

Mt. Carmel Wine & Spirits Co.

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"Bacchus, n. A convenient deity invented by the ancients as an excuse to get drunk."
Ambrose Bierce (1842-1914)



JOIN US SATURDAY FOR A TOUR DE FRANCE BLANC

Tomorrow we'll continue the celebration with a special tasting of French whites. You'll have the opportunity to try a white Graves in Bordeaux, an Alsace Grand Cru, a Loire, and - certainly not last - a Premier Cru White Burgundy. So stop by Mt. Carmel Wine & Spirits Co. this Saturday, July 15th, from 1-4:30pm and bring the gang. It's free to all so please stop by!

And in addition to the wines, try some great Saison Ales from 2-5pm

Summer is the perfect time of year for Saison Farmhouse Ales, as they are refreshing, fruity, and spicy. Tomorrow our resident beer enthusiast Joe will be pouring 3 fine examples. You don't have to be purely a beer lover to appreciate these!

And please stop by this Thursday from 5-7pm for what will be the first of our weekly craft brew tastings.

WINE OF THE WEEKEND

2013 Jean Becker Alsace Riesling (certified organic)

Mention Riesling and most people think of something sweet. Alsace Riesling, on the other hand, is vinified dry. It is very much the food wine and ranks as one of the most versatile in the world. The Becker family vineyard is one of the most historic in Alsace, producing wine dating back to 1610. They were also one of the first in Alsace to be certified organic. A good Alsace Riesling should be driven by terroir and Becker's is a fine example. In addition to being the perfect substitute for Chardonnay or Sauvignon Blanc with seafood dishes there is nothing better with charcuterie and smoked fish. It is the ideal pair for the famous Alsatian pork and lamb stew called Bacheofe. The steely intense fruit and citrus oil character make it perfect for a picnic or with a hot weather dinner.

This sells elsewhere for \$16.99

Our normal sale price is \$13.99

Now only \$11.99 this weekend only!

CELEBRATE BASTILLE DAY WITH TEN OF OUR VERY FAVORITE FRENCH WINE VALUES

Domaine Labbe Vin de Savoie "Abbymes"

This delicious lively white is as refreshing as the alpine air.

\$11.99

2016 Pastou Sancerre

A great Sancerre takes advantage of the limestone terroir to create the ultimate expression of Sauvignon Blanc. Pastou's is a mouthwatering textbook example.

\$19.99

2014 Trouillet Pouilly Fuisse

This estate-bottled Pouilly Fuisse is top quality. Some big box discount stores are selling it for \$29.99.

\$20.99

Paul Pernot Bourgogne Blanc

This luscious powerhouse Chardonnay is from Puligny Montrachet. It sure tastes of it.

\$23.99

2016 Coeur Esterelle Provence Rose

Bask in the warm weather with our best Provence Rose value.

\$12.99

Domaine Dupeuble Beaujolais

2015 was one of the all-time great vintages in Beaujolais and the great producer Dupeuble took full advantage. A delicious textbook example.

\$13.99

2014 Chateau de Lascaux Coteaux du Languedoc

There are intense flavors of black fruit & raspberries coupled with the characteristic earthy Garrigue to give it interest & complexity. The smooth tannins and long finish complete the package. This has always been known to be a great value from the Languedoc at its original \$17.99 price.

\$12.99

2010 Chateau Haut Laborde, Haut Medoc Bordeaux

Simply an amazing value. A great price for any Haut Medoc in the great 2010 vintage yet tastes even better. Very Pauillac-like.

\$13.99

Clermont-Tonnerre Cairanne Cotes du Rhone Villages

Find out what so many of our customers already know; this is our best Southern Rhone value. It even has that Garrigue that only the more expensive examples have.

\$11.99

2015 Magnien Bourgogne Red "Graviers"

Magnien sourced their Pinot Noir fruit from a vineyard in Chambolle Musigny. One of our absolute best red Burgundy values.

\$24.99

a great new German closeout in short supply

2012 Von Buhl Armand Kabinett Riesling, Pfaltz Germany

Located in the Pfalz region, the Von Buhl Estate has been producing wine since 1849. Their Armand Kabinett Riesling is off-dry and steely, with flavors of slate, apples, and lemon zest. It has a delicious and open style with racy minerality. It makes for an ideal aperitif on a summer afternoon, but also shines with Asian and spicy cuisine as well as cold dishes.

\$12.99 (was \$22.99) only 20 bottles

for those who missed out, we were able to get more of this fantastic white value.

2013 Adobe White, Paso Robles

A great wine for summer, Adobe White boasts exotic aromatics due largely to the high percentage of Viognier (38%) in the blend. The Grenache Blanc (35%) lends body while the Sauvignon Blanc (25%) contributes a crisp character. On the palate it's less than bone dry with hints of mango, white peach, and orange zest. This is a beauty on its own but pairs perfectly with summer salads, as well as Asian and spicy dishes.

\$5.99 (was \$13.99) only 6 more cases

a fantastic new Bordeaux arrival

2015 Chateau Gromel Bel Air Bordeaux

A luscious yet inexpensive Bordeaux from the great 2015 vintage - what's not to like? This blend of Merlot and Cabernet is downright classy, exuding the kind of richness and texture you would typically look for in a much more expensive example.

\$9.99 (was \$11.99)

2005 Duval-Leroy Blanc de Blancs Champagne Clos des Bouveries

Clos des Bouveries is an entry by Duval-Leroy into the luxury Champagne market. The 100% Chardonnay comes from Duval-Leroy's own vineyard in the Cote de Blancs, made from old vines that bring out rich Chardonnay flavors while accentuating the minerality. 2005 was a great vintage for Chardonnay in Champagne. This was partially barrel fermented to elicit extra body and richness. It is only now showing its promise and entering into its prime. Drink it now and over the next 10 years.

\$49.99 (This easily has the quality of a \$100 Champagne) only 3 cases

Can't miss wines for summer...

2016 Côte Mas Rosé Aurore, South of France

If you want to put pretension aside and grab a bargain that checks off all the boxes for what you look for in a rosé this is it. Dry, lively, refreshing, and full red fruit flavor, this is the perfect wine for your outdoor entertaining. How much of a value is it? You even get 33% more.

\$9.99 1 liter bottle (was \$14.99)

Gazela Vinho Verde

Gazela Vinho Verde has been one of our most popular summer wines for many years. This slightly spritzy quaffer from Portugal is refreshingly light in alcohol, yet dry, floral, citrusy, and lively. Both White and Rosé at the same silly price.

Only \$5.99 for either white or Rosé

2015 Caparzo Sangiovese Toscana

The great Brunello di Montalcino producer Caparzo also knows how to make the perfect summer red. This is primarily Sangiovese with a touch of Merlot added to soften it for early consumption. It has all the cherry fruit you'd want in a Sangiovese but with generous body and richness - maybe no surprise considering it's from a Brunello producer. This is a perfect barbeque wine.

\$9.99 (was \$14.99)

EVENTS

Wines of Summer

Thursday, July 20th, 5:30-7:15, Best Video in Hamden

A walk-around tasting featuring reds, whites, roses, and sparklers that are perfect for summer.

\$25.00 per person

Call Best Video to reserve, 203-287-9286

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