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Verlin collection tops US\$7m - 11-May-2007

Our report last month: 'The Verlin Collection to smash records' lived up to its name, smashing records and its estimate by selling for a staggering US\$7.1m in Chicago.

The single-owner sale was **Hart Davis Hart's** first since its founding in 2004 and it also introduced real-time online-bidding. The auction house sold all 1,876 lots from the cellar of late collector **Steven Verlin** for US\$7.1m (£3.5m) on 4-5 May, setting a record for gross revenue at a Chicago auction.

The sale included an astonishing selection of full-case and large format wines from highly rated vintages of Bordeaux, Burgundy, Rhone, Champagne, and more. Highlights include 1970 Château [Pétrus](#) & 1982 [Mouton, Lafleur](#) & [Latour](#).

A 6-litre imperial of 1990 Pétrus fetched \$59,750 (£30,000) by itself while an imperial of 1947 Mouton Rothschild and a Nebuchadnezzar of 1992 Domaine Ramonet Montrachet went for \$53,775 (£26,900) each.

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