

NEWS FROM

WINE OF THE MONTH CLUB

Since 1972 May 2007

Wines evaluated last month: 157 Rejected: 142

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little madness in the Spring, is wholesome even for the King."

EMILY DICKENSON

REGULAR SERIES

2005, CheapSkate, Meritage. California

CheapSkate's Miser Meritage is quaffable and delicious with a price to make your jaw drop. Cheap Skate wines are not cheap on quality, just price. This blend is perfect for your after-taxes dinner party.

2006, Martin Fierro, Chardonnay / Torrontes. San Juan, Argentina

Blends of Chardonnay and Torrontes are becoming a trademark for Argentina. Full of the lush tropical flavors of Chardonnay, and balanced with the acidity and fragrance of Torrontes, this wine is hard to resist.

LIMITED SERIES

2003, Cosentino, Syrah. Napa Valley, California

Syrah is a particular, demanding grape. It cannot be grown everywhere. However, Mitch Cosentino knows exactly where this grape thrives. His wine is a perfect example of Napa Valley Syrah. Lush and fruity, it's the wine for grilled meats and stews.

2002, Koonowla, Cabernet Sauvignon. Clare Valley, Australia

There is so much to like about this wine. We love that it's bottled with a screw cap so that we can pour a glass to savor now, and easily recap it for tomorrow. This is a great Cabernet at a great price.

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A NOTE FROM YOUR CELLARMASTER



Paul Kalemkiarian

Folks, we are going to have to live with screw caps! Currently about 50% of the wine I taste is in screw caps...wines from \$9.00 to \$30!

I think they are here to stay!

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Paul Kalemkiarian

${\mathbb W}$ hat's new this month?

We do a lot of research here. Constantly looking for wine related information. Keeping an eye on what is happening both in the vineyard and in the marketplace. One thing has remained true for all these years, 35 to be exact. You and I want good value. After it is all said and done, it is what's in the bottle that counts. Label changes, bottle changes, story lines, vineyard practices and the like doesn't mean a thing until you open the bottle. The more wine I taste, the more obvious it becomes that they will put in the bottle whatever they make....good or bad.

One of the other facts that we have found through our research, is that we have the most comprehensive and voluminous wine TV sites.... check it out at www.wineofthemonthclub.tv and watch us taste your favorite wines and talk about other aspects that affect your wine experience.

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Elizabeth Schweitzer, Master Sommelier



${\mathcal D}$ omestic ${\mathcal S}$ election

heapSkate has six rules to make wine by: 1. Make only stunningly good wines; 2. Sell them at outrageous value; 3. Use humor and honesty; 4. Let the wine sell itself; 5. Use smart and inexpensive packaging with lots of creative thought; 6. Foster long-term relationships with both growers and consumers.

CheapSkate Winemaker Clark Smith has been making wine since 1971. His approach is sensible, imaginative, and savvy. Here's what he has to say about his budget-minded Miser project: "These are seriously good wines, made in classic styles for progressive-minded people. What we love to do is to make beautiful wine and to sell it for almost nothing. The catch is, we don't make very much, so only those savvy enough to know will buy everything we make."

CheapSkate's Miser is a Meritage (rhymes with "heritage"), a Bordeauxstyle blend with lots of Cabernet Sauvignon, some Cabernet Franc, and a bit of Merlot. To be designated as Meritage, a wine must meet the following standards: 1. It

must be a blend of two or more Bordeaux grape varieties—for red wines these are Cabernet Franc, Cabernet Sauvignon, Carmenere, Gros Verdot, Malbec. Merlot. Verdot and St. Macaire. No more than 90% of any single variety be used; 2. It must be the winery's best wine of its type; 3. It must be produced and bottled by a U.S. winery from grapes that carry a U.S. appellation; 4. Its production must be limited to a maximum 25,000 cases per vintage. CheapSkate is an official member of the California Meritage Society and is proud to be the lowest-priced member. The grapes are sourced from prestigious vineyard sites in Lodi and surrounding areas. This is a poor man's Opus One, and tasting is believing.

The color is a deep red. The nose is full of ripe fruit, herbs, chocolate, tobacco, and tarragon. The palate is quaffable with deep flavors of ripe red fruit, soft tannins, and dark chocolate. The finish lingers like a \$60 bottle. You saved some money with this bottle. Spend it on rib eye steaks or spicy sausages to serve with your glass of Miser Meritage.



CheapSkate Miser Meritage Cabernet

Merlot

California

Nose:

Palate:

Drink now through 2008

507A Retail Price:

\$15.99/each Special Member Price: \$9.99/each Reorder Price: \$6.99/each 56% Discount \$83.88/case

1mported Selection

hen an Italian

man immigrates to a new country, he looks to fill his wine glass. When Don Iosé Borbore immigrated from Italy to Argentina in 1936, he wanted to feel at home, so he planted grapes and started a winery. He soon gained a reputation for producing interesting, good wines, especially his licorice wine. The historic Borbore Winery has outlived two major earthquakes and the political upheavals that almost destroyed the country's wine industry. In 2000, the Pulenta family bought the winery. The family has a long winemaking tradition in the region. They have renovated and upgraded the winery, and incorporated new vinification systems. They are ready to make the most of their winery's reputation by producing quality wines for the world market.

The vineyards are located in San Juan, Argentina, at the

foothills of the Sierras de Pie de Palo, in the Tulum Valley. It's north of Mendoza, and it's a warmer climate than the other growing regions of Argentina. Torrontes is a grape that thrives in the warmth and soils of San Juan. Chardonnay also loves the sun, which promotes fresh fruit with good acidity.

Vintage 2006 is one of the best on record for the San Juan region. The grapes were destemmed, crushed, drained quickly, and chilled. There is no malo-lactic, and no oak influence. This is ultimate everyday drinking wine at good price

The 2006 Martin Fierro Chardonnay/Torrontes has a clear and pale yellow color. The nose is fresh with peach, lychee, and guava. It's full-bodied with flavors of ripe citrus, lychee, and spice. It has a lingering, crisp finish. This wine is ideal with rich foods, Asian food, and a simple dish such as Onion Tart. (See page 13.)



2006

Martin Fierro

Chardonnay/ Torrontes

(shar-doe-nay/ tore-ahn-tehz)

San Juan Argentina

Color: Clear, pale yellow

Nose: Fresh, peach, lychee, guava

Palate: Full-bodied, ripe citrus, lychee, spice

> Finish: Lingering crisp finish

Cellaring suggestions

Enjoy now through 2007

507B Retail Price:

\$12.99/each

Special Member Price: Reorder Price: \$8.99/each \$5.99/each

54% Discount

\$71.88/case





\mathcal{L} IMITED \mathcal{S} ERIES

osentino Winery has been a staple in the California wine community for 25 years. The winery has an unblemished reputation for producing ultra-premium wines with passion and skill. Mitch Cosentino is the heart and soul of all these awardwinning hand-crafted wines. He began making wine in small lots in 1980 in Modesto, California. In 1990, he moved to Napa Valley and founded Cosentino. His hands-on, old world approach to winemaking sets him apart. The use of labor intensive punched cap fermentation, hand selecting grapes, and his complete "micro" approach to winemaking give all the Cosentino wines a unique signature. All his wines are exceptional; he currently makes 13 different varietals. His keen eve for selecting fruit and his awesome palate for blending are unparalleled in the industry.

Mitch chooses his winemaking team with the same high standards. Jason fisher studied oenology at UC Davis and worked at Grace Family Vineyards. Dan Newlan has made more

than 40 award-winning wines for Cosentino. Jeff Labard worked for Fess Parker. Together they are a force to be reckoned with. Their passion and skills mesh perfectly. They are inspired by Mitch Cosentino's artistic approach to winemaking. Each year the production is different. Why? "I let the wines speak for themselves, based on the quality and yield of the vintage. I want the art developing the business, explains Mitch, "not the business creating art."

Syrah is a tasty treat which can vary in style from light to lush. The grape is an ancient varietal dating back to Roman times. It is the same grape used for the great wines of the northern Rhone Valley and is also Shiraz known as Australia.

Cosentino Syrah is a deep black red color. The nose is ultra fruity with black fruit, red meat, and spice. The palate is full-bodied with ripe fruit flavors, minerals, currant, and black pepper. The finish is endless. Open this with prime rib, BBQ ribs or lamb shanks. Delicious!



Cosentino

Napa Valley

Nose:

Palate:

Drink and savor now through 2011 L507C

Retail Price: Special Member Price: \$19.99/each Reorder Price:

32% Discount

\$23.50/each \$15.99/each

\$191.88/case





$\mathcal L$ IMITED $\mathcal S$ ERIES

he Clare Valley is one of Australia's oldest wine regions. In the 1840s immigrants from Poland, Ireland, and England settled the area and planted vineyards. Their now-historic buildings give character to the region, and today's wineries are also part of their legacy.

Clare Valley is a beautiful natural setting with a rolling topography. The climate is moderate continental, that is, cool to cold nights and warm to hot summer days. There's a lot of rainfall in the winter. The dry hot summers ensure that the vines experience few fungal diseases. The soil varies from red clay to brown over rocks. Because of the diversity of topography and soils, Riesling, Semillon, Merlot, Shiraz, and Cabernet Sauvignon are all successfully grown in the Clare Valley. There are now more than 40 wineries in the region. Most are small boutiques making exceptional wines.

Koonowla was established in 1892. In 1926, most of the winery was destroyed by a tragic fire. Nonetheless, Koonowla continued to

make wines over the years, although in very limited amounts. In 1999, Andrew and Booie Michael bought the homestead. They renovated and upgraded Koonowla to transform it into one of the largest and most technically advanced wineries in the district. Kudos to them! We're happy to enjoy the fruit of their labors.

The Cabernet Sauvignon is grown in terra-rosa (red clay) soil. To ensure vine health and ripeness, Koonowla uses mulching, crop sowing, and foliar wires to achieve even ripening. All the grapes are hand-picked. Chief Winemaker, Andrew Hardy keeps a watchful eye on the entire process.

The 2002 Koonowla Cabernet Sauvignon is dark black red from extended maceration. The nose displays classic Cabernet qualities such as smoke, cassis, milk chocolate, and ripe plums. The French oak is soft on the palate and the fruit is warm with sweet berries and soft tannins. The finish is long and inviting. This wine is a wonderful dinner companion. Enjoy.

KOONOWLA

Cabernet Sauvignon Clare Valley

Cabernet

Clare Valley Australia

Enjoy now and through 2012

L507D Retail Price:

Special Member Price: \$19.99/each

Reorder Price: 29% Discount

\$22.50/each

\$15.99/each \$191.88/case





EARLIER SELECTIONS

ITEM #	DESCRIPTION	REGULAR PRICE/ UNIT	DISC.	QTY.	MEMBER REORDER PRICE/ CASE/EACH	TOTAL
L507C	Syrah, 2003. Cosentino "Black fruit, minerals, rhubarb"	\$23.50	32%		\$191.88/cs \$15.99/ea	
L507D	Cabernet Sauvignon, 2002. Koonowla "Smoky, cassis, sweet berries"	\$22.50	29%		\$191.88/cs \$15.99/ea	
L507E	Chardonnay, 2005. Pavilion "Pear, apple, lemon, oak"	\$13.99	15%		\$143.88/cs \$11.99/ea	
L507F	Chardonnay, 2005. Chanson Viré Clessé "Floral, jasmine, nutmeg, pears"	\$22.00	45%		\$143.88/cs \$11.99/ea	
L407C	Pinot Noir, 2003. York Mountain "Red fruit, cinnamon, toffee"	\$19.99	25%		\$179.88/cs \$14.99/ea	
L407D	Cabernet Sauvignon, 2003. Kunde "Black cherry, chocolate, bell peppers"	\$24.99	24%		\$227.88/cs \$18.99/ea	
L407E	Chardonnay, 2006. Haras "Citrus, mineral and pineapple"	\$16.99	24%		\$155.88/cs \$12.99/ea	
L407F	Chard/Sauv Blanc/Viognier, 2005. La Poule Blanche "Ripe tropical fruit, citrus"	\$14.99	20%		\$143.88/cs \$11.99/ea	
L307C	Chianti Classico, 2003. Casale dello Sparviero "Wild berries, sweet lilac, dried cherry"	\$24.95	32%		\$203.88/cs \$16.99/ea	
L307D	Sauvignon Blanc, 2005. Torea "Herbal, ripe lime, red pepper"	\$19.95	35%		\$155.88/cs \$12.99/ea	
L307E	Cabernet Sauvignon, 2004. X-Winery "Black cherry, subtle oak, coffee"	\$21.95	28%		\$191.40/cs \$15.95/ea	
L307F	Pinot Grigio, 2005. Durandi "Apricot, lemon, floral"	\$16.95	30%		\$143.88/cs \$11.99/ea	
L207C	Cabernet Sauvignon, 2002. Encierra "Dark fruit, spice, cedar, blackcurrant"	\$26.99	26%		\$239.88/cs \$19.99/ea	
L207D	Merlot, 2003. Kenneth Volk "Plum, berry, fig, mocha"	\$19.99	26%		\$179.88/cs \$14.99/ea	
L207E	Lugana, 2004. Costaripa "Apples, pear, cherry blossom, jasmine"	\$18.99	22%		\$179.88/cs \$14.99/ea	
L207F	Chardonnay, 2004. Trewa "Tropical fruit, ripe melon, fig, oak"	\$25.99	39%		\$191.88/cs \$15.99/ea	

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8.25% CA Sales Tax

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REGULAR SERIES EARLIER SELECTIONS

ITEM #	DESCRIPTION	REGULAR PRICE/ UNIT	DISC.	QTY.	MEMBER REORDER PRICE/ CASE/EACH	TOTAL
507A	Miser Meritage, 2005. CheapSkate "Ripe fruit, herbs, tobacco, chocolate"	\$15.99	56%		\$83.88/cs \$6.99/ea	
507B	Chardonnay/Torrontes, 2006. Martin Fierro "Fresh peach, lychee, guava"	\$12.99	54%		\$71.88/cs \$5.99/ea	
407A	Chardonnay, 2004. Peralta. "Grapefruit, tropical fruit, ripe apple"	\$13.99	57%		\$71.88/cs \$5.99/ea	
407B	Cab/Shiraz/Merlot, 2004. Gum Bear "Fresh plum, spice, floral"	\$12.99	47%		\$83.88/cs \$6.99/ea	
307A	Petite Sirah, 2005. Copper Fish "Ripe red fruit, spice, sweet oak"	\$13.99	50%		\$83.88/cs \$6.99/ea	
307B	Sauvignon Blanc, 2006. Monkey Puzzle "Forward citrus, parsley, granny smith apple"	\$10.99	45%		\$71.88/cs \$5.99/ea	
207A	Chardonnay, 2005. Crooked Limb "Green apples, peaches, butter"	\$11.99	50%		\$71.88/cs \$5.99/ea	
207B	Merlot/Malbec/Cab. Sauvignon, 2006. Flagtree "Raspberry, marmalade, floral"	\$13.99	43%		\$95.88/cs \$7.99/ea	
107A	Merlot, 2005. Canyon Oaks "Berry fruit, plums, toasted walnuts"	\$11.99	50%		\$71.88/cs \$5.99/ea	
107B	Bairrada, 2005. Alianca "Herbal, lemon, floral"	\$9.99	40%		\$71.88/cs \$5.99/ea	
1206A	Brut, N.V. Rime' T "Grapefruit, lemon, green apple"	\$19.95	60%		\$95.88/cs \$7.99/ea	
1206B	Muscat Canelli, 2005. Maddalena "Creamy apricot, pears, honey"	\$10.99	45%		\$71.88/cs \$5.99/ea	
1206C	Malbec, 2004, Wild Gaucho "Tobacco, truffles, Morello cherries"	\$11.99	51%		\$71.88/cs \$5.99/ea	
1206D	Colombard, 2005. Colombelle "Citrus, floral, sweet melon"	\$10.99	36%		\$83.88/cs \$6.99/ea	
1106A	Merlot, 2004. Kinderwood "Blackberry, spice, ripe fruit, vanilla"	\$11.99	34%		\$95.88/cs \$7.99/ea	
1106B	Sauvignon Blanc/Chardonnay, 2006. Flagtree "Citrus, green herbs, honey"	\$9.99	40%		\$71.88/cs \$5.99/ea	
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WINE OF THE MONTH CLUB G I F TO R D E R S

GIFT #	WINE OF THE MONTH CLUB GIFT MEMBERSHIPS	QTY.	PRICE	TOTAL
10G	2 Bottles Current club selections		\$21.95*	
20G	6 Bottles Assortment of recent selections		\$58.85*	
30G	12 Bottles (1 Case) Assortment of recent selections		\$114.20*	
4GP Subscriptions:	4 Month Membership in WINE OF THE MONTH CLUB 2 Bottles (current Club selections) each month for 4 months (8 bottles total).		\$77.30*	
4QGP Subscriptions:	4 Month Membership in WINE OF THE MONTH CLUB 2 Bottles every quarter for one year (8 bottles total).		\$77.30*	
5GP Subscriptions:	6 Month Membership in WINE OF THE MONTH CLUB 2 Bottles (current Club selections) each month for 6 months (12 bottles total).		\$114.20*	
5BGP Subscriptions:	6 Month Membership in WINE OF THE MONTH CLUB 2 Bottles (current Club selections) every other month for 6 months (12 bottles total).		\$114.20*	
6GP Subscriptions:	1 Year Membership in WINE OF THE MONTH CLUB 2 Bottles (current Club selections) each month for 12 months (24 bottles total).		\$224.90*	
LOG	2 Bottles (LIMITED SERIES) Current selections		\$43.50*	
LGP Subscriptions:	1 Year Membership in WINE OF THE MONTH CLUB 2 Bottles (current Limited Series selections) every month for the next 12 months (24 bottles total).		\$483.50*	
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own special p Basket include Sycamore Lar assorted hard board, knife a	WINE AND CHEESE PICNIC ws you to take the celebration with you. Everything you need to create your icinic. ses: One bottle of 2002 Domaine St. George Cabernet, one bottle of 2006 te Chardonnay, Northwood's Cheese with Shiraz, Starr Ridge crackers, candies. Delivered in our insulated double wine tote complete with cheese nd corkscrew. 5 + \$4.37 Ca sales tax + \$8.50 Shipping & Handling (\$10.50 S&H outside CA)		\$49.95	
Basket include bar, Starr Ridg	SOMETHING SPECIAL ble this gift will make anyone feel special. es: One bottle of 2002 Brutocao Cellars Cabernet Sauvignon, Kara's Chocolate ge cookies, assorted hard candies. Arrives in a rectangular wicker basket.		\$10.05	

Add this amount to GIFT ORDER TOTAL on line 1 on Order Form on page 10 GIFT ORDERS TOTAL

#SOMSPEC \$19.95 +\$1.75 CA sales tax + \$7.50 Shipping & Handling (\$9.50 S&H outside CA)

- 1. All wine assortments, as well as the first month of WINE OF THE MONTH CLUB membership, will be handsomely gift boxed. A card will be attached with your greeting.
- 2 Shipments are made by UPS/Fed Ex and are guaranteed to arrive in perfect condition.
- 3. All recipients must be 21 years or older.
- If any of the items to be included is out of inventory, we guarantee that we will substitute a product of equal or superior quality. Call us for weekend delivery.

*Gift wrapping included.





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LIMITED SERIES

SYRAH, 2003. COSENTINO	CABERNET SAUVIGNON, 2002. KOONOWLA
Date Tested Color	Date Tested Color
Nose	Nose
Taste	Taste
Tracking Notes	Tracking Notes
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CELLAR NOTES

A report on how previous LIMITED SERIES Selections are faring with age. Obtained from actual tastings on wines under cellar conditions and/or vintner, importer or wholesaler surveys.

May 2003 Naoussa, 2000. Boutari. Drink now.

Pinot Noir, 2000. Robert Stemmler. Drink through 2007.

May 2004 Merlot, 2000. Terroir Napa Valley. Drink now.

Pinot Blanc, 2002. Konzelman. Drink now.

May 2005 Zinfandel, 2000. Franus. Drink now.

Petite Sirah, 2002. Clanon. Drink through 2007.

May 2006 Pinot Blanc, 2004. Martin Schaetzel. Drink now.

Rosso, 2003. Bates. Drink through 2007.

MEMBER UPCOMING EVENTS

WINE DINNERS!!!

If you are interested in a Wine of the Month Club dinner in your area please contact Diana@womclub.com or call her at (800) 949-9463.

HOME WINE TASTING PARTIES

Many members have asked us about both our wine tasting parties and about conducting wine seminars. So, in combining the two ideas we have introduced the **WINE OF THE MONTH CLUB WINE TASTING PARTIES.**

If you are living in Southern California or the Reno area, and are interested in hosting a home wine tasting party, please call us at 1-800-949-9463 or send an email to Diana@womclub.com





Gift Assortments

Celebrate any occasion with Special Gifts for friends, family and business associates.

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Give a Wine of the Month Club special gift and you will be the "toast" of the celebration!



"Love the club....never had a bottle of wine that I have not enjoyed!"

K.W., BERKLEY, CA

"I'm just learning about wines. Wine of the Month Club has been a great help." C.V., GAULEY BRIDGE, WV

"Your descriptions are great and very enticing. No doubt we were impressed."

E.T., ALBUQUERQUE, NM

"Love the selections and variety.... I would never otherwise get to experience them."

T.K., EL CAJON, CA

"I'm happy to recommend WOMC to everyone I know with an interest in wine!"

C.R., MOUNTAINVIEW, CA

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This is a simple yet flavorful recipe that will pair beautifully with the *Martin Fierro Chardonnay/Torrontes* as well as the *Pavilion Chardonnay*. Serve this tart alongside a salad with creamy dressing and warm bread.

ONION TART

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 9" pastry pie crust, unbaked
- 3 cups thinly-sliced onions
- 3 Tbsp. sour cream
- 3 eggs
- 3 tsp. butter
- 4 oz. Gruyere cheese, grated
- Sugar

Salt and pepper

PREPARATION:

Preheat oven to 375°.

In a sauté pan over medium heat, melt the butter and sauté the onions until golden.

In a mixing bowl, beat the eggs with the sour cream. Add to the onions. Season with salt, pepper, and a splash of sugar. Remove from heat.

Prick the pie shell with a fork. Pour the onion mixture into the pie crust. Bake for 25-30 minutes.

Remove from oven 10 minutes before end of baking time and sprinkle with the Gruyere cheese. Bake for an additional 10 minutes. Serve warm.

Traditionally, red wines are paired with meat. However, the *Cosentino Syrah* will complement the spices in this grilled fish recipe. It's a nice change of pace in wine pairing.

GRILLED SPICED FISH

INGREDIENTS:

- 4 red snapper or orange roughy fillets
- 1 Tbsp. olive oil
- 2 Tbsp. paprika
- 1 tsp. salt
- 1 tsp. onion powder
- 1 tsp. garlic powder
- 1/2 tsp. cayenne pepper
- 1/2 tsp. white pepper
- 1/2 tsp. each oregano, basil, and thyme

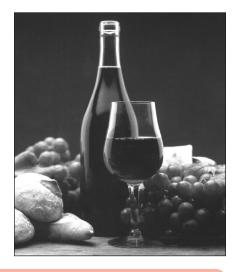
PREPARATION:

Before lighting grill, rub the rack with oil. Heat grill to medium heat.

Brush fish with oil.

In a small bowl, combine the spices. Sprinkle the seasonings over the fish and press into both sides of each fillet. Cover and refrigerate for 30 minutes.

Grill fillets, covered, for 3-4 minutes on each side or until fish flakes with a fork. Serve immediately with grilled vegetables and rice.



TASTING NOTES

MERITAGE, 2005. CHEAPSKATE MISER	CHARDONNAY/TORRONTES , 2006. MARTIN FIERRO
Date Tested Color	Date Tested Color
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WINE OF THE MONTH CLUB CELLAR NOTES

A report on how previous WINE OF THE MONTH CLUB Selections are faring with age. Obtained from actual tastings on wines under cellar conditions and/or vintner, importer or wholesaler surveys.

May 2003 Chardonnay, 2001. Painted Hills. Drink now. Pinot Noir, 1998. Bouchaine. Drink now.

May 2004 Cabernet Sauvignon, 2002. Lakeville Cellars. Drink through 2010. Viognier, 2001. Equus. Drink now

May 2005 Viognier, 2004. Green Bridge. Drink now.

Tempranillo, 2003. Blason. Drink now. May 2006 Merlot, 2003. Sonoma Creek. Drink through 2007.

Torrontes, 2005. St. Lucas. Drink now.

${\mathcal M}$ ember ${\it I}$ nquiry

You will want to keep your wines in a temperature controlled place at about 60°F. Ideally, there should be no light, no vibration, and a bit of humidity. If your house has a basement or underground cellar, that can work. If you are on the east coast, your basement or cellar should stay cool in the summer months as well. On the west coast, we depend on temperature-controlled units to help our wines survive the endless summer heat we have.

I want to start a
wine collection. How do
I keep the wine and do
I need to rotate them?
Thank you.

- P. MICHAELS, GREAT PLAINS, NY

They range in price depending on size, but it's a wise investment if you're serious about storing wines for any length of time. As you start to accumulate wine, you may get 100 bottles or more. Some could lay down for 10 to 15 years, others for 3 to 5 years, and some are opened the

night they're brought home! With that many bottles being stored, you should open some of the ageing wines to see how they're doing. There is nothing sadder than opening a bottle you've been saving only to find that it's past its prime. So go to your cellar now and pull some corks and pour some glasses. It's interesting to see how the wines are doing. Remember, the whole point of buying wine is to drink and enjoy wine. You can always buy more. Have fun!



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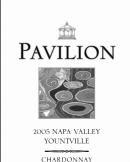
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magical grape? When pressed, most of us will agree that we love drinking Chardonnay grapes, grown all over the world, make wines ranging from light, fruity, and un-oaked to wines rich, creamy, and oaky. The many styles of Chardonnay make it easy to pour a glass for every occasion.

Pavilion Winery is a state-ofthe-art facility which has strong relationships with the top wine growers in Napa Valley. Their ability to obtain top-quality grapes ensures that they can create consistently high-quality Chardonnay at incredibly good prices. Bob Pepi and Brian Mox are Pavilion Winery's winemakers. Bob Pepi is known for his accomplishments at the Pepi Winery, where he made wine with his father until the

winery was sold in 1994. In addition to making Pavilion wines, he consults in Argentina, Colorado, as other projects in California. Brian Mox studied Enology at UC Davis and was instrumental in setting up the Laird Family Estate. He also worked at Etude Winery with the well-known winemaker Tony Soter. Brian is also actively involved in other winemaking projects throughout California. Both Bob and Brian agree that keeping active in the industry gives them better insight and an edge in making better wines.

2005 Pavilion Chardonnay has a rich golden yellow color. The nose is fruit forward with apple, lemon, pear, and toasty oak. The palate is dry with ripe fruit, balanced acidity, and soft French oak. The finish is smooth and lingering. Try this wine with our Onion Tart recipe on page 13.



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nfortunately, when some people hear "burgundy wine" they think of inexpensive red wines in large bottles. Actually, "Burgundy" refers to a region of France. Wines made in France are labeled by the region from which they come. The Mâcon growing district is located in the French region called "la Bourgogne" in French, "Burgundy" in English.

Burgundy is one of the smallest wine regions in the world. It stretches just 30 miles long and one mile wide. It's divided into five regions: Chablis, Cote de Nuits, Cote de Beaune, Chalonnaise, a n d Maconnaise. Each region has many micro-climates, slopes, exposures, and soils. Amazingly, two vineyards side by side will grow grapes that are very different in flavor and quality.

The Maconnaise region has 42 villages that are allowed to print their name on their wines' labels. Viré is village that consistently makes great wine. Clessé is known for wines of perfume and

finesse. The climate is dry with a Mediterranean influence from the south. The soil is uniquely clay with limestone.

Chanson was founded in 1750 and has always been one of the five grand shippers of Burgundy wines. (The other four are Latour, Bouchard, Jadot, and Drouhin.) Chanson owns some of the most coveted vineyards in the area. As it has for over 200 years, Chanson still vinifies and cellars its wines in its bastion. "The temperature of the bastion never varies," explains General Manager Gilles de Courcel, "We use only the best cuvees and we never hurry the process. This is how we maintain the freshness, purity and fragrance of our wines."

The 2005 Chanson Viré Clessé Chardonnay is pale gold. The nose is elegant with floral, jasmine, and nutmeg. The palate is soft, dry, and well balanced with pears, a touch of chalk and hint of floral. The finish lingers. This is a great appetizer wine to pair with lighter foods and goat cheese.



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