

## SATURDAY NIGHT SELECTIONS

- ☐ **2015 Corsini Armujan** \$25  
Barbera d'Alba  
A full rich single vineyard Barbera, Dark garnet, cherry, forest soil, agrarian tones, on the palate, the seductive cherry fruit continues, fresh, juicy, delicately created, but still with considerable muscle.
- ☐ **2012 Larose de Gruaud Saint Julian** \$35  
61% Cabernet Sauvignon, 29% Merlot, 7% Cabernet Franc, 3% Petit Verdot  
The second wine from a 2nd Growth. "Really pure, with a delightful mix of plum, cassis and black cherry. Long on the finish, with sanguine and tar notes mixed together, staying fresh. A very solid second wine." - James Molesworth 90-93 Points - Wine Spectator, 13.5% alcohol by volume
- ☐ **2011 La Fiorita Brunello di Montalcino** \$43  
Sangiovese  
A classic and complex Brunello. Tilled earth, ripe dark-skinned berry, leather and menthol aromas show this wine's Sangiovese pedigree. The robust, concentrated palate doles out crushed black cherry, raspberry jam, cinnamon, licorice and the warmth of evident alcohol—the latter a common characteristic of this hot vintage. Firm, ripe tannins provide the framework. Drink 2017-2021.
- ☐ **2015 Château Pesquie Quintessence Rouge** \$22  
80% Syrah, 20% Grenache  
The Quintessence has an intense nose with spicy notes (especially black pepper) and red berries. This very balanced wine offers very round tannins and fresh berries aromas, with some floral and spicy flavors.
- ☐ **2013 Domaine de Montvac Vaqueyras Complicité** \$22  
50% Grenache, 50% Mourvedre  
Founded in 1860, Domaine de Montvac has been passed from mother to daughter for the past three generations. It is uncommon to see these two varietals blended in these percentages. It is an amazingly complex powerhouse. Only 80 cases were made. Organic
- ☐ **2014 Fontavin Châteauneuf du Pape Cuvee Empire** \$39  
80% Grenache, 15% Syrah, 5% Mourvedre  
A bit of an unknown CNDP producer comes to Seattle through a boutique importer, but it has all the right stuff. Red fruits, liquorice and spearmint nose, in mouth it is rich with refined tannins and density, black fruits, crisp aromas evolving to truffle notes.

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