

# 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
<i>Lusciously sweet &amp; tropical, could almost fall into dessert wine territory.</i>	
2004 Weingut Knebel, Winninger-Rottgen Riesling Spätlese, Mosel	£70

#### F R A N C E

*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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*From one half of the team behind Soula, Gérard Gauby's wines display elegance & power that others in the region struggle to achieve. 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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## SINGLE BOTTLE LIST (CONTD)

### W H I T E

#### FRANCE - (CONTINUED)

*Flinty Meursault where the oak expression would love decanting*

2011 Domaine Boisson-Vadot, Meursault £185

*Combining florals & ripe fruit*

2012 Sebastien Magnien, Sous le Chateau, St Romain Blanc £70

*First vintage which already shows complexity and class*

2013 Domaine Hubert Lamy, Clos Gravieres Blanc 1er Cru, Santenay £90

*Lean but had a good portion of oak in the making*

2013 Domaine Jean-Noel Gagnard, Clos de la Maltroye 1er Cru, Chassagne-Montrachet £140

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

2013 Pierre-Yves Colin-Morey, Aligoté £47

### R E D

#### A U S T R A L I A

*Old school Cabernet from McLaren Vale.*

1992 Wirra-Wirra Vineyards, 'the Angelus', Coonawarra £95

#### 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.*

~~2011 Christian Tschida, Felsen I Blaufränkisch, Neusiedlersee £120~~

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2011 Christian Tschida, Felsen II Syrah, Neusiedlersee £120

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~~2013 Christian Tschida, Domkapital Cabernet Franc, Neusiedlersee £120~~

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### R E D

#### 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 CDP 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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*For those wanting a bit more of the proverbial Rhône-valley funk & earth.*

2004 Bernard Levet, 'Maestria', Côte-Rôtie £110

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*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

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#### F R A N C E - B O R D E A U X

*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>CRU BOURGEOIS</sup> Saint-Estephe £120

*Garnet, brick & bell peppers.*

1988 Château Cissac, <sup>CRU BOURGEOIS</sup>, Haut-Médoc £80

*From a ripe, rich-fruited vintage, could still have some stuffing.*

1989 Château l'Hermitage, Pomerol £120

*A reliable producer for a less reliable vintage.*

1992 Château la Lagune, <sup>GRAND CRU CLASSÉ</sup>, Haut-Médoc £120

*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

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

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

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

*Prove positive that the Tannat grape can produce a very serious wine.*

1995 Château Montus, Madiran £135

*From the masters of Provençal red, dark, herbal & earthy. The Migoua tends to be a bit more floral whilst the more exposed Tourtine vineyard produces a more mineral & structured wine.*

2004 Domaine Tempier, Bandol £80

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2006 Domaine Tempier, Cuvée La Tourtine, Bandol £130

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2006 Domaine Tempier, Cuvée La Migoua, Bandol £130

2008 Domaine Tempier, Cuvée La Migoua, 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, '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

*100% Sangiovese but with super-Tuscan breeding.*

1990 Isole e Olena, 'Cepparello', Toscana £250

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

1997 Allegrini, Amarone della Valpolicella, Veneto £220

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

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

*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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#### S P A I N

*For those who love the dustier side of Rioja.*

1983 Murua, Gran Reserva, Rioja £85

*A firmer vintage made for aging.*

2004 Mas Martinet, Clos Martinet, Catalonia £195

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### R E D

#### 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

*A Zinfandel predominant blend that never fails to satisfy.*

1992 Ridge, Geyserville, Cupertino £135

*Randall Grahm's cult bottling from a phenomenal vintage.*

1994 Bonny Doon, 'Cigare Volante' Red, Santa Cruz £170

*Judicious use of oak. Big, primary fruits & sweet spice.*

1996 Etude, Cabernet Sauvignon, California £180

*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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#### 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

*Honeysuckle & lamb's wool, this stuff is almost immortal.*

1986 Marc Brédif, 'Grande Anée', Vouvray

£95

*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

*A truly reliable house. The '75 is a stand-out from an otherwise panned vintage whilst the '83 is, by all accounts, maturing at a much faster rate (not necessarily a bad thing). The single-site Cavadinha tends to produce a fresher & more elegant style of Port.*

1975 Warre's, Vintage Port

£135 - 75cl

1983 Warre's, Vintage Port

£135 - 75cl

2002 Warre's, Quinta da Cavadinha, Vintage Port

£100 - 75cl