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VINTAGE ASSESSMENTS RATING

Canada -- Ontario White Table Wine

1. 147512 **JUNE'S VINEYARD RIESLING 2008** \$ 16.95
 A VQA Creek Shores, Niagara Peninsula (13TH STREET) 335 Cases 12 Bottles per case 11.2% SMA WIN

Explorer's Selection score 87.5 **DRINKABILITY** { n s m M L L }

Intense, Dry & Tart **
 (Michael Vaughan comment) (out of three stars) **LCBO lot number:**

LCBO Vintages Catalogue Text
 "TASTING NOTE: A prototypical Ontario Riesling. Tempting aromas of lime, white flowers, minerality, and accents of orchard fruits abound. There's plenty of fruit on the dry, medium-bodied palate and a mouth-watering acidity that creates perfect balance. This great Riesling then closes out the experience with a medium-long, racy/fruity finish. Enjoy with grilled tuna steaks, lemon pepper chicken or mildly spicy gourmet sausages. (Vintages panel, May 2010)"

Light straw colour. Intense, spicy, honeyed, ripe apple-apricot-lemon nose. Very dry, extremely crisp, medium-light bodied, somewhat acidic (over 11 grams of tartaric acid), lemony-apple flavours with a lingering unoaked finish. Needs another decade to develop. Lay this one away.

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Canada -- Ontario White Table Wine

2. 177766 **WINEMAKER'S SERIES BARREL AGED** \$ 19.95
 A VQA Niagara Peninsula (INNISKILLIN) 167 Cases 12 Bottles per case 12% VIN INT

Recommended score 89 **DRINKABILITY** { N S SM }

Ripe Melon *+** **Best Buy**
 (Michael Vaughan comment) (out of three stars) **LCBO lot number:**

LCBO Vintages Catalogue Text
 "Winner of a Gold Medal at the 2009 Intervin International Wine Awards. TASTING NOTE: This Pinot Gris has unexpectedly become one of Inniskillin's most thrilling wines of late. The ripe, mouth filling and exotic Winemaker's Series model makes the most of its delicious peach and tropical fruit notes, which are accentuated nicely by spice and smoke notes. The wine's lovely smooth texture and core of ripe fruit make it a delicious go to wine for warm weather sipping. Score: 4 stars (out of 5) (Christopher Waters Vines Summer 2010)"

Light straw colour. Attractive, slightly spicy, honeyed, ripe melon-apple nose. Dry, medium to medium-light bodied, harmonious, slightly spicy, attractive, ripe melon-apple flavours with a lingering, crisp, unoaked finish. Screwcap closure. A fine choice for licensee wine lists.

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VINTAGE ASSESSMENTS RATING

Canada -- British Columbia White Table Wine

3. 57430 **RESERVE SAUVIGNON BLANC 2007** \$ 19.95
 A VQA Okanagan Valley (MISSION HILL) 167 Cases 12 Bottles per case 13.5% MAR ANT

Recommended score 88 **DRINKABILITY** { N S SM }

Grapefruit & Melon **/+** **Best Buy**
 (Michael Vaughan comment) (out of three stars) **LCBO lot number:**

LCBO Vintages Catalogue Text
 "TASTING NOTE: A vibrant, mouth-watering white with notes of lime, green apples, grapefruit and chives. Lovely balance without any heavy oak. Pair with: lightly spiced noodle dishes, lemon grass chicken. Score: 89 (Natalie MacLean, www.nataliemaclean.com, Oct. 24, 2009)"

Light straw colour. Fresh, fairly juicy, honeyed, ripe yellow grapefruit-melon aromas. Dry, harmonious, medium bodied, ripe melon flavours with a lingering, crisp, yellow grapefruit flavours. Still showing nicely. Screwcap closure. This repeat shipment is not quite up to the recommended 2007 (**+) released on October 24, 2009 at \$19.95.

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VINTAGE ASSESSMENTS RATING

USA -- California White Table Wine

4. 657585 **CHARDONNAY 2007** \$ 21.95
 A Carneros (ARTESA) 298 Cases 12 Bottles per case 14.3% WOO WIN

Recommended score 90 **DRINKABILITY** { N S SM m }

Toasty, Ripe & Complex *** **Best Buy**
 (Michael Vaughan comment) (out of three stars) **LCBO lot number:**

LCBO Vintages Catalogue Text
 "TASTING NOTE: Fragrant floral, green apple and pear flavors are delicate and spicy. Medium- to full-bodied, sleek and focused, with a long, persistent finish that keeps fruit purity at the center. Drink now through 2012. Score: 90 (James Laube, www.winespectator.com, June 30, 2009)"

Medium yellow colour. Intense, complex, caramel driven, sultry ripe lemon-melon nose with some key lime pie notes. Dry, intense, medium bodied, quite well structured, slightly spicy, maturing, key lime pie flavours with a lingering, still fairly crisp, toasty finish. Terrific value With excellent complexity as it was aged "sur lie" (dead yeast sediment) for ten months. Try with poultry and white meats. The recommended 2006 (**+) was released on July 19, 2008 at \$21.95.

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VINTAGE ASSESSMENTS RATING

New Zealand White Table Wine

5. 10421 **VOYAGE SAUVIGNON BLANC 2009** \$ 19.95
 A Marlborough, South Island (ASTROLABE) 784 Cases 12 Bottles per case 13.5% ROG COM

Recommended score 88 **DRINKABILITY** { N S SM }

Zesty Grassy Rhubarb **/+** **Best Buy**
 (Michael Vaughan comment) (out of three stars) **LCBO lot number:**

LCBO Vintages Catalogue Text
 "TASTING NOTE: This must be Astrolabe's best Sauvignon Blanc to date – it's certainly a long way ahead of the 2008. A mix of Awatere with Wairau Valley fruit it's a very powerful statement about the Marlborough style. Concentrated wine with a mix of passion fruit, mineral and tomato leaf flavours. Impeccably balanced and with a lingering finish that won't quit. Score: 95 (Bob Campbell, MW, www.bobswinereviews.com, Dec. 2009)"

Light yellow colour. Intense melon nose with some hints of rhubarb. Very dry, medium to medium-light bodied, spicy, rather grassy, ripe lemon-melon-rhubarb flavours with a lingering, very crisp, unoaked finish. Not quite as good as the recommended/best buy 2008 (**+) released on December 05, 2009 at \$19.95.

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VINTAGE ASSESSMENTS RATING

Austria White Table Wine

6. 965368 **DOMAENE GOBELSBURG GRÜNER** \$ 13.95
 A Niederösterreich (Schloss Gobelsburg) 199 Cases 12 Bottles per case 12.5% SCH AGE

Recommended score 88 **DRINKABILITY** { N S SM m }

Dry, Spicy & Flavourful **/+** **Best Buy**
 (Michael Vaughan comment) (out of three stars) **LCBO lot number** LN6774/09 L-B

LCBO Vintages Catalogue Text
 "TASTING NOTE: A very impressive Grüner. Gold in colour, with aromas of spring flowers, apple-cinnamon, sweetgrass, apricot and nectarine. Elegant, dry and medium bodied with a lovely fruit core and smooth, lingering replays en route to an impeccably balanced finish. Savour with grilled prawns. (Vintages panel, May 2010)"

Bright straw colour. Gently honeyed, spicy, ripe melon nose. Dry, slightly spicy, medium-light bodied, harmonious, honeyed, ripe lemon-melon-apple flavours with a lingering, mineral-tinged, very crisp finish. Screwcap closure. Better than the recommended 2007 (**+/**) released on July 18, 2009 at \$14.95.

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VINTAGE ASSESSMENTS RATING

France -- Loire White Table Wine

7. 169706 **VOUVRAY 2008** \$ 14.95
 A AC (DOMAINE DE LA POUVRAIE) 299 Cases 12 Bottles per case 11.5% EUR INT

Recommended score 87.5 **DRINKABILITY** { N S SM m }

Off Dry & Harmonious ** **Best Buy**
 (Michael Vaughan comment) (out of three stars) **LCBO lot number:**

LCBO Vintages Catalogue Text
 "TASTING NOTE: A fresh and fruity medium-dry Chenin Blanc packed with zesty flavours of ripe green apples and lemons. It finishes on a succulent, crisp note with a hint of sweetness, suggesting current enjoyment (with richer seafood) or mid-term ageing (2 to 4+ years). (Vintages panel, Nov. 2009)"

This 100% Chenin Blanc has an extremely pale straw colour. Spicy, honeyed, ripe apricot-apple-melon nose. Just off dry, harmonious, medium-light bodied, fairly juicy, ripe melon-apple flavours with a lingering crisp finish. Showing nicely - at peak. Best with poultry. A very nice summer sipper.

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Germany -- Rheingau White Table Wine

8. 161075 **RIESLING SPÄTLESE Oestrich-Winkel 2005** \$ 16.95
 A Qmp 750
(SCHLOSS VOLLRADS) 149 Cases 12 Bottles per case 11.5% **WOO WIN**

VINTAGE ASSESSMENTS RATING
Recommended score 87 **DRINKABILITY** { N S SM }

Sweet, Spicy, Ripe Apples */+/** (Michael Vaughan comment) (out of three stars) **LCBO lot number** APN 270743606 L-F

LCBO Vintages Catalogue Text
 "TASTING NOTE: A plump, juicy style, with peach and nectarine flavors. Richly textured, with a refreshing acidity on the finish. Needs time to integrate. Best from 2008 through 2018. Score: 90 (Bruce Sanderson, www.winespectator.com, Feb. 28, 2007)"

N Light yellow colour. Spicy, sweet baked ripe apple nose. Sweet, medium bodied, spicy, ripe apple
 O purée flavours with a lingering crisp unoaked finish.
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Italy -- Friuli White Table Wine

9. 173328 **PINOT GRIGIO 2009** \$ 14.95
 A IGT Venezia Giulia 750
(DI LENARDO) 499 Cases 12 Bottles per case 13% **CIP WIN**

VINTAGE ASSESSMENTS RATING
Recommended score 87.5 **DRINKABILITY** { N S SM }

Dry, Bright & Harmonious ** **Best Buy** (Michael Vaughan comment) (out of three stars) **LCBO lot number**:

LCBO Vintages Catalogue Text
 "... Located in the Friuli Venezia Giulia region of Italy, Di Lenardo Vineyards is one of the wineries with a Pinot Grigio made with extra care and style. One thing that makes it special is the fact that is aged on the lees, which means the winemaker allowed it to age after fermentation with the yeast in the wine until bottling thereby adding additional flavors from the yeast. It also undergoes [acid softening] malolactic fermentation ... (Angela Logomasini, www.examiner.com, May 24, 2009) Enjoy this wine as a sinner or try it with grilled calamari or steamed mussels"

N Light yellow colour. Slightly spicy, honeyed, ripe yellow plum nose with some apple notes. Dry,
 O medium-light bodied, slightly spicy, honeyed, ripe apple-melon flavours with a lingering, crisp,
 T unoaked finish. Ready-to-drink.
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Italy -- Sicily White Table Wine

10. 106310 **ETNA BIANCO 2008** \$ 13.95
 A DOC 750
(MURGO) 140 Cases 12 Bottles per case 12.5% **BAS INC**

VINTAGE ASSESSMENTS RATING
Recommended score 87 **DRINKABILITY** { N S SM m }

Crisp, Light, Lemony-Peach */+/** (Michael Vaughan comment) (out of three stars) **LCBO lot number**:

LCBO Vintages Catalogue Text
 "The Murgo Etna Bianco ... is a dynamite value if you like crisp, minerally whites. (Beppi Crosariol, The Globe & Mail, Sept. 16, 2009) This zesty, lemony wine would match beautifully with the classic Sicilian dish, pasta con le sarde. TASTING NOTE: (translated from the Italian) Elegant floral and mineral flavours dominate the savoury Etna Bianco, made from the Carricante grape. Score: BBM (Gambero Rosso Italian Wines, 2010)"

N The bottle presented at the press tasting was corked. Here is Julian Hitner's note from the LCBO consultant's preview: *Pale straw colour. Intense leafy scents and ferns with dried lemon, straw and a hint of white peach skins. Quite crisp with light leafy fruit, balanced acidity and a hint of lemon on the finish. Nicely dry, leafy intensity -- a refreshing wine. Sommelier recommended for value. A blend of 70%
 O Caricante and 30% Catarratto (30%). The Explorer's Selection 2007 (*+) was released on January 31, 2009 at \$14.95.*

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USA -- Oregon Red Table Wine

11. 181438 **BECKY'S CUVÉE PINOT NOIR 2007** \$ 26.95
 A Columbia Gorge 750
(PHELPS CREEK) 167 Cases 12 Bottles per case 13.5% **GLE WAR**

VINTAGE ASSESSMENTS RATING
Explorer's Selection score 88.5 **DRINKABILITY** { N S SM m }

Tangy */+/** (Michael Vaughan comment) (out of three stars) **LCBO lot number**:

LCBO Vintages Catalogue Text
 "TASTING NOTE: The 2007 Pinot Noir Becky's Cuvee is a blend of six vineyards. It offers a lovely bouquet of cedar, cinnamon, incense, cherry, and raspberry. Smooth and easy-going on the palate, this flavorful, nicely concentrated, pleasure-bent wine will provide fine drinking over the next 5 years. Score: 89 (Jay Miller, www.erobertparker.com, Oct. 2009)"

N Lightish medium deep red colour. Intense, slightly spicy, beetroot-cranberry nose with some
 O vanilla notes. Dry, bright, medium to medium-light bodied, slightly spicy, plummy-cranberry
 E flavours with a lingering crisp finish. Ready-to-drink.

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Australia Red Table Wine

12. 71043 **E-MINOR SHIRAZ 2008** \$ 17.95
 A Barossa Valley, South Australia 750
(BAROSSA VALLEY ESTATE) 685 Cases 12 Bottles per case 14% **VIN INT**

VINTAGE ASSESSMENTS RATING
Recommended score 87.5 **DRINKABILITY** { N S SM m }

Solid ** (Michael Vaughan comment) (out of three stars) **LCBO lot number**:

LCBO Vintages Catalogue Text
 "TASTING NOTE: Reasonably dense plum, berry and spice flavours with a seasoning of black pepper. Strong, bold wine with focussed flavours. Classic Barossa offering good value. Score: **** stars (out of 5) (Bob Campbell, MW, www.bobswinereviews.com, May 2010)"

N Extremely deep intense purple colour. Intense, gently juicy, sour cherry purée nose with some
 O vanilla notes. Fairly dry, medium bodied, quite well structured, tangy, dried black cherry and
 E cranberry flavours with a lingering, slightly peppery finish. Needs time to evolve. Screwcap closure. Does not seem to be up to the fruitier recommended 2007 (***) released on August 15, 2009 at \$17.95.

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Australia Red Table Wine

13. 725127 **MIAMBA SHIRAZ 2008** \$ 19.95
 A Barossa, South Australia 750
(GRANT BURGE) 571 Cases 12 Bottles per case 13.5% **CAL INT**

VINTAGE ASSESSMENTS RATING
Recommended score 89.5 **DRINKABILITY** { N S SM M ml }

Spicy Mocha-Chocolate */+/** **Best Buy** (Michael Vaughan comment) (out of three stars) **LCBO lot number**:

LCBO Vintages Catalogue Text
 "From a historic single vineyard at the southern end of the Barossa, this deep purple Shiraz is bursting with ripe berry, lifted floral and coconut aromas. This is a rich and opulent wine with a chewy texture and ripe, juicy, mixed-berry and vanilla flavours balanced by firm, grainy tannins leading to a lengthy finish. It's a "wow" wine that always impresses. Decant and serve with rare roast beef au jus or rack of lamb, or cellar this big boy for up to 6 years."

N Extremely deep intense purple colour. Complex, spicy, ripe black cherry fruit on the nose. Dry,
 O medium full bodied, harmonious, plummy, ripe black cherry flavours with some cedary,
 E mocha-chocolate notes on the lingering high acid finish. Great value but perhaps not quite up to the recommended 2007 (**+/**) released on September 26, 2009 at \$19.95.

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Argentina Red Table Wine

14. 467951 **MALBEC 2008** \$ 13.95
 A Mendoza 750
(ALAMOS) 2185 Cases 12 Bottles per case 13.5% **CAL INT**

VINTAGE ASSESSMENTS RATING
Recommended score 87 **DRINKABILITY** { N S SM }

Juicy & Spicy */+/** **Best Buy** (Michael Vaughan comment) (out of three stars) **LCBO lot number** B73235 L-B

LCBO Vintages Catalogue Text
 "TASTING NOTE: [While out for dinner in Mexico] I opted for the recently released Alamos Malbec 2008, from the Luján de Cuyo area of Mendoza ...The Malbec added just the right touch of richness, spice and complexity to give the dinner another dimension. I rated it 90 points, non-blind, and drank another glass the next day for lunch with a slice of leftover lasagna. It held up nicely. Score: 90 (James Laube, www.winespectator.com, Dec. 16, 2009)"

N Extremely deep intense purple colour. Intense, spicy, juicy, black cherry puree nose with some
 O cedary, notes. Dry, fairly well structured medium bodied, quite juicy, plummy, ripe black cherry
 E flavours with a lingering, tangy finish. A repeat of the recommended 2008 (**+/**) released on August 29, 2009 at \$13.95.

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South Africa Red Table Wine

15. 626333 **THE WOLFTRAP** \$ 13.95
 A WO Western Cape 750
(Boekenhoutsloof) 1199 Cases 12 Bottles per case 14.5% **RKW WIN**

VINTAGE ASSESSMENTS RATING
Recommended score **DRINKABILITY**
 88.5 { N S SM }

Solid, Juicy & Slightly Smoky **/+ Best Buy**
 (Michael Vaughan comment) (out of three stars) **LCBO lot number :**

LCBO Vintages Catalogue Text
 "TASTING NOTE: This Rhône-style blend got our attention. Lovely lifted black fruit aromas layered with notes of peppery spice, tar, leather, red licorice, and woodsmoke. Dry, medium bodied, with supple tannins, bright acidity, and a core of spicy fruit. The perfect match for barbecued fare (bring on the back ribs!), but its refreshing acidity and easy-drinking nature also make it a lovely sipper. (Vintages panel, May 2010)"

OT This blend of 65% Syrah, 32% Mourvèdre and 3% Viognier has an extremely deep purple red colour.
E Juicy, spicy, plummy dried red cherry nose with some mocha-chocolate and cedary notes. Dry, medium bodied, harmonious, plummy, ripe black cherry purée flavours with a fairly bright, slightly smoky, lingering finish. Ready to drink. Screwcap closure. Better than the recommended 2007 (*+/**) released on March 28, 2009 at \$13.95.

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France -- Beaujolais Red Table Wine

16. 178301 **TERRES DORÉES MOULIN-À-VENT 2008** \$ 19.95
 A AC 750
(JEAN-PAUL BRUN) 219 Cases 12 Bottles per case 12% **RKW WIN**

VINTAGE ASSESSMENTS RATING
Recommended score **DRINKABILITY**
 88 { N S SM m }

Spicy Plummy-Crancherries **/+ Best Buy**
 (Michael Vaughan comment) (out of three stars) **LCBO lot number L0001 L-B**

LCBO Vintages Catalogue Text
 "TASTING NOTE: The Brun 2008 Moulin-à-Vent (from two parcels, one toward Chenas, and one toward Fleurie) is vividly redolent of ripe purple plums tinged with the bitterness of their pits and with salt. Wet stone and beef marrow undertones typical of the appellation lead to a strikingly long and invigorating finish informed by fruit skins, pits, mineral salts, and marrow. This handsomely lean cru should be worth following for 4-5 years. Score: 91 (David Schildknecht, www.embertanker.com, Aug 2009)"

OT Medium deep red colour. Fairly intense, slightly spicy, plummy-crancherry nose. Dry, slightly spicy,
E medium bodied, harmonious, fairly juicy, ripe crancherry flavours with a lingering crisp finish. The best of the the five Cru on show.

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Spain Red Table Wine

17. 166538 **Rioja CRIANZA 2005** \$ 15.95
 A DOCa Rioja 750
(BODEGAS LAN) 500 Cases 12 Bottles per case 13% **VIN VIN**

VINTAGE ASSESSMENTS RATING
Recommended score **DRINKABILITY**
 87 { N S SM m }

Harmonious & Slightly Cedary **+/+ Best Buy**
 (Michael Vaughan comment) (out of three stars) **LCBO lot number L90100:9007 L-B**

LCBO Vintages Catalogue Text
 "TASTING NOTE: Light scents of crushed rose petals and frisky cherry tomato flavors give this a bright, zesty tone. The tannins are also light, with a gravelly feel. This is a versatile red for olives and jamón Serrano or more substantial meat such as duck. One of the Best Buys of 2009. Score: 90 (Wine & Spirits Buying Guide, 2010)"

OT Very deep intense purple colour. Slightly spicy, baked plum nose with some vanilla-sandalwood
E notes. Dry, medium to medium-light bodied, slightly spicy, ripe plum-cherry flavours with a harmonious, lingering, crisp finish. Ready-to-drink.

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France -- Provence Rosé Table Wine

18. 180851 **CUVÉE SPÉCIALE ROSÉ 2009** \$ 13.95
 A AC Coteaux d'Aix-en-Provence 750
(CHÂTEAU DE FONSCOLOMBE) 349 Cases 12 Bottles per case 13% **MER VIN**

VINTAGE ASSESSMENTS RATING
Recommended score **DRINKABILITY**
 87.5 { N S sm }

Harmonious Ripe Plums ** Best Buy
 (Michael Vaughan comment) (out of three stars) **LCBO lot number :**

LCBO Vintages Catalogue Text
 "TASTING NOTE: Provence is famous for its rosés, which account for the majority of the total wine production in the region. Château de Fonscolombe's delights with aromas of plum, strawberry, peach and candied fruit. A dry, medium-bodied wine that's fresh on the palate, with good length. Terrific alongside a chicken satay with peanut sauce, or seafood. (Vintages panel, Nov. 2009)"

OT Faded light orange colour. Slightly spicy, very pleasant, plummy-apple nose. Dry, medium to
E medium-light bodied, harmonious, slightly spicy, ripe plummy-apple flavours with a lingering, fairly crisp, unoaked finish. Tasty, versatile and ready-to-drink.

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Spain Rosé Table Wine

19. 700534 **FAUSTINO V TEMPRANILLO ROSADO 2009** \$ 12.95
 A DOCa Rioja 750
(Bodegas Faustino Martinez) 250 Cases 12 Bottles per case 13% **SEL WIN**

VINTAGE ASSESSMENTS RATING
Recommended score **DRINKABILITY**
 87 { N S SM }

Bright Fine Fruit **+/+ Best Buy**
 (Michael Vaughan comment) (out of three stars) **LCBO lot number 3765L00460 L-B**

LCBO Vintages Catalogue Text
 "TASTING NOTE: A Spanish rosé with a bright rose petal colour and an intense nose full of blackberry, raspberry, and strawberry aromas. The fruit notes continue through the tasting, culminating in round, zippy flavours and a refreshing finish. Try this medium-bodied rosé today with pasta arrabbiata. (Vintages panel, Oct. 2009)"

OT This 100% Tempranillo has a reddish pink colour. Slightly spicy, ripe cherry nose. Fresh, dry, crisp,
E bright, ripe red cherry flavours. Versatile and accessible. Try with a steaming bowl of moules à la marinière. It's been a long time - the recommended 2002 (*+/**) was released on July 26, 2003 at \$10.50.

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France -- Burgundy Sparkling Wine

20. 48793 **PERLE D'AUREORE BRUT ROSÉ CRÉMANT** \$ 18.95
 A AC 750
(LOUIS BOULLOT) 299 Cases 12 Bottles per case 12% **CHA HOB**

VINTAGE ASSESSMENTS RATING
Recommended score **DRINKABILITY**
 89 { N S SM }

Effervescence Ripe Strawberries **+ Best Buy
 (Michael Vaughan comment) (out of three stars) **LCBO lot number L1008**

LCBO Vintages Catalogue Text
 "TASTING NOTE: ... Very fresh and delicate with a creamy mousse, crisp acidity, 12% alcohol and medium bodied. There are also some nice peppery notes on the palate. I was very impressed by this wine, especially for the price, it's a great bargain. Score: 4 1/2 stars (out of 5) (Lindsay Groves, www.winecurrent.com, Dec. 6, 2008)"

OT This blend of Pinot Noir and Gamay Noir has a very pale orange-pink colour. Slightly honeyed, ripe
E apple nose with some spicy, fresh raspberry-strawberry notes. Dry, medium to medium-light bodied, slightly spicy, plummy, ripe red apple flavours with a crisp, strawberry-tinged finish. Has good effervescence. Much better than the previous shipment (*+/**) which appeared on December 5, 2009 at \$18.95.