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Thursday Offer.....

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In a week when Kate Winslet finally brought home the bacon, we felt it appropriate to give this week's offer an Oscar's theme. In recent years Francis Ford Coppola has become as well known to wine drinkers as film goers, his expensive Rubicon wines becoming some of America's most sought after gems. Following completion of his restorative work on the historic Rubicon estate in 1995, he bought another winery in Geyserville, Sonoma, from where local winemaker Corey Beck produces an array of wines at 3 different quality levels. The wine which impressed us most at a recent tasting and which we have selected for this week's offer, forms part of his top range, known as Director's Cut. It is a delight and we felt it offered excellent value for a wine of this quality.

2006 Director's Cut Dry Creek Valley Zinfandel

Dry Creek Valley is well known as a fine source of quality Zinfandel and this wine really impressed with its mineral undertones and precise fruit flavours. Whilst it is certainly powerful, it is not overwhelming and the fruit is cool and well defined with excellent length and lots of character. There is also a lovely spicy, almost peppery element which adds complexity and appeal. It is very much a food wine and would be terrific decanted for half an hour and served with the likes of lamb, beef, venison or even pork.

For those of you who likes a bit of technical information, this wine has 7% Petite Sirah (adds freshness and bite) and is aged in French oak barrels for 12 months, 50% of which are new.

£175 Per case of 12 inc. VAT and delivery.

£90 Per case of 6 inc. VAT and delivery.

15 cases available