



Fine Wines by Liquor Select

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First off, I want to thank all the folks that made it out to our Spring Fling – we had a blast and hope you did too. We will definitely do that again next year. It has been a while since our last newsletter so there are a lot of new things to tell you about. Along with the release of the 2006 Bordeaux and a ton of new beers in the cooler, there are also many new tasty, yet reasonably priced, wines as well. To pass the time while waiting out the dodgy weather that we have been getting so far this summer, we have been having a good time searching out wines that over-deliver, offering superior bang-for-the-buck drinking pleasure. We have found some real treats and they are on the shelf now. As mentioned above, the '06 Bordeaux have arrived. Of course we have the 1st growths, but my predecessor wisely focused on obtaining the Chateaux that combine quality, ageability *and* affordability, with most of them available for between \$50-100 per bottle. There are some excellent cellar candidates among them, with good structure and solid fruit. Summer is a slow time for events, but watch for the emails for our September Beer Fest and our next installment of the popular Staff-Ed Nights

BORDEAUX 2006 RELEASE

Although undoubtedly overshadowed by the blockbuster (and very expensive) 2005 vintage, the potentially difficult 2006 vintage demonstrates the wonderful wines that the advances in technique and technology over the last decade now allow the Bordelais to make despite difficult conditions. Originally dismissed as inferior, 2006 is turning out to be a bit of a sleeper, with many producers making outstanding, even prodigious, wines, often at a substantial saving over 2005 prices.

CHATEAU LATOUR 2006 \$999.99

ROBERT PARKER 95 PTS *“The 2006 Latour performed even better from bottle than from barrel. Only 38% of the production (10,000 cases) made it into the grand vin, a blend of 86% Cabernet Sauvignon and the rest primarily Merlot and a small amount of Cabernet Franc. This is a beautifully rich Chateau Latour boasting a dense ruby/purple color, a sweet, smoky, charcoal, cassis, graphite, and forest floor-scented nose, full body, an attractive freshness, and sweet, noble tannins. This layered Latour is one of the vintage's top dozen or so wines.”*

WINE SPECTATOR 95 PTS *“Offers a pure nose of currant and blackberry, with crushed fruit. Full-bodied, with a solid core of fruit and very polished, refined tannins. Long and classy”*



CHATEAU LAFITE ROTHSCHILD 2006 \$899.99

ROBERT PARKER 97 PTS *“One of the fabulous surprises, although I had suggested last year that it could jump in quality, of my tastings, the 2006 Lafite Rothschild is a great, great wine... boasting an extraordinary perfume of charcoal, truffles, lead pencil shavings, and sensationally sweet, ripe black currant and cedar notes. A wine of extraordinary intensity, texture, and depth with silky tannins as well as awesome concentration, this has turned out to be a remarkable Lafite Rothschild that should be drinkable much earlier than the 2005, but age for three decades.”*

WINE SPECTATOR 95 PTS *“Plum, sweet tobacco and blackberry aromas follow through to a full body, offering a tight, chewy palate, yet with polished, refined tannins. Very long and caressing. This turns to a muscular and toned young wine. Gets better and better with age”*



CHATEAU HAUT BRION 2006 \$929.99

ROBERT PARKER 96 PTS *"The 2006 Haut-Brion performed even better from bottle than it did from barrel. Sixty-four percent of the production went into this wine, and while it displays the vintage's powerful tannins and structure, it possesses superb concentration, and the minerality/scorched earth notes of a great Haut-Brion.. It is a brilliant effort displaying sensational purity, texture, and length that should be exceptionally long-lived."*

WINE SPECTATOR 94 PTS *"Offers subtle and complex aromas, with violet, cedar and blackberry. Full-bodied, with ultrafine tannins and a very long finish. Tight and curled up in a ball."*



CHATEAU MARGAUX 2006 \$899.99

ROBERT PARKER 94 PTS *"It is worth noting that when the bottled 2006 Chateau Margaux, which appeared closed and less impressive than I had predicted from barrel, was retasted alongside the remarkable 2008, I elevated my score to 94.... the 2006 exhibits impressive density, a deeper color, and the beautifully textured, pure style that is a hallmark of this estate. Moreover, it is relatively precocious, and can be drunk now or cellared for 25+ years."*

WINE SPECTATOR 95 PTS *"This has a wonderful nose of perfume, sandalwood, ripe plum and berries. Full-bodied, with seamless tannins and a long finish. Gorgeous."*

CHATEAU LAFLEUR 2006 \$1059.99 RP 95
COS D'ESTOURNEL 2006 \$239.99 WS 93
CHATEAU HOSANNA 2006 \$159.99 RP 94
CHATEAU SMITH HAUT LAFITE WHITE 2006 \$122.99
RP 93
CLOS FOURTET 2006 \$109.99 WS 90
CALON SEGUR 2006 \$109.39 WS 92
CHATEAU GAZIN 2006 \$105.99 WS 93
CHATEAU LARCIS DUCASSE 2006 \$104.99
WS 90
CHATEAU LATOUR A POMEROL 2006 \$104.99
WS 90
CHATEAU GRUARD LAROSE 2006 \$99.99
WS 90
CHATEAU DUHART-MILON 2006 \$85.99
RP 92
CHATEAU TALBOT 2006 \$84.99 WS 91
CHATEAU SOCIANDO MALLET 2006 \$83.99
RP 90
CHATEAU DURFORT-VIVENS 2006 \$69.99

CHATEAU LA SERRE 2006 \$69.99 WS 87
CHATEAU BOURGNEUF 2006 \$69.99 WS 89
CHATEAU PHELAN SEGUR 2006 \$69.99
RP 88
CHATEAU LA GRAVE A POMEROL 2006 \$69.99
WS 88
CHATEAU HAUT BAGES LIBERAL 2006 \$67.99
WS 92
CHATEAU ORMES DE PEZ 2006 \$64.99
CHATEAU FERRIERE 2006 \$63.99
CHATEAU COS LABORY 2006 \$63.99
L'HOSPITALET DE GAZIN 2006 \$60.99
CHATEAU LAROZE 2006 \$59.99
CHATEAU CHASSE SPLEEN 2006 \$59.99
CHATEAU BOUSCAUT 2006 \$51.99 WS 91
CHATEAU MAUCAILLOU 2006 \$48.99
CHATEAU D'AGASSAC 2006 \$44.99
CHATEAU PUY BLANQUET \$39.99
SARGET DE GRUARD LAROSE 2006 \$39.99

Still Searching for the Big "O"?

No, not that Big "O" - I'm talking about "Organic"! As our selection of organic wines keeps expanding, it has outgrown our display at the front of the shop. The display is still there, but you can also find organic wines throughout the store - just look for the green ladubua on the price tags.



Formed by expert winemaker Stephen Black, formerly of Barossa Valley Estate Winery (as in E & E Black Pepper Shiraz) and partners Robert Bader and Darren Zimmerman, Barossa's Small Gully Winery produces wines that compete with \$40 bottles but sell for barely half that. Stephen has a zealot's commitment to quality and getting the absolute maximum out the fruit, resulting in wines of extraordinary concentration and complexity. These are mind-blowing, teeth-staining reds that give great pleasure. To us at Fine Wines by Liquor Select, Small Gully is a prime example of a winery that over-delivers; offering premium quality, small batch, hand-crafted wines at a great price. Get them while they last!

FORMULA "ROBERTS" SHIRAZ 2005 \$21.99

WINE SPECTATOR 89 "Ripe and focused, offering a polished mouthful of tar- and licorice-accented blackberry flavors that persist impressively on the finish."

FORMULA CABERNET/SHIRAZ \$21.99

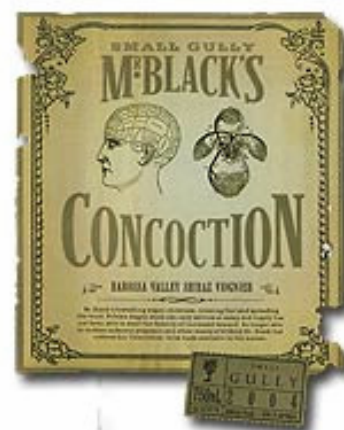
WINE SPECTATOR 88 "Crisp, with earthy, savory flavors competing with the pretty red berry and spice, lingering on the fine-grained finish. Drink now through 2012. 1,200 cases made"

MR BLACKS CONCOCTION GSM 2005 \$25.99

WINE SPECTATOR 90 "This offers lots of dark, brooding cherry and licorice flavors at the core, ladling bits of tar and pepper on the long, generous finish. Grenache, Shiraz and Mourvèdre. Drink now through 2013. 800 cases made"

MR BLACKS CONCOCTION SHIRAZ VIOGNIER 2005 \$25.49

WINE SPECTATOR 90 "Smooth and round, with distinctly spicy aromas and flavors that permeate the plum, pomegranate and currant fruit, lingering nicely on the plush-textured finish. Drink now through 2015. 800 cases made"



NEW ON THE SHELF

Over the last few months, we have been hunting high and low for wines that "over-deliver"; \$20 bottles that taste like \$30; \$30 bottles that taste like \$45. We found what we always new to be true, that being frugal doesn't have to mean giving up great wine and having to drink multi-million case production industrial "product" with a cute animal on the label. Producers like Small Gully of Australia (who make as little as 800 cases of some of their wines), Feudo Maccari of Sicily (94 points for \$68) Chono from Chile, and Anglim and Lotus of California deliver delicious wines at great prices, making them well worth a try. The Offley 30yr Tawny Port at \$104.99 is a tremendous bargain, offering a complex, rich and smooth Tawny for 2/3 the price of the bigger port houses. Have a browse through our new listings and find your own new favourite!

SANTA DUC 4 TERRES COTES DU RHONE 2006 (FRANCE) \$24.49
BROCARD CHABLIS 1ER CRU "VAUCAUPIN" 2006 (FRANCE) \$34.49
CAMPLOZENS SYRAH 2007 (FRANCE) \$20.49
CHATEAU CAMPLAZENS RESERVE SYRAH 2006 (FRANCE) \$28.99
CH L'OISELINIERE MUSCADET 2007 (FRANCE) \$22.49

DOMAINE SCHLUMBERGER GEWURZTRAMINER "LES PRINCES ABBES" 2005 (FRANCE) \$39.99
DOMAINE SCHLUMBERGER RIESLING "LES PRINCES ABBES" 2005 (FRANCE) \$29.99
PAUL ZINCK CREMANT NV (FRANCE) \$22.99
KLINGENFUS PINOT NOIR UNOAKED 2006 (FRANCE) \$23.99
OFFLEY WHITE PORT (PORTUGAL) \$20.49
OFFLEY 30YR OLD TAWNY (PORTUGAL) \$104.99

PANCAS TOURIGA RESERVE 2005 (PORTUGAL) \$35.49
PANCAS CABERNET RESERVE 2005 (PORTUGAL)\$35.49
FOUR GRACES PINOT BLANC 2006 (USA) \$29.99
FOUR GRACES PINOT GRIS 2006 (USA) \$29.99
LOTUS CABERNET RESERVE 2006 (USA) \$23.99
LOTUS CHARDONNAY RESERVE 2006 (USA) \$23.99
DOMAINE CHANDON BLANC DE NOIR NV (USA) \$32.49
FEUDO MACCARI MAHARIS 2006 (ITALY) \$68.99 (WS 94 PTS)
CORTE SANT ALDA VALPOLICELLA 2007 (ITALY) \$29.99
MASI AMARONE 375ML 2005 (ITALY)\$23.49
MASI CAMPOFIORIN 375ML 2005 (ITALY) \$12.49
DI MARCO SALICE SALENTINO 2006 (ITALY) \$24.99
VILLA LA SELVA "SELVAMAGGIO" CABERNET 2003 (ITALY) \$30.99
TERRUNYO CABERNET 2005 (CHILE) \$34.99
CHONO CABERNET 2006 (CHILE) \$19.49
CHONO SAN LORENZO 2005 (CHILE)\$25.99
CHONO SYRAH 2006 (CHILE) \$18.49
TORRES PERPETUAL PRIORAT 2005 (SPAIN) \$56.99
JIP JIP ROCKS CHARDONNAY 2008 (AUSTRALIA) \$21.49
SOUL GROWERS SGM 2006 (AUSTRALIA) \$42.49
PILLAR BOX RESERVE 2006 (AUSTRALIA) \$27.99
ALTOS MALBEC 2008 (ARGENTINA) \$17.99
ALTOS RESERVE MALBEC 2006 (ARGENTINA) \$36.99

ANDELUNA MALBEC 2007 (ARGENTINA) \$19.99
TERRAZAS RESERVE MALBEC 2007 (ARGENTINA)\$22.99
TERRUNYO CARMENERE 2005 (CHILE) \$34.99
BARRANTICA 2006 (ARGENTINA)\$24.99
TRILOGIA 2006 (SPAIN) \$26.99
VENTE LA OSSA 2005 (SPAIN) \$25.99
BURGANS ALBARINO 2007 (SPAIN) \$23.49
BIOLOGIA 2005 (SPAIN) \$20.99
LAUGHING STOCK "PORTFOLIO" 2006 (BC) \$58.99
SELBACH RIESLING "S" 2007 (GERMANY) \$16.99
GRIFO DI ROCCA "MUSTILLA" AGLIANICO 2007 (ITALY) \$30.99
BASTIANICH SAUVIGNON BLANC 2008 (ITALY) \$24.99
LA SPINETTA NEBBIOLO 2006 (ITALY) \$37.49
CAMPAGNOLA PINOT GRIGIO 2007 (ITALY) \$17.99
RUTHERGLEN PETITE SIRAH 2006 (AUSTRALIA) \$28.99
WINNERS TANK SHIRAZ 2006 (AUSTRALIA) \$19.99

LOVE SCOTCH?
 Would you like to try before you buy?
 Every Sunday we offer a selection of
 Scotches available for you to taste
 between 2-5pm, The whiskies are from
 our vast Scotch section and will
 change every week.

FOR THE BEER AFICIONADO

Pumphouse Cadian Ale 6pk bottles \$14.99
Tree Brewing Multi pak 6pk bottles \$14.99
Tree Brewing Heffeweizen 6pk bottles \$14.99
Westmalle Trappist Tripel 330ml bottle \$5.99
Hardys Ale 250ml bottle \$6.99
Kulmbacher Mild 500ml bottle \$3.49
Marston Oyster Stout 500ml bottle \$5.49
Black Sheep Riggwelter 500 ml bottle \$5.49
Royal Oak Traditional Bitter 500ml bottle \$5.49
O'Hanlons Yellowhammer 500 ml bottle \$5.49
Traquair "Jacobite" Ale 330ml bottle \$6.19
Ekstra Lithuanian Beer 500ml bottle \$4.29

Alba Pine Ale 330ml bottle \$4.59
Wellington Arkell Best Bitter 6pk bottle \$15.49
Stiegl 500ml can \$3.49
Quidi Vidi 1892 Traditional Ale 6pk bottles \$15.49
Quidi Vidi Honey Brown 6pk bottles \$15.49
Tullibardine 1488 Traditional Ale 500ml bottle \$7.99
Wychwood Fiddlers Elbow Bitter 500ml bottle \$5.79
Duchy's Original Organic Ale 500ml bottle \$5.49 (from Prince Charles' Estate)

Store Hours
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