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Good Evening,

Check-out the wines for tomorrow night....another rare night at Santiam Wine & Bistro~Extraordinary Vintages and amazing producers.

Where: Santiam Wine & Bistro

When: Friday, June 3rd

Time: 4-8 PM

Cost: Full pour: \$36 Half pour \$20

Special: Flank Steak Salad w Blue Cheese Crumble

The Wines:

2010 Antinori Brunello di Montalcino Pian delle Vigne \$80

The 2010 Brunello di Montalcino Pian delle Vigne is a well-built wine that shows the muscular side of this celebrated star of Tuscan winemaking. The Brunello opens to a thick, dark appearance with shapely aromas of dark cherry, plum, blackberry, leather dark chocolate and spice. The winemaking is impeccable, if rather stylized in terms of oak and fruit maturity. The aim here is to produce a wine that oozes softness and richness and this goal has been abundantly achieved. Pian delle Vigne is a Brunello that will excel in both the near and long term. **93 Points Robert Parker**

2010 Castiglion del Bosco Brunello di Montalcino \$50

The 2010 Brunello di Montalcino is a ripe and fruit-forward expression that bursts with energy and red fruit intensity even at this young stage in the wine's life. Thick layers of cherry, blackberry, cassis, vanilla and cinnamon give the wine a bold, opulent personality. The tannins are super tame and docile, even for this more structured vintage. The wine boasts a medium build with bright garnet and ruby highlights. I think Castiglion del Bosco does a great job of executing and delivering this softer style of Brunello that works so well as a companion to the hearty, wintery foods we love most. You can drink it in the near or long term. It has that level of aging flexibility. The 2010 vintage is a great one to taste and buy. **94 Points Robert Parker**

2007 Caparzo Brunello Riserva \$52

A big, broad-shouldered wine, the 2007 Brunello di Montalcino Riserva is endowed with superb richness and depth. Sweet black cherries, tobacco, smoke, scorched earth and tar all explode from the glass. Despite its textural richness, the 2007 remains mid-weight and gracious for the year. At times the 2007 is quite feminine, while at other moments its more virile side comes through, creating contrasts that are intriguing to follow. Caparzo has done a terrific job with their 2007 Riserva. Anticipated maturity: 2013-2022

93 Points Robert Parker

2010 Mocali Brunello Di Montalcino \$50

The quality and power of the vintage is immediately evident in Mocali's 2010 Brunello di Montalcino. Black cherry, pressed roses, wet earth and cigar box are important components of the forthcoming and generous bouquet. The wine is compact and tight at first, but it fleshes out nicely on the palate to reveal very attractive textural richness. Mocali has successfully interpreted this

on the palate to reveal very attractive textural richness. IMOCAN has successfully interpreted this classic vintage. **92 Points Robert Parker**

2010 La Palazetta Brunello Di Montalcino \$40

Beautiful, traditionally-styled Brunello from a small family farm- brings both delicacy and power with richness, spice and an added layer of depth in this exceptional vintage. Bargain Brunello

2012 San Vincenti Chianti Classico \$16

A well-structured wine than contains the fruity, spicy notes so typical of Chianti. Its rich flavour fills the palate. Pairs well with red meats, Roasts, game, sauces and cheeses.

Stop in Saturday for leftovers and to taste the amazing June Cheap & Cheerful Six! 12-3 Have lunch while you are here!

Cheers!

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