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each across any dozen \$9.99 Single bottle

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Labeye Grenache Syrah Vin de Pays d'Oc 2008 **\$ 7** 9 9

each across any dozen

Single bottle \$11.41

This classic Rhône blend has plums, wild brambles, liquorice and trademark notes of spice. The focus is here is on pure, varietal fruit.



Les Nuages Loire Sauvignon Blanc 2008 **\$0**79

each across any dozen

\$13.99 Single bottle

Our most popular imported white wine for a reason. Les Nuages offers a refined take on Sauvignon Blanc with citrus and floral notes all underpinned by mineral acidity.



Chalkboard Toscana Sangiovese 2007/08 **\$0**99

each across any dozen

\$14.27 Single bottle

A classic Sangiovese from Chianti, but we've gone against Italian law to keep it fresh under screw cap, so we can't call it so. Expect red fruits and savoury tannins.



L'Enclave des Papes Côtes-du-Rhône 2008 **\$0**99

each across any dozen

Single bottle \$14.27

"The peppery, savoury aroma has some juicy berry scents in the mix, while it tastes fresh and spicy and finishes dry."
Ralph Kyte-Powell,
The Age 20/04/10



Norton Reserva Syrah or Malbec 2006 99

each across any dozen \$15.70

Single bottle Oling to Solid Argentina's Mendoza region boasts rustic charm with liquorice and blackberry jam flavours, with ample weight and grip backed by savoury complexity.





Champy Bourgogne Pinot Noir 2007/08 Z 99

each across any dozen

Single bottle \$24.27

Arguably, the best value example of Burgundy available in this country. It's clean and bright with fresh cherries and a splash of forest floor.



La Chablisienne Le Finage Chablis 2008 **0**99

each across any dozen

Single bottle \$28.56

This Chardonnay represents one of the purest expressions of the variety. Wet pebble and citrus characters, with clean, pure flavours drawn out by mouth watering, steely acidity.



Pazo Señorans Rias Baixas Albariño 2008

each across any dozen \$35.70 Single bottle

"Light, sweet perfume and a gentle white peach nose, super delicate; the palate has neat, smooth texture. Long stone fruit finish, very balanced and even." Nick Stock, Penguin Good Australian Wine Guide 2010





## Imported Wine of the Year

Imported wine has been enjoying a renaissance in recent times and there are a few reasons for this. Producers in the classic regions of Europe have cleaned up their act, and their wineries, and most now produce technically correct wines that travel better – a trick they picked up from the Aussies stealing share in their own traditional markets.

Vintage Cellars has single-mindedly focused on finding the best producers from the world's great wine regions and – very important, this – buying direct from them to cut out the middlemen and bring these wines into the realms of everyday drinking. This has enabled us to offer Rioja under \$10, stonking reds like Labeye's Grenache Syrah from the Languedoc to paradigm-shattering reds like Norton Reserva Syrah from Argentina's famous Mendoza region.

Our winner here proves that if a wine is great and offers value, it will sell... no matter how obscure the region or varieties. Wine Club members already familiar with Casa Santos Lima's Quinta das Setencostas have made this wine the people's favourite. When we thought you just couldn't pack any more fruit and interest-grabbing savoury flavours into a Tuesday night wine, Bons Ventos proved us wrong. If there is a better wine in Australia for under \$7 in a dozen then we'd like to see it - absurd value for money!

## and the winner is...

Casa Santos Lima Bons Ventos 2008 \$699

each across any dozen
Single bottle \$9.99

Beyond Port, there is little known about Portuguese wine here in Australia. France and Italy lead the imported wine scene with Spanish wines' popularity continuing to grow. However this jam packed beauty is doing a lot to help Portugal gain lost ground. Not only has Bons Ventos found favour with wine writers, it has been the most popular wine for two years running at our International Wine Fair in Sydney. It offers black fruits, raspberries, spice, pepper and a savoury edge. It's medium bodied and ready for drinking. Relish the value.