

The 2022 Golden Vines[®] Global Online Charity Auction opens for bidding on 1st October: 100+ Lots for the benefit of the Gérard Basset Foundation



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The Golden Vines® Fine Wine, Rare Spirit & Experience Global Online Charity Auction (The Golden Vines® Auction) raises money exclusively for the **Gérard Basset Foundation**, which funds **diversity & inclusion** focused educational programmes in the wine, spirits & hospitality sector. Last year's inaugural Auction featured 74 lots, raising just over £1.2 million for the Foundation. The Golden Vines® Auction is a global online auction in which anyone in the world can bid via an eCatalogue which can be requested now and accessed from the 1st October using the following link: <u>https://liquidicons.com/auction2022</u>

The Foundation's work includes a large number of Golden Vines[®] scholarship programmes sponsored by groups like **Dom Pérignon**, **Hennessy** Cognac, **Artémis Domaines**, the **Brooklyn Nets & the New York Liberty** basketball teams, as well as the marquee scholarships, the three **Taylor's Port** Golden Vines Diversity Scholarships, each worth £55,000. Last year, the Foundation also made grants to 14 institutional and community partners globally, including disability students in New York, young black winemakers in South Africa, and indigenous peoples in Australia and Canada.

This year's Golden Vines[®] Auction will feature **100+ Auction Lots**. The Auction goes live for bidding on the **1st of October** and will close at midnight CET on Sunday **16th of October** after The Golden Vines[®] Awards Ceremony & Dinner at the Palazzo Vecchio, Florence. Anyone worldwide can bid, irrespective of whether they are attending The Golden Vines[®] Awards.

For those wishing to receive a copy of the eCatalogue, they should register to receive the eCatalogue using the following link: <u>https://liquidicons.com/auction2022</u>

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Each lot is comprised of a package that includes large formats or rarities from some of the top wine estates and spirit houses globally, as well as a **'money-can't-buy' experience**, such as VIP tours, tastings, fine wine lunches with the owners or winemaker, and a stay at the château or luxury hotel (i.e. fine wine or rare spirit + an experience).

Along with numerous lots from Burgundy, Champagne, Bordeaux, Piedmont, Tuscany, Spain, Portugal, Germany, Napa Valley, Argentina, Chile, South Africa, and Australia for 2022, there are lots from new countries such as **Uruguay, Hungary, Switzerland**, and even a kosher wine lot from **Israel**, reinforcing the Foundation's diversity and inclusivity aims. Furthermore, many more affordable lots will be available in 2022, alongside lots expected to sell for tens of thousands (if not hundreds of thousands) of pounds.

Many of the donating wineries and spirit houses have produced a one-minute video to promote their Auction Lots on social media, a new feature for The 2022 Golden Vines[®] Auction. The videos will also be embedded in the eCatalogue and accessible to all bidders.

Also new for The 2022 Golden Vines[®] Auction are several Auction Lots donated by well-known **fine wine collectors and connoisseurs**, many of whom have included incredible bottles of fine wines to donate alongside exclusive experiences that should greatly appeal to other wine collectors and lovers.

For those bidding from the **United States**, in order to assist in obtaining **charitable tax relief**, there will be the option to pay for their winning lot through an American charity affiliate, making bidding on The 2022 Golden Vines[®] Auction more attractive.

Below are the current top Auction Lots by value (over £20,000 low estimate).

TOP AUCTION LOTS BY VALUE (OVER £20,000 LOW ESTIMATE)

LIBER PATER, BORDEAUX, FRANCE

The world's most expensive red wine on release (less than 1,000 bottles made, each vintage) and the most interesting man in Bordeaux hosting you: A unique collection of Liber Pater in a hand-crafted presentation case that includes Liber Pater Rouge 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2015, 2018 & 2019, plus Denarius Rouge 2015 & 2019 (9 bottle case) signed by Vigneron, Loic Pasquet; VIP tour, tasting and fine wine lunch at the estate with Loic Pasquet for ten guests.

Estimate: £100,000+

PENFOLDS, AUSTRALIA

Extraordinary Penfolds Grange Experience: Super-rare 100-point 6-litre (Imperial) of Penfolds 2016 (one of 11 bottles made), signed by winemaker extraordinaire and personality Peter Gago; fine wine dinner hosted by Peter Gago with a selection of 100-point only Grange vintages back to 1976, as well as the uber-rare Penfolds Bin 60A 1962, generally acknowledged as the greatest Australian fine wine ever released (rated 7th highest in Decanter magazine's 100 Wines to Try Before You Die, August 2004, the highest placed non-French wine); depending on where you are located, Peter will either host you in Australia at Penfold's Magill Estate Restaurant, in London at The Apothecaries in Blackfriars or Menton, France at Michelin 3-star Mirazur, winner of the S. Pellegrino World's Best Top 50 Restaurants Award for four guests.

Estimate: £80,000+

DOMAINE DE LA ROMANÉE CONTI, BURGUNDY & THE MAYBOURNE RIVIERA, ROQUEBRUNE-CAP-MARTIN, FRANCE

A Mega Lot: 3-litre (Jeroboam) of Domaine de la Romanée Conti's Romanée-Saint-Vivant 2009 direct from the Domaine's cellars, combined with a 2-night luxury experience at the magnificent Maybourne Riviera Hotel in the Côte d'Azur complete with its outstanding restaurants under the creative direction of Chef Mauro Colagreco (Mirazur, 3-star Michelin) and global super-chef, Jean-Georges Vongerichten for 2 guests.

Estimate: £30,000++

MAISON KRUG, CHAMPAGNE, FRANCE

Ultimate 1-night Krug Experience: Collection of 3-litres (Jeroboams) of Krug Grande Cuvee, Krug Rosé, Krug Vintage 2000 and Krug Vintage 2003 (4 in total); VIP tour, tasting and fine wine dinner featuring all of Krug's wines at the Maison hosted by Olivier Krug, with an overnight stay at Hotel & 3-Michelin Star Restaurant L'Assiette Champenoise in Reims for 4 guests.

Estimate: £30,000+

DOM PÉRIGNON, CHAMPAGNE, FRANCE

The Home of Champagne Experience: An incredible collection of three 1.5-litres (Magnums) of Dom Pérignon Plenitude 3 (P3s): P3 1976, P3 1983 & P3 Rose 1988; VIP tour, vineyard visit, tasting of multiple vintages of Dom Pérignon and fine wine lunch crafted by in-house Chef, Marco Fadiga, and hosted by Vincent Chaperon, Chef de Cave, in Hautvillers, the home of Dom Pérignon for 6 guests.

Estimate: £30,000+

LEWIS CHESTER DIPWSET, COLLECTOR LOT

Lewis Chester DipWSET, CEO of Liquid Icons, founder of The Golden Vines® and Honorary President of the Gérard Basset Foundation: 1.5-litre (Magnum) of Dom Pérignon P2 2000; 2x VIP Tickets to The Golden Vines Paris 13-16 October 2023, including entry to The Golden Vines® Winners Dinner open only to Golden Vines® Award Winners, donors of the wines for Golden Vines® Paris, Golden Vines® Scholarship winners and sponsors. Additionally, a private dinner at Oswald's Private Members Club in Mayfair, London featuring the wines of Dom Pérignon: P1, P2 and P3, plus a bottle of Richard Hennessy Cognac hosted by Lewis Chester for 6 guests.

Estimate: £25,000++

HARLAN ESTATE, NAPA VALLEY, USA

Napa Valley Experience at iconic winery: 3-litre (Double Magnum) of Harlan Estate 2016, signed by founder, H. William Harlan; VIP tour, tasting, and fine wine lunch at the estate hosted by Don Weaver for 6 guests.

Estimate: £25,000++

JAMES FINKEL, COLLECTOR LOT

New York-based fine wine collector, James Finkel, known for his collection of old & rare fine wines: tasting & 4-course dinner at the University Club of New York featuring an incredible collection of rare beauties: Bollinger Vieilles Vignes Françaises 1981; Château Haut-Brion Blanc 1982 & 1996; Henri Jayer Vosne-Romanée Cros Parantoux 1990; Emmanuel Rouget Vosne-Romanée Cros Parantoux 1990; and Château d'Yquem 1983, hosted by James Finkel for 6 guests.

Estimate: £25,000++

STRAUSS & CO, SOUTH AFRICA

Ultimate 2-night South African Experience from leading auction house, Strauss & Co: Cases from each of Alheit Vineyards Collectors 2017 (12 bottles), Sadie Family Columella vertical 2000-2011 (12 bottles), Vilafonte Series C 2005 (6 bottles), and Vilafonte Series M 2005 (6 bottles) all signed by the winemakers; 2-night stay in the exclusive Private Villa at Grootbos Nature Reserve 5-star luxury eco-reserve (voted Conde Nast Best Hotel in South Africa) with tasting & paired gourmet dinner hosted by the three owners of Alheit, Sadie Family & Vilafonte wineries, and Higgo Jacobs and Roland Peens from Strauss & Co; second dinner hosted by Strauss & Co in either Johannesburg or Cape Town at a contemporary art gallery with established and rising artists in attendance to introduce the South African art scene hosted by Michael Lutzeyer, the owner of Grootbos, for 8 guests.

Estimate: £25,000+

MOËT & CHANDON, CHAMPAGNE, FRANCE

Ultime Moët & Chandon Experience: unique collection of 8 x 1.5-litre (Magnums) of Grand Vintage Collection spanning 1990 to 2008, each personally selected by Chef de Cave, Benoit Gouez; VIP cellar tour, bespoke Moët tasting and gourmet lunch hosted by Benoit Gouez at the prestigious Moët & Chandon Château on the Saran estate, with walk to vineyards, for 8 guests.

Estimate: £25,000+

DOMAINE DENIS MORTET, BURGUNDY, FRANCE

Gevrey-Chambertin Experience: 3-litre (Jeroboam), a bottle format that has never been available to purchase, from the personal cellar reserve, the Domaine's majestic Chambertin Grand Cru from the incredible 2010 vintage signed by owner, Arnaud Mortet: VIP tour, tasting and fine wine lunch at Michelin-star restaurant in the village of Gevrey-Chambertin hosted by Arnaud Mortet for 6 guests.

Estimate: £20,000++

HENNESSY, COGNAC, FRANCE

Ultimate 1-night Krug Experience: A collection of 3-litres (Jeroboams) of Krug Grande Cuvee, Krug Rose, Krug Vintage 2000 and Krug Vintage 2003 (4 in total); VIP tour, tasting and fine wine dinner featuring all of Krug's wines at the Maison hosted by Olivier Krug, with an overnight stay at Hotel & 3-Michelin Star Restaurant L'Assiette Champenoise in Reims for 4 guests.

Estimate: £20,000++

CHÂTEAU COS D'ESTOURNEL, BORDEAUX, FRANCE

Be a King for a day and a night: 6-litre (Imperial) bottle of Cos d'Estournel 2014 signed by winemaker, Dominique Arangoits; plus VIP tour, tasting, dinner and one night stay at La Chartreuse de Cos d'Estournel, the truly magnificent private residence of owner Michel Reybier and his family (indoor & outdoor pool, spa, massage room, private cellar), which is yours for a day and a night for 6 guests.

Estimate: £20,000++

SCREAMING EAGLE, NAPA VALLEY, USA

Napa's legendary producer: 1.5-litre bottles (Magnums) of Merlot-based Screaming Eagle Second Flight 2014, Screaming Eagle The Flight 2015 & Screaming Eagle The Flight 2016 signed by winemaker, Nick Gislason; 4-course fine wine dinner at The McClelland House hotel in downtown Napa from Michelinstar chef, Robert Sulatycky, to be hosted by one of the team from Screaming Eagle for 6 guests.

Estimate: £20,000+

COMPLETE LIST OF ALL AUCTION LOT DONORS (by country)

France

Château Cheval Blanc Château Cos d'Estournel Liber Pater Château d'Yquem Château Leoville Barton Chateau Montrose Château Lynch-Bages Château Angelus Château La Conseillante Château Pichon Longueville Comtesse de Lalande Château Pichon Longueville au Baron Château Le Dome Domaine Jean-Yves Bizot Maison Joseph Drouhin Domaine Dujac Domaine des Lambrays Domaine Laroche / Maison Champy Domaine Jean-Marc Millot Domaine Georges Noëllat Domaine Baron Thénard Domaine Arlaud Domaine Arnoux-Lachaux Domaine Bonneau du Martray Clos de Tart Domaine Denis Mortet Domaine de la Romanée Conti Domaine Henri Gouges Domaine Leflaive Domaine Hudelot-Noëllat Domaine Duroché Château de la Tour Domaine Drouhin-Laroze Boërl & Kroff Charles Heidsieck Dom Pérignon Dom Ruinart Krug Moët & Chandon Rare Champagne Billecart-Salmon Salon & Delamotte Taittinger

Veuve Clicquot Frerejean Frères F E Trimbach Domaine Jamet Hennessy Cognac

Italy

Biondi-Santi Castiglion del Bosco Gaja Luca Roagna Tenuta San Guido (Sassicaia) Emidio Pepe Marchesi Antinori Marchesi Frescobaldi Bibi Graetz Casanova di Neri Querciabella Il Marroneto

Spain

Terra Dominicata Pingus Recaredo Cava Abadia Retuerta Bodega Miguel Torres Gonzalez Byass Alvaro Palacios Marques de Murrieta

Portugal

Barca Velha / Casa Ferreirinha Symington Family Estates Taylor's Port Barbeito Madeira

Germany

Egon Müller JJ Prüm Eva Fricke (& 2-Star Michelin Chef, Andreas Krolik at Lafleur)

Switzerland

Weingut Donatsch

Hungary

Istvan Szepsy

Israel

Judean Hills Quartet

United Kingdom

Gusbourne Estate Glenmorangie The Macallan

USA

Colgin Cellars Harlan Estate Mayacamas Opus One Ridge Vineyards Domaine de la Cote Screaming Eagle Chateau Potelle Fantesca

Chile

Vinedo Chadwick Casa Lapostolle Vina Vik

Argentina

Bodega Cantena Zapata (& Chewton Glen Hotel & Spa)

Uruguay

Bodega Garzon

South Africa

Klein Constantia

4G Wines Creation Wines Strauss & Co

Australia

Penfolds

Japan

IWA Japan

Fine Wine Collector's Lots

Jordi Orriol-Gils (UK) David Fink, Joe & Nancy Schoendorf (USA) Ian Mill KC (UK) 2-Star Michelin Chef Arkame (France) Maybourne Riviera Hotel (France) FlyWithMe Wine Luggage (USA) Michael Hill-Smith MW, Shaw & Smith (Australia) James Finkel (USA) Pierre Cavin, Cavin Tonnellerie (France) Lewis Chester DipWSET (UK)

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For any further information on The 2022 Golden Vines® Online Auction, including access to videos produced by wineries and spirit houses, please contact Sasha Lushnikov at sasha@liquidicons.com

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About Liquid Icons

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About the Gérard Basset Foundation

Set up to honour the legacy and memory of Gérard Basset OBE MW MS by addressing the wine industry's most pressing issues through education, training & mentorship, the Gérard Basset Foundation comprises a multidisciplinary team of industry-leading professionals as its Trustees: Nina Basset FIH, Romané Basset, Ian Harris MBE DipWSET, and Jancis Robinson OBE MW:

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