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# **Back Cover Specialty Grocery**

New items listed are scheduled to arrive by the month titled on the front of the newsletter.

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#### The Flavors of Autumn

The summer has come to a close and the falling leaves stir our desire for the comfort foods of Autumn. Our desire for light summer salads quickly turns to cravings for the hearty traditional foods of the season such as squash and pumpkin, soups and stews. **Cucina Viva** Pumpkin Seed Oil provides the "essence of fall in a bottle". The dark green oil provides the aroma of roasted pumpkin seeds with subtle pumpkin flavors. Combine the oil with a bit of brown sugar and butter to serve on squash, mix with apple cider vinegar for a marinade or salad dressing, drizzle on vegetables or create a sauce for filled pasta.



#### 3839495 Cucina Viva Roasted Pumpkin Seed Oil 6/8 oz

Autumn's favorite fruit – the apple is available from European Imports, Inc. in a variety of forms. Starting with sparkling organic apple juice from **LeVillage** and apple juice and cider from **Martinelli**. We also have an Apple Black Tea from **Tea's Tea.** 

For a snack attack, we have the kid friendly **Buddy Fruits**Bites and Squeezes and from **Sensible Foods** we have Apple
Harvest Crunch Dried Fruit.

Start the day off right with a piping hot bowl of **McCann's** Artisan Instant Apple & Cranberry Oatmeal or their Instant Apple & Cinnamon Oatmeal. **Sticky Fingers** has two apple options: Apple Cinnamon Scone Mix and Cranberry and Apple Fruit Butter.

Savory options include Raisin River Chicken and Apple Sausage available in retail and foodservice size packages and Ballymaloe Bramley Apple Sauce with Wholegrain Mustard which would make a nice complement to the sausage.





On the sweet side, we have **Symphony's** individual Apple Tarts, Apple Danishes from **Lecoq** and Apple Mini Lattice from **Bridor**.

# Under the Dome

# The Young Spaniards

### Bonvallis Iberico Young

Iberico is a Manchego-style cheese, one of the most eaten in Spain. Iberico is made from a blend of cow's (max 50%), goat's (min 15%) and sheep's milk (min 15%). The blend of milks allows it to obtain the grassy, herbaceous flavors of the goat's and sheep's milk while maintaining the smoothness of cow's milk.

This firm cheese is mild, yet tasty and aromatic. It has a smooth, lactic aromatic and creamy flavor. Great diced into salad and drizzled with extra virgin olive oil, sliced on crusty bread with some fresh fruit on the side, pairs well with cured meats, such as chorizo and Serrano ham. As an appetizer, Iberico thrills in the company of chilled fino Sherry.



**0811877 Iberico Young 2/7 lb** 

## Bonvallis Mahon DOP Young

Mahon DOP is produced with pasteurized milk of the Mahonesa, Frisona and Pardo-Alpina cows on the Mediterranean island of Menorca in the Balearics. Ripened in underground caves for at least 60 days. Mahon DOP has a bold, magnificent flavor that could never be called mild. The vellowish-orange rind conceals a soft, slightly salty and decidedly spicy interior. Traditionally the orange rind on Mahon comes from being rubbed in butter, paprika and olive oil. The intense, lightly salted, piquant flavor becomes more intense as the cheese ages. This unique cheese is a must try for any cheese lover and an absolute necessity for the true connoisseur. Serve before meals or after, as an appetizer or dessert, it can be melted and gives life to sandwiches or burgers, serve with crusty bread or crackers. Also ideal with nuts or fresh fruit such as grapes. If consumed with a sweet sherry, its personality and characteristics will be reinforced.



1691249 Mahon DOP Young 2/6 lb

# Wild & Unique Foods by Tim Doyle, Meat & Game Specialist Discover the Difference of Duck



Maple Leaf Farms began as a small duck operation in Indiana in 1958. They raised their ducks where corn and soybeans were readily available and where finished goods would be more centrally located to major markets throughout the country.

Maple Leaf Farms is a fourth generation, family owned company. These are some of their goals:

- Contribute to local communities
- Be responsible for the environment
- Have respect for others
- An insistence on high quality



Since the beginning, the ducks have been raised by independent, local, family farmers, many of whom are Amish or Mennonite. The birds are free to roam in climate controlled barns with ready access to food and water. They are fed an all-natural diet of wheat, corn and soy produced in their own feed mills. Animal proteins, growth promotants or antibiotics are never used.

The farmers genuinely care about their ducks and keep them happy so they do not get stressed or sick. There are Animal Well-Being and Stewardships with guidelines that all farms must follow.

- · Animal well-being
- Quality assurance
- Natural resource management

They are also GFSI certified and have a HACCP program

We carry many items from Maple Leaf Farms:

- Whole duck
- Roast half duck
- Boneless breast
- Duck legs
- Duck confit

We also carry a full line of their retail products.



We are now going to offer the following two new items for retail:

1870912 Ground Duck 4/16oz



**1599376 Duck Bacon\*** \*Available by special order only

6/12oz



Duck bacon is exclusively made with premium boneless duck breast meat. It is thick cut at 14-16 slices per pound and is apple wood smoked. And, it also has 57% less fat than traditional pork bacon.

# For The Pastry Chef by Karl Helfrich, Pastry Specialist



#### **Absolu Cristal** is

Valrhona's version of a clear neutral glaze. As with everything they manufacture, this glaze is quite unique and has many applications that would be unlikely or impossible with similar products. First off,

it is an all-natural product that uses pectin and carrageenan as the gelling and thickening agents. It has no artificial preservatives, only using citric acid. Because of this, it should be refrigerated after

opening. It can be used as a hot or cold clear glaze (taking up to 30% dilution as a hot glaze or 10% as a cold glaze), but where it really shines (literally) is



in applications where it is combined with other ingredients. It makes an exceptional chocolate glaze that is freezer safe by just combining with ganache:

#### **Soft Chocolate Glaze**

450g heavy cream 600g Caraibe 66% 1200g Absolu Cristal

-Prepare a smooth ganache that is well emulsified, using a spatula rather than a whip as not to incorporate air. Finish with a hand blender.

-Add the Absolu Cristal that has been heated to 70°



C, mix with a hand blender and strain through a chinois. The glaze should be used between 40°C and 45°C. (To make a milk chocolate glaze use 750g of chocolate)

Absolu Cristal also makes it very easy to create a fresh fruit coulis – no cooking necessary! This keeps the flavor and color intact while binding the liquid and providing a beautiful shine:

#### **Raspberry Coulis**

400g raspberry puree 270g Absolu Cristal 40g lemon juice -Add the Absolu Cristal to the puree and process with a hand blender until smooth.



0877557

Absolu Cristal

2/5kg



**PatisFrance** has made a new cold-process pastry cream powder with the seduction of real vanilla beans.

#### **Delicecrem** is

deceptively easy to use, but yields a rich tasting pastry cream with vanilla bean flecks that is perfect for fruit tarts, napoleons,

mousselines, etc.

Simply add 250 to 300

grams of Delicecrem to 1 liter of whole or skim milk, mix on low speed to incorporate, then on high speed for four minutes.

The taste and texture is sure to be a hit with your customers, and it is sure to be a real labor-saver for you.

1452158

**Delicecrem** 

1/5kg

# New Grocery

## One Potato Two Potato

One Potato Two Potato is the family owned manufacturer of a new line of kettle cooked potato chips. Their chips are kettle cooked in small batches and are all natural, gluten free with no MSG. They use expeller pressed sunflower oil, adding vitamin E and monounsaturated fats (the good fat!). They have been making thick, delicious chips right here in the United States for over fifty years and now they are available from European Imports, Inc. Available in five delicious flavors:

2401042 Sweet Potato Chips 24/2 oz



2401030 Sweet Onion Potato Chips 24/2 oz

2401028 Naked Sea Salt Potato Chips 24/2 oz



2400974 Cracked Pepper Potato Chips 24/2 oz

2401004 Hawaiian BBQ Potato Chips 24/2 oz



## Party'tizers Dippin' ChipsTM

Party'tizers Dippin' Chips<sup>TM</sup> are uniquely designed dippable tortilla chips made with all-natural, certified gluten-free ingredients. Their recipe starts with US home grown corn and a blend of premium ingredients such as veggies, beans and grains mixed right in.

What makes these chips special? They vary from regular snack chips by using unusual ingredients (quinoa, amaranth and black sesame for the Ancient Grains version, for example); and they have a perfect dipping shape and texture — they're like the "scoop" version of mass-market chips, but with a flat front, and they stay firm even through thick dips.

Each flavor comes in a 5 ounce resealable bag. Available in three flavors, these salty & crunchy scoopable tortilla chips are now available from European Imports, Inc.

2378182 Veggie Dippin' Chips 12/5 oz



Cippirchips

2377895 Ancient Grain Dippin' Chips 12/5 oz

2378176 Three Bean Dippin' Chips 12/5 oz



# New Grocery & Line Extensions

# Whipped Mustard from Elki



Introducing Elki's Whipped Mustards. Elki's Whipped Mustards are a creamy blend of mustard and cream cheese whipped together. The smooth taste is enhanced

with fresh, high quality ingredients. They're great as a dip for pretzels, pita chips or chilled vegetables. Use them as a spread on a grilled Panini, toasted bagels, a grilled burger, mixed with mashed potatoes, egg salad or on seafood. Elki's Whipped Mustards are now available from European Import, Inc. in three truly unique flavor combinations:

2217295 Bacon Blue Cheese Whipped Mustard 12/11.5 oz



2217281 Maple Bacon Whipped Mustard 12/11.5 oz

Bacon Blue Cheese

Whipped Mustard

2217265 Caramelized Onion Whipped Mustard 12/11.5 oz



#### **Ghirardelli Replacement:**

2470967
Double Chocolate
Hot Chocolate Packets
23/.85 oz
Replaces 95376-0
packed 12/.85 oz



## Honey from Turkey

Introducing Ziyad Honeycomb from Turkey. Ziyad has been importing honey for 10 years. Their golden honey comes packed in a clear resealable container with a piece of raw honeycomb. This sweet thick honey can be

used as a sweetener in beverages, mixed with butter for the best sweet butter ever, to add a sweet



touch to sauces or dressings, or as your sweetener when baking. Now available:

**2360826 Ziyad Honeycomb 18/14 oz** 

New to the Academia Barilla line:



6859070 100% Italian Organic Extra Virgin Olive Oil 6/17 oz

Academia Barilla Extra Virgin Olive Oils are made exclusively with handpicked organic olives, harvested at the perfect degree of maturity, yielding small amounts of superior quality olive oil and freshness in every bottle.

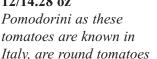
Each Academia Barilla Extra Virgin Olive Oil is carefully selected each year among Italy's top crops, to consistently guarantee only the very best Italy has to offer.

# Line Extensions & Changes

# Carmelina Brands

#### New to the Carmelina line:

2421602 San Marzano Cherry Tomatoes 12/14.28 oz





named for their resemblance to cherries in terms of size and sweetness. Carmelina 'e ... San Marzano® Cherry Tomatoes are packed whole in juice with the tomato skins on and nothing else. Cherry tomatoes are excellent baked, grilled, or cooked quickly in sauces. Often cherry tomatoes are used when a recipe calls for the tomato skins to enhance texture.

#### **Carmelina Replacements:**

1975196 Italian Lentils 12/14.28 oz

*Replaces 1676671 packed 24/14.28 oz* 





1975186 Italian Cannellini Beans 12/14.28 oz

*Replaces 1676826 packed 24/14.28 oz* 

#### New to the Urban Oven line:

2019038 Cheddar Chive Cracker 12/7.5 oz

Made from the finest Cheddar cheese and chives available, these crackers have a vibrant taste that



pairs nicely with any hearty soup or thick chili. Try them topped with fresh Mozzarella, tomatoes and arugula, a nice fig spread or your finest tapenades. The flavor will delight your senses.

#### Illy Replacement:

2456244

E.S.E. Individually Wrapped Pods Medium Roast 12/18 ct



Each E.S.E. pod contains a perfectly dosed and

tamped measure of the distinctive Illy blend, enclosed in environmentally friendly filter paper designed to preserve critical flavor and aromas. The individual wrapped pods have a longer shelf life than the old loose packed pods.

Replaces 8927469 packed 10/18 ct loose packed pods.

#### **Soy Vay Replacements:**

Soy Vay is transitioning all their products into clear plastic bottles:



2414243	<b>Toasted Sesame Dressing</b>	6/13	0Z
Replaces	1801804 packed 12/13 oz		
2414250	Island Teriyaki	6/20	0Z
Replaces	5808878 packed 12/20 oz		
2414264	Wasabi Teriyaki	6/15.7	0Z
Replaces	7304712 12/15.7 oz		
2414306	Hoisin Garlic Glaze	6/16	0Z
Replaces	5576244 packed 12/22 oz		
2414318	Veri Veri Teriyaki	12/21	οz
Replaces	8566667 packed 12/21 oz		



New to the line:

2358838 Rosemary Croccantini Snack Pack

Sealed plastic single-serve package with light crackers speckled with rosemary.

175/.58 oz

# Gourmet Pasta Cuts Imported from Italy



No other food from Europe has dominated our tables as much as Italian pasta. The world looks to Italy as the standard for pasta quality and versatility.

Centuries of know-how and tradition have gone into pasta making in Italy. Cucina Viva pastas are a fine example of the expertise involved in making gourmet Italian pasta. From the Puglia region of sunny southern Italy, Cucina Viva pasta is produced using traditional methods by a family owned company established in 1870. This pasta holds up beautifully to cooking, remaining toothsome and delicious.

The preparation of this pasta couldn't be simpler. Bring 4-6 quarts (for one pound of pasta) of water to a boil. Salt the water and add the pasta. Return the water to a boil and cook for 10-12 minutes, stirring occasionally to prevent sticking. Taste the pasta to determine if it is done. Perfectly cooked pasta should be "al dente," or firm to the bite, yet cooked through. Drain and serve with your favorite sauce.

#### 1795865 **Rigatoni**

Cucina Viva's Rigatoni is a tube shaped pasta with large grooves. Rigatoni's ridges and holes are perfect with any sauce, from cream or cheese to the chunkiest meat sauces.

#### 12/17.63 oz



#### 7221359 Strozzapreti 12/17.63 oz



The shape of this pasta resembles a rolled towel and the name means "priest strangler" in Italian. Strozzapreti pairs nicely with meat, cream, seafood or vegetable sauces.

#### 8564187 Orecchiette

12/17.63 oz



Orecchiette is a type of pasta whose shape resembles a small ear (in Italian, "ear" is orecchio). Cucina Viva's Orechiette is about <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> inch in size and looks like a small white dome with a thinner center than edge with a

rough surface. Orecchiette is commonly served with thick, chunky sauces or in pasta salads.

#### 8445076 Fusilloni

12/17.63 oz

This giant spiral shaped pasta can be served with any sauce, broken in half and added to soups, or turned into a beautiful salad. Fusilloni also bakes well in casseroles.



#### 1725575 Cavatelli

12/17.63 oz



This small folded pasta is one of three traditional shaped pastas of the Puglia region of Italy. This pasta is commonly served with thick, chunky sauces or in pasta salads.

#### 8445068 Trecce Dell'Orto

12/17.63 oz

Trecce dell'orto (braids of the garden) is an Italian semolina pasta colored by and flavored with spinach, carrots, basil and beets. Serve it simply with olive oil or butter, garlic and parmesan.



#### 8086340 Tri-Color Farfalle 12/17.63 oz

C Dicho C Dia Viva mexiconomia pasta Farfalle has a distinctive bowtie shape. Cucina Viva's farfalle will brighten any meal with their interesting shape and colors. This pasta is thick enough for a variety of sauces, but farfalle is best

suited to cream and tomato dishes. It can also be used to add color and texture to many salad or soup dishes.