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CHRISTIE'S

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FINE WINES
Christie's Geneva
17 November 2009
10pm & 2pm

Oliver Wiseman, Head of the Sale: *"We are delighted to offer at our next Fine Wines sale in Geneva a stunning collection of wines from Domaine de la Romanée-Conti with outstanding provenance. This ensemble includes extremely rare Jeroboams of both Romanée-Conti and La Tâche 1999. Alongside these exceptional lots we will also offer a collection sourced directly from the Paul Jaboulet Aîné cellar including the prestigious Hermitage la Chapelle 1961, known as one of the best ten wines of the 20th century."*



Geneva - In their autumn sale of Fine Wines Christie's presents a great selection of 774 lots, not only including old and rare collections of impeccable provenance, but also excellent wines from the best recent vintages, such as the very sought-after 2005.

Highlighting the sale is an extraordinary Lafite-Rothschild collection, which has been kept in perfect condition in a cellar in the mountains (*part illustrated left*), which comprises bottles and

magnums of a wide range of vintages up to 1962, with a number of rarities from older vintages dating back to 1858 (Estimate: SFr.8,000-12,000 for 1 bottle). Among the group of "classics" are some of the best vintages from 1865, 1871, 1900, 1911, 1929, 1945, 1959, 1961, 1962, including one bottle of 1865 (Estimate: SFr.6,500-8,500 for 1 bottle), one magnum of 1926 (Estimate: SFr.2,400-2,800 for 1 magnum), 6 bottles of 1959 (Estimate: SFr. 6,000-12,000 for 6 bottles) and 6 magnums of 1962 (Estimate: SFr.4,200-5,000 for 6 magnums).

Christie's are also very pleased to offer an important selection of Burgundy, including a group of exceptional Domaine de la Romanée-Conti with 6 bottles of Romanée-Conti 1999 (Estimate: SFr.40,000-50,000 for 6 bottles), a rare Jeroboam of Romanée Conti 1999 (Estimate: SFr.28,000-38,000 for 1 Jeroboam, *illustrated right*) and a Jeroboam of La Tâche 1999 (Estimate: SFr.10,000-15,000 for 1 Jeroboam)

Among the finest wines also sourced from impeccable Swiss cellars, is a collection of 3,000 bottles, which includes cases of the first growths from the 1982 vintage with Lafite-Rothschild (Estimate: SFr.16,000-22,000 for 12 bottles), Margaux (Estimate: SFr.7,000-9,000 for 12 bottles), Haut Brion (Estimate: SFr.6,000-8,000 for 12 bottles) and Cheval Blanc (Estimate: SFr.8,000-10,000 for 12 bottles). 12 bottles of Sassicaia 1997 (Estimate: SFr.2,600-3,000) and 12 bottles of Barbaresco Asili Riserva 1996, Bruno Giacosa (Estimate: SFr.2,400-2,800) come from the same collection as well.



The sale also boasts cases (of 12 bottles) of the superb Trotanoy 1975 (Estimate: SFr.4,000-5,000 for 12 bottles), a rare Imperial of Haut Brion 1989 (Estimate: SFr.7,000-9,000 for 1 Imperial), Ausone 2000 (Estimate: SFr.7,500-8,500 for 6 bottles), and 3 double magnums of Lafite-Rothschild 2005 (Estimate: SFr.7,500-9,500 for 3 Double-magnums).

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Four Seasons Hotel des Bergues
33 quai des Bergues - Geneva

AUCTION

Tuesday 17 November
10am & 2pm

VIEWINGS (on request at *Fert & Cie.*, 2 rue Fendt - 1201 Geneva)
Monday 16 November
2pm-5pm



A superb tasting and dinner will take place on Monday, November 16th at the Hotel des Bergues' restaurant Il Lago. (contact: Michael Ganne Tel. +33 1 40 76 86 19 ; mganne@christies.com)

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