

# P O R T L A N D

## S I N G L E B O T T L E L I S T

Here are a few bottles we have picked up from private cellars. They are a diverse bunch representing some famous names and historic vintages. They're all pretty rare and, we think, delicious.

Unfortunately we only have 1 bottle of each for now.

### W H I T E

#### A U S T R I A

*Although he may not fall so much into the “rarities” basket, who could resist the opportunity to showcase a complete vintage run of Strobl’s stunning Rieslings? These wines lean more into the German camp with delicate florals & occasionally tropical fruits balanced by precise acidity & a finish that lasts for days! For our money, one of Austria’s premier white wine producers at the top of his game. Meanwhile, on the Gruner front, think more Smaragd-esque in style with a wonderfully oily, juicy big palate & some decent grip.*

2012 Clemens Strobl, Rosenberg Riesling, Wagram	£98
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#### G E R M A N Y

*Drought year. This should be looking a bit fuller & rounder than your typical Mosel.*

2004 Dr. Loosen, <sup>GOLD CAPSULE</sup> Ürziger Würzgarten, Riesling Auslese, Mosel	£120
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*Lusciously sweet & tropical, could almost fall into dessert wine territory.*

2004 Weingut Knebel, Winninger-Rottgen Riesling Spätlese, Mosel	£70
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#### F R A N C E

*Owned by the legendary Faller family for four generations, this domaine is surely one of Alsace’s true legends with a reputation for outstanding quality & producing wines that can age for decades.*

1988 Dom. Weinbach, Riesling Cuvée ste. Catherine, Alsace	£220
<del>1990 Dom. Weinbach, Riesling Cuvée ste. Catherine, Alsace</del>	<del>£250</del>

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## SINGLE BOTTLE LIST (CONTD)

### W H I T E

#### FRANCE - CONTINUED

*A style of wine that pushes every element to it's logical extreme: big, bold & super creamy. These two examples showcase the style at very different stages of their development.*

1986 Dom. de Chevalier, 'Batard Chevalier', Pessac-Leognan, Graves £115

2005 Mouton Rothschild, Aile D'Argent, Bordeaux £170

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*Luscious & tropical with sweetness & spice.*

2008 Dom. Zind Humbrecht, Clos Windsbuhl Gewürztraminer, Hunawihhr £90

*From one half of the team behind Soula, Gérard Gauby's wines display elegance & power that others in the region struggle to acheive. Of special note is the Roque Cuvée where grapes spend 20 days on skins providing incredible texture to the palate.*

2011 Dom. Gauby, 'Coume Gineste' Blanc, Côtes Catalan - Grenache Blanc & Gris £150

2011 Dom. Gauby, 'La Roque' Blanc, Côtes Catalan - Muscat Blanc & Alexandria £155

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*Big, floral & viscous. Perfect timing for those who love aged Viognier.*

2012 Dom. Michel et Stéphane Ogier, 'La Combe de Malleval', Condrieu £90

*From a man who knows a thing or two about Burgundian acidity.*

2013 Pierre-Yves Colin-Morey, Aligoté £47

#### U S A

*A more mineral, saline approach to 'murican Chardonnay.*

2010 Varner, Home Block Chardonnay, Santa Cruz Mountains £110

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#### A U S T R I A

*Austrian wine's current wunderkind is Christian Tschida. With 10ha of vinesplanted to predominantly international varieties like Cabernet & Syrah, the brilliance of his wines are that they still manage to preserve a thoroughly Austrian sense of place -with masses of fresh acidity - whilst still embracing each grape's inherent qualities, think pink pepper-corns & purple florals for the Felsen I, dusty strawberries & spices on Felsen II & dark, earthy sweet fruited Cab-Franc for his eponymous Domkapital cuvée. Make sure to give these wines plenty of time in the decanter.*

<del>2011 Christian Tschida, Felsen I Blaufränkisch, Neusiedlersee</del>	<del>£120</del>
<del>2013 Christian Tschida, Felsen I Blaufränkisch, Neusiedlersee</del>	<del>£120</del>
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2011 Christian Tschida, Felsen II Syrah, Neusiedlersee	£120
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<del>2013 Christian Tschida, Domkapital Cabernet Franc, Neusiedlersee</del>	<del>£120</del>
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#### F R A N C E - B U R G U N D Y

*Sweet, bright fruits just starting to develop into more tertiary notes.*

2006 Dom. Fournier, `Trois Terres`, Marsannay £90

*Chunky fruits & sweet sap.*

2012 Aurélien Verdet, <sup>PREMIER CRU</sup> Les Damodes, Nuits-st-Georges £150

*Marked by fresh acidity & lighter red-fruits. An increasingly rare bottling.*

2014 J.C Ramonet, Chassagne-Montrachet Rouge £100

*Berries & cassis, lighter in style but still brings the fruit.*

2014 Méo Camuzet, Bourgogne Rouge £60

#### F R A N C E - R H Ô N E

*The Avril family's take on GDP is often something of a surprise to first-timers. Less focused on the traditional "block-buster" approach, these wines tend to display surprising acidity & attention to detail. Still very much the "roasted meats & cocoa" Rhône template, but with a bit more subtlety.*

1997 Dom. Paul Avril, Clos des Papes, Châteauneuf-du-Pape £100

2011 Dom. Paul Avril, Clos des Papes, Châteauneuf-du-Pape £125

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#### FRANCE - RHÔNE (CONTINUED)

- A glorious example of Syrah in a great place age-wise.*  
2004 Bernard Levet, 'Maestria', Côte-Rôtie £120
- A genius winemaker & a wonderful vintage. Piercingly-precise Syrah.*  
2009 Domaine Rene Rostaing, Cuvee Classique Ampodium, Côte-Rôtie £145
- A juicy, wonderful introduction to this great house.*  
2009 J.L. Chave Sélection, 'Offerus', St Joseph £60
- Serious value for this much stuffing.*  
2010 J.L. Chave Sélection, 'Farconnet', Hermitage £100

#### FRANCE - BORDEAUX

- Likely rather "mushroom-y" at this late stage but could surprise.*  
1982 Château Lamothe-Cissac, <sup>CRU BOURGEOIS</sup> Haut-Médoc £50
- A Cabernet Franc predominant blend.*  
1981 Château Moulin St.-Georges, <sup>GRAND CRU</sup> Saint-Julien £110
- Always noted for more spice driven character.*  
1981 Château Meyney, <sup>GRAND BOURGEOIS</sup> Saint-Estephe £120
- One of the oldest Saint-Emilion estates.*  
1986 Chateau Larmande, <sup>GRAND CRU CLASSÉ</sup>, Saint-Emilion £100
- Heading into dustier, more tinder-box territory.*  
2001 Château Belair, <sup>PREMIER GRAND CRU CLASSÉ</sup> Saint-Emilion £110
- Big, bold, chewy & majestic.*  
2001 Château Leoville Barton, Saint-Julien £240
- A fruit-forward & generous vintage.*  
2004 Sarget de Gruaud Larose, Saint-Julien £70
- Absolutely top-notch Margaux. All tinder & morello.*  
2006 Château Rauzan-Ségla, <sup>GRAND CRU CLASSÉ</sup> Margaux £190
- Very much ready to drink now.*  
2007 Château Batailley, <sup>GRAND CRU CLASSÉ</sup> Pauillac £100
- More dust & spice, we're yet to have a bad bottle from this house.*  
2007 Château Gloria, St-Julien £100

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#### F R A N C E - B O R D E A U X ( C O N T I N U E D )

*Pretty black fruits & forest floor along with iron-like blood & bone.*

2008 Château Canon, <sup>PREMIER GRAND CRU CLASSÉ</sup> Saint-Emilion £190

*Outstanding quality from one of the Médoc's true "super seconds".*

2010 Château Pichon Longueville, Comtesse De Lalande <sup>GRAND CRU CLASSÉ</sup>, Pauillac £120

#### F R A N C E - O T H E R

*Two vintages & two cuvees from the master of Provencal red, heady & fruit-driven when young, dustier & more herbaceous with age.*

1995 Domaine Tempier, Cuvée Speciale, Bandol £170

2009 Domaine Tempier, Cuvée La Tourtine, Bandol £130

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*Founded in 1985, the house of Gérard Gauby has attained something of a cult-like status for it's super smart renditions of traditional southern-French cultivars. The wines here are a mixture of blends and single-variety employing Grenache, Mouvedre, Syrah & Carignan. Whilst once upon a time these wines would have been massive 15% ABV monstrosities, since the mid ninties Gérard has tended to pick, aiming for more finesse & elegance.*

2011 Dom. Gauby, 'Coume Gineste' Rouge, Côtes-du-Roussillon - Grenache £150

2011 Dom. Gauby, 'La Roque' Rouge, Côtes-du-Roussillon - Southern Rhône-style blend £155

2011 Dom. Gauby, 'La Foun', Côtes-du-Roussillon - Carignan (Pre-Phylloxera) £160

2011 Dom. Gauby, 'La Jasse', Côtes-du-Roussillon - Southern Rhône-style blend £160

2012 Dom. Gauby, 'Muntada', Cote-Roussillon - Carignan, Syrah & Grenache £160

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#### I T A L Y

*Dried grape, almost port-y flavours now well developed. A great cheese wine.*

1997 Allegrini, Amarone della Valpolicciella, Veneto £220

*A timely reminder that Val-pol needn't be simple supermarket swill. Truly classy wine.*

2000 Dal Forno Romano, Lodoletta, Valpolicciella Superiore, Veneto £220

*The Barolo traditionalists. Expect tea, tannins & roses.*

2005 Massolino, Vigna Rionda Riserva, Serralunga £225

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#### I T A L Y ( C O N T I N U E D )

*You couldn't ask for a better introduction to the wines of Barbaresco than those of the famous produttori. Arguably the world's most successful co-operative producer. These wines prove their value time after time. The Muncagota tends to show a bit more maraschino whilst the Rio Sordo is pure raspberry juice.*

2008 Produttori del Barbaresco, Rio Sordo Riserva, Barbaresco £120

2008 Produttori del Barbaresco, Muncagota Riserva, Barbaresco £120

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*More tannins, but from a warmer vintage & likely ready to drink now.*

2007 Aldo Conterno, Vigna Cicala, Monforte £250

*More approachable in youth with silk & stuffing.*

2011 Luciano Sandrone, 'Le Vigne', Barolo £250

*Though it can be hard to put a finger on Le Coste's ever increasing variety of cuvées (most produced in tiny volumes), the care & attention to detail of Gianmarco & Clémentine's efforts both in the vineyard & the winery always shine through. The Alea Jacta Est is more perfumed with great structure whereas the PNT shows more vibrant fruit & an almost saline character. The Greghetto (a local synonym of Sangiovese) takes the usual Chianti suspects to create a wine of power & complexity.*

2013 Le Coste, 'Alea Jacta Est' Aleatico, Lazio £85

2014 Le Coste, 'PNT' Pinot Noir, Lazio £90

2014 Le Coste, 'Le Coste' Greghetto, Lazio £100

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#### N E W Z E A L A N D

*The wines of Hiro Kusuda - much like the man - are meticulous with great focus & clarity. Hiro's winemaking practices, both in the vineyard & the cellar show an affinity with the French counterparts of his chosen varieties. However, there is an extra level of care taken at every step of the journey, for instance, rather than simply inspecting bunches, Hiro's team will take several minutes per bunch to inspect individual berries! The result are wines that - whilst difficult to obtain - taste unlike anything else produced in the land of the long white cloud.*

2013 Kusuda, Syrah, Martinborough	£160
2014 Kusuda, Pinot Noir, Martinborough	£165
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#### U S A

*Bordeaux-style blend. Solid, structural & intense.*

1989 Langtry, Guenoc Winery Meritage, Lake County	£150
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*Randall Grahm's cult bottling from a phenomenal vintage.*

1994 Bonny Doon, 'Cigare Volante' Red, Santa Cruz	£170
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*Judicious use of oak. Big, primary fruits & sweet spice.*

1996 Etude, Cabernet Sauvignon, California	£180
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*By all accounts, this one's more of the classic American chocolate & spice style.*

1997 Saint Francis, "Nun's Canyon" Merlot Reserve, Sonoma Valley	£100
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### S W E E T

#### F R A N C E

*A predominantly Semillon blend from one of the region's stars.*

1967 Ch. Loubens, <sup>GRAND CRU</sup> Sainte-Croix-du-Mont

£210

*Honeyed yet still with sweet fresh tropical notes.*

2009 Ch. Rieussec, <sup>PREMIER GRAND CRU CLASSÉ</sup> Sauternes

£100

#### U S A

*Honeyed with citrus and spice.*

2005 Bonny Doon, Muscat Vin de Glacière, California

£45 - half bottle

### F O R T I F I E D

#### P O R T U G A L

*A single site estate that still employs foot-treading of it's grapes.*

1995 Quinta do Vesúvio, Vintage Port

£170 - 75cl

*Bright, plush fruits.*

2002 Warre's, Quinta da Cavadinha, Vintage Port

£100 - 75cl