \$300**

LOT 370
2003 HERMITAGE LA SIZERANNE (1 OF 3)
One 1.5 litre bottle

The Hermitage Monier de la Sizeranne 2003 matures in oak casks, of which one third are new, and is unfiltered and unrefined. Several rackings permit a slow and natural clarification process. This is an elegant wine with deep garnet-red and purple highlights, soft tannins, a long aftertaste of black currant and raspberry, and spicy when young.

Donated by: M. Chapoutier **Value: \$200**

LOT 319
2001 HOUSE OF MORANDÉ RED (1 OF 2)
One 3 litre bottle in wooden case

Pablo Morandé planted this vineyard in 1998 on the western side of the Pan-American Highway, and at the foot of the Chena hills. He chose two clones of Cabernet Sauvignon, one Chilean, the other French, and based this blend on a combination of the two. It is elegant and subtle at the first sip, then blueberry and cassis flavors emerge, supported and balanced by a crisp acidity. That elegance would seem to be the French side. The Chilean face appears later, as air transforms the tannins, fat as a sumo wrestler, into a smooth blend with sweet mint and cherry flavours. Approachable now with game or lamb stew, but those generous, expansive flavours also predict a long life ahead. 90 Points – *Wine Enthusiast*, 92 Points – *Wine & Spirits*.

Donated by: Vina Morande S.A. **Value: \$300**

LOT 320
2005 HOUSE OF MORANDÉ TERRARUM RESERVE
Twelve 750 ml bottles

From the El Ensueno, Casablanca Valley, this Pinot Noir is a shining wine; the colour of rubies and rosewood. In the nose it offers notes of dried rose petals, strawberry jam, black tea and spices, blended to a highly elegant perfume. In the mouth it is light, delicate, fresh, elegant and feminine, with fruity, seductive flavours. It has good persistence and a long, pleasantly refreshing finish. Should be drunk cool to enhance its elegance and flavours. Anthony Gismondi says, "House of Morandé Terrarum Reserve Pinot Noir is made using all Maipo fruit which explains its big spicy, cassis jam nose with sappy, cedar, cardamom, vanilla and mint aromas with just a whiff of iodine and saddle leather. It has a rich, round, supple style. Warm with chocolate, vanilla, spicy, smoky, cassis jam, black cherry, licorice and cedar flavours." *Wine Enthusiast* – 90 points.

Donated by: Vina Morande S.A. **Value: \$250**

LOT 321

2002 RODNEY STRONG MAGNUM FOURSOME

Four 1.5 litre bottles, one each of Rodney Strong Symmetry, Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon, Alden Vineyard Cabernet and Alexander's Crown Single Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon

The 2001 Symmetry greets you with an opulent bouquet of blackberries, ripe dark plums and sweet spices. The wine opens generously on the palate with layers of blackberry, cassis and plum framed with accents of dark chocolate and spice. The Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon is full-bodied and richly textured, displaying intense aromas and flavours of blackberry, cassis and black olive, with a smooth, lingering finish. Structured to be age-worthy, it is layered with the addition of Merlot, which not only adds complexity, it also serves to round out the mid-palate and soften the abundant ripe tannins just enough to make this a big wine to be enjoyed now, or cellar up to 10 years. Perched at over 1200 feet, the Alden Vineyard is a unique environment to grow wine. Winemaker Rick Syre's many years of winemaking experience in Sonoma County allowed him to quickly identify the potential greatness of this site. After the first vintage in 1981, grapes from the Alden Vineyard have ended up in several of Rodney Strong's best wines, including the Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon. Finally in 1996, Rick decided to honour the individual nature of this vineyard with a single vineyard bottling. The Alexander Crown Single Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon is medium-bodied, with refined dark berry and fresh earth flavours, accented by hints of mint and herb. This Bordeaux-styled Cabernet Sauvignon is a graceful expression of the varietal that can be enjoyed now or cellared for another five years.

Donated by: Rodney Strong Vineyards

Value: \$600

LOT 322

VASSE FELIX HEYTESBURY VERTICAL

Five 750 ml bottles, one each of 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002 and 2003

Located in the South Western Corner of Australia, Margaret River enjoys near perfect conditions for viticulture. Its "West Coast Mediterranean" climate is ideal for high quality wines. Heytesbury, the Vasse Felix Flagship wine, has outstanding flavour, fruit intensity and complexity – all the hallmarks befitting the pinnacle of this collection. The Heytesbury represents the best from each Vasse Felix vintage. Predominantly Cabernet, this meticulously crafted wine delivers a rich thick fruit weight and endless length to the palate. Having a linear but firm tannin structure will ensure the development and the long term cellaring capabilities. 1999 – 89+ Points, International Wine Cellar (USA), July/August 2001; 2000 – 90 Points, Robert M. Parker, August 2003; 2001 – 91 Points, *Wine Enthusiast* (USA), May 2005; 2002 – 5 Stars, *Winestate* (Aust & NZ), March/April 2006; 2003 – 92+ Points – Robert M. Parker, October 31, 2005.

Donated by: Vasse Felix

Mark Anthony Brands

Value: \$650

LOT 363

1970 CHÂTEAU MOUTON ROTHSCHILD

One 750 ml bottle

Château Mouton Rothschild produces some of the very best wines in Bordeaux and this is a magnificent classic vintage. The 1970 is rated at 96 points (*Wine Spectator*), and is mid-garnet colour, has a fragrant tar and black truffle nose, and is extremely concentrated. Big and mouth-filling, with very dense cassis flavour; enormous, generous fruit; a voluptuous classic claret.

Donated by: Robert & Carolyn Cross

Value: \$700

LOT 364

1990 LINDEMAN'S SESQUICENTENNIAL CABERNET SAUVIGNON

One 750 ml bottle in a hinged lid wooden case

This wine was bottled in honour of the 150th Anniversary of the founding of Lindemans by Dr. Henry J. Lindeman, a pioneer who planted Riesling, Verdelho, and Shiraz grapes in the Hunter Valley of New South Wales during 1843. Coonawarra produced "outstanding" wines in 1990; this commemorative wine was aged 24 months in 85% French oak. "Elegant berry fruit nose with a well-balanced Cabernet palate of excellent structure and length," wrote winemaker Greg Clayfield. This bottle was signed by James Halliday in Vancouver in 1999. Anticipated maturity 2005-2015.

Donated by: Lawrence Burr

Value: \$280

LOT 365

2003 BAROSSA VALLEY ESTATE E&E BLACK PEPPER SHIRAZ (1 OF 2)

One 1.5 litre bottle

The E&E Black Pepper Shiraz is the quintessential Barossa Shiraz – powerful and intense with rich fruit and firm tannins. This is a wine that will mature and develop in the bottle for well over a decade. The 2003 vintage of E&E Black Pepper Shiraz is luscious and vibrant, showing lots of cherries, plums, dark chocolate, spice, and pepper, and has a wonderfully soft finish.

Donated by: Barossa Valley Estate

Value: \$250

LOT 366

2003 BONTERRA CABERNET SAUVIGNON (1 OF 2)

One 3 litre bottles

Bonterra developed out of Fetzer when the parent winery focused on organic viticulture, and their vineyards are a wonder of thorough ecological planning, with both certified organic and biodynamic viticulture. The wine is fruity and complex in style, with black cherry, tobacco and oak aromas/flavours. It is medium full-bodied, concentrated, lightly oaky and a bit tannic on the finish. Quite drinkable now, the double magnum format will benefit from 2-5 years aging.

Donated by: Bonterra

Value: \$225

LOT 359
1985 BURMESTER VINTAGE PORT
One 750 ml bottle

Burmester is a small Port House, founded in the 18th century, that produces limited quantities of vintage Ports of good quality. The 1985 was from a classic vintage and, tasted recently, showed good balance, great fruit with a concentrated blackcurrant aroma. The wine is just beginning to mature and is ready to drink now, but will hold for another 10 at least.

Donated by: Brian Henry **Value: \$200**

LOT 360
1997 PINE RIDGE CABERNET SAUVIGNON (RUTHERFORD)
One 750 ml bottle

Founded in 1978 by Gary and Nancy Andrus, Pine Ridge Winery is located on Napa's Silverado Trail in the Stags Leap area, and enjoys excellent soils and sun exposure. The Rutherford Cuvee is 76% Cabernet Sauvignon, 11% Merlot, and Cabernet Franc, Petit Verdot, and Malbec – a true Bordeaux blend. Hand harvested, extracted for 14 days, and aged in French oak for 18 months, the wine has cassis, raspberry and smoky olive flavours, and the "Rutherford Dust" taste characteristic of the Rutherford Bench fruit used in its production.

Donated by: Sholto & Shirley Hebenton **Value: \$200**

LOT 361
1970 CHÂTEAU PALMER MARGAUX
One 750 ml bottle in wooden case

A very great Palmer with a splendidly deep, dark ruby-purple colour, this wine is just beginning to evolve and open. Intense berryish aromas, which are married brilliantly with vanillin oak, ascend profusely from the glass. Quite full-bodied and rich, yet amazingly youthful, this is a prodigious bottle of Château Palmer. Anticipated maturity: 1988-2005. 96 points.

Donated by: ML Milsom **Value: \$1000**

LOT 362
2005 CROWSNEST CHARDONNAY RESERVE
Twelve 750 ml bottles

Located near Cawston, in the Similkameen Valley, this winery has been owned since 1998 by the Heinecke family, and produces a range of wines under the Crowsnest and Barcello Canyon labels. The "Stahltank" or stainless steel tank Chardonnay wines are completely un-oaked, fresh, and with a delicious mouth-feel. The Reserve wines are from specially selected grape lots, and exhibit higher levels of structure and body.

Donated by: Crowsnest Vineyards **Value: \$300**

LOT 323
2002 FESS PARKER PINOT NOIRS
Two 3 litre bottles, one each of Ashley's Vineyard Pinot Noir and Bien Nacido Vineyard Pinot Noir

When Fess Parker was cast in the role of Davy Crockett in the mid-1950s, it caused an international sensation and changed his life forever. So too did the purchase of 714 acres in the Santa Ynez Valley change the course of the Parker family's history. Realizing the potential of Santa Barbara County as a premium grape-growing region, Fess and his son Eli originally set out in 1989 to plant a small vineyard and sell fruit to local producers. But, as Fess' daughter Ashley explains, "Fess is from Texas, so he can't do anything small." The Fess Parker Winery and Vineyard now farms almost 700 acres on four vineyards throughout Santa Barbara County. Both wines offered in this auction lot are 100% Pinot Noir. The 2002 Ashley's Vineyard has wonderful aromas of dark cherries, spice and hints of rose petals. This wine has a big mouthfeel on the palate with notes of strawberry, cherry and toast with a lengthy finish. Enjoy this masterpiece for the following decade. Bien Nacido Vineyard has become one of the best known vineyards in the Santa Maria appellation and Fess Parker has been sourcing Pinot Noir fruit from this world-renowned vineyard for more than 10 years. On the nose of the 2002 Bien Nacido, you will find spice, dark cherries, blueberry, boysenberry, mint, and rose petals rounded off by light smoky notes. Intense, rich, complex flavours of blueberry, boysenberry, spice and layered oak all point to a very promising future for this well-balanced Pinot Noir.

Donated by: Fess Parker **Value: \$800**

LOT 324
2004 TENUTE DELL ORNELLAIA LE VOLTE
One 1.5 litre bottle

Spicy, smoky, tobacco, eucalyptus, floral, meaty, black cherry nose with a hint of mushroom and leather. Dry, round, elegant and fresh with supple tannins. Cassis, cherry, coffee, minty, meaty, vanilla, licorice and tobacco flavours. Good elegance but slightly dry, rustic young tannins on the finish. Very solid food wine that will improve with a year of bottle age. 88 points (Gismondi 2006).

Donated by: Authentic Wine & Spirit Merchants **Value: \$100**

LOT 325

WILD GOOSE VINEYARDS MIXED CASE

Twelve 750 ml bottles, three each of 2004 God's Mountain Riesling, 2004 Mystic River Gewurztraminer, 2005 Wild Goose Gewurztraminer, and 2005 Mystic River Chardonnay

In 1983, Adolf Kruger purchased raw land at Okanagan Falls, and planted Riesling and Gewurztraminer grapes on 10 acres. His first crush, in 1990, resulted in instant success, and the winery has grown, adding five acres on Mystic River, and contracting other vineyards. The home vineyard was named after a flock of wild Canada geese that Adolf found when he took possession of the land. The soil is glacial silt plus clay, and has large heat-absorbing stones; the Mystic River vineyard is sandy clay, and is stoneless fine soil. These wines are all award-winners: Riesling – the Lieutenant-Governor's Award; 2004 Gewurztraminer – the *Wine Access* Magazine White Wine of the Year; 2005 Gewurztraminer won gold at the Okanagan Wine Festival; and the Chardonnay won gold at the BC Wine and Oyster Festival. Great BC wines – all ready to enjoy !

Donated by: Wild Goose Vineyard and Winery

Value: \$300

LOT 326

NUGAN ESTATE MCLAREN PARISH SHIRAZ

Twelve 750 ml bottles

The Nugan Estate McLaren Vale McLaren Parish Shiraz is dense, rich and complex – pure McLaren Vale. Aromas of sweet berry and violet melded with earth and aniseed. A rich and full-bodied wine displaying elegant tannins and powerful concentration of juicy dark plum with mixed spice and black pepper. This multiple award-winning wine was rated 87 points by *Wine Enthusiast* and was winner in the Best Shiraz and Australia's Best Red in the 2006 *Wine Access* International Value Wine Awards.

Donated by: Nugan Estate

Value: \$300

LOT 327

SAKÉONE G

Six 720 ml bottles

SakéOne was founded by a group of folks who simply loved saké and had a vision – to produce world-class saké in the United States. With water as one of saké's most critical ingredients, the east slope of Oregon's Coastal Mountains was identified as an ideal water source for its purity. And so Forest Grove, Oregon, became the home of SakéOne, producer of America's most honored sakés! G is for Genshu. In saké-speak, this means premium-grade and cask-strength, typically 18-21% alcohol by volume. G is 18%, but has so much character and body, the alcohol levels are thereby mellowed and balanced, leaving a smooth, clean beverage that is highly pleasurable to drink. The new G brand from Momokawa is a sophisticated Genshu, carefully crafted with deep flavours, complexity and inspiration from fine wine flavours. SakéOne's G has been called the finest saké made in America and in its first year received numerous medals for excellence. It is cask strength, full-bodied with layers of wonderful flavours from fruit to tropical spice.

Donated by: SakéOne

Value: \$600

LOT 356

1986 CHÂTEAU LAFITE ROTHSCHILD

One 750 ml bottle

A renowned Bordeaux First Growth, Château Lafite Rothschild has a long history. The name Lafite originated in 1234, but the land was not vineyard until Jacques de Segur planted in 1670. By the early 1700s, wine was being exported, and some Lafite was even sold by auction in London in 1707 as spoils of war seized by the Royal Navy. It later became known in France as "The King's Wine," and was popular at Versailles. While visiting the city of Bordeaux in 1787, Thomas Jefferson famously purchased Lafite. Interestingly, Châteaux Lafite and Latour were once a single property, but separated due to inheritance rules. The 1986 Château Lafite shows the classic Lafite bouquet with red and black fruits and cedar with delicate and soft flavours in an elegant yet muscular style, typical of the year. Delicious, ripe and silky; solid Lafite. Has medium to full body with fine tannins and a medium finish. Ready to drink now after decanting one hour ahead, the wine will evolve for 10-20 years in a cool cellar. *Wine Spectator* – 94 points.

Donated by: Friend of the Wine Festival

Value: \$1800

LOT 357

1992 CAYMUS CABERNET SAUVIGNON NAPA VALLEY

One 750 ml bottle

The 1992 Caymus Cabernet Sauvignon is a dense, saturated dark ruby colour, displaying dominant aromas of ripe black currants and black cherries with a subtler suggestion of brown sugar and bittersweet cocoa. The finish is long and rich, and the wine is ready to drink. *Wine Spectator* – 89 points.

Donated by: Darrell & Diedre Ert

Value: \$400

LOT 358

1982 CHÂTEAU CHASSE SPLEEN

One 750 ml bottle

An impressive Bordeaux property, although a Cru Bourgeois, Chasse Spleen has consistently made fine wine for the past 30-40 years and is certainly an under-rated chateau. The 1982 Chasse Spleen is a round, generously endowed wine from one of the best vintages of the 20th Century, and exhibits good depth, charm and complexity. Mature and ready to drink. Enjoy!

Donated by: Sid & Joan Cross

Value: \$220

LOT 353

LA FRENZ WINERY "RESERVE" VERTICAL

Six 750 ml bottles, three each of 2001 and 2002

La Frenz Winery is located on the Naramata Bench just north of Penticton. They produce a range of white and red wines all of which sell out shortly after release. Their 2001 "Reserve" is a Bordeaux blend of 69% Cabernet Sauvignon and 31% Merlot. It was sold in six bottle allotments and snapped up within a week of release to their mailing list. Currently drinking well, it will mature for several years more. One of the British Columbia "cult" wineries.

Donated by: David & Leslie Gold

Value: \$300

LOT 354

1983 CHÂTEAU CHASSE SPLEEN

Two 750 ml bottles

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Donated by: Stuart Tobe

Value: \$275

LOT 355

1960 REAL AND 1966 SANDEMAN VINTAGE PORTS

Two 750 ml bottles, one each of 1960 Quinta Do Sibio and 1966 Sandeman

1960 was a very good vintage that produced elegant and sweet wines, declared by all major Port houses. The 1960 Quinta do Sibio is fully mature, ready to drink, but will last for decades. 1966 was an outstanding vintage of exceptional quality, although often unjustly overshadowed by the 1963. The 1966 Sandeman is now recognized as being one of the very best post-war vintage Ports. This wine is mature and ready to drink, but will also keep for decades.

Donated by: Friend of the Wine Festival

Value: \$650

LOT 328

2003 GÉRARD BERTRAND LA VIALA (1 OF 2)

Six 750 ml bottles

An extracted, exotic style, with sandalwood and olive aromas and layers of gorgeous red and black fruit flavours. Supple tannins are laced with licorice, smoke and bacon fat notes. Finishes with dark chocolate. The Martha's Vineyard of the Minervois, Carignane, Grenache and Syrah. Best from 2006 through 2010. Only 800 cases made. 93 points – *Wine Spectator*.

Donated by: Gérard Bertrand

Value: \$350

LOT 329

2003 THORNE-CLARKE WINES SHOTFIRE SHIRAZ

One 6 litre bottle

The colour is a very deep purple-crimson. The aromas are all about dark dried fruit – raisins, cherries and plums/prunes, with a beefy background note, plus vanilla oak, rustic blueberry, and some eucalyptus. The mouthfeel reflects the young tannins and the astringency of grape skins, but eventually gives up the structure to play out the fruit. The finish is young and long, begging another sip.

Donated by: Thorne-Clarke Wines

Value: \$800

LOT 330

2004 QUINTA DO CRASTO DOURO RESERVA

Three 1.5 litre bottles, plus lunch and tasting for 4 at the winery (No underage children allowed)

Just about everything that has come out of this Quinta (winery) over the past few years has been outstanding, including the vintage Ports. If you're not familiar with the sexy, red wines from the Duoro region of Portugal, it's high time you experienced them. The Quinta do Crasto is family-owned and quickly earning a reputation for excellence in a region that seems to be gaining ground daily for both its premium and table wines. Full-bodied and rich with ripe fruit, tobacco, earth, spices, and toasty oak, this is definitely a wine worth sampling.

Donated by: Quinta do Vale Dona Maria

Value: \$400

LOT 331

MOËT & CHANDON BRUT IMPÉRIAL NV (1 OF 2)

One 3 litre bottle

A terrific non-vintage Moët & Chandon Brut Impérial, it's the #1 Champagne in the world. Contrary to regular bottles and other large-format Champagne, with this Moët Jeroboam, the second fermentation takes place in the same bottle (no more transfer). The result is most impressive in terms of tasting.

Donated by: Moët & Chandon

Value: \$400

LOT 332

ST HALLETT OLD BLOCK SHIRAZ VERTICAL

Six 750 ml bottles, one each of 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, and 2003 in wooden case. Signed by Senior Winemaker, Stuart Blackwell

An acknowledged icon of the Barossa, St Hallett Old Block Shiraz is an elegant and seamless Shiraz widely recognized as world class. Derived purely from low cropping old vines of 60 to over 100 years of age, Old Block Shiraz is by its very nature, exclusive.

Donated by: St. Hallett

Value: \$700

LOT 333

2004 CLARENCE HILL CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Twelve 750 ml bottles

This wine from McLaren Vale is 95% Cabernet Sauvignon with 5% Merlot. Showing medium red with some purple tinges with ripe plummy fruit complexed with subtle oak notes on the nose. The palate is of medium to full weight with a soft tannin finish. Drink now or cellar for five years.

Donated by: Clarence Hill

Value: \$300

LOT 334

2005 CLARENCE HILL RIESLING

Twelve 750 ml bottles

This 100% Riesling from Clarence Hill is pale to medium straw in colour and has fresh, floral Riesling notes with citrus bloom on the nose. The palate has fresh fruit flavours and a touch of citrus with balanced acidity, finishing crisp and clean.

Donated by: Clarence Hill

Value: \$300

LOT 335

2003 FEUDI DI SAN GREGORIO PATRIMO MERLOT

Six 750 ml bottles

The 2003 Patrimo Merlot has a superb intense nose of plum, vanilla and coffee, exploding with pure, elegant, wild berry fruitiness. The palate is deep and powerfully structured and yet supremely elegant, soft, perfectly balanced and rich in ripe, smooth tannins. It is incredibly long with notes of chocolate, tobacco, and spice on the finish that meld into the oak vanilla in great harmony. 100% Merlot, this wine displays spectacular richness and depth.

Donated by: Feudi di San Gregorio

Value: \$1200

LOT 349

1978 CHÂTEAU PALMER

One 750 ml bottle

A very successful vintage for Château Palmer. This mature, classy (and classic) claret is drinking very nicely now and shows rich velvety texture with soft tannins and wonderful fruit. Produced by the legendary Peter Sichel, this bottle has been immaculately cellared since release.

Donated by: Kenneth & Barbara Cross

Value: \$375

LOT 350

1996 CHÂTEAU BEAUCASTEL

One 750 ml bottle

Château de Beaucastel is one of the most highly regarded producers of Châteauneuf-du-Pape. *Wine Spectator* gave this wine 85 points and said, "Elegant and understated, a deep colour, but yet fresh and fruity, with smooth tannins, this delivers nice cassis, blackberry and cherry notes. Good acidity leads to a mouthpuckering, racy finish." From one of the finest properties in Châteauneuf-du-Pape, this wine is ready to drink now.

Donated by: Ralph & Dorothy Hutchinson

Value: \$100

LOT 351

1991 ROBERT MONDAVI CABERNET SAUVIGNON RESERVE

One 750 ml bottle

At the end of the last century, Robert Parker rated the 1991 vintage of California Cabernet as the best in the past 30 years (maybe ever). Mondavi's Cabernet Sauvignon Reserve is a wonderful example of the vintage and a tribute to the Mondavi's wine making of that era. Parker describes it as, "A rich, full-bodied wine with plenty of toasty oak and cassis in the bouquet. Expansive, chewy, moderately tannic flavours with superb definition and purity. Loaded with sweet cassis fruit." Drinking well now, and for the next 5-10 years, it should be fabulous.

Donated by: Merv Isert

Value: \$325

LOT 352

1991 STELTZNER MERLOT

Three 750 ml bottles

Estate bottled Merlot from pioneer Napa Valley fine wine grower Dick Steltzner, with grapes sourced from their Stags Leap District vineyard in Napa Valley. Generous aromas of plum and currant, with firm tannins for longevity. Fully drinkable now.

Donated by: A. Wensley

Value: \$185

LOT 346
1970 CHÂTEAU DUCRU-BEAUCAILLOU
One 750 ml bottle

Robert Parker rated this wine at 92 points in 1996. "This wine has been fully mature and delicious for many years, so I was not surprised by how stunning this bottle was. It has always been an outstanding wine for the vintage – complex, rich, savory, and the quintessentially elegant Bordeaux. This beauty continues to reveal the fragrance and finesse that one expects from a Lafite-Rothschild wine, but so rarely finds. A fragrant, complex bouquet of cedar, herbs, vanillin, fruitcake, and coffee is followed by a soft, gentle, graciously-constructed wine with sweet layers of fruit."

Donated by: John Richards **Value: \$550**

LOT 347
1986 CHÂTEAU GRUAUD LAROSE
One 750 ml bottle

This Second Growth St. Julien was rated 89 points by Robert Parker and judged one of the excellent wines of 1986. Although this property is a fairly large producer, its wines are of a consistently high quality. The 1986, now 20 years old, has evolved to be a great mature St. Julien, showing garnet hues, a medium to full body and a lingering finish. Tight, flat, closed nose, with a cedary, tobacco nuance. The fruit is suppressed, but roundness emerges, with a hint of cassis. Will last until 2025 at least. Should be decanted for 45 minutes prior to serving.

Donated by: Friend of the Festival **Value: \$425**

LOT 348
1995 FALESCO MONTIANO
Eight 750 ml bottles

"This 1995 Falesco Montiano, a profoundly rich red wine, is a knockout. It is a stunningly proportioned wine of exceptional purity and richness." Robert Parker – 95 points. Its colour is a wonderful deep ruby-red, has aromatic scents in which delicious vanilla notes, small red fruit, layers of jam and sweet spice combine. The taste appears to have a full aristocratic roundness and softness with quite elegant, agreeable and lingering flavours. Stunning Merlot from the Cotarella brothers, in Latium, Italy.

Donated by: Friend of the Festival **Value: \$1700**

LOT 336
2001 MARQUES DE CASA CONCHA CABERNET SAUVIGNON (1 OF 2)
Two 5 litre bottles signed by winemaker Marcelo Papa

The Puente Alto Vineyard of the Maipo Valley is alluvial, stony, poor in nutrients and highly permeable due to the gravel sub-soil. It produces plants of frugal growth, which bear clusters of small, concentrated ripe grapes. Bright, deep red, with unctuous cherry, chocolate and smoky presence, these bottles are signed by Winemaker Marcelo Papa. This wine received 91 points from *Wine and Spirits* and was among the 50 Best Buys of the World in *Decanter*, July 2004. These big bottles should probably be aged for a few years more, for optimum evolution.

Donated by: Concha y Toro **Value: \$475**

LOT 337
1989 WARRE'S QUINTA DA CAVADINHA
Twelve 750 ml bottles

Quinta da Cavadinha is a very fine 44-hectare property producing on average 172 pipes of Port each year. It is situated in the heart of the Pinhão valley in the Alto Douro. The Quinta faces south-east and has an ideal geographic location. Dark ruby in colour, this wine has a characteristic Warre flowery nose, and intense aromas of fruit and gum cistus. On the palate, it bursts with a rich complexity of fruit finely balanced by tannins, and a long finish. Can be drunk now, but this wine's body and structure will continue to improve for many years to come.

Donated by: Warre's Port-Symington Family Estate **Value: \$720**

LOT 338
1998 VIDAL ICEWINE IN ICE SCULPTURE BOTTLE
One 375 ml bottle

Canadian artist, Brad Copping designed and created the "1999 Ice Sculpture," and only one hundred of these unique bottles containing the 1998 Vidal Icewine were produced. The elegantly-shaped bottle uses some of the earliest known glass forms, Egyptian amphora, as a starting point, but relies on the frosty patterning carved into the surface of the glass to create the ice-like effect. The carving is done using a rotating diamond blade, and is followed by sand and acid etching to finish each numbered bottle. This will make a beautiful addition to any collector's cellar.

Donated by: Inniskillin Okanagan Estate **Value: \$500**

LOT 339

SUMAC RIDGE ESTATE STELLER'S JAY VERTICAL

Eight 750 ml bottles, one each of 1992 through to 1999 in wooden case plus 4 Champagne flutes

Sumac Ridge is the oldest operating estate winery in British Columbia and founder Harry McWatters is one of the most seasoned executives in the industry. In 2006, McWatters completed his 38th vintage and celebrated the winery's 27th vintage. Sumac Ridge began a sparkling wine research program in 1985 and released its first commercial sparkling wine in 1989, making it the first premium producer of sparkling wines in BC. The research program tested a wide range of grape varieties and yeasts to determine the most suitable. The goal was to create an ultra-premium sparkling wine that was fermented and aged in the bottle in the traditional method of France. The final wine was developed using a blend of Chardonnay, Pinot Noir and Pinot Blanc and was named Steller's Jay after British Columbia's official bird. The wine was released in 1989 and has become the largest selling premium sparkling wine made in Canada.

Donated by: Sumac Ridge Estate Winery

Value: \$650

LOT 340

1998 SKILLOGALEE SHIRAZ

Three 1.5 litre bottles in wooden cases

1998 was a fabulous year in Clare, and indeed in South Australia generally, for reds and whites. *Wine Spectator* gave this Shiraz 93 points, with the following description: "Rich, glassy-smooth and elegant, a plush mouthful of spicy berry, cherry and vague hints of mint, which linger effortlessly on the round, plump finish. A complete, harmonious wine that can only get deeper with cellaring. Drink now through 2015."

Donated by: Skillogalee

Value: \$450

LOT 341

2005 PISANO ETXE ONEKO (1 OF 2)

Six 500 ml bottles

This winery from Uruguay is located in Progreso, about 40 minutes outside Montevideo. With some 70 acres of vineyards located about 15 miles north of Montevideo, the Pisano family makes a broad range of wines. The Etxe Oneko Tannat fortified sweet red wine combines ancient and traditional vinification techniques used for Port, Recioto and Amarone. This wine is intense black-purple in colour with a complex and concentrated tannic aroma, resembling wild fruits from the forest, blackberries, black pepper, smokey chocolate, very ripe dark plum and spiced wood. It has the taste and robust texture of the best fortified sweet reds, married to the smoky, plummy flavours characteristic of the Tannat variety. The finish is long and generous with very present but ripe tannins.

Donated by: Pisano

Value: \$300

LOT 342

1977 GRAHAM'S VINTAGE PORT

One 1.5 litre bottle

A magnum of such an old vintage is a rare treat that can't be missed. "Splendidly full colour. Very fine nose. Lovely fruit. Very composed. Multi-dimensional. Very classy. Quite firm still and very vigorous. This is very, very lovely. Still youthful. Fullish body. Real harmony and very intensely flavoured. Splendid grip and concentration. Brilliant!" Clive Coates, *The Vine*, July 2002 – score 19.5 out of 20. This wine has now reached its full maturity and is ready for drinking. As it ages further, it will begin to gently develop into a more tawny-style wine. Still showing plenty of youth.

Donated by: Symington Family Vineyards

Value: \$600

LOT 343

1977 CHÂTEAU ST. JEAN CABERNET SAUVIGNON TRIO

Three 750 ml bottles, one each of Wildwood Vineyard, Jack London Vineyard and Laurel Glenn Vineyard

Enjoy a glass of California winemaking history! Château St. Jean's Cabernet Sauvignons have proven themselves to be among the longest lasting wines in California. 1977 was the second year of a two-year drought in California, producing a small crop of rich, dark, concentrated wines. These three vineyard-designated wines from Sonoma County are classics from the '70s and can be enjoyed anytime over the next few years.

Donated by: A. Givton

Value: \$400

LOT 344

1985 ANTINORI TIGNANELLO

One 750 ml bottle

One of the most admired and imitated red wines of Italy, Tignanello marries Sangiovese and Cabernet Sauvignon grapes with Bordeaux-style winemaking techniques. Full-bodied and aromatic with notes of vanilla, chocolate and herbs, this smoothly balanced wine is a perfect accompaniment with food, particularly lamb dishes. This "Super-Tuscan" wine has been impeccably stored is mature and is ready to drink. Enjoy!

Donated by: A. Givton

Value: \$450

LOT 345

1975 CHÂTEAU MALESCOT ST. EXUPERY (MARGAUX)

One 1.5 litre bottle

This Margaux commune property of 58 acres is well situated with some of its vineyards adjacent to those of Château Margaux. Malescot has enjoyed a favourable reputation for long-lived, traditionally made, firmly-styled wines. In 1975, Bordeaux produced a very large crop, however the wines generally display considerable tannins. A designated Third Growth Bordeaux, this vintage has taken 20+ years to mature, and yielded a wine that is dark, but fruitful, and is now drinking very well. Carefully stored since release.

Donated by: A. Givton

Value: \$300