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TO BLURT OUT STORIES
BETTER NEVER TOLD."

— Homer





# TIME TO CATCH THE SCARECROW!

# 2013 SCARECROW 3 BOTTLES OWC

Noted winemaker Celia Welch and proprietor Bret Lopez launched the Scarecrow brand with the 2003 vintage and it instantly became one of Napa Valley's most collectible wines with prices soaring in the secondary auction market. On the suggestion of Inglewood proprietor John Daniel Jr., Bret's grandfather J.J. Cohn planted his famed vineyard in 1945 adjacent to the legendary Inglewood vineyard in Rutherford. Fruit originally went exclusively to Daniels and subsequently to several other high profile Napa Cabernet producers. In the early 2000s, Bret returned to Rutherford to honor his family heritage and to fulfill the promise of the J.J. Cohn Estate in the exceptional wine that is now Scarecrow. The 2013 vintage across Napa Valley has been held in the highest esteem, and this lot is a once in a lifetime offering.

Donated by: Patty and Bill McCormick

# LOT #2 LUV FROM NICELAND

## A 2023-24 WINTER ODYSSEY IN ICELAND WITH LOCAL LEGENDS ÝMIR AND HEBBA ARTHÚRSSON

7-Day, 6-Night magical holiday for **TWO** 

Plus: Business Class Air Transportation in Saga Premium Class with Icelandair; luxury accommodations, some meals, all guided adventures and much, much more

Valid 2023-2024 Winter Season; subject to availability. Must reserve well in advance.

The New York Times: "Take it from a pro travel writer – you will never, ever find better guides! I felt like I was traveling with my best friends... If I could clone them and replicate them, placing them in every country I visit, I would do it. These guys are the best, not just in Iceland, but in the world!"

Ýmir and Hebba truly are FOODIES and as such, NIceland is a "gourmet heaven" as well as a 5★★★★ guide service. You'll soon discover their passion for sharing their story, food, nature and culture with their fellow travelers. Every single minute of this singular adventure has been meticulously fashioned only for our 34th anniversary event by the Mayor of "Old Town" and Private Gourmet Guide Ýmir Arthúrsson and features:

- TWO First Class (aka Saga Class) round trip tickets to Reykjavik with Iceland Air
- Accommodations in Retreat Blue Lagoon 2 nights
- Plus: Junior Suite
- Accommodation in Parliament Hotel 4 nights
- Plus: King Junior Suite



Meet & Greet at the airport + Private Luxury Transportation to the Retreat Blue Lagoon on arrival

## Day 1 - Blue Lagoon Retreat and Spa

You will enjoy the SPA in the Blue Lagoon Retreat and charge your batteries for the coming adventures. After recharging batteries in the SPA you will be pickup for a 2 hour ATV ride through the geothermal and remote volcanic region of the Reykjanes Peninsula. Blue Lagoon Retreat and Spa features modern, exclusive suites that use clean lines and natural, local textures to create unique, warm, minimalist spaces. The hallmark is the Retreat Spa that transports your mind and body to new dimensions of peace and rejuvenation.

### Day 2 – 2 in 1 with "Reykjavik Food & Wine / Champagne & Shopping" with Ymir & Hebba

Discover why Reykjavik offers non-stop gourmet dining and the finest shopping. You won't want to miss a minute of this delightful surprise day. Ýmir is the Mayor of Old Town Reykjavik and knows every corner of the city. All we can say is, bring an extra suitcase!

#### Day 3 - Magical Iceland Private Helicopter Adventure - Fire & Ice

After a visit to Sky Lagoon, you'll tour unspoiled geothermal highlands glaciers, volcanoes and waterfalls from above. Your private Luxury Aviation adventure with Ýmir and Hebba includes exploring ice caves and glaciers where you'll drink whisky with 5000 year old ice in it. Plus, view gorgeous highlands and mysterious volcanoes, all the while enjoying continuous gourmet treats and drinks during the day. Enjoy dinner at the high end casual Brút Restaurant.

#### Day 4 - Gourmet Golden Circle

First stop is Pingvellir UNESCO reserved national park where we begin our first adventure with snorkeling in Silfra (one of the top 10 snorkeling places in the world). You will float between the two tectonic plates, the American plate and the Eurasian plate and enjoy the crystal clear water before savoring an amazing tomato feast from inside the famed Friðheimar greenhouse. Observe Gullfoss Waterfalls and Geysir. Explore your natural surroundings and learn about the REAL Iceland. Enjoy dinner after a long day of adventures in the high end casual Monkeys restaurant which is known for top quality cuisine and fantastic and fun atmosphere.

#### Day 5 - Into the Glacier

This is truly a magical experience. Your final adventure takes you to an ice cave where you'll explore the wonders of nature from the inside of Langjökull glacier. Enjoy dinner at the Food Cellar high end casual and stylish restaurant.

#### Day 6 – A visit to the #1 attraction in Reykjavik – Perlan Museum

Explore "The Pearl," one of the great architectural landmarks of Reykjavik. Experience the stunning planetarium, the world's first indoor ice cave and spectacular panoramic views of Reykjavik. Now it's time to choose the proper Viking outfit and weapon for the authentic photoshoot at Mink Photos. Game of Thrones works only with Mink photos when filming as this is the real authentic Viking gear. You will release your inner Viking while a professional photographer will capture that Viking Spirit for you to bring with you home



and on social media.

#### Day 7 – Transfer to KEF Airport via One Luxury

\*\* In addition, you will have the chance to rest and relax in the historic members-only club Kjarval with Ýmir (member #1) and Hebba.

Donated by: Gourmet Guides Ýmir and Hebba Arthúrsson • Magical Iceland • Icelandair Blue Lagoon Retreat & Spa • Parliament Hotel • 4x4 Adventures Iceland • Mink.is • Dive.is Brút Restaurant • Monkeys Restaurant • Food Cellar Restaurant • Secret Lagoon Kjarval Members Only Club • Luxury Aviation • Höldur Europcar • Friðheimar

# LOT #3 CHÂTEAU IN CHAMPAGNE THE SPLENDOR OF CHAMPAGNE FOR FIVE COUPLES

8-Day, 7-Night stay in an 18th century château

Plus: Guided tours of the famous Moët & Chandon Champagne House, sommelier-led tastings of Dom Perignon and Grand Vintage Champagnes in the cellars of Moët & Chandon, personalized booking and concierge service available to grant your every wish

Valid for two years to 5/20/25; must be booked a minimum of 60 days in advance; subject to availability. Once booked, reservations cannot be changed. Air and ground transportation not included.

An unforgettable visit to Champagne awaits your pleasure. This superbly renovated 18th century château, formerly owned by the fashion designer Karl Lagerfeld, is set in a private 25-acre park in the heart of the Champagne countryside. The castle is accommodates 10 guests amidst luxurious surroundings with every detail being held to the highest standards of taste and comfort. Two dining rooms and living rooms ensure ample space for daily activities, and each of the five King bedrooms has an en-suite bathroom. You'll find a fully equipped kitchen, heated pool, hot tub and sauna, and bicycles provided to explore the splendid park and manicured gardens. Private chef service, family-style meal delivery and picnic lunch delivery are all available. Groceries can be pre-stocked upon arrival. The famous Lac du Der is a 10-minute drive, Verdun is 1 ½ hours away and historic guides can take you to nearby WWI sites in the area. Several acclaimed restaurants are within minutes of the Château. This visit to Epernay, the Champagne capital of the world, and Avenue de Champagne (a UNESCO World Heritage site) has your name on it! What are you waiting for????!!

Donated by: Saskia Luxury Travel



# LOT #4-A and LOT #4-B PETER MICHAEL – DOUBLE THE PLEASURE

In 1982 after an extensive search for the perfect California vineyard property, Sir Peter Michael purchased a 630-acre parcel just north of Calistoga consisting of volcanic ridges along the western face of Mount St. Helena. The first red Bordeaux grapes were planted a year later, and the legend of the Peter Michael Winery began. The winery is focused on producing world class single vineyard wines in the Old World style that concentrate on depth, balance, elegance and structure. From the beginning, Sir Peter's goals were three-fold: "One, the vineyard terroir would be the single most important feature. Two, the wines would be elegant rather than overstated. Three, there would be a hundred-year commitment to the development of a great estate." Although these goals are evident in all Peter Michael wines, they reach even higher peaks in Les Pavots. This flagship Bordeaux style blend changes slightly in the Old World fashion with each vintage to express its own personality.

# LOT #4-A PETER MICHAEL LES PAVOTS

# 2008 PETER MICHAEL LES PAVOTS ETCHED 3.0L

Wine Spectator: The 2008 Les Pavots reveals a deep, layered bouquet of black cherry, licorice, black currant, blueberry pie, and blackberry combined with chocolate, vanilla, coffee, black tea, subtle spicy notes of cloves and cinnamon and its distinctive 'garrigue' touch. The complexity and intense character continue into the finish with a massive mouthfeel, lasting impressions on the palate and round, silky tannins. 2008 Les Pavots will benefit from cellaring for near term enjoyment and will age gracefully for two decades or more. The signature of Les Pavots is quite evident in this bottling and truly unique in the world of California's best wines. A beautifully etched double magnum and true collector's prize that is rarely seen.

Donated by: Bonnie and Mitch Bloom

# LOT #4-B THE PETER MICHAEL EXPERIENCE

# 2017 PETER MICHAEL LES PAVOTS ETCHED 3.0I

Plus: Private tour, extensive tasting for **SIX** and expedited membership to the active Peter Michael winery list Visit to Peter Michael Winery valid Monday-Thursday to 5/20/24 at a mutually convenient time.

Enjoy a VIP tasting of the wines in the Peter Michael portfolio. Taste how Peter Michael's founding vision of terroir-driven, handmade wines in the classic European tradition comes alive under the direction of winemaker Robert Fiore. The 2017 Les Pavots is made in the traditional Cabernet Sauvignon dominant Left Bank style exhibiting firmness and tension on the palate with an intense structural component that ensures a long live ahead. Rated 97 point with Antonio Galloni (Vinous) and 95 points by Wine Advocate, the 2017 Les Pavots holds its own with other venerable vintages from the estate.

Donated by: Peter Michael Winery



# LOT #5 RIDGE MONTE BELLO

2013 RIDGE MONTE BELLO 2017 RIDGE MONTE BELLO 1 3.0L EACH

Until his retirement in 2016, Paul Draper made the wines and oversaw the vineyards for Ridge (located in the Santa Cruz Mountains) for almost 50 years. Paul is universally recognized as one of the premier winemakers in the world and has received many honors for his expertise, including being named Decanter magazine's "Man of the Year." His philosophy has always been that the vineyard creates the wine, and every year he produced many single vineyard wines from numerous varietals and blends. Even after retirement, Paul's legacy continues. The kingpin of the vineyards – Monte Bello – surrounds the winery. Ridge has been making wine from Monte Bello since 1962, and the character of the wines has always been unique, beautifully expressing its terroir. Both 2013 and 2017 were considered outstanding years in the Santa Cruz Mountains and these wines are perfect examples. Whether a seasoned Monte Bello collector or new to the Ridge experience, both these 3.0Ls of Monte Bello are wines for your cellar.

Donated by: Ridge Vineyards

#### **LOT #6**

# THE COLLECTION FROM DOMAINE CLARENCE DILLON

# AND AN INVITATION FROM PRINCE ROBERT OF LUXEMBOURG

On behalf of Domaine Clarence Dillon, the following lot has been fashioned especial for tonight's California Winemasters:

#### The Collection:

1 magnum 2016 Château Haut-Brion rouge

1 magnum 2016 Château La Mission Haut-Brion rouge

1 magnum 2016 La Chapelle de La Mission Haut-Brion

1 magnum 2016 Château Quintus

1 magnum 2016 Le Dragon de Quintus

1 magnum 2016 Le Clarence de Haut-Brion

1 magnum each (6 total) Horizontal Collection

2016 has been hailed by critics and the international wine trade as being one of the great Bordelais vintages of the teens. It encompassed the finest of the 2014 to 2016 trifecta of greatness by combining the elegance and grace of 2014 with the powerful and structurally complete 2015. 2016 took the best of both a notch higher with increased density, precise acid balance and an even more complete textural feel. You can enjoy this unique collection now and for years to come, as it represents six magnificent examples of the Domaine Clarence Dillon's estates from the Left and Right Banks in a classic vintage and in magnum format.



#### The Experience:

A private tour and tasting (excluding weekends, bank holidays and valid until May 20, 2024) of Château La Mission Haut-Brion that promises to be simply memorable. Nothing less than the fabulous tasting experience you would expect. La Mission Haut-Brion is now one of the jewels of the Domaine Clarence Dillon, who totally renovated the château and added state-of-the-art winemaking facilities. Before entering the cellar, a veritable "cathedral of wine", you'll be welcomed in the cloister near the small Notre-Dame d'Aubrion chapel built in the late 17th century.

Donated by: Prince Robert of Luxembourg • Domaine Clarence Dillon

# IF YOU DON'T ALREADY OWN THEM, YOU NEVER WILL.

## WHAT ARE THESE YOU ASK?

LAKER FLOOR SEATS - THE VIP PACKAGE

**FOUR Floor Seats** to a selected game in the 2023-24 season (game selected by Los Angeles Lakers). **Plus:** 

- Access to the Chairman's Club
- Valet parking
- Group photo on the floor
- Game to be mutually agreed upon; not all games available. Lakers will provide options during the regular season.

But no matter how long you wait, courtside royalty never abdicate their thrones. With a decades-long waitlist, Floor Seat tickets are the most revered and coveted. Season long chairs "on the wood" are treated like priceless heirlooms and never become available to the public.

Rules & Regulations: Experience cannot be resold or re-auctioned. Travel and accommodations are not included. Decorum and adherence to all rules and guidelines are a must.

Donated by: Los Angeles Lakers



# LOT #8 CHAIRMAN'S LOT

## TUSCANY AS SEEN THROUGH AN ANTINORI WINE GLASS

5-Day, 4-Night holiday for **TWO** especially designed for you by the Antinori family

Plus: Accommodations, special dining experiences, private tours and transfers, exclusive winery visits

Valid to 5/31/24; subject to availability and at a mutually convenient time. Please request your reservation by sending Reservations Voucher at least 3 months before the date of your arrival.

#### Included:

- **Day 1: Florence.** Arrival in Florence and check-in at Antinori private apartment for two nights. Day at leisure to relax and explore Florence. Welcome dinner at Cantinetta Restaurant.
- **Day 2: Florence. Morning** Private guided tour of the historical city center Light lunch at Procacci Wine Bar. Afternoon Private guided tour of the Uffizi Gallery Dinner at Buca Lapi restaurant
- Day 3: Chianti Classico area. Private transfer from Florence to Chianti Classico area. Visit to Antinori nel Chianti Classico winery at Bargino, tour the cellars. Lunch at Rinuccio 1180 restaurant. Check in at Villa Tignanello for two nights. Dinner on property at Trattoria della Fonte.
- Day 4: Chianti Classico area. Tignanello Estate visit and lunch with tasting at the Villa. Private car service to visit the charming towns of the Chianti Classico area: Greve in Chianti, Panza no, etc. Evening arrival to Badia a Passignano; visit to the cellar underneath the abbey. Dinner at Michelin Star Osteria di Passignano

#### Day 5: Departure

The Antinori Family has been making wine since Giovanni di Piero Antinori became part of the Florence vintner's guild, the Arte Fiorentina dei Vinattieri, in 1385. The core of the Antinori philosophy is to maximize the undiscovered potential of specific wine regions, soils and microclimates while staying true to the tradition, culture, and taste that give Antinori wines their individuality. Throughout its long history, which now spans 26 generations, the family has always personally managed the business from its offices in Florence, making innovative, sometimes daring choices—but always with unwavering respect for tradition and the land. Today, Marchese Piero Antinori is Honorary Chairman of the company, which is now being run by his daughters – the 26th Generation – Albiera, Allegra and Alessia.

Twenty-six generations of the Antinori Family have produced remarkable wines. The family's winegrowing philosophy of centuries' old Tuscan and Umbrian tradition along with an innovative spirit has made Antinori the premier wine-producing family of Italy. That innovative spirit led Marchese Piero Antinori to California's Napa Valley. As an inquisitive observer of Napa Valley's own Wild West spirit, Piero Antinori developed a great appreciation for Napa Valley, a region already famous for its quality red wines. The California adventure all began in 1966 when Piero, as a young man and at the encouragement of his father, made his first visit to Napa Valley and discovered the spirit of the new frontier. Twenty years later the Antinori Family purchased land to develop this 1,170-acre Napa Valley wine estate. Piero Antinori was attracted to this spectacular property located on a high plain in the eastern mountains of the celebrated Napa Valley because of its resemblance to Tuscany. The property is in the Atlas Peak District of Napa Valley which is above and east of the Stags Leap District.



#### In addition: Antinori Napa Valley will provide:

- 4 bottles of Antinori Napa Valley 2021 A26 Chardonnay
- 4 bottles of Antinori Napa Valley 2019 Townsend Cabernet Sauvignon
- 4 bottles of Antinori Napa Valley 2021 Sangiovese

Donated by: Marchese Piero Antinori and family • Antinori Napa Valley

#### **LOT #9**

## AROHA LUXURY NEW ZEALAND TOURS PRESENTS...

# 10-NIGHT EXCLUSIVE WINE & FOOD TOUR OF NEW ZEALAND CURATED SPECIALLY FOR 2023 CALIFORNIA WINEMASTERS

Discover the wines and cuisine of both the North and South Islands and savor the wide range of tasty offerings featured on this epicurean tour. Auckland and Wellington in the North Island are among the most innovative culinary destinations in the South Pacific. Enjoy a bespoke tour of Queensland, Central Otago and much more as every detail is catered to with absolute precision and care. Farm-to-table is nothing new in New Zealand, where long-standing agricultural traditions translate to world-class cuisine. Fresh and vibrant, the South Island celebrates its world-class culinary culture with an exciting range of new restaurants and wineries.

Plus: private guided tour, the finest wineries, degustation menus, national park visits, thermal wonderland, safari, golf at the award-winning Cape Kidnappers Golf Club, a guided indigenous experience and so much more.

Accommodations at outstanding hotels including, Hotel Sofitel Auckland Viaduct Harbour, Acacia Cliffs Lodge, Mangapapa Hotel, Sofitel Wellington and Sofitel Queensland Hotel & Spa

BONUS: 200,000 AAdvantage® Miles – expire 3/3/24; air travel does not need to be completed before the expiration, but miles must be downloaded into your AAdvantage account PRIOR to the expiration date on the certificate.

#### 10-Night, 11-Day itinerary

Valid to 5/20/24; subject to availability. Must book well in advance.

- **Day 1 North Island:** Auckland and Viaduct Hotel Sofitel Auckland Viaduct Harbour (2 nights)
- Day 2 North Island: Ferry to Fullers return Waiheke Island Wine, Food and Island Tour
- Day 3 Rotorua, North Island: Te Puia Pohutu Geyser Spring, Te Ra & Hangi (Guided and indigenous experience), Wai-o-Tapu Geothermal Area, walking tour of a thermal wonderland, Huka Falls, Taupo Acacia Cliffs Lodge (1 night)
- **Day 4 Napier North Island:** Touring and tasting at Hawkes Bay Wineries Mangapapa Hotel – Hastings (2 nights)
- Day 5 Hawkes Bay North Island: Cape Kidnappers Golf Club, Te Mata Peak
- Day 6 Greytown North Island: Martinborough, Wellington Sofitel Wellington (1 night)



- **Day 7 Flight from Wellington to Queenstown South Island:** Sofitel Queenstown Hotel & Spa Queenstown (4 nights)
- Day 8 Milford Sounds South Island Air Milford Scenic flight/cruise/flight to Milford, Fiordland National Park
- Day 9 Clyde South Island: Central Otago Bannockburn Wineries, Gibson Valley, Amisfield Bistro & Cellar Door
- **Day 10 |Wanaka South Island:** Ridgeline 4WD Hills Country and Farm Station Tour with Wild Hills Safari, Mt. Aspiring National Park

### Day 11 - Transfer to airport for flight home

Your trip of a lifetime will be led by a network of guides handpicked for their wit, wisdom, unflappability, and ability to make diverse groups of people feel comfortable, welcomed and engaged. Return inspired, aware and eager to share your experiences!

You can use your AAdvantage® miles to fly to exciting destinations on American Airlines, American Eagle®, AmericanConnection®, or one of the AAdvantage® participant airlines. The itinerary you choose determines the number of miles you need to use. You can also upgrade using mileage or redeem miles with AAdvantage® participants for car rentals, hotels, shopping, financial services and more! Miles should be deposited into your AAdvantage Account ASAP.

Donated by: Aroha Luxury New Zealand Tours • American Airlines Introduction to Aroha by NZ Wine Navigator

#### **LOT #10**

## BALDACCI FAMILY VINEYARDS PRESENTS

## A "LONG" STAGS LEAP WEEKEND FOR UP TO EIGHT

Escape and enjoy a wine country stay at Baldacci Family Vineyards private hilltop estate. The home offers breathtaking views of the beautiful Stags Leap District.

#### Included:

- A 4-Day, 3-Night stay at Baldacci Family Vineyards private hilltop estate
- Private estate tour and tasting at Baldacci Family Vineyards
- Maximum EIGHT guests
- 2 Queen en suite bedrooms
- 2 Queen bedrooms with adjacent shared bathroom
- No pets
- Valid to 12/31/24; mutually agreeable dates to be determined

**Bonus:** Dinner for **EIGHT** at Celadon, an award-winning restaurant located in the Historic Napa Mill alongside the Napa River. The seasonally influenced menu features flavors from the Mediterranean, Asia, and the Americas.



Baldacci Family Vineyards is a small, family owned and operated, limited production winery located in the Stags Leap District of Napa Valley, California. Their diverse portfolio includes wines from their estate vineyards located in three distinct growing regions of the Napa Valley: Calistoga, Stags Leap District and Carneros. The vineyards are Napa Green certified, and Baldacci wines reflect this commitment to outstanding land stewardship. During your stay, you and your guests will be treated to a private tasting and tour at Baldacci Family Vineyards where you will learn about the vineyards, property and farming practices while tasting estate wines. Other comfort provisions will be provided such as a selection cheeses and charcuterie from local producers as well as a few bottles of wine perfect for sipping while the sun sets!

Donated by: Baldacci Family Estate Vineyards • Celadon

# LOT #11 THE CHAIRMEN'S LOT PRESENTED BY:

## KATHIE & MIKE GORDON, ANDY AND CARLO BRANDON-GORDON 2023 HONORARY CULINARY CHAIRMEN

PRIVATE DINNER FOR **TEN** IN THE WINE CELLAR AT TOSCANA BRENTWOOD

PRIVATE DINNER FOR **TEN** IN THE PRIVATE ROOM AT NERANO IN BEVERLY HILLS

WINE FROM THE GORDON'S SANTA YNEZ ESTATE

Both dinners valid to 5/20/24; subject to availability and at a mutually convenient time.

#### **Enjoy A Private Tuscan Dinner for TEN**

What is widely known is that Toscana sits on a piazza-like corner in the Brentwood neighborhood of Los Angeles. Its storied dining room is legendary, always brimming with guests from the entertainment industry, fashion, politics, sports, and more. What is not well-known is that there is a private wine room hidden nearby where many intimate and ridiculously fun dinners have taken place. Toscana Executive Chef Miguel Martinez will prepare a five-course dinner for ten people in the wine room. Each course will be paired with wines hand-selected by Toscana Partner/General Manager/Wine Director Roberto Facciolla. Those in attendance will receive a signed copy of Toscana's award-winning cookbook, penned by Kathie Gordon.

#### Throw A Private Party For TEN Friends Complete With Coastal Italian Cuisine At Its Finest

- Nerano owners Andy Brandon-Gordon and Carlo Brandon-Gordon have made many a pilgrimage to the Amalfi Coast where they became inspired by the temperate climate, the pure simplicity of the coastal cuisine, and the inviting Italian culture.
- In combining their individual talents with a virtuoso team of culinary and creative professionals, they are fulfilling their vision of a stunning contemporary space matched with exquisite dishes and the welcoming service they discovered in the village of Nerano.
- The restaurant is a personal ode to their favorite spot on the coast.
- Nerano's private room sits one floor above the restaurant, behind velvet curtains. Enjoy dinner for ten in this ultra-private spot. Nerano Executive Chef Michele Lisi will prepare a multi-course meal complete with wine pairings.



#### One Case of Cocobacio Wine

The vineyard where grapes are grown for Kathie and Mike Gordon's Cocobacio wine sits right outside the front door of their Santa Ynez estate. It is a blend of Sangiovese, Cabernet Sauvignon, and Syrah grapes made locally by Andrew Murray. When it came to choosing a name for their wine, the Gordons naturally turned to their beloved dogs, Coco(nut) and Bacio. Due to the extremely limited production, Cocobacio is available only at TRG restaurants. Winners will receive one case of the latest vintage.

Donated by: Kathie and Mike Gordon • Toscana Brentwood • Andy and Carlo Brandon-Gordon • Nerano

#### **LOT #12**

## CHAMPAGNE POWDER® SKI VACATION FOR FOUR

## AT THE STREAMBOAT SKI RESORT

This singular ski holiday taking place during the 2023-24 ski season includes the following:

5-day, 4-nights lodging for **FOUR** in the Steamboat Grand Hotel or equivalent accommodations (dates, property and room type as determined by Donor in its sole discretion)

**FOUR** lift tickets valid for **THREE** days consecutive skiing (including night skiing, if operating) during the trip at the Steamboat Ski Resort (lift tickets subject to the terms, conditions, limitations, releases, and restrictions thereof)

**THREE** consecutive days demo ski or snowboard rentals for **FOUR** at a Steamboat Ski & Sport Shop (rentals subject to the standard terms, conditions, restrictions, releases, and limitations of Sponsor)

An opportunity to ski with a Steamboat Olympian (subject to availability; date, time, duration, and location as determined by Donor in its sole discretion).

Valid to 4/14/24; subject to availability. Advanced Reservations are required. Peak periods include but are not limited to 12/26/23-12/31/23; 1/13-1/14/2024; 2/17-2/18/2024

Steamboat Ski Resort is a premier ski destination famous for its Champagne Powder®. The mountain is also known for its unique aspen glades, offering up some of the best tree skiing in North America.

Originally a summer resort before it became known as Ski Town, USA and renowned for its world class skiing and famed Champagne Powder®, today's passionate skiers will observe that snow falls in abundance in the winter months. Steamboat's unique mix of warm sun, cowboy boots and friendly locals lends an inviting, laid back atmosphere to the historic Colorado resort town, where western heritage meets abundant outdoor adventure. See you on the slopes!!

Donated by: Leslie Gibson and Rob Perlman • Steamboat Ski & Resort Corporation



#### **LOT #13**

# A CLASSIC WINE AND A CLASSIC WINE COUNTRY LUNCH AT COURAVANT

**FOR SIX** 

ST. HELENA, NAPA VALLEY
2017 NAPA VALLEY RESERVE RED WINE
3.0L

2020 COURAVANT PROPRIETARY RED BLEND 2021 COURAVANT BLANC 6 BOTTLES EACH (12 TOTAL)

Plus: a lunch and tasting for SIX at the CourAvant Estate in St. Helena

Valid during the warmer months until 5/20/24; subject to availability and at a mutually convenient time

Bill Harlan founded The Napa Valley Reserve in 2000 as a private club with members joining by invitation only. The wines are produced strictly for the members and not available on the retail market. It's seldom you'll find a bottle of Napa Valley Reserve Red Wine at a charity auction and even rarer, in this unique 3.0L format. A collector's dream for sure. The vineyards and winemaking of The Napa Valley Reserve are both under the able stewardship of the Harlan team to assure its members receive the highest and best quality from each vintage.

Plus, invite your closest friends to a traditional Wine Country lunch for **SIX** at the CourAvant Estate in St. Helena as guests of proprietors Sharon and Gary Lessing. Accompanying lunch on the veranda overlooking the grounds and vineyards, you will enjoy the CourAvant wines. Don't be surprised if Gary pulls a few gems from their cellar. AND, take home tonight six bottles each of the 2020 CourAvant Proprietary Blend that follows the Left Bank tradition of Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot from estate vines planted more than 20 years ago and 2021 CourAvant Blanc, a Graves-style blend of Semillon and Sauvignon Blanc. A spectacular and rare 3.0L of 2017 The Napa Valley Reserve, a mixed case of CourAvant wines and a beautiful lunch overlooking the Lessing's estate vineyards. An amazing "trifecta" for sure!

Donated by: Sharon and Gary Lessing • CourAvant

#### **LOT #14**

## FROM SPAIN TO AUSTRALIA IN STYLE

1994-1996 VEGA SICILIA UNICO RESERVA 1981, 1999 AND 2002 PENFOLDS GRANGE

1 BOTTLE EACH (6 TOTAL)

Both Vega Sicilia Unico Reserva and Penfolds Grange are perceived by consumers, the trade and wine press as among the finest wines of the world. Both have carved a unique niche for themselves and are highly regarded in the world's wine community. They are extremely difficult to find in the retail market and have become stars in the secondary market at auction.



Internationally respected wine authority Hugh Johnson once compared the wines of Spain and Bordeaux and referred to Vega Sicilia Unico as the "Latour" of Spain. It offers and infinite complexity that is gradually revealed in every sip. The palate is silky and elegant with an aging capacity rarely seen by others. Under the careful tute-lage of the Alverez family in Ribera del Duero, their Unico Reserva has maintained its sublime stature and remarkable excellence.

Penfolds Grange (known as Grange Hermitage until 1989) was the result of a "secret" experiment by Winemaker Max Schubert in 1951 following his trip to Bordeaux the year before. Schubert returned to Australia with the vision of creating a "First Growth" wine primarily from Shiraz but incorporating the techniques he observed in Bordeaux. Penfolds management was unaware of his experiment but were wise enough to appreciate the excellence of the inaugural 1951 Grange Hermitage. The rest is history as Grange has been one of the world's most highly regarded wines ever since.

Donated by: Sharon and Hal Lampert

# A MEGA COLLECTOR'S COLLECTION

2004-2006 GEMSTONE 6 BOTTLES EACH IN THREE OWCS

2013 BRAND CABERNET SAUVIGNON 3 BOTTLES OWC

2013 BRAND PROPRIETARY BLEND 3 BOTTLES OWC (24 BOTTLES TOTAL)

You may ask, what do Brand and Gemstone have in common and why are we offering them together in this unique Mega Collector's Collection? Both are small vineyard properties (Gemstone in Yountville and Brand on Pritchard Hill) that are meticulously divided into many unique vineyard blocks planted to a range of Bordelaise varieties and planted with a range of specific root stocks. Both boast relatively small tailored productions to groups of devoted followers. Both have captured the eyes and ears of famed critics awarding classic scores vintage after vintage. And, as some would say most importantly, both share the winemaking oversight and expertise of the iconic Philippe Melka to ensure the proper handling of the grapes from vineyard to bottle for maximum enjoyment. Both wines exhibit a bold yet nuanced character typical of its rocky hillside terroir and are now reaching their peak of enjoyment with years ahead as they reside on their maturity plateau.

**Donated by: Friends of Winemasters** 



#### **LOT #16**

## A WALLA WALLA, WASHINGTON EPICUREAN ADVENTURE FOR SIX

3-Day, 2-Night holiday for **SIX** especially designed for you by Winemasters Co-chairman Craig Eaton

Plus: Accommodations, private tastings at some of the area's most prestigious wineries, exceptional gourmet dining experiences

Valid to 5/20/24; subject to availability and at a mutually convenient time. Some blackout dates apply.

Even if you have visited the stunning Walla Walla wine region, you've never seen it like this!

#### Included:

- Accommodations at one of Walla Walla's trendiest hotels
- Dinner for SIX at Chef Andrae Bopp's AK Mercado paired with Mezcal cocktails
- Wine pairing dinner for six at Chef Maximillian Petty's Kinglet
- Private wine tasting with light appetizers at Cayuse. VIP tour included. (Normally available only to wine club members)
- Private wine tasting with light appetizers at Long Shadows as guests of Gilles Nicault
- Private wine tasting with light appetizers at Sleight of Hand hosted by Trey Busch
- One day Chef Andrae Bopp will create box lunches especially for your party

The Walla Walla Valley represents the best of the Pacific Northwest wine industry for very good reason. This Valley has been a regional agricultural hub for more than a century, and it still abounds with crisp apples, juicy strawberries, tender asparagus, sumptuous sweet onions, and a cornucopia of other vibrant produce. Nearly 3,000 acres of prime vineyards and more than 120 remarkable wineries are just the most recent expression of a rich farming heritage.

About your hosts: Chef Andrae Bopp's AK's Mercado is the gathering spot for locals, winemakers and tourists where everyone enjoys his award-winning cuisine. Chef Maximillian Petty and Kinglet Restaurant invite you to be in the moment and enjoy his menu reflecting the brevity of the seasons, the distinctiveness of the time, and a sense of place. Christophe Baron's Cayuse Vineyards produces biodynamic wines that constantly receive high scores and accolades from wine critics. Long Shadows is a group of ultra-premium wines with an exceptional winemaker, Gilles Nicault.

Donated by: Chef/owner Andrae Bopp, AK's Mercado • Chef/owner Maximillian Petty, Kinglet Cayuse Vineyards • Long Shadows Winery • Sleight of Hand Cellars



# WINE COUNTRY PAINTING RETREAT FOR TWO WITH PROFESSIONAL ARTIST LAURA HEATHERLY

Have you ever wanted to sip wine and paint among the vineyards in Napa Valley? Now is your chance to bid on an unforgettable experience for two guests!

## Package details include:

- 3-Days, 2-Nights in a One-bedroom Suite at Wine Country's historic Silverado Resort and Spa
- Custom dinner for two hosted by executive Chef Patrick Prager at Silverado Resort and Spa
- Painting instruction plus easels, brushes, paints and canvas
- A day of painting and instruction at the exquisite Trefethen Family Vineyards where Winery Chef Chris Kennedy will prepare a farm-to-table lunch
- Wine dinner at the home of Barbara and Allen Balik
- A day in the gardens and vineyards of Glass Slipper Vineyard estate in Coombsville
- Wine country picnic and al fresco dinner hosted by Glass Slipper proprietors Suzie and Paul Frank
- A painting "goodie bag" for you and your guests with all painting supplies and special surprises
- Finished paintings will be sent to you

Valid to 5/20/24; subject to availability and at a mutually convenient time. Please make your arrangements at least 2 months before your desired date.

PLUS: Take home tonight a 3.0L 2015 Trefethen's Dragon's Tooth

Your rendezvous begins when you arrive at the historic Silverado Resort and Spa. Located on 300 picturesque acres and surrounded by more than 400 wineries, Silverado Resort is a 150-year-old landmark in Napa Valley. After settling into your accommodations, you will enjoy a welcome reception and custom dinner prepared by Chef Patrick Prager. Laura will review all the details of what's to come so you'll be well prepared for your painting retreat!

Your class begins the next day with a walking tour of Trefethen Family Vineyards, one of Napa Valley's pioneering wineries that crafts distinguished estate grown wines expressing the unique spirit of their land, vines and people. You'll engage in a discussion with Laura about setting up the easel, paints, and using a blank canvas to create your masterpiece. Laura will guide you with composition, lighting, colors and using the right brushes for various techniques.

While at Trefethen, you'll enjoy a special farm-to-table lunch prepared by Winery Chef Chris Kennedy and sip some of Trefethen's notable wines as you view your canvas among the vines. You will have plenty of time in the afternoon to paint and enjoy the beauty that surrounds you. That night enjoy a wine pairing dinner at the home of Barbara and Allen Balik with some special surprise guests.



The following day begins with a walking tour of the exquisite gardens and vineyards of Suzie and Paul Frank's stunning Glass Slipper property in Coombsville. Engage in a discussion with Laura about taking the perfect photos with your phone for painting followed by creating art from a different perspective. You will enjoy a picnic lunch and complete the day followed by a delightful al fresco dinner with Suzie and Paul as your perfect Wine Country hosts.

### **About Artist Laura Heatherly**

Originally from Dallas, Texas, Laura Heatherly is a realist painter who draws inspiration from the beautiful surroundings that fill her life. Her passion for painting began at a young age and since that time she honed her craft in oils by studying the environment, including nature, colorful landscapes, different cultures and the themes that represent my fabulous travels to foreign lands.

She has a vast clientele list from across the country and enjoys creating masterpieces that include vivid colors and themes that people can enjoy in any room. She teaches Mindful Art painting classes, a program that creates a life-in-balance outlook to help eliminate stress, find healing and purpose.

Donated by: Laura Heatherly • Silverado Resort and Spa • Trefethen Family Vineyards Suzie and Paul Frank, Glass Slipper Vineyard • Barbara and Allen Balik

#### **LOT #18**

# FOOD, WINE, MUSIC AND THE BEST TOUR OF NASHVILLE!!

FROM "HONKY TONKS" TO FOOD AND WINE, YOU AND A GUEST WILL HAVE A FUN-FILLED EXPERIENCE WITH THIS SPECIAL TRIP TO VISIT NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE.

Package highlights include:

3-Day, 2-Night stay at the Thompson Nashville hotel

**Plus:** Private tour of the "Honky Tonks" on Broadway and a tour of the private honky tonk museum, tour of the Country Music Hall of Fame and Museum, dinner for two at one of Nashville's trendiest restaurants, tour of the Ryman Auditorium, tickets to the Grand Ole Opry with ground transportation

Plus: Ground transportation to/from the Nashville Airport

BONUS: 50,000 AAdvantage® Miles – expire 3/3/24; air travel does not need to be completed before the expiration, but miles must be downloaded into your AAdvantage account PRIOR to the expiration date on the certificate.

Package valid to 5/20/24, hotel black-out dates may apply. Excluding holidays, CMA (Country Music Awards), CMA Country Music Fest week or Indy week. Please allow 2 months ahead of time for planning.

Travel to Nashville and enjoy two fabulous nights at the Thompson Hotel where you might see a few celebrity guests in the lobby or rooftop bar.



The first stop on your list of fun will be to meet up with Brenda and Ruble Sanderson, owners of Broadway Entertainment who own some of Nashville's iconic "Honky Tonks" such as Legends Corner, Second Fiddle and The Stage on Broadway. Brenda and Ruble will give you an inside look at their bars that make music and bring people together each day. Ruble will also give you a special tour of his private museum where you will have the opportunity to see a singular collection of the history of recorded sound and music memorabilia. Brenda and Ruble will also give you passes to explore the Country Music Hall of Fame and Museum, one of the world's largest museums and research centers dedicated to the preservation and interpretation of American vernacular music.

Enjoy dinner at one of the most popular restaurants (TBD) where you can "see and be seen." Nashville has many great spots for dinner, so once your trip is booked, your restaurant reservations will be made for you and your guest. Of course, your package would not be complete without touring the Ryman Auditorium and enjoying a show at the Grand Ole Opry!

You can use your AAdvantage® miles to fly to exciting destinations on American Airlines, American Eagle®, AmericanConnection®, or one of the AAdvantage® participant airlines. The itinerary you choose determines the number of miles you need to use. You can also upgrade using mileage or redeem miles with AAdvantage® participants for car rentals, hotels, shopping, financial services and more! Miles should be deposited into your AAdvantage Account ASAP.

Donated by: Brenda and Ruble Sanderson, Broadway Entertainment • Lisa Bush, Thompson Nashville American Airlines

# SPECIAL ACOUSTIC GUITAR AUTOGRAPHED BY RANDY TRAVIS

With lifetime sales of more than 25 million, Randy Travis is one of the biggest multi-genre record sellers of all time and a 2016 inductee into the Country Music Hall of Fame class. His honors include seven Grammy Awards, 11 Academy of Country Music statuettes, 10 American Music Awards, two People's Choice awards, seven Music City News awards, eight Dove Awards from the Gospel Music Association and five Country Music Association honors.

Thanks to Conway Entertainment Group LLC / Ontourage Entertainment / CEGLIVE, a major player in country music's most historic moments, "A Culinary Evening with the California Winemasters" is fortunate to offer this special acoustic guitar personally signed by Randy Travis!

This beautiful 6-string acoustic guitar with spruce top, mahogany back and sides, mahogany neck with SlimTaper Profile, and rosewood fingerboard in natural - autographed by Travis - is perfect to place in your home or office. It makes it an incredible show piece by having the signature from such an iconic superstar artist as Randy Travis.

Donated by: Randy Travis • Conway Entertainment Group LLC / Ontourage Entertainment / CEGLIVE



# SPECIAL ACOUSTIC GUITAR AUTOGRAPHED BY ALABAMA

It's been over 50 years since a trio of young cousins left Fort Payne, Alabama, to spend the summer playing in a Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, bar called The Bowery. It took Randy Owen, Teddy Gentry and Jeff Cook six long years of tip jars and word of mouth to earn the major label deal they'd been dreaming of, but then seemingly no time at all to change the face of country music.

ALABAMA is the band that changed everything. They reeled off 21 straight #1 singles, a record that will probably never be equaled in any genre. They brought youthful energy, sex appeal and a rocking edge that broadened country's audience and opened the door to self-contained bands from then on, and they undertook a journey that led, 73 million albums later, to the Country Music Hall of Fame and the Hollywood Walk of Fame.

California Winemasters is grateful to Conway Entertainment Group LLC / Ontourage Entertainment / CEGLIVE, a major player in country music's most historic moments, for securing this special acoustic guitar personally signed by the band members of Alabama!

This beautiful 6-string acoustic guitar with spruce top, mahogany back and sides, mahogany neck with SlimTaper Profile, and rosewood fingerboard in natural - autographed by Alabama - is perfect to place in your home or office. It makes it an incredible show piece by having the signatures from such an iconic band as Alabama.

Donated by: Alabama • Conway Entertainment Group LLC / Ontourage Entertainment / CEGLIVE

#### **LOT #20**

## BEHIND THE CURTAIN AWAITS THE REAL VIETNAM

NINE MAGICAL NIGHTS FOR TWO

Experience the "real" Vietnam during this 9-Day, 8-Night odyssey in Vietnam

Valid to 5/20/24; subject to availability. Some blackout dates apply.

BONUS: 200,000 AAdvantage® Miles – expire 3/3/24; air travel does not need to be completed before the expiration, but miles must be downloaded into your AAdvantage account PRIOR to the expiration date on the certificate.

HANOI: ARCHITECTURE AND ANCIENT HISTORY - SOFITEL LEGEND METROPOLE HANOI

3-Night stay at this Forbes ★★★★ hotel

**Plus:** Premium Room with Club access, roundtrip airport transfers, a "Path of History Tour" and multi-course lunch at Le Beaulieu



Hanoi, located on the banks of the Red River, is one of the world's most ancient capitals. The moment you arrive, you'll find streets within the city center where well-preserved colonial buildings, ancient pagodas, and unique museums stand proud. Within the city, you'll also find a multicultural community with touches of Chinese, French, and Russian influences. Sofitel Legend Metropole Hanoi is an iconic award-winning luxury hotel adjacent to the Old Quarter that blends colonial heritage with neo-classical luxury, a dash of modernity and opulence of another era.

PHU YEN: CULTURAL ENRICHMENT AND NATURAL WONDER – ZANNIER HOTELS BÃI SAN HÔ

2-Night stay at the winner of "World's Best Guestroom 2022" / AHEAD Global Awards

Plus: Hill Pool Villa, daily breakfast, roundtrip airport transfers

Immerse yourself in Vietnam's rich history and traditions at this 245-acre nature and beachfront resort, set on a secluded peninsula of the Phu Yen province. The hotel features three unique dining experiences, an expansive Hoa Sen Spa and tailored excursions that continue the cultural adventure. Explore the private bay by catamaran or embark on a historic journey back to 11th-century Cham dynasty. Relaxing or exploring, this is authentic Vietnam elevated.

**CAM RANH:** A WELLNESS JOURNEY – ALMA RESORT

4-Night stay at the winner of the "Luxury Lifestyle Global Award"

Plus, this bonus: a hands-on cooking class designed to introduce you to the essence of Vietnamese cuisine and culture. One day, you'll explore the local colorful and bustling local market before visiting the charming setting of a typical Vietnamese house where the mother of one of Alma staff explains the family history and conducts a cooking class, followed by lunch. Learn how to prepare Vietnamese pancakes, fresh spring rolls, and Phở, the quintessential Vietnamese dish. After lunch, the founder of ZAZEN Travel will escort you to the Traditional Craft Village, a world of intricate handicrafts, where artisans work with their hands to create beautiful masterpieces.

Cam Ranh is considered the finest deep water shelter in Southeast Asia. Relax. Really. And, embark upon a wellness journey during this final part of your vacation. Alma Resort commands 75 acres of inspiring landscape on Cam Ranh peninsula located on an inlet of the South China Sea. You are invited to let the wellness experts guide you throughout your wellness journey, so that you feel refreshed and satisfied. You'll discover that visiting Le Spa is a total sensory adventure where the professional staff will serve you from the heart, careful never to intrude on your experience. You'll savor a wide choice of healthy foods (although an all-day buffet bliss is always available for your pleasure). Practice daily yoga, jog on the beach or include a fitness routine at the resort gym. Your goal during your stay at Alma Resort is to reset, rejuvenate and revive!

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Donated by: Sofitel Legend Metropole Hanoi • Zannier Hotels Bai San Ho • Alma Resort Herbert Laubichler-Pichler • ZAZEN Travel • American Airlines



#### **LOT #21**

## A TAILOR-MADE SOUTH AFRICA EZULWINI PHOTO SAFARI FOR TWO

"THIS VIEW NEVER GETS OLD!"

7-Day, 6-Night stay in two 5★★★★luxury South Africa properties

Plus: all-inclusive, ideal location on the unfenced border of Kruger National Park

Valid for two years to 5/20/**25**; subject to availability. Stays between December 15 to January 15 are subject to a high season surcharge. Extensions may be made for an additional charge. Winners should make their reservations at least 90 days prior to arrival. Transfers are not included.

This safari promises unbeatable vistas, an astounding amount of wildlife and spectacular big-game viewing (NO HUNTING) and an experience that will create lifelong memories! Guests will enjoy all-inclusive 3 nights in 1 of 4 chalets at Ezulwini River Lodge. This stunning property lies low on the banks of the Olifants River with a timber viewing deck (perfect for bird photography) under sweeping fig and mahogany trees making it a nature lover's paradise. Billy's Lodge (where you will enjoy another 3 nights) is located in the Big 5 Balule Nature Reserve in a pristine region of Limpopo Province and features three luxury chalets and one of the finest wine cellars in Africa.

Once you arrive at the Hoedspruit airport (HDS), your personal concierge will help arrange your transfer to the Ezulwini Lodges (about a 35 minute drive. It's like your own introductory safari ride). She is also available to assist with all planning and any other travel needs.

#### Your all-inclusive photo safari includes:

- Ezulwini lodging in beautiful luxury en suite chalets with attentive and energetic Ezulwini staff
- Two amazing game drives per day with highly skilled field guides seeking the BIG FIVE (lion, leopard, rhino, elephant and African buffalo)
- Morning coffee stop and sundowners in the bush
- Wine tasting in the underground wine cellar cave!
- Fabulous authentic South African meals
- Local beers, house wines and all non-alcoholic beverages
- BOMA Evening BBQ (special South African evening around campfire and candlelight) with music and entertainment by South African tribal dancers
- WiFi

Additional nights, accompanying guests, and upgrades to ultra-luxury suites are available at a special price. (Children 10 and up LOVE this adventure! Children ages 6-10 are welcome but may require private game drives for your family at a small fee in respect and relaxation for all guests.) Your esteemed presence will help Ezulwini achieve their vision of land conservation, wildlife protection, employment and non-profit efforts in this area of South Africa.

Donated by: Ezulwini Photo Safari Lodges, South Africa



# MAO RAK (DRUNK ON LOVE) IN THAILAND SEVEN MAGICAL NIGHTS FOR TWO

8-Day, 7-Night stay for **TWO** 

Plus: Deluxe accommodations at all resorts, daily breakfasts, 130,000 AAdvantage® Miles

Valid to 5/20/24; subject to availability. Some blackout dates apply.

The ultimate romantic vacation awaits you in Thailand with stays at these luxurious hotels:

BONUS: 130,000 AAdvantage® Miles – expire 3/3/24; air travel does not need to be completed before the expiration, but miles must be downloaded into your AAdvantage account PRIOR to the expiration date on the certificate.

#### Welcome to 137 Pillars House - Chiang Mai

2-Night stay

Plus: Rajah Brooke Suite, daily breakfast

Valid to 5/31/24, excluding some holidays and blackout dates

Stay where elegance, luxury and history meet. 137 Pillars House boutique hotel in Chiang Mai is a nostalgic blend of historic Thai architecture and sleek modern design, with delicious dining, a sublime spa and dramatic pool. Set in the arty Wat Gate district, it was once home to Louis Leonowens, son of schoolteacher Anna (of Anna and the King movie fame). Your Rajah Brooke Suite extends to an airy vintage tiled verandah overlooking tropical gardens with cane shades for privacy, rattan planter's chair and plush day bed. You'll also enjoy indoor/outdoor showers and a free-standing Victorian bathtub in your en suite bathroom.

#### Welcome to Pimalai Resort & Spa - Koh Lanta, Krabi

3-Night stay

Plus: Hillside Ocean View Pool Villa, daily breakfast, roundtrip airport transfers

Valid to 5/31/24; excluding some holidays and blackout dates

Koh Lanta, Thailand is calling... experience peace, serenity, solitude... during a romantic holiday in a 2,150-square foot hillside Pool Villa at Pimalai Resort & Spa, set in a serene rainforest and offering unrivalled ocean views. Enjoy the luxury and isolation of your villa, its natural surroundings and refreshing dips in your own infinity pool at *Conde Nast Traveler's* Leader Choice Award winner for Best Resort in Asia. For those who want to enjoy a luxury vacation while knowing they are not contributing to the degradation of the environment, then a holiday at Pimalai Resort & Spa is a perfect choice. Pimalai may be quiet but there are a host of things to do; elephant riding, sailing, nature trekking, Thai cooking classes and of course, surrounding islands waiting for your discovery. Pimalai also offers you a comprehensive Gold Palm PADI dive center. Finally, Pimalai Spa is a haven for peace, relaxation and tranquility.



#### Conclude your holiday in Bangkok at 137 Pillars Suites – Bangkok

2-Night stay

Plus: Ayutthaya Suite, daily breakfast

Valid to 5/20/24; excluding some holidays and blackout dates

Soaring above the streets of Bangkok, 137 Pillars Suites is a distinctive boutique hotel designed with ultimate luxury in mind. Occupying the uppermost levels of this bespoke building, the exquisitely appointed suites are complemented by a full range of personal services. You'll find a spa and wellness center, gourmet dining and a skyline-skimming infinity pool. Each suite bears the name of an illustrious period in Thai royal history. Your Ayutthaya Suite has a private dining table, maxi bar and pantry, butler service and even a guest bathroom. The spacious balcony has a signature 137 Pillars House rocking chair and oversized daybed.

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Donated by: Pimalai Resort & Spa • 137 Pillars House Chiang Mai • 137 Pillars Suites & Residences American Airlines

# IN MEMORY OF JIM CLENDENEN

Jim Clendenen was not only an icon in the international wine community, he was a past Honorary Wine Chairman at Winemasters and a strong supporter of the event for many years. This collection was donated by Au Bon Climat collectors and friends Dr. Tom Black along with Deby and Keith Pitts, and we are honored to present it to you tonight. Jim was well known for his expertise in growing and producing stellar wines from Burgundian varieties and beyond from precisely chosen vineyard sites. This 13-magnum collection is representative of his skills and exploratory nature over a broad range of vintages and designations. Jim was a bigger than life figure and lives on through this collection.

2000 Au Bon Climat Chardonnay Rincon Talley Vineyard 2007 Au Bon Climat Chardonnay The Art of Good Taste 2005 Au Bon Climat Chardonnay Bien Nacido 2002 Au Bon Climat Chardonnay Nuits Blanches 2000 Au Bon Climat Hildegard 2001 Au Bon Climat Pinot Noir Knox Alexander 2005 Au Bon Climat Pinot Noir Isabelle 2003 Au Bon Climat Pinot Noir Sanford & Benedict 2006 – 2010 Au Bon Climat Hildegard 1 magnum each (13 total)

Donated by: Dr. Tom Black • Deby and Keith Pitts



# CRUISE THE GREEK ISLES

13 NIGHTS WITH CELEBRITY CRUISES

Your choice of any Celebrity Cruise through the Greek Isles OR any European cruise up to 13 nights

Plus: Balcony Stateroom

Valid to 11/18/23

Taxes, fees and gratuities not included; not valid for bookings on Celebrity Beyond, Flora or Xpedition. Please book as soon as possible.

Romance and culture await on a Greek Island cruise. It's no wonder the Greek Islands have always been a perennial favorite of travelers. Greece is a magical, romantic destination where you can wander alongside stunning coastlines, explore the ruins of ancient cultures, and dine on fresh Mediterranean cuisine all in one vacation. Explore far-flung beaches, drift out to sea on catamarans and kayaks, and duck into tiny tavernas where you can eat and drink like a local. From the sun-soaked stone buildings in Santorini to the white-sand beaches that beckon in Mykonos, a Greece cruise is the best way to experience the captivating Greek Islands.

Celebrity Cruises' iconic "X" is the mark of modern luxury, with its cool, contemporary design and warm spaces; dining experiences where the design of the venues is as important as the cuisine; and the amazing service that only Celebrity can provide, all created to provide an unmatchable experience for your precious vacation time. You'll delight in discovering an array of outstanding restaurants and cafés, a state-of-the-art fitness center and Spa and exciting nightlife with a variety of superb entertainment choices. Celebrity Cruises has been voted "Best On-Board Dining" by Travel/Age West's Magazine's Wave Awards, Condé Nast Traveler "Readers' Choice Awards" in the highly competitive large-ship category; "Best Premium Cruise Line" by Travel Weekly and has won more than 34 Wine Spectator "Awards of Excellence." As Alaine Gerbault once said, "I wanted freedom, open air, and adventure. I found it on the sea."

**Donated by: Celebrity Cruises** 



#### **LOT #25**

## THE MEDITERRANEAN ISLAND OF MALTA

# A TRULY UNIQUE HOLIDAY FOR TWO (WITH A LITTLE DASH OF LONDON "TO TASTE")

6-Day holiday total: 3 nights at Corinthia Palace, Malta / 2 nights at Corinthia London

**Plus:** daily breakfast included at both hotels, special and private experience with Stefan Logan, Head Chef at Corinthia Palace

Valid to 5/20/24; subject to availability. Some blackout dates apply.

BONUS: 200,000 AAdvantage® Miles – expire 3/3/24; air travel does not need to be completed before the expiration, but miles must be downloaded into your AAdvantage account PRIOR to the expiration date on the certificate.

No other country in the world offers a taste of so many different historical and cultural influences in such a small area. It's a side of Malta few people know and is well worth exploring. Welcome to Corinthia Palace, the place in which the Corinthia legend began, and create your very own story right in the heart of Malta. Wander through the immaculate grounds and cross the road to San Anton Palace and Gardens. Sink into blissful repose at Athenaeum Spa. It's time to taste, discover and immerse yourself in the real magic of Malta.

Originally opened as a restaurant and transformed into Corinthia's founding hotel in 1968, Corinthia Palace in Attard has become a legendary part of Malta – a see and be seen destination. An unrivalled example of the real magic of Malta. Enjoy three nights at this historic property with a private experience coordinated for you one day by Head Chef Stefan Logan. Whether you wish to see pristine beaches, incredible megalithic temples, the Blue Grotto or fortress city of Valletta, the Corinthia Palace's outstanding concierge can plan unforgettable excursions just for you.

On the way to and from Malta, stay overnight at the Corinthia London, a 5-star hotel in the heart of London-perfect for exploring the city. An unrivalled welcome awaits you. The hotel opened in 1855, and the very first brochure said it all: "That the hotel's location is particularly recommend it to ladies and families visiting the West End during the Season; to travelers from Paris and the Continent, arriving from Dover and Folkestone at the Charing Cross Terminus; to Officers and others attending the levees at St James; to Ladies going to the Drawing Rooms, State Balls, and Concerts at Buckingham Palace; and to colonial and American visitors unused to the great world of London." The perfect bookends to your holiday in Malta!

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Donated by: Corinthia Palace Malta • Corinthia London • American Airlines



# LOT #26 ITALY'S MARCHE AND ABRUZZO

### OFF THE BEATEN PATH FOR TWO

Two of the greatest wine gem areas in Italy are the Le Marche and Abruzzo wine regions. Discover both relatively tourist-free and uncrowded appellations and all their nuances: traditions, food, exquisite wines, hilltop towns, tiny villages and people during a holiday specially curated for you by Ciù Ciù's Paolo Agostinelli.

7-Day, 6-Night holiday for TWO / 3 nights in the countryside and 3 nights at a beach hotel in San Benedetto for two completely different experiences. Boutique hotels will be specially selected for you.

Plus: one day tour the vineyard, cellar and enjoy wine tasting and lunch at Ciù Ciù. A second day, experience exactly the same at Villa Barcaroli.

Valid to 5/20/24; subject to availability. Some blackout dates may apply. Ideal months for traveling are September-June with the best periods:

September, October (end of the summer + harvest time)

February, March (carnival)

April-June (spring awakening, Easter)

BONUS: 200,000 AAdvantage® Miles – expire 3/3/24; air travel does not need to be completed before the expiration, but miles must be downloaded into your AAdvantage account PRIOR to the expiration date on the certificate.

The Marche region is like a great bottle of wine: lovingly created and carefully aged. The longer you spend contemplating its rich hues, the better it gets. The region's undulating hills houses some of Italy's best surprising appellations, including some rare and specific wines made with ancient traditions.

Naturally, food is a relevant part of the wine tasting culture, so you may want to conduct some first-hand research on Marche wine and food pairings.

Italy's very underrated Abruzzo wine region is a gem mostly known for its incredible Montepulciano d' Abruzzo but has so much more to offer. One of the world's oldest wine-growing regions, its winemaking traditions go as far back as the sixth century BCE. This Italian wine region sits on the east Adriatic coast and is an immediate neighbor to Marche to the north. Along with national parks and nature reserves, it's also famous for charming hilltop medieval and renaissance towns. Local transportation, restaurants and additional activities, while not part of the package, can all be coordinated for you by Paolo Agostinelli.

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Donated by: Ciù Ciù, package organizer • Paolo Agostinelli, Brand Ambassador and package curator American Airlines



#### **LOT #27**

## A DREAM HOLIDAY OF YOUR CHOICE

## WITH STORIES, CROATIAN UNIQUE HOTELS

This dream holiday in Croatia is truly unique. Why? Because there is an element of fun – you get to fashion the ideal journey of your choice!

11-Day, 10-Night holiday for **TWO** 

Select 2 nights (to total 10 nights) at **FIVE** hotels of your choosing from among 12 different Stories Hotels - city to wine country to seaside

Valid to 5/20/24; subject to availability. Some blackout dates may apply.

BONUS: 200,000 AAdvantage® Miles – expire 3/3/24; air travel does not need to be completed before the expiration, but miles must be downloaded into your AAdvantage account PRIOR to the expiration date on the certificate.

There are few countries in the world that possess such beautiful and diverse nature as Croatia. In the span of a few hours, a traveler can experience unrivaled, verdant plains, quaint river valleys, framed by rolling hills; dense, centuries-old forests and sheer stone cliffs; snow-capped mountains and the most beautiful coast in Europe. From east to west, from north to south, to the country's Adriatic coast, and its 1246 islands, every part of Croatia is touched with beautiful, pristine nature and traces of the country's millennial history. And every corner of Croatia has its own story.

Stories is the association of small, unique luxury hotels in Croatia that encompasses 17 carefully selected hotels. Each of these hotels inspires an authentic and thoughtful experience that acquaints their guests with the legacy, heritage and warm hospitality of the Croatian Adriatic.

Here is the exciting list of participating hotels with daily breakfast plus "extras" each is offering. Good luck choosing!

- Hotel Adriatic, Rovinj, Istria including a whiskey degustation
- San Rocco Hotel, Brtonigla, Istria special "Chef's Lunch for Two"
- Isabella Valamar Collection, Poreč, Istria guided tour of Saint Nikola island by electric car, showcasing the island's illustrious history with a complimentary cocktail
- Meneghetti Wine Hotel & Winery, Bale, Istria with a VIP wine tasting experience
- Bevanda Hotel Restaurant & Bar, Opatija lunch for two including wine recommended by restaurant's sommelier
- Bastion Boutique Hotel, Zadar including a spa experience
- Vestibul Palace, Split guided tour of the Diocletian's Palace with a complementary dinner for two in Magnus restaurant
- Briig Boutique Hotel, Split guided tour around this uniquely designed hotel
- Martinis Marchi Hotel, island of Šolta including use of the hotel's "Old-timer" Jeep Iltis VW for exploration of the island



- Adriana Hvar Spa Hotel, island of Hvar including 50-minute "Scents of Hvar" aroma couples massage
- Lešić Dimitri Palace, Korčula, Island of Korčula LD Spa experience, 30 min express relaxation massage
- The Pucić Palace, Dubrovnik active tour around Old City (running, workout) with a licensed coach

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#### **LOT #28**

## A SINEGAL ESTATE WINERY WEEKEND FOR FOUR

"FOUR WINES AND COUNTLESS MEMORIES IN THE MAKING"

## 2017 SINEGAL CABERNET SAUVIGNON HOWELL MOUNTAIN 1 MAGNUM

3-Day, 2-Night stay

**Plus:** Sinegal Estate guest cottage accommodations, guided private tour through the winery, subterranean cave, organic vineyard, vegetable gardens and gorgeous lake.

Valid to 5/20/24; reservation requested well in advance

Your party of four is invited to visit an extraordinary wine property where a celebrated past meets a visionary future. A Napa Valley escape that's just an hour from San Francisco, but worlds away from the usual. Sinegal Estate is right in the heart of Napa Valley, at the base of the gorgeous Mayacamas Range, a few minutes outside of St. Helena. Known historically as The Inglewood Estate, this 30-acre retreat is one of Napa's oldest and most coveted. During your intimate and private weekend, you'll enjoy the elegant tasting lounge and terrace and savor wines from the Sinegal portfolio complemented by an elevated food pairing. Explore this state of the art winery, gardens and lake and marvel at 6,500 square feet of caves where Sinegal wines age in a controlled environment perfectly designed by nature for the purpose.

The 2017 Sinegal Cabernet Sauvignon Estate Howell Mountain is a blend of 95% Cabernet Sauvignon, 3% Malbec, 2% Petit Verdot. Upon first taste, it is stunning, displaying elegant aromas of violets, ripe figs, baking spice and a touch of minerality. These aromatics set the stage for an impressive wine that delights on all levels. Drink young for expressive, bright fruit, or lay down to age for more density and development of tertiary aromas and flavors. This is an extremely limited wine and format and indeed a gem for your cellar!

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#### **LOT #29**

# HOW ABOUT A LITTLE SPICE IN THE SPICE ISLANDS?

**EXOTIC ZANZIBAR FOR TWO** 

9-Day, 8-Night all-inclusive adventure for **TWO** 

**Plus:** Deluxe accommodations, gourmet meals, spice tour on the island, cooking demonstration/lesson, a stay in the Underwater Room

Valid to 5/20/24. Best time of year: September, October, November and early December before festive season. Holidays excluded; subject to availability.

BONUS: 130,000 AAdvantage® Miles – expire 3/3/24; air travel does not need to be completed before the expiration, but miles must be downloaded into your AAdvantage account PRIOR to the expiration date on the certificate.

Elevated and crafted along an idyllic beach on the island of Pemba, The Manta Resort offers privacy, romance, adventure, and water sports on East Africa's finest island sanctuary. See the tide come and go while sipping away at a "Lemongrass Ginger Sling", your feet buried in the warm sand, and a soft breeze cooling your skin. In the opinion of many, the sound of the breaking waves and a breathtaking sunset over the Pemba Channel makes this one of the most spectacular places on the planet. The resort is focused around a large open planned relaxing area that welcomes you to the sea. Life on Pemba revolves around the ocean tides, and as the day progresses you will witness the ever-changing colors and shades of blue and green as the tide ebbs and flows.

This stunning and exclusive resort is all inclusive. Everything at the Manta Resort is included in your stay, even your laundry. Instead of buffets your meals are served personally to you at your table on the verandah. A hand-picked team will treat you to a mouth-watering variety of fresh locally caught seafood as well as a variety of beef, chicken and vegetable dishes, some of which have a distinct Pemba touch to them. After all you are on the original Spice Island! Most meals are served on the main verandah overlooking the ocean and guests enjoy moving to the pool deck and beach for a change of scenery. If you absolutely must stay in touch, you'll find free WIFI in the main lounge and dining area.

This romantic holiday at The Manta Resort includes **SIX NIGHTS** in a Seafront Villa, all inclusive. Guestrooms are spacious, private and designed for a sense of total peace and escape from daily stress. Of course, you can choose to do nothing at all but if you are a diver, the diving round Pemba is nothing else but breathtaking. The untouched coral reef surrounding the entire island makes Pemba one of the top dive sites in the world. Not a diver? Don't worry; there are plenty of exciting activities waiting for you: explore this remote and fascinating island with the various tours and excursions that range from walks to local villages to guided tours through the ancient Ngezi Forest to searching for the endemic Pemba Flying Fox. But wait... that's not all!! You will receive a personalized spice tour and with your guide, find all the spices you use for your cooking that are growing wild on the island. ALL THE SPICES!! Then, you'll enjoy a cooking lesson/demonstration to see just how the spices are used in the resort's gourmet fare.



### And, a unique world awaits!

The adventure of a lifetime on Pemba Island is yours with the addition of a **TWO**-night stay in The Manta Resort's Underwater Room where you'll experience a unique view of the underwater world. The Underwater Room is a completely private floating island with your bedroom four meters below the surface. It is yours to enjoy while sunbathing and stargazing on the top deck, lounging and dining on the water deck and sleeping surrounded by a tropical marine environment. Spotlighting the water around you at night from your underwater room will surely take your breath away.

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