



Dear Client,

Acker's **Inaugural Swiss Auction** is finally here! Join us **Saturday, June 14 at 2pm CEST**, live and live online from the elegant Metropol in Zurich, for a landmark sale featuring more than **1,300 lots** of the finest and rarest wines—an estimated **CHF 5 million** in sales! Special **pre-auction tastings** and a **celebration of Gevrey-Chambertin** event will lead up to the big day, bringing Acker's signature energy and conviviality to Europe for this momentous occasion – please join us in person if you can! The sale is stacked with showstopping collections from all over Europe, including **The Legendary Collection of Wolfgang Grunewald, Ancient Wonders of a Swiss Doctor, Northern Lights, Dreaming of a White Christmas, Around the World of Fine Wine in 137 Lots, From Switzerland with Love, and Alles Ist Gut!** Besides the numerous Swiss collectors offering wines from their cellars, numerous other European countries are represented: UK, France, Belgium, Germany, Spain, Finland and Norway!!! The sale is truly special and a great beginning for our European business, and we are ecstatic to present it to you, and five direct consignments from iconic producers elevate the occasion even further—**Domaine Dagueneau, Domaine Fourrier, Domaine Dugat-Py, Domaine Duroché, and Château de l'Étoile**—making this a true celebration to remember!!!



There is no better way to kick off our very first live auction in Switzerland than with **The Legendary Collection of Wolfgang Grunewald**, in **lots 1-51!** A native of Appenzell, his main cellar is nestled in the mountains, where all of his exceedingly special wines are kept in rigorous temperature and humidity-controlled conditions. Wolfgang is a humidity fanatic—and those who have collected for decades will tell you: humidity is key for long-term aging. Built case by case and joyfully depleted bottle by bottle, Wolfgang's cellar is one of the most soulful in the world. As he likes to say, "Terroir doesn't end at bottling." His fifty-one cherished selections include red Burgundy reaching back to 1923 and including 1961 **Comte de Vogüé** Musigny Vieilles Vignes on up to 2010 **Drouhin** Musigny and 2012 **Ponsot** Clos de la Roche Vieilles Vignes in magnum format. White Burgundy stars 1976 **Ramonet** Bâtard-Montrachet and 2012 **Coche-Dury** Corton-Charlemagne. Top Bordeaux, Champagne, and California round out the selection, capped by some incredible bottles of **Taylor Fladgate** Port back to 1863 and the rarest **Klein Constantia** that possibly dates back to 1791! We are honored to offer wines from this true bon vivant, still spry and active at the young age of ninety-five!!

Nearly fifty special selections from **Ancient Wonders of a Swiss Doctor** grace this landmark European sale in **lots 52-101**. A generous and devoted wine lover, this good doctor has hosted many esteemed tasting events, always eager to open something extraordinary. Sourced straight from temperature-controlled storage in Geneva, the collection is solely Bordeaux—and what a selection it is! 1900 **Lafite**, 1921 **Haut-Brion**, 1945 **Latour**, 1959 **La Mission**, 1961 **Lafite**, and modern marvels like 1982 **Cos d'Estournel** and 1998 **Cheval Blanc** in magnum are all offered in excellent condition—rare, old, majestic, and truly what the doctor ordered! There are so many gorgeous old bottles here!!

From a seasoned collector and Scandinavian hockey player comes **Northern Lights, lots 102-271**, a 116-lot marvel removed from his immaculate personal cellar in Finland! Bordeaux shines from 1924



Margaux to 2020 **Pétrus**, with highlights including 1959 **Latour**, 1989 **Mouton**, and 1937 & 1945 **Yquem**. Burgundy glimmers with 1991 **Rousseau** Chambertin, 1985 **DRC** La Tâche, and six vintages of **Ramonet** Montrachet. There's also **Vega Sicilia** to 1968, **Grange** to 1959, and rare **Tokaji** Essencia, capped with a Champagne lineup including seven vintages of **Selosse** and bottles of 1995 **Krug** Clos d'Ambonnay. A dazzling tour through some of the world's most sought-after wines thanks to our Finnish friend!

A second stunning Nordic entry is **Dreaming of a White Christmas**, a 129-lot White Burgundy dream in **lots 520-648**. A retired elite athlete consigned this showstopper, storing his prized bottles with the same precision he brought to sport, in impeccable, temperature-controlled professional storage in Norway. **Raveneau** takes the spotlight with eighty lots spanning 1979–2013, including full cases of Blanchot, Butteaux, Les Clos, and Valmur. Thirty-one lots of **Coche-Dury** follow, including 2008 Meursault Caillerets and 2009 Perrières, joined by top-tier Red Burgundy from **DRC** and **Rousseau**. You don't have to dream about it, the finest Burgundy can be yours from this magical collection!!

The 137 spectacular selections in **Around the World of Fine Wine, lots 649-785**, take us on a globe-spanning wine journey with bottles removed from professional storage in Switzerland! Bordeaux features jaw-dropping highlights including 2000 **Cheval Blanc** in magnum and 2005 in double magnum OWC, bottles and magnums of 2005 **Pétrus**, 2016 **Le Pin** magnums, and an imperial of 1995 **Mouton**!! Burgundy arrives with fifteen lots of **Rousseau** and twenty-seven of **DRC**, alongside additional high points from **Mortet**, **Roumier**, **Méo-Camuzet**, **Prieuré-Roch**, **Ramonet**, and **Coche-Dury**. Champagne sabers **Salon** Le Mesnil, while Italy boasts **Giacosa**, **Ornellaia**, and more. **Harlan** from multiple vintages brings us back stateside and wraps up this monumental collection from a truly spectacular Swiss collector!

Speaking of Switzerland, the 200+ lots **From Switzerland with Love, lots 921-1126**, are like a Swiss bank vault of fine wine! The travels begin with post-modern Bordeaux in original packaging including 2018 **Pétrus**, 2010 **Lafleur**, and stellar selections from **Latour** and **Figeac**. Burgundy takes the stage with sweet sixteen **DRC**, including OWCs of 2016 and 2019 La Tâche. Further Red Burgundy legends abound, from **Mugnier Les Amoureuses** to **Roumier**, **Dujac**, and **Bizot** Morey-St-Denis. White Burgundy beckons with **Bonneau du Martray**, **Coche-Dury**, and **PYCM**, and gems from **Cristal**, **Soldera**, **Sine Qua Non**, and **Screaming Eagle** conclude this mountainous offering, all removed from ideal professional storage in Switzerland for this Swiss client and friend of the house. This is a stellar selection of some of the world's best from the past fifteen years and can be building blocks for your own collection and the decades to come!!!

And that's not all! One of our favorite European friends and enthusiastic German collectors brings 119 mostly Burgundy and Champagne selections to the party in **lots 322-440, Alles Ist Gut!** We've shared many unforgettable wine nights over the past two decades with this consignor, and we are thankful for his contribution to our first-ever Swiss sale! A towering 1979 **Pétrus** double magnum leads the way for thirteen lots of **Roumier**, plus **DRC**, and **Vogue** and **Drouhin** Musigny. **Coche-Dury**, **Lafon** and **Leflaive** represent White Burgundy well, before an awe-inspiring thirty-nine lots of **Dom Pérignon** catch our eye, alongside more Champagne from **Krug**, **Cristal**, and **Salon**. Das ist sehr gut!

Other highlights include **Pristine Parcels of Petrus Courtesy of The Chairman** in **lots 866-895**, including parcels of OWC Pétrus from benchmark vintages including 2009, 2010, 2011, and 2012—many in large formats. Don't miss the star lot of the sale - a spectacular signed 1959 **Jayer** Richebourg



magnum in **lot 519** —a holy grail in excellent condition given to its current owner from Henri Jayet himself! Read more about this bottle inside, it's story is amazing! And **The Conquistador** returns with sixty-eight unique Spanish treasures from a 12th-century cellar in Barcelona in **lots 1283-1350**! We told you this sale was special!!!

Last but not least, we are distinctly honored to welcome five direct consignments from some of the most revered producers in France to this historic auction. For deeper insight into each of these remarkable domaines and their offerings, don't miss the full write-ups in the catalog, but we welcome with open arms and open mouths **Domaine Didier Dagueneau (lots 786-802)**, **Domaine Fourrier (lots 803-817)**, **Domaine Dugat-Py (lots 818-828)**, **Domaine Duroché (lots 829-833)** and **Château de L'Étoile (lots 834-858)**. It is an incredible assortment of wines from these incredible Domaines, including bottles back to 1893 and others never before released!!! Too much to share in this brief introduction, read on!!!

Join us Saturday, June 14, for this unforgettable day and raise a glass with us as Acker makes its debut in both Switzerland and Europe. Cheers to your health and to great wine!

In Vino Veritas,

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