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This is a tasting we have not done for a long time. 2012 was beautiful a vintage and here is our opportunity to taste some exciting wines from an outstanding vintage.

Join us here at Santiam Wine & Bistro

When: Friday, September 19th

Time: 4-8 P.M.

Cost: Full Pour: \$25 Full Pour Half Pour: \$15 (Remember you can share a pour if you chose)

Recommended foods: Our homemade mushroom lasagna! Our French Onion Soup!.... Triple Cream Creamy Cheese is back! Minestrone Soup is back

If you would like a reservation call 503-589-0775 invite all your friends!

I can't believe we are the last Wine Shop left standing in this town! We need your support more than ever, we want to stay!

THE WINES:

2012 Two Hands Bella's Garden Barrosa Valley \$75

Brilliant violet color. Powerful, deeply pitched aromas of blue fruit preserves, licorice, incense and mocha are lifted by a sexy Indian spice quality. Stains the palate with sweet dark fruit and cocoa flavors that gain energy and lift with aeration. Rich and expansive but lively as well.

Closes velvety and very long, with lingering smokiness and smooth, harmonious tannins. **93**

Stephen Tanzer

2012 Two Hands Angel's Share McLaren Vale \$33

Deep ruby. Smoky, spice-accented dark berry and cola aromas are complemented by an intense floral quality. Round and fleshy on the palate, offering sweet blueberry and cassis flavors and a bracing jolt of acidity to add lift. Closes with very good energy and focus, leaving spice cake and violet pastille notes behind. **91 points Stephen Tanzer**

2012 Two Hands Gnarly Dudes Barossa Valley \$33

Bright purple. Ripe, highly perfumed aromas of blueberry, cassis, smoky minerals and violet. Plush and sweet but focused, with a silken texture to its dark fruit and floral pastille flavors.

Youthfully taut but promising, finishing with very good lift, soft tannins and lingering floral and spice notes. **91 Points Stephen Tanzer**

2012 Penfolds Bin 8 South Australia \$19.50

(a 57/43 blend): Glass-staining ruby. Textbook cabernet aromas of cherry, cassis, pipe tobacco and woodsmoke, with a vanilla undertone and a touch of cracked pepper. Offers pliant black and blue fruit flavors, a note of bitter chocolate and good spicy kick, plus a subtle licorice nuance.

Finishes sweet, gently tannic and long, leaving smoke and dark berry notes behind. **90 Points Stephen Tanzer**

2012 Oliverhill Red Silk Shiraz McLaren Vale \$20

Deep purple-black colored, the 2012 Red Silk Shiraz reveals pronounced nose of blackberry compote and crème de cassis with suggestions of eucalyptus, dark chocolate and star anise. Full-bodied and packed with concentrated blackberry preserves and menthol flavors, it has a good

bodyed and packed with concentrated blackberry preserve and menthol flavors, it has a good backbone of medium to firm rounded tannins and a long, spicy finish. Drink it now to 2019+. **91 Points Robert Parker**

2012 Yalumba "The Strapper" Grenache/Shiraz/Mataro Barrosa Valley
\$19.50

(a 40/35/25 blend): Vivid ruby. Spicy raspberry and cherry on the spice-laced nose, with zesty minerality adding vibrancy. Brisk red fruit flavors show good clarity and subtle sweetness, with a snap of tangy acidity adding cut. No excess fat here and no obvious tannins either. **88 Points Stephen Tanzer**

Cheers!

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