



### World of Wine Club Selections

#### About Cono Sur Chimbarongo, Chile

Cono Sur Vineyards and Winery was founded in 1993, with the vision of producing premium, expressive and innovative wines conveying the spirit of the New World. The name refers to the company's geographic position; it represents wines proudly made in South America's Southern Cone, on whose western edge lies Chile and its gifted wine valleys. The logo also evokes a freehand drawing of the silhouette of South America.

Right from the start Cono Sur applied new ideas and technology to winemaking's traditional methods. Their main goal is to create expressive and innovative wines from the world's southernmost land.

#### Cono Sur 2010 Reserva Especial Cabernet Sauvignon Maipo Valley, Chile

This elegant and robust Cabernet Sauvignon comes from Maipo valley, Chile's most traditional origin. It displays an intense nose of ripe fruit like strawberries and plums, with final touches of sweet spices. In mouth this wine is fruity, sophisticated and rich, with blackberry and juicy plum, together with touches of toasted oak which harmonically integrate. Serve this wine with all kinds of red meats, game, hearty pastas or stews and provençal styled cheeses.

**Regular Price \$15.99 Club Price \$14.39**

#### Cono Sur 2012 Reserva Especial Sauvignon Blanc Valle de Casablanca, Chile

The strong Pacific Ocean influence and red clayish soils concur to foster this refreshing, crisp, pale yellow-green wine. In nose, fine citric notes of grapefruit combine with green apples and white peaches. It's a fresh and delicate Sauvignon Blanc, with a crisp and balanced mouth and a very pleasant minerality. This wine is perfect as an aperitif or to complement salads, seafood, sushi and light hors d'oeuvres. It's a great choice to serve next to soups like sweet corn cream, or cold cucumber soup.

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### Red Wine Lovers Club Selections

#### Creta Roble 2010 Ribera del Duero Castilla Leon, Spain

Creta is a partnership between Eric Solomon & Isaac Fernández Montaña. Isaac is one of the team of winemakers working at Mariano Garcia's family bodega, Mauro, located in Tudela del Duero. Mariano Garcia is perhaps Spain's greatest winemaker and, with thirty vintages at Vega Sicilia under his belt, he is arguably one of the finest winemakers in the world. Isaac is Mariano's nephew and great winemaking clearly seems to run in the family.

Here's what Robert Parker said about the Creta Roble, "It is not easy to find a Ribera del Duero for under \$25 a bottle, but this 100% Tempranillo aged four months in both French and American oak (70% and 30% respectively) is a joint venture between importer Eric Solomon and proprietor Isaac Fernandez. From a 70-year-old vineyard, this outstanding red wine offers notes of melted chocolate, black cherry jam, cedarwood, charcoal and damp earth. Rich, dense, supple-textured, fleshy and medium to full-bodied, it should drink well for 4-5 years. As are all of the wines in this report, it is a very impressive value." (90 points WA June 2012, 90 points IWC September 2012)

**Regular Price \$16.99 Club Price \$15.29**

#### Celler de l'Encastell 2007 Roquers de Porrera Priorat, Spain

Celler de l'Encastell is a small family-run vineyard and winery in the town of Porrera, DOQ Priorat, where "Roquers de Porrera" and "Marge" are elaborated. Grapes are sourced from two estates, "Mas d'en Caçador" & "Mas d'en Ferran", owned and looked after by several generations who were previously selling to other local wineries. Carme Figuerola and Raimon Castellví built the winery and got started in 1999, moved by their passion for wine and the exceptional quality of the soils where their vineyard grows – locally called "llicorella".

Jay Miller from the Wine Advocate said "The 2007 Roquers de Porrera (the name of an important Priorat village) is composed of 80% Garnacha and Carinena with the balance Merlot and Syrah aged for 16 months in 50% new French oak. Aromas of wet stone, licorice, underbrush, black cherry and plum lead to a silky-textured, elegant yet powerful expression of Priorat. Incipiently complex, it will benefit from another 2-3 years of bottle age and offer prime drinking from 2013 to 2022." (93 points WA April 2010, 91 points IWC November 2010)

**Regular Price \$43.99 Club Price \$39.59**

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## Northwest Club Selections

### About Lauren Ashton Cellars Woodinville, Washington

Having an affinity for wine over the years and enjoying many different wines, Kit Singh discovered the pleasures of wine while in college. Inspiration to become a winemaker came during his numerous travels to the Napa and Sonoma, fascination in the artistic process of making wine and fastidiously studying each and every book he can find on winemaking.

Kit's viticulture and enology education includes taking classes at South Seattle Community College and at the University of California at Davis. He interned at South Seattle Community College, Seattle and DeLille Cellars in Woodinville, Washington and taught wine science at South Seattle Community College. In addition, Kit went to dental school where he earned a DDS.

Utilizing his undergraduate work in Chemistry and deep-rooted science background, Kit oversees every aspect of winemaking at Lauren Ashton Cellars. He is a hands-on operator, choosing the grapes and barrels while continuously and obsessively monitoring the process of each wine barrel progression. "I look at where the grapes are coming from and want to express the grapes themselves with little intervention. I believe you have to start with great grapes, you have to taste the grapes often and guide the grapes through the vinification process", stated Kit.

Kit is a perfectionist who takes great pride in the production of every bottle of his hand-crafted wines and is a notable winemaker to watch in Washington winemaking.

### Lauren Ashton Cellars 2011 Roussanne Columbia Valley, Washington

Here is Paul Gregutt's review of the 2011 Roussane, "This stylish, well-defined Roussanne is crisp as a cucumber, with fruit flavors of citrus, green berry, apple and melon. This is immaculate and beautifully balanced." (92 Points WE November 2012)

**Regular Price \$27.99 Club Price \$25.19**

### Lauren Ashton Cellars 2009 Syrah Red Mountain, Washington

Paul Gregutt's review of the 2009 Syrah, "This is a precisely detailed wine that shows impeccable craftsmanship. The fruit is firm and balanced, pairing pure black cherry and cassis flavors with darker barrel notes of cacao and espresso." (93 Points WE November 2012, 92 points WA June 2013)

**Regular Price \$38.99 Club Price \$35.09**

## White Wine Lovers Club Selections

### Va Piano Vineyards 2012 "Bruno's" Sauvignon Blanc Columbia Valley, Washington

The inspiration for a Tuscan-themed winery came about after owner/winemaker Justin Wylie spent his senior year at Gonzaga University studying in Florence, Italy. He fell in love with the art, rustic architecture, culture, history, and warm hospitality he encountered there. Upon his return to the Walla Walla Valley (Justin is a fourth-generation native), his passion for wine making (and wine!) soon matched his passion for Tuscany and the seeds for Va Piano Vineyards were planted.

Va Piano Vineyards is inspired by Tuscany, but the wine is quintessential Walla Walla. Take your time, enjoy yourself, and participate fully in the beautiful journey.

Fresh, crisp, and clean! The 2012 Bruno's Sauvignon Blanc is pale yellow with brilliant clarity. The nose releases a flowery aroma with hints of stone fruits while the palate is full of bright tropical flavors and great acidity. The screw top provides easy opening for the lake, beach or porch!

**Regular Price \$15.99 Club Price \$14.39**

### Sparkman Cellars 2012 Pearl Sauvignon Blanc Yakima Valley, Washington

Inspired by the birth of their first daughter Stella Mae (and later, her sister Ruby Leigh), Chris and Kelly Sparkman chose a life focused on family. Their top priority is to be parents who are present for their children. They also want to share their relationship with the Earth with their kids, and to teach giving through doing. And of course, they want to have more control over their time (yeah right!).

They are privileged to have enduring relationships with the Pacific Northwest's finest growers and winemakers. With all that support, and even more from their parents, they started their little winery in 2004 in Woodinville, Washington. Their style produces artisan handcrafted award-winning wines, some of them highly sought after. Contributing to their community and to causes that resonate with their family is another way that the wine world helps make their lives rich. Their intention is to make wines that are considered among the finest available, and that will hopefully find their way onto your table.

This lovechild of the Loire Valley and New Zealand is loaded with flavors of white grapefruit, guava, honeydew melon and smells of hot sidewalk after summer rain. Pearl was pressed whole cluster, aged on lees in stainless steel and neutral French oak and received weekly battonage for six months. Tastes like summertime.

**Regular Price \$24.99 Club Price \$22.49**