



## September Wine News

Inside this month's newsletter, you'll find new Fall reds like these:

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### 2012 Chinook Cabernet Franc Yakima Valley (\$21)

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-Winemaker notes.

Cheers & Enjoy!

Leschi Market's Wine Department

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## ED PICKS

- 2012 Sous Sol Syrah DuBrul Vineyard Yakima Valley \$39.99/\$32.69/\$29.42
- 2011 Round Pond Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley \$37.99/\$27.99/\$25.19
- 2012 James Cabernet Sauvignon California \$16.99/\$13.99/\$12.59
- 2014 Gerard Bertrand Gris Blanc Rosé Languedoc Roussillon \$13.99/\$11.99/\$10.79
- 2014 Domaine Le Clos des Lumières Rosé Côtes du Rhône \$12.99/\$8.39/\$7.65

## KENNY PICKS

- 2011 Château De Puligny Montrachet Bourgogne Blanc \$42.99/\$32.99/\$29.69
- 2010 Motaribaldi Palazzina Barbaresco Italy \$39.99/\$30.69/\$27.62
- 2014 àMaurice Cellars Viognier Columbia Valley \$29.99/\$26.19/\$23.57
- 2013 Domaine Bitouzet-Prieur Passetoutgrain Rouge Bourgogne \$29.99/\$26.19/\$23.57
- 2012 Arnoux Vacqueyras Cuvée Jean-Marie Arnoux \$23.99/\$17.79/\$16.01
- 2014 Elizabeth Spencer Sauvignon Blanc Mendocino County \$18.99/\$15.89/\$14.30

## CHAD PICKS

- 2012 Lobo Hills Right Bank Red Blend Columbia Valley \$21.99/\$18.69/\$16.82
- 2012 Twelve Pinot Noir Oregon \$21.99/\$18.69/\$16.82
- 2013 Domaine Pradelle Blanc Crozes-Hermitage \$19.99/\$15.89/\$14.30
- 2010 Domaine Vincent Siret-Courtaud Rouge Loire Valley \$19.99/\$13.99/\$12.59
- 2012 Borgo Scopeto Rosso Chianti Classico \$16.99/\$13.09/\$11.78
- 2013 Hugel Gentil Blanc Blend Alsace France \$16.99/\$11.19/ \$10.07



## Red Wines

### 2012 Dominio de Pingus 'PSI' Ribera del Duero Spain \$48.99/\$29.99/\$26.99

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### 2013 Amavi Cabernet Sauvignon Walla Walla Valley \$37.99/\$27.99/\$25.19

Amavi Cellars is the sister winery to Pepper Bridge Winery. "Our Walla Walla Valley Cabernet Sauvignon is a tried-and-true classic, expertly blended with each vintage to allow the fruit and terroir to truly shine. Aromas of black cherry, plum, mocha; tastes like dark fruit, cassis, savory nuance. The mouthfeel is perfectly balanced, silky and elegant, with a rich finish. 76% Cabernet Sauvignon, 11% Cabernet Franc, 8% Merlot, 3% Malbec, 1% Syrah, 1% Petit Verdot."

-Winemaker notes. **New vintage.**

### 2012 Chinook Cabernet Franc Yakima Valley \$24.99/\$21.49/\$19.34

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### 2013 Purple Hands Pinot Noir Willamette Valley \$26.99/\$20.59/\$18.53

Fantastic expression of Willamette Valley Pinot Noir by Cody Wright (son of Oregon winemaking icon Ken Wright). Wild red cherries and bright plums aroma and flavors in this light are very satisfying. Sweet cranberries, roses, violets and pie spice come through as well. **New item.**

### 2013 Gilbert Cellars Left Bank Red Blend Columbia Valley \$21.99/\$18.69/\$16.82

"Broodingly complex and dignified. Our Bordeaux-inspired blend (49% Cabernet Sauvignon, 16% Cabernet Franc, 14% Merlot, 14% Malbec, 7% Petit Verdot) spent 19 months in 48% new oak barrels (80% French and 20% American). Dare we say, this is our best Left Bank yet!"

-Winemaker notes. **New vintage.**

### 2012 Château Le Breuil Renaissance Médoc \$21.99/\$14.99/\$13.49

This Chateau's best chateaux. The vineyard is planted with 60% Merlot and 40% Cabernet Sauvignon on calcareous clay. The average age of the vines is 30 years with a small plot of vines more than 100 years old. The aromas and flavors are classic Médoc— dark, brooding fruit, spice— but because of the unusually high proportion of Merlot, the wine is particularly soft on the palate. **New vintage.**

### 2014 Durigutti Bonarda Mendoza Argentina \$16.99/\$11.19/\$10.07

"Lush and spicy ripe-fruit driven nose, with a broad, fairly explosive palate of red cherry, plum, chocolate, and mint. Bright, refreshing acidity holds everything together. A blend of 65% Agrelo, Luján de Cuyo and 35% Rivadavia." -Winemaker notes. **New vintage.**

### 2013 Talamonti 'Mod Á' Montepulciano d' Abruzzo \$16.99/\$9.39/\$8.45

A deep ruby-red wine made from the Montepulciano grape (not to be confused with the Tuscan town Montepulciano which also produces wines), this wine has an intense nose of very ripe red fruit. The palate is similarly rich with some elegant spice coming as a result of six months ageing in French oak. Match this with antipasti or pasta in tomato-based sauces. **New vintage.**

### 2014 Château de Gaudou 'Tradition' Rouge Cahors \$13.99/\$8.39/\$7.55

The flagship wine of the Château. The history of the Durou family at the Château goes back to the 17th century. The wine is predominantly Auxerrois (as Malbec is known in its historic heartland of Cahors), plus Merlot and Tannat. These were vinified separately and then blended together and aged for nine months in old oak. Lots of ripe, black fruit with the Merlot rounding out the tannins to give a softer, more approachable appeal. A ton of wine for the money. **New vintage.**

## White Wines

### 2013 Flowers Chardonnay Sonoma Coast \$54.99/\$40.19/\$36.17

"A gorgeous entry-level offering. Lemon peel, white pepper, white flowers and pears meld together in an effortless, precise Chardonnay long on personality and real class. The flavors are bright, focused and nuanced throughout. The Sonoma Coast Chardonnay is made mostly from purchased fruit, but it is nevertheless a terrific entry-level wine that captures the house style nicely."

- *Antonio Galloni*, 92 points. **New vintage.**

### 2014 Savage Grace Grüner Veltliner Underwood Mountain Vineyards Columbia Gorge \$21.99/\$18.69/\$16.82

"Our first release of this Austrian varietal. The grapes were whole cluster pressed and then fermented in a combination of neutral barrels and stainless steel, with 50% undergoing native fermentation to enhance complexity. This is a great food pairing wine, offering flavors of citrus fruit, honey and wet stone. 100 cases made."

-Winemaker notes. **New item. Drawing raves!**

### 2014 Kim Crawford Unoaked Chardonnay East Coast New Zealand \$25.99/\$15.89/\$14.30

"If you like Chardonnay with true expression of fruit then this is one to love! This wine does not hide behind any oak. Lifted aromas of grapefruit and peach open up to notes of tropical fruit and pineapple. An approachable, full-bodied Chardonnay that shows great fruit, length and persistence. Medium weight with a creamy texture and hints of butterscotch and lemon meringue pie show through in a style uncluttered by oak." -Winemaker notes. **New vintage.**



**2014 Mark Ryan Board Tracker Racer ‘The Vincent’ Chardonnay  
Columbia Valley \$16.99/\$13.99/\$12.59**

This stainless-fermented Chardonnay offers spiced pear and tropical aromas with flavors of apple and bright citrus. The finish is dry with mouth-watering acidity. **New item.**

**2014 Château Lamothe de Haux Blanc Bordeaux  
\$16.99/\$13.99/\$12.59**

Has actively produced estate-bottled wine since the 16th century. Classic white Bordeaux. Beginning with a traditional blend of 40% Sauvignon Blanc, 40% Semillon and 20% Muscadelle, this zippy white boasts floral aromas and bright citrus fruit flavors. The palate is round and fresh, with a long finish. Aged on the lees for about three weeks, which accounts for its round, smooth and remarkably fruity flavor. **New vintage.**

**2013 Joseph Drouhin Mâcon Villages Chardonnay Burgundy  
\$17.99/\$13.09/\$11.78**

“The color of the wine is bright and limpid. The nose is floral and fruity. Very straightforward and direct on the palate, as if biting into a grape. Fresh and light, with a very pleasant aftertaste.”

—Veronique Boss-Drouhin, winemaker. **New vintage.**

**2014 Lamblin et Fils Bourgogne Blanc \$16.99/\$13.09/\$11.78**

Declassified Chablis never tasted as good as this delectable wine from the highly conscientious Lamblin estate. The high toned aromatics are just the beginning, as the wine resolves with crisp apple, honey and a hint of minerals. An outstanding value to say the least. Delicious! **New vintage.**

**2014 Ponga Sauvignon Blanc Marlborough New Zealand  
\$13.99/\$9.39/\$8.45**

Ponga comes from select vineyards in Marlborough, New Zealand’s most celebrated wine region. A delicate aroma of ripe tropical fruits, subtle earthy undertones and a hint of nettles. This fragrant wine exhibits flavors of white peach, lime and grapefruit. Mineral and floral nuances accent the finish. This wine is bright, contemporary, fruit-driven style, offering exceptional value for the money. **New vintage.**

**2014 Domaine de Bernier Chardonnay Loire Burgundy  
\$11.99/\$9.39/\$8.45**

This juicy little number is made by a very good Muscadet producer. This helps explain why although the wine is 100% Chardonnay, it is fresh and thirst quenching, versus overly oaky and round. High-toned with citrus, apple and a trace of vanilla on the bouquet. Medium-bodied with creamy-textured, focused fruit; lively and crisp acidity on the palate, and a steely, mineral finish. **New vintage.**

## Rosé Wines

**2014 Michel Chapoutier Les Vignes de Bila-Haut Rosé Pays d’Oc  
\$16.99/\$13.99/\$12.59**

In searching to create the perfectly styled Rosé, Michel Chapoutier found a fantastic source of Cinsault in the Gard district, and used that variety blended with Grenache. Each of the varieties in the blend offers up their unique flavors to combine a refreshing and crisp wine with “high resolution” of flavors. The Cinsault gives the red fruits, and gentle floral aromas. The Grenache supplies the crisp mineral flavors with a hint of citrus in the lingering finish. **New vintage.**

**2014 Domaine Sorin Terra Amata Rosé Côtes de Provence  
\$16.99/\$11.19/\$10.07**

From vineyards near Bandol, close to the Mediterranean coast, this full and fruity wine has a lighter side with its fresh acidity. Red berry flavors are cut with a lemon zest texture. The aftertaste is bright and refreshing with its acidity. The blend is 40% Grenache, 15% Cinsault, 10% Syrah, 15% Mourvèdre, 10% Carignan, 5% Rolle and 5% Orgi. **New vintage.**

## From Our Cellar-Limited-Inquire

**2012 St. Cosme ‘Valbelle’ Gigondas \$60.69  
Wine Spectator, 94 points**

**2010 Turley Zinfandel Pesenti Vineyard San Luis Obispo \$36.99  
Wine Advocate, 94 points**

**2010 Sea Smoke Pinot Noir Sta. Rita Hills Ten \$89.99  
Wine Spectator, 91 points**



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## Best Sellers At Leschi Market

### WHITE WINES

1. 2013 Oisly et Thesee Touraine Sauvignon Blanc Les Gourmets \$10.99/\$7.49/\$6.74
2. 2014 Alianca Vinho Verde Portugal \$9.99/\$7.49/\$6.74
3. 2012 House of Independent Producers Chardonnay Columbia Valley \$16.99/\$10.69/\$9.62
4. 2014 Dashwood Sauvignon Blanc Marlborough New Zealand \$18.99/\$11.19/\$10.07
5. Casal Garcia Vinho Verde NV Portugal \$11.99/\$7.49/\$6.74
6. 2013 Chateau Bonnet Bordeaux Blanc France \$13.99/\$9.39/\$8.45

### ROSÉ WINES

1. 2014 Domaine de Triennes Vin de Pays de Mediterranee \$18.99/\$14.99/\$13.49
2. 2014 Aix Cotes de Provence \$17.99/\$13.99/\$12.59
3. 2014 Domaine de Couron Ardeche \$12.99/\$7.99/\$7.19
4. 2014 Lauribert la Cuvee de Lisa \$12.99/\$9.39/\$8.45
5. 2014 Domaine Santa Giulieta Vin de Corse \$13.99/\$10.29/\$9.26
6. 2014 Jean Luc Colombo Cape Bleue Cotes du Rhone \$17.99/\$11.99/\$10.79

### RED WINES

1. Estrella Reserve Red Lot #3 California NV \$7.99/\$4.99/\$4.49
2. 2012 Excelsior Cabernet Sauvignon South Africa \$16.99/\$7.99/\$7.19
3. 2012 Ryan Patrick Vineyards Rock Island Red Wahluke Slope \$21.99/\$14.99/\$13.49
4. 2013 Christopher Michael Pinot Noir Willamette Valley \$13.99/\$10.29/\$9.26
5. 2013 Domaine de la Brunely Ventoux Rouge \$11.99/\$8.39/\$7.55
6. 2012 Masciarelli Montepulciano d'Abruzzo Italy \$13.99/\$8.39/\$7.55

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