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Society Directors' Selection Grenache 2015



Our Society Collection is at the heart of The Wine Society. It demonstrates our strong relationships with some of Australia's finest winemakers, who have dedicated their time to create wines exclusively for you at 20% less than the regular price. This vibrant Grenache was crafted by Peter Schell, winemaker at Spinifex Wines, and is a ripper of a red.

Region : Barossa Valley, SA

Notes : This old vine Grenache has an alluring bouquet of ripe cherry, redcurrant and spicy undertones. A lively and fleshy palate carries plum and raspberry flavours, while fine tannins deliver a balanced finish.

Cellar : Cellar up to 2022

Food match : Bangers and mash

Alc/Vol : 14.0%



The Pawn Wine Co. En Passant Tempranillo Montepulciano 2016



The Pawn Wine Co. began in 2002 as an experiment between friends - winemaker Tom Keelan and vigneron David Blows. Using small parcels of alternative varieties from across South Australia they wanted to create wines that reflect the true origins of those varieties. This wine combines the smooth silkiness of Tempranillo with the loud spicy characters of Montepulciano to create a fascinating blend.

Region : Adelaide Hills, SA

Notes : Bright aromas of strawberry and raspberry with hints of mint and tobacco. The palate begins with smooth, luscious flavours of forest berries and cherry and then reveals layers of liquorice, olive and peppery spice, while the earthy tannins add structure and depth.

Cellar : Cellar up to 2023

Food match : Moroccan lamb cutlets with couscous

Alc/Vol : 14.5%



Abbey Vale Premium Reserve Cabernet Merlot Malbec 2015



Situated in the Yallingup Hills in the Margaret River region, Abbey Vale uses the gravelly soil and maritime climate of its location to create well-structured, elegant and flavoursome wines. This ultra-premium wine has been crafted exclusively for The Wine Society by Jimmy Watson winner, Julian Langworthy and is a blend that is all poise, elegance and regional expression.

Region : Margaret River, WA

Notes : "This is a supremely drinkable wine that showcases the structure and poise for which Margaret River is renowned. Aromas of bitter chocolate and dark plum give way to a palate redolent in blackcurrant and dark red fruit flavours, all of which are underpinned by cedar-like oak" **Winemaker Julian Langworthy**

Cellar : Cellar up to 2025

Food match : Roast lamb leg with mint salsa

Alc/Vol : 14.0%

Hello Connoisseur's wine club member,

It is with great pride that after more than 70 years, our wine plans are still the heart of what we do. We have seen a lot of very positive change at The Wine Society over the last two years and we want to show you, in a tangible way, just how seriously we take our wine plans. I want to raise the bar for our wine club members and show you the extra mile we are willing to go to make sure you are having a great experience with these fabulous packs. I'm sure you already know that every single wine in your pack has passed a third party panel of wine show judges, sommeliers and other wine professionals. Each and every wine must reach, as a minimum, a show medal status to be considered. Then it also must pass the eagle eyes of our buying team to ensure that it delivers exceptional value for money. Every pack over delivers on value and provides you with a discount of between 20% and 40% off regular retail prices. So exceptional product at an exceptional price is what you should expect from each and every pack from The Wine Society.

Back to this delicious wine pack. Winter is now upon us and although it's cold outside, wine is always the flavour of the month inside. For your winter pack, I have worked with our buying team to sneak into each pack a couple of special value wines, some of our favourites that we normally couldn't quite justify including without a little push from the CEO. I'd like you to enjoy these wines in particular and know as you are drinking them just how much we value and respect our loyal wine club members.

The special bottles we have included in your pack this month are:

Blue Pyrenees Estate Richardson Shiraz 2014

This is usually a \$50 wine, but our longstanding relationship with Blue Pyrenees has meant we have been able to source it for our members at a special \$37.99 and we've gone all out to squeeze it in to this pack for you. A ripping winter red with all of the hallmarks of a \$50 wine.

Abbey Vale Premium Reserve Cabernet Merlot Malbec 2015

The riches keep flowing this month as we'd love to introduce you to this Best In Society red from our friends at Abbey Vale in the Margaret River. At its \$33.99 regular price, this absolutely premium Margaret River Cabernet blend is a steal. At the very special case price for those who sign up for Best In Society, \$24.99 is simply unbeatable anywhere in the market.

Society Directors' Selection Grenache 2015

We take extra special pride in our partnerships with top Australian winemakers and Peter Schnell at Spinifex in the Barossa Valley is one of the true masters of his craft. Peter makes some of the country's best Grenache and such has been the feedback from members that we've just had to include this one for you again. It's a very special wine, showcasing the nature of old vine Grenache in all its glory. Delicious with slow roasted pork shoulder (or any pork for that matter).

I hope you enjoy the special bottles I have included in your pack and I look forward to any feedback you may have at ceo@winesociety.com.au.

Best Regards,

Lloyd Heinrich
CEO • Runner • Wine lover • Foodie



Willow Bridge Estate Coat of Arms Cabernet Sauvignon 2015



Two hours south of Perth in the Ferguson Valley sub-region of Geographe is where you'll find Willow Bridge. Jeff and Vicki Dewar bought the vineyard in 1996 and enlisted the expertise of Kim Horton and Dougal Herd to create premium wines that are exceptional value for money. The Coat of Arms Cabernet Sauvignon is an intense, richly flavoured wine of outstanding merit.

Region : Geographe, WA

Notes : Fragrant aromas of mulberry and black plum on the nose follow onto the intensely layered palate where they intertwine with hints of black olive, lashings of chocolate and toasty French oak. Fine long tannins provide structure and depth.

Cellar : Cellar up to 2023

Food match : Braised beef short ribs

Alc/Vol : 14.5%



Blue Pyrenees Estate Richardson Shiraz 2014



Blue Pyrenees (led by chief winemaker Andrew Koerner) is committed to making authentic, world-class wines. The Richardson Shiraz is made in honour of Colin Richardson, the fine wine director of Blue Pyrenees, and is only produced in top vintages. This wine normally retails at \$50 but thanks to our partnership with Blue Pyrenees, we have secured it at the special price of \$37.99 and it is our gift to you.

Region : Pyrenees, VIC

Notes : Spicy blueberry aromas on the nose with hints of vanilla and herbal notes. The palate begins with ripe fruit flavours of dark berries and then reveals liquorice and forest floor characters creating a rich mouthfeel. Well-integrated oak and smooth tannins add structure and depth. A seriously well-crafted wine of class and elegance.

Cellar : Cellar up to 2024

Food match : Steak and kidney pie

Alc/Vol : 14.4%



Salomon Estate Fleurieu Peninsula Syrah V 2013



Salomon Estate uses the unique qualities of its terroir to create sophisticated and elegant reds. Owned by Bert and Gertrud Salomon, together they, and winemaker Mike Familo, use their passion for great reds to create world-class wines that receive continuous critical acclaim. Made from 95% Syrah with 5% Viognier, this wine is one of elegance and depth.

Region : Fleurieu, SA

Notes : "Shiraz was co-fermented with a small amount of viognier. This often results in some softening of the palate, but this wine retains power, concentration and texture, savoury tannins carrying the back-palate and finish to a long conclusion." **Halliday Wine Companion**

Cellar : Cellar up to 2021

Food match : Wild mushroom pappardelle

Alc/Vol : 14.5%

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