

Dear Client,

Opportunity knocks in many ways, and our **“Connoisseurs’ Club”** auctions in Hong Kong are all about opportunities. While smaller in lot count and lot size, these auctions provide great opportunities to try many different wines. This is a real “drinker’s” auction, and we will celebrate accordingly with a **pre-auction tasting at 11am**, before a civilized start time of **12pm on March 25th at Grissini in the Grand Hyatt**. This is our first Saturday afternoon “Connoisseurs’ Club” auction, so for those of you whose prior weeknight auctions have been tough to attend, here is your chance to participate! I am confident that you will come away from this day with a smile on your face and some great wines in your belly!



While this auction enables collectors and wine lovers to buy beautiful and special wines in smaller lot sizes, there are still a number of those twelve bottle cases and large formats that you will not want to miss! There are three famous Bordeaux such as 1949 and 1959 Chateau Latour and 1985 Chateau Lafleur for example, or a series of vintages of very hard to find Leflaive Chevalier Montrachet (including a parcel of 1986!) and Coche-Dury Meursault Perrieres from the early and mid 1980s, some 1978 Henri Jaye Vosne Romanee Villages to use other examples. Few have these wines in their collections, and fewer still have the chance to drink wines such as these. Now you can thanks to this unique sale!

Every great region of Europe is represented. Just in the first 100 lots you will find two magnums of 1996 Rousseau, a rare case (told you so!) of a 1999 Rene Engel grand cru, seven challenging to find vintages of DRC La Tache, vintages that show why this vineyard is so special. If you’ve never drunk 1966 or 1978 Vogue, here’s your chance. Fourrier, more Rousseau, Dujac, d’Angerville, Raveneau are all here as are a very long list of the top winemakers in Burgundy. Gems from Italy in this the auction include 1982 Giacosa Riserva, nice sized lots of 1970 and 1971 Aldo Conterno Barolo Granbussia Riserva Speciale, and wonderful and delicious Quintarelli and Dal Forno Amarones for you to compare and contrast. Connoisseurs know how wonderful the wines of the Rhone are to drink after they have aged in the bottle, and we have included highly sought after, small production Jamet Cote Rotie, Henri Bonneau Reserve des Celestins, Chave, Guigal and Rene Rostaing.

We’ve also included mature examples of Haut Brion and La Mission Haut Brion in nice quantities for you to drink and share, so, too, Chateaux Margaux and Palmer, Lafite, Mouton and Latour. Across all of the most famous and sought after Bordeaux vintages of the recent past 20-50 years, you will find something to add to your cellar or share among friends right away, even better!

The first lot is 1945 Cheval Blanc and the last after a fun five hundred or so lots in between is 1998 Gaja. Need I say more? Join us for a memorable day at the auction!

In Vino Veritas,

John Kapon  
Chairman, Acker Merrall & Condit Companies

親愛的客戶：

機會總以不同姿態現身，而我們即將在香港舉行的「**鑒賞家俱樂部拍賣會**」正正就是機會萬千之地。拍賣會中多個短小精幹的批號，將為你送上千載難逢的品酒良機。為慶祝這個真正的「飲家」拍賣會，我們特意於3月25日於**香港君悅酒店**的**Grissini**早上11時安排品酒會，並於中午12時正式開始。這是我們第一次於星期六中午舉辦「鑒賞家俱樂部拍賣會」，如果你之前未能出席我們於平日舉行的晚間拍賣會，這正是為你而設的好機會！我確信當你離開會場時，不單面帶微笑，口中更會蕩漾着佳釀的醇香餘韻！

雖然今次的拍賣會是心儀小巧迷人批號的收藏家和愛酒之人的天堂，但重磅登場的12瓶箱裝和大瓶裝佳釀同樣是不可錯過！當中有3款波爾多名釀，例如1949年和1959年Chateau Latour以及1985年Chateau Lafleur，再譬如出自一系列年份、珍罕難求的Leflaive Chevalier Montrachet（其中包括一批出自1986年！）、80年代早期和中期的Coche-Dury Meursault Perrieres和數瓶1978年Henri Jaye Vosne Romanee Villages。很少人擁有如此華美的珍釀，而有幸品嚐到這些名酌的人更是少之又少，但在這個獨特的拍賣會中，你就有機會一嚐這醇香杯中物！

每個歐洲的偉大酒區都將一展身手。在首100個批號中，你會發現兩瓶1.5公升裝1996年Rousseau、珍稀的箱裝1999年Rene Engel grand cru（早就告訴過你吧！）、7瓶難求年份的 DRC La Tache，這些年份也就說明為何這葡萄園如此獨特。如果你從來未品嚐過1966年或1978年Vogue，機會來了。Fourrier、更多的Rousseau、Dujac、d'Angerville 和 Raveneau 亦紛紛隨從一眾布根地精英報到。意大利則派上如寶石般閃爍的名釀，包括1982年Giacosa Riserva、批號大小合宜的1970年和1971年Aldo Conterno Barolo Granbussia Riserva Speciale，以及迷人可口的Quintarelli和Dal Forno Amarones，好讓你仔細比較和對照當中的濃厚醇香。鑒賞家都知道羅納河的熟成美酒有多麼令人讚不絕口，我們此次也帶來極受歡迎，而且十分珍罕的Jamet Cote Rotie、Henri Bonneau Reserve des Celestins、Chave、Guigal和Rene Rostaing與眾同樂。

另外，我們也準備了大量適合細嚐和分享的精良熟釀，例如 Haut Brion 和 La Mission Haut Brion，也有Margaux、Palmer、Lafite、Mouton和Latour的美釀。在這批橫跨過去20至50年間波爾多最負盛名和受追捧的年份中，你必定能找到值得加入你酒窖的心頭好，甚至立即開瓶與友人分享的美酒，再好不過！

打頭陣的批號有1945年Cheval Blanc，而500個批號後有1998年Gaja作壓軸競投。還需多說嗎？一起到拍賣會與我們分享難忘的一天吧！

酒後吐真言



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