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TASTING LIST -

CHÂTEAU BARDE-HAUT



Hélène Garcin-Lévêque

Owner Family

Hélène was born of winemaking parents - own a château in Pessac-Leognan. As a youth, Hélène studied hotel management at the Paul Bocuse Institute in the city of Lyon, then worked at her parent's Château Haut-Bergey where she received visitors, sold wine and represented her family's properties abroad. Hélène soon managed three separate wine facilities that encompass soils in Saint-Émilion, Pomerol and Castillon. Two of these—Barde-Haut and Clos l'Église—had been acquired by her parents while one, Poesia, belongs to the couple.



Château Barde-Haut Saint-Émilion Grand Cru 2012 Bordeaux, France HK\$ 290 HK\$ 190

"When I arrived here with my husband we wanted to go really fast. Because when you're young you want to go fast. You want to do it better. You want to make it work quickly. We invested lots of time and energy. But the world of wine is not the same as the world where you send emails."

CASA MARIN





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Casa Marin Miramar Vineyard

Riesling

2016

San Antonio, Chile

HK\$ 188

HK\$ 135



Casa Marin Sauvignon Blanc

Maria Luz Marin

Winemaker, Founder and Owner

In 2000, against advice from colleagues and experts, Maria Luz Marindecided to establish her winery in Lo Abarca, a small town in the San Antonio Valley. Despite warnings about problems with location, the cool climate, and people's disbelief, she was successful in creating a company, whose wines have received numerous world awards, helping position Chile in a distinct light with its high quality, high value wines. María Luz is the first female Chilean winemaker and winery owner with a degree in agronomy and winemaking from Universidad de Chile. Cutting edge, she successfully established the first cool climate winery in South America and the Pacific Coast. She has successfully positioned her fine wines in the top markets and among international critics, where they stand out for their high quality.

CATENA ALTA



Laura Catena

Winemaker, Founder and Owner

Laura Catena is a fourth generation Argentine vintner, biologist, physician and author. Dr. Catena graduated magna cum laude from Harvard University in 1988 and has a Medical Doctor degree from Stanford University. In 1995 she founded the Catena Institute of Wine, which is dedicated to elevating Argentine wine. Dr. Catena is currently managing director of Bodega Catena Zapata and her own Luca Winery in Mendoza, Argentina, as well as a practicing Emergency Medicine physician in San Francisco. Catena has been called the "face" of Argentine wine for her active role in studying and promoting the Mendoza wine region and Argentine Malbec.

In 2010 Laura Catena released her book Vino Argentino: An Insider's Guide to the Wines and Wine Country of Argentina. She appeared in Oprah Magazine as one of the World's Top Women Vintners. Her work has been featured in the NYT, the Wall Street Journal, Food and Wine Magazine, La Nación, Decanter and The Economist 1843 Magazine in an article about the Catena Institute titled "Argentine Wine's Premier Crew."



Catena Alta Malbec 2014 Mendoza, Argentina HK\$ 438 HK\$ 335 Cipreses 2016 Aconcagua, Chile HK\$ 188 HK\$ 135

"I was the first female winemaker to work in a private company, and I'm the first and currently the only woman to start and own their own winery, and I'm the first woman to be part of the Director's Board of Wines of Chile/Vinos de Chile."



Luca Wines Piont Noir 2014 Mendoza, Argentina HK\$ 188 HK\$ 135

"I never intended to follow my father into winemaking. As my life has taken different turns, I've always kept my favorite Ralph Waldo Emerson quote in the back of my mind: "do not go where the path may lead, go instead where there is no path and leave a trail." It has been incredibly gratifying to be part of a community of winemakers, farmers, and viticulturists."

CULLEN





Cullen Cabernet Merlot 2016 Margaret River, Australia HK\$ 268 HK\$ 228

Vanya Cullen

Winemaker, Managing Director and Owner Family

Vanya Cullen has been winemaking at her family's Wilyabrup estate since 1983. She was appointed to Chief Winemaker in 1989 and Managing Director in 1999. Cullen Wines while remaining family owned has since evolved making quality wine from a certified Biodynamic, Carbon Neutral and naturally powered estate. Exemplary viticulture lies at the heart of her success but so, too, do care and thorough

DOMAINE FONTAINE-GAGNARD



Domaine Fontaine-Gagnard Chassagne Montrachet 1er Cru Morgeot 2014 Burgundy, France HK\$ 690 HK\$ 450

Céline Fontaine

Winemaker and Owner Family The Gagnard family has always been very closely-knit, and much of the vineyard work amongst the various branches of the family continues to be done together. Since Celine Fontaine has taken the reins, there has been a drive towards quality that is clearly tangible in the wines. Moreover, she always comes across as an intelligent, thoughtful, candid and passionate winemaker, so much so that I could quite easily sit and chat with her all day. She's a winemaker that seems to be more 'switched on' than others, considering not only the quality of her wines but also their distribution and perception beyond the confines of Burgundy.

attention to detail in the winery.

Vanya Cullen was the winner of the 2000 Qantas/The Wine Magazine Winemaker of the year. She was the third recipient of this prize, the first Western Australian and the first woman to win the award. Vanya has judged at wine shows in every major city in Australia. In 2008, she was awarded the UK Drinks Business Magazine "Woman of the Year 2008" and in 2011 the "Green Personality of the Year". Vanya was inducted into the Australian Business Women's 2015 Hall of Fame.

YARRA YERING



Sarah Crowe

Winemaker

With the wines made in her first vintage at Yarra Yering, winemaker Sarah Crowe has received one of the wine industry's highest honours. James Halliday named Sarah 'Winemaker of the Year' for 2017 at the QANTAS epiQure Halliday Wine Companion Awards in Melbourne on 3 August, making Sarah the first woman to receive this award.

A background in horticulture led to a short-term gig in the vineyard and here the seed was planted, ultimately leading to her switch to winemaking more than 10 years ago. In 2013, Sarah became head winemaker at Yarra Yering, stepping into the sizeable shoes of Dr Bailey Carrodus. With this came the challenges of expectation and a new wine style, all of which Sarah has taken in her stride.



Yarra Yering Piont Noir 2015 Victoria, Australia HK\$ 568 HK\$ 398 "If it encourages other women to stay in the industry when it can be tough going sometimes then it's a good thing. It has highlighted how uneven the gender balance is (just under 10% of Australian winemakers are female) but this is not unique to the wine industry. We need to actively change the gender stereotypes we have grown up with, that women are less capable than men. We can start by changing our language around our acceptance of women in certain roles. I am not a female winemaker, I am a winemaker."