



## Wine We Love

Leschi Market is proud to share these lovely yet limited wines with you this month.

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## Staff Picks

### KEN’S PICKS

2010 Scarborough The Royale Columbia Valley \$26.99/\$23.39/\$21.05

2012 Syncline Grenache Blanc Boushey Vineyard Yakima Valley \$25.99/\$22.39/\$20.15

2012 Occhipinti SP68 Bianco Sicilia Italy \$26.99/\$19.99/\$17.99

2012 Domaine Filiatreau Château Fouquet Rouge \$19.99/\$14.99/\$13.49

Conti Sertoli Salis Alpium (White Nebbiolo) Lombardy Italy \$17.99/\$13.99/\$12.59

2011 Domaine des Nugues Beaujolais-Villages \$16.99/\$13.09/\$11.78

### MIKE’S PICKS

2010 Gramercy Cellars Syrah Walla Walla \$63.99/\$54.69/\$49.22

2010 Obelisco Estate Cabernet Sauvignon Red Mountain \$42.99/\$37.39/\$33.65

2012 Domaine de la Villaudiere Pinot Noir Sancerre \$23.99/\$16.79/\$15.11

2011 Southard White Viognier-Roussanne Columbia Valley \$16.99/\$13.99/\$12.59

2011 Weingut Schwarzbock Gruner Veltliner Austria \$16.99/\$13.99/\$12.59

2012 For a Song Riesling Columbia Valley \$10.99/\$7.49/\$6.74

### CHAD’S PICKS

Moutard Brut Rosé de Cuvaison Champagne NV \$48.99/\$30.69/\$27.62

2011 ‘Jaja’ (Maison Bleue) Red Blend Yakima Valley \$32.99/\$19.99/\$17.99

2010 Le Grand Sorbier (Domaine Perraud) Pinot Noir Rouge Bourgogne \$21.99/\$18.69/\$16.82

2012 Domaine de Trotreau Quincy Sauvignon Blanc Loire Valley \$20.99/\$17.79/\$16.01

2012 Mason Sauvignon Blanc Napa Valley \$18.99/\$15.99/\$14.39

2011 Pico Maccario Barbera d’Asti ‘Lavignone’ Italy \$13.99/\$12.19/\$10.97



## Red Wines

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—*Wine Advocate*, 96 points. **New item. Limited.**

### 2009 Long Shadows Cabernet Sauvignon Feather Columbia Valley \$69.99/\$55.99/\$50.39

“Crafted by Napa veteran Randy Dunn, the Long Shadows 2009 Feather—pure Cabernet Sauvignon offers scents and palate-staining impressions of dark berries, spice cake, and tobacco. Finishing with length and sufficient complexity to intrigue.”

— *Wine Advocate*, 92 points. **New vintage.**

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### 2011 Amavi Cellars Cabernet Sauvignon Walla Walla Valley \$32.99/\$24.29/\$21.86

“The aromatics of this wine immediately greet you with earthy scents of dusty brambles and dried mint that combine elegantly with notes of bright fruit. This carries over to the palate in a lively combination of black cherries, raspberries, currants, and fig weaved harmoniously with exotic spices. Boasts complex structure and an acute balance between fruit and acid. 83% Cabernet Sauvignon, 7% Merlot, 4% Malbec, 3% Syrah, 3% Cabernet Franc.”

—Jean-François Pellet, Winemaker. **New vintage.**

### 2010 Scarborough The Royale Columbia Valley \$26.99/\$23.39/\$21.05

“Tightly structured, with firm tannins and a lean core of mint-accented black cherry and licorice flavors, lingering well on an expressive finish. Merlot, Cabernet Franc, Cabernet Sauvignon and Petit Verdot. Best from 2015 through 2018. 421 cases made.

—*Wine Spectator*, 91 points. **New vintage.**

### 2012 Domaine Filiatreau Château Fouquet Rouge \$19.99/\$14.99/\$13.49

Château Fouquet is a single-plot vineyard, located east of Saumur, that is being converted to biodynamic viticulture. This is a clean fruit-forward Cabernet Franc, with vinification entirely temperature controlled and in stainless steel. Lively black raspberries struck with fresh acidity and a tinge of burnt leaf smoke. This is wine open for consumption now, but can certainly be kept for a few more years. **New vintage.**

### 2011 Domaine du Pas Saint Martin Rouge Saumur La Pierre Frite Loire Valley \$17.99/\$14.99/\$13.49

The La Pierre Frite is produced from Cabernet Franc grown organically on silica-rich limestone soils. The grapes are de-stemmed and then fermented in stainless steel vats. The maceration lasts about ten days and the fermentation temperature is controlled. The objective is to produce an expressive wine not burdened by harsh tannins. **New item.**

### 2011 Domaine des Nuges Beaujolais-Villages \$16.99/\$13.09/\$11.78 “All Beaujolais is not Beaujolais Nouveau, thank god!

Beaujolais Nouveau is a marketing gimmick gone horribly wrong—for a number of years it was so successful that the world got the impression that Beaujolais is some crappy wine that people drink once a year. This is not light, wimpy Beaujolais. It has the structure to age nicely for four to six years, and always shows lovely fruit and spice notes upon release. These are some of the best values in all of Burgundy—wines to enjoy with dinner every night, wines to buy by the case!”

—Scott Paul Wines. **New item.**

### 2012 Thomas Goss Shiraz McLaren Vale \$15.99/\$13.09/\$11.78

“The wine made by Ben Riggs and his winemaking team, this wine has a long, soft and juicy palate and lush mouthfeel, bursting with blackberry, blueberry jam and liquorice. This wine guarantees a true Australian Shiraz experience best enjoyed over the next seven years.”

—Winery notes. **New vintage.**

### 2012 Christopher Michael Pinot Noir Willamette Valley \$12.99/\$9.39/\$8.45

The long awaited release of the excellent 2012 vintage Oregon Pinot Noir does not disappoint even at the bargain level, and for those who find it hard to spend under \$18 for a good Pinot Noir. All the hallmarks of well-made Pinot are here in measure and balance. Deep, dark color, ripe red fruit, spice and surprising minerality. **New vintage.**

### Theor Rosso Friuli Italy NV \$12.99/\$8.99/\$8.09

Versatile, approachable and simply superb. This voluptuous blend combines dark fruit of the 70% Refosco with an herbaceous layer from the 30% Cabernet Franc and a final touch of vanilla from the oak aging to create a monumentally satisfying glass of wine.

**New item. Crowd pleaser!**



**2012 Pico Maccario ‘Berró’ Barbera Piemonte**  
**\$13.99/\$8.39/\$7.55**

A friendly, juicy red bursting with freshly cut flowers and berries. This vinous, inviting Barbera is best suited to near-term drinking. This is serious bang-for-the-buck drinking. **New vintage.**

## White Wines

**2011 Domaine du Château de Puligny-Montrachet Blanc**  
**Burgundy \$42.99/\$32.99/\$29.69**

“From the walled vineyard right in front of the Chateau inside the village of Puligny-Montrachet, this over-achieving Bourgogne Blanc is stellar year in and year out. It definitely shows the floral and mineral notes in the nose that make the village famous. Good length and buttery, citrus fruit make this a great wine at any price, but this ‘little’ wine from an estate with an embarrassing array of riches can stand up to the best of them. Organic and Biodynamic.”

–Winery notes. **New vintage.**

**2012 Syncline Grenache Blanc Boushey Vineyard Yakima Valley**  
**\$25.99/\$22.39/\$20.15**

“The celebrated Boushey Vineyard produces wines of distinct character with balanced acidity. This intriguing wine has aromas of asian pear and wet stone, complemented by flavors of star fruit, green apple and hints of anise. The overall acid structure and enticing aromas make this a standout wine. 181 cases produced.” –Winemaker notes. **New vintage.**

**2012 Occhipinti SP68 Bianco Sicilia \$26.99/\$19.99/\$17.99**  
**Biodynamic**

“The wine is a blend of Albanello, a variety native to the Ragusa area near Vittoria, and Zibibbo (aka Muscat of Alexandria) sourced from Marsala, in northwest Sicily. The wine is fermented dry; Zibibbo lends a floral, aromatic complexity while Albanello adds structure. On the nose, pear, coriander, peach and orange. On the palate, pineapple, coriander, peach, orange and pear.” - Importer notes. **New vintage.**

**2011 Conti Sertoli Salis Alpium White Lombardy Italy**  
**\$17.99/\$13.99/\$12.59**

“This wine is obtained from a white wine processing of Nebbiolo grapes. The light pressing of the grapes and the immediate separation of the must from the marc allow the production of an elegant, fruity white wine with light citrus notes. This wine is appreciated for its fullness and freshness, especially in its youth. But the strong character of the grapes also guarantees a good ability to last over time.”

–Winery notes, **New item.**

**2012 Eric Chevalier Chardonnay Loire \$16.99/\$13.99/\$12.59**

“Eric Chevalier trained at a domaine in Chablis before returning to run his family’s estate in the Loire. Perhaps that is why the Chardonnay he makes is always so crisp and taut. Vinified without any oak, it reminds me of a baby Chablis thanks to its liveliness and its bouquet of white flowers and fresh fruit. Like each of Eric’s wines, it’s a total steal.”

–Kermit Lynch. **New vintage.**

## Champagne and Sparkling Wine for Valentine’s Day

**R. H. Coutier Ambonnay Rosé Grand Cru Champagne NV**  
**\$53.99/\$43.79/\$39.41**

“Elegant and pretty, with floral accents to the black cherry pie, blackberry coulis and spiced plum flavors. This is lightly creamy, with fine balance and a lingering, mineral-tinged finish. Drink now through 2016. 500 cases made.” -*Wine Spectator*, 91 points

**Moutard Brut Rosé de Cuvaison Champagne NV**  
**\$48.99/\$30.69/\$27.62**

“The house’s NV Brut Rosé de Cuvaison is another standout. Tar, smoke and game are some of the aromas and flavors that emerge from the glass, adding considerable complexity and nuance. A short maceration on the skins gives this 100% Pinot Noir Champagne its volume and breadth. Richness and sophistication meld together beautifully here. This is a standout from Moutard. Disgorged July 2012. Anticipated maturity: 2012-2017.” -*Wine Advocate*, 92 points.

**Jaillance Brut Rosé Crémant de Bordeaux NV**  
**\$19.99/\$15.79/\$14.21**

“A rich, lustrous salmon-pink color with elegant bubbles. Delightful aromas with notes of red fruit (raspberry and red currant) and a fresh hint of menthol. Good on the attack, with a balanced mousse. Flavors carry forward from the bouquet, with added persistent strawberry and a hint of vanilla on the finish.” –Winery notes

**De Chanceny Cremant de Loire Rosé NV \$21.99/\$13.19/\$11.87**

A wine with tiny, long-lasting bubbles, De Chanceny Cremant de Loire Rosé is a lovely gleaming pink. It’s enticing with a delicate, nervy bouquet of fresh red fruit. It’s lively on the attack and has lovely aromatic intensity and brightness. Well-balanced in the mouth, this sparkler is enhanced by a fresh but subtle finish. The fruit comes from 20 to 30year-old Cabernet Franc vines.



Always at Leschi Market, mix and match any six bottles of wine for a 10% discount.

## Best Sellers At Leschi Market

### WHITE WINES

1. 2012 Oisly et Thesee 'Les Gourmets' Sauvignon Blanc  
\$9.99/\$7.49/\$6.74
2. 2012 Domaine Talmard Macon Chardonnay France  
\$12.99/\$10.29/\$9.26
3. 2013 Dashwood Sauvignon Blanc Marlborough New Zealand  
\$18.99/\$11.19/\$10.07
4. 2012 Wente Vineyards Riva Ranch Chardonnay  
\$24.99/\$14.99/\$13.49
5. 2012 Domaine des Lauriers Rolle Pays D'Oc \$14.99/\$11.19/\$10.07
6. 2012 Joel Gott Unoaked Chardonnay California  
\$18.99/\$13.99/\$12.59

### RED WINES

1. 2011 Excelsior Cabernet Sauvignon South Africa \$14.99/\$7.79/\$7.01
2. Estrella Reserve Red Lot #3 California NV \$7.99/\$4.69/\$4.22
3. 2011 Pendulum Red Wine Columbia Valley \$27.99/\$13.99/\$12.59
4. 2012 La Vieille Ferme Cotes du Ventoux \$11.99/\$7.49/\$6.74

5. 2010 Ghost of 413 Red Columbia Valley \$22.99/\$13.99/\$12.59

6. 2012 Llama Old Vines Malbec Mendoza Argentina  
\$16.99/\$12.19/\$10.97

### WINES OVER \$15

1. 2012 L'Ecole No. 41 Chardonnay Columbia Valley  
\$24.99/\$20.59/\$18.53
2. 2012 Henri Bourgeois Les Baronnes Sancerre France  
\$26.99/\$18.69/\$16.82
3. 2011 L'Ecole No. 41 Red Wine Columbia Valley  
\$23.99/\$18.69/\$16.82
4. 2008 Foundry Vineyards Fire Red Walla Walla Valley  
\$20.99/\$17.79/\$16.01
5. 2012 Adelsheim Pinot Gris Willamette Valley \$19.99/\$15.89/\$14.30
6. 2011 Luca Laborde Double Select Syrah Mendoza Argentina  
\$28.99/\$20.59/\$18.53

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