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LEONETTI CELLAR PRE-SELL

We are selling the new releases of Leonetti Cellar in February, prior to their release in March. These wines really need no description to sell, but we feel compelled to say that Leonetti Cellar reds have never been better. These are among the best wines made in Washington. Credit card payments are being accepted to guarantee your order.

Please confirm availability before sending payment.

2006 Leonetti Cellar Sangiovese

Columbia Valley (Limit) 66.95 net

2007 Leonetti Cellar Merlot

Columbia Valley (Limit) 76.95 net

2006 Leonetti Cellar Cabernet Sauvignon

Walla Walla Valley (Limit) 93.95 net

2006 Leonetti Cellar Reserve

Walla Walla Valley (Limit) 147.95 net

2006 DELILLE CELLARS

The 2006 DeLille Cellars Red 'Chaleur Estate' is a blend of 65% Cabernet Sauvignon, 25% Merlot, 8% Cabernet Franc, and 2% Petit Verdot. Its complexity is impressive, featuring flavors of blackberries, blueberries, violets, and Asian spices. Hints of mocha, chocolate, and vanilla give it an impression of creaminess, but it is the rich glycerin and fine tannins that make it a complete wine. The 2006 DeLille Cellars Red 'Harrison Hill', made from the second oldest vineyard in Washington State, has a bouquet of fresh cherries and lavender. On the palate, it shows elegance and breed.

2006 DeLille Cellars Red 'Chaleur Estate'

Yakima Valley (Limited) 64.95 net

2006 DeLille Cellars Red 'Harrison Hill'

Yakima Valley (Limited) 64.95 net

Va PIANO REDS

Always very popular, the newest version of Va Piano 'Bruno's Blend #4' is another steal-of-a-deal. It is a tasty mix of Syrah and Malbec. The 2006 Va Piano Cabernet Sauvignon shows a cornucopia of fruit flavors, each as pure and fresh as they can be. This is a big wine with lots of aging potential.

Va Piano Red 'Bruno's Blend #4'

Columbia Valley 23.00 19.09VS

2006 Va Piano Cabernet Sauvignon

Walla Walla Valley (Limited) 40.00 33.20VS

2006 ANDREW WILL REDS

The 2006 Andrew Will Red 'Ciel du Cheval' is a blend of 37% Cabernet Franc, 40% Merlot, 19% Cabernet Sauvignon, and 4% Petit Verdot. Traditionally this wine shows blueberry fruit. It is there in the 2006 vintage but there are additional notes of freshly picked raspberries and violet flowers. This is a near-perfect example of Red Mountain terroir—powerful flavor and opulent fruit. The 2006 Andrew Will Red 'Sorella' is a blend of 71% Cabernet Sauvignon, 17% Merlot, 8% Cabernet Franc, and 4% Petit Verdot that was aged in Taransaud oak barrels for 21 months. This provides an aroma with hints of Belgian chocolate and cocoa powder. There is plenty of delightful black plum fruit, lots of body, and very fine tannins. It is one of the best Andrew Will wines ever, and it will age for decades.

2006 Andrew Will Red 'Ciel du Cheval'

Red Mountain 48.95 net

2006 Andrew Will Red 'Sorella'

Horse Heaven Hills 58.95 net

NEW ABEJA WINES

The new releases from Abeja are arriving in February. Winemaker John Abbot has been making tiny quantities of world-class Chardonnay and Cabernet Sauvignon from a small facility at the Inn at Abeja in Walla Walla. For the first time, there is enough to feature in the newsletter and as a Saturday tasting. We will taste these wines on Saturday, February 28th at both shops.

2007 Abeja Chardonnay

Columbia Valley (Limited) 38.00 31.54VS

2006 Abeja Cabernet Sauvignon

Columbia Valley 44.00 36.52VS

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February 28th at both shops from 11AM-5PM*

WE'D LIKE TO SAY THANKS

As merchants we know that you have many places and ways to shop for wine. In a tight economy your support of our small enterprise is critical to our continued success. We would like to take a moment to express our sincere appreciation for your business and support through the years. Thanks from all of us at McCarthy & Schiering Wine Merchants!

The two prices reflected in this newsletter are the regular retail and the Vintage Select discount price. The Vintage Select Club is a buyer's club which saves you 17% on wine purchases (paid by cash or check) whether you buy them by the case or by the bottle. In addition, you are mailed this monthly newsletter which details the new releases, special prices and gives you advance notice of the arrival of hot new wines.

Lifetime membership fee is \$100. Be sure that you're getting the most for your money...join the Vintage Select Club.

2007 SYNCLINE REDS

Two new reds from Syncline Wine Cellars are now available. The 2007 Syncline Syrah is a blend of fruit from Coyote Canyon, Clifton, and Destiny Ridge Vineyards. It has 4% Grenache that gives it a sweet plum aroma. On the palate, it shows lots of black fruits, olives, and game, and its finish is complex and long. The 2007 Syncline Mourvedre 'Coyote Canyon Vineyard' has a complex aroma of cassis, coffee, and black pepper. It has a wild note, hints of tar and black olive, that gives it an intriguing bouquet. Again, James and Poppy Mantone have crafted state-of-the-art wines that are attractively priced.

2007 Syncline Syrah

Columbia Valley 25.00 20.75VS

2007 Syncline Mourvedre 'Coyote Canyon Vineyard'

Horse Heaven Hills 30.00 24.90VS

2007 FEFIÑANES ALBARIÑO

With hints of Spring in the air, our attention turns just a bit to a delicious new white that we want everyone to consider. It's that good! Fresh fruit aromas of apricot and peach with notes of lemon and green apple immediately grab one's attention. Faint hints of honey and nutmeg add complexity to this fully dry wine. The 2007 Palacio de Fefiñanes Albariño is an absolutely remarkable, mineral-driven wine that will appeal to Chablis lovers in a heartbeat. None of the over-cropped flavors commonly associated with this variety are present in this wine. It has laser beam precision and balance—an absolute knockout.

2007 Palacio de Fefiñanes Albariño

Rias Baixas 25.00 20.75VS

2007 CAVES DE VIRÉ

The 2007 Caves de Viré wines from the Mâconnais region of France are now being directly imported into the Seattle market. As a result, the prices for these crisp and delicious Chardonnays are much less than similar wines from this region.

2007 Cave de Viré Mâcon-Village

Mâconnais 15.00 12.45VS

2007 Cave de Viré Mâcon Chardonnay

Mâconnais 17.00 14.11VS

2007 Cave de Viré Viré Clessé

Mâconnais 18.00 14.94VS

COUDOULET DE BEUCASTEL

The 2007 Coudoulet de Beaucastel Blanc is a blend of 30% Marsanne, 30% Viognier, 30% Bourboulenc, and 10% Clairette. It shows the complexity that one expects from more expensive white Châteauneuf-du-Pape. Across the road from the vineyards of Château de Beaucastel is the parcel where the 2006 Coudoulet de Beaucastel Rouge fruit is grown. Think of it as baby Beaucastel.

2007 Coudoulet de Beaucastel Blanc

Rhône Valley (Limited) 38.00 31.54VS

2006 Coudoulet de Beaucastel Rouge

Rhône Valley 26.00 21.58VS

SIX FOR SIXTY

2007 Villa Antinori Bianco

Toscana IGT 11.00 9.13VS

2007 Château Tertre de Launay

Entre-Deux-Mers 12.00 9.96VS

2007 Les Hérétiques Rouge

Pays de l'Hérault 9.00 7.47VS

2006 Casa Marguery Malbec

Mendoza 13.00 10.79VS

2007 Domaine Boisson Côtes-du-Rhône

14.00 11.62VS

2007 La Sauvageonne 'Les Ruffes'

Côteaux du Languedoc 13.00 10.79VS

2007 INAMA SOAVE

The 2007 Inama Soave Classico is an excellent bottle of Soave that shows lots of ripe delicious apple and pear flavors. It is richer and rounder than most Soave, a sign of the warm vintage. It is great for serving with prawns or scallops.

2007 Inama Soave Classico

Veneto 15.00 12.45VS

2007 CANALICCHIO ROSSO

The 2007 Canalicchio di Sopra Rosso di Montalcino is a spectacular wine, possessing more flavor, texture, and finesse than most Brunello di Montalcino wines at three times the price. We are taking orders for this wine now, and we expect delivery in mid-March. This a gem for the cellar. We highly recommend buying this wine!

2007 Canalicchio Rosso Rosso di Montalcino

Montalcino 24.95 net

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2007 SANCERRES

In the eastern end of the Loire Valley, the 2007 vintage created lots of concern. A very cool summer had growers worried that their grapes would not reach the necessary sugar levels. But a very sunny and dry six-week period during harvest yielded excellent Sauvignon Blanc fruit. The wines are crisp, dry, filled with mineral flavors and perfect for Northwest shellfish meals.

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| 2007 Domaine Dalny Sancerre | | |
| <i>Loire Valley</i> | 21.00 | 17.43VS |
| 2007 Thomas Labaille Sancerre | | |
| <i>'Les Monts Damnes'</i> | 23.00 | 19.09VS |
| 2007 Henri Bourgeois Sancerre | | |
| <i>'Grande Réserve'</i> | 24.00 | 19.92VS |
| 2007 Hippolyte Reverdy Sancerre | | |
| <i>Loire Valley</i> | 27.00 | 22.41VS |
| 2007 Domaine Vacheron Sancerre | | |
| <i>Loire Valley</i> | 31.00 | 25.73VS |

2007 DOLCETTO

Dolcetto—the name means “little sweet one” and it is a perfect wine for Valentine’s Day sipping. The 2007 vintage in the Piedmont was early, beginning with bud break, and the mild winter and spring assured an early start to the harvest. As a result, fully ripe Dolcetto was harvested in good condition. These are classic wines, having aromas of almond and cherry, lively fruit on the palate, and cherry flavors lingering in the finish. They are great with food or simply enjoyed by the glass. Come in a sample a selection on February 14th.

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| 2007 Cantina del Pino Dolcetto d’Alba | | |
| | 16.00 | 13.28VS |
| 2007 Prunotto Dolcetto d’Alba | | |
| | 17.00 | 14.11VS |
| 2007 Renato Ratti Dolcetto d’Alba | | |
| <i>'Colombé'</i> | 17.00 | 14.11VS |
| 2007 Roagna Dolcetto d’Alba | | |
| <i>(Limited)</i> | 18.00 | 14.94VS |
| 2007 Pelissero Dolcetto d’Alba | | |
| <i>'Augenta'</i> | 18.00 | 14.94VS |
| 2007 Conterno Fantino Dolcetto d’Alba | | |
| <i>'Bricco Bastia'</i> | 21.00 | 17.43VS |
| 2007 Sandrone Dolcetto d’Alba | | |
| | 22.00 | 18.26VS |
| 2007 Aldo Conterno Dolcetto 'Masante' | | |
| <i>Langhe</i> | 30.00 | 24.90VS |

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TAYLOR-FONSECA-CROFT

Jorge Ramos occupies the position of Sales & Marketing Manager, responsible for The Fladgate Partnership’s Port wines in North America. This includes the wines of Taylor Fladgate, Fonseca, and Croft. He will be in town on Saturday, February 21st and will be available to answer questions and discuss the wines of these famous Port houses. Come in and sample a selection of these Ports at both shops.

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| 2003 Taylor Fladgate Late Bottled Vintage Port | | |
| <i>Porto</i> | 21.00 | 17.43VS |
| 2005 Taylor Fladgate 'Quinta de Vargellas' Port | | |
| <i>Porto</i> | 55.00 | 45.65VS |
| 2003 Fonseca Late Bottled Vintage Port | | |
| <i>Porto</i> | 22.00 | 18.26VS |
| 2001 Fonseca 'Panascal' Vintage Port | | |
| <i>Porto</i> | 46.00 | 38.18VS |
| Croft Distinction Port | | |
| <i>Porto</i> | 16.00 | 13.28VS |
| 2005 Croft 'Quinta da Roeda' Vintage Port | | |
| <i>Porto</i> | 48.00 | 39.84VS |

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and at the Queen Anne shop from 2:30PM-5PM*

2004 PRODUTTORI BARBARESCO

We have enjoyed selling and drinking the single-vineyard Barbaresco Riservas from Produttori del Barbaresco for 25 years. Vintage 2004 in Piemonte is considered to be very good, if not exceptional. While we have not yet tasted these wines, we expect them to be excellent based on Antonio Galloni’s reviews. The wines are expected to arrive in Seattle in mid-March. All wines are priced at \$54.99 net, and already include the Vintage Select discount.

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| 2004 Produttori del Barbaresco Riserva 'Asili' |
| 2004 Produttori del Barbaresco Riserva 'Moccagatta' |
| 2004 Produttori del Barbaresco Riserva 'Montefico' |
| 2004 Produttori del Barbaresco Riserva 'Montestefano' |
| 2004 Produttori del Barbaresco Riserva 'Ovello' |
| 2004 Produttori del Barbaresco Riserva 'Pora' |
| 2004 Produttori del Barbaresco Riserva 'Rabaja' |
| 2004 Produttori del Barbaresco Riserva 'Rio Sordo' |
| 2004 Produttori del Barbaresco Riserva 'Pajé' |

Queen Anne Hours
Tuesday-Friday 11-7
Saturday 10-6
Closed Sunday & Monday

Ravenna Hours
Tuesday-Friday 10:30-6:30
Saturday 10-6
Closed Sunday & Monday



TASTINGS AT BOTH SHOPS

Saturday February 14th 11AM-5PM free
A Selection of 2007 Dolcetto d'Alba

Saturday February 21st 11AM-5PM free
Taylor Fladgate-Fonseca-Croft

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*2007 Abeja Chardonnay
 2006 Abeja Cabernet Sauvignon*

VERY LIMITED QUANTITIES

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| 2006 Kongsgaard Chardonnay Napa Valley | 73.95 | net |
| 2006 DeLille Cellars Syrah 'Doyenne' 'Grand Ciel Vineyard' | 64.95 | net |
| 2004 Corino Barolo Piemonte | 40.00 | 33.20VS |
| 2006 Long Shadows Syrah 'Sequel' Columbia Valley | 55.00 | 45.65VS |
| 2006 Long Shadows Merlot 'Pedestal' Columbia Valley | 55.00 | 45.65VS |
| 2006 Domaine Leroy Bourgogne Aligoté | 54.95 | net |

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Just complete this order form and mail it in with your check or credit card #.

We will call or e-mail you when the wines arrive.

Name _____ Date _____
 Phone No. work _____ home _____
 Credit Card No. _____ Exp. Date _____
 (Mastercard, Visa or American Express discount is 15%)

Check Enclosed _____ Pick-up at Ravenna QueenAnne

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