

# CHRISTIE'S

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### CHRISTIE'S HOSTS TWO ONLINE-ONLY AUCTIONS THIS THANKSGIVING SEASON:

- ***Multiples By Matisse From The Matisse Family Collections***
- ***The Magnificent Cellar of Charlie Trotter's (Part II)***



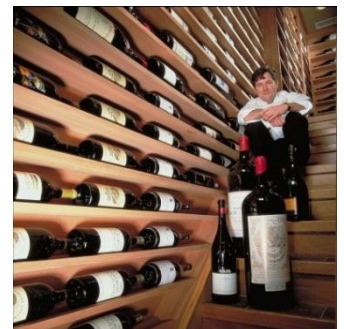
**New York** - Thanks to its industry-leading e-commerce capabilities, global auction house Christie's is getting an early start to Cyber Monday, the annual online holiday shopping ritual when Americans begin their quest to find the perfect holiday gift online. Starting today, shoppers can log on to Christies.com to browse and bid in two new online-only auctions running from now to December 4.



**For the art-lover in your life**, Christie's presents the Online-Only sale of *Multiples by Matisse* from the Matisse Family Collections. The selection comprises 96 lots that represent a fascinating cross-section of the artist's graphic oeuvre, including drypoints and etchings from his early career through to large-scale lithographs and aquatints from his later years. All of the works are sourced directly from the artist's family – an impeccable provenance. New collectors as well as established connoisseurs will find a range of techniques, styles and subjects, as well as a wide range of starting estimates, from \$1,000 up to \$50,000. This collection's approachable pricing along with the added convenience of online browsing and bidding makes this an ideal sale for those interested in starting their own art collection or looking for the perfect holiday gift.

*(Pictured: Bédouine au grand Voile by Henri Matisse, aquatint, estimate: \$7,000-9,000)*

**For wine-lovers**, Christie's online-only auction of *The Magnificent Cellar of Charlie Trotter's* offers more than 440 lots of fine and rare wines from Burgundy, Bordeaux, Rhône Valley, Napa Valley and beyond. Lovingly collected over 25 years by Chef Charlie Trotter and his award-winning sommeliers, this collection ranks among the most anticipated and celebrated restaurant collections ever offered at auction. The auction of Part I of the cellar on November 16 totaled \$918,000, with nearly every bottle sold. This second and final installment features many more rare treasures, including a 2-bottle lot of **1945 Château Haut-Brion**, 6 bottles of **1999 Perrier-Jouet La Fleur**, and a magnum of cult favorite **2000 Sassicaia**. Estimates start as low at \$50 and range up to \$5,000, making this an exceptional opportunity to bring home truly magnificent wines with the added imprimatur of Chef



Trotter's legendary, five-star wine cellar.

(Pictured: *Chef Charlie Trotter in one of his four on-site wine cellars, Chicago*)

For both of these sales, all browsing and bidding is done online and is open to both new and established clients anywhere in the world. All payment is by credit card, with payment settlement within 48 hours of purchase.

**To browse the sales and register to bid, please visit:**

*Multiples by Matisse at Christie's:* <http://www.multiplesbymatisse.com>

*The Magnificent Cellar of Charlie Trotter's, Part II:* <http://www.christies.com/signaturecellars>

### **Digital Innovation at Christie's**

As a 246-year old company, Christie's has proven itself adept at embracing innovation while preserving its core business model. In July 2006, Christie's was the first international auction house to give clients worldwide access to bidding in its saleroom over the Internet, via Christie's LIVE™; by 2007 the system was available across all Christie's salerooms worldwide. Since then, Christie's has continued to invest in digital assets, leading to the redesign of Christies.com in April 2008, the launch of Christie's iPhone and iPad apps in 2009 and 2010, and the introduction of our first online-only auction in 2011.

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### **About Christie's**

Christie's, the world's leading art business, had global auction and private sales in the first half of 2012 that totaled £2.2 billion/\$3.5 billion. Christie's is a name and place that speaks of extraordinary art, unparalleled service and expertise, as well as international glamour. Founded in 1766 by James Christie, Christie's has since conducted the greatest and most celebrated auctions through the centuries providing a popular showcase for the unique and the beautiful. Christie's offers over 450 auctions annually in over 80 categories, including all areas of fine and decorative arts, jewellery, photographs, collectibles, wine, and more. Prices range from \$200 to over \$100 million. Christie's also has a long and successful history conducting private sales for its clients in all categories, with emphasis on Post-War and Contemporary, Impressionist and Modern, Old Masters and Jewellery. Private sales totaled £413.4 million/ \$661.5 million in the first half of 2012, an increase of 53% on the previous year.

Christie's has a global presence with 53 offices in 32 countries and 10 salerooms around the world including in London, New York, Paris, Geneva, Milan, Amsterdam, Dubai, Zürich, and Hong Kong. More recently, Christie's has led the market with expanded initiatives in growth markets such as Russia, China, India and the United Arab Emirates, with successful sales and exhibitions in Beijing, Mumbai and Dubai.

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