

The Vintage Missive, August –September 2010

MEGA HUGE SUPER AWESOME WINE SALE!!!

Labor Day Weekend! September 2-6, ALL CASES 15% OFF!!!!

Exc. Futures, pre-sales, and wines already ordered.

205-980-9995, and visit our website: www.vintagewineshoppe.net

Pick of the Month:

**2008 Solena Pinot Noir, Grand Cuvée, Willamette Valley \$19.99 (reg. 27.99)
90 Points International Wine Cellar**

“Vivid ruby. Expansive, seductive bouquet of raspberry, cherry compote, potpourri and spice cake. Juicy red fruit flavors are braced by zesty acidity and pick up a peppery, spicy quality on the back end. This racy, precise pinot finishes with very good punch & lingering red berry and floral notes”.

We have fallen deeply in love with this wine and at this price, who wouldn't fall in love with it? But be sure to check our new Pinot Paradise for other 2008 Oregon Pinot Noirs.

Cellar Selections:

2008 Beaux Freres Willamette Pinot Noir \$49.99 (\$52.99) 93 WS This wine displays a striking minerality, plenty of forest floor along with raspberry and black current fruit profile. There is lots of structure, acidity and tannin and it cuts a complex profile framed in a hint of creamy oak.

2009 Merry Edwards Sauvignon Blanc \$38.99 (42.99) The experience of tasting this luscious Sauvignon Blanc begins with a complex, mouthwatering aroma of golden delicious and honey crisp apples accented with crème brûlée and sweet Meyer lemon.

Under 20, Over 90 Continues! Even MORE Tasty Wines

2008 Broglia Gavi di Gavi “La Meirana” \$18.99 (23.99) 90IWC: 100% Cortese, white flowers, lime and passion fruit on the nose. With some subtle hints of chalk., kiwi, vanilla custard that are lifted off the palate with bright minerality and citrus notes.

2006 Allegrini Palazzo della Torre Ripassa \$19.99 (23.99) 90 WA: 70% Corvina, 25% Rondinella and 5 % Sangiovese. 30% off the Amarone juice is added to make this Ripassa style wine. This adds another layer of complexity to this steal.

2007 Magnificent Wine Company “The Originals” Merlot, Columbia Valley, \$19.99 (22.99)90 WS: Supple and elegant with pretty red plum, rhubarb and spice flavors that glide over refined tannins. A nice hint of smoke lingers on the beautiful finish.

2008 Crios de Susana Balbo Malbec \$13.99 (15.99) 90 WA: The aromas are a mix of freshly crushed black cherries and toasty/smoky oak. The jammy fruit quality just keeps coming on strong, with hints of spice.

2009 Spy Valley Sauvignon Blanc \$17.99 (19.99) 91 WA: This wine is a classic Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc with intense flavors and crisp acid in a dry style. Lifted fruit aromas of passionfruit, and grapefruit with a background citrus character. Complex mineral and sweet pea notes add interest.

2009 Montebueno Tempranillo, Rioja \$11.99 (14.99).90 WA: This wine has a perfume of spice box, leather, tobacco, and blackberry. On the palate it is packed with ripe fruit, has great concentration, and balance.

2007 Trimbach Riesling, Alsace \$16.99 (18.99) 91 WS Bright, with green edges and a developed nose, the wine shows a hint of mineral flavor. Flavors of white peach, quince and lemon burst on the palate.

2008 Oregon Pinot Noir: Behold the Beauties...

2008 Fiddle Creek Pinot Noir "Hyland Vineyard" \$24.99 (31.99):

A new fun wine out in the Birmingham market! From one of Oregon's oldest vineyards (Hyland was planted in 1971!) This is a wonderful, deep flavored, impressive beauty made by Solena's Laurent Montalieu. It is explosive with rose petals, earth and spice. Very elegant and sophisticated.

2008 Torii Mor Black Label Pinot Noir \$21.99 (\$32.99)

This has aromas of earth, grape stems, dark berries and notes of mushrooms. The flavors show a mix of dark berries and dark cherries, earthiness, and spiciness followed by graham cracker- barrel toast.

2008 Erath Pinot Noir Willamette Valley \$15.99 (19.99)

Bright cherry and juicy red plum aromas are lifted by a hint of exotic, zesty spice. The sweet entry leads to mouth-filling cherry pie, red currant and vanilla-coffee flavors that extend into a subtle smokiness.

2008 Ransom Pinot Noir, Willamette Valley, \$23.99 (30.99) 91 WS

Polished, elegant and deftly balanced to let the gorgeous rose petal-accented currant and plum fruit float easily over the well-buffed tannins, all of it lingering elegantly.

2008 King Estate Pinot Noir, Oregon \$27.99 (29.99)

Earth, mushroom, cedar, raspberry, spice and dark cherry envelope the nose, while cherry, caramel and

Baker's Dozen: As always, 15% discount applies to full or mixed cases of these gems!

Provenquiere Chardonnay \$7.99 (9.99)

La Vieille Ferme Blanc \$7.99 (9.99)

La Vieille Ferme Rosé \$7.99 (9.99)

Kermit Lynch Vacluse \$9.99 (11.99)

Enanzo Rosé \$9.99 (10.99)

JK Estates Merlot \$8.99 (12.99)

Novy Four Mile Creek Red Blend \$10.99 (13.99)

Dom Fontsaite Corbieres Rouge 11.99 (13.99)

La Vieille Ferme Rouge \$7.99 (9.99)

Wallace Brook Pinot Gris \$8.99 (12.99)

Dom. De Regusse Pinot Noir \$11.99 (13.99)

Coussergues Chard-Viognier \$10.99 (12.99)

Frisk Prickly Riesling 8.99 (13.99)

**Tuesday, August 24th: 5-6:30
Rosenthal Imports Wine Tasting
No Charge!!!!**

August -September Tasting Schedule No Charge!

All Thurs and Fri Tastings 5-6:30

Fri Aug 20 : Newsletter

Thurs Aug 26: Back to School Sale

Fri Aug 27: Newsletter

Fri Sept 3: Jim n' Nick's BBQ

Sat Sept 4 3-4:30: South American Wines

Fri Sept 10: "Rob Presents"

Fri Sept 17: Elizabeth Spencer Wines

Thurs Sept 23: Iberian Peninsula

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**Sat Sept 25 3-4:30: Iberian Peninsula, ctd.
Spain & Portugal**

**Labor Day Weekend Gift Sale: 30% off, making this our BIGGEST
BIGGEST GIFT SALE EVER!!!
Excludes cheeses, already discounted items, and gift baskets**

August-September Wine Classes:

**ALL CLASSES REQUIRE
REGISTRATION and PREPAYMENT
Classes start at 7:00, Call 205-980-9995**

Tuesday August 31: An Intro into Ports \$40

This class is guaranteed to fill up, especially since the class comes with a free Riedel Port glass.

Tuesday Sept 14: Patti's Veggie Box \$25

We're getting' into Patti's Grow Alabama Veggie Box and cookin' and tastin' wines to go with yummy Fall Veggies!

Tues. Sept 21: Single Vineyard Pinots and more \$40

Gary's & Pisoni Single Vineyard Pinot's and more!

Tuesday Sept 21: The Basics of Wine \$25

Need to get your learn on? We have the BEST Classes!

**Congrats to our Customer Cook-Off Winner
Robbie Cameron**

To see his winning recipe, go to
www.vintagewineshoppe.net. Thanks to all
who cooked and participated!

Aldo Vacca in the 'Ham Monday Nov 8th

Aldo Vacca, general manager from
Produttori del Barbaresco will be here
pouring some of the world-famous single
vineyards from the stunning 2005 vintage.

Space is limited, tickets are \$45
Call 205-980-9995 for more information!
This will be a Wonderful Tasting!

**September Only! 20% off!
Halloween, Happy Birthday and Hand
Towels! Heck Yeah!**

**Iberian Peninsula
Open House Sept
23-24
5-6:30
Sept 25: 3-4:30
Wine Tasting & Gift
Sale 25% off**

