



# SEPTEMBER, 2013

## VINTAGE SELECT BUYERS' CLUB NEWSLETTER

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### 2011 AVENNIA

Three new wines from Avennia are scheduled to arrive in early September. Winemaker Chris Peterson has given us another excellent Sauvignon Blanc—the 2012 is crisp, vibrant, and full of flavor. His 2011 Avennia Red 'Justine' is a blend of 46% Grenache, 30% Mourvedre, and 24% Syrah that features black fruits and lavender. The 2011 Avennia Syrah 'Arnaut' is all from Boushey Vineyard and shows the brilliant red fruit profile and silky texture of Syrah from this vineyard.

#### 2012 Avennia Sauvignon Blanc 'Olaine'

*Yakima Valley* 25.00 20.75VS

#### 2011 Avennia Red 'Justine'

*Yakima Valley* 38.00 31.54VS

#### 2011 Avennia Syrah 'Arnaut'

*'Boushey Vineyard'* 48.00 39.84VS

### 2012 DOMAINES OTT ROSÉS

Les Domaniers Rosé is made by the staff at Domaines Ott from grapes purchased on sloped vineyards in the Côtes de Provence region. It is blended to emulate the flavors of their estate wines. The 2012 Les Domaniers Rosé shows lilac and pomegranate aromas, a watermelon flavor, and a crisp, fully dry finish. The 2012 Domaines Ott Château Romassan Bandol is a blend of 58% Mourvèdre, 32% Cinsault, and 10% Grenache. The soil on the estate is poor, being a mix of limestone, sandstone, and marine shale. Moist sea air from the Bay of Bandol compensates for the terroir's acidity and low rainfall. The result is a wine with lavender and lilac scents, a licorice note, and citrus and pomegranate aromas. On the palate, it is silky and smooth, and yet it shows the powerful flavor of Bandol rosé.

#### 2012 Domaines Ott Les Domaniers Rosé

*Côtes de Provence* 25.00 20.75VS

#### 2012 Domaines Ott Château Romassan Rosé

*Bandol* 50.00 41.50VS

### 2011 CADENCE 'CODA'

The 2011 Cadence Red 'Coda' is a blend of 34% Cabernet Sauvignon, 32% Merlot, 20% Cabernet Franc, and 14% Petit Verdot. Our tasting notes read, "great density of material, a very big Coda". This is a bigger wine than we expected, having lots of cassis and black plum flavor. The Petit Verdot adds a complexity that keeps the wine a Cadence red—elegant and nuanced.

#### 2011 Cadence Red 'Coda'

*Red Mountain* 25.00 20.75VS

The two prices reflected in this newsletter are the regular retail and the Vintage Select discount price. The Vintage Select Club is a buyer's club which saves you 17% on wine purchases (paid by cash or check) whether you buy them by the case or by the bottle. In addition, you are mailed this monthly newsletter which details the new releases, special prices and gives you advance notice of the arrival of hot new wines.

Lifetime membership fee is \$100. Be sure that you're getting the most for your money...join the Vintage Select Club.

### VISITS AT THE SHOPS

#### G.D. VAJRA PIEMONTESE WINES

We are pleased to welcome Francesca Vajra of G.D. Vajra Piemontese wines to the shops. The winery dates to 1972, but the family has had holdings in Barolo for over two centuries. Their estate vineyards are Coste de Vergne, Fossati, La Volta, and the 65 year old vines of Bricco delle Viole. On Saturday, September 28th, Francesca will be at the shops to pour a selection of the following wines.

#### 2010 G.D. Vajra Rosso

*Langhe* 15.00 12.45VS

#### 2011 G.D. Vajra Dolcetto d'Alba

17.00 14.11VS

#### 2009 G.D. Vajra Barbera d'Alba Superiore

38.00 31.54VS

#### 2009 G.D. Vajra Barolo

*'Albe'* 40.00 33.20VS

#### 2008 G.D. Vajra Barolo

*'Luigi Baudana'* 45.00 37.35VS

*Taste these wines on Saturday,*

*September 28th at both shops from 11AM-5PM*

*Francesca Vajra will be at the Ravenna shop from 11:30AM-2:00PM and at the Queen Anne shop from 2:30PM-5PM*

### DAMILANO

The Damilano family business dates back to 1890 when Giuseppe Borgogno, the great-grandfather of the winery's current owners, began to vinify his own estate wines. These wines have been shop favorites for years. We are honored to have Barbara Levi-Cavaglione visit the shops and pour her family's wines.

#### 2011 Damilano Arneis

*Langhe* 19.00 15.77VS

#### 2011 Damilano Barbera d'Asti

*'Arancio'* 17.00 14.11VS

#### 2011 Damilano Nebbiolo d'Alba

*'Marghe'* 19.00 15.77VS

#### 2009 Damilano Barolo

*'Lecinevigne'* 35.00 29.05VS

*Taste these wines on Saturday,*

*September 14th at both shops from 11AM-5PM*

*Barbara Levi-Cavaglione will be at the Ravenna shop from 11:30AM-2:00PM and at the Queen Anne shop from 2:30PM-5PM*

## 2009 CHÂTEAU LILIAN LADOUYS

Château Lilian Ladouys has typical St. Estèphe gravel, clay, and limestone terroir. The 47 hectare vineyard is planted with 58% Cabernet Sauvignon, 37% Merlot, and 5% Cabernet Franc, and the vine age is from 40 to 60 years of age. The wine is aged on average in 40% new French oak barrels for between 14 and 16 months. The annual production of Château Lilian Ladouys is close to 20,000 cases of wine per year.

**2009 Château Lilian Ladouys**  
*Saint Estèphe* 26.00 21.58VS

## FEATURED WINES: DOMAINE LABET - CÔTES DU JURA

Wines of the Côtes du Jura are being discovered. The best producers make exceptional wines. Domaine Labet is one of these, are we will sample a range of these on Saturday, September 21st at both shops.

**2011 Domaine Labet Fleur de Savignin 'En Chalasse'**  
*Côtes du Jura* 30.00 24.90VS

**2011 Domaine Labet Chardonnay 'En Chalasse'**  
*Côtes du Jura* 33.00 27.39VS

**2010 Domaine Labet Chardonnay 'Les Varrons'**  
*Côtes du Jura* 33.00 27.39VS

**2010 Domaine Labet Pinot Noir 'Les Varrons'**  
*Côtes du Jura* 30.00 24.90VS

**2005 Domaine Labet Macvin du Jura**  
*Côtes du Jura* 42.00 34.86VS

**2007 Domaine Labet 'Le Paille Perdue'**  
*Côtes du Jura 375ml* 60.00 49.80VS

*Taste a selection of the above wines on Saturday,  
September 21st at both shops from 11AM-5PM*

## CHAMPAGNE TASTING

We are pleased to offer a free Saturday tasting of new Champagnes on Saturday, September 21st at both shops.

**Champagne Bérèche & Fils Brut Réserve**  
*Montagne de Reims* 48.00 39.84VS

**Champagne Jacques Lassaigue**  
*'Les Vignes de Montgueax'* 55.00 45.65VS

**Champagne Demarne-Frison Brut Nature**  
*'Goustan'* 65.00 53.95VS

**Champagne Vouette et Sorbée Extra Brut**  
*'Fidèle'* 66.00 54.78VS

*Taste a selection of these Champagnes on Saturday,  
September 21st at both shops from 11AM-5PM*

## OWEN ROE YAKIMA TREATS

Winemaker David O'Reilly is fine tuning his interest in the vineyards of Yakima. Three new wines show exceptional character and highlight the excellent fruit grown in Yakima Valley. The 2012 Owen Roe Chardonnay 'DuBrul Vineyard' has a bouquet of tree fruits—crisp and rich at the same time. The flavor is quince and there is good acidity. The 2011 Owen Roe Syrah 'Lady Rosa' shows smoked meat aromas and spices. The 2011 Owen Roe Syrah 'Chapel Block' has a big black cherry nose with lots of spice and a bright mid-palate. The finish reminds one of fresh roast coffee.

**2012 Owen Roe Chardonnay 'DuBrul Vineyard'**  
*Yakima Valley* 50.00 41.50VS

**2011 Owen Roe Red Syrah 'Lady Rosa'**  
*Yakima Valley* 47.00 39.01VS

**2011 Owen Roe Syrah 'Chapel Block'**  
*'Red Willow Vineyard'* 57.00 47.31VS

## NEW TRANCHE CELLARS REDS

Three wines from Tranche Cellars have just arrived. The 2010 Tranche Tempranillo shows the dusty earth note so classic of wines from Ribera del Duero. The 2010 Tranche Sangiovese reminds one of Tuscan reds with its dried cherry, plum, and tobacco elements. The 2008 Tranche Red 'Slice of Pape' shows its southern Rhône blend style, having lots of raspberry, red plum, and tea leaf.

**2010 Tranche Cellars Tempranillo Estate**  
*Columbia Valley* 30.00 24.90VS

**2010 Tranche Cellars Sangiovese Estate**  
*Walla Walla Valley* 30.00 24.90VS

**2008 Tranche Cellars Red 'Slice of Pape'**  
*Columbia Valley* 35.00 29.05VS

## 2011 BETZ FAMILY

The 2011 Betz Family Grenache 'Bésoleil' is all about lavender and rose petals, pomegranate, and cumin. The 2011 Betz Family Syrah 'La Serenne' has a crazy boysenberry aroma, white pepper, and a fresh grape flavor. The 2001 Betz Family Syrah 'La Côte Rousse' is all about blueberries. It is a tame version of a Betz Family Syrah, but that is still a big wine!

**2011 Betz Family Grenache 'Bésoleil'**  
*Columbia Valley (Limited)* 41.95 net

**2011 Betz Family Syrah 'La Serenne'**  
*Yakima Valley (Limited)* 52.95 net

**2011 Betz Family Syrah 'La Côte Rousse'**  
*Red Mountain (Limited)* 52.95 net

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## ANALEMMA - COLUMBIA GORGE

Winemakers Steven Thompson and Kris Fade both had strong backgrounds in biodynamic farming when they decided to move to the Columbia Gorge to tend the Atavus Vineyard. They are purists in their work, and the results show in the purity of their wines—having a creamy texture, ripe berry fruit flavors, and very pleasing, lingering finishes.

### 2012 Analemma Rosé 'Atavus Vineyard'

Columbia Gorge (Limited) 25.00 20.75VS

### 2012 Analemma Pinot Noir 'Oak Ridge Vineyard'

Columbia Gorge (Limited) 32.00 26.56VS

## 2011 KERLOO REDS

Winemaker Ryan Crane crafts silky textured wines that are unfiltered and unfiltered. Minimal new wood is used and the results are wines that taste of the place where the grapes were grown. The 2011 Kerloo Grenache tastes of raspberry and blueberry, with a hint of black licorice. The 2011 Kerloo Syrah is all about sweet fig, white pepper, and blueberry. The 2011 Kerloo Tempranillo shows Bing cherry, juniper berry, and rose petals.

### 2011 Kerloo Cellars Grenache

Horse Heaven Hills 42.00 34.86VS

### 2011 Kerloo Cellars Syrah

Walla Walla Valley 42.00 34.86VS

### 2011 Kerloo Cellars Tempranillo

Columbia Valley 37.00 30.71VS

## 2011 NICOLAS ROSSIGNOL

Tasting the range of 2011 Domaine Nicolas Rossignol Burgundies, one is struck by the obvious differences of the vineyard terroir. Nicolas varies the oak usage based on the character of the wines, and he individually selects the percentage of whole clusters used based on the nature of the vintage. These are at the top of the 2011 reds from Burgundy. Only small quantities are available.

### 2011 Domaine Nicolas Rossignol Bourgogne Rouge

25.00 20.75VS

### 2011 Domaine Nicolas Rossignol Beaune 1er Cru

'Clos du Roy' (Limited) 62.00 51.46VS

### 2011 Domaine Nicolas Rossignol Pommard

'Les Vignots' (Limited) 70.00 58.10VS

### 2011 Domaine Nicolas Rossignol Volnay 1er Cru

'Santenots' (Limited) 76.00 63.08VS

### 2011 Domaine Nicolas Rossignol Volnay 1er Cru

'Chevret' (Limited) 96.00 79.68VS

### 2011 Domaine Nicolas Rossignol Pommard 1er Cru

'Premiers' (Limited) 120.00 99.60VS

## 2012 HIPPOLYTE REVERDY SANCERRE

Hippolyte Reverdy's family has made Sancerre wines in the village of Verdigny since the 1600's. Winemaker Michel Reverdy devotes his time to managing the domaine, a total of 14 hectares with 11 planted to Sauvignon Blanc and 3 to Pinot Noir. The 2012 Hippolyte Reverdy Sancerre is magnificent—a perfect expression of the balance of fruit, minerality, and acidity that makes Sancerre such a match with food. It can stand up to rich sauces or pair with raw oysters. It may be the most versatile white wine type available.

### 2012 Hippolyte Reverdy Sancerre

27.00 22.41VS

## 2011 MALANDES CHABLIS

The 29 hectare Domaine des Malandes is blessed with a unique terroir—Kimmeridgian soil which gives its wines minerality and liveliness. The Domaine is managed by Lyne Marchive who meticulously maintains the vineyards and oversees the winemaking team. The 2011 Chablis have an excellent balance of fruit and racy acidity. They are perfect with local seafoods.

### 2011 Domaine des Malandes Chablis 1er Cru

'Côte de Léchet' 26.00 21.58VS

### 2011 Domaine des Malandes Chablis 1er Cru

'Montmains Vieilles Vignes' 27.00 22.41VS

## 2011 ATTECA 'OLD VINES'

The 2011 Atteca Old Vines comes from 80 to 120-year-old Garnacha vines that are hand-harvested. The arid, mineral-rich soils of hillside vineyards 3,000 feet above sea level are home to Garnacha vines that yield a staggeringly small amount of fruit—only 1 ton per 2.5 acres. This is a delicious red that shows the rich fruit of these old vines.

### 2011 Atteca 'Old Vines'

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## 2011 DOMAINE DAGUENEAU

The 2011 Domaine Dagueneau wines are due to arrive in September. We will receive a tiny allocation.

### 2011 Domaine Dagueneau Blanc Fumé de Pouilly

(Limited) 85.00 70.55VS

### 2011 Domaine Dagueneau Pouilly-Fumé

'Pur Sang' (Limited) 110.00 91.30VS

### 2011 Domaine Dagueneau Pouilly-Fumé

'Silex' (Limited) 140.00 116.20VS

Queen Anne Hours

Tuesday-Friday 11-7

Saturday 10-6

Closed Sunday & Monday

Ravenna Hours

Tuesday-Friday 10:30-6:30

Saturday 10-6

Closed Sunday & Monday



