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Join us Friday, April 3rd for a taste of Bordeaux both Old and New World. These wines are blends of Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon, Petite Verdot, Cabernet Franc and even a little Carmenere and Malbec on occasion~

**Make a night of it and enjoy dinner here! See our new April menu attached. The White April Cheap & Cheerful information is also attached**

**When: Friday, April 3rd**

**Time: 4-8 P.M.**

**Where: Santiam Wine & Bistro**

**Cost: Full Pour \$26 Half Pour: \$15**

**The Wines:**

**2009 Cenyth Bordeaux Blend Sonoma County, CA \$57.50**

The 2009 Cenyth is a blend of 47% Cabernet Sauvignon, 28% Merlot, 10% Cabernet Franc and the rest Petit Verdot and Malbec that achieved 14% alcohol, and was aged in 100% French oak for 15 months. Many 2009s are in the process of shutting down slightly, especially wines made from Bordeaux varietals. This wine shows sweet tannin and a more open knit personality, no doubt due to the 28% Merlot and 10% Cabernet Franc in the blend. Its deep ruby/purple color is followed by notes of licorice, incense, forest floor, mulberries, black cherries and black currants. Pierre Seillan believes that using four separate Sonoma County terroirs balances the wine beautifully, with high tannins from the mountain top vineyards and softer, silkier tannins from lower elevation sites. This full-bodied, attractive red is approachable, but should age effortlessly for 15-20 years.

**93 Points Robert Parker We love this wine!**

**2010 Chateau Bernadotte Haut-Medoc \$40**

Recently sold to a Chinese entrepreneur, in 2010 this estate produced a blend of 52% Cabernet Sauvignon and 48% Merlot. The wine is deep and clearly a sleeper of the vintage, with loads of fruit, glycerin and extract. Its excellent purity and loads of spice box as well as red and black currants make for a delicious, impressively endowed wine to drink over the next 10-12 years.

**2011 Spring Valley Fredrick Walla Walla, WA \$42**

60% Cabernet Sauvignon.30% Cabernet Franc.6% Petit Verdot.4% Malbec

The nose is packed with ripe strawberry, raspberry and cherry fruit as well as a lot of floral undertones. The structure of this wine is abundant with juicy, velvety tannins.

2010 reviewed by the Wine Advocate:

A blend of 55% Cabernet Sauvignon, 19% Cabernet Franc 18% Merlot and the balance Petit Verdot, the 2010 Frederick Walla Walla gives up bright black cherry, crushed flowers, spice and juicy black raspberry in a medium to full-bodied, balanced, supple style. Seeing 21 months in 65% new French oak, enjoy this elegantly styled blend over the coming 7-9 years. 91 Points Parker

### **2010 Market Vineyard Derivative Red Blend, Columbia Valley, Washington \$22**

Rich notes of dark chocolate-covered cherries burst from this 2010 vintage of our Derivative Red Wine. Comprised of some of our best varietals, this wine imparts gorgeous soft floral notes, balanced with deep, smoky characteristics. Lush and bright, with a terrific acid balance, this wine hits the palate and lingers; making for a delectable wine sure to please the most discerning wine lover. Pair this wine with food and you will not be disappointed in its ability to elevate even the simplest meal from mundane to extraordinary. Vineyard Designation Conner Lee Vineyard, Merlot-20%, Stillwater Creek, Merlot-20%, Stillwater Creek, Cabernet Sauvignon-40%, Weinbau, Cabernet Franc-20% Alcohol %14.8 Production 340 Cases

### **2012 Chateau de Halie Bordeaux France Grand Vin \$18**

Today the property covers 33 hectares of which 12.5 hectares of vineyards. It is mainly composed of red grapes, 60% Merlot, 15% Cabernet Sauvignon and 25% Cabernet Franc. The grapes are collected at the peak of maturity. The harvest is realized through the machine. Castle Halie is a vineyard which is 80 km south of Bordeaux and 20 km south of Langon. This vineyard is AOC Bordeaux. It is a family owned for three generations. There is a clay loam soil consists of sometimes severe the vinification takes place in our cellar composed of stainless steel and concrete tanks. Alcoholic fermentation lasts a month with temperature control.

### **2010 Les Carrans de Lassegue Saint Emilion Grand Cru \$26**

A lush, velvety and toasty style, with lots of linzer torte, plum and fig notes pumping along, spiked with anise, violet and black licorice snap accents. Briar and toasted wood spice pack the finish, lending a slightly chewy feel that should unwind a bit in the cellar. Best from 2014 through 2020. **90 Points Wine Spectator**

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April Menu 2015  
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## **Santiam Wine & Bistro's April 2015 Easter Bunny White Cheap & Cheerful Six-pack \$54**

### **2014 Wise Guy Sauvignon Blanc Oregon \$10**

The 2014 Wise Guy Sauvignon Blanc underwent a long, cold fermentation in 100% stainless steel to keep the fresh, fragrant, grassy nature of this wonderful varietal in place. Sourced primarily from our own Outlook Vineyard, the 2014 Wise Guy has beautiful minerality, mouth watering acidity and a focused, crisp finish.