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BIODYNAMIC FRENCH WINERY DOMAINE DE BELLENE

Is March here? Is that the March hare? It's the March of Time, no question, and there'll be bunnies of all stripes bounding into our pantries and onto our waistlines soon enough too, no doubt. It's hard to keep up, but keep up we must, which is why we're taking a good hard look at the rapidly developing world of Organics, Biodynamics, Natural Wine and Sustainability. Phew! Pause for a carbon footprint free breath. We explain and try to define these concepts by looking at an impressive collection of wineries working these processes in the vineyard and winery. To spread the sustainable love, even our champagne feature focuses on an organic grower, the excellent Laherte Frères.

While we're embracing all things modern, we're always keen to acknowledge liquor's rich history. Nothing richer than luscious Remy Martin Cognac; we lift the lid on that legend, and, in our cellar this month, on a \$4,999 bottle of Louis XIII. Anything for a good cause, huh. Also proving longevity is possible in the age of the snapping selfie, the renowned Jackson Estate is our Winery of the Month and, keeping it Marlborough, check our back page for the marvellous Marisco offerings. And we delve deep into the explosive delights of four signature 2016 Sauvignons from sensational St Clair, also a Marlby flag flyer.

And if you want to fly your flag down The Base, check out our uber-cool Pinot blending competition. Fancy yourself as a bit of a winemaker? Well, fancy pants, grab an ace Scott Base blending case, mix and match from the delights within and Josh Scott will assess and award – yep, there's a trip to the Central Otago winery to be won, chums; so get swirling and assessing and enjoying. Excellent advice, whatever the month.

JAK
Jak Jakicevich



PADDY 90451
IRISH WHISKEY 1 LITRE
\$49.99

Ahh. St. Patrick's Day is on its way. March 17. Once again those with Irish affiliations will be painting the town green while the rest of us gaze on agog. If you don't have rock-solid transport options, you might want to raise a glass at home with your friends instead. Here's an option: a delish triple-distilled blended Irish whiskey that was made for the first time way back in 1779. That is history. Sláinte!

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JACKSON ESTATE

Lineage, history and ancestry all play a big part in forming the texture and culture of a winery. So it's rewarding to see how Jackson Estate can lay claim to not just nearly 30 years of excellent winemaking, but a connection to the land that goes back 160 long years. John and Warren Stichbury, who planted the company's Home Vineyard in 1998, are great-grandsons of Adam Jackson after whom Jackson's Road was named.

Pedigree aside, their vision and determination has created an impressive recent past, and is shaping an exciting and progressive future. Surviving the economic and meteorological travails that life throws at any winery operation is no mean feat; to do so and remain firmly in private hands is testament to the grit of those involved. This is still very much estate-made wine, the fine fruit from three company-owned sites in and around Marlborough: Homestead in the Wairau Plains, and 'Eversley' and 'Somerset' in Waihopai. Chardonnay, Riesling, Pinot Noir and, naturally, Sauvignon Blanc pour forth in fine style from the fiercely modern winery complex, which winemaker Matt Paterson-Green has helmed for the last 15 years.

Their trophy cabinet is in dire need of extension, with enough silverware to threaten the All Black's stash. But these myriad awards, while gratifying, are simply third party acknowledgement of a job well done. And a vision pursued assiduously through core principles: respect for vineyard sites, an unerring pursuit of varietal integrity and the employment of the best traditional and modern winemaking techniques.



JACKSON ESTATE ESTATE RANGE



JACKSON ESTATE MARLBOROUGH
STICH SAUVIGNON BLANC 2016

\$19.99 13459

Named for Jackson Estate founder John Stichbury. Superbly aromatic, the fresh stonefruit, melon and citrus flavours are enhanced by a textural mouth-feel and a lingering, mineral-edged finish.



JACKSON ESTATE MARLBOROUGH
SHELTER BELT CHARDONNAY 2014

\$19.99 13240 

Bright citrus and stonefruit, tickled by vibrant spice from the oak, surfs atop a lush and creamy palate. Displays a wonderfully integrated creamy texture, sleek acidity and fantastic balance and length.



JACKSON ESTATE MARLBOROUGH
HOMESTEAD DRY RIESLING 2014

\$19.99 11517 

A classy glass of All Things Great About Riesling. Arresting aromatics of blossom, peach and citrus. Once you've swooned, sit back and enjoy the citrus developed to a limey T, flecked with mineral magic.



JACKSON ESTATE MARLBOROUGH
HOMESTEAD PINOT NOIR 2014

\$19.99 11544

Dofts its beret in a Burgundian direction with that cherry/floral charm and smoky, earthy touches. The core of oak brings it firmly home, delivering an integrated, pure essence-of-Marlborough delight.

JACKSON ESTATE RESERVE RANGE



13234	GREY GHOST SAUVIGNON BLANC 2013	\$24.99	CASE OF 6 \$23.99 A BOTTLE
11524	VINTAGE WIDOW PINOT NOIR 2014	\$32.99	CASE OF 6 \$31.99 A BOTTLE
13728	SOMERSET PINOT NOIR 2012	\$42.99	CASE OF 6 \$41.99 A BOTTLE
13727	GUM EMPEROR PINOT NOIR 2011	\$42.99	CASE OF 6 \$41.99 A BOTTLE

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LOVEBLOCK'S KIM & ERICA CRAWFORD

LOVEBLOCK



Loveblock is the latest exciting chapter to unfold in the remarkable story that is Kim & Erica Crawford. Moving on from the staggering success of their own label, the Crawfords picked a couple of very elevated spots in the Awatere Valley and set about making stunning, very terroir-focused wines. 13-plus years in, that terroir shines through in those wines. Sited in such stunning scenery, Erica and Kim adopted organic processes to produce their pristine offerings, allowing the remarkable sites to be fully expressed in their remarkable wines. As they say themselves: 'We have learnt that the rhythm of the land is immovable, that we need to submit to it and respect it to get the best from it.'



LOVEBLOCK MARLBOROUGH
PINOT GRIS 2014

\$19.99 13838



Fruit off Loveblock's organically certified property in the Awatere Valley. Grigio-esque in style, with floral-tinged aromas and flavours of Granny Smith, Nashi pear, citrus and peach, the fruit supported by a flick of spice that enhances the crisply dry finish.

11435 **LOVEBLOCK SAUVIGNON BLANC 2014** **\$19.99**

13887 **LOVEBLOCK GEWÜRZTRAMINER 2014** **\$19.99**

With any worthy concept that seizes public attention, there is the opportunity for that to be exploited for commercial reasons. And the laudable practices of organic, biodynamic, sustainable viticulture have indeed become ironically murky waters. Can we be sure that the sticker on the bottle claiming 'organic' wine actually means anything? As a politician will tell you in this, an election year, well, yes and no. So let's try and debunk a few myths, and demyth a few bunks while we're at it, with some simple descriptions.

Organic wines are made from grapes cultivated without the use of synthetic fungicides, herbicides or fertilizers. Essentially, it's all about using nature and her processes without adding anything artificial. Organic wines are regulated through legislation (great!) that varies around the world (dang!) and leads to a variety of different labelling requirements, expressed in terms like 'Organically Grown', 'Made from Organic grapes' and 'Organic wine'. If there is a reference to 'Organic' on the label you can take it that the grapes have been grown organically, in much the same way that food products are.

Biodynamic Winemaking and viticulture relates back to Austrian philosopher Rudolf Steiner, taking the view of the vineyards as a living organism, and that the earth, too, is a living organism. To keep it all in balance, vinicultural practises should be timed to coincide with the rhythms of the earth. An icon and quality benchmark for biodynamic winemaking in New Zealand is Gisborne's Millton Vineyards.

Natural Winemaking is more difficult to define, and they like it that way! Doesn't make it any less meritorious; it just can't be certificated in the way something like biodynamism can. It's a movement partly brought about through the globalisation and homogenisation of wine; i.e. we'd lost the unique qualities that Nature freely commutes into a wine along with regional variety and character. So the practice promotes using natural yeasts/wild ferments, not fining or filtering in any way, moving away from over-extraction of grapes for added flavour and character, and not even including the use of sulphite as a stabilising component. The argument: if the wine destabilises and goes off? That's what nature intended. The naked truth, that's what it's all about.



QUARTZ REEF'S RUDI BAUER

QUARTZ REEF



The Quartz Reef story is a remarkable one, and testament to the drive and vision of Rudi Bauer, winemaker and a true pioneer of Central Otago. A firm believer in Biodynamic viticulture and winemaking, Rudi and his team take the philosophy so seriously (is there any other way?) that they have a 'Nerve Centre' on site. Here, all the herbal preparations, liquid manures and elements they require to replenish the soil are developed, echoing the notion of balance: what you take out each vintage must be put back. The art of Quartz Reef is that they have pursued what can be costly and complex processes yet remain not just a commercially viable winery but one that produces exemplary wines. Because of their approach, not in spite of it. That's gold.

TE WHARE RA



Te Whare Ra owners Anna and Jason Flowerday make use of a mighty clever piece of winemaking technology that is surprisingly under-used in the wider industry: their hands. Crazy, huh? Their exquisite wines are hand-harvested, hand-sorted, and hand-grown. That level of focus follows through in their commitment to organic processes: minimal interventionist methods ensure the wines are as authentic a representation of where they are grown as they could possibly be. And they go about it all with such quiet dignity, you forget that this is Marlborough's oldest boutique winery, planted back when a Holden Kingswood was cool and Dragon still troubled the charts. It's a long way from 1979 to these fine wines of the late 2010s, but fine they are, made with a conscience, commitment and consummate skill.



TE WHARE RA MARLBOROUGH SV 5182 SAUVIGNON BLANC 2015

\$21.99 19152

Displays the distinctive mineral character of its Awatere origins and a wonderful textural presence. Outstanding concentration of flavours, the varietal gooseberry and passionfruit characters given a spicy lift via notes of lemongrass and coriander.

15578 **TE WHARE RA** CHARDONNAY 2016 **\$29.90**

19167 **TE WHARE RA** PINOT NOIR 2014 **\$36.99**



QUARTZ REEF CENTRAL OTAGO SINGLE VINEYARD PINOT NOIR 2014

\$39.99 18658

Old World techniques combine with New World terroir to create an accomplished wine. Burgundian in style, it unleashes robust charm and generous flavours, displaying a captivating earthiness and an intriguing untamed quality.

17230 **QUARTZ REEF** BRUT NV **\$29.99**

17237 **QUARTZ REEF** BLACK LABEL
PINOT NOIR 2014 **\$74.99**



TE WHARE RA'S ANNA & JASON FLOWERDAY

MILLTON



James and Annie Millton established their winery way back in 1984, when NZ wine drinkers' choices of organic wine minimal, if not completely non-existent. Working their land near Manutuke, Gisborne, they planted based on extensive research and, critically, committed to the philosophy of biodynamism, refusing to compromise in any way on the process. Planting, harvesting and processing deeply in tune with the natural cycles and rhythms of the earth might sound mystical, but it has a very practical application and purpose. Today the Milltons own 30 hectares spread over four vineyards. In all things Millton, authenticity is key. Says James: 'Before a wine can be great it has to be true; our philosophy is to produce wines that express the natural flavours our vineyards.'



MILLTON GISBORNE TE ARAI CHENIN BLANC 2015

\$29.99 14665

CASE OF 6 \$28.99 A BOTTLE

This is single vineyard and organically certified, with Millton having long embraced biodynamics. Tropical and citrus notes precede the impressive depth of fruit flavours balanced by a lengthy, lively citrus-edged after-taste.

18078 **MILLTON** OPOU RIESLING 2014 **\$27.99**
CASE OF 6: \$26.99 A BOTTLE

14645 **MILLTON** OPOU CHARDONNAY 2015 **\$29.99**
CASE OF 6: \$28.99 A BOTTLE



JAMES MILLTON

RIPPON



Rippon are one of this country's true pioneers. Rolfe & Lois Mills planted experimental vines in their picture-perfect spot in 1975. Experimentation, hard work, trial and not too much error, a first block of vines in 1982 and then, reward. In 1989 their Pinot won Central Otago's first national medal. The trophies and tributes have flowed ever since. And it's all been done to the rhythms of nature, sending back to the land what's taken out in the natural processes of harvest. Lois' son Nick, after extensive study in both winemaking and biodynamic processes, took over the winemaking role in 2002, ensure the heritage passed down is done so in pure, pristine condition.



RIPPON CENTRAL OTAGO
JEUNESSE YOUNG VINE RIESLING 2015

\$27.99 17467

CASE OF 12 \$26.99 A BOTTLE

This is a wine of juvenescence. What these vines lack in terms of a mature expression of their soils, they make up for in youthful fruit exuberance. The Jeunesse expresses the Riesling variety with a bushy tail and a cheeky wink.

17471 **RIPPON** MATURE VINE PINOT NOIR 2012 **\$59.99**



RIPPON'S NICK MILLS



SERESIN

SERESIN



The organic philosophies and practices of the Seresin Winery reflect those of the man whose name the winery bears, cinematographer Michael Seresin. His 'ethical winemaking' approach also chimes with the old-school winemaking philosophies of winemaker Clive Dougal: less interference of man, more room for Nature to do her thing. So all Seresin wines are fermented with wild yeasts, and aged in barrel or bottle for release. It means the timeline from planting to production is longer than usual, but they're in no hurry here. Not when the trade-off is a richness in each wine, wines with character, complexity and, above all, a unique sense of place.



SERESIN MARLBOROUGH
CHARDONNAY 2014

\$22.99 18622

CASE OF 12 \$21.99 A BOTTLE

From the masterful Seresin, full malo, warm ferments and plenty of barrel action align exquisitely with the cool Marlborough fruit to unleash a wine of style, class, complexity and grace. One of our great Chardonnays, no question.

18623 **SERESIN** LEAH PINOT NOIR 2014 **\$36.99**
CASE OF 6: \$35.99 A BOTTLE

18601 **SERESIN** MARAMA SAUVIGNON 2014 **\$39.99**
CASE OF 6: \$38.99 A BOTTLE

DOMAINE DE BELLENE

On the Dijon road, in the historic town of Beaune, sits Domaine de Bellene. This very modern winery is sited in abbey buildings that date back to the 1600s, all renovated as, Nicolas himself deliciously translates, 'in the green spirit.' Having sold Domaine de Nicolas Potel to other interests (the wag!), Nicolas procured some of the oldest vines (50-110 years old) and best plots in Burgundy and set about converting them to organic and biodynamic practices. No chaptalisation here, mon ami, no tractors either: just donkeys and horses for the back-breaking vineyard work. And just true expressions from some of the greatest earth on earth.



DOMAINE DE BELLENE
OLD VINE BOURGOGNE 2014

\$29.99 42817

Incredible wine. The bouquet is packed with exotic, earthy, spicy red fruit aromas, while the palate displays forward cherry and raspberry flavours, a velvet texture and supple tannins.

42828 **BELLENE** CLOS DU ROI
BEAUNE 1ER CRU BOURGOGNE 2009 **\$74.00**

42819 **BELLENE** PEUILLETS
SAVIGNY 1ER CRU BOURGOGNE 2010 **\$64.00**



CHAMPAGNE *Laherte Frères*



There has been a significant surge of interest in Grower champagnes over recent years, and a corresponding recognition that these small, terroir-focused producers are creating some amazing expressions.

The Grande Marque champagnes, the names with which we are all familiar, produce a house style which fans seek out, year in, year out. It is distinctive to that house, and in order to remain consistent, relies on fruit from multiple vineyards; casting a broad net helps ameliorate the vagaries of Nature in any given year. All good – hats off to them. Grower champagnes are the antithesis of this style, producing wines that transparently reflect the small vineyard holdings they own. So while there is a house style, the wines tend to be incredibly characterful, interesting, intriguing expressions of the Champagne region.

Laherte Frères, founded in 1899 by Jean-Baptiste Laherte, is located (originally on a 5-hectare property) in the village of Chavot, south of Epernay. Today, the old family Domaine has grown to 11 hectares, across several sites. The estate is run by brothers Thierry and Christian Laherte, along with Thierry's son Aurelian, who manages the day-to-day vineyard and winemaking activities. Aurelian is one of a new wave of Champagne growers that is taking Champagne to a new level.

Laherte largely practice biodynamic and organic processes in this hot-bed of tradition, and so their wines, as a result, are tremendously terroir-expressive, truly artisan and driven by the cycles of nature rather than the demands of commercialism. These are winemakers and viticulturists who are very in tune with their treasured vineyards. Painstaking? Probably. But worth it, when you get a cool, vibrant glass in your hand.

Laherte Frères produce a diverse range of styles that are uniformly impressive. The champagnes are not only of exceptional quality, each cuvée exhibits a pure expression of its unique terroir. And that's a very compelling combination.



CANTI PROSECCO DOC 2015

\$14.99 67640

CASE OF 6 \$13.99 A BOTTLE

Light golden hues and a satisfyingly fragrant bouquet, with a crisp, lively palate of dry, fruity peach and pear characters. Great aperitif.



MORTON PREMIUM BRUT NV

\$16.99 15424

This silkily creamy, longstanding local sparkler is a reminder that something done well needs little tweaking. Complex, elegant, iconic.



DEUTZ MARLBOROUGH CUVÉE BRUT NV

\$24.99 15020

Fresh and toasty aromatics introduce a generous palate of bright berries, carrying underlying notes of grapefruit and toasted nuts. Elegant and long.



MOËT & CHANDON CHAMPAGNE IMPÉRIAL BRUT NV

\$59.99 47211

Moët & Chandon's non-vintage Impérial model is consistently good drinking, broad and stylish with a creamy texture and an elegant, zingy character.



LAHERTE FRÈRES CHAMPAGNE

48320	ULTRADITION BRUT NV	\$69.99
48321	BLANC DE BLANCS BRUT NATURE NV	\$54.99
48322	LES EMPREINTES 2010	\$125.00
48323	LES 7 NV	\$125.00

AUTUMN Whites



MOUNT EDWARD
CENTRAL OTAGO PINOT GRIS 2016

\$23.99 12533 

A drier style Pinot Gris, this elegant Central Otago offering has a nice textural presence and generous flavours. Tropical aromatics precede characters of pear, apple and spice onto a soft and full palate, with the well-judged acidity providing the wine with a refreshing backbone.



KUMEU VILLAGE
KUMEU PINOT GRIS 2014

\$14.99 18215 

CASE OF 12 \$13.99 A BOTTLE

Michael Brajkovich works his magic on the Pinot Gris grape via this off-dry offering. Stonefruit, pear and floral characters are accompanied by a nicely-weighted textural presence. Eminently drinkable, brilliantly priced.



CHURCH ROAD
HAWKE'S BAY CHARDONNAY 2016

\$16.99 15074 

CASE OF 6 \$15.99 A BOTTLE

Historic winery with roots that run more than a century deep. A complex, multi-layered wine with subtle citrus, mineral, melon, fig and hazelnut notes overlaid with a mealy complexity and a bright seam of minerality.

DOG POINT MARLBOROUGH
SAUVIGNON BLANC 2016


\$23.99 18390

CASE OF 12 \$22.99 A BOTTLE

The Dog Pointers have always had their own slant on things, opting for the memorable over the mundane. An intense bouquet is embellished by hints of herb and mineral, the forward fruit flavours balanced by a swirl of citrus. Pungent, tropical, doggedly different, beautifully brisk and textural.



MILLS REEF HAWKE'S BAY
ESTATE CHARDONNAY 2016

\$19.99 14506 

CASE OF 12 \$18.99 A BOTTLE

Intensely aromatic. Notes of apricot and peach with hints of lemon and vanilla grace nose and palate. Full-bodied, silkily smooth, this'll pair very nicely with chicken, salmon or a risotto dish.



WOOING TREE CENTRAL OTAGO
BLONDIE BLANC DE NOIR 2016

\$24.99 19783

Stylish, opulent and heavenly textured, this is a lively and exciting wine. Drenched in stonefruit flavours, there are charming floral hints at the edge of the picture that keep it all in check. Serve slightly chilled. A true Blanc de Noir, for those who were wondering...



MATAWHERO GISBORNE
CHURCH HOUSE CHENIN BLANC 2016

\$21.99 10656

Gisborne has long been home to great Chenin, so it's a treat to see Matawhero delivering on that promise. A distinctively floral nose leads to citrus-tinged stonefruit flavours that walk the right line between freshness and richness.



CRAGGY RANGE MARTINBOROUGH
TE MUNA ROAD SAUVIGNON BLANC 2016

\$21.99 11236

CASE OF 12 \$20.99 A BOTTLE

Flinty, wet stone characters steal through behind the coolly suave lime and grapefruit components. Displays a bracing citrus freshness, spreading out with lovely layers of rich, fat stonefruit. Deliciously flavoursome.

AUTUMN REDS



MONTES CHILE
CLASSIC SERIES MALBEC 2014

\$15.99 90560

From the vinous sultans of Chile, this is surgingly fruity, with a wealth of raspberry and blueberry characters to spike the tastebuds. Nicely spiced, with understated vanillin oak, it's all about the fruit and a very generous weight and length, especially given the price.

ALPHA DOMUS HAWKES BAY
THE FOXMOUTH MERLOT 2014

\$18.99 15261

CASE OF 6 \$17.99 A BOTTLE

A single vineyard Merlot from excellent Hawkes Bay producer, Alpha Domus, packed with ripe cherry, berry and plum characters supported by spice and cedary notes. Rich fruit flavours are complemented by supple tannins and a lingering aftertaste.



LAWSON'S DRY HILLS
MARLBOROUGH PINOT NOIR 2015

\$19.99 13383

CASE OF 12 \$18.99 A BOTTLE

Marlborough Pinot offers exceptional value and a generosity of fruit that makes it perfect for early drinking. Wafting aromatics of cherry, bramble, mocha and vanilla, the palate is soft and round with silky tannins, gentle acidity and a lingering finish



MISSION HAWKES BAY
ESTATE SYRAH 2016

\$13.99 14820

New Zealand's oldest winery. Aromatics of vibrant dark berries with notes of spice and black pepper. The fruit-driven palate is softly textural, evoking flavours of classic Hawkes Bay Syrah fruit without the substantial influence of oak maturation.



D'ARENBERG McLAREN VALE
THE STUMP JUMP GSM 2012

\$12.99 20757

CASE OF 12 \$10.99 A BOTTLE

The Stump Jumps are popular, not least for their superb value. The rich, silky blend of classic Rhône varieties is lifted by a savoury edge and fine, gritty tannins, with an accompanying lick of spice, and loads of effusive charm.



LEFT FIELD HAWKES BAY
FLYING BOATSHIP SYRAH 2014

\$19.99 19072

CASE OF 6 \$18.99 A BOTTLE

Vibrant and youthful. Aromas of dark berry and blackcurrant, lifted florals, a flick of liquorice. Ripe berryfruit characters and sweet, spicy notes of nutmeg and cinnamon. Soft, supple tannins balance the peppery, chocolate sign-off.



TERRA SANCTA CENTRAL OTAGO
MYSTERIOUS DIGGINGS PINOT NOIR 2015

\$23.99 19941

CASE OF 12 \$22.99 A BOTTLE

The Diggings vineyard sits in the Bannockburn hills on sun-drenched rocky terraces of schist-laden soils. From this unique setting comes a deliciously dark, fragrant wine that's elegantly soft and textural and superbly evocative of its terroir.



MARTINBOROUGH VINEYARDS
TE TERA PINOT NOIR 2014

\$24.99 13745

CASE OF 6 \$23.99 A BOTTLE

A bold nose of earth, cherry and berry, with hints of mushroom and toasty oak. The wonderfully succulent, spice-accented palate is replete with tiers of soft fruit flavours wrapped in a silky texture and framed by firm acid.

AUTUMN ROSÉS



GROWERS MARK MARLBOROUGH
GALE FORCE VINEYARD PINOT ROSÉ 2016

◀ **\$16.99** 10747

CASE OF 6 \$15.99 A BOTTLE

A delicious shade of pink, this baby smells like a lolly shop of long ago, all boiled sweets and sherbet, before blossoming into a palate rushing with red cherries and raspberries. Lively? It's like a gentle jolt of rosé-tricity! Plug in, people.

MABI
MARLBOROUGH ROSÉ 2016

\$21.99 10737 ▶

CASE OF 12 \$20.99 A BOTTLE

100% hand-picked Pinot, this is a stunning style, marrying dense, intense flavours with a stylistic nonchalance that translates as charm. By the bucket. Dry in profile, rich in texture, this is the perfect food-friendly rosé, one that will see you comfortably through the autumn ahead.



GIBBSTON VALLEY CENTRAL OTAGO
ROSÉ 2016

◀ **\$24.99** 12907

This is so about the berries you're tempted to say it's 'berry good'. But that would be lazy. It is superb though, using prime, late-ripening Central Otago Pinot Noir fruit to deliver up a dreamy, dishy drop that displays smatterings of savoury cleverness in amongst its fruit-filled charm.



CHÂTEAU ROUTAS
CÔTES DE PROVENCE ROSÉ 2015

\$17.99 46491

A lovely Provençal rosé, the plump and intensely perfumed flavours evoking wild strawberries, while the crisp acidity and a hint of minerality sign off on a refreshing finish, making this a lip-smacking option for summer sipping.



CHÂTEAU RIOTOR
CÔTES DE PROVENCE ROSÉ 2015

\$19.99 41388

CASE OF 12 \$18.99 A BOTTLE

Our top-selling rosé in an increasingly crowded category is a tantalising taste of southern France. The pale colour belies the wine's weighty presence, its plump richness and fleshy juiciness tempered by fresh acid and a spray of tingling citrus.



FROMM MARLBOROUGH
LA STRADA ROSÉ 2016

\$19.99 12876

CASE OF 6 \$18.99 A BOTTLE

Pinot Noir legends Fromm lighten things up a little with this fresh and textural rosé. It has the best of the light and the dark, making it the ideal wine for those who like the welcoming warmth of savoury characters, with vibrant, ripe berries to balance.



RABBIT RANCH
CENTRAL OTAGO ROSÉ 2016

\$21.99 11179

CASE OF 6 \$20.99 A BOTTLE

A smart rosé from the Rabbit Ranchers, the nose replete with fresh, floral candied notes from the lightly pressed Pinot Noir grapes. The refreshingly dry palate allows the delicate fruit and classic cool climate mineral acidity to shine through.



DOMAINES BUNAN
CÔTES DE PROVENCE BÉLOUVÉ ROSÉ 2015

\$22.99 42748

CASE OF 12 \$21.99 A BOTTLE

From the organic Bunan, a clean, lusciously ripe rosé with classic Côtes de Provence aromas of soft summer fruits and violets. The palate is elegantly fresh and tangy, displaying riveting touches of mineral and citrus.

MARLBOROUGH

Saint Clair

KINGS OF SAUVIGNON

The multi-awarded, highly-regarded, celestially named Saint Clair have a very feet-on-the-ground, pragmatic approach to building on their already legendary renown for quality: they encourage their growers to produce the very best grapes they can by rewarding them handsomely should that fruit rise to the level to be a 'reserve' Saint Clair. Check the vinos below, quality is their middle name.



- SAINT CLAIR MARLBOROUGH**
- 18380 VICARS CHOICE SAUVIGNON BLANC 2016 **\$13.99**
 - 18291 PREMIUM SAUVIGNON BLANC 2016 **\$15.99**
 - 18377 PIONEER BLOCK 3 SAUVIGNON BLANC 2016 **\$19.99**
 - 18301 WAIRAU RESERVE SAUVIGNON BLANC 2016 **\$28.99**

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REMY MARTIN

Fine Champagne Cognac producers Rémy Martin, who have a history longer and more textured than a fine tweed coat, have created a new blend. Rémy Martin Cellarmaster, Baptiste Loiseau, has delivered us Rémy Martin Carte Blanche. So fine it's divine, we'll lift the lid on its secrets in a tasting in our cellar this month. With Rémy XO and the soul-saving Louis XIII also on offer, you'd best be smartish.

- 92389 RÉMY MARTIN CARTE BLANCHE 700ML **\$550.00**
- 92395 RÉMY MARTIN XO 700ML **\$299.00**
- 92373 RÉMY MARTIN LOUIS XIII 700ML **\$4,999.00**

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AND YOU COULD BE OFF
TO CENTRAL OTAGO

Seriously? Seriously. What, like, you know, pick, stomp, blend, age, um, drink? Pretty much... OK, not exactly. But if you've ever fancied yourself as a wine-maker, here's your chance. Take the pack of wines (well, pay for them, clearly), taste, swirl, re-taste, make notes, use the rubber end of the pencil. Work out your optimum blend, share it on our Facebook page, and winemaker Josh Scott will assess the entries. If your palate chimes with his, you'll be off to the winery in Central Otago for a Unique Winery Experience.

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TE MATA

No local wine lover would deny the role both Sauvignon Blanc and Pinot Noir have played in putting New Zealand's wines on the international map. But while these rock star varieties strut their stuff on the global stage, let's not forget that it was the release of a Bordeaux blend, the Te Mata Coleraine, back in the 1980s, that made the world sit up and take notice. And the world has done so ever since, to the point that Coleraine is referred to as New Zealand's 'First Growth'. Certainly, it has been consistently excellent for 30 plus years and demand well exceeds supply. 'Consistency' and 'Excellence' are two words easily applied to the Te Mata story as a whole.

Being able to trace their roots, so to speak, back to the late 1890s, the fiercely family-owned firm farm land that has then had long associations with quality grape growing. Strategic, rather than reactive growth, has seen the Buck family capitalise on their successes and build a stable of outstanding wines, from remarkable vineyard sites. Neatly, the wines transparently reflect those sites, all of them authentic, and exciting, expressions of great Hawke's Bay grapes, and a devil-in-the-detail winemaking philosophy that knows when to steer the process and when to leave nature to do her thing.

Key varieties, and their associated names have passed into New Zealand – and international – legend: Cape Crest Sauvignon Blanc, Elston Chardonnay, Awatea, a Bordeaux blend like the famed Coleraine. Such is the anticipation for Coleraine, and the release is imminent, we have decided to put the 2015 vintage in our Te Mata Showcase tasting for March. Concentrated, complex yet remarkably elegant, this is a wine that has to be experienced, so grab this rare opportunity, and a glass, with both hands, and come and enjoy this, and other releases from this outstanding Hawke's Bay winery.

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TE MATA HAWKES BAY
 ESTATE VINEYARDS CHARDONNAY 2015

\$19.99 19151

A buoyantly fresh wine combining ripe stonefruit and citrus characters with a creamy, nutty texture. The sweetly pure and elegant fruit flavours make this brilliant value.



TE MATA HAWKES BAY
 ESTATE VINEYARDS MERLOT CABERNETS 2015

\$19.99 19144

A Merlot dominant blend that's augmented with Cabernets Sauvignon and Franc. Complex and full bodied, it offers tiers of berry, plum and violet characters enhanced by cedary oak and ripe tannins.



TE MATA HAWKES BAY
 ESTATE VINEYARDS SYRAH 2015

\$19.99 19132

A touch of white Viognier introduces a delightful floral aroma and supple texture to Syrah's spicy, dark berry flavours. A sumptuous expression, with an exoticism that begs further inspection.



TE MATA HAWKES BAY
 ELSTON CHARDONNAY 2015

\$34.99 19106

CASE OF 6 \$32.99 A BOTTLE

Concentrated stonefruit and floral aromas are supported by notes of spicy oak, the intensely ripe fruit flavours complemented by mealy nuances, integrated oak and a crisp citrus aftertaste.



TE MATA HAWKES BAY
 AWATEA CABERNET MERLOT 2015

\$34.99 19161

CASE OF 6 \$32.99 A BOTTLE

While perhaps lacking the intensity of 2013 or the richness of 2014, this is actually classier than both. An extremely stylish and elegant wine that would happily grace many a fine dinner table.



TE MATA HAWKES BAY
 BULLNOSE SYRAH 2015

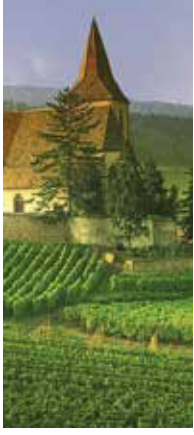
\$46.99 19121

CASE OF 6 \$42.99 A BOTTLE

Deep, vibrant, lushly opulent, the Bullnose Syrah unleashes currents of concentrated spice, plum and dark cherry characters, supple tannins and wonderful aromatics. One of New Zealand's best.

19107 TE MATA CAPE CREST SAUVIGNON BLANC 2015

\$27.99



A TASTE OF FRANCE



A TASTE OF SPAIN



JABOULET CÔTES DU RHÔNE SECRET DE FAMILLE 2014

\$16.99 45398

A delightful blend of Grenache with a little Syrah in the mix that's exclusive to Glengarry. With its deep, dark aromas and flavours of plums, berryfruit and spice, it's easy drinking at a very friendly price.



E. GUIGAL CÔTES DU RHÔNE 2012

\$21.99 44977

One of the Rhône's great producers, Guigal deliver this outstanding red blend to a consistently high level. Superbly ripe fruit, elegant tannins and good acidity, balance and power. Great value.



DOMAINE NICOLAS BOIRON CÔTES DU RHÔNE 2013

\$22.99 41344

The Boiron family are owners of noted Châteauneuf producer, Bosquet des Papes. Spicy and silky, and dominated by Grenache, with a decent proportion of Syrah adding depth and flavour.



PIERRE BRECHT ALSACE PINOT GRIS 2015

\$18.99 42399 

A stellar wine, with hints of honey and minerality lightly riding the lush palate. Rich and spicy, the extra year in bottle has given it a lovely rounded resonance. Available exclusively from Glengarry.



LOUIS SIPP ALSACE PINOT GRIS 2014

\$24.99 46959 

The highly regarded Sipp travel the same organic route as Alsatian benchmark producers Jostmeyer, the wines a little richer, more generous in nature, with a voluptuous velvety texture at their core.

SPANISH CAVA

Our prediction for Cava is that it may very well soon take over the world. Is that so ambitious? It's made the same way, and with the quality, care and respect for history as champagne. It tastes fabulous on its own, and partners up nicely with a wide range of foods. What's more, it's insanely good value. Olé, Ray!



FREIXENET CORDON NEGRO BRUT CAVA NV

\$14.99 85010

The mainstay of the range is not just about mass market; year in, year out, it is consistency-plus. Vivacious and elegant, with zesty, citrusy flavours licking around the edge of the brady riches.



PERELADA STARS BRUT RESERVA CAVA NV

\$16.99 88015

The Stars cavas are a tribute to the artists who appear onstage at the music festival held every summer in the grounds of the Peralada castle. Fresh and lively in style, perfect summer drinking.



PERELADA STARS BRUT NATURE CAVA NV

\$19.99 88043

From the same stable as the Stars Brut Reserva above, but without the dosage, this is bone-dry. Not labelled, but actually the 2014 vintage, the Brut Nature is crisp, pure and has an amazing length.

A TASTE OF Australia



A TASTE OF Italy

DE BORTOLI

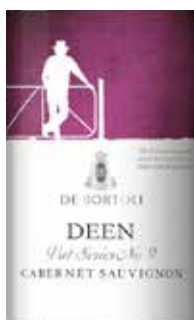
De Bortoli's output is massive, their land holdings huge. They remain family owned, winemaker Darren de Bortoli and brother-in-law Steve Webber the third generation of the family tasked with delivering to the standard set by Grandpa Vittorio when he kicked it all off in 1928. In this instance, big doesn't mean bland, with each wine a benchmark of its type.



DE BORTOLI FS MERLOT 2012

\$9.99 20922

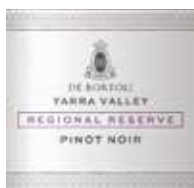
Careful viticulture leads to richly ripe fruit, and there's a lovely edge to the opulent berries and plums, a tingling spiciness that offsets the creamy vanillin oak. At sub-\$10, outstanding value.



DE BORTOLI DEEN VAT SERIES No 9 CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2014

\$14.99 20944

Superb-value Cabernet displaying ripe plum and blackberry aromatics backed by herbal notes and hints of coffee, the rich red fruit flavours enhanced by chocolate nuances and supple tannins.



DE BORTOLI YARRA VALLEY REGIONAL RESERVE PINOT NOIR 2013

\$15.99 20965

De Bortoli deliver a regional blend of Pinot Noir parcels that drinks like a \$30-dollar wine. With its fragrant, gently elegant palate, at this price you'll consume your glass and be back for a case.

VINI BIANCHI

While we all soak up rivers of Chianti, the great whites of Italy sometimes suffer from a little neglect (Prosecco and its current rock star status aside). Yet when we give you stylistas out there a wee reminder to ensure your stocks of Soave will see out the season, well, it flows again like the Tiber. Come in, be moved, and mind your Capri pants there, madam.

CECILIA BERETTA BROGNOLIGO SOAVE CLASSICO DOCG 2015

\$16.99 60485

A serious Soave with gorgeous aromatics from the single vineyard of Brognoligo, toasty and complex, with fresh apricot characters and wonderful length. Rich, broad and textural.

SANTA MARGHERITA CUVEE DI PINOT PINOT GRIS IGT 2015

\$14.99 62584

A smart blend of Pinots Grigio and Bianco, this is an approachable, and fragrant white wine with nicely defined pipfruit characters complemented by a fresh mineral finish. Good price for an IGT Grigio.



20828 DE BORTOLI FS SPARKLING BRUT NV **\$9.99**
20943 DE BORTOLI DEEN VAT SERIES No 8 SHIRAZ 2014 **\$14.99**
20964 DE BORTOLI REGIONAL RESERVE CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2013 **\$15.99**

66108 PASQUA LE COLLEZIONI MERLOT DOC 2014 **\$9.99**
62941 A-MANO PRIMITIVO IGT 2015 **\$14.99**
62831 RIVERA NEGROAMARO SALENTO IGT 2014 **\$14.99**
62583 SANTA MARGHERITA CHIANTI CLASSICO DOCG 2012 **\$22.99**

The GLENGARRY TOP 10

EACH MONTH, FROM THE HUNDREDS OF WINES SUBMITTED TO US, THE GLENGARRY TASTING PANEL SELECTS OUR TOP TEN WINES

1 **Nga Waka** MARTINBOROUGH
HOME BLOCK CHARDONNAY 2016

\$29.99 17585

A single vineyard expression off Nga Waka's original Home Block vines planted back in 1988. Opulently complex, buttery and textural, with very good aging potential for those who can go the distance.



2 **Chakana** ARGENTINA
ESTATE SELECTION MALBEC 2013

\$24.99 90137

This elegant expression of Argentina's killer variety displays sweet aromatics of violet, chocolate and dark berries over a seamless, pure, peppery palate and a slick, refreshing finish. Mouthwatering.



3 **Craggy Range** HAWKES BAY
GIMBLETT GRAVELS MERLOT 2014

\$26.99 11352

Premium New Zealand producer. An aromatic array of plum, cherry, spice and toasted oak introduces a seductively succulent palate with a pure fruit core and fine, dusty tannins. Finishes long and dry.



4 **Fromm** MARLBOROUGH
LA STRADA PINOT NOIR 2015

\$29.99 12879

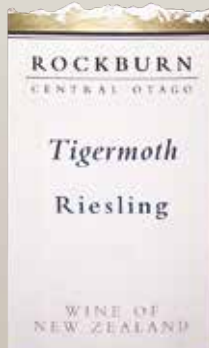
A fresh and vibrant Pinot with a gorgeous nose, deep flavours and subtle tannins, all elegantly insinuated into a seamless and balanced package. A refined savoury undertone adds the finishing touch.



5 **Rockburn** CENTRAL OTAGO
TIGERMOTH RIESLING 2014

 **\$29.99** 13806

A medium-sweet Riesling showing notes of pear and mandarin on the nose, the palate replete with lively tangerine and lime flavours. Displays a well-judged balance of rich sweetness and fine acidity.



6 **Jules Taylor** MARLBOROUGH
OTQ SAUVIGNON BLANC 2015

\$29.99 13440

This elegant barrel-fermented Sauvignon delivers a vibrant nose of peach, elderberry and honeysuckle with nutty caramel notes, the palate a soft and subtle blend of juicy, honeyed peach and guava characters.



7 **Church Road** HAWKES BAY
McDONALD PINOT GRIS 2016

 **\$21.99** 15251

CASE OF 6 \$20.99 A BOTTLE

Alluring aromas of ripe Nashi pear are nuanced by musky, spicy characters. The off-dry palate has a lush, honeyed, viscous textural quality that is nicely balanced by a long, mineral-accented finish.



8 **Kumeu River** KUMEU
ESTATE CHARDONNAY 2015

 **\$29.99** 18209

CASE OF 12 \$28.99 A BOTTLE

There is a French air to the proceedings, with a touch of minerality to the creamy peach and honeysuckle characters, and a long, languid, citrus-edged finish. Intense and elegant, the Estate will keep on giving.



9 **Man O'War** WAIHEKE
GRAVESTONE SAUVIGNON SEMILLON 2013

\$24.99 12489

Intense aromatics of guava, gooseberry and black-currant with notes of lychee. The palate is fresh and vibrant, with the high natural acidity balanced by a weighty, textural presence and long finish.

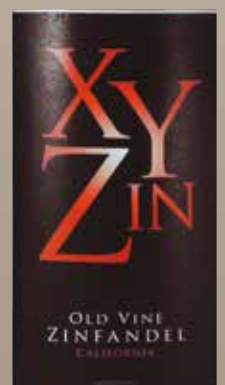


10 **Xyzin** CALIFORNIA
OLD VINE ZINFANDEL 2013

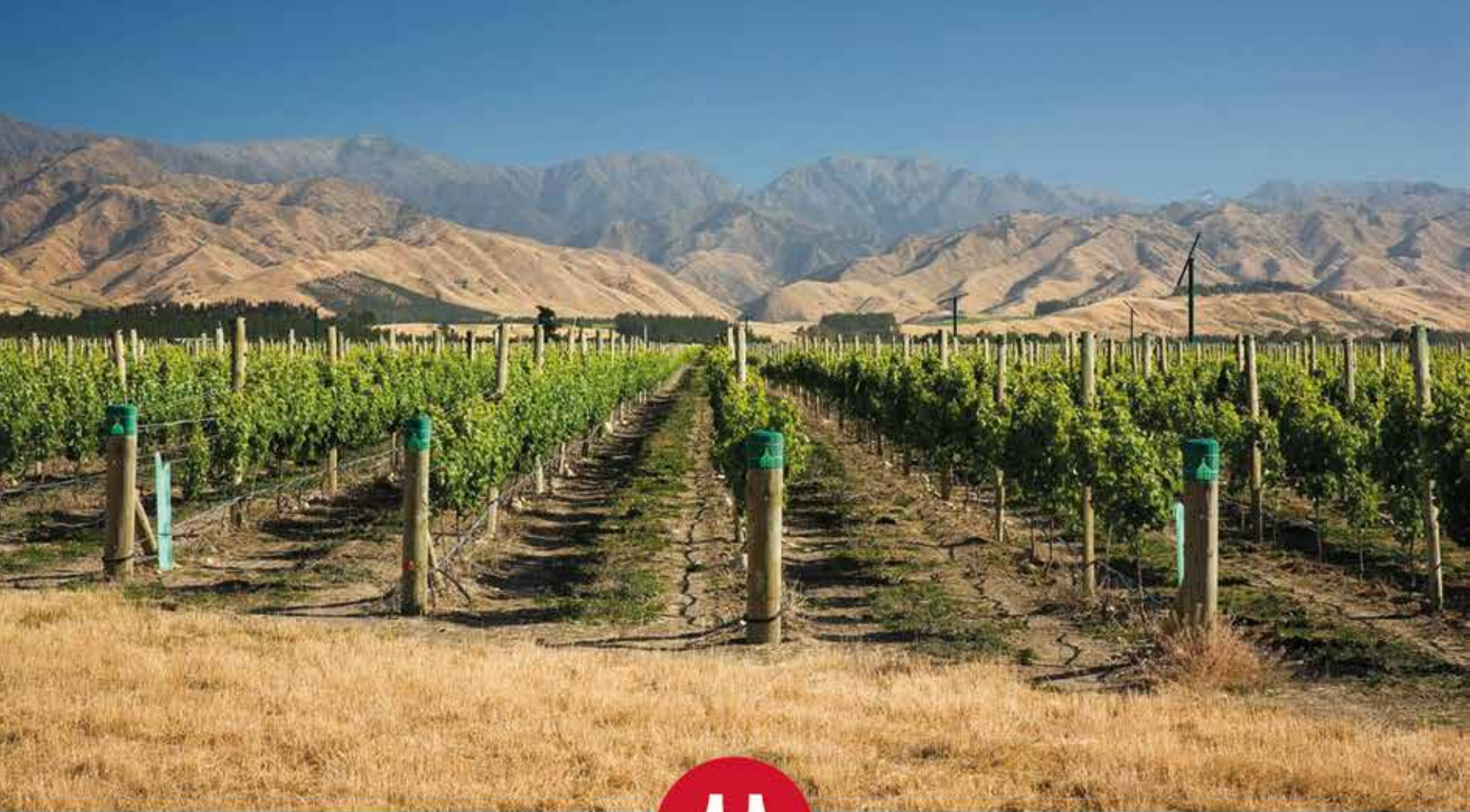
\$14.99 30015

CASE OF 12 \$13.99 A BOTTLE

Deeply red with a hint of blue, the aromatics of vivid raspberry, cherry and red currant leading invitingly to a rich, bright, lively palate. A kiss of spice and a juicy sign-off leave you reaching for another glass.



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