

T*hrough our passion
for wine...*

we are constantly searching
to bring our guests
highly-rated wines
at the best value.
From the well-known
to the eclectic,
all of our wines are thoughtfully chosen
to compliment your meal.
Don't be afraid to ask questions
or try something new.

Ric Rutherford
Proprietor & Wine Director

RIO STATION

\$25 & Under

Not Red

	<i>Bottle</i>
Pascual Toso Brut Sparkling Wine Mendoza, Argentina NV <i>We poured this at our wedding & everyone swore it was expensive.</i>	20.
Castello del Poggio Moscato Asti, Italy NV <i>Tastes like a sweet & bubbly mountain brook. Very fun.</i>	20.
Albariño Burgans Rias Baixas, Spain 2007 <i>Gold-colored with minerals, spring flowers & lemon peel.</i>	25.
Sauvignon Blanc Kono Marlborough, New Zealand 2009 <i>Light & silky with refreshing pineapple & green apple flavors. Elegant & delicious.</i>	24.
Sauvignon Blanc Chateau St. Michelle Horse Heaven Hills, WA 2009 <i>Ripe pear & honeysuckle aromas. Bright & vibrant with a beautiful finish.</i>	25.
Pinot Grigio Il Conte Molise, Italy 2010 <i>Clean & dry. Over delivers for the price.</i>	20.
Viña Sol Torres Catalunya, Spain 2009 <i>A delicate, floral & tangy white</i>	20.
Chardonnay Beringer Stone Cellars Napa, CA 2009 <i>Light-bodied with citrus & tropical fruits. Clean finish.</i>	18.
Chardonnay Kendall Jackson Vintner's Reserve Coastal, CA 2009 <i>Smooth & creamy with pineapple, mango & papaya.</i>	25.

Red

	<i>Bottle</i>
Merlot Souverain Alexander Valley, Sonoma, CA 2006 <i>Sleek & well-structured with appealing black cherry, toasty sage & espresso flavors.</i>	25.
Zinfandel Bogle "Old Vine" Gratin, CA 2008 <i>Rich black raspberry notes like fruit jam. Toasty oak & spicy finish.</i>	24.
Zinfandel 7 Deadly Zins "Old Vine" Lodi, CA 2007 <i>Rich black raspberry notes like fruit jam. Toasty oak & spicy finish.</i>	25.
Meritage Raymond R Collection Lot #7 St. Helena, CA 2008 <i>Beautiful aroma & rich mouth feel on this seven grape red blend. Low acidity & smooth finish.</i>	25.
Cabernet Sauvignon Beringer Stone Cellars Napa, CA 2009 <i>Medium-bodied with cherry, vanilla & blueberry.</i>	18.
Cabernet Sauvignon De Loach Heritage Reserve Santa Rosa, CA 2007 <i>Finely balanced with fruit flavors of blackberry, cherry & plum with hints of cedar spice.</i>	20.
Cabernet Sauvignon Avalon Napa, CA 2007 <i>Ripe & full-bodied. Rich flavors of cherry & blackberry with a touch of oak.</i>	25.
Garnacha Altivinum Evodia Calatayud 2008 <i>Fragrant minerals & black cherries that lead to a sweetly-fruited smooth textured wine.</i>	20.
Tempranillo Torres Catalunya, Spain 2007 <i>Lovely, dry, easy-drinking balanced red</i>	22.
Tinta de Toro Vinas del Genit Venta Mazzaron Zamora 2005 <i>Smokey, complex bouquet with notes of mineral & blackberry.</i>	24.
Montepuciano d'Abruzzo Cantina Zaccagnini Riserva Tralcetto 2007/2008 <i>For Chianti lovers. This wine explodes with flavors of fig, vanilla & smokey oak.</i>	24.

SPARKLERS & DESSERT WINES

Paolo Saracco	Moscato D'Asti	Asti, Italy	2009	27.
Marques de Gelida	Cava Brut	Penedés, Spain	2003	27.
"J" Cuvee 20	Russian River Valley	Sonoma, CA	NV	35.
Jorge Ordoñez & Co.	Seleccion Especial	Moscatel	Malaga, Spain 2005	<i>Half Bottle</i> 25.
Jorge Ordoñez & Co.	Esencia	Moscatel	Malaga, Spain 2004	<i>Half Bottle</i> 139.
<i>Very rare sweet wine...only two barrels produced. Truly candy in a glass.</i>				
T-Vine	Psychedelic Rooster "Sticky"	Calistoga, CA	2006	<i>Half Bottle</i> 59.
<i>Late harvest red, 90% Petit Syrah, 10% Zinfandel.</i>				

PINKS

White Zinfandel	Beringer	St. Helena, Napa CA	2009	18.
Rosé	Hawk Haven	Rio Grande, NJ	N.V.	18.
<i>Delicious rosé with fresh cut strawberry & red cherry flavors.</i>				

CRISP LIGHTER WHITES

Dry Riesling	Lemelson	Willamette Valley, Carlton, OR	2008	30.
<i>Light with pretty peach & apple flavors. Lively & complex.</i>				
Sauvignon Blanc	Honig	Napa, CA	2009	27.
<i>Juicy & refreshing; notes of orange blossom. Absolutely lovely.</i>				
Sauvignon Blanc	Roth	Alexander Valley, CA	2009	28.
<i>Attractive, intense. Floral & grapefruit flavors. Crisp & bright.</i>				
Chardonnay	Four Vines	"Naked"	Santa Barbara, CA 2009	27.
<i>Clean & refreshing with notes of lime & lemon.</i>				
White Blend	Peter Lehman	"Layers"	Adelaide, Australia 2008	32.
<i>Five grapes...crisp, vibrant flavors of peach, citrus, candied banana & honeydew.</i>				
Pinot Grigio	Livio Felluga	Collio, Italy	2008	38.
<i>Full-bodied with aromas of apple pie & minerals.</i>				

BOLDER FULLER WHITES

Chardonnay	Beringer	Napa, CA	2008	27.
<i>Ripe & full with tangy pear & nectarine nectar. Nice clean finish.</i>				
Chardonnay	Kendall Jackson	Grand Reserve	Monterey, Santa Barbara, CA 2008	32.
<i>Their premium version. Tropical fruits, floral & subtle oak.</i>				
Chardonnay	Luca	Mendoza, Argentina	2007	40.
<i>Spicy oak, mineral, butterscotch, poached pear & tropical fruits.</i>				
Chardonnay	Alpha Omega	Rutherford, Napa, CA	2006	69.
<i>Complex, full-bodied, creamy vanilla-scented oak over a mix of ripe pear, melon & spicy apple.</i>				
Chardonnay	L'Angevin	Three Squares	Russian River, Sonoma, CA 2008	32.
<i>Delightful & elegant with a subtle mix of fresh fruit flavors.</i>				
Chardonnay	L'Angevin	Russian River Vineyard	Russian River, Sonoma, CA 2008	65.
<i>Impressive for its intensity & vibrancy. Rich, complex & layered.</i>				
Chardonnay	L'Angevin	Laughlin Family Vineyard	Russian River, Sonoma, CA 2007	75.
<i>A brilliant wine, full-bodied power, superb texture & richness</i>				

RED WINES FROM AMERICA

Pinot Noir Estancia Pinnacles Ranches Monterey, CA 2009	28.
<i>Rich fruits with hints of wild berry, raspberry, fresh earth, sage & mineral.</i>	
Pinot Noir Wyatt Oakville, CA 2008	30.
<i>A real winner. Very fragrant & spicy. Done in a European style.</i>	
Pinot Noir Paraiso Santa Lucia Highlands, Central Coast, CA 2008	35.
<i>Full-bodied with cherry & plum flavors with hints of smoke, spice & toasty oak.</i>	
Pinot Noir Calera Central Coast, CA 2008	38.
<i>Sweet & sour cherry, strawberry jam. Seductive with a lot of personality.</i>	
Merlot Columbia Crest H3 Horse Heaven Hills, Columbia Valley, WA 2007	27.
<i>Luscious & soft with generous plum & spice flavors.</i>	
Merlot Sean Minor Napa, CA 2008	28.
<i>Dark ruby color, aromas of black cherry & cocoa. Full-mouth feel & finish.</i>	
Merlot Beringer Napa, CA 2006	29.
<i>Velvety texture, instantly appealing, deep dark berry fruit with a soft finish.</i>	
Merlot Provenance Rutherford, Napa, CA 2005	45.
<i>Bordeaux-like, red currant & herb aromas with black cherry, cedar & spice flavors.</i>	
Merlot Northstar Columbia Valley, WA 2006	56.
Merlot Northstar Columbia Valley, WA 2003	56.
<i>Blackberry, cherry & licorice aromas & flavors.</i>	
Zinfandel Ridge Geyserville Sonoma, CA 2008	48.
<i>Intense purple color. Ripe black cherry & plum. Great depth & complexity.</i>	
Zinfandel Gamba Estate Old Vine Russian River, California 2007	60.
<i>Dense, very purple. Full-bodied, powerful yet elegant.</i>	
Meritage Les Chevaux Columbia Crest H3 Horse Heaven Hills, Columbia Valley, WA 2008	27.
<i>Creamy, beautiful fruit. Good oak. Very stylish.</i>	
Meritage The 75 Wine Co. The Sum Oakville, Napa, CA 2007	35.
<i>Intense, spicy & full-bodied. Cabernet, Petite Sirah & Syrah. Tuck Beckstoffer, Winemaker</i>	
Meritage Tapestry BV Napa, CA 2007	65.
<i>Excellent structure, depth & concentration. Cabernet, Merlot, Cabernet Franc, Malbec & Petit Verdot</i>	
Petite Sirah Langtry Guenoc Valley, Serpentine Meadow, Mendocino, CA 2005	60.
<i>Full-bodied & smooth with gorgeous aromas of cherry, sage & spice</i>	
Syrah Columbia Crest Reserve Columbia Valley, WA 2006	35.
<i>Red berry & light spice aromas & flavors.</i>	
Cabernet Sauvignon Seamless Lake County, CA 2007	30.
<i>Smooth, polished, ripe layers of raspberry & anise...elegant & seamless.</i>	
Cabernet Sauvignon Spelletich Cellars Napa, CA 2004	38.
<i>Mocha, currant, black cherry, plum & cedary oak. Blended with 20% Merlot.</i>	
Cabernet Sauvignon Honig Napa, CA 2007	50.
<i>Sustainably farmed. Full-bodied, well-structured. Beautiful & elegant with notes of cedar & herb.</i>	
Cabernet Sauvignon Trefethen Oak Knoll Napa, CA 2006	60.
<i>Classic Napa Cab. Dark fruit flavors with firm tannins.</i>	
Cabernet Sauvignon Robert Mondavi Oakville Napa, CA 2004	65.
<i>Mineral, currant, blackberry, dusty herb & cedary oak flavors.</i>	
Cabernet Sauvignon Joseph Phelps Napa, CA 2007	75.
<i>Deep, dark & delicious. Well-structured & refined with a long finish.</i>	

RESERVE RED WINES FROM AMERICA

Pinot Noir De Loach O.F.S. Winery Russian River Valley, Sonoma, CA 2007 <i>Intense, earthy, cedary oak. Lots of dimension.</i>	75.
Zinfandel Carlisle Winery Carlisle Vineyards Russian River, Sonoma, CA 2007 <i>Loads of spice, berry fruit & licorice.</i>	65.
Zinfandel Carlisle Winery Papera Ranch Russian River, Sonoma, CA 2008 <i>Pure, spicy & loaded with flavor. Ripe currants intertwined with wild berry fruit.</i>	75.
Zinfandel Carlisle Winery Montafi Ranch Russian River, Sonoma, CA 2008 <i>Blueberries & blackberries. Big, full-bodied, spicy.</i>	75.
Petite Sirah Carlisle Winery Palisades Vineyard Napa, CA 2007 <i>Blueberry, blackberry, licorice & incense. Massive concentration, density & purity.</i>	75.
Cabernet Sauvignon Reserve Columbia Crest Columbia Valley, WA 2007 <i>Intensely aromatic with chocolate, cherry & slight vanilla notes. Powerful, lingering finish.</i>	56.
Cabernet Sauvignon Reserve Columbia Crest Columbia Valley, WA 2006 <i>Complex, intense fruit aromas. Black cherry & cocoa flavors with a lingering finish.</i>	56.
Cabernet Sauvignon Reserve Columbia Crest Columbia Valley, WA 2005 <i>Powerful, intense fruit aromas mingled with chocolate, cherry & minty aromatics.</i>	60.
Cabernet Sauvignon Adobe Road Napa, CA 2005 <i>Dark fruit with flavors of black currant, cherry, mixed berries & toasty oak.</i>	85.
Cabernet Sauvignon Outpost Howell Mountain Napa, CA 2007 <i>Inky, purple color. Gorgeous perfume of blueberry, blackberry & spring flowers. A powerhouse.</i>	100.
Cabernet Sauvignon Outpost Howell Mountain Napa, CA 2006 <i>Full-bodied with pure black raspberry, black currants & subtle spicy oak.</i>	100.
Cabernet Sauvignon Peirson Meyer Napa, CA 2007 <i>Elegant, delicate, graceful & harmonious. Lovely & pure.</i>	125.
Cabernet Sauvignon Reserve Georges Latour BV Napa, CA 2007 <i>Opaque purple. Big, spicy, full-bodied with thrilling level of concentration & richness.</i>	150.
Cabernet Reserve Robert Mondavi Napa, CA 2007 <i>Ripe, fleshy, complex & layered. Toasty oak & touches of cedar.</i>	180.
Cabernet Reserve Robert Mondavi Napa, CA 2006 <i>Superb concentration & purity with perfumes of violets, black currants & subtle oak.</i>	180.
Cabernet Reserve Robert Mondavi Napa, CA 2004 <i>Classic, complex, focused with ripe rich currant, anise, smokey oak & blackberry.</i>	190.
Proprietary Red Alpha Omega Rutherford, Napa, CA 2005 <i>Full-bodied array of dried currants, plum, black cherry & wild berry.</i>	109.
Red Blend Pahlmeyer Oakville, CA 2005 <i>French Bordeaux style. Ripe, rich & complex with a long & elegant finish.</i>	175.
Red Blend Dominus Napa, CA 2006 <i>Full-bodied & harmonious. Luscious mouthfeel. Aromas of truffles, black cherries & currants.</i>	<i>Half Bottle</i> 95.
Meritage Bedrock Heirloom Winery Sonoma, CA 2008 <i>Extroverted. Saturates the palate with raspberry & blackberry. Zin, Petite Sirah, Syrah & Barbera</i>	65.
Meritage Opus One Napa, CA 2007 <i>An extraordinary concentration of flavors revealing a dazzling purity of fruit, closing with a 50-second finish.</i>	250.
Meritage Opus One Napa, CA 2004 <i>Cedary oak, dusty berry, dried currant & minerals. One of their best vintages ever.</i>	225.

T-Vine wines are carefully crafted, reflecting the origin of the grape.

T-VINE

California

One of the most talked about winemakers in California, Greg Brown, of T-Vine Cellars is a hot commodity; a name dropped by those in the know in the wine world. The essence of T-Vine is the spirit of individuality, rebellion & exotic expression of flavor. Notes by the winemaker.

Grenache Napa Valley 2008 60.

Like tupelo honey & San Francisco sourdough, this grenache delivers an experience that can't be found anywhere else. Open this bottle & experience a summer in California in your glass.

Grenache Napa Valley 2006 60.

A candy bowl filled with red delectable raspberries, strawberries & red cherries. Medium-long finish.

Merlot Napa Valley 2007 60.

This baby will destroy the image of Merlot, being the lighter little brother to Cabernet. Big, round & luscious are the trademarks here.

Merlot Napa Valley 2005 60.

If you don't drink merlot, you will love this wine. A lovely romantic courtship plays out across your palate & develops into a deep, rich & everlasting relationship. Drinks like a cabernet.

Zinfandel "Brown Vineyard" Napa Valley 2007 60.

This particular vintage stands out with concentrated flavors like dried cherry, cranberry, bittersweet chocolate & espresso. This wine has a long, full, mouth watering finish.

Zinfandel "Brown Vineyard" Napa Valley 2005 60.

If you step out of your comfort zone & explore new territory...you've got this wine. A lovely balancing act of bright, beautiful red fruits & spices like clove, cinnamon & black tea.

Petit Sirah Napa Valley 2007 75.

You'll need to break out the white strips after a glass of this wine. Nearly black in color with great texture & mind blowing fruit, this an absurdly delicious Petit Sirah.

Petit Sirah Napa Valley 2006 75.

Petit it is NOT! Expect dark chocolate, blackberry pie & loads of lush, ripe fruits. This wine is full of texture & depth.

Petit Sirah Napa Valley 2005 75.

Oh Mama...this one's HUGE! Very extracted & concentrated. Notes of huckleberries, blueberries, vanilla bean & dark cocoa.

Red Cabernet Sauvignon Blend "T" Napa Valley 2007 70.

With 80% Cabernet & 20% Petit Sirah, this wine is the most concentrated of all the T-Vine Cellar wines. An absolute giant to drink with a Steak Au Poivre.

Late Harvest Red Psychedelic Rooster "Sticky" Napa Valley 2005 *Half Bottle* 59.

90% Petit Sirah, 10% Zinfandel. A chewy creature to be sipped. Luscious & sweet, pairs beautifully with dark chocolate or fine cheese & makes for an amazing after dinner indulgence.

"I like my wines the way I like my family & friends...obnoxiously forward."

Greg Brown - Winemaker.

RED WINES FROM SPAIN

Monastrell Blend Bodegas Castaño Solanera Yecla 2005 <i>Monastrell, Cabernet, Tintorera. Full-bodied with flavors & aromas of smoke, blueberry pie & blackberry.</i>	27.
Garnacha Bodegas Borsao Tres Picos Campo de Borja 2008 <i>Remarkably rich, balanced & intensely flavored. Best described as cherry pie in a glass.</i>	27.
Garnacha Bodegas Borsao Tres Picos Campo de Borja 2007	27.
Garnacha Bodegas Borsao Tres Picos Campo de Borja 2006	27.
Garnacha Bodegas Ateca Atteca Old Vines Calatayud 2008 <i>Toasted vanilla & smoke notes accent raspberry & black cherry.</i>	27.
Garnacha Bodegas Ateca Atteca Old Vines Calatayud 2007	28.
Garnacha Bodegas Ateca Atteca Old Vines Calatayud 2006	30.
Monastrell Bodegas Hijos de Juan Gil Jumilla 2006 <i>Medium-bodied with black cherry, licorice, mineral & tobacco notes.</i>	27.
Monastrell Blend Bodegas Luzon Altos de Luzón Jumilla 2006 <i>Monastrell, Cabernet & Garnacha. Ripe, sweet blackberry, & kirsch flavors backed by chocolate & cola.</i>	28.
Monastrell Blend Bodegas Luzon Altos de Luzón Jumilla 2005	30.
Proprietary Blend Bodegas Atalaya Atalaya Almansa 2007 <i>Bouquet of violets, spice box, leather, blueberry & blackberry.</i>	27.
Tempranillo Volver La Mancha 2007 <i>Purple colored, aroma of spice box & blackberry with spicy black fruits on the palate.</i>	28.
Proprietary Blend Finca Sandoval Salia Manchuela 2007 <i>A rich, well balanced Rhone style Syrah, yet more fruity and spicy.</i>	28.
Syrah Val Tosca Jumilla 2006 <i>Violets & minerals with blueberry aromas.</i>	28.
Proprietary Blend Cellar Can Blau Monsant 2006 <i>Mazuelo, Syrah & Garnacha. Balanced, round & ripe on the palate with blueberry, black cherry & blackberry.</i>	30.
Proprietary Blend Mas Doix Salanques Priorat 2005 <i>Garnacha, Carena, Syrah, Merlot & Cabernet. Youthful but concentrated & complex.</i>	50.

RESERVE RED WINES FROM SPAIN

Monastrell Bodegas El Nido Clio Jumilla 2007	60.
<i>Delicious oak, cola & toasty vanilla flavors. Plenty of tart cherry & raspberry with ripe tannins & lip smacking acidity.</i>	
Monastrell Bodegas El Nido Clio Jumilla 2006	60.
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Tempranillo Bodegas Emilio Moro Ribera del Duero 2005	50.
<i>Complex bouquet of wood smoke, toast & black berry.</i>	
Garnacha Bodegas Ateca Atteca Armas Old Vines Calatayud 2006	65.
<i>Medium-bodied with aromas of mineral, cherry & earth.</i>	
Garnacha Bodegas Ateca Atteca Armas Old Vines Calatayud 2005	65.
Garnacha Blend Acustic Cellar Braó Monsant 2005	68.
<i>Perfumed accents of chocolate & licorice. Complex layers of spicy blueberry & black cherry.</i>	
Red Blend Finca Sandoval Manchuela 2005	55.
<i>First-class hardy Rhone-style wine made from Syrah cuttings from Chateau Beaucastel.</i>	
Red Blend Muga Torre Muga Rioja, Spain 2004	100.
<i>Impressive structure, intense flavors & aromatics. Perfect balance & long finish.</i>	

New World Style with Old World Charm

BODEGAS ALTO MONCAYO

Spain

Located in the Campo de Borja region of Spain, the vineyard sits atop unique soils rich in red clay & red slate on a hillside location, adding a unique mineral component. World famous winemaker, Chris Ringland, brings his Aussie fruit-forward style creating intense flavors in these wines.

Garnacha Veraton Campo de Borja 2007	45.
<i>Delivers fresh, ripe flavors of black cherry & boysenberry backed by toasty oak.</i>	
Garnacha Veraton Campo de Borja 2006	45.
<i>Sensational & aromatic, oak notes, wild black cherry & raspberry.</i>	
Garnacha Moncayo Campo de Borja 2006	60.
<i>Plush & dense, shows coffee, spicy oak with berry & wild plum fruit & accents of licorice & black pepper. Unfiltered.</i>	
Garnacha Aquilon Campo de Borja 2006	200.
<i>Glass staining ruby. Off the chart ripeness, richness and intensity. This wine is a tour de force. The long finish goes on for miles.</i>	
Garnacha Aquilon Campo de Borja 2005	200.
<i>Dark purple. The nose offers surreal room filling perfume of ripe raspberry, blackberry, incense, vanilla & dried flowers. Vibrant red berry & spice flavors with silky tannins. Finishes with palate staining intensity & superb focus.</i>	

WINES FROM FRANCE

- Beaujolais Georges DuBoeuf Morgon Jean Descombes Burgundy 2009 28.
This lush red displays layers of black cherry & raspberry ganache. Fresh & spicy finish.
- Vacqueyras Alain Jaume Grande Garrigue Rhone 2004 27.
Olive, black cherry & cassis with licorice & smoke notes.
- Bordeaux Chateau Meyney St. Estèphe, Bordeaux 2003 50.
Gorgeous aromas of blackberry, currant & spices.
- Chateauneuf-du-Pape Alain Jaume Domaine Grand Veneur Rhone 2005 65.
Dark, ripe & full-bodied with figs, currants & cocoa.

WINES FROM ITALY

- Montepuciano d'Abruzzo Cantina Zaccagnini Riserva Tralcetto 2007/2008 24.
For Chianti lovers. This wine explodes with flavors of fig, vanilla & smokey oak.
- Chianti Classico Castello D'Albola Tuscany 2007 28.
This is what Chianti is all about. Plenty of fresh, dark cherry & Sangiovese flavors.
- Chianti Classico Fattoria di Felsina Riserva Tuscany 2006 38.
Gorgeous balance, dark cherries, plums, violets & spices.
- Primitivo di Manduria Fuedi di San Marzano Sessantanni Puglia 2004 58.
Full-bodied with notes of cocoa, coffee & vanilla on the finish.
- Sangiovese Fattoria di Felsina Fontalloro Tuscany 2006 75.
Enticing, expressive aromatics. Outstanding purity of fruit including flavors & aromas of chocolate, blackberry & black cherry. A blockbuster Sangiovese.
- Proprietary Blend Tenuta dell'Ornellaia Le Serre Nuove Tuscany 2006 90.
Superb density & explosive. Bursting with ripe, dark fruit, tobacco, leather, minerals & tar. Merlot, Cabernet, Cabernet Franc & Petit Verdot.
- Amarone della Valpolicella Classico Tommaso Bussola Veneto 2004 95.
Lovely floral aromas accompany the sweet date, currant & lightly spiced vanilla flavors.
- Super Tuscan Antinori Toscana Tignanello Tuscany 2004 150.
Sangiovese, Cabernet & Cabernet Franc. Aromas of blackberry, raisin & spice. Full & velvety with a long, rich finish.
- Proprietary Blend Tenuta Dell'Ornellaia Ornellaia Bolgheri, Tuscany 2006 200.
Cabernet, Merlot, Cabernet Franc, Petit Verdot. A profound expression of ripe, dark fruits. Sensational, superb freshness. A massive, towering masterpiece.

WINES FROM AUSTRALIA

Shiraz-Cabernet Jip Jip Rocks Padthaway 2008 <i>Smooth & generous with pretty raspberry & strawberry flavors.</i>	27.
Shiraz Mount Monster Limestone Coast 2008 <i>Fruit-driven, fat & juicy with a good oak finish.</i>	24.
Shiraz Thorn-Clarke "Shotfire" Barossa Valley 2006 <i>Balanced & ripe. Peppery spice.</i>	40.
Shiraz Betts & Scholl "Black Betty" Barossa Valley 2006 <i>Gorgeous blackberry, plum & subtle Asian spices with a finish that lasts forever..</i>	90.

WINES FROM ARGENTINA

Malbec Budini Mendoza 2009 <i>Fruity, ripe, easy-going & friendly.</i>	25.
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A New Breed of Argentine Wine...Small Quantities, Artisan Quality.

LUCA WINES

Argentina

"LUCA" Wines are named for the son of Laura Catena, whose family has produced the top wines of Argentina for four generations. All the wines are powerhouses for their type. All the wines are unfinned & unfiltered.

We feature five selections with winemaker notes following.

Chardonnay Mendoza 2007 <i>Beautiful, pale gold color. Aromas of tropical fruit, spiced pear & mineral flavor that creates a stylish wine that seems part new & part old world. Finishes long with a kiss of oak.</i>	40.
Pinot Noir Mendoza 2007 <i>Medium ruby color with aromas of wild strawberries. A complex pinot with notes of leather, spicy & cherry raspberry on the palate. Amazing aroma & pure pinot flavor.</i>	45.
Malbec Mendoza 2007 <i>Incredible color – could use it in an inkwell. Loads of spicy red fruit & black cherry aromas. The flavors really pop on the palate leading to an incredibly long finish. This one is a teenager at the moment.</i>	52.
Syrah Laborde Double Select Mendoza 2007 <i>Wild & brawny with pepper & tobacco notes. Long & muscular finish.</i>	36.
Syrah Laborde Double Select Mendoza 2006 <i>Deep, dark purple color. Nose of ripe black fruit, tastes of concentrated plum marmalade with hints of fresh herbs, violets & black licorice.</i>	36.
Cabernet Blend Beso De Dante Mendoza 2005 <i>75% Cabernet Sauvignon, 25% Malbec. Very dark & opaque purple color. Nose of black fruit, cloves & black cherry. A rich & concentrated core of black raspberry with notes of spicy black pepper & tobacco.</i>	65.

When they're gone...they're gone.

Some winners from last years list that are now in short supply.

Not Red

Viura/Malvasia Finca Allende Rioja, Spain 2006
Notes of vanilla & spice with green apple & pear aromas.

Bottle

45.

Red

Pinot Noir La Crema Sonoma Coast, CA 2007
Rich flavors of cherries, raspberries, pomegranates & pepper.
Also available in a half bottle \$20.

38.

Pinot Noir Mary Elke Anderson Valley Mendicino, CA 2007
Medium-bodied with blackberry, plum & spice.

35.

La Garnacha Domaine Andezon Cotes du Rhone Villages Rhone, France 2006
A brilliant Grenache from Southern France. Deep ruby & concentrated.

25.

Goats du Roam Goat Rotis Paarl, South Africa 2005
Lots of dark briary fruit. A crowd pleaser.

28.

Cabernet Sauvignon Wing Canyon Mount Veeder Napa, CA 2001
Tannic wild berry, black cherry. Cedar, cassis fruit & spice notes.

45.

Cabernet Sauvignon BV Rutherford Napa, CA 2005
Smooth, spicy with currant, black cherry, plum & hints of lavender.

45.

Cabernet Sauvignon Beringer Napa, CA 2002
Dark roast espresso, toffee, brown sugar & mocha with blueberry & blackberry.

50.

Zinfandel Gamba Estate Russian River California 2005
An explosion of flavors of black currants, plums & spice.

60.

Castello di Verrazzano Sassello Tuscany, Italy 2001
Classic Sangiovese from Tuscany. Rich finish.

80.