



**McCarthy & Schiering**  
WINE MERCHANTS, INC.

VINTAGE SELECT BUYERS' CLUB NEWSLETTER

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## OCTOBER 10TH - ANOTHER YEAR

On October 10th, the shops will celebrate 36 years in business.  
Thanks to all of you who make this possible!

## VISITS AT THE SHOPS

### DOMAINE ET SAVEURS COLLECTION

Jeanne-Marie de Champs grew up in the farmlands of the Loire, near Sancerre. She studied business in Paris, and started her exporting company, Domaines et Saveurs Collection in 1994. We have worked with her for more than two decades, and believe that she is one of the finest palates in France. Come in and meet her and taste her wines on Saturday, October 15th at both shops.

#### Domaine d'Orfeuilles Brut Rosé

Touraine 16.00 13.28VS

#### 2014 Domaine Tremblay Chablis 1er Cru

'Fourchaume Vieilles Vignes' 32.00 26.56VS

#### 2014 Langoureaux Chassagne-Montrachet

'Les Houilleres' 55.00 45.65VS

#### 2014 Langoureaux Bourgogne Hautes Côtes de Beaune

23.00 19.09VS

Taste these wines on Saturday,

October 15th at both shops from 11AM-5PM

Jeanne-Marie de Champs will be at the Ravenna shop  
from 11:30AM-2:00PM

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

## VISITS AT THE SHOPS

### AVENIA

Three new wines from Chris Peterson will be featured on Saturday, October 22nd at both shops. These are not-to-be-missed new releases from some of the state's finest growers and best vineyards. Chris will be at the shops on Saturday, October 22nd to sample these wines.

#### 2015 Avenia Sauvignon Blanc 'Oliane'

Yakima Valley 28.00 23.24VS

#### 2014 Avenia Syrah 'Arnaut' Boushey Vineyard

Yakima Valley 50.00 41.50VS

#### 2014 Avenia Syrah 'Le Corbeau' Discovery Vineyard

Horse Heaven Hills (Limited) 50.00 41.50VS

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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 emailed this monthly newsletter which details 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.

## TENUTA DELL'ORNELLAIA

The vineyards of Ornellaia were planted in 1981 on 190 acres in two separate locations, Ornellaia and Bellaria. The planted grape varieties are predominantly Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, and Cabernet Franc, as well as a small parcel of Petit Verdot. Views from the vineyards extend to the sea, and the perfectly manicured vines are lush and ideally situated to the sun. Come in and sample these wines on Saturday, October 8th at both shops. This is a rare tasting to celebrate our 36th anniversary.

#### 2014 Tenuta dell'Ornellaia

'Le Volte' 30.00 24.90VS

#### 2013 Tenuta dell'Ornellaia

'Le Serre Nouvelle' 80.00 66.40VS

#### 2013 Tenuta dell'Ornellaia 'Ornellaia'

225.00 186.75VS

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## VISITS AT THE SHOPS

### LIOCO

LIOCO is the partnership between Matt Lickliger, a former import specialist at North Berkeley Imports, and Kevin O'Connor, the former wine director at Spago in Beverly Hills. Inspired by traditional European wines, they sought out vineyard sites with hard-to-work soils and old vines, and the result are California wines that taste of "their place". Come in and meet Matt Lickliger and taste his wines on Saturday, October 29th at both shops.

#### 2014 LIOCO Chardonnay

Sonoma County 23.00 19.09VS

#### 2014 LIOCO Chardonnay 'Estero'

Russian River Valley 38.00 31.54VS

#### 2014 LIOCO Chardonnay 'Hanzel Vineyard'

Sonoma Valley 63.00 52.29VS

#### 2014 LIOCO Pinot Noir 'Laguna'

Sonoma Coast 40.00 33.20VS

#### 2014 LIOCO Pinot Noir 'Cerise Vineyard'

Anderson Valley 55.00 45.65VS

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## FEATURED WINES: MARK RYAN

The newest offerings from Mark McNeilly of Mark Ryan are just as big and loveable as Mark himself. The man and his staff can do no wrong! The 2014 Mark Ryan Syrah 'Lost Soul' is bloody good Syrah. The vines are from two parcels of Mike Sauer's 'Red Willow Vineyard' with significant vine age. Toss this into a Northern Rhône tasting. The 2014 Mark Ryan Red 'Long Haul' has a balance of ingredients that would impress a three-star Michelin chef. The 2014 Mark Ryan Cabernet Sauvignon 'Dead Horse' makes us think twice about where the best Cabernet Sauvignon in the world is produced?

<b>2014 Mark Ryan Syrah 'Lost Soul'</b> <i>'Red Willow Vineyard'</i>	48.00	39.84VS
<b>2014 Mark Ryan Red 'Long Haul'</b> <i>Columbia Valley</i>	55.00	45.65VS
<b>2014 Mark Ryan Cabernet Sauvignon 'Dead Horse'</b> <i>Red Mountain</i>	58.00	48.14VS

## CLARENDELLE (INSPIRED BY HAUT-BRION)

It is not every day that we come across a set of wines as special as the new Clarendelle offerings. As a guarantee of quality, all the Clarendelle wines are made and aged by oenologists from Domaine Clarence Dillon (*Château Haut-Brion, Château La Mission Haut-Brion, and Château Quintus*). That is quite some pedigree for wines that sell at \$18. The 2015 Clarendelle Blanc is a blend of 49% Sémillon, 45% Sauvignon Blanc, and 6% Muscadelle that recalls the magic of Château Haut-Brion Blanc, (*although it has been a very long time since we have seen those wines in the market*). The 2012 Clarendelle Rouge is a blend of 57% Merlot, 30% Cabernet Sauvignon, and 13% Cabernet Franc. There is stoney mineral quality that recalls the wines of Graves. **These wines are due to arrive in late October.**

<b>2015 Clarendelle Blanc (by Clarence Dillon)</b> <i>Bordeaux</i>	17.99	net
<b>2012 Clarendelle Rouge (by Clarence Dillon)</b> <i>Bordeaux</i>	17.99	net

## 2014 NEWSPRINT RED MOUNTAIN

The 2014 Guardian Cabernet Sauvignon 'Newsprint' is very easy to read. Take Red Mountain fruit, blueberries and boysenberries, and a dose of fine French oak, age the wine for about a year, and presto—you have a delicious, ready to quaff big Washington red that is perfect for serving to families at Thanksgiving.

<b>2014 Guardian Cabernet Sauvignon 'Newsprint'</b> <i>Red Mountain</i>	25.00	20.75VS
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## 2013 DOUBLEBACK 'STOLEN HORSE'

The 2013 Doubleback Syrah 'Stolen Horse' is made with 100% Syrah from Leonetti Cellar's Loess Vineyard in Walla Walla Valley and Echo Ridge Vineyard in Columbia Valley that was aged in 31% new French oak for 16 months. A bold expression of Syrah, this is the first time it has been offered to us. There is lots of raspberry, rose petal, and a slight hint of vanilla and cinnamon. The palate is generous, showing elegance and complexity.

<b>2013 Doubleback Syrah 'Stolen Horse'</b> <i>Walla Walla Valley</i>	58.00	48.14VS
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## 2013 CARPE DIEM CABERNET

We were in awe when we tasted the 2013 Carpe Diem Cabernet Sauvignon. The 2013 vintage in California has a great reputation, but if this wine, the third wine for Christian Moueix's Dominus, doesn't send you to heaven with the first sip... serious juice at a price that recalls pricing in the 1980's—when we opened the Ravenna shop.

<b>2013 Carpe Diem Cabernet Sauvignon</b> <i>Napa Valley</i>	27.00	22.41VS
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## 2013 RAMEY SINGLE VINEYARDS

At Ramey they press whole clusters for phenolic delicacy and lower tannin levels. All wines see native yeast and full native malolactic fermentations in barrel, with sur lies bâtonnage. They are released after eighteen months in 30% new French oak barrels from François Frères, and bottled without filtration. Some of the most Burgundian of all California Chardonnays!

<b>2013 Ramey Chardonnay 'Woolsey Road Vineyard'</b> <i>Russian River Valley</i>	65.00	53.95VS
<b>2013 Ramey Chardonnay 'Hyde Vineyard'</b> <i>Napa Valley</i>	65.00	53.95VS

## SEASONAL BORDEAUX

Bordeaux wines from some of the more famous parishes are difficult to find for under \$50 a bottle. Here are some fine choices for holiday meals this year.

### 2014 Maison Sichel

Margaux 38.00 31.54VS

### 2012 Le Petit Haut Lafitte

Pessac-Léognan 35.00 29.05VS

### 2012 Château de Sales

Pomerol 45.00 37.35VS

## 2015 COMTE LAFON MÂCON-VILLAGES

Dominique Lafon of Domaine des Comtes Lafon is a visionary who saw the immense potential for properly handled Mâconnais wines. He has hired Caroline Gon to oversee his modest winery in the village of Milly-Lamartine. The 2015 Mâcon Villages comes from two vineyards in the towns of Uchizy and Chardonnay, with vines that are now more than twenty years old.

### 2015 Les Hérétiers du Comte Lafon Mâcon-Villages

27.00 22.41VS

## 2014 A&P DE VILLAINÉ WHITES

In the 1970's Aubert and Pamela de Villaine (of *Domaine de la Romanée-Conti*) purchased a run down wine estate in the village of Bouzeron, in the Côte Chalonnaise. Pierre de Benoist, Aubert's nephew, currently directs the domaine which produces fine wines from single vineyards farmed with organic and biodynamic methods. The 2014 de Villaine Bouzeron is all Aligoté that is perfect with Northwest shellfish. The 2014 de Villaine 'Le Clous Aimé' is all Chardonnay with only a hint of new wood.

### 2014 A&P de Villaine Bouzeron

Bouzeron 32.00 26.56VS

### 2014 A&P de Villaine Bourgogne 'Le Clous Aimé'

Côte Chalonnaise 35.00 29.05VS

## 2015 CONSTANTIA GLEN

Constantia, South Africa's oldest wine producing region, is situated less than 20 minutes from the Cape Town. The area is known for its cooler climate, yielding crisp and racy Sauvignon Blanc. A complex aroma showing passionfruit, peach, gooseberry, nectarine, kumquat, kiwi fruit, and a faint hint of elderflower, give the 2015 Constantia Glen Sauvignon Blanc a dramatic style.

### 2015 Constantia Glen Sauvignon Blanc

Constantia 20.00 16.60VS

## 2013 CHIANTI CLASSICO

Cool weather in August slowed the growth of the vines in 2013 in Tuscany. But a long, sunny harvest season afforded slow ripening of the fruit that kept acidity levels fresh and promoted tannin maturation without excessive sugar levels. Alcohol levels are lower than usual, and the wines are deliciously fruity right at the outset.

### 2013 San Felice Chianti Classico

Castelnuovo Berardenga 14.99 net

### 2013 Félsina Chianti Classico

Castelnuovo Berardenga 22.00 18.26VS

### 2013 Isole e Olena Chianti Classico

Barberino Val d'Elsa 25.00 20.75VS

## 2010 BODEGAS MUGA

The 2010 Bodegas Muga Selección Especial is a blend of 70% Tempranillo, 20% Garnacha, 7% Mazuelo, and 3% Graciano that was aged for 26 months in casks made from oak coopered at the Muga winery, and then aged an additional twelve months in bottle before release. The wine has a bold aroma of red fruit flavors with hints of clove and vanilla. It is a big expression of Rioja, having a muscular style that works well with roasted meats.

### 2010 Bodegas Muga Selección Especial

Rioja 40.00 33.20VS

## 2011 DOMENICO CLERICO BAROLOS

Domenico Clerico has been running the family estate since 1976 and has made major purchases to increase the family holdings to its 21 hectare size today. Just over 9,100 cases are produced with a strong emphasis on Nebbiolo. The 2011 Domenico Clerico Barolo Cru wines have received exceptional scores.

### 2011 Domenico Clerico Barolo

'Pajana' 95.00 78.85VS

### 2011 Domenico Clerico Barolo

'Ciabot Mentin' 95.00 78.85VS

### 2011 Domenico Clerico Barolo

'Aeroplanservaj' 118.00 97.94VS

## 2015 ESMONIN GEVREY-CHAMBERTIN

Among the first of the 2015 red Burgundies to arrive in Seattle, the 2015 Frédéric Esmonin Gevrey-Chambertin 'Clos Prieur' shows the terrific fruit of this showy vintage.

### 2015 Frédéric Esmonin Gevrey-Chambertin

'Clos Prieur' 45.00 37.35VS

**Queen Anne Hours**

**Tuesday-Friday 11-7**

**Saturday 10-6**

*Closed Sunday & Monday*

**Ravenna Hours**

**Tuesday-Friday 10:30-6:30**

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