



Happy Holidays!

Another year is coming to a close and we want to thank you for all of your support! You are the reason we are here and we are very thankful. Wishing you and yours a very blessed and

***** wonderful holiday season! *****

We want to help you make holiday entertaining & gift buying fun! Christmas gift ideas: *Wine Trails of Oregon, Wine Trails of Washington*, the Vinturi Aerator, Arriving mid-December Joel Palmer Oregon White Truffle Oil. Stocking stuffer idea: his or her favorite Port or Champagne 1/2 bottles: fill the stocking with the best pairings, like Chocolates, Walnuts, Rogue Valley Orgonzola Blu Cheese, soothing music, or a great book! Best of all we have most of these items at Santiam Wine Company! Don't forget: get your shipping done early!

Felise Navidad! — Debbie

**December, 2009
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Debbie's Recommended Wines

WINE TASTING SCHEDULE

Please mark your calendar! We provide Cascade Baking Company Rustic French baguettes at our tasting!

STORE HOURS

MONDAY – FRIDAY: 11AM - 6PM

SATURDAY: 10AM - 6PM

CLOSURES:

DEC. 25TH & JANUARY 1ST

TASTING HOURS:

4 TIL' 7PM

FRIDAYS THIS MONTH:

DEC. 4TH, 11TH, 18TH

& THURSDAY, DEC. 31ST

COMPLIMENTARY WINE

**TASTINGS EVERY
SATURDAY 12-4PM!
PLEASE JOIN US!**

Jaillance Crémant de Bordeaux Cuvée de l'Abbaye Brut: \$15

This is a great little bubbly at a decent price; not only a sipper but a great food wine. All together a very impressive package. Hardly anyone associates Bordeaux with sparkling wine, but a cremant (French for "creaming"), made entirely from Sémillon grapes, rivals classy and pricier brut Champagnes. Give it a try! Then stock-up for Holiday entertaining!

2007 Cros de Romet Cairanne Cotes du Rhone; France: \$18

Under the Alain Boisson moniker comes the 2007 Cotes du Rhone-Villages Cairanne Cros de Romet, a blend of 80% Grenache and 20% Syrah. It boasts a dense ruby/purple color as well as aromas of spring flowers, blueberries, raspberries, kirsch, cedar, and Provencal

herbs. This wine combines extravagant levels of fruit with compelling earthiness and spice. The result is a wine with incredibly complex, explosive aromatics, and stunning fruit and richness, all presented in a full-bodied, flawlessly constructed style. Drink it over the next 7-8 years

We have stocked up on 1/2 bottles (they make great stocking stuffers) and magnums (perfect hostess gifts super fantastic on the dinner table for special parties). If you are planning a holiday party I can help plan the refreshments.

FRIDAY, DEC 4TH 4-7 PRICE: \$30

Champagne! Cheery Bubbles~let the celebration begin go Ducks go Beavers!

SATURDAY, DEC 5TH 12-4 FREE!

All Twelve wines from the December Cheap & Cheerful Six-pack.

FRIDAY, DEC. 11TH 4-7 PRICE: \$25

Port Tasting.

SATURDAY, DEC. 12TH 12-4 FREE!

Dessert Wines.

FRIDAY, DEC. 18TH 4-7 PRICE: \$25

Italian Wine Tasting- Vintage 2004!

SATURDAY, DEC 19TH 12-4 FREE!

Italian Prosecco.

THURSDAY, DEC. 24TH OPEN 10-4^{PM} GET YOUR LAST MINUTE ITEMS HERE!

FRIDAY, DEC 25TH CLOSED MERRY CHRISTMAS!

SATURDAY, DEC. 26TH OPEN 12-6PM

FREE tasting: Owen Roe Corvidae Wines.

THURSDAY, DEC. 31ST: OPEN 10-7 PRICE: \$25

Celebrate New Year's here! Starting with champagne & outstanding 2008 Oregon pinot noir! Yummy appetizers!

FRIDAY, JANUARY 1ST: CLOSED HAPPY NEW YEAR! INVENTORY DAY!

SATURDAY, JANUARY 2ND OPEN 10-6

Taste the January C&C's

Now offering three local hard ciders from Wandering Aengus Ciderworks featured in Gourmet Magazine! Priced from 9.50- \$12.50

* WINE TAGS FOR YOUR WINE CELLAR

* ITALIAN & SPANISH OLIVE OILS (STOP BY FOR A TASTE!)

* MALETTI BALSAMIC VINEGAR (TO DIE FOR!)

* DRIPLESS POUR SPOUTS * GIFT BASKETS * GIFT BAGS

* SHIPPING BOXES * VINTURI WINE AERATOR

* WINE SPECTATOR, WINE ENTHUSIAST MAGAZINES & WINE PRESS NW

* DECORTIVE PEWTER BOTTLE STOPPERS +JOEL PALMER WHITE

TRUFFEL OIL* WILLAMETTE VALLEY CHEESE +WINE BOOKS

* CASINA ROSSO BLACK TRUFFLE SEASALT

* RITROVO SALT OR TRUFFLE XOCOLATE * VIGNALTA ROSEMARY SALT

* VACUVIN WINE SAVER (PUMP & 1 CORK) * EXTRA CORKS

* WE SHIP WINE TO WHEREVER WE CAN! * GIFT CERTIFICATES

December HO HO HO Red Cheap & Cheerful 6-pack: \$62.50

In this month's hand-picked Cheap and Cheerful Six packs are incredible wine values from California, France, New Zealand, Oregon, Washington & Spain. The price reflects 10% off if you buy the following six wines — your reward for trusting me. These wines are easy, ready and waiting for you to pick-up! Mix the white and red up if you wish! Is it time to load up on wine for holiday entertaining? Grab one of each! Please come in for the talker sheet on the white Cheap & Cheerful. **This six-pack makes great gift and we'll gladly add a free hand tied bow!**

2007 Perrin & Fils Côtes Du Rhone Villages, France: \$12

“**V**ery pure, with gorgeous plum and black cherry aromas and flavors laced with enticing spice, graphite and violet notes. Long, very silky finish. Delicious.” Just 20% of the Côtes du Rhône vineyards are entitled to add “Villages” to their name. These are the best vineyard sites, which means if you like Côtes du Rhône, then you'll love Côtes du Rhône-Villages. This wine is produced by the Perrin family of Beaucastel fame.” (90, Wine Spectator)

2008 Dacu Tempranillo, Ribera Del Guadiana, Spain: \$10

The 2008 Dacu is 100% Tempranillo aged on its lees for four months in stainless steel, followed by two months in French oak. It is exceptionally fragrant with aromas of rose petals, cinnamon, cranberry, and raspberry. Plush and tasty on the palate, the finish has no hard edges. Drink this pleasure-bent offering over the next four years. (89 Points, Robert Parker)

2007 Stephen Vincent Zinfandel California: \$11.50

Winemaker tasting notes: Wild berry nose, with forward fruit in the mouth. Jammy, and full bodied, with just a touch of toasty American oak. Soft tannins add structure and give balance to the overall flavor in this delicious wine. You can serve it with pizza, chicken, beef, lamb, turkey or pasta!

2008 Oyster Bay Pinot Noir, New Zealand: \$15

Fragrant, soft and flavorful with aromas of ripe cherries, plums and gentle sweet fruit tannins to provide serious structure and length. Sealed with a screw cap closure to preserve freshness and provide consistent quality. Gold medal winner!

2007 Charles & Charles Red Blend, Washington: \$11

From the block buster vintage in Washington State vintner Charles Smith has blended Cabernet & Syrah equally together and produced this amazing value. This wine has loads of structure along with delicious red fruit. I would recommend opening in advance and pairing this wine with prime rib or your favorite winter stew! Enjoy!

2008 Quo "Campo de Borja" Grenache, Spain: \$10

“**T**his is spectacularly good grenache,” (80%, with 20% tempranillo), “redolent of the spicy, cherry and strawberry quality characteristic of the variety. But there's an interesting, slightly tannic zip in the finish of this wine that adds an extra taste intrigue. It gives this wine another dimension that raises it from mere fruitiness. This is a standout deal. Serve this with just about anything meaty and rich (try braised oxtails or short ribs), and you'll be clicking your castanets with pleasure”. (- Matt Kramer)

December White Cheap & Cheerful 6-pack: \$62.50

- 2008 Domaine De Rieux Cotes de Gascogne Ugni Blanc, France: \$10 Fresh!
 - 2008 Bonair Yakima Valley Chardonnay, Washington: \$10 Creamy!
 - 2008 Terrapin Cellars Pinot Gris, Salem, Oregon: \$12.50 Delicious
 - 2007 “O” Wines Chardonnay, Yakima Valley: \$14 Excellent
 - 2008 King Estate “Acrobat” Pinot Gris Oregon \$11.50 89 Points W.S.
 - 2008 Dr Loosen Riesling, Germany (not too sweet!): \$11.50 Delicious (90 points)
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