



Dear Client,

Following a record-breaking first quarter, we are returning to Switzerland with an outstanding spring auction on **Saturday, May 9th at 10am CET**. The sale, featuring nearly one thousand lots and over \$3 million of the world's finest and rarest wines, showcases top collections from Switzerland, Burgundy and across Europe, highlighted by these extra-special featured collections: **The Cellar of a Swiss Entrepreneur; From Europe with Love; Undisturbed: Six Decades of Collecting in Geneva; The Magnificent Collection of a Distinguished Swiss Gentleman; and Extraordinary Wines of a Swiss Doctor**. Livestreamed globally from Zurich and Geneva, the sale is further distinguished by direct offerings from **Domaine Denis Mortet, Champagne Pierre Péters, and Maison Grapé Lecocq**, with Arnaud Mortet, Rodolphe Péters, and Bernard and Charlotte Grapé joining us for the auction and some spectacular events beforehand in Zurich!



The selection of Mortet on offer is one of the largest ever offerings of **Domaine Denis Mortet**, in **lots 371-410** – more than forty extraordinary selections!! When it comes to Burgundy, the wines of Denis and now Arnaud Mortet are in rare company, but many still do not know this great Domaine because there is so little of it to go around. To get a few bottles from Arnaud is a long-term project, and this offering is years in the making! This rare and expansive selection brings together wines across formats and top vintages direct from the Domaine, as well as selections from a friend of the house, many of which were reconditioned at the Domaine in March. Every lot is a highlight, and you can expect an extensive range of **Gevrey-Chambertin, Clos Vougeot, Bonnes Mares, Chambertin**, and more, in vintages spanning four decades from 1993 to 2023!! These textured and precise wines are not only considered amongst the best in Gevrey-Chambertin, but also in all of Burgundy! Welcome and thank you, Arnaud!

Champagne Pierre Péters is one of the defining grower-producers of the Côte des Blancs, rooted in Le Mesnil-sur-Oger and led by Rodolphe Péters. Sourced entirely from estate vineyards, the wines are a pure expression of Chardonnay and chalk. Known for their precision,

tension, and clarity, these Blanc de Blancs stand among the finest and most revered in Champagne! We are exceptionally proud to welcome Rodolphe Péters and present a special selection of fifteen lots direct from their cellar in **lots 411-425**. Spanning 2010 to 2018, jewels include **L'Esprit** and L'Esprit Réserve Familiale, **Les Chétillons** and Les Chétillons Réserve Familiale, as well as **Oenothèque** releases. **Les Montjolys** and Les Montjolys Réserve Familiale further highlight the offer, alongside the rare **L'Étonnant Monsieur Victor** T.B. 17 and M.K. 14!! A votre sante!!!

Additionally, it is a great honor to offer more than **seventy lots, 583-663**, direct from the famed cellars of **Grapé Lecocq**! Founded in 1879 and home to a 1200-barrel cellar housing one of the most diverse and extensive portfolios of wines from France's best regions, this selection presents a fascinating cross-section of early twentieth-century Burgundy, mature Bordeaux, and the Rhône. This comprehensive offering is underscored with highlights of 1952 and 1959 Pétrus in magnum followed by rare pre-war vintages of Burgundy including 1926 **Chambertin** and 1928 **Gevrey-Chambertin Clos St. Jacques**! White Burgundy is also represented, with 1989 **Chablis Valmur** and 2006 **Meursault Charmes**, and the Rhône follows with a strong showing, led by rarest **Château Grillet** spanning 1977 through 1997, alongside **Châteauneuf-du-**



Pape, Condrieu, Côte-Rôtie, Hermitage, and Gigondas in various formats. All wines have remained in Namur since purchase or bottling, offering impeccable provenance!!

The Cellar of a Swiss Entrepreneur, lots 53-117, comes from a friend of the house and features sixty-five exceptional lots, many in original packaging. Bordeaux leads with magnums of 2010 **Angélus** and 2009 **Margaux** in banded OWC, alongside 2018 **Le Pin** and 2009 **Pétrus**, also in OWC, of course! Nearly forty lots of Burgundy follow, highlighted by 2018 **Dugat-Py** Chambertin, 2011 **Comte Liger-Belair** La Romanée, and 2012, 2015, and 2016 **DRC** Romanée-Conti (!!!), complemented by selections from **Rouget, Roumier, Méo-Camuzet, Mugneret-Gibourg, and Prieuré-Roch! Sassicaia**, spanning 2016–2020, is offered in banded original wooden cases, while **Colgin, Eisele Vineyard**, and **Opus One** round out the collection with some highly sought-after California.

We follow up in **lots 118-157 with From Europe With Love**. Our continental gentleman, a collector of extraordinary taste and legendary generosity, returns with forty fabulous selections of ancient wonders! Their owner is a true connoisseur who is known for opening his finest bottles without hesitation, always sharing his passion for the best. We are always grateful for his company, and his cellar! There are so many incredible old bottles in it, and we are thankful that we were able to pry a few loose from it for this auction! Ancient and mature Bordeaux set the tone, with beautiful bottles of 1929 **Calon-Ségur**, 1953 **Cheval Blanc**, 1949 **Haut-Brion**, and 1955 and 1961 **La Mission Haut-Brion**, followed by later examples including 1970 **Trotanoy** and 1989 **Montrose!!** Burgundy adds luster with 1990 **Roumier** Ruchottes-Chambertin, 1980 **Vogue** Chambolle-Musigny Les Amoureuses, and 1999 **E. Rouget** Échézeaux, while gorgeous bottles of 1986 **Raveneau** Chablis Les Clos brings classic White Burgundy into the mix. Other gems to discover include a full case of 1978 **Beaucastel** Châteauneuf-du-Pape, 1981 **Trimbach** Riesling Clos Ste. Hune, and a final flourish of a single bottle of 1925 **Castillo Ygay** Rioja!

Undisturbed: Six Decades of Collecting in Geneva, lots 158-206, includes more than fifty selections from a Swiss aficionado who has been collecting since the 1970s! With a cellar built over decades, this Geneva gentleman has brought to us one of the finest collections we have seen for our Swiss auctions so far. Every bottle's provenance has pedigree, having been stored in a climate-controlled private cellar, where they have remained undisturbed ever since. The most recent purchases date back more than twenty-five years! Bordeaux is a cornerstone, with twelve-bottle lots of **Cheval Blanc** spanning 1975 to 1985, including the celebrated 1982 vintage, alongside **Haut-Brion** from the same vintages! Additional standouts include twelve bottle lots of 1982 **Lafite**, 1979 **Lafleur**, 1971 **Latour**, 1982 **Margaux**, and 1982 **Mouton Rothschild**, as well as a case of 1967 **Yquem!** Burgundy reaches back as well, featuring rarest 1966 **Vogue** Bonnes-Mares and Les Amoureuses, 1979 **Musigny** Vieilles Vignes, and **Domaine de la Romanée-Conti** Romanée-Saint-Vivant from 1948 alongside 1965 **Richebourg! Roumier** enhances the selection with rarest 1966 Bonnes-Mares and 1964 Chambolle-Musigny Les Amoureuses, complemented by 1978 **Arnoux** Romanée-Saint-Vivant!! WOW!! Incredible wines, incredible conditions!! Don't miss this opportunity to acquire wines undisturbed for decades!

A magnificent assortment of one-hundred sixty three premium selections hails from a private collector in Switzerland who we are excited to welcome back with **The Magnificent Collection of a Distinguished Swiss Gentleman in lots 211-370**. We have tasted dozens of wines from his cellar thanks to his generous spirit. He's an old soul and his cellar is also full of soul, led by thirty-six majestic Bordeaux selections including 1961 **Beychevelle** in magnum, 1928 **Cheval Blanc**, 1949 **Calon-Ségur**, and 1959 **Latour** in magnum!! More recent treasures include 1986 **Lafite**, 1982 **Lafleur**, 1986 **Margaux**, 1989 **Palmer**, 2010 **Cheval Blanc**, and 2016 **Figeac** in magnum, alongside ten lots of **Mouton Rothschild**



highlighted by a jeroboam of 1986! More than one hundred Burgundy selections take us deeper down the rabbit hole, featuring the region's most revered Domaines. Highlights include 1985 **Rousseau** Chambertin, 1947 **Vogue** Musigny in magnum, 1991 **Dujac** Clos St-Denis, and further greats from **Duroché**, **Rouget**, and **Roumier**. A compelling lineup of White Burgundy includes 2005 **Coche-Dury** Corton-Charlemagne, 1989 DRC Montrachet, and magnums of 2006 **Leflaive** Bâtard-Montrachet, alongside rising star **Kei Shiogai** and additional selections from **Boillot**, **Ramonet**, and **Sauzet**. Elsewhere in the world, discover 1945 **Jaboulet** Hermitage La Chapelle, a twelve-bottle **Keller** assortment, and Italian masters, including large formats up to 6L, from **Giacosa**, **Conterno**, **Soldera**, and **Sassicaia**!! Let's go - what a collection!!

Extraordinary Wines of a Swiss Doctor, lots 426-582, is the third straight offering in our Swiss sales from one of the best cellars we know in Switzerland! This time there are one hundred and sixty-six lots sourced straight from his temperature-controlled cellar in Geneva. A generous and devoted wine lover, this good doctor has hosted many tremendous tastings, as he is always eager to open something extraordinary. I had the pleasure of tasting numerous wines in his cellar back to 1959, and I have always left both impressed and satisfied!! Introduced to the great French wines by his father, he has spent decades building a remarkable private collection—one that speaks to the most distinguished names across the finest wine regions of the world. His first prescription comes in the form of an inspiring assortment of Bordeaux, including a double magnum of 1990 **Cheval Blanc**, 12-bottle OWCs of 1988 **Lafite** and 1990 **Montrose**. Older tried and true remedies include 1949 **Latour** and 1947 **Mouton Rothschild**! A healthy dose of Burgundy follows, with 84 lots featuring nine selections of **Rousseau**, including a magnum of 1996 Chambertin, alongside a bottle of 1996 **d'Auvénay** Mazis-Chambertin. Nineteen lots of **Domaine de la Romanée-Conti** come into view, including Grands Échezeaux 1971, La Tâche 1985 and 1990, Romanée-Saint-Vivant 1985, a magnificent magnum of 1988, and a bottle of 1989 Romanée-Conti!! **Domaine Leroy** is remarkably well represented by twenty-five lots from the 1990s, highlighted by 1995 Corton-Renardes, 1996 Musigny, and 1995 Richebourg! White Burgundy lights up the sky with rarest bottles of 1996 **Coche-Dury** Corton-Charlemagne and 1996 **Leflaive** Montrachet!!! The Rhône arrives with 1995 **Rayas** Châteauneuf-du-Pape, **Guigal**'s La La wines from the 1970s through the 1990s, and **Chave** selections including 2000 Ermitage Cuvée Cathelin. Champagne offers the perfect tonic, with **Dom Pérignon**, **Krug**, and **Salon**, while Italy rounds out the offering with **Conterno** Monfortino Riserva arching over 1947 to 1985, and a **Sassicaia** mini-vertical spanning 1978 to 2007. **Vega Sicilia** from 1962 to 1987 accompanies select Swiss rarities!! Many lots are offered as single bottles, providing a valuable opportunity to fill gaps in your collection or secure otherwise elusive wines!! Another tremendous offering from this tremendous collection!!

Join us on Saturday, May 9th for a magnificent auction of the finest and rarest wines. Cheers to your health and to great wine! See you soon in Switzerland!

In Vino Veritas,

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