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A taste of Argentina at Santiam Wine and Bistro

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Good Evening,

The music was great tonight! Thanks to the "Outer Banks" they play the last Thursday of each month from 5-8 FYI

Now tomorrow night is Red Friday with wines from Argentina! We have a great line-up so join us won't you?

We now sell: Demi French Baguettes \$2. They are perfect when you need a nice bread to go on a picnic or with any meal and we have them to go! We also have what we call the "Taste of Santiam" A great assortment of picnic favorites from our kitchen including our French Demi Baguette, two of our popular cheeses, our marinated mixed olives, our seasoned nuts & grapes! All you need to do, add the wine, glasses & blanket and what a picnic you could have! We recommend picking one up for the concerts in the park....please call and place your order these are selling very quickly.

New on the menu: Crab or Shrimp Melt on French Baguette, to die for!

Where: Santiam Wine & Bistro

Date: Friday: July 26th

Time: 4-8

Pricing: Full Pour \$16 Half Pour \$10

The Wines:

2012 Pascual Toso Estate Malbec \$11 What Value!

The 2011 Malbec comes from Barrancas in the Maipu District of Mendoza from vines located at 700 meters above sea level. It is fermented in stainless steel and thereafter 40% of the wine is aged in new American oak casks. It has a pure natural nose that expresses the essence of Malbec: lifted raspberry leaf and wild strawberry scents with traces of dried rose petal. It is a medium-bodied with supple, fine tannins and great purity. It glides across the mouth with those raspberry and strawberry notes continuing, joined by a taut citric edge and a slight leafiness towards the composed finish. This is pure class had for a fabulous price. Drink now. **89 Points Wine Spectator**

2010 Bodegas Norton Privada Cabernet Sauvignon \$23

A dense, smoky red, showing a creamy edge to the spicy kirsch, plum sauce and grilled fig notes that mingle with hints of baking spice and medium tannins. Fine length. Malbec, Merlot and Cabernet Sauvignon. **91 Points Wine Spectator**

2010 Alta Vista Premium Cabernet Sauvignon \$17

The 2010 Alta Vista Premium Cabernet Sauvignon is raised in used American oak. It has a rounded nose of blackberry, wild hedgerow and a touch of crushed violet. The palate is medium-bodied with

supple, rounded tannins. It is very harmonious and pure with an (again) almost effervescent finish that is very seductive. Excellent. Drink now-2017. **90 Robert Parker**

2011 Susana Balbo Malbec \$24

Deep saturated ruby. Ripe, sweet nose offers black cherry, cassis, plum and licorice, plus hints of dried fig and chocolatey oak. Plush, velvety and ripe, with an invitingly pliant texture and captivating sweetness. Finishes with suave tannins and excellent length and grip. This is excellent. Susana Balbo is now toasting her barrels with convection, which she says gives sweetness to the wines without an overbearing oakiness. **91 Points Stephen Tanzer**

2011 Luca Malbec \$33

The 2011 Luca Malbec comes from three vineyards in the Uco Valley in Altamira, La Consulta and Gualtallary that have an average age of 46 years. It is aged for 16 months in French oak (60% new). It has a floral bouquet of wild strawberry, raspberry, rhubarb and a touch of Hoi Sin that is well-defined. The palate is medium-bodied with fine, dry tannins on the entry that lend this Malbec a “classic” feel. It is very well-balanced and harmonious, with light strawberry, balsamic and pomegranate notes on the minerally finish. This is a superb Malbec. Drink 2013-2020. **92 Robert Parker**

2011 Chakana Estate Selection Malbec \$28

The 2011 Chakana Estate Selection Malbec comes from Uco and Lujan de Cuyo and is aged for 12 months in French oak (30% new). Tasted twice, it has a delightful bouquet with crisp red cherry, strawberry and vanilla scents that are beautifully defined. The palate is medium-bodied with fine, supple tannins and crisp acidity. It is harmonious and focused, with caressing vibrant red berry fruit on the bright, classy finish. This is a sophisticated Malbec: feminine and seductive. Drink now-2018. **92 Points Robert Parker**

Cheers!

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