



# Live Auction

# 1

## Peay Vineyards

estimated value: \$250

# PEAY



**1 - Magnum Peay Estate Chardonnay 2016**

**1 - Magnum Peay Ama Estate Pinot Noir 2016**

Welcome back to Andy Peay who has become a Heart's Delight regular. He brings two 2016 magnums with him today – what a great way to get the auction started.

Vinuous gave the 2016 Chardonnay 94 points, "The 2016 Chardonnay Estate is dense and also wonderfully translucent. Creamy, rich and expansive, with striking depth, the 2016 captures all the personality of Peay's cool climate Sonoma Coast estate vineyard. Bright acids and beams of supporting minerality add focus."

For those who have been following Ama since its inception in 2009, you have witnessed this wine become more refined, seamless, focused and, frankly, delicious. The 2016 Ama has a red apple and deep, tart cherry nose with great intensity of fruit expression on the palate. The acidity is fresh and the finish is clean though it lingers. Drink a bottle on release to gauge what stage you prefer it, and hold for up to 20 years if you seek aged qualities.

# 2

## 3 Liter Schug Carneros Estate Pinot Noir 'Heritage Reserve' 2005

estimated value: \$375



This is Claudia Schug's first time at Heart's Delight and we hope it is the first of many. The Heritage Reserve comes from the finest barrel lots of Schug's Carneros Pinot Noir for extended aging to create the "Heritage Reserve" Pinot Noir. Each vineyard lot was chosen to express its own individuality in harmony with the final blend. The result is a limited bottling that is as rich and powerful as it is graceful and charming. A bouquet reminiscent of roses, warm cherries and Kirsch liqueur leads to rich flavors of black cherry, cranberry, and hints of lavender, all finishing with hints of tobacco and spicy new oak. This wine is perfect for the collector's cellar!

## 3 **3 Liter Domaine Drouhin Oregon Pinot Noir Louise, Dundee Hills 2015**

estimated value: \$450



Ashley Bell joined DDO in 2004 and we are so happy to welcome her back to Heart's Delight! The Louise cuvée is always special. In each vintage, Véronique Drouhin focuses on a few favorite barrels that, once nurtured and artfully blended, will become Louise. Seamless, complex, layered and deeply pleasing, it is a rare and decidedly wonderful wine. It is Louise. All of their Pinot Noir is handpicked and hand-sorted, de-stemmed, and then allowed to ferment at its own pace. Typically in barrel for 15 months, Louise maintains its sense of place and vintage character through a gentle élevage, and the use of only 20% new French oak. Their goal is to produce Pinot Noir with balance, elegance and finesse, and Louise best exemplifies these qualities. The 2015 Louise is a deep ruby red, with brilliance and depth. Aromatically, there is an evolving mix of spice, plum, rhubarb, smokiness and cassis, which are all present on the palate, too. There is also an intriguing, subtle layer on the palate, and a very, very long finish. Youthful but structured, the 2015 Louise has a long life ahead.

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## 4 **3 Liter CONSTANT Diamond Mountain Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon 2008**

estimated value: \$600

**CONSTANT**



*Diamond Mountain Vineyard*

Welcome to Greg DeLeo who is here for his first Heart's Delight. Constant's Diamond Mountain Vineyard is one of the highest and oldest Napa vineyards, dating back to the 1890's. Originally developed by the University of California Davis, there were as many as fifty acres planted by the turn of the century. During Prohibition, most of the vineyards were replanted to fruit trees and the Constants produced their first estate wine in 1995. This is a classic mountain Cabernet Sauvignon meant for long-term aging. The 2008 Cabernet Sauvignon Napa is even better. Combining power, elegance and complexity, this dense purple hued offering possesses layers and layers of richness in addition to copious amounts of sweet black currant fruit intermixed with pen ink, lead pencil shavings and subtle smoke and earth. 277 cases produced.

# 5

## **3 Liter Plumpjack Cabernet Sauvignon Estate 2016**

estimated value: \$650



John Conover is back for his fifth Heart's Delight! He brings with him a double magnum of Plumpjack Cabernet Sauvignon Estate which received 95 points from the Wine Advocate, "A blend of 90% Cabernet Sauvignon, 5% Petit Verdot and 5% Malbec, the deep purple-black colored 2016 Cabernet Sauvignon Estate reveals lovely, open-knit, youthful cassis, crushed black plums and black cherries scents with hints of rose hip tea, chocolate box, lavender, tobacco leaf and redcurrant jelly. The full-bodied, vibrantly fruited palate beautifully offsets the rich black fruits with red fruit and herbal sparks plus tons of freshness, finishing with a wonderfully plush texture blanketing the fruit right through the long finish."

# 6

## **Nicolas-Jay Magnum Vertical**

estimated value: \$400



**1 - Magnum Nicolas-Jay Willamette Valley Pinot Noir 2016**

**1 - Magnum Nicolas-Jay Willamette Valley Pinot Noir 2015**

**1 - Magnum Nicolas-Jay Willamette Valley Pinot Noir 2014**

We are so happy to welcome Jay Boberg for his first Heart's Delight and he will be getting the full experience participating everyday through Saturday! The 2014 Willamette Pinot Noir was the first vintage from Nicolas-Jay so this is a very special collection of all three vintages in magnum.

Nicolas-Jay is the story of a three-decade friendship between famed Burgundian winemaker Jean-Nicolas Méo and visionary music entrepreneur Jay Boberg, and their shared love of Oregon Pinot Noir. It is also the story of their desire to build something lasting together, while creating a distinctive expression of great Willamette Valley Pinot Noir. At Nicolas-Jay, this is achieved by applying viticultural and winemaking experience gained from working with the grand crus of Burgundy to the finest grapes from Oregon.

# 7

## 3 Liter Larkmead Dr. Olmo Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon 2015

estimated value: \$700



Welcome back to Laurie Taboulet. This Dr. Olmo is comprised of older vines (15+ years) planted wholly on Cortina. This wine has a classic, fresh style, an elevated aroma profile and a medium body with great structure. It received 97 points from James Suckling, "Currants and blackberries and hints of walnuts and spices. Lavender and rosemary. Full-bodied, layered and so beautiful. Great tension and brightness. Crushed stones. A pure Cabernet Sauvignon. Great definition. Drink or hold."

# 8

## 6 Liter Chimney Rock Estate Cabernet Sauvignon, Stags Leap District 2006

estimated value: \$1,400



We are so excited to welcome back Elizabeth Vianna and she is making quite an impression with this grand format - the equivalent of eight bottles! "The 2006 vintage represents another great vintage in the Stags Leap District. At Chimney Rock this was a particularly luxurious year because we had a tank to dedicate to every vineyard block for the first time since the planting of our last nine holes of the golf course. Overall we experienced an interesting set of conditions this harvest - rain and wind, cold and heat. In the end, Cabernet Sauvignon, sturdy grape that it is, will reign over all of our challenges - small resilient berries, filled with flavor and strength. Our 2006 Stags Leap District Cabernet is a great representative of the vintage. We've described the 2005 vintage as "dark and brooding." If we had to pick two words to describe 2006 they would be "bright and sassy."

This wine has bright red fruit aromas -- bing cherries come to mind. In tandem with the extroverted fruit -- some sassy spices such as clove and even a hint of cinnamon. All of that layered with some vanilla and a hint of coffee bean. Lively is the first word that comes to mind. Mouth-watering juiciness at the front palate are followed by a palate coating middle. Tannins -- velvety as expected. Long finish." – winemaker notes

# 9

## 9 Liter Turnbull Wine Cellars Black Label 2012

estimated value: \$2,250



We first have to talk about the size of this donation – it is a Salamanazar - 9 liters or the equivalent of 12 regular bottles! This is Turnbull's first time participating in Heart's Delight and we like the way they make an entrance! Zoe Johns is with us this evening and she is a second-generation vintner and also the President of Turnbull Wine Cellars.

Turnbull is rooted in the culture and history of the Napa Valley, making wine of exceptional quality in Oakville since 1979. At the core of the family-owned and operated business is the estate-grown fruit, which they carefully tend to from dirt to bottle. Black Label, is the flagship and a signature selection of individual barrels sourced from the Fortuna and hillside Leopoldina estate vineyards in Oakville. It is a perfect story of two alter egos coming together: Leopoldina Vineyard meets Fortuna Vineyard. The core of Black Label comes from our Leopoldina Vineyard, which delivers big, darkly brooding fruit notes and rich, hedonistic tones with huge structure and texture. Fortuna Vineyard highlights lift and focus, enhancing length and purity.

To craft Black Label, Winemaker Peter Hetiz begins with the painstaking process of vinifying lot by lot, tasting and evaluating each for characteristics that speak to the essence of Black Label. This final blend is a showcase of the darkest, most deeply-brooding, and hedonistic barrel lots that shine with dusty black fruits and an exotic floral lift.

The resulting 2012 Black Label is a wonderfully refined and powerful wine. Its dark core penetrates through an expansive bouquet of black cherry and drifts of Violet. Aromatic promises are fulfilled on the midpalate as firm, super fine-grained tannins transcend with a delicate balance of dark flowers and velvety cassis. The finish is one of harmony and elegance and resonates with great poise and presence.