

'NO RESERVE' 2005 BORDEAUX & OTHERS



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**'A SINGULAR VINTAGE OF COMPELLING GREATNESS' —
*ROBERT PARKER***

March each year sees the massed ranks of the world's wine trade descending on Bordeaux to pay homage to the neonates of that region's great Chateaux and estates. Moving onwards we see a well worn path – cries of 'best, better, great, greatest, classic, timeless...' followed by prices even higher than the records set by the previous vintage. Such however is life.

Bordeaux's 2009 vintage is no exception to the rules above and we are currently seeing that year's unfinished wines released at levels above well proven vintages available for physical delivery. Against this backdrop we are pleased to offer a collection of top 2005 Bordeaux on a 'no reserve' basis.

These wines were consigned to sale by a fastidious private seller and are available for delivery on completion of the auctions.

**Auctions commence on 25th June and conclude from 9AM
onwards on 1st July 2010.**

6561. Prieure Lichine 2005 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6561>)

12 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: The finest Prieure-Lichine I have ever tasted, the sensational 2005 has unquestionably benefitted from the improvements made at this property as well as the consultation work of Stephane Derenoncourt. Its dense purple color is accompanied by a glorious perfume of forest floor, blackberries, incense, and cassis. Opulent, with sweet tannin for the vintage, excellent purity, and a savory, broad, expansive mouthfeel that lingers on the palate, it possesses the delicacy of a terrific Margaux as well as enough concentration and power to give it an extra dimension. This wine should be drinkable in 4-5 years, and last for 25 or more. Bravo!

Score: 92

Source: Robert Parker, Wine Advocate No. 176 Apr 2008

www.erobertparker.com

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

6562. Ormes De Pez 2005 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6562>)

12 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: A somewhat monolithic, one-dimensional effort from one of my favorite St.-Estephe estates, the medium-bodied, fruity 2005 Les Ormes de Pez exhibits sweet black currant, damp earth, and fresh mushroom-like characteristics. It should be consumed over the next 7-8 years.

Score: 86

Source: Robert Parker, Wine Advocate No. 176 Apr 2008

www.erobertparker.com

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

6563. Petite Eglise 2005 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6563>)

12 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Case of 12 bottles.

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

6564. Petite Eglise 2005 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6564>)

12 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Case of 12 bottles.

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

6565. Petit Village 2005 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6565>)

12 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: The 2005 Petit Village is a superficial, straightforward, fruit-driven effort displaying notes of roasted herbs, espresso, cherries, and hints of strawberries as well as licorice. Medium-bodied with light tannin and a straightforward finish, it should be consumed over the next 10-15 years.

Score: 87

Source: Robert Parker, Wine Advocate No. 176 Apr 2008

www.erobertparker.com

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

6566. Dom De Chevalier 2005 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6566>)

12 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: Perhaps the finest wine made at this estate in many years (no doubt due to the influence of wine consulting guru Stephane Derenoncourt), the 2005 is a blend of 65% Cabernet Sauvignon and the rest primarily Merlot with tiny portions of Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot. A dark ruby/purple hue is followed by a classic Graves bouquet of charcoal, graphite, creosote, smoked herbs, sweet black cherries, and spice box. The wine is elegant on the attack, but fills out beautifully with a multilayered, rich mouthfeel, silky tannins, and a plush, opulent finish. This brilliant claret may turn out to be even better than my score suggests. Anticipated maturity: 2014-2030+.

Score: 92

Source: Robert Parker, Wine Advocate No. 176 Apr 2008

www.erobertparker.com

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

6567. Pontet Canet 2005 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6567>)

12 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: The work that Alfred Tesseron and his winemaking team have done at this estate since 1994 is remarkable. At this fabulous terroir just south of Mouton-Rothschild,

Tesseron has made major investments, and instituted incredibly severe selections in both the vineyard and winery. The result is a succession of extraordinary wines. It is difficult to know whether the 2005 Pontet-Canet will ultimately eclipse the hedonism and density of the flamboyant 2003, but it is unquestionably a stunning effort. Inky/black-colored with a classic Pauillac perfume of licorice, black currant liqueur, graphite, cedar, and spice box, it is full-bodied, with magnificent concentration, formidable tannins, and an Arnold Schwarzenegger-like structure (when he was 25 years younger). This backward, formidably endowed 2005 will require patience. Anticipated maturity: 2017-2040.

Score: 96+

Source: Robert Parker, Wine Advocate No. 176 Apr 2008

www.erobertparker.com

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

6568. Du Tertre 2005 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6568>)

12 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: Even in the highly acclaimed 2005 vintage, Du Tertre remains under most consumer's radar. Made by essentially the same winemaking team as Giscours, this cuvee exhibits a dense purple color, followed by earthy, truffle, smoky blackberry, floral, and cassis aromas. It is a beautifully pure, medium to full-bodied wine with abundant but sweet tannin, fine opulence, a multilayered texture, and a long finish that is neither aggressive nor astringent. Cellar it for another 3-4 years, and consume it over the following 20-25.

Score: 90

Source: Robert Parker, Wine Advocate No. 176 Apr 2008

www.erobertparker.com

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

6569. Leoville Las Case 2005 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6569>)

6 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: Another titanic effort from the Delon family, the 2005 Leoville Las Cases is probably the greatest wine made at this estate since Jean-Hubert Delon's father produced the

1986 and 1996. Only 37% of the production made it into the 2005, a blend of primarily Cabernet Sauvignon with less than 13% Merlot and Cabernet Franc. An inky/ruby/purple color is accompanied by reticent aromatics that, with considerable coaxing, offer up subtle notes of toasty vanillin intermixed with lead pencil shavings, wet rocks, and enormously ripe, intense black cherry and creme de cassis. The wine hits the palate with a full-bodied, layered mouthfeel as well as enormous extract, concentration, and purity. This ageless, monumental claret requires a minimum of 15-20 years to approach maturity, and should last for a half century. It is about as classic a Leoville Las Cases as one will find. Anticipated maturity: 2020-2060

Score: 98

Source: Robert Parker, Wine Advocate No. 176 Apr 2008

www.robertparker.com

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

6570. Leoville Las Case 2005 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6570>)

6 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

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www.robertparker.com

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

6571. La Conseillante 2005 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6571>)

6 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: The 2005 will challenge the extraordinary 2000. Among the truly fabulous wines made here (i.e., 2000, 1990, 1989, 1985, and 1982), its deep ruby/purple hue is accompanied by an exquisite bouquet of incense, raspberry jam, kirsch, licorice, and hints of black olives as well as flowers. This broadly perfumed Pomerol exhibits sensational purity, sweet tannin, medium to full body, and outstanding elegance and finesse. The fruit is forward and precocious, but there is enough stuffing, structure, and density for the wine to evolve for 20-25 years.

Score: 96

Source: Robert Parker, Wine Advocate No. 176 Apr 2008

www.erobertparker.com

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

6572. Vieux Chateau Certan 2005 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6572>)

6 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: A stunning effort from Alexander Thienpont, the 2005 Vieux Chateau Certan (a blend of 80% Merlot and 20% Cabernet Franc) reveals an inky/blue/purple color along with a rich, sumptuous perfume of black olives, lavender, roasted herbs, licorice, pain grille, and oodles of truffles as well as creme de cassis. In the mouth, hints of chocolate and charcoal also make an appearance along with good acidity, fabulous purity, and a full-bodied, powerful mouthfeel. In keeping with the style of this terroir, the wine is reserved and restrained, but deep. It should develop magnificently, and age for 30-40 years. Anticipated maturity: 2015-2035.

Score: 95

Source: Robert Parker, Wine Advocate No. 176 Apr 2008

www.erobertparker.com

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

6573. Montrose 2005 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6573>)

12 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: The 2005 Montrose is an exceptionally tannic, broodingly backward offering displaying a dense ruby/purple color along with a provocative perfume of crushed rocks, flowers, cassis, black raspberries, and blueberries. It continues to add weight and richness, good traits considering the substantial, forbiddingly high tannin levels and zesty acidity. If you are over the age of fifty, this backward, powerful wine will probably be more enjoyable to your descendants. Anticipated maturity: 2020-2040+

Score: 95

Source: Robert Parker, Wine Advocate No. 176 Apr 2008

www.erobertparker.com

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

6574. Haut Bages Liberal 2005 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6574>)

12 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: This deep ruby/purple-colored 2005 is a classic Pauillac. A big, sweet kiss of road tar aromas interwoven with cedarwood, smoke, spice box, herbs, and black currants emerges from the glass of this unexpectedly precocious, up-front Pauillac. Fleshy, with medium to full body as well as good acidity and structure, it lacks complexity, but offers a generous mouthful of wine at a realistic price. Anticipated maturity: 2012-2022.

Score: 90

Source: Robert Parker, Wine Advocate No. 176 Apr 2008

www.erobertparker.com

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

6575. Haut Bages Liberal 2005 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6575>)

12 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

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medium to full body as well as good acidity and structure, it lacks complexity, but offers a generous mouthful of wine at a realistic price. Anticipated maturity: 2012-2022.

Score: 90

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www.erobertparker.com

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

6576. Rauzan Segla 2005 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6576>)

12 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: One of the most beautiful Rauzan-Seglas made in decades, this blend of 55% Cabernet Sauvignon and the rest primarily Merlot and tiny dollops of Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot exhibits a gorgeous perfume of spring flowers, subtle mint, black cherries, black currants, licorice, and a hint of new oak. It offers medium to full body, sweet tannins, and a layered mouthfeel that builds incrementally to a sensational finish. Although this beauty is performing well, it remains a decade away from its plateau of maturity. Anticipated maturity: 2017-2030+.

Score: 94+

Source: Robert Parker, Wine Advocate No. 176 Apr 2008

www.erobertparker.com

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

6577. Duhart Milon 2005 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6577>)

12 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: The finest Duhart-Milon ever made? This structured, tannic, dense ruby/purple-tinged Pauillac offers up hints of cassis, licorice, chocolate, and earth. Medium to full-bodied with good purity, strong tannins, and undeniable elegance, it reveals a character not dissimilar from its renowned sibling, Lafite-Rothschild. A blend of 71% Cabernet Sauvignon and 29% Merlot, it is unquestionably outstanding, but to my taste, slightly less opulent than the estate's ethereal 2003. Anticipated maturity: 2015-2030.

Score: 94

Source: Robert Parker, Wine Advocate No. 176 Apr 2008

www.erobertparker.com

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

6578. Duhart Milon 2005 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6578>)

12 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

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Score: 94

Source: Robert Parker, Wine Advocate No. 176 Apr 2008

www.erobertparker.com

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

6579. Batailley 2005 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6579>)

12 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: Renowned Bordeaux oenologist, Denis Dubourdiu, oversees the winemaking at all of the properties owned by Philippe Casteja, which includes Batailley. Their 2005, one of the finest efforts this estate has yet produced, is backward, tannic, and almost primordial in style. Built for the long-term, it offers plenty of sweet creme de cassis fruit intermixed with smoke, cedar, and earth notes. Full-bodied and powerful, it is an old style Pauillac with well-integrated acidity as well as sweet but elevated tannins. Give it 7-8 years of bottle age, and drink it between 2015-2035.

Score: 91

Source: Robert Parker, Wine Advocate No. 176 Apr 2008

www.erobertparker.com

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

6580. Batailley 2005 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6580>)

12 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

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Score: 91

Source: Robert Parker, Wine Advocate No. 176 Apr 2008

www.erobertparker.com

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

6581. Clinet 2005 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6581>)

12 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: We haven't seen a Clinet this good since the late Jean-Michel Arcaute's stunning duo of 1989 and 1990. This dense ruby/purple-tinged, exotic 2005 boasts soaring aromas of roasted herbs, plums, black currants, and caramelized chocolate. Savory, broad, and expansive with sensational purity, intensity, and length, this beauty possesses so much fruit and glycerin that it nearly hides the substantial tannins. Although performing exceptionally well at present, I suspect it will close down once it is put in a cold cellar. Anticipated maturity: 2014-2030.

Score: 92

Source: Robert Parker, Wine Advocate No. 176 Apr 2008

www.erobertparker.com

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

6582. Lagrange 2005 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6582>)

12 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: Sweet, toasty, oaky notes interwoven with hints of black olives, blackberries, cassis, and spice box are found in this densely saturated ruby/purple-hued 2005. While rich, with impressive concentration and purity, it is also tannic, full-bodied, and painfully backward and foreboding. This is another long-term prospect that will require patience. Anticipated maturity: 2013-2027.

Score: 91?

Source: Robert Parker, Wine Advocate No. 176 Apr 2008

www.erobertparker.com

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

6583. Calon Segur 2005 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6583>)

12 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: A blend of 60% Cabernet Sauvignon and 40% Merlot, the totally closed 2005 Calon Segur is one of those traditionally made, backstrapping, uncompromising Bordeaux that will last 30-40 or more years. Its dense ruby color with purple nuances is followed by a nose that reluctantly offers up scents of damp earth, wood smoke, black cherries, cassis, and an exotic Asian spice character. The wine is formidably endowed and broodingly tannic, with noticeable acidity and a structured, nearly impenetrable mouthfeel. Nevertheless, it is easy to sense the weight, extract, and richness in this pure, deep wine. Anticipated maturity: 2020-2050.

Score: 92+

Source: Robert Parker, Wine Advocate No. 176 Apr 2008

www.erobertparker.com

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

6584. Gruaud Larose 2005 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6584>)

12 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: Tasted on three separate occasions, this cuvee exhibits a dark ruby color (with much less saturation than many wines of the vintage) as well as a distinctive, herbal, meaty, horsey nose, medium to full body, good depth, power, and richness, and soft tannins. The wine's rustic aromas and earthy style are intriguing and provocative. While an excellent effort, the 2005 Gruaud Larose is not one of the stars of the vintage. Anticipated maturity: 2011-2022.

Score: 89?

Source: Robert Parker, Wine Advocate No. 176 Apr 2008

www.erobertparker.com

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

6585. Gruaud Larose 2005 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6585>)

12 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: Tasted on three separate occasions, this cuvee exhibits a dark ruby color (with much less saturation than many wines of the vintage) as well as a distinctive, herbal, meaty, horsey nose, medium to full body, good depth, power, and richness, and soft tannins. The wine's rustic aromas and earthy style are intriguing and provocative. While an excellent effort, the 2005 Gruaud Larose is not one of the stars of the vintage. Anticipated maturity: 2011-2022.

Score: 89?

Source: Robert Parker, Wine Advocate No. 176 Apr 2008

www.erobertparker.com

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

**3582. CNDP, Domaine de Vieux Telegraphe 1999
(<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/3582>)**

6 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Wine Advocate No. 138

Dec 2001 Robert Parker 88 Drink: 2004 - 2019

The elegant, restrained 1999 Vieux-Telegraphe Chateauneuf du Pape is a stylish effort. Dark ruby-colored, with a bouquet of sweet black fruit intertwined with mineral, licorice, and resin, it is layered, long, and deep, with bright acidity as well as firm tannin in the finish. Cellar it for several years and drink it over the following 12-15.

Estimate: £95+

3586. Burgaud Cote Rotie 2001 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/3586>)

6 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Cote Rotie from a good vintage and a very reliable producer.

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

3588. Crozes Hermitage Domaine de Thalabert 2000
(<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/3588>)

12 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Wine Advocate No. 147

Jun 2003 Robert Parker 85 Drink: 2003 - 2008

The dark ruby-colored (with some lightening at the edge), pinched, compressed, medium-bodied, elegant 2000 Crozes-Hermitage Thalabert displays notes of licorice, dried herbs, new saddle leather, and red as well as black fruits. Drink it over the next 4-5 years.

Wine Advocate No. 140

Apr 2002 Robert Parker 88 Drink: 2002 - 2012

The 2000 Crozes-Hermitage Thalabert is one of the better wines I tasted at Jaboulet, and appears to be just as good as their flagship offering, Hermitage La Chapelle. That doesn't make sense, but taste is everything. The Thalabert offers a deep ruby/purple color as well as round, opulent flavors, low acidity, and a seductive, up-front style that begs to be drunk during its first 8-10 years of life. It is sexy, with plenty of black fruits intermixed with pepper, herbs, and incense. Jaboulet's Crozes-Hermitage Thalabert used to be the finest wine of the appellation, but that is no longer the case. Anyone who has tasted some of the great vintages of this wine (1990, 1978) knows it can provide sumptuous drinking for fifteen or more years.

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

3589. Hermitage La Chapelle 1996 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/3589>)

6 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Wine Advocate No. 129

Jun 2000 Robert Parker 92 Drink: 2012 - 2025

The 1996 Hermitage La Chapelle is immensely impressive. The acidity is high. The color is black/purple, and the wine is extremely concentrated, but unevolved and impossible to penetrate. It could turn out like the 1983 and never develop as well as its early promise suggests. Nevertheless, it is a massive effort with extraordinary concentration, but the high acidity requires a minimum of 10 years of cellaring. Anticipated maturity: 2012-2025

Wine Journal

Aug 2007 Neal Martin (88-90)

A really intense nose wafts from the glass: smoky black fruits, truffles and Provencal herbs. Quite bretty as well. The palate has fine concentration, quite backward and lacking the complexity of the nose. A little clumsy and awkward at the moment? Maybe this is just the wrong time for it. I will endeavour to re-taste in 3-4 years time. Tasted November 2003.

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

3590. Hermitage La Chapelle 1999 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/3590>)

6 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

3591. Chateau Charmail 2003 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/3591>)

12 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Wine Advocate No. 158

Apr 2005 Robert Parker (88-90) Drink: 2005 - 2015

This big (by Charmail's standards), unfinned, unfiltered offering possesses 13.5% natural alcohol, remarkably high for Bordeaux. Its dense ruby/purple color is accompanied by a sweet cherry, blackberry, creme de cassis, smoke, and licorice-scented bouquet. Medium to full-bodied and pure, it is best consumed during its first decade of life.

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

3681. Chateau Margaux 1989 (Magnum)
(<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/3681>)

1 bottle of 1500 ml each.

Fill level: In Neck (IN)

Tax status: Duty Paid

Wine Journal

Jan 2009 Neal Martin 94 Drink 2009 - 2020

Juxtaposed against the '96, this nose here on the '89 has a certain mellowness to it, a slight meaty quality with touches of burning embers, pencil shavings and a touch of peppermint inflecting the black fruit. The word "avuncular" keeps springing to mind! The palate is medium-bodied, wonderfully balanced with great focus. A touch of dried fig and cedar on the Pauillac-like finish, although it does not have the persistency on the finish as the '96. A point. Drink now-2020. Tasted July 2008.

Wine Journal

May 2008 Neal Martin 95 Drink 2008 - 2020 \$382-\$1100

Garnet core with thin tawny rim. A very lifted, perfumed, cedary nose with a touch of peppermint. You can still feel the warmth from the summer with a faint hint of prune. The palate is delectable: medium-bodied, very fine tannins, a savoury meaty edge, very harmonious with that peppermint tincture coming through again on the finish. Chateau Margaux mimicking Pauillac. Very fine, surfeit finesse and character, a Margaux that begs to be imbibed rather than analysed. Drink now-2020+ Tasted March 2008.

Wine Advocate No. 109

Feb 1997 Robert Parker 89 Drink: 2002 - 2022

As prodigious as the 1990 is, the 1989 seems to typify so many of the Medoc first-growths in this vintage - excellent, but undistinguished for its reputation. The wine possesses a leathery, oaky nose, medium body, and good ripeness, but next to the 1990, the 1989 is dwarfed by that wine's richness, intensity, and length. The tannins come across as more elevated, as well as slightly greener and tougher. The 1989 may put on more weight and come together, much like the 1985 did after 4-6 years in the bottle, but for now, this wine seems to follow the pattern of many 1989 Medoc first-growths, revealing an unexciting level of quality. Give it 5-6 more years of cellaring, and drink it over the following 20.

Estimate: £435

3874. Chateau de Salle 1985 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/3874>)

2 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level: Base of Neck (BN)

Tax status: Duty Paid

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

**3987. Chateau Gressier Grand Poujeaux 1985
(<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/3987>)**

2 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level: Very Top Shoulder (VTS)

Tax status: Duty Paid

Well structured Moulis for a good vintage. Attracts positive notes on CellarTracker.

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

3988. Chateau Le Gay 1986 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/3988>)

2 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level: Base of Neck (BN)

Tax status: Duty Paid

Bordeaux Book, 3rd Edition # B1

Jan 1998 Robert Parker 87 Drink: 1990 - 2010

The 1986 Le Gay will appeal primarily to those with nineteenth-century tastes for big, beefy, bulky wines that assault the senses and palate with layer upon layer of tannin. It remains a closed and dense wine that only stubbornly offers up the ripe fruit that the deep color and weight of the wine suggest it possesses. It is a wine that will require a significant amount of time to pull itself together and smooth out. How many consumers will have the patience to wait? Anticipated maturity: Now-2010. Last tasted, 3/90.

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

3989. Chateau Certan Giraud 1988 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/3989>)

2 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level: In Neck (IN)

Tax status: Duty Paid

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

3991. Chateau Palomey 2000 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/3991>)

(2 similar lots)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level: In Neck (IN)

Tax status: Duty Paid

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

3992. Chateau Latour 1989 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/3992>)

(3 similar lots)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level: In Neck (IN)

Tax status: Duty Paid

Wine Journal

Jul 2007 Neal Martin 90 Drink 2007 - 2015

Conspicuously mature, even for a 1989 Left Bank with a distinct tawny rim. A rather loose-knit, mature nose with dark chocolate. Capsicum, liquorices and burnt toast. Lacking some lift and vigor (although less prune-scented than previous bottles.) The palate is medium-bodied, very savory as if there is a high percentage of Cabernet Franc. Dried blood. Moderate length, this is just lacking breeding and length and on this showing I would certainly drink this over the next 5-8 years. Tasted December 2006.

Drinking now-2015

Wine Journal

Neal Martin 92-94 Drink 1998 - 2020

Frederick Engerer remarked that the 1989 Latour was subject to some hydric stress caused by the high sun and temperature levels. The appearance is quite garnet colour with a tawny edge. The nose blossoms in the glass: spice and dark chocolate. Lacks some finesse and class. The palate is quite tannic, perhaps beginning to close up a little. Slightly bitter tannins but there is loads of complex savory fruit, leather and figs. A long sweet finish. Not quite as harmonious as the superior Mouton-Rothschild. Then in September 2004 at the Farr 89 vs. 90 tasting. As Latour goes I find this underwhelming and completely outclassed by the 1990. An open-knit, slightly stewed nose. Prune and raisin. Soft entry on the palate, the wine is not as structured as Lafite or Mouton. Sweet red fruits: this is just too open for me. Cranberry and dried blood on the finish. Very fruit-driven for Latour: this is too eager to please.

Estimate: £210

3993. Chateau Lynch Bages 2000 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/3993>)

(2 similar lots)

2 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level: In Neck (IN)

Tax status: Duty Paid

Wine Advocate No. 146

Apr 2003 Robert Parker 95 Drink: 2008 - 2025

An utterly profound Lynch-Bages, this wine continues to remind me of a hypothetical blend of the 1990 and 1989. Interestingly, when I asked Jean-Michel Cazes to rank his top four vintages of Lynch-Bages, he ranked the 1989 first, followed by three vintages that he said were essentially equivalent in quality - 1990, 1996, and 2000. The 2000 Lynch-Bages exhibits a dense purple color, loads of glycerin and extract, big, muscular, sweet creme de cassis notes, with hints of new saddle leather, earth, and tobacco leaf. The 2000 is forceful yet plush, with a thick, juicy, succulent mid-palate, ripe tannin, and a long, layered finish. I know

it will be tempting to pull corks on this wine in its youth, but it really will not hit its stride for 7-10 years and will last for at least 25. Anticipated maturity: 2008-2025.

Wine Journal

Jan 2009 Neal Martin 95 Drink 2015 - 2035

This has an intense, quite broody nose, tightly coiled, touches of smoke, like a younger sibling of Latour. It remains rather broody in the glass. The palate is medium- to full-bodied, vigorous, very well balanced with good acidity cutting through layers of thick chewy black fruits. Very primal, quite masculine and a millennial wine in for the long-term. The tannins really coat the mouth in cedary black fruit with tobacco and liquorices lingering longingly on the aftertaste. This is a great Lynch Bages – very natural, very poised. Drink 2015-2035. Tasted September 2008.

Estimate: £225

3995. Chateau Guibot La Fourveille 2000
(<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/3995>)

(4 similar lots)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level: In Neck (IN)

Tax status: Duty Paid

Wine Advocate No. 139

Feb 2002 Robert Parker (87-89) Drink: 2002 - 2010

This up and coming property offers a value-priced, 100% Merlot cuvee from one of St.-Emilion's satellite appellations. The wine spends 12 months in oak. An excellent sleeper of the vintage, this soft, deliciously round, rich 2000 displays sweet fruit, hints of charred oak, medium body, excellent purity, and an attractive, savory character. Drink it over the next 7-8 years.

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

4000. Cheval Blanc 1989 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/4000>)

(3 similar lots)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level: Base of Neck (BN)

Tax status: Duty Paid

Wine Journal

May 2008 Neal Martin 96 Drink -

A bottle courtesy of the generosity of "Big Steve", this compensated for the odd Scandinavian-bottled '62 Cheval! A decadent, ravishing nose of blackberry, dark Valrona chocolate, mocha and brown sugar with brilliant delineation. The palate is full-bodied, very savoury with that Cabernet Franc in full flow. Fine, firm tannins, superb depth, a real mouthful of Cheval Blanc with a touch of plum and yes, "Bovril" on the aftertaste. Drinking superbly now, but it has a few more years ahead of it yet. Tasted February 2008.

Wine Journal

Neal Martin 95-97 Drink -

Deep ruby. Stunning ample nose: chocolate, mocha and iron filings/granite. Not massive body but so elegant and classy. Interwoven rich tannins. Long stylish chocolate finish. Still quite tight and only just beginning to blossom. A beautiful wine. Tasted November 2002.

*Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve*65

4004. Chateau Larrivet-Haut-Brion (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/4004>)

(4 similar lots)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level: In Neck (IN)

Tax status: Duty Paid

Wine Advocate No. 146

Apr 2003 Robert Parker 90 Drink: 2007 - 2020

The deep ruby/purple-colored 2000's rich, complex perfume displays aromas of cedar, black cherry liqueur, melted licorice, scorched earth, tobacco, and new oak. The wine is rich, firm, tannic, concentrated, and medium to full-bodied with admirable sweetness of fruit. It is a beautiful effort that should be drinkable between 2007-2020.

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

4009. Pavillon Rouge du Chateau Margaux 2000
(<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/4009>)

(2 similar lots)

1 bottle of 1500 ml each.

Fill level: In Neck (IN)

Tax status: Duty Paid

Wine Advocate No. 146

Apr 2003 Robert Parker 90 Drink: 2003 - 2018

One of the finest examples I have tasted, the 2000 Pavillon Rouge du Chateau Margaux exhibits supple tannin along with big, sweet, luscious black currant flavors intermixed with hints of cedar, spice box, and vanilla. Plump and fleshy, with low acidity, it will offer delicious drinking now and over the next 10-15 years. Don't miss it.

Estimate: NA - £150

5553. 1997 Penfolds 707 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5553>)

12 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Case of twelve bottles.

Producer's notes:

A multi-district blend sourced from

Coonawarra, Bordertown, Padthaway and

Barossa Valley districts of South Australia.

The 1997 vintage enjoyed a cool summer

that was followed by warm weather in late March and April. Winter rainfall had been excellent in most districts and good rains continued into September and past bud-burst.

Peak drinking 2006 - 2020

Opaque, deep red. Ripe red berries together with varietal, leafy cassis fruits. Stylish integrated oak, hints of smokiness and subtle cedar aromas. Rich and ripe with dark cherry and raspberry fruit flavours, some dark chocolate and integrated smoky oak.

Estimate: £1000

5879. Viking Wines - Grand Shiraz 2003
(<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5879>)

6 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: In Bond

Case of six bottles.

Estimate: £40

5895. Shirvington - Estate Cabernet Sauvignon 2003
(<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5895>)

3 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: In Bond

Tasting note: The 2003 Cabernet Sauvignon offers up aromas of cassis liqueur, graphite, toast, smoke, and camphor along with huge body, gorgeous sweetness as well as purity, a multilayered texture, and a colossal finish. I would opt for drinking it over the next 7-8 years, but keep one bottle back until age 12-15. There is so much here it is hard to believe this wine will collapse after 8-10 years of age. Interestingly, this 2003 does not appear to be quite as powerful or concentrated as the 2002s or 2001s, but that's like splitting hairs. The evolution of this 2003 will be fascinating to follow.

Score: 94

Source: Wine Advocate No. 155, Oct 2004

Robert Parker, www.erobertparker.com

Estimate: £40

5896. Shirvington - Estate Shiraz 2003
(<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5896>)

9 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: In Bond

Tasting note: The big, concentrated yet velvety-textured, magnificent 2003 Shiraz reveals a seamless integration of tannin, acidity, wood, and alcohol, it boasts aromas of blackberry liqueur intermixed with violets. The fragrant aromatics are followed by an explosively rich, full-bodied, unctuously-textured, compelling Shiraz. Interestingly, this 2003 does not appear to be quite as powerful or concentrated as the 2002s or 2001s, but that's like splitting hairs. The evolution of this 2003 will be fascinating to follow.

Score: 96

Source: Wine Advocate No. 155, Oct 2004

Robert Parker, www.erobertparker.com

*Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve*²⁵

5899. Fox Creek - Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon 2002
(<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5899>)

6 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: In Bond

Case of six bottles.

Estimate: £60

5900. Fox Creek - Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon 2002
(<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5900>)

6 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: In Bond

Case of six bottles.

Estimate: £60

5933. D'arenberg - The Coppermine Road 2001
(<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5933>)

6 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: In Bond

Tasting note: One of the finest Cabernet Sauvignons produced in South Australia is d' Arenberg's Coppermine Road. The colossal 2001 The Coppermine Road Cabernet Sauvignon exhibits an opaque purple color in addition to a gorgeous perfume of lead pencil shavings intermixed with blackberry and cassis fruit, vanilla, Asian spices, and white flowers. Still primary and young, with great intensity as well as tremendous upside potential, it requires 5-6 more years of aging, after which it will last for two decades.

Score: 93

Source: Wine Advocate No. 148, Aug 2003

Robert Parker, www.erobertparker.com

Estimate: £40

5938. Wild Duck Creek - Original Vineyard Shiraz 2001
(<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/5938>)

1 bottle of 1500 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: In Bond

Estimate: £45

6546. Chateau Margaux 1995 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6546>)

12 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

OWC of 12 bottles Chateau Margaux 1995.

In Asia # 0509

May 2009 Lisa Perrotti-Brown 95 Drink: 2009 - 2030

Medium garnet colour going brick at the rim. The nose is beginning to showing signs of evolution with aromas of leather, game, warm cassis, dried plums and cloves. Medium to high acidity, medium body and medium to firm, fine tannins support earthy, blackcurrant-preserve fruit. Long finish. Drink now – 2030+. Tasted February 2009.

Wine Advocate No. 115

Feb 1998 Robert Parker 95 Drink: 2005 - 2040

Bottled very late (November, 1997), the 1995 has continued to flesh out, developing into one of the great classics made under the Mentzelopoulos regime. The color is opaque ruby/purple. The nose offers aromas of licorice and sweet smoky new oak intermixed with jammy black fruits, licorice, and minerals. The wine is medium to full-bodied, with extraordinary richness, fabulous equilibrium, and hefty tannin in the finish. In spite of its large size and youthfulness, this wine is user-friendly and accessible. This is a thrilling Margaux that will always be softer and more evolved than its broader-shouldered sibling, the 1996. How fascinating it will be to follow the evolution of both of these vintages over the next half century. Anticipated maturity: 2005-2040.

Wine Journal

May 2008 Neal Martin 96 Drink 2015 - 2035

On the nose, one can immediately detect the greater percentage of Merlot in the blend: more red fruits evident with touches of kirsch and cranberry, evolving a slight cooked meat aroma in the glass. The palate is medium-bodied, quite backward, with firm tannins, very seductive and intense. Lovely fleshy middle redolent of the -85 with a savoury aspect embellishing the finish that has a slight semblance to a Cabernet Franc based Saint Emilion. Very intellectual - it deserves another 8-10 years in bottle. Edging closer in quality to the 1996 but a different creature. Drink 2015-2035+ Tasted March 2008.

Estimate: £3400

6586. Chateau d'Angludet 2003 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6586>)

12 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: A sleeper of the vintage, the deep plum/ruby-colored 2003 exhibits a sexy, fragrant perfume of flowers, black cherry jam, licorice, and barbecue spice. Rich, velvety-textured, medium-bodied, charming, and expansive, it should drink well for 10-12 years.

Score: 89

Source: Robert Parker, Wine Advocate No. 164 Apr 2006

www.erobertparker.com

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

6587. Chateau d'Angludet 2003 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6587>)

12 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasting note: A sleeper of the vintage, the deep plum/ruby-colored 2003 exhibits a sexy, fragrant perfume of flowers, black cherry jam, licorice, and barbecue spice. Rich, velvety-textured, medium-bodied, charming, and expansive, it should drink well for 10-12 years.

Score: 89

Source: Robert Parker, Wine Advocate No. 164 Apr 2006

www.erobertparker.com

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

6588. 2002 Taily Nuits St Georges 'Les Crots'
(<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6588>)

4 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Case of 4 bottles.

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

6589. 1997 Tollot-Beaut, Chorey-lès-Beaune
(<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6589>)

4 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Case of 4 bottles.

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

6590. Palafreno (Agricola Querciabella) 2000
(<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6590>)

4 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Palafreno, whose first vintage was the glorious 2000, is a monovarietal Merlot, carefully crafted from the fruit of some among the best vineyards of the Querciabella estate in Greve in Chianti

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

6672. Les Forts de Latour 2000 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6672>)

3 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level: In Neck (IN)

Tax status: Duty Paid

Wine Advocate No. 146

Apr 2003 Robert Parker 91 Drink: 2007 - 2020

A brilliant Forts de Latour, the 2000 boasts a dense ruby/purple color along with a vibrant nose of black currants intermixed with minerals, tobacco, and spice box. Medium to full-bodied, with loads of glycerin and fat (that nearly obscure some serious tannin), it will be drinkable between 2007-2020.

Wine Journal

Nov 2009 Neal Martin Drink 2012 - 2030

As one would predict, a deeply impressive millennial Les Forts de Latour. Very deep, almost opaque in colour. The nose is vigorous and expressive, high-toned with black cherries, boysenberry, graphite, asphalt and a faint touch of oyster shell that becomes more prominent with time. Wonderful definition. Returning to the glass after an hour, some autumn bonfire/smoky scents emerge, touches of blueberry jam. The palate displays very fine tannins, lovely poise and sense of unabashed femininity. There is something almost Burgundian about the smoothness of texture, yet Bordeaux in terms of weight. Wondrously harmonious on the finish. This is a stellar Second Wine (if you can call it that.) Drink 2012-2030. Tasted June 2009. 94 pts

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

6673. Grand Puy Lacoste 2000 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6673>)

2 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level: In Neck (IN)

Tax status: Duty Paid

Wine Journal

Neal Martin 94-96 Drink 2012 -

Sumptuous with a lot of puppy fat in November 2004. Tasted again at the Lacoste vertical in June 2005. A deep garnet colour. A deep broody, cedary nose with blackcurrant and a hint of black truffle. Still very tight on the palate, pinched at first but with a few swirls it reveals a gorgeous, bright, fruit-driven palate with great purity and a more supple texture than I anticipated. Touch of spice and lemongrass on the finish. Reminds me of a great Lynch Bages. Great potential. Drink from 2012.

Wine Advocate No. 146

Apr 2003 Robert Parker 93 Drink: 2007 - 2020

This large-scaled wine has a saturated ruby/purple color and a big creme de cassis nose, with a hint of licorice and tobacco. Still somewhat closed, this deep, full-bodied, luscious, muscular offering exhibits ripe tannin, loads of fruit, and tremendous purity. This is a gorgeous example of one of the most popular wines in the Medoc. Its savory tannin and low acidity suggest it should be close to its plateau of drinkability in 4-6 years. Anticipated maturity: 2007-2020+.

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

6674. Chateau Palmer 1985 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6674>)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level: Base of Neck (BN)

Tax status: Duty Paid

Wine Journal

May 2009 Neal Martin 91 Drink 2009 - 2015 \$157-\$301

Served blind, this is a meaty, rustic, fleshy, warm nose that is verging on diffuse but manages to pull back from that, more open-knit and generous. The palate is fleshy and seductive with lovely ripe red-berried fruit, touches of cranberry, gravel and earth. It is well-knit on the rounded, lush finish, although not as complex as other 1985's, not as vivacious and surprisingly rustic. Yet it still has great charm. Drink now-2015. Tasted October 2008.

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

6675. Chateau de Retout 2000 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6675>)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level: In Neck (IN)

Tax status: Duty Paid

“Aromas of cassis and blackberry, of marshmallow and of spice. On the palate, full-bodied, with tannins which promise the potential of this wine, even if as yet slightly young.” La Revue de France, Number 64, September 2002.

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

6717. Chateau Gruaud Larose 1986 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6717>)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level: Into Neck (IN)

Tax status: Duty Paid

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

6718. Chateau Gruaud Larose 1982 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6718>)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level: Base of Neck (BN)

Tax status: Duty Paid

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

6719. Chateau Lynch Bages 1982 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6719>)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level: Base of Neck (BN)

Tax status: Duty Paid

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

**6720. Pavillon Rouge du Chateau Margaux 1986
(<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6720>)**

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level: Into Neck (IN)

Tax status: Duty Paid

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

6721. Chateau Lynch Bages 1982 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6721>)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level: Base of Neck (BN)

Tax status: Duty Paid

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

6722. Chateau Gruaud Larose 1982 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6722>)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level: Into Neck (IN)

Tax status: Duty Paid

Estimate: NA - Sold without reserve

6768. Chateau d'Yquem 1975 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6768>)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level: Base of Neck (BN)

Tax status: Duty Paid

Remaining bottle from a case purchased for a visit by a member of the royal family C1980's

Estimate: £180+

6769. Chateau d'Yquem 1975 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6769>)

1 bottle of 750 ml each.

Fill level: Very Top Shoulder (VTS)

Tax status: Duty Paid

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Jan 1998 Robert Parker 99 Drink: 2005 - 2060

The 1975 may turn out to be the greatest of the modern-day Yquems. When fully mature in another 25-30 years, it may rival the extraordinary 1937 and 1921. This wine continues to evolve at a stubbornly slow pace. It is far more backward than recent vintages such as 1983 and 1986. Nevertheless, it is awesomely concentrated, has perfect balance, and displays the telltale Yquem aromas of vanillin oak, tropical fruit, pineapples, honeyed peaches, and grilled almonds. There is exceptionally crisp acidity that pulls all of the massive extract into precise focus. This is a wine of astonishing power and finesse, with a finish that must be tasted to be believed. It is a monumental effort that may well justify a perfect score in another decade. Anticipated maturity: 2005-2060.

Wine Journal

May 2008 Neal Martin 97 Drink 2008 - 2040

A limpid, amber colour. Luscious aromas of quince, marmalade, figs and orange blossom on the nose whilst the palate is rich with honeyed fruits and racy acidity and a touch of bitter lemon towards the finish. It seems to be cruising along its plateau of maturity that has no end in sight, not yet. Drink now-2040+ Tasted March 2008.

6786. Lynch Bages 1995 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6786>)

12 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

This is a beautiful wine with an evolved personality and low acidity. The wine exhibits abundant quantities of earthy, smoke and tobacco-tinged, black currant fruit, rich, concentrated, medium to full-bodied flavors, and moderate tannin in the long finish. It is successful, but nowhere near full maturity. Anticipated maturity: 2005-2020.

Robert Parker 91 Drink: 2005 - 2020

Estimate: £775

6789. Mouton Rothschild 1996 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6789>)

6 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

This estate's staff believes that the 1996 Mouton-Rothschild is very complex. I agree that among the first-growths, this wine is showing surprising forwardness and complexity in its aromatics. It possesses an exuberant, flamboyant bouquet of roasted coffee, cassis, smoky oak, and soy sauce. The impressive 1996 Mouton-Rothschild offers impressive aromas of black currants, framboise, coffee, and new saddle leather. This full-bodied, ripe, rich, concentrated, superbly balanced wine is paradoxical in the sense that the aromatics suggest a far more evolved wine than the flavors reveal. Anticipated maturity: 2007-2030. By the way, the 1996 blend consists of 72% Cabernet Sauvignon, 20% Merlot, and 8% Cabernet Franc.

Wine Advocate No. 122 Apr 1999

Robert Parker 94 Drink: 2007 - 2030

Estimate: £2645

6790. Latour 1996 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6790>)

6 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

A spectacular Latour, the 1996 may be the modern day clone of the 1966, only riper. This vintage, which is so variable in Pomerol, St.-Emilion, and Graves, was fabulous for the late-harvested Cabernet Sauvignon of the northern Medoc because of splendid weather in late September and early October. An opaque purple color is followed by phenomenally sweet, pure aromas of cassis infused with subtle minerals. This massive offering possesses unreal levels of extract, full body, intensely ripe, but abundant tannin, and a finish that lasts for

nearly a minute. Classic and dense, it displays the potential for 50-75 years of longevity. Although still an infant, it would be educational to taste a bottle. Anticipated maturity: 2015-2050.

Wine Advocate No. 129 Jun 2000

Robert Parker 99 Drink: 2015 - 2050

Estimate: £5445

6791. Chateau Margaux 1996 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6791>)

6 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

The 1996 Chateau Margaux, which was bottled in September, 1998, is undoubtedly one of the great classics produced under the Mentzelopoulos regime. In many respects, it is the quintessential Chateau Margaux, as well as the paradigm for this estate, combining measured power, extraordinary elegance, and admirable complexity. I tasted the wine on three separate occasions in January, and in short, it's a beauty! The color is opaque purple. The wine offers extraordinarily pure notes of blackberries, cassis, pain grille, and flowers, gorgeous sweetness, a seamless personality, and full body, with nothing out of place. The final blend (85% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Merlot, and the rest Petit Verdot and Cabernet Franc) contains a high percentage of Cabernet Sauvignon. It tastes complete and long, although backward. My instincts suggest this wine will shut down, but at present it is open-knit, tasting like a recently bottled wine. The fruit is exceptionally sweet and pure, and there are layers of flavor in the mouth. I do believe this wine will develop an extraordinary perfume, and possess a high level of richness. Anticipated maturity: 2005-2040.

Wine Advocate No. 122 Apr 1999

Robert Parker 99 Drink: 2005 - 2040

Estimate: £4405

6792. Lafite 1996 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6792>)

12 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

Tasted three times since bottling, the 1996 Lafite is unquestionably this renowned estate's greatest wine. As I indicated last year, only 38% of the crop was deemed grand enough to be put into the final blend, which is atypically high in Cabernet Sauvignon (83% Cabernet Sauvignon, 7% Cabernet Franc, 7% Merlot, and 3% Petit Verdot). This massive wine may be

the biggest, largest-scaled Lafite I have ever tasted. It will require many years to come around, so I suspect all of us past the age of fifty might want to give serious consideration as to whether we should be laying away multiple cases of this wine. It is also the first Lafite-Rothschild to be put into a new engraved bottle (designed to prevent fraudulent imitations). The wine exhibits a thick-looking, ruby/purple color, and a knock-out nose of lead pencil, minerals, flowers, and black currant scents. Extremely powerful and full-bodied, with remarkable complexity for such a young wine, this huge Lafite is oozing with extract and richness, yet has managed to preserve its quintessentially elegant personality. This wine is even richer than it was prior to bottling. It should unquestionably last for 40-50 years. Anticipated maturity: 2012-2050. The wine of the vintage?

Wine Advocate No. 122 Apr 1999

Robert Parker 100 Drink: 2012 - 2050

Estimate: £10,500+

6793. Chateau Margaux 1998 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6793>)

12 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

The 1998 Margaux's color is a dense ruby/purple. The wine is tannic and austere, but elegant, with notes of asphalt, blackberries, acacia flowers, and sweet, toasty oak. Subtle, rich, nicely-textured, and medium-bodied, it is built for the long haul. Anticipated maturity: 2006-2030.

Wine Advocate No. 134 Apr 2001

Robert Parker 91 Drink: 2006 - 2030

Estimate: £2215

6794. Lafite 1998 (<http://www.bidforwine.co.uk/auctions/show/6794>)

12 bottles of 750 ml each.

Fill level:

Tax status: Duty Paid

A blend of 81% Cabernet Sauvignon and 19% Merlot, this wine represents only 34% of Lafite's total harvest. In a less than perfect Medoc vintage, it has been spectacular since birth, putting on more weight and flesh over the last year. This opaque purple-colored 1998 is close to perfection. The spectacular nose of lead pencil, smoky, mineral, and black currant fruit soars majestically from the glass. The wine is elegant yet profoundly rich, revealing the essence of Lafite's character. The tannin is sweet, and the wine is spectacularly layered yet never heavy. The finish is sweet, super-rich, yet impeccably balanced and long (50+ seconds). Anticipated maturity: 2007-2035.

Wine Advocate No. 134 Apr 2001

Robert Parker 98 Drink: 2007 - 2035

Estimate: £6735

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