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Just me again! Friday night is coming and we have a grand tasting of reds from Washington and California.

Come on down, relax and let us pour and prepare a delicious meal for you...

Our Special:

Flank Steak Caesar Salad with Blue Cheese Crumble

Gazpacho Cold Soup

Heirloom Caprese salad

or

Wild Mushroom Lasagna w/Caesar salad

Where: Wine Tasting at Santiam Wine & Bistro

When: Friday, August, 5th

Time: 4-8 PM

Cost: Full Pour: \$32 Half Pour: \$18

The Wines:

### **2012 BV Reserve Tapestry Napa Valley \$63**

The 2013 Reserve Tapestry Proprietary Red Wine, which is another Bordeaux blend, raises the question: Is Beaulieu actually producing too many of these proprietary blends, instead of focusing on four or five top wines? In any event, this is a smooth, supple, delicious, front-end loaded style of wine for 2013, with elegant cedar wood, fruitcake and soil undertones intermixed with red and black cherries and blackcurrants. It is ruby/purple, medium to full-bodied, elegant and well-balanced. Drink it over the next 12-15 years. 90 Points Robert Parker

### **2013 Kiona Cabernet Sauvignon Columbia Valley \$27**

The 2013 Washington State Cabernet Sauvignon, which includes 7% Merlot, 4% Malbec and a splash of Petit Verdot and Cabernet Franc, offers terrific notes of blackcurrants, plums, wild herbs, tobacco leaf and smoke to go with a medium to full-bodied, ripe, forward, textured profile on the palate. It will need consuming in its relative youth, but there's lots to love here and it has surprising elegance and polish at the price. **90 Points Robert Parker**

### **2014 Mark Ryan The Chief Board Track Racer \$28**

An outstanding value Bordeaux blend, this drinks well above its price. Every bit as good as the 2012 - better actually. Packed with ripe black and blue fruits, with a velvety texture picking up a delightful chewiness through the finish. Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Cabernet Franc, and Petit Verdot.

### **2013 Dunham Trutina Columbia Valley \$28 A real favorite here at Santiam!**

Up with the best vintages of this cuvee to date, the 2013 Trutina (42% Cabernet Sauvignon, 40% Merlot, 10% Malbec, and the rest Petit Verdot and Grenache) offers a

Sauvignon, 42% Merlot, 12% Malbec, and the rest Petit verdot and Syrah) offers a charming, ready to go, upfront style as well as notes of currants, chocolate, dried spices and bouquet garni. Drink this medium to full-bodied, ripe and nicely balanced 2013 over the coming 7-8 years. **91 Points Robert Parker**

**2013 Justin “ Justification Paso Robles \$50**

inspired by classic French Right Bank Bordeaux wines, this blend of merlot and cabernet franc showcases the bold, distinctive terrior of Paso Robles with full, bright fruit.

58% Cabernet Franc, 42% Merlot

**2013 Ramey Claret Napa Valley \$40**

63% Cabernet Sauvignon, 24% Merlot, 7% Malbec, 3% Syrah, 2% Petite Verdot and 1% Cabernet Franc. Silky, Luscious, with a nice long finish. "Dark red cherries, plums, smoke and licorice jump from the glass in the 2013 Claret. A bit darker and richer than normal in this vintage, the 2013 Claret is shaping up to be an overachiever." 90 Points Vinous

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