

1

Alex Gambal Lot

estimated value: \$375



1 - bottle Gambal-Work Santa Rita Hills Chardonnay 2016

1 - Magnum Alex Gambal Puligny-Montrachet 2018

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Alex Gambal is a DC native who moved to Beaune in 1993, driven by his passion for Burgundy. He met another Burgundy-resident American, the influential Becky Wasserman, and she encouraged him and his young family to spend a year working in the region. But the Gambals stayed on, and Alex spent a year studying winemaking and viticulture in Beaune, before establishing Domaine Alex Gambal in 1997. The Domaine Alex Gambal approach was traditional with minimal intervention and Alex was the first non-French person ever to acquire a parcel of one of the Montrachet Grand Cru. He is here with us tonight pouring his Santa Rita wine, Gambal-Work which is the creation of four men who believe that great wine is made by following a seamless line from the vineyard to the bottle.

For his auction lot we thought it would be fun to offer a sampling of his projects.

2

3 Liter CADE Estate Winery Cabernet Sauvignon 2018

estimated value: \$525



Welcome back to John Conover! "The resulting wine is fantastic with aromas of clove, cranberry, raspberry, coffee, cinnamon, black pepper, and coco nibs. Gloriously pure notes of boysenberry, graphite, blackberry, coffee and dark chocolate soar from the glass and cascade over the palate. The wine is full-bodied, with an opulent, velvety texture, pure, rich with firm tannins and bold structure that is classic Howell Mountain." 95 points - Jeb Dunnuck

3

5 Liter Kelley Fox Maresh Vineyard Pinot Noir 2019

estimated value: \$550



Kelley Fox Wines

Collector alert!!! This is one-of-a kind. Each year, Kelley makes a single 5L bottle of her Maresh Vineyard pinot noir. The bottles are never intended for the marketplace. She makes each with the intent of donating it to a cause that touches her heart. Just as the bottle is unique, so is the label—it's an original work of art by Kelley's daughter, Violet. We are very honored that Kelley has chosen Heart's Delight for this bottle. And the wine itself is special as well. In Vinous's recent review of the Oregon's 2019 pinot noirs, Kelley received rave reviews and some of the region's highest scores. "Stellar collection of graceful wines from Kelley Fox...some of the Willamette Valley's most finely detailed, perfumed, unadorned and elegant Pinots." Vinous particularly liked her Maresh Vineyard bottlings, rating them from 94 to 97. Obviously, they didn't taste this unique bottle. How would they have described it? I think they'd have said "Very, very special."

4

1 - Magnum Joseph Phelps Insignia 2018

estimated value: \$500

JOSEPH PHELPS
VINEYARDS

Kelsey Phelps is the granddaughter of Napa Valley wine pioneer Joseph Phelps. She brings with her a magnum of 2018 Insignia which is their flagship wine, a Napa Valley blend of red Bordeaux varieties. It was first produced in 1974 and nearly fifty years later, Insignia is recognized as one of the world's most iconic wines. This is a high scoring wine...99 points from James Suckling, 98 points from Jeb Dunnuck, 97 points from Jane Anson and Robert Parker's Wine Advocate.

5

3 Liter Heitz Cellar Trailside Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon 2015 in original wooden box

estimated value: \$600



For Erik Elliott's first Heart's Delight he brings with him this lovely double magnum which scored 95 points from James Suckling, "A rich and layered red with a full body and soft, round tannins. Lovely bayleaf and rose petal undertones. Chocolate and coffee. Denser palate. Plenty of length, but framed nicely. So drinkable but better with age. One for the cellar. Drink or hold."

