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Oregon Pinot at Santiam Wine Company

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Good Evening! Another Friday night and tons of wine here at Santiam!
Oregon Pinot Oregon! Friday Night! Come on down and bring all your friends!
We have a great menu! Plan to have dinner with us!
Attached is the October menu and October White C&C info

Date: 10/04/13

Time: 4-8 PM

Pricing: Full Pour \$22 Half Pour \$13

The Wines:

2012 Owen Roe Sharecroppers Pinot Noir \$20

This is a whole lot o' Pinot for \$20, and reminds me of the early Sharecropper's Pinots: packed with juicy, ripe berry flavors, ready to drink today. If you've not heard about Oregon's 2012 vintage, you soon will - we're sitting on some fantastic juice, and it's not a shy vintage. A little "bigger" and fruitier, the 2012 Sharecropper's is a head-turner.

2012 Evesham Wood Pinot Noir \$20

The wine I buy and drink more of than any other Oregon Pinot. I could leave the descriptors alone, but why not include a little silver-tongued prose: awesome aromas of cherries and forest segue into a vibrant red cherry burst, adding a layer of warm, mixed berry tart. Pinches of blue berry and white pepper round out the finish. I'll buy cases (I lost track after 4 last year), hold them for 9 months or so, then plow through them. This will continue to drink well for years, despite its downright cheap price.

2011 Cameron Dundee Hills Pinot Noir \$30

When I was pouring a sample bottle of this wine at a local wine shop in Portland recently, a local wine writer walked in, tried the wine and commented "Hey this is isn't typical Cameron Pinot noir with its funky reduced notes, what happened?" Well, that's because it is from a vintage similar to 2010 dominated by bright, high-tone aromatics and crisp acidity which don't really lend themselves to the low notes of reduction. In short, it's another vintage with classic Burgundy-like characteristics. And with all of the fruit coming from Abbey Ridge Vineyard (60%) and Clos Electrique (40%), how can you miss?

And there's more: the 2011 Dundee Hills Pinot was voted "a prized Pinot" and one of the best 50 Oregon wines from Oregon in [Portland Monthly Magazine!](#)

2012 Owen Roe Killmore Pinot Noir \$40

This is a Kilmore fan's Kilmore, meaning it's everything you'd expect and want: dark fruit intensity, plushy textured, ready to enjoy now while having the stuffing to last several years. Dark berry compote and plum provides the core, with shadings of Indonesian coffee and panna cotta, and fresh

cherry resonating on the long finish

2010 Willakenzier Alette Pinot Noir \$53

"Tarry and a touch forrestry, this wine has a generous red cherry note filigreed with a whiff of smoke. It delivers its flavors with poise and grace, black cherry lingering with a tension derived from vinous, tree bark elements and a hint of tar."

94 Points *Wine Spectator*

The 2010 Pinot Noir Alette is ruby/garnet in color with an exceptional bouquet of dried violets, lavender, strawberry and hints of cedar. Balanced, supple and very expressive on the palate, it manages to be light and graceful yet powerful at the same time. Red currant, black cherry, raspberry, tea leaves and earth give this medium-bodied wine layers of complexity that linger on the palate for well over a minute. This well-rounded wine will age gracefully for 8 to 10 years, and should be cellared for 1 to 2 years from release. If opening sooner, decant at least one hour before serving. We recommend pairing this feminine wine with a Pacific Northwest grilled salmon in a creamy dill sauce or a classic herb-crusted roast chicken.

2010 Soter Mineral Springs Pinot Noir \$50

Rose petal and geranium fascinatingly mingle with scents of cherry and almond in the nose of Soter's 2010 Pinot Noir Mineral Springs Ranch; then inform a silken-textured, infectiously-juicy palate, rich in ripe cherry and piquant nut oils yet buoyant and positively billowing in its expression of inner-mouth florality, leading to a long, mouthwateringly savory, disarmingly persistent and next sip-inducing finish in which floral and spice accents alluringly keep pace with the generous flow of fruit. Look for at least a dozen years of delight from this polished beauty, which will almost certainly gain in complex allure and fascination. **93 Points Robert Parker**

Tony Soter is known as a top producer of Oregon sparkling wines but the still wines (red and white) were excellent. We ended up buying a couple of bottles of the 2010 Mineral Springs Ranch Pinot Noir, which was recently highlighted as a "top 50 Oregon wine" in this month's Portland Monthly Magazine.

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