A FIRST LOOK AT OUR EDITORS' MOST EXCITING NEW WINES

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AT UP TO 98 POINTS, some of the most prized wines of France and California take over this week's Wine Spectator Insider, a report on discoveries our editors have recently made in their tastings. Collector picks for the New World include towering 2012 California Cabernets from Screaming Eagle, Hall, Lewis, Maybach, Hundred Acre, Peter Michael, Carter, Dalla Valle and Caymus. France brings another classic "La La" Côte-Rôtie trio from E. Guigal, plus Chave's Hermitage.

If that weren't enough, New Zealand Pinots reach 95 points here, new Barolos impress and Spain contributes grand old wines back to the 2001 vintage. Don't miss the six classic Hot Wines on page 4.

SPAIN

BODEGAS RESALTE DE PEÑAFIEL

Ribera del Duero 8 Essences 2001 93 points | \$400 | 210 cases made | Red

Well-knit and harmonious, offering plum, tobacco, leather, underbrush and mineral notes. Full tannins are beginning to soften, while the acidity remains fresh. Drink now through 2021.—T.M.

BODEGAS RESALTE DE PEÑAFIEL

Ribera del Duero Reserva 2009 92 points | \$70 | 300 cases imported | Red

Austere yet harmonious, this polished red shows depth and focus. with black cherry, licorice, mineral and sanguine flavors. The firm tannins are well-integrated. Drink now through 2023.-T.M.