

Live Auction



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Imperial Château Potensac 2010

estimated value: \$750



Château Potensac

In honor of Jean-Guillaume Prats joining us this year we wanted to begin the auction with his donation from Château Potensac in a 6 liter format which is the equivalent to 8 bottles. Château Potensac is owned by the Delon family with also owns Château Léoville Las Cases. It is managed by Jean-Guillaume Prats and made by the same team as Léoville Las Cases.

"The 2010 is a winner again and a sleeper of the vintage. A blend of 52% Merlot, 37% Cabernet Sauvignon and the rest a whopping 21% Cabernet Franc (which is unusual in this part of Bordeaux) has loads of cedar, wood, sweet cherries, some damp earth and a hint of strawberry liqueur in a medium-bodied, elegant style meant for consuming over the next decade or more."

Donated by Château Potensac

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Jeroboam Château Brane Cantenac 2005

estimated value: \$1,200



We are so sorry that Brane Cantenac was not able to join us this year but they did send this impressive grand format to be part of the fun!

95 points from Robert Parker, "A sexy, style of wine from the Lurtons at Brane-Cantenac, this wine (a blend of 51% Cabernet Sauvignon, 41% Merlot and the rest Cabernet Franc) has a stunning nose of forest floor, licorice, blackcurrants, plums and spring flowers. Soft tannin, full-bodied opulence and beautifully textured, lush richness, make for a brilliant wine from this large, 180-acre vineyard. In spite of the wine's stunning forward fragrance and lushness, the color still looks as if it is 3-4 years old, rather than a decade. This is a big-time winner in 2005 and should drink well for at least another 25+ years."

94 points from Jane Anson, "Tasted with the late Dewey Markham Jr during a deep dive into the 1855 classification, making it all the more special to think about it now. We both loved how this wine was showing during the tasting, and I have had it since and felt the same way. It has the most deliciously smoky attack, with the balance and finesse of the appellation, with generous raspberry puree and blackberry fruits, all with a sense of dancing minerality and juice. An awesome wine that is just starting to really enter the perfect moment for drinking."

Donated by Château Brane Cantenac

3 12 - bottles Château Calon-Ségur 1995 in OWB

estimated value: \$2,400

A rare chance to buy great Bordeaux that is just now in its prime and in excellent condition.

97 points from James Suckling, "I always loved this wine from the first time I tasted it in 1998. It has such purity and power yet it's reserved and beautiful. It's one of the best Calons ever. I drank a bottle with some friends in Manhattan last week and it was the wine of the evening. It was full-bodied with silky tannins and a focused and intense finish. Lots of currant and berry character and hints of dried spices. It's finally opening up and giving real pleasure now like so many 1995 Bordeaux at the moment."

Donated by a generous collector and has been stored at 55° at the Wine Rack and then at MacArthur Beverages Warehouse in Washington, DC.

Donated by Friends of Heart's Delight

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Paris and Bordeaux!

estimated value: \$9,500



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Hôtel Prince de Galles, Paris - Two Night Stay for Two

A Day with Jane Anson!

Château Lynch-Bages – Visit, Tasting and Lunch for Four

Château Cordeillan-Bages – One night stay for Four Guests (two rooms)

Château Lascombes - Visit and Dinner or Lunch for Four

Château Branaire Ducru - Visit, Dinner and One Night Stay for Four

Château Giscours - Visit, Tasting & Lunch

Château Haut-Bailly - Four Course Lunch for Two at the Table Privet and Tour

Château le Pape - Two Night Stay

Château Malartic Lagravière - Exclusive Tour and Lunch at the Château for Two

Plus more VIP Visits with our friends in Bordeaux: Smith-Haut-Lafitte, Pontet-Canet, Haut-Bailly!

You are off to Paris with 300,000 American Airlines AAdvantage® Miles. In Paris you will spend two nights at Hôtel Prince de Galles in an Art Deco room with breakfast. The 5-star Prince de Galles is a legendary jewel of the Parisian Art Deco movement and since its inception in 1928, has stood out as a beacon of sophistication and grace. It was ranked top 5 hotels in Paris by Conde Nast Traveler! The hotel is located on Avenue George V, a 5-minute walk from the Champs Elysées and Avenue Montaigne, as well as some of the most celebrated landmarks including the Arc de Triomphe and the Eiffel Tower.

Jane Anson is the brilliant host of today's Master Class and we are so excited she is with us again! Schedule permitting, you will get to spend the day in Bordeaux with Jane. You will certainly get the insider's perspective and the red carpet treatment when you accompany Jane. Jane has lived in Bordeaux since 2003 and after almost 20 years as Bordeaux correspondent and columnist for Decanter magazine, she has now launched her own website (Janeanson.com). She is the author of Inside Bordeaux (BB&R Press 2020, called a 'category buster' by Wine Anorak and 'the Bordeaux bible' by Le Figaro), Haut-Bailly (First Press Editions 2021), Wine Revolution (Quarto 2017), The Club of Nine (Katz Publishing 2016) Angélus (Editions de la Martinière, 2016) and Bordeaux Legends, a history of the 1855 First Growth wines (Stewart, Tabori & Chang, 2013, and re-released as an NFT ebook in 2022), as well as co-author or translator of over a dozen wine and travel books. She also became, in 2021, the only journalist to taste a bottle of Petrus that had spent 14 months circumnavigating the earth on the International Space Station.

The Cazes family has generously invited the winning bidder to Château Lynch-Bages for a tasting and lunch. The Château is located at the gates of Pauillac overlooking the Gironde estuary, the vineyard extends over the Bages plateau, one of the most beautiful gravel hills in the town. Formerly owned by the illustrious Lynch family, of Irish origin, the estate was bought in 1939 by Jean-Charles Cazes. Combining wine and the cultural world, the ambition of the Cazes family has always been to place Lynch-Bages at the heart of the promotion of a lifestyle that is shared today at Relais & Châteaux Cordeillan-Bages and at the village of Bages.

The lucky winner will get to spend the night at Relais & Châteaux Cordeillan-Bages. The current mansion is a secluded chartreuse of which the main building dates from the 19th century. The two turrets are older; they are the vestiges of the original 17th-century building. Located in a vineyard setting on the outskirts of Pauillac, Château Cordeillan-Bages offers 28 bright rooms and suites in a timeless décor with modern accents. The Cazes family's personal art collection, family-style reception rooms, designer furniture and light fixtures (by Frank Gehry, Andrée Putman, Achille Castiglioni, Gae Aulenti and others), king-sized Italian beds, terraces and a 25-metre outdoor swimming pool add to the comfort and serenity of this beautiful setting. Just a few steps from here, the picturesque village of Bages is the setting for a true art of living. Feel free to arrive by helicopter but car is ok too!

We will miss Karine Barbier this year, but she has invited the lucky winner to visit the ivy-laden Château Lascombes for a visit and lunch or dinner. Lascombes is currently undergoing renovations after new ownership and we are all very excited to learn what is next. Hopefully you will be able to visit the cellar, where bottles all the way back to the 19th century are found.

François-Xavier Maroteaux very kindly welcomes the winning bidder to visit Château Branaire Ducru as well as dine at the chateau and then spend the night at the guest house. The Château is one of the few in the Medoc area to still be lived in all year round. The Maroteaux family live there and witness all four seasons of the vine's growth cycle. You will get to see the beautiful gardens as well as the chateau's architecture displaying elegant symmetry and balanced lay-out which is a fitting illustration of their wine.

Château Giscours will welcome the lucky winners for a visit and a lunch at Château Giscours in Margaux. Visiting Giscours is an immersive experience, exploring behind the scenes of a Grand Cru Classé. Whether a novice, enthusiast or connoisseur, everyone will be able to discover our history and our vines on a fun, immersive tour. To allow you to continue discovering their great wines, chef Benjamin Laurent offers a natural, gourmet interlude with seasonal cuisine in close harmony with the spirit of the place. La Table Privée du Château Giscours is the perfect venue for enjoying food and wine pairings designed with homegrown produce.

Thank you to our friends at Château Haut-Bailly, we have a lovely package for the lucky winning bidder! Château Haut-Bailly situated atop a hillside that has been home to vineyards for over four centuries welcomes you for a tour and special lunch. The Table Privet The Chateau's private dining rooms are the stage for an exquisite pairing of fine wines and the seasonal cuisine of Haut-Bailly's own Chef. Set in the dining room of the Chateau, the Chef's menu is designed around seasonal products, unveiled at the table. This experience includes a winery visit, an aperitif with Champagne, a four-course menu paired with 3 wines from the estate.

Then you are in for a treat with two nights at Château Le Pape, set in a 9-hectare vineyard half-a-mile away from Haut-Bailly, is a haven of peace, a relaxing retreat for wine-lovers. In this unique setting, a place of sharing and passion, hospitality is a tradition.

The Bonnie Family has invited you to learn about Château Malartic Lagravière, its history, winery, vineyard and their environmental commitments by taking a private tour. This unique experience concludes with a tasting of our grands vins, which have Cru Classé de Graves status in red and white. After a complete visit of the estate, spend a gourmet moment around food and wine pairings elaborated with our chef. Taste a seasonal menu that will sublimate the selection of wines from our vineyards in the elegant, peaceful and exclusive setting of the Château's private residence.

Thank you to all of the generous donors and as we start scheduling your trip, we can add some additional appointments as your schedule allows!

Restrictions:

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Prince de Galles: Mutually agreeable date, subject to availability and expires May 17, 2024.

A Day with Jane Anson: Must be arranged in advance on a mutually agreeable date.

Winery Visits: Weekdays only. Must be on mutually agreeable dates. Expires May 2024. Please provide at least three months' notice for planning.

Donated by Hôtel Prince de Galles, Jane Anson, JaneAnson.com, Château Lynch-Bages, Château Lascombes, Château Branaire Ducru, Château Giscours, Château Haut-Bailly, Château Malartic Lagravière and Friends of Heart's Delight

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Somm Slam – Monday January 22



Ever wonder about what your favorite sommelier likes to drink on their own time? This was such a great success for the past few years and even in our online auction, we are excited to keep the tradition going!

This will be a Dutch auction which includes twenty spots to hang out with the somms. Cork Wine Bar & Market will host this very fun event on Monday, January 22nd. Some of the talented wine professionals who have joined in the past include: Max Kuller, Brent Kroll, Nadine Brown, Will Moriarty, John Filkins, Christopher Coker, Winn Robertson, Elli Benchimol, and of course our host, Diane Gross. They will join you and each bring a couple of bottles of their favorite wines.

The way this lot will work is that Jamie Ritchie will ask who wants to bid on this lot at say \$50 for a spot, and everyone interested will raise their paddle. Paddles stay up in the air and then Jamie will raise the price of the ticket and you stay in as long as the price is right. The sale price will be final when there are just 20 paddles up in the air!

Restrictions: Takes place on Monday January 22, 2024, at Cork Wine Bar & Market.



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Magnum Dinner Party

estimated value: \$2,100

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**Château
Léoville Poyferré**
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Saint-Julien



CHATEAU
SMITH HAUT LAFITTE

- 1 - Magnum Château Smith Haut Lafite 2015
- 1 - Magnum Château Lagrange 2010
- 1 - Magnum Château Lagrange 2005
- 1 - Magnum Château Léoville Poyferré 2005
- 1 - Magnum Château Léoville Poyferré 2003
- 1 - Magnum Château Coutet 2009

One bottle isn't enough for all of your dinner guests? We have the solution...this magnum lot will allow all of your guests to taste this beautiful wine and with two vintages of Léoville Poyferré and Lagrange you can pair them each with a course! Most of these mags were donated by the châteaux and were shipped directly to Heart's Delight. Their provenance is therefore perfect!

The Smith-Haut-Lafitte received 99 points from James Suckling, "So much concentration and balance at the same time. Such beauty. From biodynamic grapes. This is the greatest wine ever from here." And 97 points from Robert Parker's Wine Advocate, "the 2015 Smith Haut Lafitte has a totally dazzling nose of exotic spices... it fills the mouth with spice and herb-laced black and blue fruit layers, supported by very ripe, very finely grained tannins and seamless freshness, finishing with epic length. This is already a show-stopping, heart-pounding beauty, but should also age incredibly!"

Robert Parker prefers the 2003 Leoville Poyferre to the 2005, now you can see what you think. He does say that the 2005 Leoville Poyferre, "is a gorgeously opulent, approachable wine the most seductive, approachable, and charming of the three Leovilles." The 2005 received 96 points and Robert Parker writes, "The spectacular 2003 Leoville Poyferre exhibits a dense purple color with a touch of lightening at the edge...This intense, voluptuously textured, full-bodied St.-Julien possesses low acidity and ripe tannin."

The Coutet also received 96 points, "Pale to medium gold colored, the 2009 Coutet leaps from the glass with warm apple pie, dried mango, fresh straw, lemongrass, ginger and crème caramel notes. The rich, concentrated, unctuous flavors are lifted by amazing freshness, finishing epically long, layered and with a tantalizing nuttiness." – Wine Advocate

Donated by Laura & Adam Feinberg, Château Coutet, Château Lagrange, Château Léoville Poyferré, and Château Smith Haut Lafitte

7 Three Night Stay at Montage Palmetto Bluff estimated value: \$7,500

Enjoy a four-day, three-night getaway at Montage Palmetto Bluff, the Five Star/Five Diamond resort in Bluffton, South Carolina. You will stay in one of the Inn's 3 bedroom and 3.5-bathroom Village Homes with access to all the Inn's amenities. You can enjoy an exceptional spa, Jack Nicklaus Signature golf course, horseback riding, eight-court tennis facility, and fabulous gun club. If your idea of recreation is simply unscheduled time in a beautiful setting, you will love the amenities that allow endless opportunities to explore Palmetto Bluff.

Restrictions: Expires May 2024. Excludes certain holidays. Blackout dates may apply. The winner is considered a "Friend of Owner" and is entitled to all amenities reserved for owners, but the costs of activities are not covered in the package.

Donated by Joel Kleinman

8 1 - Magnum Bond St. Eden 2005 estimated value: \$1,000

97 points from Robert Parker, "Even more captivating than the 2005 Melbury, with extraordinary depth and palate presence is the dense ruby/purple-colored, full-bodied 2005 St. Eden. It possesses the bluer, blacker fruits that seem to come from this area of Pritchard Hill in addition to extraordinary notes of charcoal, acacia flowers, blueberry and blackberry liqueur. This seamlessly constructed 2005 is a sensational effort that is displaying even greater potential than I saw last year. It will drink beautifully for three decades."

This is a special project of Harlan Estate's owner, Bill Harlan, that is handled by the same winemaking team as Harlan Estate's, the inimitable Bob Levy assisted by the well-traveled, brilliant oenologist, Michel Rolland. They have 20-year leases on what they believe are some of the finest vineyard terroirs in Napa, from which they produce between 600-700+ cases of these single vineyard offerings from distinctive micro-climates. Anything produced that is not up to world-class quality is culled out and bottled under the name Matriarch. These wines see essentially the same upbringing as the Harlan Estate. They are bottled after at least 22 months of aging in 100% new French oak and see virtually no fining or filtration.

Donated by Fred and Wendy Salter

9 **3L Egon Müller Scharzhofberger Kabinett 2020**

estimated value: \$1,400

A lot of people are very excited that they are getting the chance to sample Egon Müller tonight and we thank Mark Trujillo for sharing with us. Weingut Egon Müller is the only German member of the group Primum Familiae Vini or First Families of Wine, a 12-strong group of the world's most prestigious winemaking families which includes the likes of Vega Sicilia (Ribera del Duero), Château Mouton-Rothschild (Bordeaux) and Tenuta San Guido (Tuscany). His Riesling "Scharzhofberger Trockenbeerenauslese" is the most expensive white wine on release in the world with the going average worldwide retail price of \$17,847.

"The 'regular' 2020 Riesling Scharzhofberger Kabinett (bearing A.P. #3) leads with quince and peach accented by mint, cress, ginger and lemon, setting up an overall impression of coolness, but also of brightness, with stimulating cut and pungency analogous to that of the corresponding Braune Kupp. In the background is a greenhouse-like amalgam of flowers and foliage. The phenolic concentration here belies a vintage with relatively generous yields even as the efficacious acidity and levity defy preconceptions concerning a year marked by summer heat and drought. The multifaceted finish, transparent to wet stone underpinnings, is tongue-tinglingly vibrant. Here is a Riesling Kabinett to really grab and hold your attention even as it delivers consummate refreshment and a bit of thought-provoking intrigue to accompany its entertainment value." - David Schildknecht - Vinous Media 93 points

Donated by R/EVOLUTION Wine Merchants

10 **Wine Dinner for 8 with Barry and Bambi Landew**

estimated value: \$2,400

This was a big hit last year and we want to thank Bambi and Barry for donating it again this year! The winner will receive a wine dinner at Barry and Bambi Landew's home in McLean for up to 8 people to try at least 5 pre-selected wines from their collection (with a promise of at least one 99-100 point wine), paired with 5 courses, as well as a tour of the owner's private 7,000 bottle wine cellar. Wines may be a trip around the globe or a varietal/ region comparison - the Landews will tailor the wines to your palette or curiosity.

Restrictions: Expires November 2023.

Donated by Barry and Bambi Landew

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Oregon Wine Country

estimated value: \$7,000



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Arden Wine Bar + Kitchen – Chef's Counter Dinner & Wine Pairing for Two in Portland

Domaine Drouhin Oregon – Private Tasting and Lunch and Two Night Stay at La Cabotte

Domaine Serene – Clubhouse Tasting for Four

Day Wines - Tasting & Tour with the Winemaker

Élevée Winegrowers Private Dinner & Experience for Four

A 'Tuscan Estate Bed & Breakfast in McMinnville for Two Nights

Soter Vineyards – Provisions Tasting Experience for Six

Belle Pente VIP visit for Four

Torii Mor VIP Visit for Four

Leah Jørgensen Cellars - Private Tasting for Four

This trip combines is an incredible opportunity to experience VIP visits to seven of Oregon's greatest wineries! Off you go with 150,000 AAdvantage Miles to get you started.

In Portland, enjoy prix fixe dinner for two with wine pairings at Arden Wine Bar + Kitchen. The prix fixe is hosted at the chef's counter, a perfect perch to watch the action in the kitchen and enjoy hand selected wine pairings, a mix of Old World and New to compliment dishes. Arden Wine Bar + Kitchen is the new wine-centric, fixed price spot with a chef-alum of a Michelin-starred restaurant. It is unassuming from the outside but inside, it's a chic naturalist's dream, with hanging plants in the windows, glasses of natural wine at tables, and a small open kitchen in the corner. With Sara Hauman in the kitchen and Thelonious Wines co-owner Kelsey Glasser running the show, the place is a beauty to behold, with grape vine installations that change based on the season, stunning

black-and-white photography, and high ceilings. The menu is stocked with surreptitiously simple crudos and olives, plenty of Oregon seafood, and a hearty selection of hard-to-find wines poured at the peak of their lives.

The Willamette Valley is going to be home base for the next few days and your first stop is with some of our favorite people at Domaine Drouhin Oregon. Your exclusive adventure begins with a two-night stay at La Cabotte, their private guesthouse nestled amongst the vines at Domaine Drouhin Oregon. The Drouhin Family, long famous in



Burgundy, came to Oregon in 1987 and have consistently produced some of the most exciting Pinot Noirs and Chardonnays in the new world. During your stay, unwind in the peaceful surroundings of their Dundee Hills Estate, while enjoying breathtaking views of the Cascade and Coastal Mountain ranges. You'll be treated to a private tasting and winery lunch, featuring a selection of Pinot Noirs and Chardonnays from Domaine Drouhin Oregon and Drouhin Oregon Roserock, alongside a curated menu featuring highlights from the Willamette Valley.

Right across the road you will enjoy a tasting at Domaine Serene's Clubhouse. Surrounded by sweeping vineyard and valley views, you will sip and savor a selection of their current release offerings in their beautiful tasting room.

Brianne Day is here with us for her first Heart's Delight and this 2020 James Beard Award semi-finalist for Excellence in Wine invites you to a VIP tasting at Day Wines. Brianne has been receiving great press, with all her recent releases scoring in the mid-90s in Vinous's Oregon report. She will personally host you and share her wines. And while you're there, ask her for the backstory about how she became passionate about wine and how her winery came to be. Spoiler alert: it's a fascinating story!

Tom and France Fitzpatrick from Élevée Winegrowers are with us for their first Heart's Delight and they invite you to join them for a Barrel Tasting at the winery followed by a Vineyard Tour and a home-cooked private dinner at their home on Élevée Vineyard in the Dundee Hills for four guests.

A' Tuscan Estate Bed & Breakfast will welcome you for two nights in the Portofino or Napoli Rooms. A' Tuscan Estate Bed and Breakfast is just five blocks off McMinnville's charming historic downtown—where Reader's Digest states "it's a must-visit, quaint-but-vibrant downtown that looks straight out of a postcard." The 1925 historic Colonial Style bed and breakfast is decorated with Old-World flair. You can enjoy coffee in the coffee nook and a three-course, gourmet breakfast in their cheery dining room.

Soter Vineyards invites you to join them for a wine lunch featuring a seasonal menu of small plates sourced from their biodynamic farm, perfectly paired with a flight of Soter current release wines. Native Oregonians Tony and Michelle Soter established Soter Vineyards in 1997 following Tony's distinguished career as consulting winemaker, organic farmer, and founder of Etude in Napa, CA. Soter Vineyards makes its home at Mineral Springs Ranch, a biodynamic farm and vineyard located in the heart of Oregon wine country.

Ask any group of Willamette Valley insiders for their list of most admired growers and winemakers and you're sure to hear Belle Pente's Brian O'Donnell's name often! You'll have an opportunity to find out why when you visit Belle Pente for a VIP visit and

tasting experience. And you'll have an opportunity to understand why Brian and Jill chose the name Belle Pente—beautiful slope!

High in the Dundee Hills, Torii Mor's Asian-inspired tasting room and Japanese garden are just steps from LIVE Certified Olson Estate Vineyard. With breathtaking views of the Willamette Valley and Mt. Hood, it's the perfect spot to take some time and experience Torii Mor, gateway to the earth.

Leah Jørgensen Cellars was established in 2011 and is Oregon's Premier Cabernet Franc Producer. Leah will host you personally for a tasting for up to four adults, you'll taste through 8 wines - current releases and a couple special/rare/collectible/library bottles. She will add in a lovely Italia/Nordic inspired charcuterie smorrebrod to pair with the tasting.

We invite you to savor the flavors and beauty of Oregon wine country while escaping the hustle and bustle of everyday life.

Restrictions:

American Airlines: Subject to the Terms and Conditions of the AAdvantage program found at www.aa.com/AAdvantage

Domaine Drouhin Oregon: Must be scheduled at a mutually agreeable time. La Cabotte is unavailable during the Harvest season, typically mid-August through mid-December.

A'Tuscan Estate Bed & Breakfast: Reservations subject to availability. Valid Sunday-Thursday nights only. Expires May 20, 2024.

Donated by Arden Wine Bar + Kitchen, Domaine Drouhin Oregon, Domaine Serene, Day Wines, Élevée Winegrowers, A 'Tuscan Estate Bed & Breakfast, Soter Vineyards, Belle Pente, Torii Mor, and Leah Jørgensen Cellars

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Grower Champagne Lot & Saber Demo

estimated value: \$1,400

- 1 - bottle Vilmart & Cie Brut Grand Reserve NV
 - 1 - bottle Noel Bazin L'Unanime Blanc de Blancs Brut
 - 1 - bottle Chartogne-Taillet Beaux Sens 2013
 - 1 - bottle Gustave Goussard Respect No.16-15 Brut
 - 1 - bottle Vincent Couche Brut Nature Rose "Desir" NV
 - 1 - bottle Vilmart & Cie Brut Grand Reserve NV
 - 1 - bottle Pierre Peters Blanc de Blancs Grand Cru Extra Brut
 - 1 - 375 ml Jean Laurent Blanc de Blancs Brut Millesime
 - 1 - bottle Bertrand-Delespierre 'Enfant de la Montagne' Premier Cru Brut
 - 1 - bottle Jean Laurent Brut Rosé
 - 1 - bottle Maison Demiere Solera 23 Brut
 - 1 - bottle Mandois Grande Reserve Brut Rose
 - 1 - bottle Demiere Lysandre Brut 2012
 - 1 - bottle Marie Courtin Eloquence Blanc de Blancs Extra Brut
 - 1 - bottle Jean Baillette-Prudhomme Premier Cru Rose de Saignee Brut
 - 1 - bottle Cedric Bouchard Les Ursules Blanc de Noirs 2009
 - 1 - bottle Pierre Gimonnet et Fils Blanc de Blancs Cuis Premier Cru
- Plus a copy of "But First, Champagne" in newly-released paperback**

Ever want to learn how to make the already celebratory occasion of popping a bottle of champagne even more exciting? Now this is your lucky day as resident Champagne celebrity (and author of *But First, Champagne: A Modern Guide to the World's Favorite Wine*), David White, will hold a sabering lesson for you and your friends in your home and will teach you how to saber a bottle of Champagne. Grower Champagnes are defined as those made by *récoltants*—*manipulants* – about 2,000 growers who make their own wines as well as selling grapes to the major Champagne houses. As Terry Theise explains, the *récoltant* *manipulants* "handcraft their limited quantities of Champagne from individual villages and parcels where the inherent qualities of the vineyards imprint themselves into the wines. These winemakers are brave souls in an industrialized age: growing, crafting and bottling their own Champagne, offering it to the world as their life's work." This is a wonderful opportunity to drink well and support those brave souls!

Donated by John Brooks, Alicia Cypress, Sam Feder, Miranda Franco, John Gallagher, David Hale, Doug Heye, MacArthur Beverages, Noah Raizman, Schneider's of Capitol Hill, and David White

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Vin. Vitalité is Proud to Present: A Night with the Women of Wine in the DMV



In the spring of 2022, the opportunity arose where the women in the wine industry organized together and crowd-sourced a list that now directs media, owners, and other interested parties to more than 300 sommeliers, winemakers, educators and owners in the DC metropolitan area. The need is here for community, networking, mentoring and career building. Women of Wine is a nonprofit with a laser focus on their mission and vision: Creating pathways, connections, and opportunities for women in the wine community. They currently host networking & professional development events. As they build their website and become more established through the incorporation process, their goal is to be a resource hub for in the wine industry for jobs, mentorship opportunities and general information. <https://womenof.wine/>

This will be a Dutch auction which includes twenty-five spots. Four ladies from the Women of Wine DMV list will host the event at Bottles Wine Garden on October 2, 2023 from 6-8pm.

The way this lot will work is that Jamie Ritchie will ask who wants to bid on this lot at say \$50 for a spot, and everyone interested will raise their paddle. Paddles stay up in the air and then Jamie will raise the price of the ticket and you stay in as long as the price is right. The sale price will be final when there are just 25 paddles up in the air!

Bottles Wine Garden is an oasis between Georgetown and Foggy Bottom for both serious oenophiles and casual wine enthusiasts alike. It offers an intimate selection of wines sourced from both rising stars and pioneers of the wine world. The list is curated with an emphasis on female winemakers who practice low-intervention winemaking from the vineyard to the cellar.

Restrictions: Takes place on Monday, October 2, 2023, 6 - 8pm at Bottles Wine Garden.

Donated by Women of Wine and Bottles Wine Garden

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A Three-Day Weekend at Brooks for Three Couples estimated value: \$7,500



Janie Brooks is a great friend of Heart's Delight and has become a favorite of many of our longtime guests. We are so excited that she is here with us tonight and created this incredible lot for three lucky couples who are guaranteed to have an amazing time. We know the lucky winners will be well fed, drink extremely well and treated like royalty!

Founded in 1998, Brooks is a biodynamic winery renowned for producing world-class Pinot Noir and Riesling. In 2019, Brooks was named one of the Top 100 Wineries in the world by Wine & Spirits Magazine and has been named a 100 Best Fan-Favorite Destination in Oregon four years in a row! Brooks tasting room is rustic and cozy with an expansive five mountain view on a clear day. Executive Chef, Norma Buchholz offers a delicious seasonal menu with ingredients sourced locally and from the estate garden. This is what Janie and the Brooks team are offering for the lucky winners.

Friday

- Arrive and check in at the professionally managed Bed & Breakfast adjacent to the winery
- Welcome reception with key winery personnel
- Private multi-course dinner at the winery with general manager and/or winemaker

Saturday

- Wine country breakfast
- Tour of the estate, gardens and vineyard with head gardener
- Tour of the winery with a winemaker
- Lunch on the winery deck
- Blending lesson with winemaker—each couple blends their own unique case of custom pinot noir and designs their own label
- Alfresco tasting with 3 top Willamette Valley winemakers followed by winemaker dinner at the winery

Sunday

- Farewell sparkling wine brunch

Restrictions: Mutually agreeable dates. Blackout dates from September-November. Expires May 2024.

Donated by Brooks Wine

15 **Heart's Delight Bordeaux Collection**

estimated value: \$1,900

This is your chance to get your hands on 24 bottles from the 2020 vintage and select earlier vintages. The 2020 Vintage is looking good – quality is high although yields are slightly down so demand will be up. 2020 Bordeaux are easy drinking now and will age well for decades. This is a unique collection of wines that will be tasted tomorrow with our friends from Bordeaux. We invited all the winemakers to bring an older vintage of their choosing and discuss both during today's Master Class with Jane Anson. The high bidder on this lot will be the lucky benefactor of some great surprises from the generous winemakers.



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Heart's Delight Committee Lot

estimated value: \$3,015

Our Heart's Delight Committee consists of wonderful volunteers who all have an interest in wine and bring their unique perspectives and experiences to the table. This 28-bottle lot includes some of their favorite bottles and why they selected them. It is a very special lot, and we are so thankful for their support in so many ways.

Gail Bassin

1 - bottle Château Grand-Puy Lacoste 2018

I visited the Château during harvest of this wine back in 2018 and had a wonderful time with Emeline Borie. The entire Bassin family appreciates the support of this wonderful Château.

Family is Why

John Brooks

1 - bottle Brooks Cousins Pinot Noir 2021

Last year, because of significant health issues, I was unable to visit Oregon and taste wine with winemaker friends as I normally did. In response, Janie Brooks Heuck, winemaker Chris Williams and their Brooks team gathered with a group of my friends to make a special blend of pinot noir they thought I would like. Janie bottled it for all those involved and named it Cousins—in honor of the way she and I described our friendship. I'm deeply, deeply touched to be able to offer a bottle as part of the committee case.

Love is Why

Alicia Cypress

1 - bottle Domaine Romaneaux-Destezet Hervé Souhaut Syrah 2020

I associate sharing a bottle of wine with all those happy feelings you experience in life. And bottles from Hervé Souhaut constantly put a smile on my face. These bottles are produced with minimal intervention, transport you to the vineyard on a warm sunny day, and are delicious whether you enjoy opening bottles young or prefer to age them a while.

Happiness is Why

Libby Edwards

1 - bottle Leah Jørgensen Cellars Loiregon 'Clos Rogue Valley' Reserve Cabernet Franc 2015

When I moved to DC seven years ago, I was introduced to this Virginia winemaker that is making exceptional wines in Oregon, and I have been working with her in one way or another ever since! Leah Jørgensen makes one of the finest Cabernet Francs that I have ever tasted, and is recognized by so many of my professional friends in the industry. I admire her for taking risks (Cab Franc isn't the grape you think of for Oregon Wine Country) and respect her superior winemaking skills. Most importantly, I consider her a friend, and am incredibly proud to share her wines with my friends!

My Grandfather is Why

Sam Feder

1 - bottle Domaine du Vieux Telegraphe Chateauneuf-du-Pape La Crau 2007

It was a bottle of this wine that started my love of wine.

Family and Friends is Why

Adam Feinberg

1 - bottle Château Léoville Poyferré 2008

Years ago my wife introduced me to one of my favorite wines, Léoville Poyferré. I thought I'd return the favor for someone else. Léoville Poyferré is a frequent supporter of Heart's Delight and has been making excellent wine for many years.

Time Together is Why

Molly Finnegan

1 - bottle Laurent-Perrier Rosé

My committee bottle is the Laurent-Perrier Rosé because it's an iconic rosé created with heart. It's 100% Pinot Noir Grand Cru rosé from a family-owned women led champagne house that is best enjoyed with company celebrating friendship and community.

Miranda Franco

1 - Magnum La Sirena Pirate TreasuRed 2017

Heidi Peterson Barrett is considered one of the most successful women in the wine world, dubbed the "Queen of Cult Cabernet." She is the genius behind legendary wines from Dalla Valle, Grace Family, and Screaming Eagle—and the Pirate TreasuRed is a hidden gem in her portfolio as it captures her astute winemaking and tenacious spirit (she is also an accomplished pilot) in one delightful bottle. Enjoy!

To raise awareness and resources for the AHA while sharing a love for wine/Living a full life is Why

John Gallagher

1 - bottle Château Beaucastel Châteauneuf-du-Pape Blanc-2020

Susan Grais

1 - bottle hope & grace Cabernet Sauvignon 2014

I have chosen this bottle because this cabernet has great structure and balance, is both refined and complex; a new favorite of mine.

My Brother is Why

Diane Gross

1 - bottle R. López de Heredia Viña Gravonia 2014

It is a beautiful bottle of white Rioja that we don't get to taste in the States very often. I only bought 10 bottles. One of my favorite wines.

My Dad and Aaron Pitts are Why

David Hale

1 - bottle Barros Quinta Dona Matilde Colheita Port 1998

Quinta Dona Matilde holds a special place in my heart; my wife Michelle and I visited the Barros family on our honeymoon a few weeks before I began representing their wines in DC and VA. 9 years later, it is a pleasure to continue to be an advocate for their wines through Gemini Wine Company and celebrate this famous property that has been recognized for its quality since the 18th century.

The Journey is Why

Larry Hansard

1 - bottle James Cole Cabernet Sauvignon 2020

This is a boutique winery that my wife and I discovered on one of our many trips to Napa Valley. Every wine we tried there was spectacular and they have no distribution outside of the winery. Enjoy!!!!

For everyone who has lost someone to heart disease is Why

Doug Heye

1 - bottle House of Commons Brut Tradition Champagne

At a recent dinner in Parliament, I noticed they had their own branded wines. Behold the House of Commons Champagne! Available otherwise only at Westminster.

Family is Why

Marc Hodies

1 - bottle Daou Reserve Unbound 2020

On a recent trip to Paso Robles, my partner and I had an opportunity to do a tasting at Daou Vineyards. We enjoyed the wines one after one, sitting near a fire, cozied by blankets, and overlooking a beautiful view. This particular wine had a seductive quality—increasingly enjoying it with each sip. See for yourself!

Joel Kleinman

1 - bottle Mayacamas Vineyards Cabernet Sauvignon 1994

Mayacamus was one of the first Napa Cabs I ever drank.

Bambi Landew

1 - bottle Greenhill Vineyards Blanc de blancs

Middleburg evokes joy from my past. I grew up nearby and love the still small town with local merchants, farms, wineries, horses and parades. I chose Greenhill Winery's sparkling wine from Middleburg. The wine is absolutely delicious and it makes me feel like home. I wanted share a little piece of 'home' with you.

Giving is Why

Jamie Miller

1 - bottle Psychedelic Syrah (Sleight of Hand Cellars) 2018 Walla Walla, WA

This is from their “for those who love the rocks wine club” as this wine has an interesting funk to it and is from the Milton Freewater AVA right across the border from Walla Walla, WA. This is a beautiful place and the owners and winemaking team are obsessed with grunge so if you want to drink interesting Syrah while listening to vinyls of Pearl Jam, this is a great place to visit. This is sourced from the “Stoney Vine” estate vineyard and is limited production (500 cases).

Family is Why

Donald Moffat

1 - bottle Barbieri Colson Canyon Syrah 2018

My Dad is Why

Maureen Nelson

1 - bottle Domaine Faiveley Corton 'Clos des Cortons Faiveley' Monopole Grand Cru 2001

This is the cru, vintage 1985, that cemented my love of red Burgundy. From 2001, an insider's vintage, this bottle has been perfectly stored and may be enjoyed soon or in 20 years.

Alan Rosenblum is Why, a lovely man and terrific friend who was lost too soon to a heart attack.

Eric Platt

1 - bottle Terue Pinot Noir 2018

This is the private label by Chris Williams, the winemaker of Brooks in the Willamette Valley of Oregon. This wine reminds me of my first visit to Brooks in 2014 and then again in January of 2023. We stayed at the winery and spent lots of time with Chris, blending, chatting, drinking and just having a great time.

The Journey is Why

Noah Raizman

1 - bottle Château Pichon Baron 1988

This was one of my first "a-ha" moments with aged Bordeaux. I had grown up on fruity, jammy, Parkerized wines and the depth and savoriness of this wine floored me and gave me insight into what tertiary notes could bring to a wine.

Medical research is vital to improving care is Why

Pam Roberto

1 - bottle Château Belle-Vue Le Château 2012

Not only do I love this wine, but I love the story behind it. Château Belle-Vue is a boutique winery outside Beirut whose owners returned to Lebanon to replant their family's vineyards after the civil war. The winery has helped to revitalize the surrounding community, providing employment opportunities for local workers and donating proceeds from every bottle sold to fund scholarships. With just over 3,000 bottles made, the 2012 Le Chateau is a blend of 45% Cabernet Franc, 45% Syrah, and 10% Cabernet Sauvignon.

My Friends are Why

Michael Sands

1 - bottle Château d'Yquem "Y" 2016

I love this wine! I also love that most people don't know that Yquem makes a dry white so I love seeing people's reactions when they first try it!

My Kids are Why

Jeff Schragg

1 - bottle Beringer Vineyards Cabernet Franc Third Century 1999

Beringer has been a mainstay of our cellar since our first trip to Napa. Wonderful property, wines and history.

The Beach is Why

Amy Troutmiller

1 - bottle Château Pavie 1999

My son is Why

David White

1 - bottle Peay Vineyards Estate Scallop Shelf Pinot Noir 2017

My interest in wine started in 2007 during a trip to Failla winery. But my obsession with wine started in 2008 thanks to Peay's "Scallop Shelf" Pinot Noir. Over dinner with friends in Napa Valley, the sommelier recommended it -- and I was immediately blown away by the bright, focused, and wonderfully nuanced aromas. Year in and year out, it's one of my favorite wines.

Family is Why

Tim Wigder

1 - bottle Horsepower Vineyards Syrah High Contrast Vineyard 2018

My Grandfather and Wine is Why