

Club Cork Newsletter

November 2007



From all of us at Cork Cellars we wish you a wonderful and safe holiday season

WINE OF THE MONTH CLUB – GIFT MEMBERSHIPS FOR THE HOLIDAYS!

That's right – the holiday's are here, and what better way to celebrate than to share your unique wine club experience with a co-worker, friend, family member, neighbor, or all of them! Gifts can be for either the big bang club or club cork, and can be bought in increments of 2, 4, 6 months or one year memberships. Sign up someone today! Gift membership forms can be found at http://corkcellars.com/wine_club.php.

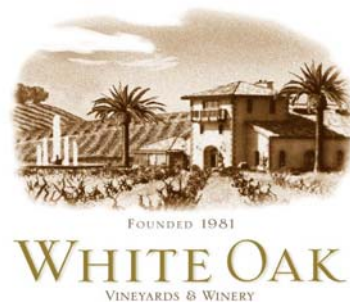
For the holiday's, we always select sparkling wines for the December white wine selections! If you currently receive 2 red wines and would like to exchange one for a bottle of sparkling wine for the December shipment, email or call me before Friday, December 21st.

DELIVERY/PICK UP DATE FOR NEXT MONTH!
Friday, December 28th

2003 White Oak Syrah – \$25 Napa Valley, California

The quick history of Napa Valley: To the Wappo Indians who first inhabited the valley, "Napa" meant a land of plenty. Spawning salmon filled the waterways, clouds of migrating waterfowl darkened the skies and the valley floor served as home to wildcats, elk, black bear and grizzlies. Wild grapes also grew in abundance, but it took early settlers to recognize the valley's potential for cultivating winegrapes. Establishing the first local homestead in what is now Yountville in 1836, George Calvert Yount was the first to plant vineyards in the valley. Now, over 200 wineries sprinkle across the 30 miles stretch of fertile land called Napa Valley.

Tasting Notes: Dramatic aromas of ripe blackberry, cranberry, dark fruit and roasted coffee. Earthy spice, toasted bread, leading to ripe black cherry flavors. Soft tannins leading to a long rich and viscous finish.
Less than 3,000 cases produced.



2005 Zind-Humbrecht Pinot D'Alsace - \$24

Alsace, France

Originally planned as a wine club selection before the write-up in the Oregonian, this is a small caption of what the paper wrote: "When you taste this extraordinary dry white wine from one of Alsace's most famous estates, you will not have even a moment's hesitation in declaring it "characterful." The words "delicious," "striking" and possibly even "unique" may also spring to mind (and lips). . . .



Domaine Zind-Humbrecht's 2005 Pinot d'Alsace is composed of two white grapes: auxerrois (70%) and pinot blanc (30%). Auxerrois is a little-known white grape the origins of which have only recently been established by genetic testing. It's an ancient cross of pinot noir and an obscure white variety called gouais blanc. Probably little more than 500 acres of auxerrois exist anywhere in the world, most of it in Alsace. . . ."

Tasting Notes: Intense, concentrated flavors of lemon zest, orange blossom and what can only be described as lemon meringue. The finish has an invigorating bitterness, as well as a very slight edge of (appealing) sweetness.

Looking for a particular wine? Call and order from Cork Cellars and have it delivered with your wine club selections! Great prices, great service – always fun!

Tasting Notes

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Napa Valley, California

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Taste:

When/Where Served:

Food with wine:

Comments:

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Previous Wine Club Selections

September 2007

Altair Sideral

\$25/bottle

6 or more: \$22.50/bottle

12 or more: \$20/bottle

Marramiero Trebbiano

\$25/bottle

6 or more: \$22.50/bottle

12 or more: \$20/bottle

October 2007

Natalie's Estate Merlot

\$25/bottle

6 or more: \$22.50/bottle

12 or more: \$20/bottle

Stag's Leap Chardonnay

SOLD OUT

CORK CELLARS DISCOUNT POLICY

10% TUESDAYS

Receive 10% OFF 3 or more bottles of wine every Tuesday (in store only)

10% OFF

Always receive 10% OFF 6 bottles or more bottles of wine (mixed okay)

10% OVER COST

Receive 10% over cost on full case orders (no mixed)