

CHRISTIE'S

FINEST AND RAREST WINES Including Two Superb Private Collections

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[All sold prices include buyer's premium]

Sold: £785,841 \$1,552,822 €1,145,756 Sale No: 7459

Lots Sold: 690 Lots Offered: 857 Sold by Lot: 81% Sold by £: 88%

£: \$ 1.976 £: € 1.458

Lot	Price			Estimate	Buyer
65	£84,375	\$166,725	€123,019	£40,000-60,000	US Private
Château Cheval-Blanc, Vintage 1947, 12 bottles					
205	£17,999	\$35,566	€26,243	£9,000-11,000	Asian Private
Château Petrus, Vintage 2000, 3 magnums					
270	£13,498	\$26,672	€26,672	£7,500-9,500	UK Private
Château Ausone, Vintage 2000, 12 bottles					

“The fine wine market continues to simmer at boiling point as frenetic demand at the top end from around the globe pushes prices ever higher. The rare full case of 1947 Cheval Blanc sold for £84,375 and is the highest price achieved at auction in Europe for a case of claret. Wines from Bordeaux claimed all top ten spots as buyers sought out the very best with three magnums of Petrus 2000 making £17,999, a huge price for such a young wine. We were particularly pleased with the results for the two superb private collections both exceeding their top end estimates,” said **Chris Munro, Head of London Wine Department.**

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