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by 5pm, Tuesday 25th July 2006

2005 Bordeaux In-Bond Second Release

A brilliant vintage



Château Phélan-Ségur, St Estèphe, overlooking the Gironde, has made beautifully-balanced Claret

This is the second release of The Society's opening offer of Bordeaux 2005. It includes the great names of Bordeaux, many superb classed-growths and top wines of Saint Emilion and Pomerol as well as the dry whites and Barsac Château Climens, which had not been released when we went to press with our first offer.

Few of us can remember a finer, more promising year for Claret than 2005. I truly believe that everyone who enjoys fine wine should have some of this vintage. As we said before, the secret of its success is that all the elements that make good wine are present in abundance and, crucially, also in balance.

Wines at this high level age beautifully over a long period so should prove a sound investment for the future. Because production of these wines is strictly limited and small in relation to the large number of people who want to buy them all over the world, prices are noticeably higher than last year, but we still expect demand to be high.

Sebastian Payne MW



Mixed cases

There is a selection of mixed cases on the back page offering a variety of wines from the vintage.

Demand

Demand for these excellent wines will be high. Thanks to The Society's long-standing relationships with the region's growers and merchants we have been able to secure good allocations of the most sought-after wines. However, some wines are still likely to be over-subscribed. Please be aware that some wines will still sell out and you should indicate on the order form your preferred substitute should your first choice be unavailable.

How this offer works

Orders by post, fax and website will be accepted. If you would like to order via the website, visit www.thewinesociety.com and follow the on-screen instructions. You need a password to order from the site which can be requested online and will be posted to you the following working day. Your order needs to arrive at Stevenage by **5pm, Tuesday 25th July 2006** and will be processed thereafter.

Members whose orders have been received by 5pm, Tuesday 25th July 2006 will receive confirmation of their purchase by Wednesday, 16th August 2006 at the latest. Members whose orders have been received after this time will receive notification by Monday, 11th September 2006.

Notifications by e-mail

The Society is able to send transactional correspondence including notification of wines allocated for opening offers, and subsequent invoices, by e-mail. For full details please visit www.thewinesociety.com and click on My Account then Preferred Contact Method.

If you wish to receive e-mail notifications for this and subsequent opening offers, and have not already notified us, please see the order form for instructions.

What the price includes

- Prices shown include delivery to a UK address. They do not include excise duty or VAT.
- Payment of duty and VAT, at the prevailing rate (currently £15.50 duty per dozen 75cl-bottle case and 17.5% VAT payable on wine and duty) will be requested once the wines arrive at Stevenage. This is expected to be late summer 2008.
- Once the wines arrive at Stevenage, members may opt to have them delivered within the UK or stored in duty-paid Members' Reserves.

Notes

- Members, especially those living overseas, should note that only unmixed cases may be exported or transferred to an outside bond.
- Wines are offered in cases of six or 12 bottles, 12 halves or six magnums as indicated.
- Please note that these wines cannot be collected or delivered from our showroom in Montreuil.

Please read the full terms and conditions for this offer set out on the enclosed order form or on our website before placing your order.

This offer will close at 5pm, Tuesday 25th July 2006. For information regarding this offer after this date please contact The Society on 01438 740222.

ref	IN-BOND PRICE, UK DELIVERED	
	per six	per dozen
2005 CLARET IN-BOND		
1. CM10301	Château Lynch-Moussas, Pauillac Long-term investment in the vineyard by the Castéjas has paid off with this vintage. Well-structured, elegant Pauillac. 2012–2022.	- £180.00
2. CS5451	Château La Serre, St Emilion Richly fruity with well integrated oak. Fine balance and length. 2012–2020.	- £195.00
3. CS5511	Clos du Clocher, Pomerol Spicy, rich, tight-knit Pomerol of great richness and quality that should not be rushed. The vineyard is in two well-placed parts; one next to Vieux-Certan, the other planted with 50-year-old cabernet franc beside Trotanoy. 2013–2025.	- £195.00
4. CM10321	Château Phélan-Ségur, St Estèphe Beautifully balanced Claret with excellent body and charm, depth of fruit and freshness too. Drink from 2011 to 2022.	- £200.00
5. CM10291	Château Durfort-Vivens, Margaux A really outstanding wine benefitting from exceptionally ripe cabernet grapes. It is dense and ripe with splendid length of flavour. Gonzague Lurton has raised the property to new heights since 2000. A long keeper. 2015–2025.	- £220.00
6. CS5621	Domaine de l’Eglise, Pomerol Powerful wine with gorgeous aroma of ripe fruit and a rich middle palate with a long aftertaste. From the heart of the Pomerol plateau this is seriously good wine. 2012–2025.	- £235.00
7. CM10351	Château d’Armailhac, Pauillac 10% cabernet franc plays a part in giving this attractively supple Pauillac extra fine bouquet and charm. A great success. 2011–2020.	£120.00 -
8. CM10251	Château Prieuré-Lichine, Margaux A splendid result for the property. This is a rich, spicy, generously-flavoured Margaux with finesse and elegance as well as power. 2013–2025.	- £260.00
9. CM10231	Château Talbot, St Julien This dependable property delivers the goods each year. Will develop into highly enjoyable Claret from 2012–2022.	- £285.00
10. CB2491	Château Roc de Cambes, Côtes de Bourg Rich, concentrated with aromatic power, the exceptional wine of its appellation. The balance between very ripe fruit and good acidity gives a brilliance to the flavour. 2010–2020.	£148.00 -
11. CM10381	Château Brane Cantenac, Margaux One of the great successes of a very successful district in 2005 with tremendous personality and lovely ripe, rich, succulent yet fresh, flavour. Very low yields unfortunately. 2015–2030.	- £310.00
12. CM10361	Domaine de Chevalier, Pessac-Léognan This will prove to be a great vintage for Chevalier. Finely-textured with multi-layered bouquet and pure fruit. 2015–2025.	- £310.00
13. CM10311	Château Gruaud-Larose, St Julien Powerful, ripe and spicy Claret from a property whose wines are always slow to develop. Designed for the long haul. 2015–2030.	- £340.00
14. CM10491	Château Bahans-Haut-Brion, Pessac-Léognan Those of you who thought the 1989 could not be bettered will find this exceptional Bahans does exactly that. Silky, ripe, multi-faceted with wonderful scent and richness. Best kept till 2015–2025.	- £350.00



Château Lafite-Rothschild is on top form in 2005

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	per six	per dozen
15. CM10501 Carruades de Lafite, Pauillac The Lafite team has been brilliantly successful in recent years and this is a particularly good Carruades. Stylish and delicious, though unfortunately less was made than usual. 2012–2020.	-	£350.00
16. CM10411 Château Giscours, Margaux Giscours is a property that has regained its former reputation under new management since 1999. Rich, generous, gutsy Margaux that will deliver wonderful drinking in 10 years. 2015–2025.	-	£350.00
17. CM10581 Pavillon Rouge du Château Margaux, Margaux 2005 produced the most concentrated wines they can remember at Margaux. With half each merlot and cabernet, this is an unusually big-flavoured and rich second wine with the fine silky tannins typical of Margaux. 2015–2022.	-	£350.00
M 18. CS5571 Château Belair, St Emilion Gorgeous perfumed fruit, great balance and length of flavour combine to make this a Claret of great class as well as individuality. A triumph for Pascal Delbeck. 2012–2025. <i>Magnums available.</i>	-	£350.00
19. CM10421 Château Branaire Ducru, St Julien Another great St Julien success with delightful perfumed fruit and elegant rich, fine, well-balanced flavour. 2013–2025.	£195.00	-
20. CS5671 Château Bellevue, St Emilion This small vineyard above Angéus makes exceedingly rich, powerful and concentrated wine with expressive scented aroma. 2013–2025.	£200.00	-
21. CM10441 Château Langoa-Barton, St Julien Big-flavoured St Julien combining the ripe fruit and power of the vintage with finesse and freshness. Excellent potential. 2015–2025.	-	£420.00
M 22. CM10401 Château Grand-Puy-Lacoste, Pauillac François Xavier Borie makes wines for wine-drinkers not investment, which is why they are so hugely popular with Society members. Redolent of pure, sweet crushed fruit with full, beautifully delineated flavour. This will be delicious from 2015–2025. <i>Magnums available.</i>	-	£440.00
23. CM10471 Château Haut-Bailly, Pessac-Léognan An outstanding vintage for Haut-Bailly which is always a favourite. Wonderful, many-faceted aroma, rich-textured palate and considerable depth and grip. Keep at least until 2015–2030.	-	£450.00

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24. CS5761	Clos Fourtet, St Emilion Very scented with a rich, full, sweet persistent palate and attractive freshness too. A big wine. 2012–2025.	£230.00 -
25. CM10481	Château Calon-Ségur, St Estèphe One of the great St Estèphe properties with an open fruitiness and welcoming charm of its own. Rich flavour with silky tannins. Elegant and long-lasting. 2013–2025.	- £480.00
26. CM10561	Château Léoville-Poyferré, St Julien Didier Cuvelier took over this great vineyard in 1979 and has been reaping the rewards of his intelligent rebuilding of vineyard and cellar with a series of superb vintages of which this 2005 is the best of all. Great wine in the making. 2017–2030.	- £495.00
27. CM10431	Château Pontet-Canet, Pauillac Alfred Tesseron took over the property 30 years ago, taking on his dedicated <i>maitré de chai</i> Jean-Michel Comme 12 years back. This splendid wine is a culmination of their efforts. Exceptional cabernet sauvignon (70%) and fine merlot have produced explosive fruit and deep-flavoured spicy rich yet precise flavour. Great wine. 2017–2030.	- £495.00
M 28. CM10451	Château Léoville-Barton, St Julien Since taking over the property from his uncle in 1985, Anthony Barton has made a series of splendid vintages but none more successful than this. Powerful, rich, full with the structure to age beautifully. 2017–2030. <i>Magnums available.</i>	- £495.00
29. CM10391	Château Lynch-Bages, Pauillac Big, rich, generous Pauillac which would be an asset to any member's cellar and give enormous pleasure. 2015–2025.	- £495.00
30. CS5691	Château Pavie-Macquin, St Emilion One of the biggest and richest wines this high-grade estate has ever made with an abundance of all the elements that make great wine. Huge potential. 2015–2025.	£250.00 -
31. CS5711	Château Canon-La-Gaffelière, St Emilion Stephan von Neipperg has succeeded again in making rich, spicy and generous St Emilion of tremendous character which will give much enjoyment. 2012–2020.	£260.00 -
32. CM10461	Château Rauzan-Ségla, Margaux An absolute delight with explosive, ripe perfume and delicious flavour of excitingly fine-crushed fruit. The vineyard is now in wonderful shape and this is a truly great vintage for a very classy property. 2017–2030.	- £530.00
33. CS5701	Château Trotteville, St Emilion Incredibly rich and concentrated with very long-lasting finish to the flavour. This property has emphatically rejoined the top flight of St Emilion. 2015–2025.	- £550.00
34. CM10591	Les Forts de Latour, Pauillac A very fine vintage indeed for first-growth Latour's second wine, showing enormous class, distinctive balance, lovely freshness and length on the palate. 2015–2025.	£288.00 -
35. CS5491	Château La Fleur-Pétrus, Pomerol In a great year for the top Pomerols, La Fleur-Pétrus has wonderful rich 'truffly' spiciness and true perfumed fruit. It deserves ageing till 2015 to reveal its complexity and will last 25 years.	- £610.00

M indicates magnums available – see Order Form for prices

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36. CM10521 Château Montrose, St Estèphe Jean-Louis Charmolue, who has sold the property which was in his family for over 100 years, has chosen a great year to bow out. With the bloom and finesse of perfectly ripened fruit and fine true flavour still in its infancy. 2017–2030.	-	£630.00
37. CS5751 Château Larcis-Ducasse, St Emilion Superbly seductive and richly scented St Emilion from a vineyard that has been transformed under new ownership since 2002. 2010–2025.	£335.00	-
38. CS5581 Château Hosanna, Pomerol A stunning success here to rival Cheval Blanc with its relatively high proportion of cabernet franc which gives enchanting perfume and length to the fresh, ripe fruit. 2015–2030.	£350.00	-
39. CM10541 Château Pichon-Longueville-Comtesse de Lalande, Pauillac An exceptional 'keeping' vintage of Pichon with a higher than usual (64%) proportion of cabernet sauvignon. Subtle and complex aroma supported by very fine, long-lasting palate. 2015–2030.	-	£770.00
40. CS5731 Château La Conseillante, Pomerol A brilliant vintage here with outstanding bouquet and great depth of flavour. Needs keeping 10 years to show its full glory. 2013–2030.	£425.00	-
41. CS5771 Vieux-Château-Certan, Pomerol A gorgeous seductive Pomerol rather in the style of the lovely 1985 here but more concentrated with 80% merlot. Delicious, silky texture. Always worth keeping 10 years plus. 2015–2030.	-	£975.00
42. CM10571 Château Ducru-Beaucaillou, St Julien With 33% old-vine merlot in the mix, this is a rich hedonistic Ducru in the new style of the property which is so much appreciated in America. Undoubtedly hugely impressive and powerful with much potential but different from vintages pre-2003. 2015–2030.	-	£995.00
43. CM10551 Château Cos d'Estournel, St Estèphe An exceptionally fine wine with incredibly rich, intense and concentrated flavour. Unfortunately also exceptionally expensive. 2017–2030.	£570.00	-
M 44. CM10601 Château Palmer, Margaux This is a blockbuster vintage for Palmer with massive concentration of superb quality fruit and volume down 20% from last year. Splendidly-rich generous wine which will benefit greatly from long keeping. 2017–2030. <i>Magnums available.</i>	-	£1,420.00
45. CM10611 Château La Mission-Haut-Brion, Pessac-Léognan A wine of exceptional richness and power with 69% merlot that is miraculously-balanced with fascinating complex structure and the unique character of the château. 2017–2035.	£750.00	-
46. CM10621 Château Haut-Brion, Pessac-Léognan A sensational result that seems to have everything for a truly great wine. Bloom, perfume, sweet fruit, extract, hints of graphite, olives and a superb pure aftertaste that lingers on the palate. 2017–2035.	£1,800.00	-
47. CM10631 Château Mouton-Rothschild, Pauillac A grand and impressive Mouton which will become one of the château's great vintages. Its smooth and perfectly formed texture is currently cloaking an explosively fine Claret. 2017–2035.	£1,800.00	-



Cellars at Domaine de Chevalier



2005 will prove to be a great vintage for Domaine de Chevalier in Pessac-Léognan

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48. CM10641 Château Lafite-Rothschild, Pauillac Another superlative vintage from this in-form first growth. You find the elegance, charm and finesse of a great wine as well as the big, rich structure of top-class Pauillac. Superb finish. 2017–2035.	£1,800.00	-
49. CM10651 Château Margaux, Margaux A superb Margaux balancing richness and finesse keeping its fresh fruitiness and perfume while retaining the depth of flavour of exceptional cabernet sauvignon (85%). 2017–2035.	£2,100.00	-
50. CM10661 Château Latour, Pauillac Beautiful wine with perfect balance and classic style that epitomises great Claret from the Médoc because it retains its elegance and finesse while keeping its power. 2017–2035.	£2,100.00	-

DRY WHITES

51. BW2831 Clos Floridène, Graves Blanc Real class and length of flavour at a very fair price for its quality. This will benefit from bottle age. 2008–2012.	-	£89.00
52. BW2841 Château Carbonnieux Blanc, Pessac-Léognan Consistently among the finest and most delicious Bordeaux whites. 65% sauvignon married well with 35% semillon and just the right touch of oak ageing. 2009–2013.	-	£190.00
53. BW2861 Domaine de Chevalier Blanc, Pessac-Léognan Intense top-class white which needs long ageing to show its best. This will rival the 1985 which is delicious today. 2015–2025.	£230.00	-

SAUTERNES

H 54. BW2891 Château Climens, Barsac Sauternes The various lots that will form the <i>grand vin</i> are assembled later and more slowly than at other properties but I have tasted all the ingredients and a preliminary final blend and the wine will be quite wonderful: rich, unctuous and fine with a magical cornucopia of aromas and flavours. 2015–2030. <i>Halves available.</i>	-	£680.00
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H indicates halves available – see Order Form for prices

MIXED CASES

55. Firm Favourites Case 2005

ref OC1726 at £248.00

*A 12-bottle case containing three bottles
each of the following four reds*

Château Phélan-Ségur, St Estèphe

Château Talbot, St Julien

Château Brane Cantenac, Margaux

Château Lynch-Moussas, Pauillac

56. Class of 2005

ref OC1736 at £480.00

*A 12-bottle case containing three bottles
each of the following four reds*

Château Grand-Puy-Lacoste, Pauillac

Château Léoville-Barton, St Julien

Château Rauzan-Ségla, Margaux

Château Haut-Bailly, Pessac-Léognan

57. Super Seconds Case 2005

ref OC1756 at £960.00

*A 12-bottle case containing three bottles
each of the following four reds*

Château Palmer, Margaux

**Château Pichon-Longueville-Comtesse
de Lalande, Pauillac**

Château Ducru-Beaucaillou, St Julien

Château Montrose, St Estèphe

58. First Growth Case 2005

ref OC1746 at £1900.00

*A 6-bottle case containing two bottles each
of the following three reds*

Château Lafite-Rothschild, Pauillac

Château Mouton-Rothschild, Pauillac

Château Margaux, Margaux

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