

CUVÉE 2011

VINTAGE PORT 2011

Auction on Friday,

13th of September 2013



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The Douro Boys are a group made up of five wine estates:

Quinta do Vallado Niepoort Quinta do Crasto Quinta Vale D. Maria Quinta do Vale Meão

Since the year **2003** they have been working with united efforts, organising joint presentations, seminars and tastings, all concentrated upon relating the story of their heritage. Their wines are considered by far among the best in all of Portugal - this factor has made a not-insignificant contribution to the success of their endeavour...

That they have had loads of fun doing this - and that their enthusiasm for the culture of wine as well as for life itself is infectious - cannot be denied.

So what do winegrowers do when they have an important anniversary to celebrate?

That's right! They create a totally extraordinary wine - and actually, the Douro Boys have just created two of them: a red wine, *Douro Boys Cuvée 2011*, and a fortified wine, *Douro Boys Vintage Port 2011*.



The Douro Boys Cuvée

Douro Boys Cuvée 2011 is the celebratory wine dedicated to the tenth birthday of the grower's group. From each of the quintas, a particularly expressive cask was chosen; then, with great intuition these five characters were married into one wine, a wine showing great depth and concentration, vitality and powerful tannic structure, imbued with spirit and significant potential. The Douro Boys Cuvée unites all the separate virtues of the five quintas: the structured elegance of Vallado, the uncompromising freshness of Niepoort, the charming fruit-driven character of Crasto, the aristocratic minerality of Vale Dona Maria, and the enchanting body of Meão. A wine that could quite possibly write history, in that it unites a limitless potential with unmistakable Douro-character.

The Douro Boys Cuvée 2011 will be bottled exclusively in magnums. **Seven hundred and fifty 1.5 litre bottles** of this fascinating wine will be released to the market - and this will be done exclusively in the setting of an auction, which will take place on the 13th of September in the Douro Valley.





The Douro Boys Vintage

The brilliant 2011 vintage has produced magnificent port wines; it is even quite possibly one of the greatest vintages ever.

The Douro Boys have chosen the most promising port cask of this vintage from each quinta, and from these created a vintage port that harkens back to the great wines of the 1970s: a vintage port that's already impressive, but which will most likely achieve its true greatness only after twenty or thirty years have passed. With this, the Douro Boys are making a clean break with fashion, which recently has dictated that vintage port must also be pleasant and drinkable when young. The Douro Boys Vintage Port 2011 is most definitely targeted to the next and following generations of wine-lovers - and for wine merchants, restaurateurs and parents who are not thinking only about the near-term.

The Douro Boys Vintage Port 2011 will be bottled in **two hundred and fifty magnums**, and will be offered exclusively in the course of the auction on 13 September 2013





Viticulture in the Douro Valley

On its journey across the Iberian peninsula, the Douro River sees hundreds of thousands of grapevines. But while the vines in the Spanish wine-producing districts Ribera del Duero, Rueda and Toro grow on a high plateau composed of clay, gravel, sand and limestone, as soon as you cross the border into Portugal, the vines find themselves coming up out of granite and slate soils. Here during millions of years, the river has etched itself deeply into the earth, on its way to the Atlantic Ocean. The precipitously steep slopes to its left and to its right have been worked by the hand of man over hundreds of years into terraces, which has made agriculture possible. Here the farmers grew grains, potatoes, cabbage and fruits. Moreover, they planted wine grapes in the terrace walls, and in this way used the terraces both vertically and horizontally.

Over the course of the last two hundred years the Douro has been made navigable, and the railroad has laid its tracks down along the river valley - these factors made it possible for the quintas - as these local estates are known - to quite handily transport their production to Oporto and thence to the export markets. Since the 18th century the Douro Valley has developed from a mixed-agricultural territory - as it was in the Middle Ages - to a purely viticultural region. From that point, port wine became the most important if not the sole source of income for the valley's inhabitants. They delivered their grapes or their wines to the port shippers in Oporto, which led to the development of an intimate mutual dependency. It was not until Portugal became a member of the European Union that the longstanding export-monopoly of the large port houses was abolished, and the individual quintas were granted the right to sell directly on the world market.

In the spirit of optimism which has prevailed since then, the five Douro Boys were - and remain - the driving force behind this pursuit of quality, as well as setting the tone for its image.



THE AUCTION

on Friday, 13th of September 2013



Value EUR 420 LOT No.01 Auction start price EUR 240 3 Magnums of Douro Boys Cuvée 2011 Value EUR 380 LOT No.02 Auction start price EUR 160 2 Magnums of Douro Boys Vintage Port 2011 Value EUR **1.360** LOT No.03 Auction start price EUR 720 1 Magnum of Quinta do Vale Meão 2007 Red + 9 Magnums of Douro Boys Cuvée 2011 Value EUR 940 LOT No.04 Auction start price EUR 480 4 Magnums of Douro Boys Cuvée 2011 + 2 Magnums of Douro Boys Vintage Port 2011 Value EUR **550** LOT No.05 Auction start price EUR 240 Two private overnights for two persons at the charming Quinta do Crasto as well as a romantic dinner followed by selected wines of the Quinta + 3 Magnums of Douro Boys Cuvée 2011

Value EUR **570**LOT No.06

Auction start price EUR 240

3 Magnums of Douro Boys Vintage Port 2011

Value EUR 2.400
LOT No.07

Auction start price EUR 800

Portuguese Lunch and overnight at the Relais & Châteaux Hotel The Yeatman in Porto

- + 2 tickets for a football match of FC Porto (VIP Section, Stadium Porto) accompanied by the soccer enthusiast Tomas Roquette
- + 3 Magnums of Douro Boys Cuvée 2011

LOT No.08 Value EUR 2.900
Auction start price EUR 1.500

- 1 Double Magnum of Quinta Vale D. Maria 2009
- 1 five litre bottle of Quinta Vale D. Maria 2009 (rated with 96 points by the The Wine Advocate in 2012)
- + 18 Magnums of Douro Boys Cuvée 2011



Value EUR 990 LOT No.09 Auction start price EUR 480

3 Magnums of Douro Boys Cuvée 2011

+ 3 Magnums of Douro Boys Cuvée 2005

Value EUR 3.500 LOT No.10 Auction start price EUR 1.500

An evening with Dirk van der Niepoort, his Chess board and a bottle of Colheita 1937 at a place of your choice somewhere in the world

+ 3 Magnums of Douro Boys Vintage Port 2011

Value EUR **840 LOT No.11**Auction start price EUR 480

6 Magnums of Douro Boys Cuvée 2011

Value EUR **2.500 LOT No.12**Auction start price EUR 1.100

A "Meandro" vertical for 10 persons (with selected vintages back to 1999) commented by the winemaker Francisco "Xito" Olazabal followed by a private dinner at Quinta do Vale Meão

+ 6 Magnums of Douro Boys Cuvée 2011

LOT No.13 Value EUR 1.140
Auction start price EUR 480

6 Magnums of Douro Boys Vintage Port 2011

Value EUR 2.800
LOT No.14

Auction start price EUR 1.440

12 Magnums of Douro Boys Cuvée 2011

+ 6 Magnums of Douro Boys Vintage Port 2011

Value EUR 16.800
LOT No.15

Auction start price EUR 9.600

120 Magnums of Douro Boys Cuvée 2011

Value EUR 2.000 Auction start price EUR 600

"Fly Fishing" accompanied by João Alvares Ribeiro and/or Francisco Ferreira at one of the last hidden places in the Douro Valley followed by a wine-dinner for 6 persons at the Quinta do Vallado with a spectacular "Dona Antonia" theatre performance

+ 3 Magnums of Douro Boys Vintage Port 2011



Value EUR 700
LOT No.17 Auction start price EUR 400

5 Magnums of Douro Boys Cuvée 2011

Value EUR **6.900 LOT No.18**Auction start price EUR 3.840

3 Magnums of Quinta do Vallado's Touriga Nacional 2008

(The US-Magazine Wine Spectator ranked this wine on # 7 of the top 100 wines in 2011!)

+ 48 Magnums of Douro Boys Cuvée 2011

Value EUR 190
LOT No.19 Auction start price EUR 80

1 Magnum of Douro Boys Vintage Port 2011

Value EUR 330 LOT No.20 Auction start price EUR 160

- 1 Magnum of Douro Boys Cuvée 2011
- + 1 Magnum of Douro Boys Vintage Port 2011

Value EUR 2.000
LOT No.21 Auction start price EUR 800

Quinta Vale D. Maria tasting with Francisca van Zeller for a maximum of 15 persons at a city of your choice in any country in Europe

+ 4 Magnums of Douro Boys Cuvée 2011

Value EUR **6.270 LOT No.22**Auction start price EUR 2.640

33 Magnums of Douro Boys Vintage Port 2011

Value EUR 4.200
LOT No.23 Auction start price EUR 2.400

30 Magnums of Douro Boys Cuvée 2011

Value EUR 800
LOT No.24

Auction start price EUR 300

A romantic weekend for two persons during harvest time at Vallado's "Boutique Wine Hotel" including two overnights in a suite and a candle light dinner as well as one afternoon harvesting with the Vallado-Team including "foot treading in the lagares" with João Alvares Ribeiro and/or Francisco Ferreira

- + 2 Magnums of Douro Boys Vintage Port 2011
- + 2 Magnums of the "foot trodden" wine



Value EUR 3.360
LOT No.25

Auction start price EUR 1.920

24 Magnums of Douro Boys Cuvée 2011

Value EUR 2.280
LOT No.26

Auction start price EUR 960

12 Magnums of Douro Boys Vintage Port 2011

Value EUR **8.900 LOT No.27**Auction start price EUR 4.800

6 Magnums of Niepoorts Charme 2004

+ 60 Magnums of Douro Boys Cuvée 2011

LOT No.28 Value EUR 1.390
Auction start price EUR 720

1 eighteen litre of Quinta do Crasto's Reserva Vinhos Vehlos (94 p.) ranked amongst the Top 100 Cellar Selections 2012 by the US-Magazine "The Wine Enthusiast"

+ 9 Magnums of Douro Boys Cuvée 2011

Value EUR 850 LOT No.29 Auction start price EUR 480

A boat trip on the Douro river followed by a picknick for four persons together with João Alvares Ribeiro and/or Francisco Ferreira

+ 6 Magnums of Douro Boys Cuvée 2011

Value EUR **9.240**

Auction start price EUR 5.280

LOT No.30

66 Magnums of Douro Boys Cuvée 2011

Value EUR 510
LOT No.31 Auction start price EUR 240

- 1 Magnum of Douro Boys Cuvée 2011
- 1 Magnum of Douro Boys Cuvée 2005
- 1 Magnum of Douro Boys Vintage Port 2011

LOT No.32 Value EUR Auction start price EUR 400

One week holiday for 4 persons at the private Quinta Vale D. Maria

+ 3 Magnums of Douro Boys Cuvée 2011

Value EUR 1.190
LOT No.33

Auction start price EUR 480

1 bottle of Niepoort Vintage Port 2009 (95p.)

ranked amongst the Top 100 Cellar Selections 2012 by the US-Magazine "The Wine Enthusiast"

+ 6 Magnums of Douro Vintage Port 2011



Value EUR **9.800**

LOT No.34 Auction start price EUR 5.600

70 Magnums of Douro Boys Cuvée 2011

Value EUR **3.500**

LOT No.35 Auction start price EUR 1.700

Dinner at one of the "Casino-Hotel-Restaurants" in Macau with Joao Alvares Ribeiro and the wines of Quinta do Vallado at a date of your choice (for 6 persons)

+ 3 Magnums of Douro Boys Vintage Port 2011

Value EUR **2.250**

LOT No.36 Auction start price EUR 1.200

12 Magnums of Douro Boys Cuvée 2011

+ 3 Magnums of Douro Boys Vintage Port 2011

Value EUR **9.120**

LOT No.37 Auction start price EUR 3.840

48 Magnums of Douro Boys Vintage Port 2011

Value EUR **760**

LOT No.38 Auction start price EUR 320

4 Magnum of Douro Boys Vintage Port 2011

Value EUR **1.700**

LOT No.39 Auction start price EUR 850

Portuguese Lunch for 6 persons at the DOC Restaurant (Douro Valley) including wines from the Douro Boys – commented by Dirk van der Niepoort

- + 2 Magnums of Douro Boys Cuvée 2011
- + 2 Magnums of Douro Boys Vintage Port 2011

Value EUR **7.560**

LOT No.40 Auction start price EUR 4.320

54 Magnums of Douro Boys Cuvée 2011

Value EUR **2.200**

LOT No.41 Auction start price EUR 900

Partrige-hunting with Cristiano van Zeller in the Alentejo followed by a stay at a typical rustic farm-house as well as dinner with wines of Quinta Vale D. Maria and overnight (hunting for 2 persons and dinner and overnight for 4 persons – hunting license required!)

+ 3 Magnums of Douro Boys Cuvée 2011



Value EUR **3.420** LOT No. 42 18 Magnums of Douro Boys Vintage Port 2011 Value EUR **5.900** Auction Start price EUR LOT No.43 30 Magnums of Douro Boys Cuvée 2011 12 Magnums of Douro Boys Vintage Port 2011 Value EUR **3.500** LOT No.44 Helicopter ride from Porto to Quinta do Crasto, tasting and lunch at the Quinta with Tomas and Miguel Roquette, overnight-stay at Pipa Douro's House boat (for 4 persons) + 3 Magnums of Douro Boys Cuvée 2011 Value EUR **2.850** LOT No.45 15 Magnums of Douro Boys Vintage Port 2011 Value EUR **8.400** LOT No.46 60 Magnums of Douro Boys Cuvée 2011 Value EUR **6.000** Auction start price EUR 2.500 LOT No.47 Private lunch at Quinta do Vale Meão followed by a balloon ride over the Quinta (for 6 persons) + 6 Magnums of Douro Boys Vintage Port 2011 Value EUR 10.080 LOT No.48 72 Magnums of Douro Boys Cuvée 2011 Value EUR **4.500** Auction Start price EUR LOT No.49 24 Magnums of Douro Boys Vintage Port 2011 Value EUR **9.900**

1 bottle of the 1866 Port Adelaide Tributa, Quinta do Vallado (Mark Squires – The Wine Advocate – handed out 99 points for this incredible wine!)

+ 36 Magnums of Douro Boys Vintage Port 2011

LOT No.50



Auction, Dinner and Overnight on Friday, September 13th, 2013

The Auction takes place on Friday, September 13th at Aquapura Douro Valley Hotel and will be hosted by Peter Mansell, Senior Specialist of Christie's International Wine Department in London.

Peter Mansell is one of the most experienced auctioneers of fine wines in the world. The Auction starts with an Aperitif at 18.00 hrs and is scheduled to finish at 20.30 hrs.

For participants who want to stay for dinner, the Chef at the Aquapura will create a delicious menu, during which will be served fine wines from the Douro Boys! The price for dinner, including wines, coffee and water is 99 Euros.

For guests who want to stay overnight the Douro Boys recommend the following places:

Aquapura Douro Valley Hotel & Spa

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Wine & Boutique Hotel Quinta do Vallado

www.quintadovallado.com, T: +351 254 323 147

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Vintage House Hotel

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Quinta do Vallado, established in 1716, is one of the oldest and most famous "Quintas" in the Douro Valley. It belonged at that time to Josefa Taveira, until one century later, in 1818, when her descendants sold the estate to António Bernardo Ferreira, uncle and father in law to Dona Antónia Adelaide Ferreira. For almost 200 years, Quinta do Vallado's main activity was the production of Porto wines, that were commercialized by the Ferreira Port House (belonging to the Ferreira family). Quinta do Vallado has remained in the Ferreira family and is now run by sixth generation descendants.

With 50 ha of vineyards aged from 10 to 20 years and having kept 20 ha of the best old plots, with more than 80 years old, Quinta do Vallado, and it's executives João Ferreira Álvares Ribeiro, Francisco Ferreira and Francisco Olazabal (winemaker), all descendants of Dona Antónia, has achieved national and international acclaimed levels of quality and recognition.

The construction of the new winery and barriques cellar, started in 2008 and concluded in the fall of 2009, combines state of the art technology with a high quality architecture project, making it one of the places to visit in the Douro valley. The winery uses a gravity feed system that eliminates the need of pumps to convey the crushed grapes to the fermentation vats. It also incorporates other state-of-the-art technologies: fermentation and storage in stainless steel vats, cooling and heating facilities with automatic temperature control, programmable pumping-over with automatic control and peristaltic pumps for the transportation of the must. Also in 2009, the construction of a semi-subterranean barriques cellar was completed, with the capacity to store 1200 barriques at optimum conditions. Since 2005 Quinta do Vallado has a confortable Wine Hotel, with 13 rooms, offering a comprehensive range of food and wine-related activities.

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Francisco van der Niepoort came to Portugal from Holland in 1842, with the aim of embarking upon the port trade. Francisco wouldn't have dared to dream that his great-grandson Dirk would make Niepoort into one of the best-known names and most internationally renowned wine producers. Together with his sister Verena, Dirk represents the fifth generation of Niepoorts; he is a wine-fanatic like very few in the entire world. Not only in that he has developed the port wines of his family to classic status, but he also felt obliged to follow his own passion and produce dry table wines. What began as an experiment - one that many folks characterised as 'undrinkable' -laid the groundwork whereby he became the pathfinder - not only for the Douro, but for Portugal as a nation.

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Dating back to 1615 Quinta do Crasto, one of the most spectacularly situated properties in the Douro, was among the first quintas to break out on its own. Owned and run by the Roquette family, Crasto has quickly established a world-wide reputation for the quality of both its Ports and red Douro wines. Marrying tradition with the state-of-the art vinification technologies, Quinta do Crasto still uses the foot-treading method in old granite tanks, called "lagares".

Located in the heart of the Cima Corgo, mid-way between Régua and Pinhão, Quinta do Crasto is officially classified as an 'A' grade vineyard property. The estate covers 130 hectares of predominantly south facing slopes extending from the banks of the river up to an altitude of nearly 600 metres. Consistent with the family's ongoing commitment with quality and to the future of the winery, Roquette family has recently acquired Quinta da Cabreira in the Upper Douro Valley. Quinta da Cabreira covers 150 hectares, 114 of which planted with new vines, and represents an important complement to Quinta do Crasto's wine production. Unlike some Douro Quintas, Crasto only produces wines from a single year or harvest. Grapes from the newer vineyards (now over 25 years old) are fermented separately from the different plots of older mixed wines. This enables the winemakers Manuel Lobo and Cátia Barbeta to select the best wines from each vintage. The family's unwavering dedication to its history and tradition, along with prudent investments and passion that drives the winemaking process, have made Quinta do Crasto to achieve worldwide renown in recent years.

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Located in the heart of the Douro Demarcated Region, Quinta Vale D. Maria was acquired by Cristiano and his wife Joana van Zeller in 1996, from Joana's family. This very old Quinta, which had been in Joana's family for well over 250 years, was then reduced to a 19 hectare property planted with 10 hectares of over 50 year old vineyards. Quinta Vale D. Maria is situated on the Rio Torto valley. On this date Quinta Vale D. Maria has 40 hectares under vines (23 hectares of very old vineyards, between 60 and 80 years old, 12 more hectares of 30 year old vineyards and a new planting of 5 hectares).

Planted with red grape varieties that cover a broad spectrum of the Douro traditional varieties (we have 41 different ones planted), Quinta Vale D. Maria provides a unique and outstanding quality base for both, Ports and Douro Red Wines.

All Douro wines from our own vineyards, Quinta Vale D. Maria Douro Reds and Ports and CV – Curriculum Vitae Douro Red, are foot trodden in open traditional lagares before being racked for fermentation in small open top vats. Some of the best vineyard plots are also fully fermented in the lagares. All Ports from Quinta Vale D. Maria are foot trodden before and during the full length of the fermentation in open traditional lagares.

Van Zellers & Co, dates back to 1780 and is one of the oldest Port producers, having started also the production of Douro Whites and Reds in 2004. Since 2007 back in the hands of Cristiano van Zeller, Van Zellers & Co. wines and Ports are in the forefront of the New Douro "revolution".

Our efforts are about innovation. Our wines are about personality, character, excitement, pleasure, fun, reliability, innovation, people, and life. A dedicated team of viticulturists and winemakers - Sandra Tavares da Silva and Cristiano van Zeller - tries to make sure that all that was said above has real meaning. We hope that when tasting any of our wines any kind and patient reader of these lines will also agree that we have accomplished at least some of our ambitions.

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This important Douro Estate, planted by Dona Antónia Adelaide Ferreira on 270 hectares of barren common land purchased in 1877, was the last great achievement of the legendary Lady of the Douro.

It is now owned by her great-great grandson Francisco Javier de Olazabal, whose son, Francisco Olazabal Nicolau de Almeida, is in charge of the winemaking. The vines cover 84 hectares of the property and are planted in soils of different geological nature: schist, granite and alluvial gravel. This diversity, unusual in the Douro Region, contributes to the complexity of the wines. The vineyards are block planted with the following varieties: Touriga Nacional (40 %), Tinta Roriz (25 %), Touriga Francesa (20 %), Tinta Amarela (5 %), Tinta Barroca (5 %) and Tinto Cão (2 %) Sousão (2 %) and Others (1 %).

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Conditions of Sale

The following Conditions of Sale apply to the legal relationship between the vintners group Douro Boys (DB) and the participants in the auction of September 13th, 2013. By participating in the auction, the persons who bid (Buyer) accept these Conditions of Sale. Please read therefore carefully the following Conditions and Definitions. Douro Boys c/o Wine&Partners, Peter-Jordan-Straße 6/3, 1190 Vienna, Austria

- 1) Each lot is described, and marked with a "Value" and a "Start price". The higher amount is the estimated value of the respective lot. The "Start Price" is the minimum amount of money that has to be paid to acquire the lot.
- 2) The highest bid accepted for a lot is called "Hammer Price". This is the final price the Buyer has to pay for the respective lot.
- **3)** All amounts (Value, Start Price, Hammer Price) include 12% of VAT. No more charges will be added.
- **4)** The Hammer Price applies for the lot as described in the Catalogue. Transport costs will be charged to the Buyer.
- **5)** Anyone wishing to bid at the auction must fill out and sign a registration form before the beginning of the auction, or send a formal written bid before September 2nd. Intending Buyers can also bid during the auction live on telephone, a registration form has to be sent before September 2nd in that case as well.
- **6)** All sold lots will be invoiced by Niepoort on behalf of the Douro Boys group. The Buyer has to pay the Purchase Price to Niepoort within ten days after the auction. As long as the Buyer has not paid, the Lot is owned by the Douro Boys.



- **7)** Buyers present at the auction can pay their lot cach (no credit cards can be accepted) immediately after the tasting and carry their lot with them at the same evening.
- **8)** For Telephone Bids or Written Bids the Lot will be sent to the Buyer only after payment has arrived.
- **9)** If the Buyer does not insist on a specific transport, Douro Boys will choose the best way to send the lot and will carefully pack it.
- **10)** The Buyer carries the risk of loss or damage to purchased Lots. This means that Buyers have a legal obligation to pay their purchases in full, even if the Lots are subsequently lost or damaged.
- 11) If the Buyer is in default longer than 30 days after the auction, Douro Boys are authorised to sell the Lot(s) purchased by the Buyer without further notice, either by private or by public sale.
- **12)** The Douro Boys are authorised, without reason given, to refuse any person admission to the auction premises and the auction, and also to exclude any person from making bids for a Lot.
- **13)** The legal relationship between the Douro Boys and the Buyer shall be governed by Portuguese law.









Telephone bids or written bids

Date Signature

FOR THE DOURO BOYS CUVÉE & VINTAGE PORT AUCTION

on September 13th, 2013. Please make sure that this form arrives either by post **before**

September 2nd at: The Douro Boys / Wine&Partners, Peter-Jordan-Straße 6/3, 1190 Vienna, Austria or by email to: info@douroboys.com
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Telephone bids
I intend to do a telephone bid for the following lots. Please call me at the moment when these lots are auctioned, on Friday, September 13th after 18.00 hrs (after 19.00 MEZ) at this phone number:
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Lot Numbers
Written bids
Lot Numbers Maximum Purchase Prices in Euro