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Christie's proudly presents

ICONIC WINES FROM JOSEPH LAU

89 Lots with an Estimated Total Value Exceeding HK\$24 Million / US\$3 Million

The Most Prestigious and Rarest Wines including DRC Romanée-Conti in Large Formats, Vosne-Romanée Cros-Parantoux by Henri Jayer in Magnum, and Exceptional Bordeaux Vintages,

to lead the Finest and Rarest Wines Live Auction 13 April







Henri Jayer, Echézeaux 1995, 3 magnums per lot, estimate: HK\$260,000 – 400,000/ US\$32,000 – 50,000

Henri Jayer, Vosne-Romanée Cros-Parantoux 1986, 4 bottles per lot, estimate: HK\$350,000 – 500,000/ US\$45,000 – 65,000

Henri Jayer, Vosne-Romanée Cros-Parantoux 1990, 4 bottles per lot, estimate: HK\$450,000 – 750,000/ US\$55,000 – 95,000

Henri Jayer, Vosne-Romanée Cros-Parantoux 1992, 1 magnum per lot, estimate: HK\$130,000 – 200,000/ US\$17,000 – 26,000

Henri Jayer, Vosne-Romanée Cros-Parantoux 1996, 6 bottles per lot, estimate: HK\$550,000 – 800,000/ US\$70,000 – 100,000

Henri Jayer, Vosne-Romanée Cros-Parantoux 1999, 6 bottles per lot, estimate: HK\$600,000 – 900,000/ US\$75,000 – 120,000

Hong Kong – Christie's is honoured to have been entrusted with the sale of "**Iconic Wines from Joseph Lau**", which will be offered at a live auction on 13 April, at Christie's Hong Kong's Alexandra House saleroom. Comprising 89 lots with an estimated total value exceeding HK\$24 million/ US\$3 million, the sale will offer a precious opportunity for connoisseurs to acquire the finest bottles from the esteemed entrepreneur and distinguished wine collector.

The celebrated collection features a rare offering of DRC Romanée-Conti from 1989 to 2005 in large formats, a group of fantastic vintages of Vosne-Romanée Cros-Parantoux by Henri Jayer from 1986 to 1999 in magnum, alongside an impressive selection of Bordeaux First Growth vintages produced between 1982 and 2003, from legendary estates including Lafite Rothschild, Mouton Rothschild, Latour, as well as Lafleur, Pétrus, and Cheval Blanc.

Francis Belin, President, Christie's Asia Pacific commented, "It is with pride and great honour that Christie's Hong Kong offers wine lovers a glimpse into one of the world's great wine collections. Where the focus has always been on the very finest wines in Burgundy and Bordeaux, from the finest producers — the icons. Ahead of his time, Mr. Lau's collection was assembled over 30 years, a period when it was still possible to source large quantities of the very rarest of wines, with the right degree of dedication and vision. This sale is very much a celebration of his aptitude in recognizing

the rarest and very best, and a full display of his attention to provenance. We look forward to sharing these true legends and icons of the wine world from the visionary collector, with wine connoisseurs around the world in our live auction next month."

Michelle Chan, Head of Wine, Christie's Asia Pacific added, "Every treasured bottle in Mr. Lau's prestigious collection represents the holy grail for sophisticated wine collectors, who marvel at the owner's dedication and focus on the most iconic vintages from esteemed producers. We are thrilled for the opportunity to offer Mr. Lau's magnificent bottles to kickstart our wine auction season, as we continue our success and tradition of bringing the most prominent single-owner collections to the market."

Joseph Lau remarked, "I am delighted for the opportunity to present my collection, carefully assembled over many years, to wine enthusiasts across the world through this collaboration with Christie's, which reflects our mutual dedication to excellence. Every selected bottle is a testament to my thought, attention, and devotion to collecting only the most impeccable and rarest wines, and I look forward to sharing my top-notch favourites with sophisticated palates worldwide this April."

Following the sale of "Iconic Wines from Joseph Lau", the live auction will also present around 500 lots of exquisite wines from various owners, including the most sought after bottles from Bordeaux, Burgundy, Champagne, Italy, Spain and the U.S. Highlights include multiple vintages of Rousseau Chambertin, d'Auvenay Bonnes-Mares, Leflaive Montrachet, Salon, Sassacaia, Pingus, Alvaro Palacios L'Ermita and Screaming Eagle.

ICONIC WINES FROM JOSEPH LAU - AUCTION HIGHLIGHTS





Henri Jayer, Vosne-Romanée Cros-Parantoux 1999 6 bottles per lot, estimate: HK\$600,000 – 900,000/ US\$75,000 – 120,000 Henri Jayer, Vosne-Romanée Cros-Parantoux 1992 1 magnum per lot, estimate: HK\$130,000 – 200,000/ US\$17,000 – 26,000

Henri Jayer, Vosne-Romanée Cros-Parantoux 1992 6 bottles per lot,

estimate: HK\$320,000 - 500,000/ US\$40,000 - 65,000



Henri Jayer, Vosne-Romanée Cros-Parantoux 1995 1 magnum per lot, estimate: HK\$200,000 – 300,000/ US\$26,000 – 38,000



Henri Jayer, Echézeaux 1986 1 bottle per lot, estimate: HK\$42,000 – 65,000/ US\$5,500 – 8,500

Henri Jayer, Echézeaux 1991 12 bottles per lot, estimate: HK\$550,000 – 850,000/ US\$70,000 – 110,000

Henri Jayer, Echézeaux 1993 9 bottles per lot, estimate: HK\$400,000 – 600,000 / US\$50,000 – 75,000



Henri Jayer, Echézeaux 1997 4 bottles per lot, estimate: HK\$160,000 – 240,000/ US\$20,000 – 30,000



DRC Romanée-Conti 1996 1 methuselah per lot, estimate: HK\$950,000 – 1,400,000/ US\$120,000 – 180,000



DRC Romanée-Conti 2005 3 bottles per lot, estimate: HK\$420,000 – 650,000/ US\$55,000 – 85,000



DRC Richebourg 1999, 7 bottles per lot, estimate: HK\$280,000 – 400,000/ US\$35,000 – 50,000

DRC La Tâche 2002, 1 methuselah per lot, estimate: HK\$300,000 – 450,000/ / US\$38,000 – 60,000

DRC La Tâche 2005, 4 bottles per lot, estimate: HK\$180,000 – 260,000/ US\$24,000 – 35,000

DRC Romanée-Conti 1999, 6 bottles per lot, estimate: HK\$850,000 – 1,300,000/ US\$110,000 – 170,000

DRC Romanée-Conti 1996, 6 bottles per lot, estimate: HK\$700,000 – 1,100,000/ US\$90,000 – 140,000

DRC Romanée-Conti 2002, 2 magnums per lot, estimate: HK\$480,000 – 700,000/ US\$60,000 – 90,000



Lafite 1995, 12 bottles per lot, estimate: HK\$60,000 – 90,000/ US\$7,500 – 12,000

Lafite 2000, 1 double magnum per lot, estimate: HK\$38,000 – 55,000/ US\$4,800 – 7,000

Latour 2003, 12 bottles per lot, estimate: HK\$65,000 – 95,000/ US\$8,500 – 12,000

Mouton 1995, 11 bottles per lot, estimate: HK\$40,000 – 60,000/ US\$5,000 – 7,500



Cheval Blanc 2000, 8 bottles per lot, estimate: HK\$42,000 – 65,000/ US\$5,500 – 8,500

Petrus 1990, 6 magnums per lot, estimate: HK\$320,000 – 480,000/ US\$42,000 – 60,000

Pétrus 1995, 2 double magnums per lot, estimate: HK\$140,000 – 220,000/ US\$18,000 – 28,000

 $\label{eq:Lepin2000} \mbox{Le Pin 2000, 6 bottles per lot,} \\ \mbox{estimate: HK$$140,000 - 220,000/ US$$18,000 - 28,000} \\$

Lafleur 2005, 2 double magnums per lot, estimate: HK\$90,000 – 130,000/ US\$12,000 – 17,000

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