



East Bay International Wine and Food Society

Top 100 III—the Sequel's Sequel

## Terrabianca Campaccio Toscana 2008



The 2009 Campaccio is very, very beautiful. It comes across as quite subtle and delicate for this wine, yet the balance is beyond reproach. Dark red cherries, licorice, menthol, flowers, spices and a subtle hint of French oak add complexity on the finish. This is a very pretty vintage for the Campaccio. Anticipated maturity: 2013-2023.

Baron Patrick de Ladoucette recently purchased \$39.99 retail price  
Terrabianca and installed Vittorio Fiore as consulting \$21.95 Sale Price  
oenologist. It will be interesting to see what emerges from this property over the coming years. Some of the early wines are, not surprisingly, quite Francophile in conception, yet are also very much works in progress.

92+ Pts. Antonio Galloni - The Wine Advocate

**92 WS Number 49 Top 100**

Vintage: 2009  
Country: Italy  
Region: Tuscany  
Winery: Terrabianca  
Varietal: Red Blend



## Allegrini Palazzo della Torre 2008

This sleek, polished red offers juicy blackberry and black fruit flavors, backed by refined tannins and well-integrated acidity. Hard to stop sipping. Corvina Veronese, Rondinella and Sangiovese. Drink now through 2020.

\$19.99 retail price  
\$14.95 Sale Price

**90 Pts. Wine Spectator**  
**#60 Wine Spectator Top 100 Wines of 2011!**

Vintage: 2008  
Size: 750ML  
Type: Wine  
Country: Italy  
Region: Veneto  
Winery: Allegrini  
Varietal: Red Blend



## Fonterutoli Chianti Classico 2009

A polished, international style, with toast and spice notes adding smoothness and depth to the black cherry and raspberry fruit. Rich and harmonious, with an impression of spice and mineral on the long aftertaste. Best from 2013 through 2024.

\$34.99 retail price  
\$23.95 Sale Price

**92 Pts. Wine Spectator**  
**#49 Wine Spectator Top 100 Wines of 2011!**

Vintage: 2009  
Size: 750ML  
Type: Wine  
Country: Italy  
Region: Tuscany  
Sub-Region: Chianti  
Winery: Fonterutoli  
Varietal: Sangiovese



## **Rocca di Frassinello Le Sughere Maremma 2009**

The 2009 Le Sughere di Frassinello is simply dazzling in this vintage. Expressive floral notes are woven throughout a fabric of vibrant dark fruit in this intense, supple red.

Racy and expressive from start to finish, the wine impresses for its fabulous harmony and ripe, explosive finish. Le Sughere is best described as the estate's second label. It is a 50% Sangiovese, 25% Merlot and 25% Cabernet Sauvignon, aged 12 months in French oak, 50% new. Anticipated maturity: 2012-2021.

\$22.99 retail price

\$15.95 Sale Price

93 Pts. Antonio Galloni - The Wine Advocate

**91 Pts. Wine Spectator**

**#69 Wine Spectator Top 100 Wines of 2011!**

Vintage: 2009

Size: 750ML

Type: Wine

Country: Italy

Region: Tuscany

Winery: Rocca di Frassinello

Varietal: Red Blend



## 2009 Beringer "Private Reserve" Napa Valley Chardonnay

93 points Robert Parker's Wine Advocate

“ The 2009 Chardonnay Private Reserve, which comes primarily from Napa’s Gamble Ranch site, is a bigger, richer, more nutty-styled Chardonnay revealing tropical fruit, butter, brioche and hazelnut characteristics. They backed off the oak in this cuvee, which results in more fruit, interest and personality. ” (12/ 2010)

**93 points Wine Spectator**

“ **\*#40 in Top 100 Wines of 2011\*** A very classy wine that combines rich, layered, complex fruit with a sense of delicacy and finesse. Full-bodied, but not heavy, offering detailed fig, melon, apple and spice. What's most impressive is the texture and length, with the flavors continuing to develop. Drink now through 2015. ” (7/ 2011)

91 points Stephen Tanzer's International Wine Cellar

“ Bright, pale, green-tinged yellow. Precise aromas of stone fruits and wild herbs lifted by floral and rocky nuances. Broad, rich and nicely dry, with a hint of leesy complexity to the stone fruit flavors. Captivating minerality gives finesse to this attractive, plump wine. ” (6/ 2011)

# 2009 Descendientes de Jose Palacios "Petalos del Bierzo" Bierzo



SKU #1076840 **93 points Wine Spectator** \$19.99/\$16.95

**(#26 on the Top 100 Wines of 2011)** This polished red shows density and harmony, with complex, well-integrated flavors of mineral, wild berry, fresh herbs and smoke. Not showy, but has character. Drink now through 2018. **"** (11/2011)

91 points Stephen Tanzer's International Wine Cellar

**"** Lurid purple. Bright, assertively perfumed aromas of blackberry, cherry, licorice and violet. Deep and spicy, offering mineral-driven dark berry flavors that show excellent clarity and a suave floral quality. Tangy acidity adds lift and cut to a long, sappy finish. This wine's blend of richness and energy is intriguing. **"** (12/2010)

90 points Robert Parker's Wine Advocate

**"** The new releases (all 100% Mencia) include the entry-level 2009 Petalos del Bierzo sourced mainly from leased vineyards with vine age ranging from 40-90 years. It was aged for a few weeks in new French barriques followed by 6-10 months in seasoned barrels. It shows lovely density and purity in an up-front style. Dark black cherries, violets, and Asian spices perch on a medium-bodied frame with

well integrated oak and an elegant personality. With excellent volume and length, it is a classy introduction to what can be achieved in the DO of Bierzo. Descendientes de Jose Palacios was founded in 1998 by Alvaro Palacios and Ricardo Perez. The estate has steep hillside vineyards ranging in age from 60-100 years planted to 100% Mencia, the indigenous grape of cool-climate Bierzo. The vineyards are biodynamically farmed and the wines are bottled without fining or filtration. It, along with the Bierzo wines of Raul Perez, is arguably the finest in the DO. **"** (6/2011)



Bodegas Godeval Valdeorras "Vina Godeval" 2010 (Valdeorras, Spain) -  
[RP 91] [ST 91] [WS 90]

Regular price: \$17.00

Case discount price: *\$15.30*

### **Product Description**

Valdeorras, Spain

Vina Godeval is a delightful white Spanish wine gem that is the perfect accompaniment to seafood. This wine comes from the Valdeorras region in the northwest of Spain. Bodegas Godeval was founded in 1986 and subsequently restored and transformed the medieval Monastery of Xagoaza into the Godeval winery. Godeval focuses exclusively on the Godello grapes grown on its 17 hectares of vineyards. This 2010 vintage of Vina Godeval earned high marks from all of the top critics, with scores of 91 from both Parker and Tanzer and 90 from Wine Spectator. It was also **selected #71 in the Wine Spectator's Top 100 for 2011!**

Vina Godeval is green-amber in color with an aromatic nose of citrus, peach, pear and bright minerality. Medium in body with crisp acidity, it offers flavors of peach, apricot, lemon, lime, grapefruit and herbal notes, with no oak. It is beautifully balanced to enjoy in its youth, over the next 3-4 years. With excellent balance and a rich, silky texture, this wine coats the palate on the finish with long-lasting flavors.

Enjoy Vina Godeval with poached salmon, grilled chicken, shellfish and spicy Asian dishes.



## 2009 Seghesio "Home Ranch" Alexander Valley Zinfandel

SKU #1068735

\$38 / \$32

**95 points Wine Spectator and #12 in Top 100 Wines of 2011:**

"A Zinfandel that has it all rich, ripe flavors, good structure and acidity, and lots of personality. Offers aromas of cherry pie and licorice that lead to complex flavors of huckleberry, toasty vanilla and smoky cracked pepper. Drink now through 2017." (10/11)







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## WINE SPECTATOR'S 2011 TOP 100 AT A GLANCE

RANK	SCORE	PRICE	WINE	RANK	SCORE	PRICE	WINE
1	95	\$52	<b>Kosta Browne</b> Pinot Noir Sonoma Coast 2009	24	97	\$60	<b>La Serena</b> Brunello di Montalcino 2006
2	96	\$90	<b>Hall</b> Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley Kathryn Hall 2008	25	93	\$24	<b>Owen Roe</b> Syrah Columbia Valley Ex Umbris 2009
3	96	\$69	<b>Domaine Huët</b> Vouvray Moelleux Clos du Bourg Première Trie 2009	26	93	\$24	<b>Descendientes de J. Palacios</b> Bierzo Pétalos 2009
4	96	\$50	<b>Campogiovanni</b> Brunello di Montalcino 2006	27	93	\$25	<b>Rusack</b> Syrah Santa Barbara County 2008
5	95	\$50	<b>Dehlinger</b> Pinot Noir Russian River Valley 2008	28	93	\$30	<b>Merry Edwards</b> Sauvignon Blanc Russian River Valley 2009
6	95	\$35	<b>Baer</b> Ursa Columbia Valley 2008	29	92	\$25	<b>Cloudy Bay</b> Sauvignon Blanc Marlborough 2010
7	95	\$55	<b>Quinta do Vallado</b> Touriga Nacional Douro 2008	30	94	\$42	<b>Sineann</b> Pinot Noir Yamhill-Carlton District Resonance Vineyard 2009
8	96	\$90	<b>Domenico Clerico</b> Barolo Ciabot Mentin Ginestra 2006	31	92	\$22	<b>Castello di Monsanto</b> Chianti Classico Riserva 2007
9	94	\$55	<b>Alain Graillot</b> Crozes-Hermitage La Guiraud 2009	32	95	\$72	<b>Andrew Will</b> Sorella Horse Heaven Hills 2008
10	94	\$58	<b>Château de St.-Cosme</b> Gigondas Valbelle 2009	33	92	\$18	<b>Château Tanunda</b> Shiraz Barossa Grand Barossa 2008
11	97	\$45	<b>Denner</b> The Dirt Worshipper Paso Robles 2008	34	93	\$25	<b>Sans Liege</b> The Offering Santa Barbara County 2008
12	95	\$38	<b>Seghesio</b> Zinfandel Alexander Valley Home Ranch 2009	35	94	\$60	<b>Two Hands</b> Shiraz Barossa Valley Bella's Garden 2009
13	95	\$55	<b>Mount Eden Vineyards</b> Chardonnay Santa Cruz Mountains 2008	36	93	\$30	<b>Terrabianca</b> Toscana Campaccio 2007
14	95	\$45	<b>Failla</b> Pinot Noir Russian River Valley Keefer Ranch 2009	37	93	\$30	<b>Tablas Creek</b> Côtes de Tablas Paso Robles 2009
15	95	\$36	<b>Efeste</b> Syrah Yakima Valley Jolie Bouche Boushey Vineyard 2008	38	93	\$33	<b>Rex Hill</b> Pinot Noir Willamette Valley 2009
16	95	\$50	<b>Rivetto</b> Barolo Serralunga 2006	39	93	\$32	<b>Tamarack</b> Cabernet Sauvignon Columbia Valley 2007
17	95	\$60	<b>Tenuta Carlina</b> Brunello di Montalcino La Togata 2006	40	93	\$37	<b>Beringer</b> Chardonnay Napa Valley Private Reserve 2009
18	94	\$30	<b>Januik</b> Cabernet Sauvignon Columbia Valley 2008	41	93	\$37	<b>L'Ecole No. 41</b> Cabernet Sauvignon Walla Walla Valley 2008
19	95	\$43	<b>Carlisle</b> Zinfandel Russian River Valley Papera Ranch 2008	42	90	\$9	<b>Quinta de Cabriz</b> Dão 2008
20	94	\$45	<b>Robert Mondavi</b> Cabernet Sauvignon Oakville 2008	43	90	\$14	<b>Gruet</b> Blanc de Noirs New Mexico NV
21	93	\$15	<b>Georges Duboeuf</b> Morgon Jean Descombes 2009	44	94	\$53	<b>Moccagatta</b> Barbaresco Bric Balin 2007
22	94	\$44	<b>Freeman</b> Pinot Noir Sonoma Coast 2009	45	92	\$25	<b>Orin Swift</b> Abstract California 2009
23	93	\$15	<b>Bodegas Resalte de Peñafiel</b> Ribera del Duero de Restia Crianza Selected Harvest 2004	46	92	\$25	<b>Argiano</b> Toscana Non Confunditur 2009
				47	92	\$22	<b>Hecht &amp; Bannier</b> Côtes du Roussillon-Villages 2008
				48	92	\$28	<b>Zenato</b> Valpolicella Superiore Ripassa 2007
				49	92	\$29	<b>Fonterutoli</b> Chianti Classico 2009
				50	98	\$175	<b>Peter Michael</b> Les Pavots Knights Valley 2008

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51	97	\$60	<b>Evening Land</b> Chardonnay Eola-Amity Hills Seven Springs Vineyard La Source 2009
52	97	\$75	<b>Saxum</b> James Berry Vineyard Paso Robles 2008
53	94	\$70	<b>Bodegas Los Astrales</b> Ribera del Duero 2008
54	92	\$22	<b>Vincent Girardin</b> Moulin-à-Vent Domaine de La Tour du Bief Clos de la Tour 2009
55	93	\$45	<b>Roederer Estate</b> Brut Anderson Valley L'Ermitage 2003
56	95	\$80	<b>Casanova di Neri</b> Brunello di Montalcino Tenuta Nuova 2006
57	93	\$37	<b>Fratelli Revello</b> Barolo 2006
58	91	\$24	<b>Bodega Catena Zapata</b> Malbec Mendoza 2009
59	90	\$18	<b>Bodegas Dinastía Vivanco</b> Rioja Selección de Familia Crianza 2008
60	90	\$20	<b>Allegrini</b> Veronese Palazzo della Torre 2008
61	90	\$22	<b>Tormaresca</b> Primitivo Salento Torcicoda 2008
62	93	\$46	<b>Quinta do Crasto</b> Douro Reserva Old Vines 2008
63	94	\$80	<b>Darioush</b> Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley 2007
64	95	\$70	<b>Quinta do Vale Meão</b> Douro 2008
65	93	\$48	<b>Shafer</b> Chardonnay Napa Valley Carneros Red Shoulder Ranch 2009
66	93	\$48	<b>Leviathan</b> California 2008
67	92	\$23	<b>Zind-Humbrecht</b> Gewürztraminer Alsace L170 2009
68	91	\$18	<b>Buehler</b> Zinfandel Napa Valley 2009
69	91	\$22	<b>Rocca di Frassinello</b> Maremma Toscana Le Sughere di Frassinello 2009
70	91	\$20	<b>Morgan</b> Chardonnay Monterey Metallico Un-Oaked 2009
71	90	\$18	<b>Bodegas Godeval</b> Valdeorras Viña Godeval 2010
72	90	\$16	<b>Ravines</b> Riesling Finger Lakes Dry 2009
73	91	\$20	<b>Fratelli Oddero</b> Barbera d'Alba 2007
74	96	\$125	<b>Marcassin</b> Chardonnay Sonoma Coast Marcassin Vineyard 2006
75	93	\$29	<b>Loring</b> Pinot Noir Russian River Valley 2009
76	92	\$35	<b>Kumeu River</b> Chardonnay Kumeu Estate 2008
77	92	\$40	<b>Ayala</b> Brut Champagne Majeur NV
78	93	\$30	<b>Markus Molitor</b> Riesling Spätlese Mosel Wehlener Sonnenuhr 2009
79	93	\$35	<b>Poggio al Tesoro</b> Bolgheri Sondaia 2008
80	96	\$150	<b>Continuum</b> Napa Valley 2008
81	92	\$28	<b>Salomon-Undhof</b> Riesling Qualitätswein Trocken Kremstal Undhof Kögl 2009
82	91	\$21	<b>Margerum</b> Sauvignon Blanc Happy Canyon of Santa Barbara Sybarite 2010
83	91	\$24	<b>Domaine Sigalas</b> Assyrtiko Santorini 2010
84	93	\$26	<b>Domaine La Monardière</b> Vacqueyras Les 2 Monardes 2009
85	97	\$125	<b>Domaine Serene</b> Pinot Noir Dundee Hills Grace Vineyard 2008
86	91	\$26	<b>Domäne Wachau</b> Grüner Veltliner Smaragd Trocken Wachau Terrassen 2009
87	90	\$26	<b>Terredora di Paolo</b> Greco di Tufo Loggia della Serra 2009
88	94	\$65	<b>Nicolis</b> Amarone della Valpolicella Classico Ambrosan 2004
89	91	\$30	<b>Telmo Rodríguez</b> Toro Gago 2007
90	94	\$65	<b>Jean-Michel Stephan</b> Côte-Rôtie 2009
91	90	\$28	<b>Bodegas Beronia</b> Rioja Gran Reserva 2001
92	92	\$32	<b>Bernard Baudry</b> Chinon Franc de Pied 2009
93	91	\$30	<b>De Morgenzon</b> Chenin Blanc Stellenbosch 2009
94	93	\$37	<b>Château Brown</b> Pessac-Léognan White 2008
95	93	\$57	<b>Château Canon-La Gaffelière</b> St.-Emilion 2008
96	93	\$55	<b>Eric &amp; Joël Durand</b> Cornas Empreintes 2009
97	93	\$65	<b>Philippe Colin</b> Chassagne-Montrachet Les Chenevottes 2008
98	92	\$45	<b>Louis Chèze</b> St.-Joseph Caroline Cuvée Prestige 2009
99	90	\$25	<b>Château Ste.-Eulalie</b> Minervois La Livinière La Cantilène 2008
100	96	\$105	<b>Bodega Noemía de Patagonia</b> Río Negro Valley 2009