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WINE MERCHANTS SINCE 1820

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Dear Client,

I can't think of a more exciting way to start the Fall season, as this is **without question the best New York catalog that we have made as long as I can remember**. Over **\$4 million** of great consignments, with many at least six major cellars coming directly from Europe! We're working 9-5 on **Saturday, September 6th at Marea**, but this sale will be an absolute pleasure. From ancient wonders like owc's of 1961 Haut Brion and 1947 Palmer to modern marvels like seven vintages of DRC Montrachet, this catalog is stacked and packed with so much amazing and interesting stuff, it begs to be read cover to cover.



Open up a nice bottle of wine, have a glass and curl up with this beauty. Here's a brief tour of this magnificent book and its Featured Collections, a few highlights that will encourage you to dig deeper into each collection. That glass you pour may become a full bottle...

Lots 1-76: We begin with Cabernet and some of the all-time great Bordeaux such as **1982 Leoville Las Cases, 1989 Haut Brion, 2000 Mouton and 2003 Lafite** combined with California superstars such as **Abreu, Bryant, Colgin, Harlan and Screaming Eagle** to kick off a fantastic Cabernet lovers' consignment. All from a 55 degree, 70% humidity cellar.

Lots 77-126: A great collection of France and Spain's greatest reds, famous names that collectors and drinkers love, and mostly **DRC, Dujac and CVNE**. There is also some outstanding Champagne, from **1966 Dom Perignon** to magnums of **Krug** to a parcel of **1996 Salon**. All from a long-time, very knowledgeable and well-liked collector and his professional storage.

Spend serious time going through the multiple collections contained in **Lots 127-269** for an incredible group of mostly Burgundy wines from mostly old friends, plus a couple of new ones. Here's only one lot(s) from each of these eleven collections to give you just a little taste: **1993 DRC Grands Echezeaux in jeroboam, 2010 Vogue Musigny, a case of 2000 Cheval Blanc, 2009-2011 DRCs including Romanee Conti and La Tache, Rousseaus 2005-2011, a magnum of 2010 Roumier Bonnes, 2010 Liger-Belair La Romanee, 1993 Mugniers (that's plural) in quantity, 2011 Coche-Dury Corton Charlemagne**, stunning verticals and magnums of **Dujac, Fourrier, Raveneau Clos and Chave**, and lastly four more vintages of **Coche-Dury Corton Charlemagne**. All from wonderful cellars.

Lots 270-313: Love this consignment because I love this collector. He has taught me so much, and we have shared so many great wines over the years. **Three vintages of Petrus, rare 2005 Le Pin and Lafleur and those seven vintages of DRC Montrachet** are just for starters here...

Lots 314-374: One of *those* collections, full of Europe's greatest names. Just a few of these sixty lots: twelve vintages of **Lafite, 2003 La Tache magnums, 1985 Rousseau, four vintages of Rouget Cros Parantoux, 2007 Coche-Dury, d'Auvenay Chevaliers, 1976 La Mouline, 1971 Salon** and even some big bottle **Just For The Love Of It**. Beautiful wines, all from a beautiful man who is always ready to share the best in his cellar. Another true friend.

Four spectacular collections from Europe really heat things up appropriately around lunchtime. A collection that begins with a gorgeous **1947 Petrus** is inherently serious, especially given where it came from! **Lots 375-395** also holds magnums of **1971 Volnay Pousse D'or** and **1970 Conterno Montfortino** and a series of **Artist Series, Taittinger**, of course.

Lots 397-430: From Grandfather to Grandson. This is a brilliant collection from a naturally deep and cold chalk cellar in Europe. This grandson has carried on the tradition of collecting the finest and rarest, adding to what was left of his grandfather's cellar. This cellar is literally buried treasure, with **1945 Vogue and Rousseau, rare old Leroy**,

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1961 Haut Brion in magnum and OWC, and also an OWC of 1947 Palmer in magnum! There is a whole lot more beyond these names. This is a very special collection whose wines are in excellent condition.

Lots 431-554: Cathedral of Wine. This is another absolutely wonderful European collection, stored deep within a former bank vault. The breadth here will take your breath away! **Magnums and an Imperial of 1989 Clinet, a Jero of 1975 La Mission, 1945 and 149 Latour, 1948 and 1959 Mouton, 1928 Yquem, 1971 and 1976 DRCs, magnums of 1990 Roumier Bonnes Mares, rare Rene Engel, 2008 Coche-Dury Corton Charlemagne, BA TBA and Eiswein from Egon Muller** and an incredible Italian lineup that includes famous **Conterno Montfortino back to 1943** and equally famed **Biondi Santi, Giacosa, Mascarello, Dal Forno, Quintarelli, Masseto, Soldera, Sassicaia, Solaia** and more. Any collector will be thrilled to have bought from this collection.

Lots 555-604: The Chairman. There are very few people in the world that have bought as much fine and rare wine as The Chairman. His passion for wine has impacted the market greatly, and his taste for the best of the best is beyond noteworthy, such as **1945 Latour, 1988 Le Pin, 1975 & 1976 Yquem, five (5!) vintages of DRC Assortments and 12 bottles of 2005 DRC Montrachet** amongst others. The Italians finish up properly thanks to **Dal Forno, Conterno Scavino and Sassicaia**. All wines removed from ideal, professional storage in the heart of Europe.

Collectors will love the range of wines that populate **Lots 605-675**. A very special bottle of **1985 Lafite signed by the legendary Michael Jordan** (look inside the catalog for a series of options for the buyer of this bottle, which will be in the room), a brilliant **Opus One vertical**, very rare **1959 Beaucastel** and wonderfully cellared **Taittinger Comtes de Champagne** from the 1960s, **1962 La Tache and 1979 Henri Jay** and Bordeaux legends via **1928 Latour, 1945 La Mission, 1959 Lafite, 1970 and 1982 Petrus**. For those who are preparing for Fall and Winter in a 'Spirited' way, you will find a stellar collection of **Sempe Armagnac** beginning (!) with the 1940 via Lot 671. Brilliant stuff to nip at during the cold months ahead.

Lots 676-773: This is a who's who of cutting-edge Burgundies hot off the press thanks to this passionate, second-generation wine lover. If recent vintages, in magnums and bottles alike, of the best of the best from **Rousseau, Fourrier, Dujac, de Montille, Hudelot-Noellat, d'Angerville, Leflaive, Lafon, Ramonet, Giacosa, Dal Forno** and **Vega Sicilia** are your passion, this superb collection is a chance to buy these superstars just after release! All come to us from professional storage in England.

Lots 774- 828: The Executive Cellar. This is a small part of an infinitely larger and global collection, one of the world's finest, which is really saying something. This offering is an eclectic smattering, containing an array of great Burgundies, stunning Rhones, some very special Austrians and famous Italians. I know this man and collection very well; he is not solely a wine collector, he is also a very generous wine lover. I am thrilled to offer his wines for the first time in NYC.

Grab that glass and bottle, and enjoy reading through this catalog. As you will soon see the world's greatest oenophiles, those with collections both incredibly deep and diverse, have yet again chosen Acker Merrall to represent them. This catalog is proof of why we love wine; it's easy to fall in love with a book like this. Join us on September 6th in person or via the web. That date can't happen soon enough for me!

In Vino Veritas,

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