

## **Santiam Wine again!**

**...with information on the Zins in tonight tasting. Please forgive me for I have Zinnnnnnnnnned!**

**Tonight, Friday, January 8th We are pouring the following Zenlicious wines only \$23. for all six wines! 4-7pm**

### **2007 Joel Gott CA Zinfandel \$17.**

Our 2007 California Zinfandel balances rich and graceful flavors characteristic of each region farmed. Dry-farmed, old-head-trained vines in Lodi and Amador produce intense, structured fruit while the Napa Valley harvest adds power, depth and complexity. Fruit from the cooler climate of Sonoma County offers classic Zinfandel aromatics of pepper and anise. Together, these diverse regions produce a Zinfandel packed with flavors of licorice, plums, Bing cherries and blackberries with a deep, long finish.

### **2006 Renwood " Fiddletown" Zinfandel \$26.**

The 2006 Fiddletown Zinfandel offers aromas and flavors that best express the appellation. These wines always have a characteristic note of pine and cedar. The red fruit aromas are distinct and the lush and vibrant flavors linger on the palate. The aging in small oak barrels helps mellow the wine, and gives a finish with holiday spice, toasted hazelnut and vanilla notes.

### **2007 Dashe Cellars Dry Creek Zinfandel \$26.**

90 points Wine Enthusiast: "A first-rate Zin that shows the variety's briary power, unleashing a tidal wave of wild forest berry, plum, licorice, leather, chocolate and pepper spice flavors wrapped into sturdy tannins. Lip-smackingly good." (04/09) And, according to Wine Spectator: "Fresh and juicy, displaying raspberry and spicy vanilla aromas. The flavors are ripe yet elegant, with jammy wild berry and sage flavors. Drink now through 2012." (05/09) Just a dash of petite sirah adds aromatic depth and body to this classic zinfandel from Dashe Cellars. The 2007 vintage seemed to make itself, and Michael and Anne Dashe were wise enough to see this and let the fruit do its thing. The resulting wine is dance between sweet, dark fruit, spice and luxurious chocolate, with lots of intrigue on the mid-palate. The tannins are fine-grained and well integrated and the American oak, which makes up the majority of the aging vessels (30% French, 70% American, only 15% new) adds spice and softens the edges without overpowering. This is a zinfandel to enjoy with a hearty winter braise and fresh-baked bread or a summer barbecue (or a winter barbecue, if you're feeling feisty).

### **2007 Rombauer Napa Zinfandel \$37.50**

Rombauer Vineyards, 2007 Napa Valley Zinfandel is luscious and jammy. True to the old-vine style, this wine is robust and flavorful. Velvety layers of blackberry and boysenberry are balanced with hints of clove and oak. This full-bodied wine has a smooth and spicy finish that lingers on the palate.

### **2007 Robert Biale " Napa Ranches" Zinfandel \$41.50**

"Napa Ranches is a top-notch Zinfandel blend sourced from Aldo's and Black Chicken in Napa, Old Crane in St. Helena, Stagnaro in Calistoga, and Priest Ranch above Chiles Valley. There's also a dollop of Petite Sirah, 18%, from Thomann Station in St. Helena. Blackish ruby in color, this Zinfandel exhibits plum and cherry preserves with lavender, pepper, allspice, vanilla and toast on its full-bodied, viscous and fleshy palate. This third vintage has excellent balance and fine tannins." –Winery

### **2008 Orin Swift "Prisoner" \$37.50**

Orin Swift's Proprietary Blend The Prisoner has become the stuff of legend for many of us in the industry. We can never get enough - it always sells out - and (most importantly) the juice in the bottle is fantastic year in and year out. Predominantly Zinfandel with a dash of Cabernet Sauvignon and Syrah blended in, it's up there with the best California Zins that cost twice as much. This blends the lush berry flavors of Zinfandel, the power and concentration of Cabernet Sauvignon, the dark black fruit of Syrah, the intensity and structure of Petite Sirah, the flesh of Charbono, and a hint of Grenache - all combined for a decadent wine with great complexity.

Thank you,

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