

lingering, mocha-chocolate finish. Ready-to-drink. Perfect with roast beef. **DRINKABILITY:** { N S SM M ML }

W Explorer's Selection

199182 SENSATION DE CHÂTEAU GRAND BOURDIEU 2006 \$19.95
AC GRAVES WELL STRUCTURED **

(299 Cases) (13%) [MCO] Lot: L5GB1
This blend of 65% Merlot and 35% Cabernet Sauvignon has a deep intense purple colour. Earthy, hot, baked plum nose Dry, medium bodied, fairly dense, well structured, earthy. baked plum flavours with a lingering, sandalwood finish. **DRINKABILITY:** { N S SM M ML }

FRANCE - LOIRE (RED)

197038 CAVE DES VIGNERONS DE SAINT-CHINIAN CAVE DE SAUMUR 2009 \$13.95
AC SAUMUR HERBAL & UNRIPE *

(DOMAINE DE PEYANNE) (249 Cases) (13%) [VIN GLO]
This 100% Gemay has an extremely deep intense purple colour. Unripe, spicy, apple peel nose with some vegetal notes. Dry, medium-light bodied, ultra tart, spicy, apple peel flavours with a very crisp, peppery unoaked finish. Disappointing - tasted once.

FRANCE - MIDI (RED)

W Recommended

194894 MAS LAS CABES ROUGE 2009 \$15.95
AC COTES DU ROUSSILLON SPICY MOCHA-CHOCOLATE *+/**

(DOMAINE GARDIES) (299 Cases) (14%) [DA CAP]
Very deep intense purple colour. Expansive, slightly spicy, baked plum nose with some mocha notes. Dry, medium bodied, fairly well structured, ripe plum flavours with some mocha-chocolate notes on the lingering finish. A solid blend of 60% Syrah, 30% Grenache and 10% Carignan. **DRINKABILITY:** { N S SM M }

156299 SAINT-CHINIAN 2009 \$14.95
AC NOT PRESENTED FOR EVALUATION BY LCBO

(LE SECRET DES CAPITELLES) (450 Cs) (14.4%) [CON OEN]
The Explorer's Selection 2007 (*+) was released on February 6, 2010 at \$14.95.

FRANCE - RHONE (RED)

194944 CÔTES DU RHÔNE VILLAGES RASTEAU 2009 \$16.95
AC SPICY *+

(LES GRANDES SERRES) (399 Cases) (14.5%) [VIN VIN]
Deep intense purple colour. Spicy, baked plummy-cherry nose with some cedary notes. Dry, medium bodied, spicy, ripe, plummy-cherry flavours with a lingering, tangy finish. **DRINKABILITY:** { N S SM M }

W Recommended

41921 CROZES-HERMITAGE 2007 \$22.95
AC COMPLEX & SLIGHTLY EARTHY **+

(DOMAINE BELLE LES PIERRELLES) (149 Cs) (13%) [CAR TRA]
Very deep intense purple colour. Complex, spicy, slightly earthy, mineral-tinged, baked plum nose with some smoky notes. Dry, firm, medium bodied, quite well structured, plummy, baked plum and ripe apple flavours with some slightly smoky notes on the lingering finish. Much better than the 2005 (***) released on October 11, 2008 at \$24.95. Lots of flavour for the money. **DRINKABILITY:** { N S SM M ML L }



W Recommended

108779 GARRIGUES VACQUEYRAS 2009 \$23.95
AC HARMONIOUS & FLAVOURFUL **

(MONTIRIUS) (199 Cases) (15%) [SIG WIN]
Extremely deep intense purple colour. Intense, complex, gently cedary, spicy, ripe plummy-cherry nose with lots of vanilla

notes. Dry, medium bodied, well structured, harmonious, slightly spicy, ripe plummy-cherry flavours with a lingering, mocha-chocolate finish. This very tasty, accessible, blend of 70% Grenache and 30% Syrah. **DRINKABILITY:** { N S SM M ML } Lot: 10246



127167 PLAN DE DIEU CÔTES DU RHÔNE-VILLAGES 2009 \$13.95
AC SPICY TROPICAL FRUIT COCKTAIL *

(DOMAINE LE GRAND RETOUR) (499 Cs) (14.5%) [TRI WIN]
This GSM blend has a deep intense purple colour. Juicy, ripe, plummy-cherry nose with some cooked, tropical fruit cocktail notes. Dry, medium to medium-light bodied, spicy, cooked, slightly raisiny, plummy-cherry flavours again with a lingering, tropical fruit cocktail finish. Commercial and underwhelming. Not up to the 2007 (**+*) released on August 1, 2009 at \$11.95. **DRINKABILITY:** { N S SM }

ITALY - PIEDMONT (RED)

189829 BALUMA NEBBIOLO D'ALBA 2008 \$18.95
DOC SPICY LICORICE *+

(DIEGO CONTERNO) (249 Cases) (14%) [VIN PAS]
Medium-deep red colour. Spicy, dried plum nose with some licorice notes. Dry, medium to medium-light bodied, slightly spicy, baked plum flavours with some licorice notes. **DRINKABILITY:** { N S SM M }

W Recommended

188037 LA GENA BARBERA D'ASTI 2006 \$16.95
DOCG SOLID **/**+

(LA GIRONDA) (299 Cases) (13.5%) [VIN PAS]
Extremely deep intense purple colour. Still youthful, dusty, dried plum-prune nose with some bitter chocolate and plywood notes. Dry, intense, medium-full bodied, well structured, baked plummy-prune, mocha-chocolate flavours with a lingering, high acid, vanilla-tinged finish. Lots of flavour for the money. Best with robust tomato-based dishes and game. **DRINKABILITY:** { N S SM M ML } Lot: L0510

W Recommended

213132 LA PIEVE BAROLO 2005 \$26.95
DOCG SPICY & VERY RIPE **+

(ABBONA) (399 Cases) (14%) [MAJ WIN] Lot: L09-054
Deep purple red colour with an amber edge. Slightly spicy, cooked plum nose with lots of vanilla-sandalwood notes. Dry, tangy, medium bodied, fairly well structured, bright, ripe, plummy-cherry flavours with a lingering, very slightly sweet, ripe, sandalwood finish. Ready-to-drink. **DRINKABILITY:** { N S SM M ML }

ITALY - TUSCANY (RED)

W Recommended

211623 ATEO 2007 \$24.95
DOC SANT'ANTIMO RIPE & EXPANSIVE **/**+

(CIACCI PICCOLOMINI D'ARAGONA) (149 Cs) (14.5%) [LIQ ART]
Very deep intense purple colour. Slightly spicy, baked plum nose with some faintly earthy, sandalwood, notes. Dry, medium bodied, well structured and yet harmonious, ripe, expansive, plummy-cherry flavours with a lingering, sandalwood finish and a touch of herbs. **DRINKABILITY:** { N S SM M }

W Recommended

704346 CHIANTI CLASSICO 2007 \$26.95
DOCG HARMONIOUS **/**+

(ISOLE E OLENA) (199 Cases) (14%) [HAL ENT]
Medium deep purple red colour. Slightly spicy, dried blueberry-plum nose with some sandalwood, notes. Dry, medium bodied, harmonious, slightly spicy, ripe plum flavours with a lingering, crisp, sandalwood finish. The unrepresented 2006 was released on July 17, 2009 as an ISD at \$29.95. **DRINKABILITY:** { N S SM M ML }

207795 CHIANTI CLASSICO 2007 \$19.95
DOCG SPICY & HARMONIOUS *+/**

(LE CINCIOLE) (1599 Cases) (13.5%) [VIN NOV]