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Christie's Hong Kong Spring Auctions Commenced with

**THE VISIONARY'S SPECTACULAR CELLAR LIVE AUCTION**  
**100% SOLD WITH HISTORIC SALE TOTAL OF HK\$131,898,875/ US\$16,884,784**

**HIGHEST EVER TOTAL FOR THE CATEGORY AND  
MOST VALUABLE SINGLE-OWNER WINE COLLECTION EVER SOLD  
AT CHRISTIE'S GLOBALLY**

Nearly 50% of Lots Surpassed Pre-Sale High Estimates  
Sale Proceeds to Further the Impact of London Business School

[The Visionary's Spectacular Cellar Part II](#) | Online Auction | **23 May – 8 June**



4 auctioneers welcoming bids from worldwide wine lovers over the 11-hour long live auction on 21 May

**Hong Kong** – Christie's 2022 Hong Kong Spring Auctions kicked off with the white-glove live auction of [The Visionary's Spectacular Cellar](#) which realised HK\$131,898,875/ US\$16,884,784, the highest ever total for the category, and the most valuable single-owner wine collection ever sold at Christie's, globally. The 11-hour long sale witnessed worldwide participation from 11 countries across 3 continents, with almost 40% of lots sold via Christie's Live™. Part II of the Cellar will be offered in an online auction to be held from 23 May – 8 June, and proceeds of these two sales will be donated to London Business School to support its commitment to deliver an impact on the way the world does business and the way business impacts the world.

**Adam Bilbey, Global Head of Wine and Spirits, Christie's**, commented, "We are delighted to witness today, wine collectors across the globe sharing the same passion for the very finest wines amassed by this visionary collector for over two decades. Their enthusiastic participation not only established a historic sale total for the category at Christie's, but also opened new chapters in the journeys of these iconic bottles. To have had the opportunity to partner with this friend and wine lover on their collecting journey is an absolute honour. We look forward to contributing further support to London Business School through the online auction of this magnificent single-owner collection, which opens for bidding on 23 May and closes on 8 June. The sale season then continues in London with a historic offering of Finest and Rarest Wines and Spirits: Featuring Generations of Jayer, Burgundy from the Historic Cellars of King's College,

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Cambridge. We then land in Los Angeles with Fine and Rare Wines Online: Featuring the Exceptional Collection of Danny and Donna Arnold. It truly is an exciting time for wine at Christie's!"

**The Visionary Collector** remarked, "I am very humbled and privileged that so many wine lovers from around the world took the time to explore and appreciate my wine collecting journey, made possible by Christie's expertise and international network. The collecting community's excitement and recognition of the quality and provenance of my fine wine collection now extends beyond Christie's saleroom and is transformed into generous support towards London Business School, which has been most inspiring for so many students, staff, executives, and alumni like myself. A toast to everyone who joined us today to make an impact on the world!"

## Sale Highlights:

- Top lot of the sale was Lot 5407, Domaine de la Romanée-Conti, Romanée-Conti 1999, 12 bottles per lot, sold for HK\$3,000,000/ US\$384,039 against its pre-sale low estimate of HK\$1,800,000/ US\$230,424
- Demand for **DRC** remained robust, fetching a total hammer price of 120% of low estimate. Large formats were particularly desired, and top-performing lots include:



Lot 5407  
Domaine de la Romanée-Conti, Romanée-Conti 1999  
12 bottles per lot  
Price realised: HK\$3,000,000/ US\$384,039



Lot 5379  
Domaine de la Romanée-Conti,  
La Tâche 1990  
6 magnums per lot  
Price realised: HK\$1,062,500/  
US\$136,014



Lot 5423  
Domaine de la Romanée-Conti,  
Assortment 2002  
6 magnums per lot  
Price realised: HK\$937,500/  
US\$120,012



Lot 5413  
Domaine de la Romanée-Conti,  
Romanée-Conti 2004  
1 jeroboam per lot  
Price realised: HK\$875,000/  
US\$112,011

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- The **mature Bordeaux** commanded solid prices, with large formats sparking competitive bidding. Notable highlights include:



Lot 5179  
Château Cheval-Blanc 1947  
2 magnums per lot  
Price realised: HK\$600,000/  
US\$76,808



Lot 5022  
Château Latour 1982  
12 bottles per lot  
Price realised: HK\$212,500/  
US\$27,203



Lot 5077  
Château Margaux 2015  
6 magnums per lot  
Price realised: HK\$118,750/  
US\$15,202

- Domaine Armand Rousseau, Petrus** and **Henri Jayer** bottles were coveted by collectors, achieving a total hammer price of 136%, 128%, and 120% of low estimates respectively. Highlight lots include:



Lot 5573  
Domaine Leroy, Musigny 2011  
6 bottles per lot  
Price realised: HK\$1,875,000/  
US\$240,025



Lot 5485  
Henri Jayer,  
Vosne-Romanée Cros Parantoux 2000  
12 bottles per lot  
Price realised: HK\$1,375,000/  
US\$176,018



Lot 5303  
Domaine Armand Rousseau,  
Chambertin 1996  
6 magnums per lot  
Price realised: HK\$625,000/ US\$80,008



Lot 5219  
Petrus 1970  
12 bottles per lot  
Price realised: HK\$375,000/  
US\$48,005



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- **White Burgundy** continued to be among the top-notch favourites of wine lovers. Featured lots of this category include:



Lot 5691  
Domaine Leflaive, Montrachet 1996  
3 magnums per lot  
Price realised: HK\$750,000/  
US\$96,010



Lot 5641  
Domaine J.F. Coche-Dury,  
Corton-Charlemagne 2011  
12 bottles per lot  
Price realised: HK\$625,000/  
US\$80,008



Lot 5644  
Domaine d'Auvenay, Chevalier-Montrachet  
2009  
3 bottles per lot  
Price realised: HK\$562,500/  
US\$72,007

- Rounding out the sale was a diverse selection of **Champagne** which commanded impressive prices. Highlights of the champagne selection include:



Lot 5805  
Salon Le Mesnil Blanc de Blancs 1985  
12 bottles per lot  
Price realised: HK\$175,000/  
US\$22,402



Lot 5828  
Taittinger Comtes de Champagne Rosé 1969  
12 bottles per lot  
Price realised: HK\$106,250/  
US\$13,601

Christie's Hong Kong's wine live auction series continues from 22 – 23 May with [The Ultimate Private Collection Featuring The Greatest Burgundies Part II](#) at the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre.

## NOTES TO EDITORS

### Auctions:

**Location:** Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre, No. 1 Harbour Road, Hong Kong

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