Today’s live auction features a special collection straight from the wineries. Representatives from the winery will personalize the bottles for the successful bidder and each lucky winner will have his or her photo taken with the vintner for a complete once-in-a-lifetime experience!

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**Magnum Hirsch Vineyards San Andreas Fault Pinot Noir 2014**

estimated value: $125

**HIRSCH VINEYARDS**

We are so excited to welcome back Jasmine Hirsch for her second Heart’s Delight! The San Andreas Fault is Hirsch Vineyards’ signature pinot noir and is crafted to give the drinker a complete picture of this complex vineyard. It is named for the fault-line which marks the meeting of the North American and Pacific tectonic plates, snaking its way up the California coast and passing less than a mile from Hirsch. The 2014 San Andreas Fault has fruit from more than 30 of Hirsch’s 61 distinct farming blocks, more than any other wine made from the Hirsch Vineyard. It is the flagship wine from Hirsch, and the wine that represents the summation of this complex vineyard.
Welcome back to Andy Peay who is also here for his second Heart’s Delight. Peay Vineyards make wine from a cold, marginal site on the extreme Sonoma Coast four miles from the Pacific Ocean. Founded in 1998, this remote 48-acre hilltop vineyard is located above a river gorge in the far northwestern corner of the Sonoma Coast. The property was originally an apple orchard known as the Peterson Ranch. The Peay brothers bought the 280 acres of land in 1996.

“Ama was the last of our estate cuvées to emerge from our 35 acres of Pinot noir and, as such, it often got short shrift from me. You think I would know better as the youngest child in my family. Ama needed to find its way, however, and the style bounced around a little as vintages were quite different. Well, in 2014 the Ama Pinot Noir has become something very, very exciting. The nose has spicy cherry and toasty notes with a strong blood red orange streak. This Ama has the refinement and elegance found in Scallop Shelf with its own unique expression of our vineyard. There is great acidity as one expects from our vineyard and there is a litheness yet depth of flavor that makes great Pinot noir so compelling. I would drink one now to let your toes dance and then hold the rest of the case to enjoy from time to time over the next 10+ years” - Winemaker Notes

Magnum Peay Vineyards Ama Estate Pinot Noir 2014
estimated value: $125

Scott and Denise Flora are with us for their first Heart’s Delight. In 2005 they founded Native Flora, a small, secluded vineyard and winery hidden high in the famed Dundee Hills. The 2014 Jaguar Pinot Noir was aged in about 20% new French oak barrels.

“Light reddish purple color in the glass. Intoxicating aromas of cherry, redwood, rose petal and spice. Regal and balanced, with a light to mid weight core of cherry, pomegranate and spice flavors, underlain with soft tannins. Forward drinking, with pleasing persistence and length.” 93-94 points – Prince of Pinot

Magnum Native Flora Pinot Noir Jaguar 2014
estimated value: $150
Magnum Young Inglewood Estate Cabernet Sauvignon 2013
estimated value: $250

This is Scott Young's fourth Heart's Delight and we are so happy he is able to join us again! The 2013 Young Inglewood Estate Cabernet Sauvignon is a classy wine, richly endowed with aromas and flavors. The scent of ripe blueberries and boysenberries accompanies subtle notes of char and spice. Supremely smooth and balanced, the wine caresses the palate with layers of plush fruit, earth and mocha. The long enticing finish encourages further exploration. Even conditions made the 2013 growing season at Young Inglewood close to ideal. A warm dry spring encouraged early bud break and flowering. Fruit set took place under sunny skies. Apart from one midsummer heat spike, temperatures were optimal for vine activity. Our fruit ripened evenly and the quality was outstanding.

Three Pack of 2011 Mascot
estimated value: $375

The Mascot began as an experimental project for Will Harlan. It was made from the younger vines of Harlan Estate, BOND, and Promontory and originally just something to share with friends and family. Nikita Stone is the director of The Mascot and we are so glad she could join us for her first Heart's Delight.

“The 2011 growing season in the Napa Valley was one of cooler temperatures, contributing to a slow, deliberate ripening requiring both patience and faith. What emerged from the younger vines of Promontory, Harlan Estate, and BOND was a wine with great freshness, tension, and vibrance. Minerality resolves into wet slate, with elegant fruit defined by velvety tannins. Approachable and lively in its youth, the 2011 vintage will age far into the future.” - Winemaker notes
Bevan Cellars EE 2014
estimated value: $225

1 – bottle Bevan Cellars Red Wine, EE 2014

Russell Bevans is here for his first Heart’s Delight and brings with him 100 point wine! “Absolutely perfect is the incredible blend of 65% Cabernet Sauvignon and 35% Cabernet Franc – the 2014 Proprietary Red EE. Only 220 cases were made of this wine that was aged in equal parts Taransaud and Darnajou. It has a compelling fragrance of spring flowers, blackberry and cassis, graphite, licorice and truffle. The wine has incredible length, density, full body and superb finish of close to 50+ seconds. It is a big, super-complex wine already, and should continue to offer off-the-charts drinking pleasure for another 15 or more years.” – Robert Parker

Pair of Magnums from Hourglass Wines!
estimated value: $400

1 - Magnum Hourglass Blueline Vineyard Merlot 2014
1 - Magnum Hourglass Blueline Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon 2014

This is the fourth Heart’s Delight featuring Hourglass and Sam Shaw’s third time with us – we are so happy to welcome her back.

With a bouquet filled with chocolate brownies and s’mores, Hourglass has once again produced one of the most thrillingly decadent Merlots in Napa. This is a wonderfully delineated wine that offers layers of black cherry, plum, spice box, and chocolate. This wine continues the trifecta of amazing vintages that is 2012, 2013, and now, 2014. Enjoy anytime over the next 7-8 years.

The Blueline Vineyard, a famed Calistoga Vineyard made by one of our favorite faces in the valley, Tony Biagi, this wine is 90% Cabernet Sauvignon, 6% Malbec and 4% Petit Verdot, aged 21 months in new French oak. This vintage is one of the most concentrated vintages of Blueline Cab they have crafted. Blackberry bramble and cassis are infused with a crushed stone character that brightens the richness across the palate and lingers for a long arching finish.
Double Magnum Failla Vivien Pinot Noir 2013
estimated value: $500

Darren Palace returns for his second Heart’s Delight bringing with him this rare 2013 Vivien Pinot Noir, only 100 cases produced. “We are bolstered to soldier on by the sheer wonder that is the 2013 Vivien. As always, one carefully selected barrel from each of our most age-worthy vineyards is left to slumber an extra six months in barrel. This wine brings together Occidental Ridge, Keefer Ranch, Hirsch Vineyard and our own Estate vineyard. The further barrel aging adds a mellowness to the tannins, an earthiness to the nose and an astounding complexity to a palate that never seems to end. The phrase “greater than the sum of its parts” – and what parts! - comes to mind.” – Winemaker notes

Double Magnum PlumpJack Winery Estate Cabernet Sauvignon 2014
estimated value: $525

John Conover is back again for another Heart’s Delight and brings with him a signed double magnum of the 2014 PlumpJack Cabernet Sauvignon which received 95 points from Robert Parker. “The 2014 Cabernet Sauvignon Estate, which is a blend of 96% Cabernet Sauvignon and 4% Petit Verdot, is a beauty. Bigger-boned and framed than many 2014s, with more structure, this is classic Oakville material, with an opaque purple color and a big, sweet kiss of graphite, blackcurrants, Christmas fruitcake and spice box. Full-bodied and opulent, with moderate tannin, this is a gorgeous wine to drink now and over the next 20 or more years.”
**Parry Cellars Package**
estimated value: $650

1 - Magnum Parry Cellars Cabernet Sauvignon 2013
2 - bottles Parry Cellars Cabernet Sauvignon 2013
Lunch for Four at Parry Cellars in Saint Helena

This lovely lot is courtesy of Stephen Parry who is back for his fifth Heart’s Delight. Parry Cellars is Napa Valley’s smallest single vineyard winery and they only produced 225 cases of the Parry Cellars 2013 Cabernet Sauvignon, another elegant cabernet with ripe, bold fruit flavors, the hallmark of Parry Cellars.

The 2013 growing season provided ideal conditions from start to finish. No frost and a warm, dry spring brought early bud break and even flowering and fruit set. Summer provided warm sunny days and cool nights with only a couple of heat spikes in June. Winemaker, Andy Schweiger says our 2013 “reveals aromas of ripe plum with layers of blackberry, black cherry and hints of mint and eucalyptus. It has a velvet entry with a complex fruit profile leading to a well-balanced mid-palate of intense blueberry, cocoa, berry components and integrated tannins. It has a lingering finish balanced with elegant dark fruit and tannins.” Enjoy this cabernet with a juicy steak or our favorite, braised beef shortribs!

With one sip it’s like visiting their home in St. Helena where you feel the warm sunshine on the grapes, smell the aroma of harvest and savor the elegance of ripe fruit and the winning bidder will get to do just that… lunch at Parry Cellars which is not open to the public so it is quite a treat!

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**Magnum Larkmead Vineyards Solari Cabernet Sauvignon 2014**
estimated value: $850

This is Larkmead’s second year at Heart’s Delight and Laurie Taboulet’s first year with us – she brings a lovely 99 point wine, “The 2014 Cabernet Sauvignon Solari, which is again 100% Cabernet Sauvignon, flirts with perfection. It spent 20 months in 80% new French oak and hails from their Cortina Gravel and clay sectors of the vineyard. They made 793 cases of this compelling wine, which offers great freshness and energy, profound depth of flavor, an opaque black/purple color, and oodles of pure crème de cassis and blackberry fruit intermixed with incense, charcoal and white flowers. It’s a stunner to drink now and over the next three decades.” - Robert Parker
We are so proud to welcome back Daryl Groom to Heart’s Delight and thrilled that this year Colby and his mom, Lisa are able to join us. Colby Red is a delicious red wine dedicated to raising funds for cardiac research. This wine is named in honor of Colby Rex Groom, son of Winemaker Daryl Groom and his wife Lisa, who was born with Congenital Heart Disease. After two open-heart surgeries to repair a defective heart valve, Colby now has a St. Jude Medical valve, and is living a healthy and happy life. This wine represents the Groom family’s efforts to use their passion for winemaking and viticulture to give back for the help and support Colby received.

The 2015 Colby Red wine, a unique blend of Cabernet Sauvignon, Petite Sirah, Merlot, Zinfandel and Syrah, is a deep crimson color. Aromas of ripe red cherries, raspberries and star anise jump from the glass. The wine is generous on the palate with a rich mouthfeel complemented by well-integrated tannins and bold flavors of red berry and hints of clove spice. The finish is smooth with a slight toasty, vanillin character which lingers and is achieved from oak aging. Easy to drink and enjoy, this wine is a crowd pleaser.

This is Eric Baugher’s third Heart’s Delight and he brings with him this lovely 5 liter Monte Bello from 1997. “A vintage that had big yields and a hectic harvest, the 1997 Monte Bello is a sexy, supple and layered beauty that’s drinking beautifully today. Cassis, toasted spice, cigar and dried herbs all flow nicely to a full-bodied Cabernet Sauvignon that has solid textured, good mid-palate depth and still present tannin. I thought the tannin could be cause for concern at first, but they sweetened up with time in the glass; nevertheless, I see no need to delay gratification and would drink while the getting is good.” 94 points – The Wine Advocate
Trip to Napa & Sonoma
estimated value: $8,500

- Two First Class Tickets on American Airlines
- Meadowood Napa Valley– Two Night Stay
- Hourglass Winery– Cave Tour, Tasting, Tour & Private Lunch for Four with Owner, Jeff Smith
- Larkmead – Tour and Private Tasting Experience
- Failla – Cave Tour and Tasting
- Young Inglewood Vineyards - Tour and Tasting for Six
- Tamber Bey Vineyards – Visit and Two Night Stay
- Mumm Napa - VIP Blending Session & Tour, Private Tasting on Oak Terrace for Four
- Press Napa Valley - Rudd Farm Tasting Menu for Two
- Hirsch Vineyards – Private Tour, Tasting & Lunch for Six
- 3 - Magnums Hirsch Vineyards San Andreas Fault Estate Pinot Noir 2014
- Senses Wines – Tour, Tasting & Lunch for Eight
- Terra de Promissio – Tour and Tasting for Eight

We have an amazing trip for you courtesy of our many friends who joined us in Washington for this year’s Heart’s Delight – this is going to be a once-in-lifetime experience you won’t want to miss so bid high!

California bound with two first class tickets on American Airlines, official airline of Heart’s Delight.

Then you will experience the luxury that is Meadowood Napa Valley with a two-night stay and breakfast. Settled on a private estate in St. Helena, Meadowood is a center of social, cultural and viticultural life. Reminiscent of a private estate in a bygone era, gracious hospitality defines the style of service and timeless, natural beauty the sense of place. The property features championship croquet lawns, seven tennis courts, a nine-hole walking golf course, hiking trails, swimming, a Forbes Travel Guide Five-Star spa, a wine education program and eighty-five cottages, suites and lodges settled along the forested hillsides of the property’s private two hundred and fifty-acre valley.

Hourglass is a must-see when you are in Napa and they will welcome you to the Blueline property of Hourglass where you and three guests will receive a cave tour, tasting from the barrel and current release with owner, Jeff Smith followed by a private lunch accompanied with a selection of Estate wines.

Larkmead welcomes you for a private tasting experience. You will be greeted with
a glass and guided on a brief stroll through the gardens and estate vineyards (weather permitting) then on a cellar tour. A private, wine-focused tasting of three of their current release cuvees follows, with emphasis on their unique vineyard site, single-parcel winemaking and century-long history.

At Failla you will enjoy a walking tour of the property and the 15,000 square foot cave. Then you will be treated to a seated tasting of two white and three red wines in the Cave Hospitality area.

Young Inglewood in Saint Helena is guided by the principle of balance they try to incorporate it in everything they do: winemaking, work, and fun times. Guests of Young Inglewood are treated to a behind the-scenes tour that explains how they care for the vineyards and handcraft the wines. The visit concludes with a seated tasting of their estate and winery-only wines.

Tamber Bey Vineyards will be offering two-night stay at their gorgeous Tuscan style Guesthouse. Tamber Bey is located in the heart of Yountville and in the middle of their 16 acre estate winery. Food and Wine magazine rated them one of the top five guest houses in Napa and Sonoma. You will enjoy a VIP tour and taste through all wines Tamber Bey has to offer, including some wines they only make 50 cases of. The tasting room is located in the original barn clubhouse, and the barn surrounds the courtyard, where guests can taste wine, mingle with the horses, and enjoy views of Mount St. Helena. They are also now the largest non-profit horse rescue facility in the United States.

Time for a little sparkling with a visit to Mumm Napa. Their roots can be traced back to GH Mumm, the leading international champagne brand in France. Established in California in the late 1970s, Mumm Napa follows traditional wine making techniques of its French heritage to create the finest, hand-crafted sparkling wines.

You are bound to be hungry and if you’ve been to PRESS in St. Helena, you know it as a farm-driven steak-centric restaurant with a killer wine list. But now with executive chef Trevor Kunk - who spent the past seven years as chef de cuisine at New York’s farm-to-table pioneer Blue Hill - the PRESS menu promises to reach new heights. Press partners with Rudd Farm and you will enjoy a tasting menu for two highlighting the best of their partnership.

Now off to Sonoma where you will visit Hirsch Vineyards for an exclusive tour, tasting and lunch in Cazadero, California, the most iconic Pinot Noir Vineyards on the extreme Sonoma Coast. Normally closed to the public, this is a rare opportunity to experience the Sonoma Coast and enjoy the beautiful views of the vineyard.
overlooking the Pacific Ocean. Taste through David Hirsch’s sought-after pinot noirs and chardonnay at a rustic table amidst the vines while enjoying a light, wine country lunch. This is a unique opportunity to visit a place Jay IcInerney of the Wall Street Journal referred to as “a grand cru California vineyard” located at what feels like “the end of the world”. Once you are back home you will be able to remember this adventurous journey with three magnums of their flagship wine, Hirsch Vineyards San Andreas Fault Estate Pinot Noir 2014.

You and up to seven of your guests are invited to explore two of California’s most recognized vineyards and wineries in Sonoma Coast - Senses Wines’ B.A. Thieriot vineyard in Occidental, and family-owned and operated vineyard, Terra de Promissio. Founded in just 2011, Senses is quickly becoming one of the most exciting projects to emerge from the Sonoma Coast. Terra de Promissio, “the Land of Promise” is now the most vineyard designated pinot noir vineyard. The tour will include meeting and walking through the vineyards with the owners and winemaking teams, tasting of library and flagship wines, and a light lunch. Transportation will be provided by Petaluma Gap Travel and Tours.

There will probably be more surprises if you can take it but we know this will be a wonderful experience with some incredibly talented and generous people!

Restrictions:
American Airlines: Transportation includes two First Class tickets on American Airlines, the official airline of Heart’s Delight. Restrictions apply. Book travel arrangements as soon as possible to take advantage of maximum availability. Please provide at least three months’ notice in order to properly plan your trip. Travel is valid through May 2018. Extensions will not be permitted.
Hourglass: to be mutually agreed upon by both parties
Hirsch Vineyards: Advance scheduling required. Outdoor tasting and lunch is weather permitting.
All Tours and tastings are subject to availability and require reservations.
Tamber Bey: Subject to availability. Expires May 2018
Meadowood: valid Sunday – Wednesday only and December through July only. Based on availability.
PRESS Napa Valley: Expires May 13, 2018

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