

Dear Client,

Acker's April US Auction is coming up on Friday, April 11, and "April Showers" will be raining supreme with more than one thousand new lots and an estimated \$5M in sales! Many incredible collections will be on offer, including World Class Wines From A Most Important Collector, The Return Of The Magellan Cellar, Second Generation Inspiration and From Europe With Love, Part II.

We begin the day with **World Class Wines From A Most Important Collector** in **lots 1-46**. This discerning yet understated collector has many loves but most importantly wine! His massively impressive wine collection is filled with only the best of the best, and we are thrilled to offer forty-four exceptional selections from his esteemed cellar. The journey begins with legendary Bordeaux, featuring eight lots of **Pétrus** from top vintages, including 1990, 2000, and 2015. Burgundy enthusiasts will find treasures aplenty, with nine



lots of **Rousseau** Chambertin Clos de Beze from recent vintages and **DRC** Romanée St. Vivant dating back to 1976—highlighted by a full case of the 2005 vintage in banded OWC. White Burgundy shines with **D'Auvenay** Chevalier-Montrachet from 2007 and 2013, while Champagne provides a grand finale with **Cristal, Salon**, and three bottles of 1975 **Dom Pérignon** P3. Another stellar selection from one of our most respected clients!

Lots 47-286 bring us to The Return Of The Magellan Cellar, featuring over 250 selections from this masterpiece collection. This New England gentleman has been collecting for almost two decades, making great investments in wine among other precious commodities. He initially acquired his taste for fine wine from work colleagues and honed it by traveling to important wine regions, as well as attending many of our Wine Workshop events and auctions. He loves great wines from various terroirs across many regions but has a particular passion for the special wines of Burgundy's Cote d'Or and belongs to the New York Tastevin accordingly. The adventure begins in spectacular fashion with seventy-five remarkable Red Burgundy selections!! Fourteen lots of Comte Liger-Belair highlight La Romanée from 2010, 2012, 2015, and 2018, while Domaine de la Romanee Conti commands attention with six lots, including six bottles of 2010 and three bottles of 2005 Grands Echezeaux. Further fine offerings include Rousseau, Leroy, Dujac, Roumier, Lignier, Mugnier, and Drouhin. White Burgundy dazzles with eighteen selections from Coche-Dury, including 1995 Meursault Les Perrieres and 1996 Corton-Charlemagne, complemented by exceptional Leflaive offerings, featuring six-bottle banded OWCs of 2018 Batard-Montrachet and Bienvenues-Batard-Montrachet. Additional highlights include Raveneau, Roulot, Dauvissat, and A. Ente!

We arrive at the Rhône Valley, where **Chave** and **Rayas** lead the charge before Champagne unfolds with seventy spectacular selections!! Highlights include 1964 **Dom Pérignon** P3 and 1971 Oenotheque,1975 **Sir Winston Churchill** and 1982 **Krug** in magnum, as well as 1975 **Philipponnat** Clos des Goisses. Fourteen lots of **Selosse** feature three magnums of 2002, alongside eight **Bollinger** offerings, including 1996 VVF, plus stunning selections from **Jérôme Prévost, Lanson, Pierre Peters**, and **Salon**! In Piedmont, we encounter the greats—**Giacosa, Mascarello**, and seven vintages of **Conterno** Monfortino Riserva—before touching down in California, where icons like **Heitz** Martha's Vineyard and **Ridge** Monte Bello await. A first-class tour through the finest wine regions of the world, this collection is a testament to a true connoisseur's journey. Secure your own passage with The Magellan Cellar!!



Second Generation Inspiration treats us to one-hundred-ninety-two impeccable offerings in **lots** 287-486. Inspired by his father, another Chevalier de Tastevin, this influential executive embarked on his own collecting journey with the legendary 2000 Bordeaux vintage. Every wine in this remarkable collection was acquired upon release, either directly through mailing lists or from the most esteemed retailers and stored in his deep, temperature-controlled home cellar. Bordeaux selections command attention, spanning 1990 Beausejour, 1998 Cheval Blanc, 2009 La Mission Haut-Brion, 2010 Leoville Las Cases, and 2011 Pétrus, all in original wooden cases! Then comes Burgundy, taking the stage with eighty-five thrilling selections. Fourteen lots of Rousseau include a vertical of Chambertin magnums from 2000 to 2005, while twenty-one lots of Leroy showcase 2007 Romanée St. Vivant, 2010 Clos Vougeot, 2011 Vosne-Romanée Les Beaux Monts, and 2003 Musigny!! **Dujac** joins with fifteen selections, including six magnums of 2011 Chambertin in OWC, while Comte Liger-Belair stuns with a magnum of 2012 La Romanée. Domaine de la Romanee Conti adds further prestige with six bottles of 2011 Corton in banded OWC, and we continue with Faiveley, Grivot, and Ponsot, leading to White Burgundy standouts from Coche-Dury, Leflaive, PYCM, and Raveneau. Beyond Burgundy, we uncover an array of treasures—Guigal, Sir Winston Churchill, Sassicaia, and Unico—before arriving in California, where mini-verticals in original packaging from Abreu and Araujo shine. There are also magnums of Bond Grand Crus from 2010 to 2013, and selections from other Napa greats including Colgin, Dana Estates, Harlan, Hundred Acre, Phelps Insignia, Scarecrow, and Schrader. This is a monumental collection built on passion and legacy, and every bottle is an inspiration!!!

Lots 561-654 features From Europe With Love Part II. This continental gentleman—a collector of extraordinary taste and legendary generosity—returns with another spectacular offering, featuring more than ninety exceptional selections. With a few more consignments in the pipeline, he was eager to send this one in before the tariffs hit. A true connoisseur, he is known for opening his finest bottles without hesitation, always sharing his passion for the best. The Bordeaux lineup is top-class, starring six bottles of 1998 Pétrus, along with full-case parcel lots of 1982 Cos d'Estournel, magnums of 1989 Ausone, 1994 Lafite and 2004 Latour, plus a stunning imperial of 1986 Leoville Las Cases. Red Burgundy showcases 1993 Leroy Latricières-Chambertin and parcel lots of 1990 Leroy Musigny, alongside showstoppers like 2012 Roumier Musigny, a full case of 2009 Mugneret-Gibourg Echezeaux, and full cases of Engel Clos Vougeot from the mature vintages of 1986 and 1987. On the White Burgundy front, we find treasures like 1994 D'Auvenay Chevalier-Montrachet and 1986 DRC Montrachet. The Champagne selection sabers fourteen lots of Dom Pérignon spanning 1980 to 2012, and three lots of Krug, including a 1982 magnum in OWC. A final kiss from Italy brings us Ornellaia—a perfect way to round out this exceptional offering!

Don't let it rain on your wine parade this April, and please join us on **Friday, April 11**, for this spectacular Spring sale of the finest and rarest wines! Cheers to your health and to great wine!

In Vino Veritas.

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