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## KENSINGTON WINE MARKET

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**Season's Greetings** to one and all! As we have for 12 Christmases past, we wish each and everyone a warm holiday season filled with the spirit of friendship and family. Our **Top 50 Picks** for 2003 represent not only our best selling wines for the year, but wines we all love to sell! Check out the inside page for details. Our **Website**, [www.kensingtonwinemarket.com](http://www.kensingtonwinemarket.com) is a year old and has already had a face-lift. The new "Home Page" is loaded with **gift and wine** ideas for **parties** and **corporate** gift giving. If you



haven't been lucky enough to **receive** one of our exquisite **gift baskets**, you can help to make someone else's Christmas **perfect** by giving one! Our **website** makes it all too easy. Just log on and we do the rest; **it's that simple**. Our ever popular **Winter Tasting** schedule will give you no end of Christmas gift giving ideas **and** our new **Gift Cards** make the perfect stocking stuffer for that "hard" to buy person on your list!

### Santa's Precious Picks

**Santa will certainly pick these wines when they arrive. Most we expect to be here for Christmas. Here's the "heads up"!**

#### La Spinetta

In the northeastern portion of the **Barbaresco** zone, Bruno, Carlo and Giorgio **Rivetti** are the masterminds behind a full line of commendable wines. Parker consistently rates these wines between 91 and 100 points. Look for: **Barbera Gallina** 2001, **Pin Monferrato Rosso** 2001, **Barbaresco Gallina** 2000, **Barbaresco Staderi** 2000 and the **Lidia Chardonnay** 2001. Pricing from mid \$50's to \$120's for the reds.

#### Castel de Paolis

**Giulio Santarelli** knew the wines of the **Frascati** zone had much more potential than the reputation earned by many of the light white wines already being made. With the help of **world renowned** enologist **Franco Bernabei**, he has made great strides. He is now considered by most critics to be Italy's **greatest** Frascati maker. Coming soon: Frascati **Campo Vecchio**, **Castel de Paolis**, **Vigna Adriana**. Pricing from the mid \$20's. Worth every penny!

#### Luca

Laura Catena, from the famed **Catena Estate** winery in **Argentina**, is now proprietress of her own **premium** label. Produced in extremely small quantities, these stunning **artisan** wines are the perfect expression of their individual **terroirs**. Soon to arrive: Cabernet, Malbec, and Syrah.

#### Kay Brothers Block 6 2001

OK, enough teasing! This highly sought-after **Shiraz** from Kay's is **actually** here. The 2001 vintage has scored a stunning **98 Points**. Make this one **first** on your Christmas list, to **give** or to **receive**. Quantities are very limited! **\$81.99**

## BYO: Bring Your Own

Changes have been made to provincial liquor laws and policies to permit patrons to bring their own wine to participating restaurants. When a customer arrives in a restaurant or club, they indicate to the staff that they have their own wine and turn it over for serving. The wine is then served in the same manner as wine selected from the menu. Restaurants or clubs that choose this option will be allowed to determine and charge a 'corkage fee' (anywhere from \$5 to \$22) for this service. Homemade wine is not allowed. For your convenience, here is a list of some restaurants, with their corkage fee. Call ahead!

#### Kensington Neighborhood

Sushi Club 283-4100	\$10 / bottle
Original Joe's 670-5637	\$15 / bottle
Osteria de Medici 283-5553	\$22 / bottle
Stromboli Inn 283-1161	\$15 / bottle
Hooked in Kensington 283-0400	\$20 / bottle
The Broken Plate 283-6300	\$15 / bottle
Charly Chan's 283-6165	\$2 / person
Moroccan Castle 283-5452	\$15 / bottle

#### Around Town

River Café 261-7670	\$20 / bottle
Murietta's 269-7707	\$22 / bottle
Diner Delux 276-5499	\$8 / bottle
Piq Niq Cafe 263-1650	\$15 / bottle
<i>Wed.'s at Piq Niq no corkage fee!</i>	
Sugo 263-1115	\$22 / bottle
Saltlik Steakhouse 537-1160	\$8 / bottle

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### ??-?-? The De-Vine Truth ??-?-??

How many corks can a cork tree produce?

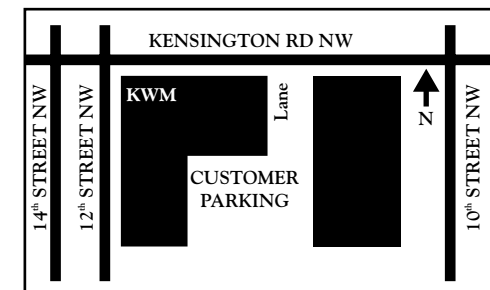
*The Whistler Tree is the oldest cork tree in existence today. It grows in the Alentejo region of Portugal and is over 212 years old. In a single year it can produce enough corks for over 100,000 bottles!*

### FREE SATURDAY TASTINGS

Drop-in from 2 to 5 PM and taste specially selected wines in an informal and relaxed atmosphere

#### STORE HOURS

Mon - Wed	10:00 - 8:00	♻️
Thur - Fri	10:00 - 9:00	♻️
Sat	10:00 - 8:00	
Sun	12:00 - 6:00	
Dec 25 - 26	Closed	
Jan 1	Closed	



# Top 50 Christmas Picks

1. **Farnese (r)** Our best selling Sangiovese. \$8.99
  2. **Dunavar Pinot Gris (w)** Best Buy 2 years running! \$ 9.49
  3. **Lurton Pinot Gris (w)** An Argentine treasure. \$9.99
  4. **Hardys Varietal Range Shiraz (r)** Wow! Fabulous value. \$10.99
  5. **Finca Los Primos (r)(x)** A very well made Malbec. \$11.99
  6. **Banrock Station Chardonnay (w)** 1 litre for 750 ml. Value! \$11.99
  7. **Los Cardos Syrah (r)** Full bodied and rich. A winner. \$11.49
  8. **Diamond Grove Chardonnay (w)** Buttery and deliciously full. \$12.99
  9. **Dominio Espinal (r)(x)** Our exclusive Spanish treasure. \$12.99
  10. **Peppermint Creek Triple White (w)** Delicately sweet. \$13.49
  11. **La Begude (w)** Totally French, totally organic, totally good. \$13.49
  12. **Graff Wehlener Sonnenuhr Riesling (w)** Perfect and elegant. \$13.49
  13. **Don Rodolfo Tannat (r)** From Argentina, intensely delicious. \$14.49
  14. **Fox Wood Free Run Rosé (r)(x)** Turkey Approved! \$14.99
  15. **Mionetto Prosecco Crown Cap (w)** Sparkling and Italian. Delicious! \$15.99
  16. **Poggerino Rosato (r)(x)** Organic rosé from Italy. Delightful. \$15.99
  17. **Il Vescovo (r)** An Italian winner. Gamay – Syrah blend. Stylish. \$16.99
  18. **Albet i Noya Cava (w)(x)** Organic, sparkling, Spanish, delish! \$17.99
  19. **Lincourt Chardonnay(w)** Best Buy! USA.Turkey Approved! \$18.99
  20. **Fouquet Silex Vouvray (w)(x)** Charming, irresistible, organic. \$19.99
  21. **La Corte Solyss (r)(x)** From Puglia, rich and very well structured. \$20.49
  22. **Ninth Island Pinot Noir (r)** Tasmanian Red, devilishly good. \$20.99
  23. **La Monacesca Verdicchio (w)(x)** Fruity and clean tasting white. \$21.99
  24. **Sportoletti Rosso (r)(x)** Merlot and Sangiovese. 91 Points Parker! \$21.49
  25. **Dumangin Champagne(w)(x)** 375ml Perfect size for breakfast. \$25.99
- Legend: red (r) – white (w) – exclusive (x)**



- Calem 1983** – Unbelievable price for this vintage. \$77.49
- Dows 1977** – A great vintage and drinking beautifully. \$152.99
- Fonseca 1997** – Powerhouse of Port wines. Top vintage. \$124.99
- Fonseca 2000** – The one we have all been waiting for! \$123.99
- Graham's 1970** – Enjoy now. The ultimate luxury. \$429.99
- Niepoort Quinta do Passadouro 2000** – Brand new to us! \$61.99
- Quinta do Vesuvio 1997** – Absolutely one of our favorites. \$119.99
- Taylor 20 Year Tawny** – The perfect wine. Silky and smooth. \$57.49
- Taylor Quinta de Vargellas 1995** – Well priced for the collector. \$59.99
- Smith Woodhouse 2000** – Legendary vintage. Exceptional price. \$71.99
- Warre's 2000** – This is the vintage to collect. Powerful. \$76.99
- Quinta do Noval Colheita 1968** – A vintage tawny. Extremely rare. \$101.49

## ??-?-? The De-Vine Truth ??-?-??

What is the “angel’s share”?

*In the process of making single malt whisky, 2% per year evaporates for each year of maturation. This is estimated to represent 150,000,000 bottles of Single Malt Whisky, per year, across Scotland! The angels are well looked after!*



# KENSINGTON WINE MARKET WINTER SESSION

1. **Introduction to Red Wine** \$35  
This class is always packed. Learn how to taste wine and discover the differences between grape varieties. **Tue Jan 20 Tue Mar 9**
2. **Single Malts – Lassies Only!** \$40  
Attention! Attention! This is an important announcement: “Miss Scotland”, our own Kathleen O'Connor is back by popular demand. **NO LADS ALLOWED!** **Thr Jan 22**
3. **Say ‘Cheese’.. with Wine** \$50  
Another special evening, featuring the sublime cheeses from Janice Beaton. Discover the basic principles of wine and cheese matching, and find out your own preferences. **Tue Jan 27 Thr Feb 26**
4. **Tight Wad Oenophile** \$30  
Quality wines don't have to be expensive. Find out which ones our staff considers good value. **Thr Jan 29**
5. **Classic Single Malts** \$45  
Our KWM classic is always a success. What better way to acquire a taste for the ole single malt without going to Scotland. All this while munching on oatcakes, smoked salmon and “haggis” **Tue Feb 3**
6. **Introduction to Port** \$40  
This course provides a rare opportunity to taste a variety of ports, comparing producers and styles. Book early, this one is popular. **Thr Feb 5**
7. **Under the Tuscan Sun** \$40  
Experience the romance of Italy with Michael Green and Dianne Lane. Just kidding! Well, we can pretend can't we? **Tue Feb 10**
8. **'He Said She Said'** \$40  
Wine therapy for couples. Join Darryl and Lisa for a fun filled evening on the politics of wine buying and tasting. **Thr Feb 12**
9. **Rare Single Malts** \$60  
Here are some of the rarest malts in the world. A wide selection ranging from distillers who have closed their doors 20 years ago to very obscure producers. **Tue Feb 17**
10. **Big House Reds** \$50  
Think rich, lush, ripe and ready! Sign up now, this class always sells out first. **Thr Feb 19**
11. **Introduction to White Wine** \$35  
Back by popular demand! Learn how to taste wine and discover the differences between grape varieties. **Tue Feb 24**
12. **Aussie Madness** \$60  
Australian wines are presently the hottest wines in the world. Don't miss this opportunity to taste this exclusive lineup of the best. Stand up format. **Fri Feb 27**
13. **Vintage Port** \$50  
Taste la “Crème de la Crème”. Made only in the best years, vintage ports are worth exploring. We will taste six vintages and analyze each house style. **Tue Mar 2**
14. **Burgundy Made Easy** \$50  
Though many a winemaker calls it the “heartbreak” grape, when well done Pinot Noir is a sublime experience. Come taste some of our best Pinot Noir and Chardonnay wines. **Thr Mar 4**
15. **Master Malt** \$75  
For the experienced connoisseur! Join Andy for a special class where the subtleties of Single Malt are thoroughly examined. This class includes a Riedel Crystal Single Malt glass. **Thr Mar 11**
16. **La Dolce Vita** \$50  
This class will make Tignanello look timid and Sassicaia look silly. Come on, treat yourself to the exceptional and rare. The price of the class is the only bargain! **Thr Mar 18**

**ALL TASTINGS ARE NON-REFUNDABLE AND NON-TRANSFERABLE**

All tastings start promptly at 7:00 P.M.

Seating is strictly limited so book early to avoid disappointment, tel.: 283-8000

It is recommended that those attending wine tastings use public transportation

Tastings are complete with light snacks

Inventory prices are subject to change

# Top 50 Christmas Picks

26. **Summerhill Baco Noir (r)** Packed with fruit flavor. Organic. \$25.49
  27. **Albet i Noya Tempranillo (r)(x)** 100% organic. Richly flavored. \$26.99
  28. **Blair Estate Napa Cabernet (r)** Totally undervalued. \$26.49
  29. **Malivoire Chardonnay (w)** Canadian award winner. Organic. \$27.49
  30. **Marcel Lapierre Morgon (r)** Handcrafted Beaujolais. Organic. \$28.49
  31. **Schug Pinot Noir (r)** American, yet so very French in style. \$28.99
  32. **Jaffurs Syrah (r)(x)** Limited edition, hand made red. Outstanding. \$29.99
  33. **Lapostolle Cuvee Alexandre Cabernet (r)** Full, rich, smooth. \$31.99
  34. **La Corte Negroamaro (r)(x)** Italy's answer to Zinfandel. Irresistible. \$33.49
  35. **Trapadis Harys (r)(x)** Harys is Syrah backwards! Rich and full. \$37.49
  36. **Walsham Bel Amour Champagne(w)(x)** Best buy in town! \$41.99
  37. **Sportoletti Villa Fidelia Bianco (w)(x)** Utterly enchanting white. \$38.99
  38. **Lucien Barrot CNP (r)(x)** Best vintage yet! Heart warming. \$38.99
  39. **Moss Wood Glenmore Cabernet (r)(x)** Western Australia. Fabulous! \$40.99
  40. **Moulinier Les Terrasse Grillees (r)(x)** 95% Syrah. A great red wine. \$40.99
  41. **Poggerino Chianti Riserva (r)(x)** Rare, concentrated, organic. \$44.99
  42. **Albet i Noya Igneus (r)(x)** Stylish and full flavored. Organic too! \$44.99
  43. **Carlisle Three Birds Blend (r)(x)** Stunning and very limited. \$49.99
  44. **Chryseia (r)** From Portugal, the crown jewel. \$67.99
  45. **Giorgio Prima La Massa (r)(x)** Glorious! Worth every \$\$\$! \$67.99
  46. **Stephan L'Aventure Optimus (r)(x)** USA a rare find. Fabulous. \$68.99
  48. **Kay's Hillside Shiraz (r)(x)** Sex in a bottle? You bet! \$69.99
  49. **Guigal Cote Rotie Brune et Blonde (r)** World's very best red. \$71.99
  50. **Yacochuya (r)** From Argentina, seductive and hedonistic. \$93.49
- Legend: red (r) – white (w) – exclusive (x)**

# The Spirit of Christmas

- Talisker Double Matured 1986** – Peaty treat from the Isle of Skye. \$64.99
- Lagavulin Doublewood 1980** – A classic. Sherry cask. \$77.99
- Lagavulin 16 Year** – The best of Islay, unusually mature. \$63.99
- Aberlour A'bunadh** – Cask strength and distinctively rich. \$70.99
- Springbank 10 Year** – The traditional Campbeltown malt. Rare. \$61.99
- Campbeltown Loch 25 Year** – A rare blend: Springbank & Longrow. \$72.99
- Arran Cask Strength** – Light and citrusy. Very popular. \$64.99
- Glendronach 15 year** – Best deal in town. Sherry sweet. \$40.99
- Peerless Bowmore 35 Year** – A rare and wonderful bottling. \$337.99
- Peerless Macallan 35 Year** – Exotic, seductive, very limited. \$338.99
- Peerless Glen Grant 32 Year** – Intense and herbal. Hand numbered. \$305.99
- Murray McDavid Caperdonich 1968** – Massive and unbelievably fruity. \$227.99
- Murray McDavid Glen Grant 1969** – Fantastic oaky heat. Delicious. \$227.99
- Murray McDavid Linkwood 1973** – Robust, rich, vibrant. \$194.99
- Macallan Speyside Replica** – Replica of the 1841 bottle. Charming. \$259.99
- Glenfiddich 21 Year Havana Reserve** – Finished in rum casks. \$139.99
- Bruichladdich 17 Year** – Celtic style in Kentucky oak. \$116.99
- Bruichladdich 1970** – Silky and smooth. Limited release. \$279.99
- Bruichladdich 1984** – Bourbon casked with a touch of peat. \$149.99

