

Glen Aros Wine List
(November, 2010)

New Zealand

Regional - Hawkes Bay

These are local wines of excellent value, the majority of which have achieved New Zealand acclaim.

White

Bilancia Pinot Grigio 2007 \$50

Cool fermentation has retained the clean pear and stone fruit flavours combined with a sensuous texture and delightful balance of fruit and acidity.

Alluviale Blanc (Sauvignon Blanc) 2009 \$45

Sauvignon Blanc with a splash (7%) of Semillon, this is a complex, concentrated and fragrant wine combining fresh fruit flavours, mineral notes and subtle, spicy oak with a rich texture and well-balanced acidity.

Craggy Range Kidnappers Chardonnay 2007 \$50

Crafted in a 'Chablis style', this wine shows clean citrus flavours with mineral notes.

Ngatarawa Alwyn Chardonnay 2007 \$70

2010 International Wine Challenge trophy winner. A bold, stylish wine. Silky pineapple and passionfruit overlaid with a hint of spice and a shortbread, creamy finish.

Alpha Domus Wingwalker Viognier 2009 \$45

A delicate and complex aroma of rose petal, lemon balm, peach and mineral notes. Barrel fermentation and yeast lees stirring contributes creamy vanilla and toasted brioche characters.

Red

Bilancia Pinot Noir 2006 \$50

Grown in an elevated, cooler, vineyard this wine exhibits classic Pinot characters of red fruits and forest floor, underpinned by subtle savoury oak.

Church Road Reserve Syrah 2007 \$70

Deep shiny purple black. Chocolate and mocha on the nose – it smells complex and deep, opulent and rich. In the mouth this is so smooth and creamy with ripe purple fruit and an earthy savoury depth.

Trinity Hill Gimblett Gravels Syrah 2008 \$60

Syrah co-fermented with 8% Viognier. Blackberry, black pepper, savoury and spice elements are prominent. The Viognier has added a lifted aromatic quality and softened the tannins, making the wine more feminine.

Price per 750 ml bottle unless otherwise stated, GST inclusive.

Alluviale Merlot Franc 2007	\$60
Lifted aromas of red fruits, dark chocolate, floral and savoury notes. A complex palate of cassis, prune and red berries, spicy oak and velvety tannins.	
Red Rock Gravel Pit Red 2004 (Magnum 1500ml)	\$160
Merlot predominant blended with Cabernets and Malbec this has ripe, forward blackberry fruit and dark plum aromas with hints of tobacco leaf and spice with a rich texture, good tannins and a long finish.	
Te Mata Awatea Cabernets Merlot 2007	\$85
A blend of 40% Cabernet Sauvignon, 17% Cabernet Franc, 38% Merlot and 5% Petit Verdot, the palate is rich with very fine grained tannins supporting the ripe berry fruit flavours .	
 <i>Other</i>	
Esk Valley Rose 2010	\$40
94% Merlot, 6% Malbec. Aromas of strawberry and red fruits predominate while a hint of spice from the inclusion of a small percentage of Malbec adds complexity.	
Morton Premium Brut Methode Traditionelle NV	\$70
Delicious and refreshing, a delicate sparkling white wine, with a steady bead and well rounded flavours. The palate is fresh and lively exhibiting classic fruit flavours with complexity from yeast aromas. Grape variety: Chardonnay, Pinot Meunier, and Pinot Noir.	
Morton Premium Brut Methode Traditionelle NV ½ bottle - (375ml)	\$40
Moet & Chandon Brut Imperial	\$125
Clearview Estate Sea Red 2006 (500ml)	\$60
This is a unique dessert red wine combining elements of a fruity port and sherry. Fortified to 18%, initial sweet raisin characters are followed by a soft dry spicy finish. It pairs well with cheese or chocolate.	
Matariki Late Harvest Riesling 2006 (375ml)	\$60
A luscious wine displaying honey and sweet citrus flavours balanced beautifully with a refreshing acidity.	
Trinity Hill 2007 Touriga Port	\$125
Blackberry and plum fruit aromas with spice characterise the port, with a hint of vanillin. Trinity Hill is the only grower of Touriga in New Zealand and Touriga is the greatest port variety in Portugal.	

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ARTISAN WINES - EXCLUSIVE TO THE LODGE

Two limited production, private label, wines hand-crafted by Rod Easthope, Craggy Range winemaker, and his partner, Emma. These are wines that demand the attention of the aficionado seeking a unique tasting experience.

Easthope The Gatecrasher Sauvignon Blanc 2007

\$55

In Rod and Emma's words, "Sauvignon Blanc Redefined", hence the name Gatecrasher! From an elevated Hawke's Bay site, the wine juxtaposes intensive labour in the vineyard with minimal handling in the winery. The result is, aromatically, a combination of mandarin, peach, cardamom, sage, lavender, ginger, marzipan and flint. On the palate, power, richness, weight and unparalleled length cut with a vein of sinuous steel.

Easthope The Centrefold Pinot Noir 2006

\$55

From fruit grown in a pioneer vineyard in the Wairarapa, North Island, again, this wine has been created in the vineyard and minimally handled in the winery. Taut, yet poised, the wine abounds with a wild berry perfume, truffle and liquorice. The velvety palate slowly unveils layers of dry tannin that creates a savoury finish. Wonderfully drinkable now, yet endowed with a natural structure to develop for many years to come.

New Zealand Classics

A selection of internationally recognized New Zealand wines from regions other than Hawke's Bay.

White

Pegasus Bay Riesling 2008 - Waipara \$55

Lemons, limes and mandarins come to the fore, there is a background of ripe stonefruit such as peaches and apricots. A touch of botrytis has also made the wine more full bodied and concentrated.

Cloudy Bay Sauvignon Blanc 2010 – Marlborough \$65

Aromas of ripe lime and grapefruit, tropical fruits and floral notes of orange blossom, gooseberry and sweet fennel. The wine is refined and refreshing.

Escarpment Pinot Gris 2009 – Martinborough \$60

Ripe pears and white stonefruits combine with a rich texture from barrel fermentation.

Millton Riverpoint Viognier 2009 – Gisborne \$60

Champion Viognier at 2010 Air NZ Wine awards. Intensely aromatic, with ripe-fruit characters of apricots and musk, and an oily, creamy texture.

Kumeu River Chardonnay 2008 – Auckland \$70

Beautiful peach and hazelnut aromas combine with the silky textural richness which is the hallmark of this wine.

Neudorf Moutere Chardonnay 2006 – Nelson \$140

An integrated nose pinned with mineral "wet slate" notes alongside crème caramel, grapefruit, melon and an appealing sur-tees character.

Johanneshof Gewurztraminer 2009 – Marlborough \$70

Medium sweet, but beautifully balanced, this wine has a heady nose of Turkish Delight along with spices and ginger notes. 2009 ANZWA Champion Gewurztraminer.

Red

Craggy Range Te Muna Pinot Noir 2006 – Martinborough \$100

Savoury spice notes are accented by perfumed aromas of violets, red cherry, blackberry and ruby grapefruit on the nose.

Dry River Lovat Syrah 2004 – Martinborough \$120

This wine shows lifted florals, soft white pepper and spices along with lush black plums, red berries and even hints of fresh herbs on the nose.

Peregrine Pinot Noir 2006 – Central Otago \$80

A world recognized example of a NZ Pinot Noir. The nose reveals mocha, fresh fruit and spice while the rich palate combines dark fruits, spice and ripe tannins.

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Glen Aros Library Wines

New Zealand - Hawkes Bay

We offer a selection of top Hawkes Bay wines, many of which are no longer commercially available.

Award Winners & Exceptional Red Selections from 1998-2002

1998 - *The Vintage* of the 1990s, producing exceptional, long-lived wines.

Brookfields Gold Label Cabernet/Merlot 1998 \$225

Cabernet Sauvignon 85%, Merlot 10%, Cabernet Franc 5% and matured in French oak this wine is a must for claret lovers. It shows wonderful poise and balance underpinned by a fine structure

Esk Valley Reserve Merlot/Malbec 1998 \$195

Hawke's Bay's most consistently awarded wine. Soft tannins and rich dark berries and plums combine for a velvety textured wine. The colour is still incredibly youthful.

1999 – An under-rated vintage providing more approachable wines.

Esk Valley Reserve Merlot/Malbec/Cabernet 1999 \$175

Brambly, spicy and highly fragrant, the sensual palate exhibits flavours of blackcurrant, plum and savoury oak.

Stoncroft Syrah 1999 \$175

From NZ's oldest Syrah vines this is the wine that convinced the French to import NZ Syrah! Complex berry fruits combine with a velvety texture.

Te Mata 'Coleraine' Cabernet/Merlot 1999 \$200

Highly refined and more forward than the 1998 and 2000, this wine shows classic Bordeaux features of spicy, brambly flavours and cigar box characteristics.

2000 – A top vintage, comprising wines with fine tannin structures.

Clearview Reserve Cabernet Franc 2000 \$150

Never commercially released, this deeply coloured wine is mouth filling with fragrant plum and spicy oak characteristics.

Matariki 'Quintology' Cabernet/Merlot 2000 \$150

A 5 varietal blend, this full bodied wine displays ripe berry flavours, tight grained oak and harmonious acid balance.

Unison 'Selection' Merlot/Cabernet/Syrah 2000 \$140

A vineyard selection from this tiny estate in the heart of Gimblett Gravels shows rich dark fruit and spice flavours, ripe chewy tannins, and a persistent finish.

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2001 – A low yielding vintage but producing some wines of great concentration.

Kingsley Estate Syrah 2001 \$160

The first NZ Syrah to win the Tri-Nations Wine Challenge.
An unusual but harmonious blend of Syrah 76%, Cabernet Sauvignon 12%, and Malbec 12%. Deeply coloured and rich texture with flavours of spice and blackcurrant. (Sealed under screwcap).

2002 – An excellent vintage, which also ushered in world-class Syrah wines

Trinity Hill Gimblett Road Merlot 2002 \$150

Winner of Wine State magazine's Australasian Champion Merlot 2004.
Intense primary fruit characters combine with cedar, spice and licorice derived during barrel aging (87% Merlot, 13% Cab Franc).

Newton Forrest Cornerstone Cabernet/Merlot/Malbec 2002 \$180

From one of the most underrated vineyards in Hawke's Bay, this wine is fragrant and rich with a seamless combination of blackcurrant, mint and dark chocolate.

Brookfields Hillside Syrah 2002 \$ 200

An International trophy winner, this wine reveals brambly red fruits and smoky chocolate wrapped in a silky smooth texture.

2003 – A frost impacted season where site was critical

2004 – A consistent, warm growing season producing high quality wines

Esk Valley Reserve Merlot/Malbec 2004 \$160

A deeply coloured wine shows a harmonious blend of fruitcake, plum, dark chocolate and spicy oak.

Clearview Old Olive Block Cabernet Merlot 2004 \$140

Equal portions of Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot supported by small amounts of Malbec and Cabernet Franc. Earthy cassis and plum flavours mingle with cedary oak and hints of vanillin.

Unison Syrah 2004 \$160

Still practically black in colour, the wine shows aromas of spicy black cherry and plum. The palate is packed with spice and fruit with a fine vanilla background. Champion Syrah at the 2005 Air NZ Wine Awards.

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Iconic Red Wines

The following, extremely rare, wines have been acknowledged for their outstanding quality by leading domestic and international wine critics. As such, they represent the pinnacle of Hawkes Bay red winemaking.

Esk Valley Terraces Malbec/Merlot/Franc 1998 \$320

This wine is a blend of 45% Malbec, 35% Merlot, 20% Cabernet Franc. Still incredibly youthful, the wine shows chocolate and fruit cake flavours combined with vanillin from the oak. This is an opulent wine with beautifully integrated tannins.

Te Mata Coleraine Cabernet Sauvignon Merlot 1998 \$300

A blend of 59% Cabernet Sauvignon, 43% Merlot, 7% Cabernet Franc, this wine has reaching optimum maturity, revealing spice, liquorice and cedar notes with ripe berry fruits.

Trinity Hill 'Homage' Syrah 2002 \$320

A small proportion of Viognier adds elegant floral notes to this stunning replication of a northern Rhone wine. Only 100 cases were produced.

Parker Rated Wines

The following New Zealand wines have achieved an *outstanding* rating (90-95 points) by Robert Parker, Jr. one of the world's most influential wine critics.

Craggy Range 'Le Sol' Syrah 2002 \$320

The highest ever rated NZ wine by Robert Parker. Rich, dense, dark fruits mingle with warm spice and cracked pepper in this concentrated northern Rhone style wine. 300 cases of this 100% Syrah were produced. (RP94)

Craggy Range The Quarry Cabernet Merlot 2001 (Magnum 1500mL) \$300

Very rare, first vintage release of this blend of Cabernet Sauvignon (71%), Merlot (24%), Cabernet Franc (4%) and Malbec (1%), matured in mainly new French oak for 19 months. This powerful wine shows rich brambly fruits combined with warming spice and nutty oak characters. RP rating – 90 points

Esk Valley Reserve Syrah 2002 \$240

The wine exhibits aromas and flavours of red and black fruits, blackberries and plums, with oak providing complementary notes of chocolate and toast. Only 100 cases of this wine were produced. (RP91)

Te Mata 'Coleraine' Cabernet/Merlot 2000 \$260

A stunning vintage produced a wine of great intensity and longevity. Classic spice, liquorice and cedar characters combine with ripe berry fruits. (RP91)

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California

To further excite the palate we offer a selection of four top California “Bordeaux style” wines from the Napa Valley, rated outstanding to extraordinary by Robert Parker Jr.

Dominus 1996 (PR95-100) \$320

The 1996 displays terrific richness, medium to full body, low acidity, a succulent, opulent texture, with sweet ripe tannin (82% CS, 10% CF, 4% M).

Dunn, Howell Mountain 1993 (PR95-100) \$320

This wine offers the essence of Cabernet Sauvignon in its thick, rich, pure, blackcurrant flavours. The wine is not heavy, but it is so phenomenally concentrated and extracted that it leaves the taster speechless.

Chateau Montelena, Napa Estate 1997 (PR94-98) \$320

The 1997 is as good as it gets with a dense, chewy, full bodied personality. It displays abundant cassis, mineral, and earth notes, with sweet tannin as well as a terrific finish.

Opus One 1992 (PR92) \$580

The Opus 1992, (89%CS, 8%CF, 3%M) offers a big, spicy nose of cassis, lead pencil, and smoky oak, round, full-bodied, crammed with black fruits, soft tannin, low acidity and a fleshy, full bodied finish.

France - Bordeaux

Dry red table wines, listed according to their appellation, have been selected from exceptional producers. Many of the wines are from the better years for their appellation, namely 1982, 1986, 1989, 1990, 1995, 1996 and 1998. The range offers the possibility of some interesting comparative tasting with the best New Zealand Bordeaux styles. Parker ratings are listed for each wine.

St.-Estèphe

Although these wines generally have a tougher character, less expressive and flattering bouquets, and are more stern, tannic wines than those found elsewhere in the Mèdoc, our Cos d’Estournel and Montrose selections are exceptional and top vintages for these chateaux.

Cos d’Estournel 1982 (PR 96) \$810

Cos d’Estournel 1995 (PR 95) \$390

Montrose 1989 (PR94-96) \$630

Montrose 1995 (PR93) \$320

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Pauillac

Wines from this appellation characterize what most people think of as the great Bordeaux. Classic Pauillac's have a rich black currant, cedary bouquet, followed by medium to full bodied flavours with a great deal of richness and tannin. We offer a range of vintages and include two of the famous *first growth* chateaux.

Lafite-Rothschild 1985 (PR87-90)	\$860
Lafite-Rothschild 1986 (PR100)	\$3,000
Lafite-Rothschild 1991 (PR86)	\$910
Lafite-Rothschild 1993 (PR88-93)	\$1,090
Lafite-Rothschild 1995 (PR91-95)	\$1,160
Lafite-Rothschild 1998 (PR91-98)	\$1,430
Lynch-Bages 1982 (PR94)	\$780
Lynch-Bages 1989 (PR95)	\$570
Lynch-Bages 2000 (PR95)	\$390
Latour 1990 (PR96-98)	\$2,250
Mouton-Rothschild 1982 (PR100)	\$3,130
Mouton-Rothschild 1995 (PR95-97)	\$820
Mouton-Rothschild 1996 (PR92-96)	\$1,030
Pichon-Lalande 1986 (PR 96)	\$580
Pichon-Lalande 1995 (PR 96)	\$475
Pichon-Lalande 1996 (PR 96)	\$620

St.-Julien

Similar in many ways to the wines of Pauillac, the St.-Julien wines are filled with rich currant fruit, and smell of cedar and spices. The Gruaud-Larose selection offers some of the most massive and tannic wines produced in the appellation.

Ducru-Beaucaillou 1986 (PR92)	\$490
Ducru-Beaucaillou 1995 (PR94)	\$440
Ducru-Beaucaillou 1996 (PR96)	\$510
Gruaud-Larose 1982 (PR96)	\$900
Gruaud-Larose 1986 (PR94)	\$550
Gruaud-Larose 1988 (PR89)	\$250
Gruaud-Larose 1989 (PR89)	\$290
Gruaud-Larose 1990 (PR93)	\$440
Las Cases 1986 (PR 98)	\$1,050
Las Cases 1996 (PR 98)	\$840

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Margaux

Margaux are the lightest wines of the Mèdoc but can be very seductive with a floral, berry scented bouquet, backed up by the smell of new oak.

Château Margaux 1993 (PR89-93)	\$520
Palmer 1989 (PR95)	\$780
Rausan-Segla 1986 (PR96)	\$480
Rausan-Segla 1990 (PR92)	\$440

Graves Red

This appellation produces wines that have a distinctive mineral smell as well as the scent and taste of tobacco and cedar. The *first growth* Haut Brion selections are young but ready to drink with profound balance and concentration, underpinning the character of the appellation.

Haut-Bergey 2000 (PR94)	\$180
Haut-Brion 1995 (PR96)	\$970
Haut-Brion 1998 (PR96)	\$940
Haut-Brion 1999 (PR93)	\$690
Pape-Clément 2000 (PR95)	\$320

St.-Émilion

Although there is a diversity of styles, most St-Émilions tend to be softer and fleshier wines than Médocs, but not as succulent and lush as Pomerols. They are generally higher in Merlot and Cabernet Franc components than Médocs. Diverse, appealing, and stunning selections of Premier Grand Cru Classé are offered from this appellation.

L'Angélu 1990 (PR96)	\$900
Cheval Blanc 1998 (PR93)	\$1,690
Monbousquet 1998 (PR94)	\$240
Quinault l'Enclos 1998 (PR94)	\$240
Troplong Mondot 1989 (PR96)	\$510
Troplong Mondot 1990 (PR98)	\$750

Pomerol

Pomerols, very high in Merlot, are often called the burgundies of Bordeaux because of their rich supple, supple, more monolithic personalities, but they age extremely well. The Trotanoy has the characteristic abundant black fruits of the appellation and is probably the most profound vintage for the Chateau since 1961. The La Conseillante is the best since the marvelous duo of 1989-1990.

La Conseillante 2000 (PR96)	\$560
Trotanoy 1998 (PR94-98)	\$720

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France – Burgundy

For those who like the versatility of Pinot Noir to make a wonderful match with a wide variety of foods, we offer a selection of four excellent, various styled, red Burgundies.

Robert Chevillon, Nuit St Georges les Perrieres 1999 (PR91-94)	\$205
Rene Engel, Clos de Vougeot 1996 (PR90-93)	\$425
Robert Groffier, Bonnes Mares 1996 (PR95)	\$850
Dominique Laurent, Charmes Chambertin 1995 (PR91-94)	\$350

France – Rhône (& Bandol)

Appropriately, now that there is a growing interest in producing Syrah wines in Hawkes Bay, a selection of the French Rhône red style wines is included. The dominant grape is Syrah in the northern Rhône appellations of Côte Rôtie and Hermitage, and is Grenache in the southern Rhône Châteauneuf du Pape appellation. We have also included Domaine Tempier wines from the Mediterranean appellation of Bandol where the Mourvèdre grape varietal is dominant and flourishing. Their rosé is one of the rare rosés in the world today to actually have a cult following

Côte Rôtie

Guigal, La Landonne 1997 (PR 98)	\$1,050
Guigal, La Mouline 1997 (PR 96)	\$760
Guigal, La Turquie 1996 (PR 95)	\$760

Hermitage

Chapoutier, Le Pavillon 1997 (PR96-98)	\$420
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There is wonderful concentration, massive body, and a long finish in this rich Hermitage. It displays an intense nose of blackberry intermixed with floral scents, smoke, tar, and black tea aromas.

Paul Jaboulet-Ainé, La Chapelle 1990 (PR100)	\$1,250
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This is a mammoth wine with spectacular aromatics of incense, smoke, blackberry fruit, cassis, spice and coffee intense bouquet, plenty of blackberry and cherry fruit. Abundant tannin and a 60 sec finish.

Paul Jaboulet-Ainé, La Chapelle 1997 (PR93-98)	\$300
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The 1997 La Chapelle is young but a monumental wine with intense bouquet, plenty of blackberry and cherry fruit, and in addition spicy, mineral characteristics. Decant for 12-24 hours before drinking.

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Châteauneuf du Pape

Château Beaucastel 1998 (PR95) \$400
The greatest effort since 1989 and 1990, its dense purple color is followed by sweet aromas of blackberries, licorice, new saddle leather, and earth.

Clos Du Mont-Olivet du Papet 1998 (PR92-95) \$220
This is a beautifully made old-styled Châteauneuf du Pape with notes of garrigue, pepper, cherry jam, and resiny balsam. This full bodied classic has lots of kirsch liqueur-like fruit and moderate tannins.

Domaine du Pegau, Laurence 1990 (PR91-95) \$625
The Laurence 1990, farmed organically, is an enormously constituted well evolved, thick, rich, classic old style Châteauneuf du Pape, carrying 15%+ alcohol.

Château Rayas 1995 (PR96-99) \$1,250
The 1995 is spectacular classic Rayas (100% Grenache), deeply-coloured, with black currant/creme de cassis-like characteristics, yet great structure and delineation.

Bandol

Domaine Tempier, La Tourtine (dry red) 1999 \$160
The Mourvèdre grape expresses itself fully with red berry and spice aromas, and good tannin, fruit and power on the palate.

Domaine Tempier, Rosé 2007 \$130
Salmon in color, a nose of red fruits, a rich, smooth texture and a reference point on how much flavour and character can be built into a rosé.

Italy & Spain

Felesco Montiano 1997 (PR95)	\$160
The 1997 Montiano is one of the finest Merlots made in Italy, pure and powerful, yet knit together with no hard edges and no sense of high alcohol or heaviness.	
Vajra Barola 1993	\$160
The Nebbiolo grape signature is superb in this complex, supple, opulently textured vintage.	
Ruffino Ducale Gold 1996	\$110
A chianti with lots of aromatics and ripe fruit.	
Abadia Retuerta Valdebellon 1996 (PR96-97)	\$310
Made from 100% Cabernet Sauvignon, this opaque purple wine offers up aromas of black currants, lead pencil, minerals, walnuts, and crème de cassis, and is structured, dense, and full-bodied on the palate.	
Artadi Pagos Viejos 1998 (PR96)	\$250
This Rioja Tempranillo dry red has a sweet nose of violets, black fruits, minerals, toasty new oak, and smoke. The wine is full-bodied and has a well delineated finish.	
Remirez de Ganuza Rioja 1996 (PR94)	\$145
Aromas of black currant, plum, and cherry fruit, it exhibits a full body and a concentrated feeling on the palate, with high tannin in the finish.	

Vintage Port

Fonseca 1994 (PR 97)	\$390
This port is awesomely fruity, rich and full bodied, extremely fragrant displaying jammy cassis, pepper, licorice, and truffles.	
Graham 1985 (PR96)	\$210
Graham is the star of the 1985 vintage ports. Possessing a sweeter style from a high level of black-cherry fruit, it has enormous structure, and staggering depth, dimension, and length.	
Taylor Fladgate 1994 (PR97)	\$360
This is a classically made port, crammed with black fruits, with high tannin and a more reserved, less flashy style than the 1994 Fonseca.	

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