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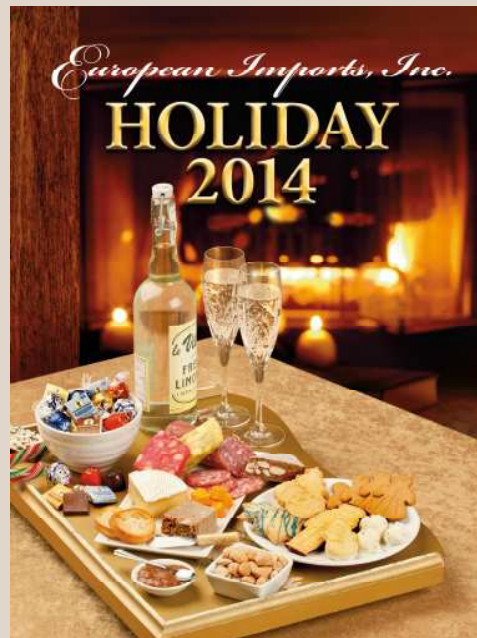
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New items listed are scheduled to arrive by the month titled on the front of the newsletter.

We have moved!
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2014 Holiday Catalog



Our 2014 Holiday Catalog is complete and ready for distribution. Please contact your sales representative today to request your copy. The deadline for holiday orders is July 7, 2014.

60th Summer Fancy Food Show

June 29- July 1, 2014

Jacob Javits Center, New York, NY
Booth #1436

This is the event to attend if you want to see all the hottest trends in specialty food. Plan accordingly, you may need all three days to see the more than 80,000 products from over 35 countries featured at this venue. Learn something new at one of the seminars, workshops, tours, tastings or cooking classes. Register on-line at www.fancyfoodshows.com.

Under the Dome

Jeff Babcock, Cheese Specialist



Founded in 1865, Marin French Cheese is the longest operating cheese company in America, with a commitment to time-honored, cheese-making practices using fresh milk from six neighboring family dairy farms. Over the years, Marin French Cheese soared to international acclaim for its Triple Crème Brie while accumulating awards nationally for its line of American original soft-ripened cheeses.

Rich, smooth, and specked with Urbani Italian Black Truffles for the irresistibly earthy aroma of mushrooms balanced with creamy, delicious, rich, Jersey and Holstein milk. 16 oz. wheel. Pair with California sparkling wine or Champagne. Triple Crème Brie with Truffles is a sophisticated cheese for entertaining or topping your favorite burger. Truffle Brie scored two awards in 2013 competitions : 1st Place, American Cheese Society and a Silver medal, CalExpo State Fair. A little goes a long way, so 4 repack labels are included for cutting the wheel into neat quarters and labeling.

2523912 Triple Cream Truffle Brie 6/16 oz



Melodie Goat Brie

Mélodie is an “American Original” ash-rinded, aged cheese created by pioneering cheesemakers at Laura Chenel’s Chèvre. Mélodie is made exclusively in Sonoma with fresh goat milk from local dairies. Its mild and creamy texture and floral flavor notes make Mélodie a must-have on your cheese plate and it’s oh so tasty in panini with smoked turkey and cranberry chutney.

Pairing Notes: An unoaked California Chardonnay is the perfect textural and flavor match for the creamy and delicate Mélodie. Pair it with its California cousins – apples, figs and almonds or, for a French twist, serve it with Pain d’epices and Champagne!

1730045 Chenel Melodie 2/3 lb wheels



Wild & Unique Foods by Alex Yilmaz, Meat & Game Buyer Free Range Beef from Down Under

You can still enjoy a healthy steak, especially if it is from grass-fed beef. Research has shown that cattle grazing freely on an extensive open range of rye, alfalfa and high protein grasses produce beef with less overall fat, less saturated fat and fewer calories than that from lot-fed cattle. This free range beef has a consistent tender texture and mild flavor if not overcooked. It should not be cooked past medium. Let the cooked beef rest for a few minutes before cutting so the juices can run through the meat, further enhancing its great flavor.



Australian beef is predominantly Angus and Hereford. Grass-fed beef contain higher levels of three types of Omega-3 fatty acids, believed to help reduce the risk of heart disease. Aussie beef has a much better yield than domestic beef because there is less fat which also means less preparation time, less labor and better food costs.

Australian beef has come a long way and this product now has some great marbling without the use of artificial ingredients or additives. It is full of flavor and not mushy like some of the other grass-fed beef. It will also cook faster because of the lower fat content.



Aussie beef is HACCP and USDA approved before entering the country. Australian cattle also are not prone to bovine diseases, such as BSE or hoof-and-mouth, that plague many other countries.



Fire up your “barbie” and throw on some natural free range, grass-fed Australian beef tenderloin.

**2113183 Australian Beef Tenderloin
PSMO Frozen**

6/5.5 lb





For the Pastry Chef by Karl Helfrich, Pastry Specialist



Introducing the **Gluten-Free** version of our popular FlaxSnax muffin mix!

Now you can serve people with gluten sensitivity a healthy & delicious alternative to wheat-based breakfast pastries.



Its hearty, nutty flaxseed flavor is moist and balanced with high notes of apples and cinnamon. You can add

dried cranberries, blueberries, chocolate chips or any inclusion you can think of. You won't believe how something that tastes this great can be so good for you too.

Flaxseed is the base of both FlaxSnax mixes, and ounce per ounce, it is one of the richest sources of Omega fatty acids known in nature. Omega-3s are the good fat that the American Heart



Association says is needed for good heart health. Both the original and gluten-free FlaxSnax muffins are the most tasty and fun way to get all of your daily Omega-3's. Flaxseed can lower chole-



sterol, triglycerides and blood pressure, and FlaxSnax muffins have more fiber than most bran muffins, promoting regularity, helping lower cholesterol, and preventing colon cancer.

2004657	Gluten-Free Muffin Mix	4/56 oz
0797334	Original Muffin Mix	1/28.32 lb



Dufour Pastry Kitchens manufactures some of the best raw dough products in the USA. Their award winning all-butter puff dough is an industry standard in flavor, flakiness and consistency. It is packed in convenient half-

pan size and is already sheeted to 1/8". They also make very high quality pre-formed raw pastry shells in tins made with butter brisée (pie) dough. They are very thin and flaky and come



in 1.5", 3" and 4" diameters. The 1.5" shell is perfect for savory hors d'oeuvres as well as bite-size desserts, and the 3" and 4" shells make excellent individual quiches and savory pot pies as well as pies and tarts for dessert.

Each tart shell comes sandwiched between two aluminum tins to make par-baking a snap – just tray them upside-down, weigh the tops with a sheet pan and bake...a perfectly formed pie shell will emerge every time!

9298860	Butter Puff Pastry	1/12 ct
4770400	1.5" Brisée Tart Shell	1/228 ct
8781231	3" Brisée Tart Shell	1/112 ct
8781223	4" Brisée Tart Shell	1/120 ct

New Grocery

America's First Soda Made with Fresh Squeezed Ingredients

Introducing Spindrift Soda.

Spindrift makes the first sparkling beverages made with fresh squeezed juice. Spindrift Soda hopes to change how America experiences soda.

They start with triple purified sparkling water, fresh squeezed fruit or berry purée (pulp and all!), and a dash of cane juice. No syrups, no juice concentrates, no additives, no preservatives. The result is a light, refreshing, delicious soda.

Why so fresh?

Spindrift uses fresh ingredients for their sodas every chance possible. Fresh means it isn't cooked to the consistency of motor oil ("concentrate") or treated with harsh chemicals. It means they squeeze the lemons, limes, grapefruits, oranges and rush them in cold 1 gallon containers to the production facility all in a matter of days.

The result.

An unbelievably fresh tasting, delicious soda that still has the juice fibers- which help your body. Each bottle of soda contains between 50-100% of a portion of fruit. Spindrift sodas and seltzers are refreshing and delicious with no artificial colors, preservatives or sweeteners. Taste the difference freshness makes. Try Spindrift!

2550210

Sparkling Tangerine Seltzer

24/12 oz

Spindrift Sparkling Tangerine Seltzer is made with sparkling water with fresh squeezed tangerine juice. Thirst quenching, raw, real--and delicious. No added sugar and only 10 calories per bottle.



2551085

Sparkling Lemon Seltzer

24/12 oz

Spindrift Sparkling Lemon Seltzer is made with sparkling water and fresh squeezed lemon juice. Thirst quenching, raw, real--and delicious. No added sugar and 0 calories per bottle.



2551103

Sparkling Raspberry Lime Seltzer

24/12 oz

Spindrift Sparkling Raspberry Lime Seltzer is made with sparkling water, raspberries & fresh squeezed lime juice. Thirst quenching, raw, real--and delicious. No added sugar and only 10 calories per bottle.



2304795

Sparkling Mango Orange Soda

24/12 oz

Spindrift Sparkling Mango Orange has 2 daily fruit servings in every 12oz bottle! It is made with 1/2 of a fresh orange and Mango Puree.



2304810

Sparkling Blackberry Soda

24/12 oz

Spindrift Sparkling Blackberry Soda is made with 8 whole crushed blackberries and fresh squeezed lemon juice in every 12oz bottle!



2304881

Half & Half Soda

24/12 oz

Spindrift Sparkling Half & Half Soda is made with brewed tea and 1/4 of a fresh squeezed lemon in every 12oz bottle!



2304941

Sparkling Lemonade Soda

24/12 oz

Spindrift Sparkling Lemonade Soda is made with one whole freshly squeezed lemon and 1/3 of a freshly squeezed lime in every 12oz bottle.



2550772

Sparkling Grapefruit Soda

24/12 oz

Spindrift Sparkling Grapefruit Soda is made with 1/4 of a fresh squeezed grapefruit and fresh squeezed lemon juice in every 12oz bottle!



2550784

Sparkling Cranberry Raspberry Soda

24/12 oz

Spindrift Sparkling Cranberry Raspberry Soda is made with 16 raspberries, 9 cranberries and fresh squeezed lemon juice in every 12oz bottle!





New Grocery Vegan Specialty Condiments



HerbNZest is a new line of vegan specialty condiments using premium, naturally gluten-free ingredients. Hand-crafted in small batches, it caters to

health conscious families and individuals who love to bring new food experiences to the table without having to spend hours in the kitchen. CEO and Founder, Deboleena Dutta, is an avid foodie and traveler and is passionate about green ventures. The flavors are inspired by Deb's food travels and her love of spices and herbs. She is a frequent speaker on the antioxidant benefits, easy usage and flavoring properties of herbs and spices at wellness clubs and food conferences.

HerbNZest offers a new twist on gourmet food, with products that are versatile and easy enough to build everyday meals around or showcase at special occasions. Most, importantly, HerbNZest delivers quality, health, and taste to busy individuals and families. Now available from European Imports, Inc.:

2771174 Chipotle Cranberry Orange Relish 6/7.6 oz

A sweet and zesty sauce using apples and cranberries with a mild smokiness from the chipotle peppers. Use as a spread for tuna salad or turkey sandwiches, topping for French toast, or as a salad dressing when added to vinaigrettes.



2771246 Chive Tomato Relish 6/7.6 oz

This sweet and savory tomato relish with chives and spices sautéed in olive oil has a subtle heat at the finish. It is versatile and easy to use as a topping for bruschetta or eggs, a burger relish, or as a dip for chips or cocktail sauce for shrimp.

2771218 Basil Peach Raisin Chutney 6/7.6 oz

A sweet and tangy chutney with yellow peaches and brown raisins accented by basil, ginger and a mild curry flavor. This chutney is great when paired with soft cheeses such as Brie, as a topping for pork tenderloin or roast chicken, or when mixed in with yogurt.



2771192 Caramelized Apple Cham- pagne Mustard 6/7.6 oz

A spicy brown mustard with sweet undertones from hand-caramelized apples and a well-rounded rich flavor from champagne. This mustard is divine on holiday ham or fish. Add to a vinaigrette to make a dressing, or use on pretzels or a grilled cheese sandwich.

2771188 Spoonable Curry Ketchup 6/7.3 oz

Crafted using Jersey tomatoes accented with curry spices, this mildly spicy ketchup could be used straight out of the jar instead of regular ketchup to add rich flavor to foods. Spoon over seafood, meat, or grilled vegetables. Top scrambled eggs, burgers or fries.



2771220 Curry Pumpkin Pesto 6/7.5 oz

Savory, light and distinctly crafted using pumpkin accented by curry flavors, this pesto is dairy free due to the use of nutritious sunflower seeds and olive oil. Great as a sauce for stir fried vegetables, tofu, or noodles, antipasti over pasta or as a sandwich spread.

Changes & Line Extensions



Product Reminder:

2414635 Sesame Oil 12/5 oz
Sushi Chef Pure Sesame Oil is an authentic Japanese Sesame Oil. It is made from premium toasted sesame seeds. It has a full, rich, nutty sesame flavor. Because of its low smoking point, it is not used as a cooking oil, but rather is best used sparingly as a seasoning in prepared dishes, dressings and marinades. All natural.



**Now available in a tetra pack:
 2958997**

**Organic Pomegranate Juice in
 Tetra Pack
 12/33.8 oz**

PureGranate Pomegranate juice is preservative free with no added sugar, water, flavorings or colorings. It is 100% pure and natural. Not from concentrate.



**New to the Cucina Antica line:
 2931836**

**La Pizza Cooking Sauce
 12/16 oz**

This is the real thing! This truly authentic pizza sauce has no paste, no water, and no sugar added. This light, slightly chunky sauce gives you a true pizza

sauce taste. This sauce is made with tomatoes from Naples, Italy- the city where pizza originated. Simply spread Cucina Antica La Pizza sauce over any dough or crust for a delicious, make-it-yourself pizza!

New and Interesting Bulk Items:

5114652 Flageolet Beans 1/10 Lb
Flageolet Beans' light flavor especially complements lamb, fish and chicken.

5114612 Pigeon Peas 1/10 Lb
Pigeon Peas are a bean, named a pea because of its size. They have a firm nutty, slightly earthy flavor.

2892525 Snow Cap Beans 1/10 Lb
Perfect for creamy bean soups or chowders, use Snow Cap Beans in chili to add richness and color.

8107312 Ras El Hanout 6/16 oz
A 30 ingredient spice blend with robust savoriness. Adds flavor to roasted meats, soups, stews, salads and Moroccan couscous.

2892539 Whole Wheat Couscous 1/10 Lb
Give your couscous dishes a rich nutty flavor with this Whole Wheat Couscous.



**Valrhona replacement
 and new items:**

2806097 Araguani 72% Bar 12/2.47 oz
Replaces 426273

From its strikingly bitter essence, Araguani offers a rich and complex, aromatic profile featuring warm notes (raisins, chestnuts) and notes of licorice. Single Origin Venezuela.

**2806083 Caramelia with
 Crunchy Pearls Bar 10/3 oz**

A tempting combination of crunchy cereal pearls and Caramelia, a milk chocolate with a hint of creamy caramel and a touch of cocoa.

2806109 White Dulcey Bar 12/2.47 oz

The first notes are buttery, toasty and not too sweet, gradually giving way to the flavors of freshly-baked shortbread with a pinch of salt.

2806119 Milk Bahibe Bar 12/2.47 oz

Bahibe with its high cocoa content offers a balance between the sweetness of milk and the intensity of cocoa notes, with an overall hint of nuts, enhanced by a fruity acidity and a slightly bitter flavor. Pure Dominican Republic.

Specialty Grocery

Your Go To Ingredients for Summer Salads



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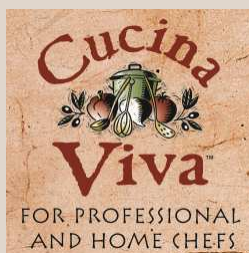


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Warm weather means enjoying the season with cool, crunchy salads filled with flavorful seasonal veggies, but what are you pouring over your salad? A homemade dressing is the best choice! Making your own dressing is easy enough for even the most inexperienced cook, but you have to start with the best ingredients. Cucina Viva Balsamic Vinegar and Balsamic Glazes are the key ingredients to keep on hand to help make the **best**, most flavorful homemade dressings.

Cucina Viva is the producer of many high quality Italian ingredients and specialty food products. One of their best selling products is their **Balsamic Vinegar of Modena**.



Cucina Viva's Balsamic Vinegar is made with the supervision and approval of consortium: Acetone Balsamic di Modena giving it the distinguished P.G.I. (Protected Geographical Indication) seal. Only balsamic vinegars produced in Modena qualify for this coveted designation.



Cucina Viva's balsamic vinegar is rich, glossy, deep brown in color and has a complex flavor that balances the natural sweet and sour elements of the cooked grape juice with hints of wood from the casks.

0809071
Balsamic Vinegar of Modena
6/17 oz

For a basic balsamic vinaigrette recipe, mix about one part balsamic vinegar with 3 parts olive oil, for added flavor squeeze in the juice of half a lemon and add about a teaspoon of Dijon mustard. Then whisk until well blended. For a flavor boost you can also add honey, chopped garlic, shallots or fresh herbs. Add lots of fresh pepper and a pinch of salt and you are done.

Cucina Viva also produces a wonderful thick Balsamic Glaze. Balsamic glaze is a product based on Balsamic Vinegar of Modena. Cucina Viva Balsamic Glaze is a syrupy reduction of balsamic vinegar and concentrated grape juice and it can be used in sweet and savory applications.

Balsamic glaze has the perfect balance of flavor between sweetness and tartness and just the right density to prevent it from sliding off food. This rich creamy reduction lends itself to numerous culinary uses from decorating dishes to basting or marinating meat, poultry or fish. It is also spectacular on desserts – especially ice cream and fresh fruit.



1634698	Classic Balsamic Glaze	6/1 L
1873563	Classic Balsamic Glaze	6/17.5 oz
8167990	Classic Balsamic Glaze	12/8.4 oz

Drizzle on grilled meats and poultry, steamed fish and vegetables. Adds flavor to rice, salads and pasta.



7123310
Truffle Balsamic Glaze
12/8.4 oz
Sprinkle on omelets. Drizzle over meat, pasta, veggies and cheese. Use with sautéed chicken or add to sauces or gravies.

1428840 **Forest Fruits Balsamic Glaze**
12/8.4 oz
Drizzle over ice cream and fresh fruit salads to add a fruity zing.

