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VINAHONDA 2010 MONASTRELL, JUMILLA, SPAIN \$15.10*

CONTINUING WITH THE DELIVERY OF GREAT WINES AT GREAT PRICES, THIS MONASTRELL IS A 90 POINT WINE THAT OVERDELIVERS IN FRUIT EXPRESSION, STRUCTURE AND LENGTH. MONASTRELL IS KNOWN AS MOURVEDRE IN FRANCE AND TYPICALLY DELIVERS SUPREMELY DRY, TANNIC, DARK WINES USED AS A COMPONENT IN THE SOUTHERN COTES DU RHONE WINES. IN THE RIGHT CLIMATE AND HANDS, THE DARK BERRY AND DARK PLUM FRUIT CHARACTER STARTS TO EMERGE, AND THE SOUTH-EASTERN EDGE OF SPAIN SEEMS AN IDEAL LOCATION FOR IT. GREAT FOR SIPPING, OR WITH HARD CHEESES.

CHALONE 2006 CABERNET SAUVIGNON, MONTEREY, CALIFORNIA \$23.67*

CHALONE IS LOCATED IN MONTEREY ON THE NORTH SLOPE OF CHALONE PEAK AND OVERLOOKING THE SALINAS VALLEY. THE VINEYARD ACTIVITY DATES BACK TO 1919, AND HAS CONTINUED WITH A PUSH TOWARD IMPROVEMENT EVER SINCE. WITH THIS MONTEREY VALLEY SERIES THEY ARE EXPLORING SALINAS VALLEY FRUIT SOURCES, AND ARE ABLE TO OFFER AN ENTRY-LEVEL RANGE. THE CABERNET IS IMPRESSIVE, WITH CHEWY DENSE, DARK FRUIT AND TANNIN STRUCTURE, EXPRESSIVE SPICY AND RIPE BERRY FRUIT AROMATICS. GOOD FOR CASUAL YET HEARTY FARE... DO I HEAR "BURGER"?

ST. FRANCIS 2007 RED SPLASH, SONOMA, CALIFORNIA \$23.67*

ST. FRANCIS IS ONE OF THE GO-TO NAMES IN SONOMA WINE GROWING, AND HAS BEEN FOR DECADES. WITH A RANGE OF PRODUCTS FROM SERIOUS AND CONTEMPLATIVE TO EASY-AND ACCESSIBLE, THE RED SPLASH DEFINITELY FALLS IN THE LATTER CATEGORY. A FRESH, FUN BLEND OF CAB SAUV, MERLOT, SYRAH, CAB FRANC & ZINFANDEL, ALL FROM THE HIGH-QUALITY SONOMA APPELLATION, RED SPLASH OFFERS RED AND DARK FRUIT, A TINGE OF SPICE, IS FULL BUT SOFT AND 'JUICY' (AN INCREASINGLY APPLIED TERM IN WINESPEAK) AND IS MADE FOR THE PARTY SCENE. DIVERSE WITH DIFFERENT FINGER FOODS AND LOTS OF FRIENDS.

CANALETTO 2010 CHIANTI, ITALY \$15.10*

CANALETTO IS A NAME THAT HAS BEEN WELL REPRESENTED IN CALGARY, WITH A RANGE OF GRAPES AND REGIONS THROUGHOUT ITALY THAT CONTINUALLY PERFORM WELL ABOVE THEIR PRICE-POINT. THE CHIANTI IS NO EXCEPTION, WITH EXPRESSIVE RED CHERRY FRUIT, DUSTY EARTH AND SLIGHT LEATHERY AROMAS, A LIGHT, VIBRANT, FRESH RED FRUIT CHARACTER ON THE PALATE WITH SOFT TANNINS. THIS IS GREAT WITH A SIMPLE TOMATO SAUCE WITHOUT ANY MEAT.

ROBERT HALL 2007 CHARDONNAY, CALIFORNIA \$25.95*

AFTER GREAT ENTREPRENEURIAL SUCCESS IN EVERYTHING FROM BOWLING CENTERS TO HORSE BREEDING, ROBERT HALL MOVED TO PASO ROBLES IN THE SOUTHERN EXTENSION OF CALIFORNIA'S CENTRAL COAST IN THE EARLY 1990'S TO CRAFT CLASSIC WINES. HIS SUSTAINABLY FARMED VENTURE BEGAN WITH RHONE VARIETIES AND HAS SINCE EXPANDED TO OTHER CLASSICS. THIS CHARDONNAY DEFINES SOFT AND BUTTERY, AND IS SHOWING SOME MATURITY WITH A SLIGHT CARAMEL APPLE FLAVOUR AROUND THE MELON, APPLE AND VANILLA. THIS IS DRINKING IN ITS WINDOW NOW, SO WHY WAIT?

DUNAVAR 2010 PINOT GRIS, HUNGARY \$10.00*

ONE OF THE FIRST WINES ON THIS WINE-LOVER'S RADAR, IT HAS ALWAYS BEEN AN OUTSTANDING EXAMPLE OF FRESH, STRAIGHTFORWARD, CLEANLY MADE PLEASING WINE. CRISP, FRUITY, DRY, SHOWING MILD PEAR AND CITRUS FRUIT, LESS OF THE NUTTINESS THAT CAN BE FOUND ON ITALIAN GRIGIO'S, BUT NONE OF THE OILINESS OF OREGON VERSIONS. NOT A LOT OF HUNGARIAN WINE IS EXPORTED TO ALBERTA, BUT THEY ARE KNOWN IN EUROPE AS A SOURCE OF EXCELLENT, CLEAN VARIETAL WINES FOR THE MODERN DRINKER. SIP WHILE COOKING.

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