

Silent Auction



400 2 - bottles Château Pontet-Canet 2009 estimated value: \$500

100 points from Robert Parker, "An amazing wine in every sense, this classic, full-bodied Pauillac is the quintessential Pontet Canet from proprietor Alfred Tesseron, who continues to reduce yields and farms his vineyards biodynamically – a rarity in Bordeaux. Black as a moonless night, the 2009 Pontet Canet offers up notes of incense, graphite, smoke, licorice, creme de cassis and blackberries. A wine of irrefutable purity, laser-like precision, colossal weight and richness, and sensational freshness, this is a tour de force in winemaking that is capable of lasting 50 or more years. The tannins are elevated, but they are sweet and beautifully integrated as are the acidity, wood and alcohol (which must be in excess of 14%). This vineyard, which is situated on the high plateau of Pauillac adjacent to Mouton Rothschild, appears to have done everything perfectly in 2009. This cuvee should shut down in the cellar and re-open in a decade or more. Anticipated maturity: 2025-2075."

Donated by Château Pontet-Canet

401 2 - bottles Château Cos d'Estournel 2005 estimated value: \$500

98 points from Robert Parker, "unquestionably another superb classic from proprietor Michel Reybier and his brilliant winemaker, Jean-Guillaume Prats. Made from an unusually high percentage of Cabernet Sauvignon (78%) and the balance mostly Merlot with a tiny dollop of Cabernet Franc, this superb effort requires plenty of time in the bottle. It boasts an inky/purple color as well as a glorious perfume of licorice, Asian spices, creme de cassis, blackberries, and toasty oak. This full-bodied St.-Estephe is exceptionally powerful, pure, and dense with a layered mid-palate that builds like a skyscraper. While there are massive tannins, they are remarkably velvety and well-integrated in this big, backstrapping effort that should enjoy an unusually long life. Forget it for 8-10 years, and drink it between 2017-2040."

Donated by The Collection of the Late Manfred W. Arnold

402

1 - Magnum Futo Estate Red 2007

estimated value: \$1,100

Robert Parker awarded the Futo 2007 98 points, "These proprietary reds are dominated by Cabernet Sauvignon, and the 2007 is the finest wine yet produced at Futo. A blend of 61% Cabernet Sauvignon, a whopping 33% Cabernet Franc, and 6% Petit Verdot, it boasts a dense purple color as well as a gorgeously sweet bouquet of blue and black fruits, spring flowers, and crushed rocks, full-bodied power allied to compelling elegance, and a layered, multidimensional personality. There is plenty of depth in this beauty, and it is no doubt capable of putting on lots of weight and complexity given the Cabernet Franc component."

"This new, tiny operation, with a beautiful vineyard overseen by David Abreu, and Mark Aubert making the wines, had its debut release in 2004, followed by a brilliant 2005. They have continued to build on those successes with compelling wines in both 2006 and 2007."

Donated by Fred and Wendy Salter

403

1 - Magnum Château La Lagune 2019

estimated value: \$125

We are so happy to welcome back La Lagune after many years and so happy that Luna Gauchot is with us for her first Heart's Delight. It received 94 points from Robert Parker's Wine Advocate "Wafting from the glass with aromas of cherries, wild berries and cassis mingled with hints of dark chocolate, pencil shavings and violets, the 2019 La Lagune is medium to full-bodied, broad and sensual, its ample core of fruit framed by polished tannins and succulent acids. In its elegant, generous style, it's reminiscent of a modern-day version of the brilliant 1990."

One of the Médoc's southernmost and most precocious sites, La Lagune occupies two domes of fine gravel, some 1.5 meters deep, that becomes sandier in the vineyard's lower-lying sectors. The trend when replanting has been for Cabernet Sauvignon to displace Merlot on the prime sectors of the vineyard, and farming is organic (certified from 2020 on), with cover crops and less frequent mechanical cultivation than in the past. Winemaking is classical, with gentle pump-overs, and the press wine is carefully selected before inclusion. In the cellar, maturation occurs with some 50% new oak. The result is a rather sensual, seamless wine, with plenty of fleshy charm and fine aging potential, and the 2019 has turned out extremely well.

Donated by Château La Lagune

404

1 - Magnum Aubert Chardonnay Eastside Vineyard 2018

estimated value: \$440

97 points from Wine Advocate, "The 2018 Chardonnay Eastside leaps from the glass with exuberant scents of grapefruit, lemon meringue, fresh lime juice and white blossoms, followed by hints of oyster shell, blanched almonds and white pepper plus a waft of nutmeg. The full-bodied palate is very finely knit, exuding finesse and possessing bags of vivacity and freshness, finishing long with enticing nut and spice box notes."

Donated by Jeffrey J. Schragg and Mary Jo George

405

Château Clinet Duo

estimated value: \$350

1 - bottle Château Clinet 2008

1 - bottle Château Clinet 2005

94-97 points from Robert Parker, "The dense purple-colored 2008 offers up beautiful floral, blackberry, and pen ink-like notes, exceptional intensity, that multilayered texture that seems to be commonplace in the top 2008 Pomerols, silky but elevated tannins, good freshness, precision, and nuance, a substantial size, and an extremely long finish with not a hard edge to be found."

96 points from Robert Parker, "The opaque ruby/purple 2005 Clinet offers incredibly fragrant aromatics, an opaque ruby/purple color, and a wonderfully sweet nose of flowers, blackberries, licorice, truffle and caramel. Full-bodied, powerful and rich, it is not as nuanced or complex as the top four or five Pomerols, but close. This is a broad, meaty, masculine, super-rich and concentrated wine, with lavish plum, blackcurrants and blackberries."

Donated by The Collection of the Late Manfred W. Arnold

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1 - Magnum Pavillon Blanc Château Margaux 2010 in OWB

estimated value: \$700

92 points from Robert Parker, "Subtle hints of pineapple, Thai lemongrass, orange blossoms and crushed rock jump from the glass of this medium bodied wine made from 100% Sauvignon Blanc. Very rich and loaded with intensity, this is a beauty from the owners of Château Margaux."

White wine production at Château Margaux goes back to the end of the 17th century. The cellar master at that time recounts how he was one of the first to separate the white grapes from the red during the vinification. Sold in the 19th century under the name 'Château Margaux vin de sauvignon' it has existed under the brand name Pavillon Blanc du Château Margaux since 1920 and its label has not changed since that date.

The eleven-hectare vineyard is composed only of Sauvignon Blanc. It is situated on a very old plot of the Estate that had long since been planted with red vines and then been dug up because of the high risk of spring frosts. The finesse, complexity, richness and the length in the mouth of Pavillon Blanc are incomparable for a wine produced from 100% Sauvignon. A significant part of the harvest is bottled in magnums which create optimum ageing conditions.

Donated by Château Margaux

407

Gentner Design Oil Decanter

estimated value: \$420

Christopher Gentner, with a BFA in metalsmithing from the Cleveland Institute of Art and apprenticeships under sculptors and jewelers, together with dedication to craft, quickly developed his reputation nationally as a foremost authority of metal fabrication and furniture.

One of his crowning achievements was the re-creation and fabrication of the Frank Lloyd Wright Robie House gates.

These unique experiences are the foundation of his design philosophy which he employs in his own line of furniture, lighting, and objects.

Oil Decanter is made of brass and hand tarnished; the oil seems to magically move from the container to the spout without the two being connected. This piece, with its visual disconnects, is all about the details that exemplify the way in which the designer's mind works.

Donated by Gentner Design

408

2 - bottles Carruades de Lafite 2010

estimated value: \$350

Château Lafite Rothschild's second wine, Carruades de Lafite presents similar characteristics to the Grand Vin, but with its own personality linked to a higher proportion of Merlot and to specific plots that are used to produce Carruades. The name comes from the Carruades plateau, a group of plots acquired in 1845 just next to the vines on the Château hilltop.

With 92 points, the Wine Advocate writes, "Deep garnet colored, the 2010 Carruades de Lafite charges out of the gate with bold scents of baked plums and boysenberries followed by hints of menthol, tobacco leaf, cloves and smoked meats. Medium to full-bodied, the palate delivers a well-poised frame of ripe, grainy tannins and seamless freshness supporting the savory flavors, finishing with a spicy kick."

Donated by Château Lafite Rothschild

409

3 - bottles Château Gruaud Larose over Twenty Years

estimated value: \$360

1 - bottle Château Gruaud Larose 2019

1 - bottle Château Gruaud Larose 2009

1 - bottle Château Gruaud Larose 1999

"The 2019 Gruaud Larose is performing extremely well in bottle, wafting from the glass with aromas of wild berries and plums mingled with notions of licorice, potpourri, pencil shavings and subtle soil tones. Medium to full-bodied, elegant and seamless, with powdery tannins and succulent acids, it's remarkably suave and refined for a wine of obvious breadth, concentration and power." – 95+ points, the Wine Advocate.

"The 2009 Gruaud Larose is blended of 68% Cabernet Sauvignon and 32% Merlot. Medium to deep garnet colored, it charges forth with warm black raspberries, crème de cassis and redcurrant jelly notes with touches of potpourri, cigar box, new leather, hoisin and molten chocolate. Medium to full-bodied, the palate is packed with black fruits and savory layers with a firm, grainy texture and seamless freshness lifting the long earth-laced finish." – 95 points, the Wine Advocate.

"A successful offering, the opaque purple-colored 1999 Gruaud-Larose reveals the estate's tell-tale aromatics of saddle leather, aged beef, blackberries, cassis, licorice, and tobacco. Nicely integrated oak buttresses a medium to full-bodied, extracted wine. This effort saturates the palate with glycerin and fruit concentration." – Robert Parker

Donated by Château Gruaud Larose

410

2 - bottles Château Angéus 1998

estimated value: \$1,450

98 points from the Wine Advocate, "The 1998 Angéus, a blend of 40% Cabernet Franc and 60% Merlot, is deep garnet colored with a touch of brick. The nose is completely...WOW! It has an incredible array of smoked meats, incense, cigar box and dusty earth notions over a core of baked cherries, dried mulberries, preserved plums and dried roses with wafts of lavender, menthol and new leather. The palate is medium to full-bodied, rich, intense and packed with black fruit preserves accented by complex savory and earth-inspired flavors, supported by wonderful freshness, textured by plush tannins and finishing with fantastic tension. This still has loads of life—25+ more years!" Tasting date, May 31, 2018.

Donated by The Collection of the Late Manfred W. Arnold

411

1 - Double Magnum Château Pichon-Longueville Comtesse de Lalande 2002

estimated value: \$750

94 points from Robert Parker, "One of the best wines of the vintage, this is a classic Pauillac that is a blend of 51% Cabernet Sauvignon, 34% Merlot, 9% Cabernet Franc, and 6% Petit Verdot. Dense ruby/purple in color with a glorious nose of melted licorice, lavender, barbecue smoke, black currants, and graphite, the wine is tannic, classically structured with an opaque ruby/purple color, beautiful definition, and a 1996-ish personality. This deep, full-bodied, elegant yet powerful 2002 should age handsomely for over two decades. Some patience will be required since this vintage exhibits more muscle and virility than normal. Anticipated maturity: 2010-2025."

Donated by Château Pichon Comtesse

412

A Taste of Hawaii's Finest for Coffee Lovers

estimated value: \$350

Domain Kona's showcase includes a 5-pound sample of our estate-grown, gourmet coffee, representing all of our roasts. One pound each of our classic roasts: Medium, Almost Dark, and Dark plus one pound each of our signature Black & Gold and Tan & Gold. And finally, to add to your Hawaiian flavor sensation, a box of crunchy dark chocolate-covered Macadamia nuts, plus a bag of Hawaiian premium chocolate chip macadamia shortbread cookies. Treat yourself to something special. One of the world's Finest & Rarest coffees comes from America. It is grown in Hawaii – on the Big Island in Kona. A tiny .001% of the world's coffee comes from Kona. Domain Kona is a 100-year-old coffee farm in the Kona Coffee Belt in Hawaii. Now owned and operated by Mark Wessels formerly from MacArthur Beverages. Always 100% Kona Coffee - Single Origin & Single Estate - From our Orchard to your Cup! Kona's Farm of the Year in 2016.

Donated by Domain Kona Coffee

413

12 - bottles Château Langoa Barton 2003 in OWB

estimated value: \$1,200

The wines of Château Langoa Barton have the gracefully elegant fruit of a Saint Julien coupled with the masculine, cedar qualities associated with a Pauillac during their strongest vintages.

"A classic St.-Julien, the 2003 Langoa Barton offers notes of cedarwood, fruitcake, spice box and black currants as well as some light tannins still in evidence. This dark plum/ruby/garnet-colored, medium to full-bodied wine possesses sweet fruit, but no over-ripeness or roasted characteristics." 91 points – Robert Parker

Donated by a generous collector and has been stored at 55° at The Wine Rack and MacArthur Beverages' warehouse in Washington DC.

Donated by Friends of Heart's Delight

414

1 - Double Magnum Ruth Red Blend Napa Cuvee 2014

estimated value: \$300

In honor of Ruth Bassin, the MacArthur Beverages matriarch who passed away in 2016, MacArthur Beverages partnered with Sean Larkin to produce an elegant wine blended with 2014 vintage Merlot and a small amount of petite Verdot. The result was 44 cases of this beautiful wine plus 10 double magnum bottles reserved for the Bassin family. We enjoyed two of these double magnums to celebrate recent milestone family birthdays and are now offering one of these rare bottles to Heart's Delight. Enjoy!

This donation is in honor of Ruth Bassin.

Donated by The Bassin Family

415

2 - bottles Château Montrose 1996

estimated value: \$650

95 points from Robert Parker. "This wine is the classic, or more traditional style of Montrose, with dusty loamy soil notes intermixed with blackcurrant and blackberry fruit. Licorice, underbrush and floral notes were all present in this wine, which has good acidity."

A Second Classified Growth of 1855, Château Montrose is one of the essential properties in the famous Saint-Estephe appellation. With more than two centuries of history, Château Montrose takes its name from the color of the heather that covers the Chateau's moorlands.

With an exceptional terroir, the typical style of the Saint-Estephe appellation distinguishes the wines of Château Montrose. They are powerful, and their youth is marked by the signature of Cabernet Sauvignon. As they age over time, they develop a bouquet of rare complexity. As sign of excellence among the Top Ranked Growths, they combine finesse and elegance with structure and material, which guarantee exceptional cellaring potential.

Donated by Château Montrose

416

Herend Night Owl

estimated value: \$765

The forest is growing with new figurines ready to melt your heart and warm your home! Each Herend Porcelain Figurine is brought to life by the skilled hands of artisans crafting and painting these charming porcelain creatures. This is your chance to add "Night Owl," in Chocolate Fishnet with 24kt gold accents, to your collection. This piece is sure to put a smile on your face every time you walk by. Constructed, as only Herend can, to provide a lifetime of pleasure.

Donated by Martins Herend Imports

417

6 - bottles Araujo Estate Altagracia 2008

estimated value: \$700

Bart and Daphne Araujo were creating magnificent wines and staying true to their mission statement "To produce organically grown fruit and with this fruit make a singular wine of the highest caliber and distinction." Araujo is revered for their ability to create world-class cult wines organically. With the judicious use of Biodynamics, their wines can be laid down for 25+ years.

"The year's spring frosts resulted in a smaller crop than usual resulting in a denser, richer but at the same time more texturally interesting and seductive style of wine. Its deep ruby/purple color is accompanied by lots of blue, red and black fruits as well as good minerality, purity and depth." – Robert Parker, 91 points

Donated by Jeffrey J. Schragg and Mary Jo George

418

Auchentoshan Limited Release 21-Year-Old Single Malt Scotch Whisky

estimated value: \$225

“OCK-UN-TOSH-UN” Challenging to say, easy to drink! Founded by Irish refugees in 1825 on the outskirts of Glasgow, Auchentoshan is one of the last active distilleries in the Lowlands. In common with other Lowland (and Irish) whiskies, Auchentoshan malt whisky is distilled three times (as opposed to most Scottish malt whisky, which is distilled twice). This triple-distillation has the effect of softening the flavor and body of the end product.

From the Lowlands, this Single Malt Scotch has a bright, deep copper color, the result of a sustained maturing process over the course of 21 years in quality bourbon and sherry barrels. On the nose, you can expect ripe gooseberry notes together with sweet vanilla and oak, combined with freshly cut barley. On the palette, light chocolate, and soft, green fruit, with a twist of old oak and honey. A long and lasting finish demonstrates a real depth of character.

Donated by Beam Suntory

419

1 - bottle Château Ausone 2004

estimated value: \$550

Rated 95-97 points by Robert Parker, “An extraordinary effort, and a candidate for wine of the vintage, the 2004 Ausone boasts an inky/blue/purple color as well as a prodigious nose of crushed rocks, white flowers, sweet truffles, black raspberries, cherries, and graphite. Although possessing huge richness as well as medium to full body, it is incredibly light on its feet. Anticipated maturity: 2015-2065.”

Located near the village of Saint-Émilion, Château Ausone is a renowned and respected winery, capable of producing earth-shattering drinks consistently. In the late 1990s, the property came fully to Alain Vauthier, who now runs the chateau with the help of his daughter Pauline and consultant Michel Rolland. Designated as Premier Grand Cru Classé A in 1959, Ausone is an absolutely unique terroir.

Donated by Friends of Heart’s Delight