



## January Red 4\*2\*GO

### **2001 Bodegas Viñas Zamoranas Tresantos roble, Spain – Regularly \$9.99**

Castilla y Leon came together in 1983, when the regions of Castilla la Vieja and Leon were united to create the largest winegrowing region of Spain. Both areas are an important part of Spanish medieval history and still have many perfectly preserved cathedrals, monasteries, castles and fortified towns. Castilla y Leon lies on an elevated plain with mountains on three sides and the Duoro River on the Portugal side. It also hosts many natural parks that have cork-oak trees. The Tresantos roble is 100% Tempranillo with big oak flavors that hold up nicely to lamb or beef.

#### **88 Points – Wine Spectator**

*“Dark and sappy, this ripe red delivers punchy plum and blackberry flavors, with balance and plenty of chocolate from oak. Modern style. Drink now through 2007. 3,000 cases imported.” – T.M.*

### **2004 Mirassou Merlot, California – Regularly \$9.99**

The Mirassou’s have been growing grapes and crafting superior wines in California since 1854, earning the family the proud distinction of being America’s oldest winemaking family. In 2004 the 6th generation of this winemaking family celebrated the launch of a new line of crisp, fruit-focused wines honoring their 150th anniversary as a California winery. Grapes for the 2002 Merlot were sourced from premier California growing regions. The wine displays fresh and clean fruit flavors of dark plum, cherry, and blackberry balanced with elegant toasty aromas and hints of spice.

### **2003 Vieux Mas des Papes Red, Chateauneuf-du-Pape, France – Regularly \$24.99**

Now in their fourth generation in the southern Rhone Valley of France, the Vignobles Brunier still embrace their original philosophy that *“fine fruit is essential for a fine vintage.”* The practices of not irrigating the vineyards, organic fertilization, hand harvesting and hand sorting the grapes twice before fermentation helps to achieve that goal. This wine is a blend of mainly Grenache Noir and Mourvedre and is the second wine made from the highly regarded red Vieux Télégraphe grapes, coming from the same estate (Plateau de la Crau) and vinified and aged in the same cellars. It is made from vines under 20 years old and in some years cuvees, not selected for the famed Vieux Télégraphe blend.

#### **89 Points – Wine Spectator**

*“High-toned, with red currant and floral notes leading the way, along with mineral, vanilla, tobacco and black fruits. Easy, open-knit finish. Drink now through 2013. 5,000 cases made.” –JM*

### **2004 Trinchero Cabernet Sauvignon, Lake County – Regularly \$10.99**

In 1948, Mario Trinchero brought his wife, two sons and daughter across America from New York City to the small town of St. Helena in California’s Napa Valley. The year before, Mario and his brother John, emigrants from Italy in the 1920s, had purchased along-abandoned winery called Sutter Home. As the Trincheros begin their second 50 years in the California wine business, they have set themselves a new challenge: to use their sizeable resources to produce wines that rival the finest made in Napa Valley, wines that will honor the memory of their father. This is a powerful Cab that is deep, dense and ripe with plums, dried herbs and red earth. It delivers the warm fruit and broad mouth feel typical of Lake County Cabernet.