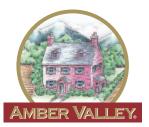


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# Back Cover Specialty Grocery

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

We have moved!
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# Cocina Selecta





## **Summer is Heating Up**

As temperatures rise you will undoubtedly be reaching for a cool and refreshing beverage, so now is the time to take a closer look at the variety of beverages we have to offer.

Let's start with water. Water is a great thirst quencher and is essential for all bodily functions. Still, sparkling, spring whatever your choice we have many brands available from all over the world. Such as:

**Gerolsteine**r from Germany.

IceBox from Norway (in eco-friendly packaging).

LaCroix made in the USA.

**Perrier** from France.

San Pellegrino, Acqua Panna and San Benedetto (new to EI) from Italy.

TyNant and Tau from Wales.



Ah, lemonade the combination of sweet and sour makes it a beverage that appeals to kids of all ages. **LeVillage**, our brand exclusively, is imported from France. LeVillage makes a classic clear French lemonade as well as a variety of other flavored lemonades. Delicious! Read more about LeVillage on the back cover.

Healthy beverages are a good choice for families. Here are a few to consider:

Hero Nectars from Spain.

**Honest Kids** in easy to use grab and go pouches, made in the USA.

Martinelli's Apple Juices made in the USA.

**PureGranate** pure pomegranate juice from Azerbaijan (now available in a tetra pack).

We also have a lineup of sophisticated non-alcoholic beverages for adults. Try some of these at your next party:

Gale's Root Beer made in the USA.

**GuS Sodas** made in the USA.

Fentimans from England.

Maine Root sodas from Maine.

**Q Drinks** made in the USA.

**Spindrift** fruit flavored seltzers and sodas; fresh and light and made in the USA.





A tall glass of iced tea is a summertime classic. Here are a few of the ready to drink bottled teas we offer:

**Inko's** made in the USA (some varieties are on promotion in August).

Tea's Tea from Japan.

**Honest Tea** made in the USA (some varieties are on promotion in August).

San Benedetto from Italy.

For more information about the beverages we stock, please contact your sales rep.

# Under the Dome Jeff Babcock, Cheese Specialist An Italian Trifecta

On a recent trip to Italy I discovered some extraordinary cheeses! Unique and inspiring, they augment our portfolio with exciting flavors:

The Canti Pecorino with Grappa features a remarkably white and compact texture. It celebrates the marriage between the pecorino traditionally produced in Tuscany with a soft-flavored grappa distilled in the same region, thus obtaining a fragrant, aromatic and savory cheese. As a result of its seasoning, the cheese lacks the inebriating power of alcohol but maintains its flavor in a very gentle and untiring manner.



3066956 Pecorino alla Grappa 2/2.6 lb

From ancient and refined mountain tradition, "Ricciolo" (meaning 'swirl') combines the soft and rich creaminess of the rind with a dry, crumbly center that becomes more aromatic as it matures. This cheese is made from whole cow's milk and aged on



wooded boards for about 6 months to ensure internal maturation. It is great as a table cheese, but for those who like to experiment with contrasting flavors, it is recommended that you accompany this

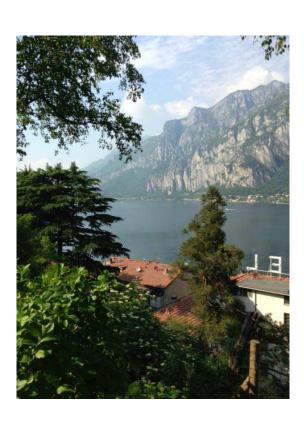
cheese with wine jellies and fig compote.

3045560 Ricciolo della Valsassina 1/6.45 lb

Capriziola Dolce is a blue-veined table cheese that is produced from whole goat's milk using a process similar to that of gorgonzola. It is drysalted according to the evolution of century-old tradition, and aged only 60 days to obtain a soft and creamy texture. It has a very delicate but unmistakable aroma and taste which is fruity and slightly spicy.



3045592 Capriziola Dolce 2/3.3 lb



# Wild & Unique Foods Tim Doyle, Meat & Game Specialist Busseto Artisan Paper Wrapped Salami



It all started in Busseto, a quaint village in Northern Italy surrounded by famous places like Bologna, Parma, Genoa and Milano. All of these cities are steeped in old-world heritage, yet innovations constantly arise from modern influences to create the world standard for creativity.



Busseto's artisan (handmade) salami is crafted under the watchful eye of Lorenzo, their Master Salamiere, from Como, Italy. Lorenzo has been making dry salami for over 50 years. He uses only the finest cuts of pork and secret spices inspired from recipes that are centuries old. I believe this is what creates flavorful salami, rich in tradition, and, most importantly, flavor.

These products are produced in an efficient, state-of-the-art facility in California. European Imports, Inc. has carried Busseto's line of products satisfying customers for many, many years. Busseto products will not only satisfy your existing customers, but their eye-opening packaging will attract new ones to your case as well. Ask your sales rep for a list of all the Busseto products we carry and for the products we carry from Fratelli Beretta who acquired Busseto. Beretta is family owned since 1812. Located in Barzano, Italy, they currently own 17 factories there and have presence in 30 countries.

This is a great looking line of artisan salami with outstanding flavor profiles that will certainly delight your customers. Go pick up a piece of this salami, some cheese, some wine, and a nice loaf of Artisan bread, and enjoy the rest of your day.



**1311178 Artisan Gentile Salami 15/7oz** This delicate flavored salami is a balanced, tasty treat. The mild, full bodied flavor works well when served simply with a slice of crusty bread.



**1440001** Artisan Con Vino Salami 15/7oz Different flavors are blended for a new taste; it is a balanced red wine that brings out the best in this dry salami.



**1440013** Artisan Robusto Salami 15/7oz A salami with its own personality, it has a spicy kick and can stand up to a pungent cheese and a nice red wine.

# For the Pastry Chef by Karl Helfrich , Pastry Specialist



### Three new sandwich rolls from Tribeca Oven!

We are excited to offer these artisanal rolls to make your sandwiches stand out from the crowd. First, there is the 4" x 4" **Herbed Stirato Sandwich Square Roll**. A blend of marjoram, thyme and sage



create a fine flavor and complex fragrance. Durum and wheat flours with extra virgin olive oil give this Stirato a thinner crust and a light, tender texture, ideal for sandwiches.

It has a ciabatta-like texture and works equally well as a Panini, toasted sandwich or a deli sandwich. Next we have the **Seeded Semolina Demi Baguette**. A classic 7" "demi" baguette with thin, crisp crust

and airy interior, sprinkled with black and white sesame seeds for a beautiful presentation and nutty flavor. Whether you make the perfect po' boy or



hoagie, or opt for the more traditional ham and swiss, this demi baguette will hold up to all ingredients and give a delicious flavor and crunch. Finally, there is the **Multi Grain Bistro Roll**. Made with a blend of six grains, this roll carries the Whole



Grain Council stamp of approval. The blend of eight grains that garnish the top make it a delicious and crunchy way to showcase your sandwich ingredients.

1378516 Herb Stirato Roll, Sliced 60/4.1 oz 2300766 Seeded Semolina Demi Baguette 1/60 ct 3013826 Multigrain Bistro Roll 70/3.5 oz



New from Pidy: 7" fluted sweet tart shell.

This all-butter shell is crispy and well suited for eve-

rything from fruit tarts, to lemon tarts to banana cream or key lime pie! The size is perfect for the trend of "dessert for two" in a dis-



play case or on a restaurant menu.

3078925 7" All-Butter Sweet Tart Shell 12/7"

# New Grocery Premium Artesian Water from Italy



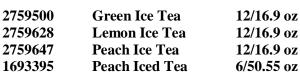
It was 1956, in Scorzè in the heart of the Sile national park that **San Benedetto** opened its first establishment, a bottling plant for Fonte **San Benedetto** mineral waters. The company took its name from the spring of the same name, which had been known in Roman times and was later appreciated by the aristocracy of the 18<sup>th</sup> century, who valued its health giving properties. Acqua Minerale **San Benedetto** quickly grew from a small local producer to a company with a presence all over Italy and beyond.

**San Benedetto** water is a premium tasting artesian water without the premium price. The water, tapped at the surface in ancient times, is now drawn from 1,000 feet below to ensure that all its original features are unchanged. **San Benedetto** trickles to its source from the glaciers of the Dolomites. A superior low-TDS delicacy.

To guarantee the well-being of your vital functions and encourage psychological and physical health, it is necessary to consume both the minerals and mineral salts contained in drinking water on a daily and balanced basis. **San Benedetto** low mineral content water, with its unique levels of minerals and mineral salts, helps your body purify and regenerate itself on a daily basis with "balance". **San Benedetto**, with its level of dry residue, is a balanced water compared with other low mineral content waters.

European Imports, Inc. now offers **San Benedetto** tea in plastic bottles and water in glass and PET bottles:









2760479	Sparkling Water	20/16.9 oz
2759563	Still Water	20/16.9 oz
2759514	Still Water	4/6/16.9 oz







2759530	Sparkling Water	12/1 L
2759557	Still Water	12/1 L
2759607	Sparkling Water	6/1.5L

# New Grocery The Flavors of Spain from José Andrés Foods

Owned by renowned Spanish Chef José Andrés, José Andrés Foods brings a hand-selected assortment of Spanish culinary products to the American marketplace, focusing on top artisanal producers who coax the best of the land and sea. For twenty years, Chef Andrés has brought the best flavors of Spain to the US. José Andrés Foods has partnered with distinguished producers throughout Spain who showcase the truest and highest quality products of this dynamic country.

José Andrés believes that food tells a story, and one of his favorite stories is how Spaniards for years and years have been using the goodness of the earth and sea to produce incredible, healthy foods that feed the soul and amaze the senses. José is proud to share with America his story of the food of his native Spain. With the help of his friends--some of the finest purveyors of Spanish food--José is excited to bring the heart of Spain to your kitchen table.

#### 3062936 **Potato Chips**

These San Nicasio potato chips are no ordinary snack: thinly sliced potatoes, slow cooked at low temperatures in extra virgin olive oil for an amazing crunch. A finishing touch of Himalayan pink salt adds an incredible dimension.





#### 3063056 **Sherry Vinegar** 6/8.45 oz



Sherry vineyards in the winemaking region of Jerez are planted over chalky white soil and exposed to the perfect balance of hot summers and mild Atlantic breezes, making Spain the only place in the world where true Sherry wine can be produced. And that means it's the only place you can find this amazing Sherry vinegar! Made following the traditional methods used by family-run

Marchenilla for generations, this vinegar is very flavorful and has many uses.

#### 3062942 Ajo Morado Purple Garlic 12/8.8 oz

Grown in the Castilla-La Mancha region, this is the garlic of connoisseurs. Packed for freshness, this famous purple garlic boasts intense flavor that mellows with cooking and adds excitement to your dishes, taking them to new heights.



3063064 Picual Extra Virgin

**Olive Oil** 

3063072 Arbequina Extra Virgin

**Olive Oil** 

Extra Virgin Olive Oil from Spain the soul of Mediterranean cuisine. Extra Virgin Olive Oil has many healthy benefits - lower cholesterol and a boost to your immune system to start - just like liquid gold for the body. Not to mention what it does for taste! Don't forget, from the smallest ingredient comes the personality of the whole dish.

#### 3063148 Hojiblanca Crushed **Olives**

Probably the perfect olive, this varietal called Hojiblanca has been grown since ancient times in Cordoba, Spain, because of its hot, dry climate. Collected by farmers in August when the olive is green, they have a distinctive strong, bitter flavor. The olives are cured and then crushed before being packed to make the flesh tenderer.

#### 3063159 **Gazpacha Olive Medley** 12/12.3 oz



It doesn't get easier! This olive mix is perfect for any occasion, ready to serve right from the jar. The mix starts with Verdial olives from Andalucia, which are picked at the peak of the season. After gently crushing the olives so they absorb even more flavor, cucumbers, onions, carrots and garlic are added- just like the ingredients used in the fa-

mous gazpacho soup. This mix is cured in water, sea salt and red pepper for about four months and the result is a soft tangy medley, great on its own or as part of a tapas plate.

#### 3063167 **Spicy Gordal Olives** 12/12.3 oz

These spicy olives are big and meaty. The Gordal olive, the largest grown in Spain, is an essential part of the tapa culture. They are grown in Andalucia, where Gordal trees were planted centuries ago because they are tough enough to survive the dry climate. Following tradition, the olives are handpicked and marinated with just the right amount of hot green chili

peppers. The result is an unforgettable olive with the perfect amount of spice.



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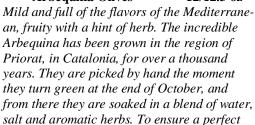
12/12.3 oz

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#### 3063171

### **Arbequina Olives**





flavor, the olives marinate for months until they are ready to eat.

#### 3063189 **Manzanilla Olives**

12/12.3 oz

The classic Spanish olive, found at restaurants and olive stands throughout Spain. Manzanilla olives are grown near Seville, where the hot, dry summers and cold winters produce a large, firm fruit with a delicate and slightly bitter taste. No one knows when the Manzanilla trees were first planted there, but over the generations farmers have learned to pick the

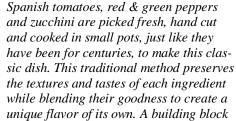


olives in August for peak flavor. Only the best are selected to be marinated, then packed in water and sea salt.

### 3063092

### Pisto

9/12.2 oz



of the Mediterranean diet, every mother and grandmother knows the recipe and Jose Andres' is just as simple, made without any preservatives, colorings or enhancers. Great with tuna or eggs, or as a salad to accompany almost any dish.

#### 3063126 Escalivada

9/12.2 oz

One of the most popular dishes of the Catalonian kitchen, this classic has an amazing background – eggplant from Almeria and Murcia, onions and peppers from Na*varra and olive oil from Andalucia – the* finest Spain has to offer! The peppers are harvested by hand, roasted over firewood and peeled without water to preserve as much flavor as possible. Escalivada means "cooked over em-



bers;" the method Spanish mountain shepherds first used to prepare the dish on cold nights while keeping watch over their sheep.

### 3063084

### Pa De Pages Rustic Catalan Toast

12/3.53 oz



Since the fourteenth century, the bakers of Catalonia have produced this Pa de Pages. Literally the "bread of the peasants," this round rustic bread with its crusty edge and light, crunchy middle comes ready to serve. Jose Andres uses an artisanal process that combines the finest fresh, local ingredients which are slowly fermented and baked only in tradi-

tional firebrick ovens. It's then sliced and lightly toasted to achieve the perfect crispy texture.

#### 3066059 Picos Camperos Mini Olive Oil 12/6.35 oz **Breadsticks**

Picos camperos (literally meaning "country style tidbits") were originally made by bakers who rolled the remains of their dough into finger-sized sticks as gifts for neighborhood children. Today, they are a staple of Spain. These aren't just any breadsticks. Made with durum wheat, water and Spanish olive oil, they have a

crunchy outside and delicate center with a beautiful aroma of fresh baked bread.

### 3057920

#### White Tuna in Olive Oil

12/8 oz



Fishing is the lifeblood of the port of Bermeo in northern Spain, where tuna from the crisp water of the Cantabrian Sea is known as Bonito del Norte (literally "Northern Beauty"). Fished in season using traditional methods and cooked immediately, this meaty loin is packed in olive oil to seal in flavor and heart

healthy nutrients so you can enjoy it any time.

#### 3063130 White Tuna Belly in Olive Oil

25/4.05 oz

Ventresca is a true prize: the tender, tasty mid-section of the Bonito del Norte tuna, fished during the peak of the season from the Cantabrian Sea in northern Spain. *Following a secret, handmade process* perfected over five generations, this delicacy is cut and prepared fresh, then packed in olive oil to preserve its incredible flavor and nutritional benefits. With a glass of fine cava, it's a treat your guests won't soon forget. Serve with a silver spoon!



# Specialty Grocery A Party in a Bottle



LeVillage sparkling lemonade is the original party beverage, in a gifty presentation. LeVillage lemonades are perfect for year-round celebrations, cocktails, and wedding festivities. Bubbles make anything more fun and LeVillage's lemonades are a light and fruity party in a bottle.

Sparkling French lemonade initially appeared back in the XIXth century and was sold on the street by "limonadiers". Naturally flavored, these sweet, traditional French sparkling beverages have always been popular for their simple qualities, enjoyed by kids & adults alike.



### 1411778 **Blood Orange Lemonade** 24/11.18 oz 1021409 **Blood Orange Lemonade** 12/25.4 oz

Drink this naturally flavored blood orange sparkling beverage over ice or use it as a mixer.





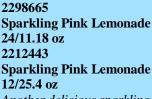






## 1021353 Lemonade (Cloudy) 24/11.18 oz 0413118 Lemonade (Cloudy) 12/25.4 oz

This lemonade is the sparkling version of traditional home-made lemonade with an added hint of lime. It has a tart lemony flavor and it is not too sweet.



Another delicious sparkling lemonade with a refreshing citrus taste and all natural grapefruit flavor.

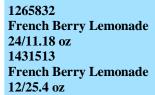




## 1674987 **Orange Sparkling Lemonade** 24/11.18 oz 1675012

**Orange Sparkling Lemonade** 12/25.4 oz

Natural orange flavor, sparkling water and sugar come together to create this fruity sparkling beverage. The sweet orange flavor is sure to make it a popular choice for kids.



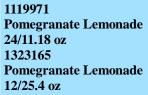
A refreshing lemonade made of carbonated water, beet sugar, citric acid and the natural flavor of berries.





### 0871745 French Lemonade 24/11.18 oz 0871758 French Lemonade 12/25.4 oz

A more neutral version of lemonade, this sweet sparkling beverage is a delicate combination of lemon and lime. It makes an excellent mixer for cocktails.



With the growing interest in pomegranates, this naturally flavored pomegranate sparkling beverage is sure to be a hit.

