



TABLE & VINE

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Hirsch Grüner Veltliner #1 2007

\$13.99 per bottle **or \$151.09** per case

Johannes Hirsch has emerged as one of Austria's great winemakers in the past ten years or so. I remember visiting him in June of 2001 and being struck for the first time with his wines. They have a lovely interplay of acidity, fruit and richness—how does he do it? Here is his “value bottling” and it is just that, affordably delicious. This **Grüner Veltliner**, has both the spice of the grape and the floral aspect that great Austrian wines all seem to have.

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Cortijo Rioja II 2005

\$12.99 per bottle **or** **\$140.29** per case

Talented and young David Sampedro took over the winemaking for Cortijo and has taken this Crianza to a higher level than it has ever achieved. Not only is it a terrific wine, it fits the bill to be a **Table & Vine Wine of the Month**. Only three to four year old oak is used to give the Tempranillo a round and soft texture, but in typical David Sampedro fashion, there is an excellent balance for such a fair price. This is a fabulous example of **Rioja** that can be enjoyed with autumn's first roast chicken dinner.

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