

## December Wine Newsletter

Our monthly newsletter is full of fun wine to explore this month, along with the always popular Staff Picks and Best Sellers.

Here are a few new arrivals sure to warm you up this holiday season:

### 2013 G.D. Vajra Barolo Ravera (\$68.99)

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### 2015 Argiano Non Confunditur Tuscany (\$17.99)

“This is a rich and racy young red with chocolate, currant and hints of sandalwood. Full body, chewy tannins and a long and flavorful finish. Savory and juicy. Cabernet Sauvignon, Syrah, Merlot and a splash of Sangiovese. Drink or hold.” -James Suckling, 94 points.

Cheers & Enjoy!



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### Ed Picks

2015 Talbott Chardonnay Kali Hart  
Monterey \$26.99/\$19.99/\$17.99

2013 Ross Andrew Winery Boushey Vineyard  
Syrah Columbia Valley \$22.99/\$18.69/\$16.82

2015 Argiano Non Confunditur Tuscany  
\$23.99/\$17.99/\$16.19

2015 Kevin White Winery Red Blend Yakima  
Valley \$23.99/\$16.79/\$15.11

2015 The Huntsman Cabernet Sauvignon  
Columbia Valley \$23.99/\$15.89/\$14.30

2015 Garofoli Verdicchio dei Castelli di Jesi  
Podium \$17.99/\$10.29/\$9.26

### Lisa Picks

Gaston Chiquet Brut Champagne Tradition  
NV \$54.39/\$38.99/\$35.09

2016 Jean Reverdy Sancerre  
\$29.99/\$25.19/\$22.67

2013 Corte Guala Valpolicella Ripassa  
\$26.99/\$22.39/\$20.15

2015 Lobo Hills Right Bank Red Yakima  
Valley \$21.99/\$18.69/\$16.82

2014 Winner’s Tank Shiraz McLaren Vale  
Australia \$21.99/\$14.99/\$13.49

2016 Domaine de la Chanteleuserie Alouettes  
Bourgueil Loire \$19.99/\$14.99/\$13.49

### Catherine Picks

2015 Beau Freres Willamette Valley Pinot  
Noir \$74.99/\$59.99/\$53.99

2014 Elephant Seven Yellow Bird Syrah Walla  
Walla Valley \$48.99/\$41.99/\$37.79

Kopke 10 Year Old Tawny Port  
\$32.99/\$27.99/\$25.19

2016 Domaine Hippolyte Reverdy Sancerre  
\$29.99/\$25.19/\$22.67

2015 Prosper Maufoux Pinot Noir Bourgogne  
\$22.99/\$18.69/\$16.82

2016 Efeste Feral Evergreen Vineyard  
Sauvignon Blanc Ancient Lakes  
\$19.99/\$16.99/\$15.29



## Red Wines

### 2012 Corliss Estate Cabernet Sauvignon Columbia Valley \$102.99/\$88.99/\$80.09

“A wine that I would put up there with the crème de la crème of Washington State Cabernets, which is insanely good and does everything right. 97% Cabernet and 3% Petit Verdot. Fabulous notes of toasted spice, chocolate and tobacco leaves. Fabulous purity and freshness, a big, rich mid-palate and sweet tannin that emerge on the finish. Drink 2021-2041. Bravo!”

–*Wine Advocate*, 97 points. **New vintage.**

### 2013 G.D. Vajra Barolo Ravera \$96.99/\$68.99/\$62.09

“An elegant, detailed red, expressing pure violet, raspberry and black currant flavors, shade by tar and tobacco. It’s harmonious, with a firm grip of tannins and should evolve beautifully over the next 20-25 years. Best from 2022 through 2040. 250 cases made.”

–*Wine Spectator*, 95 points. **New item.**

### 2014 Bouchard Père re & Fils Rouge Beaune Clos de la Mousse \$75.99/\$58.79/\$52.91

“Black currant and violet are the hallmarks of this tightly wound red, with vanilla and sandalwood accents entering the fray as this builds to the long, energetic finish. Ends with a vein of mineral and echoes of spice. Best from 2020 through 2033. 200 cases imported. Highly Recommended.” –*Wine Spectator*, 93 points. **New vintage.**

### 2014 Long Shadows Pirouette Red Columbia Valley \$69.99/\$55.99/\$50.39

“A blend of 57% Cabernet Sauvignon, 18% Petit Verdot, 17% Merlot, 7% Cab Franc and a splash of Malbec. This inky colored beauty gives up tons of graphite, toasted spice, dried herbs and chocolatey dark fruit, full-bodied richness, building, ripe tannin and a great finish. It’s another killer wine from this estate, and possibly the best to date. Drink 2017-2029.” –*Wine Advocate*, 95+ points. **New vintage.**

### 2015 Domaine Drouhin Pinot Noir Dundee Hills Willamette Valley \$45.99/\$39.19/\$35.27

“This delicious wine shows focused black cherry, cola, cream soda and baking spice flavors. It’s perfectly balanced, with all components in proportion and settled nicely together. Drink now through 2022.”

–*Paul Gregutt*, 92 points. **New vintage.**

### 2012 Giovanni Sordo Barolo Gabutti Piedmont \$29.99/\$24.49/\$22.49

“Iron, graphite and sanguine aromas introduce this stern, sinewy red, backed by cherry, strawberry, floral and tobacco flavors. Beautifully balanced and long. Though firm, this remains fresh and focused on the aftertaste. Best from 2023 through 2045. 475 cases made.”

–*Wine Spectator*, 90 points. **New item.**

### 2016 Syncline Subduction Red Washington \$25.99/\$20.59/\$18.53

“This charming, bright ruby colored wine exhibits blackberry, cherry, floral and spice aromas with savory flavors. The juicy mid-palate and excellent length provides a wine that is compatible with many foods and occasions. 40% Syrah, 20% Grenache, 15% Mourvedre, 14% Cinsault and 11% Carignan. 131 barrels produced.” –Winemaker notes.

### 2015 COR Cellars Momentum Red Horse Heaven Hills \$21.99/\$17.79/\$16.01

“From the ethereal soils and expansive skies of the Horse Heaven Hills comes this snapshot of poetry in motion. Ripe black cherry, dark chocolate and spice make this wine the perfect point from which to launch your culinary and social expectations. Enjoy it with the foods and friends that inspire you. 52% Petit Verdot, 22% Merlot, 20% Malbec and 6% Cabernet Franc.” –Winemaker notes. **New vintage.**

### 2015 Argiano Non Confunditur Tuscany \$23.99/\$17.99/\$16.19

“This is a rich and racy young red with chocolate, currant and hints of sandalwood. Full body, chewy tannins and a long and flavorful finish. Savory and juicy. Cabernet Sauvignon, Syrah, Merlot and a splash of Sangiovese. Drink or hold.”

–*James Suckling*, 94 points. **New vintage. A Leschi favorite.**

### 2015 Kevin White Winery Red Blend Yakima Valley \$23.99/\$16.79/\$15.11

“This wine jumps out as a lively blend of Bing cherry, plum and blueberry aromas with floral and spice elements throughout. On the palate, these flavors are wrapped around a medium body with soft tannins leading toward a lovely finish. A very enjoyable wine to drink now. 44% Syrah, 31% Grenache and 25% Mourvèdre. 375 cases produced.”

–Winemaker notes. **New vintage.** A very talented winemaker.

### 2015 Vietti Barbera d’Asti Tre Vigne Piedmont \$20.99/\$15.89/\$14.30

“Ruby purple color with ripe red cherry aromas with hints of mineral and vanilla. A dry, medium bodied red wine with refreshing acidity (making it perfect to pair with food) and soft tannins, the Barbera d’Asti Tre Vigne.” –Winemaker notes. **New vintage.**

### 2016 Domaine de Thulon Rouge Beaujolais Villages \$14.99/\$10.29/\$9.26

The Jambon family have produced what many consider to be the epitome of fresh, country wine that’s what you would get in a little bistro in Burgundy. This ripe and structured wine has a good balance between rich tannins and full, jammy red-berry fruits. It’s attractive, with layers of fruit cut with acidity. **New vintage.**



**2016 Mont Gravet Rouge Carignan Languedoc-Roussillon**  
**\$9.99/\$7.49/\$6.74**

“Deep, dark color and lovely aromas of blackberries and figs. This wine is full bodied and rich in flavor, but elegant with a long fruit-forward finish. Perfect for barbecue or any grilled meats. Also wonderful with all cheeses.” –Winemaker notes. **New vintage.**

## White Wines

**2013 Forman Chardonnay Napa Valley \$53.99/\$46.69/\$42.02**

“It is never put through malolactic. The superb 2013 Chardonnay offers lots of minerality along with notions of white peaches, spring flowers, orange blossoms and poached pears. With loads of fruit, great acid and finesse, and only a hint of oak in the flavor profile, this medium to full-bodied, gorgeous Chardonnay can be enjoyed 2014–2020.”  
 –Robert M. Parker, Jr., 94 points. **New vintage.**

**2016 Bailly Reverdy Sancerre \$29.99/\$23.39/\$21.05**

A lovely open nose, expressive on citrus notes: lemon, grapefruit. It's very fresh in the mouth; you can taste the citrus notes. Lovely balanced and delicate. Here, Sauvignon Blanc planted to limestone-rich soils produces a wine of intense minerality, with the naturally spicy character of this varietal in the background in beautiful balance. **New vintage.**

**2015 Domaine Dupeuble Beaujolais Blanc Chardonnay Burgundy \$19.99/\$16.79/\$15.11**

A charming un-oaked Chardonnay with a crisp and vibrant character. Domaine Dupeuble has been running almost continuously since 1512. They farm their vineyards without the use of any chemicals or synthetic fertilizers. They also harvest with their hands. Kermit Lynch started bringing this small production wine to the states in the late 1980's. Less than 500 cases come stateside each year. **New item.**

**2015 Kendall-Jackson Chardonnay Vintner's Reserve California**  
**\$19.99/\$14.99/\$13.49**

“Plush, with loads of richness to the well-honed flavors of beeswax, baked pear and lemon tart. Minerally midpalate, with a fresh and zesty finish that finishes with pastry notes. Drink now through 2020. #28 *Wine Spectator* Top 100 2017.” 91 points

**2016 Chateau Ste. Michelle Sauvignon Blanc Horse Heaven Hills \$19.99/\$13.89/\$12.50**

“This Sauvignon Blanc from our Horse Heaven Vineyard is a crisp, racy style of Sauvignon Blanc with citrus characteristics. We use partial stainless steel fermentation to preserve the Sauvignon Blanc's pure, fresh, vibrant character.” Bob Bertheau, Winemaker. **New vintage.**

**2016 Terredora di Paolo Falanghina Irpinia**  
**\$18.99/\$12.19/\$10.97**

“Pale yellow in color with rich and intense aroma of fruit with hints of apple, pineapple, quince and pear. This wine is fresh and clean in the mouth with excellent acidity, good structure and a strong finish.”  
 –Winemaker notes. **New vintage.**

**2015 Garofoli Verdicchio dei Castelli di Jesi Podium**  
**\$14.99/\$10.29/\$9.26**

“An elegant, creamy white, backed by sleek, citrusy acidity, this shows a subtle mix of poached pear, grated ginger and stony mineral flavors, accented by hints of crushed almond. Drink now through 2020. #92 *Wine Spectator* Top 100 2017.” 90 points. New item. This was a big hit with our tasting panel.

## Champagne

**Deutz Brut Champagne Classic NV \$46.99/\$36.99/\$33.29**

“This bright and stylish Champagne is tightly knit and satiny in texture, with hints of smoke and pastry cream underscoring the apricot, lemon curd and pickled ginger flavors. Ends with a mouthwatering finish. Drink now through 2022.” –*Wine Spectator*, 92 points

**Moutard Pere & Pere Fils Brut Rosé Champagne de Cuvaison NV \$48.99/\$28.89/\$26.00**

“Ripe raspberry, cherry, graphite and blood orange notes leap from the glass, riding a satiny bead and married to mouthwatering acidity on the palate. Bright and expressive, with a chalky, lingering finish. Drink now through 2020.” –*Wine Spectator*, 92 points

## From Our Cellar— Limited—Inquire

**2000 Giacomo Borgogno Barolo Reserva \$95**  
*Wine Spectator*, 93 points

**2001 Giacomo Borgogno Barolo Reserva \$105**  
*Wine Spectator*, 92 points

**2004 Paolo Manzone Serra Barolo \$38.99**  
*Wine Spectator*, 89 points



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## Best Sellers At Leschi Market

### WHITE WINE

1. 2014 Independent Producers "HIP" Chardonnay Columbia Valley \$16.99/\$10.69/\$9.62
2. 2016 Oisly et Thesee Touraine Sauvignon Blanc Les Gourmets \$11.99/\$8.39/\$7.55
3. 2016 Dashwood Sauvignon Blanc Marlborough New Zealand \$18.99/\$11.19/\$10.07
4. 2015 Leschi Cellars Chardonnay Columbia Valley \$19.99/\$16.99/\$15.29
5. 2016 Chateau Ducasse Bordeaux Blanc \$19.99/\$14.99/\$13.49
6. 2016 Thurston Wolfe PGV Pinot Gris-Viognier Columbia Valley \$19.99/\$13.99/\$12.59

### RED WINE

1. 2016 Leschi Cellars Lakeside Rouge Horse Heaven Hills \$15.99/\$12.99/\$11.69
2. 2014 Leschi Cellars Reserve Red Blend Walla Walla \$23.99/\$19.99/\$17.99
3. 2015 Ross Andrew Glaze Cabernet Sauvignon Columbia Valley \$23.99/\$13.99/\$12.59

4. Estrella Reserve Red Lot #3 California NV \$7.99/\$4.99/\$4.49
5. 2016 Podere La Berta Sangiovese Superiore \$17.99/\$12.19/\$10.97
6. 2016 Ryan Patrick Redhead Red Columbia Valley \$14.99/\$8.99/\$8.09

### WINE GREATER THAN \$20

1. Moutard Pere et Fils Brut Champagne NV Grand Cuvee \$37.99/\$26.29/\$23.66
2. 2015 Mark Ryan Board Track Racer "The Chief" Columbia Valley \$27.99/\$23.99/\$21.59
3. 2015 Domaine Gerard Fiou Blanc Sancerre Loire \$26.99/\$22.39/\$20.15
4. Henriot Brut Champagne Souverain NV \$64.99/\$34.99/\$31.49
5. 2015 Abeja Chardonnay Washington \$44.99/\$38.69/\$34.82
6. 2014 DeLille Cellars D2 Proprietary Red Columbia Valley \$44.99/\$41.99/\$37.79

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